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### President's Column

Our annual elections will be held this month. The ballot was finalized at the January Membership Meeting, and voting will take place in the clubhouse on February 15th from noon to 8pm. Bring your membership ID, and vote for the candidates of your choice for officers and directors for the upcoming year. An absentee ballot may be obtained upon written request.

The candidates are:

President . . . . . Steve Reed  
First Vice President . . . . . Jim Walter  
Second Vice President . . . . . Open  
Treasurer . . . . . John Harden  
Membership Secretary . . . . . Charlie Unbehaun  
Recording Secretary . . . . . Fred Girbach

Directors:

Region 1 . . . . . Tom Lewandowski (incumbent)  
   Jim Dunbar  
   Martin Clifford  
Region 2 . . . . . Vic Chevrette  
Region 3 . . . . . Dick Cupka  
   Tim McCandless  
Region 4 . . . . . Dave Vandermark (incumbent)

We are a membership club, and we are also a business. The officers run the day-to-day business of the Club through the direction of the Board of Directors. Without such devoted officers and directors, we would be a diminished club.

The Club bylaws define term limits on some of the officers and on the directors. Mark Smokowicz is term limited as 2nd VP. The office of 2nd VP is critical to the operation of the clubhouse and our hall rentals. Mark has excelled in that position, often doubling as kitchen chair. Thank you, Mark. Earl Austin is term limited as Region 3 Director. Thank you, Earl. Jeff Gage is not running again for Region 2 director. Thank you, Jeff.

We are looking for a 2nd VP and a kitchen chair. Each of these is a considerable commitment. The rewards are serving the Club and the community and learning new skills. We need you!

I sent out numerous emails to members inviting them to consider running as an officer or as a director. I received a very good response. Those who are able to run for a Director's seat are Jim Dunbar and Martin Clifford in Region 1, Vic Chevrette in Region 2, and Dick Cupka and Tim McCandless in Region 3. Incumbent candidates are Tom Lewandowski in Region 1 and Dave Vandermark in Region 4. Thank you, all, for running for a Director's seat.

Steve Reed is running again for president. Steve is a past president and former chair of the Education Committee. The Club will be in capable hands with Steve as president. Returning officer candidates are Jim Walter, 1st VP; John Harden, Treasurer; Charlie Unbehaun, Membership Secretary, and Fred Girbach, Recording Secretary. As mentioned previously, the officers devote considerable time and talent to run this business.

In January, we presented the annual Club awards. Member of the Year is Tim Grapentien. Tim spearheaded and coordinated the new Trap berm and the upgrading of the Turkey Bay berms, recruited Nick as Trap Chair, operated the clubhouse well, and invited many

prospects to become members. Congratulations, Tim. Associate of the Year is Deb Thompson. Deb is active in many of the larger events, transfers the data from the sign-in books to spreadsheets to easily see range usage and trends, and assisted in the production of this monthly newsletter when Val was injured last January. Congratulations, Deb. Val Kabat earned the Leadership Award. Val chairs KORD, creates and publishes the monthly newsletter, is active on both the Finance and Safety committees, has great skill in both business operations and people, and completes the forms for an NRA grant each year. Congratulations Val. These are but a few of the contributions from Tim, Deb, and Val to our Club.

Even with our normal February cold, we have range events. Trap continues each Sunday. Let's recognize Nick C. for the weekly operation of the Trap Range. Thanks, Nick. Rifle has a match on the 17th. Wednesday morning range time alternates between rifle and pistol. Inside activities include the Sunday Breakfast on the 4th and the Steak Fry on the 23rd. Burger night precedes the Club meetings on the 15th. Come and get a great meal each of those days. Help is needed for these, especially the breakfast. Check the calendar for Education and Orientation times.

The IDPA website has migrated to our [tcsi.org website](http://tcsi.org). The link is on the homepage menu bar. Thanks, Mark. York Township has moved the polling place from the clubhouse to another location. Our friends in Lansing have enacted, or are considering, legislation that would prohibit possession of a firearm within a certain distance to a polling place. Our discussions with York Township included the possibility of turmoil to both the election and to our members if the legislation is enacted and we go about our club activities on an election day. Lansing's disregard of established local partnerships is unfortunate. We have a chance to remove many of them from power this November. Then we can see IF the other side will reverse many of the current ideological measures. Gerry and Sue Chie were in town for a wedding and held the rehearsal dinner in the clubhouse. It's always good to see old friends. We had a watch party for the Michigan Rose Bowl and championship games. Good times, good food, good fellowship, and great results. Thanks to Carol G. for the idea and the organization.

Many big-ticket items have failed recently. Critical parts of the entire heating plant for the second floor needed replacing. Bar and kitchen refrigeration units have gone kaput and need replacing. As I write, we are battling roof leaks from the flat roof on the north side of the building. The wet and water-laden snow mid-month froze on the roof and hindered drainage. And where did that water go? Into the building. Go figure! The Booster Club is still accepting donations to cover such unexpected expenses. A donation to a specific project or expense is also welcome.

May we all have a safe and rewarding month. Sunshine, warmer temperatures, and green are on the horizon.

Sincerely,  
[Stuart Berry](#)

# FEBRUARY

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## 2024 Rifle Match Schedule

Sat, Feb 17  
100-yd HP Bench Match (10am start)

Sat, Mar 16  
March Madness Match (10am start)

Sat, Apr 20  
Lever Action Match (10am start)

Sat, May 4  
Cavalry Match (10am start)

Sat, May 18  
Military Match (10am start)

Sat, Jun 29  
185-yd HP Bench Match (10am start)

Thur, Jul 11  
IBS 22LR 100-yd Match (6:30pm start)

Sat, Jul 27  
Kentucky Windage 22LR Match (10am start)

Thur, Aug 1  
IBS 22LR 100-yd Match (6:30pm start)

Sat, Aug 10  
March Madness Match (10am start)

Thur, Aug 22  
IBS 22LR 100-yd Match (6:30pm start)

Sat, Sept 21 - Military Match (10am start)

Thur, Sept 26  
IBS 22LR 100-yd Match (6:00pm start)

Sat, Oct 5  
185-yd HP Bench Match (10am start)

Sat, Oct 19  
Military Match (10am start)

Sat, Nov 9  
Trench Match (10am start)

Sat, Nov 23  
March Madness Match (10am start)

Sat, Dec 14  
White Elephant Match (10am start)

[Dave.Vandermark.rifle@TCSL.org](mailto:Dave.Vandermark.rifle@TCSL.org)



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## Hunters Education

We strive to recruit the most qualified instructors and provide them with the materials and training necessary to conduct recreational education courses in hunter education.

- There are not enough conservation officers to conduct training in every community in the state. Although conservation officers are active in the recreational safety programs, they generally do not have enough time to conduct entire training classes along with their many other duties.
- Volunteers provide skills and expertise otherwise not available within the agency. Examples of such skills include professional teaching experience, specialty safety training, and specialty outdoor recreation training.
- Volunteers are often well-established local citizens who can help create community interest in the course. They usually have extensive local contacts, are aware of community needs, and can facilitate setting up local classes.

The new year will bring some changes to the program as it involves new volunteer instructors training. These changes are meant to improve each instructor's skill set and confidence and to ensure that courses are being taught to a similar standard across the state.

I encourage and will assist anyone who has an interest in becoming involved. I know you'll enjoy all the other benefits. Giving to others can also help protect mental and physical health. It can reduce stress, combat depression, keep one mentally stimulated, and provide a sense of purpose.

There was a handful of hunting incidents this year, and they can largely be attributed to basic hunter safety violations; however, Michigan's numbers remain low. That number cannot realistically be brought down to zero, due to human inherent inclination to some careless behavior; but we try. Both the "hunter orange" law and declines in hunter numbers have contributed to the lower numbers. As have the mandatory hunter education classes, which also includes teaching the laws.

You, too, can be a part of this. It only costs you your time. There are currently six people on the Hunter Education Committee, plus some range officers who are involved on the range. The more we have, the lighter the task for each; and it makes it more fun for all. We could also bring up our class numbers.

Thank you, volunteers, for all you do!

[Jon N. Yost](#)  
[Hunters Education Committee](#)



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## Winter Rifle Match Held

Our first Winter Rifle Bench Match for 2024 was held on Saturday, January 20, at the 100-yard rifle range with 4 shooters.

Results of the match:

<u>Place</u>	<u>Shooter</u>	<u>Rifle</u>	<u>Round</u>	<u>Score</u>
<u>Scoped Division</u>				
1st Place	Pete Stumpo	Unknown Bolt	308 Win	100-10x
2nd Place	Jerry Marken	AR-15	223 Rem	100-7x
3rd Place	Nick Bowen	AR-15	223 Rem	100-6x

<u>Iron Sight Division</u>				
1st Place	Dave Vandermark	1896 U.S. Krag	30-40 Krag	99-2x

Not bad shooting for it never getting above 5 degrees! Multiple hand warmers were had by all! Our next Winter Rifle Bench Match will be held on Saturday, February 17, and is open to all TCSL members and guests. Registration starts at 9am, and the match begins at 10am. A short safety briefing will be held prior to the match. Fees for the match will be \$10 for members and \$15 for guests. You can compete with any style rifle (no full autos), foreign or domestic, modern or vintage, with iron sights or scope.

The winter matches are conducted from the bench rest, and course of fire is 10 rounds sight-in over a period of 10 minutes followed by 10 rounds for score over a period of 8 minutes. Highest score wins. Bring 20 rounds of safe ammunition, safety or shooting glasses, hearing protection, registration fee, and appropriate warm clothing. A spotting scope is useful, and you may also bring rests or other positioning gear. Some blocks and sand bags are available. No rear bags or rests will be used. For further information or questions contact Dave Vandermark at [rifle@TCSL.org](mailto:rifle@TCSL.org).



## Harry's Auto Service

221 E Michigan Ave.  
Saline, MI 48176  
734-429-9930



## Country Breakfast Tri-County Sportsmen's League!

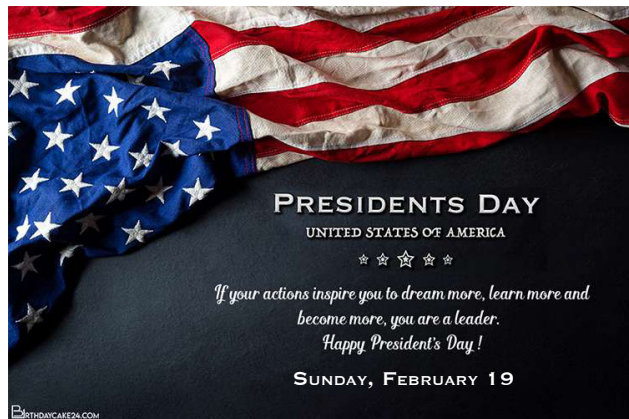
**Sunday, February 4 - 8-11:30am**

Come Enjoy Breakfast with Friends.

Open to the Public.  
It's a great place to meet old friends  
and make new ones.

\$8 for adults  
\$4 children (12 and under)  
Children under 5 are FREE

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### March Newsletter

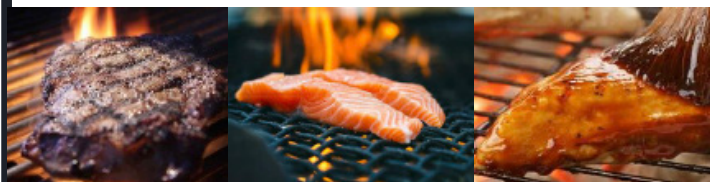
Absolute deadline for article submission:  
February 24

[newsletter@tcsi.org](mailto:newsletter@tcsi.org)

For advertising information and  
(very reasonable) rates:  
[tcsi.org/newsletters](http://tcsi.org/newsletters)

## Tri-County's Flame-Broiled Steak Fry Friday, February 23 • 5-7pm

Flame-Broiled Ribeye, Salmon, or Chicken



Steak . . . . . \$25.00  
Salmon . . . . . \$20.00  
Chicken . . . . . \$15.00

Meal includes:

Main Entree Above, Plus  
Salad, Roll, Potatoes, Vegetable, Baked Beans, and Dessert.

Children (5-12) . . . . . \$10.00  
Children (under 5) . . . . . Free

Meal includes:

Hamburger or Hot Dog, Mac & Cheese, Salad, Roll,  
Vegetable, Baked Beans, and Dessert.

**Open to the public.**

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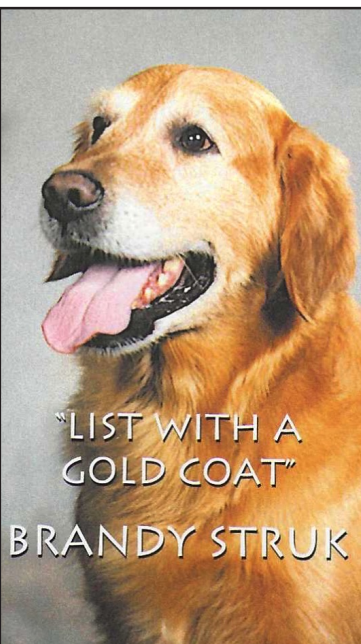
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## Range Reminders

Just a few reminders to address some issues that are popping up more recently:

- Be mindful of your fellow members and shooters on the range you are using.
- Communication is important, not just for when the range needs to go “hot” or “cold,” but also be sure that other shooters are aware of when you arrive or leave. It's important that we all know who we are looking out for at any given time. Make sure you are noticed, and take note of other shooters.
- Be sure, when you sign in, to accurately list what caliber(s) or gauge(s) you are shooting. This information is critical if there is ever a complaint or damage so we can easily see what was going on at any given time.
- Monitor your target placement. Make sure the backstop is fully behind your target. Know that your shot will not skip off the ground or hit overhead structures before getting to the backstop. If you change positions (sit, squat, prone, or stand), be sure your target is adjusted, if necessary, to hit the backstop. Bad target placement (and bad shooting) results in damage to the ranges and the possibility of rounds going off property. If you make a change in what you're doing, your target probably needs to change as well.
- Remember that your guest is your responsibility in terms of safety, range rules, house-keeping, behavior, etc. They may not know what to do until you tell them. Make sure they are set up and know what's expected before you get going yourself. Make sure they enjoy our Club, and be a good example for them to follow.
- Do not handle firearms and ammunition while people are down range. This includes packing up your gear from the benches. When the range is cold, those still at the shooting lines should move behind the yellow safety lines.
- Remove your targets when you are done shooting. If the timing isn't working with other shooters' breaks, you can always ask if another shooter would be willing to pull your targets down when they are done. But it is your responsibility to make sure it gets done. Adhesive targets are great, until you want to remove them. Stapling or using push pins is preferable to placing an adhesive target on the backer boards.
- Pick up your casings when you are done, and put any rests or carpets you used back on the shelf. There are collection boxes for any metal cases (brass, aluminum, and steel) you do not want to take home, and the club will sort them and put them to use. Empty shotshells should be put in the trash bins. We are seeing a lot of shot shells left on the rifle and action ranges. It's kind of hard not to see them. Please don't leave them for someone else. Shooters on the trap range always pick up their spent hulls. Let's make sure we do it on the other ranges as well.

You should not be driving over the creek and onto the pistol ranges and parking unless you need to use the handicap spot by the pistol house or are doing work on the ranges (like maintenance or special events). The chain is up across the drive for a reason. If you do need to drive in, please be sure to put the chain back up. Having more gear than you can carry in one trip does not constitute a need.

## Did You Know?

### On this Day in History:

Feb. 1, 1960 - In Greensboro, North Carolina, four African American students sat down and ordered coffee at a lunch counter inside a Woolworth's store.

Feb. 1, 2003 - Sixteen minutes before it was scheduled to land, the Space Shuttle Columbia broke apart in flight over west Texas, killing all seven crew members.

Feb. 6, 1895 (d. 1948) - Legendary baseball player George Herman “Babe” Ruth was born in Baltimore, Maryland.

Feb. 6, 1952 - King George VI of England died. Upon his death, his daughter Princess Elizabeth became Queen Elizabeth II.

Feb. 8, 1910 - The Boy Scouts of America was founded by William Boyce in Washington, D.C., modeled after the British Boy Scouts.

Feb. 9, 1773 (d. 1841) - William Henry Harrison, the 9th U.S. President was born in Berkeley, Virginia. He took office on March 4, 1841, and died only 32 days later after developing pneumonia from the cold weather during his inaugural ceremonies.

Feb. 11, 1990 - In South Africa, Nelson Mandela, at age 71, was released from prison after serving 27 years of a life sentence.

Feb. 14, 1929 - The St. Valentine's Day massacre occurred in Chicago, as seven members of the Bugs Moran gang were gunned down by five of Al Capone's mobsters posing as police.

Feb. 20, 1962 - Astronaut John Glenn became the first American launched into orbit.

*note: Not intended to be an exhaustive list!*

February is  
American Heart Month



## TCSL RANGE HOURS

**Monday-Saturday:**  
Shooting may begin  
no earlier than 10am

**Sunday:**  
Shooting may begin  
no earlier than 12noon

**Every Day:**  
Shooting must cease  
by 8pm or sunset, whichever  
occurs earlier.

## Memorial & Wellbeing Celebration & Thanks

Joseph E. Lathers, 74, passed away on January 24, with his loving family by his side.



Joseph owned and operated the Milan Lumber Company for many years; and after that was sold, he worked for several years at Ace Hardware. He was an avid hunter and fisherman, who was a member of Tri-County Sportsmen's League. He loved sports, most notably watching the Michigan Wolverines and Detroit Tigers baseball.

He is survived by his longtime partner, Bonnie Viets; daughters Gail (Brad) Harris, Kristy (Paul) Zochowski, step-daughter Kirsten (Scott) Barrett; and an extended family of many others, including his sister Connie (Dex) Hoyer.

Funeral services were on January 30 at [Ochalek-Stark Funeral Home in Milan](#).



James Bernard Werstein, age 96 of Maybee, passed away January 12. He was born on May 15, 1927, in London Township and was a life-long farmer. He proudly served in the U.S. Army and then returned home to marry Opal Masson, the love of his life, in 1951. She predeceased him in death in 2006.

James also worked at Kaiser-Frazer, was a woodsman at La-Z-Boy, worked at Banas & Wrobel Lumber, and worked more than 23 years at Ford Motor Company Ypsilanti Plant. He was a faithful member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Maybee and St. Patrick Catholic Church in Carleton. He was a life member of Tri-County Sportsmen's League and Michigan United Conservation Club and a member of the Monroe Moose Lodge.

James leaves behind several children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He is survived by his brother Frank. His family is grateful for the care he received at [Harmony Hospice Care Ohio](#).

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in honor of James may be made to [St. Patrick School](#) in Carleton. For more information or to leave an online condolence, please visit [www.allore.com](#).



Please send items for this column to [newsletter@tcsl.org](mailto:newsletter@tcsl.org).

## MUCC

Jim Pryce and I presented our annual report for the MUCC Committee at the TCSL Membership meeting in January. We reviewed the meetings where we represented TCSL: MUCC Convention, Executive Board meetings, Conservation Policy Board meetings, Finance Committee meetings, and Region 8 meetings. Other meetings included the Natural Resources Commission meetings, Crystal Waters SGA, and Wolf Management meetings. We also reported on areas where we expect to represent TCSL during 2024.

We presented the need to determine if TCSL is interested in sponsoring any kids for the MUCC Youth Camp this summer. If you know of anyone who may be interested in attending camp, please contact me as soon as possible so that we can see what support might be available. We can reserve a place at camp prior to March 1 - before registration opens to the public). If you're looking for more information, please contact me or visit [www.mucccamp.org](http://www.mucccamp.org).

MUCC sends the "Conservation Insider" by email to all MUCC members on a regular basis. I recommend that, if you're not already doing so, you take a few minutes to read it and see what's going on with MUCC - with and for its members.

If any TCSL member is interested in more information and/or in being involved with MUCC programs and activities, please contact Jim or Kris. Thank you!

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734-691-9749

[Kris Matthew, wkris matt@aol.com](mailto:wkris matt@aol.com)  
734-646-3763

### Save the Dates!

Friday, March 22

#### Depot Town Big Band

in our upstairs ballroom from 7-9pm

\$5 cover

Area for dancing will be available.

Yes, this is a Steak Fry Night!

contact: Val Kabat

[valkabat@comcast.net](mailto:valkabat@comcast.net), 734-355-0708

Saturday, April 13

#### 6th Annual

#### Sacks & Parent Memorial Shoot

Maybee Sportsman's Club - 10am

Spectators Welcome

contact: Susan Duda-Osborne

[salinetrapp@gmail.com](mailto:salinetrapp@gmail.com), 734-320-6597

## Membership

Five people submitted applications in January. The new applicants are:

Aaron Corker - Probationary  
John Hoo - Probationary  
Quentin Smith - Probationary  
Jeff Gutz - Probationary  
Tucker Francoeur - Probationary

Two applicants attended orientation, and they have been approved by the Board of Directors, so please welcome them to the Club:

David Birch - Probationary  
Jason Rohrabugh - Probationary

Current probationary members' renewal notices will be sent to them 4 to 6 weeks before their membership expires. Please check your membership card for the expiration date.

The current membership includes 27 Associates, 7 Juniors, 24 Life, 4 Military, 55 Probationary, 7 Past Presidents, 2 Probationary Young Adults, 225 Regular, 75 Senior, and 4 Young Adults, totaling 430.

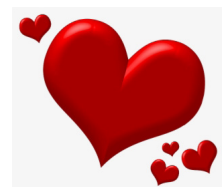
If you have any questions about renewals or volunteer hours, please contact me at [membership@tcsl.org](mailto:membership@tcsl.org).

Also just as a reminder: the Board of Directors voted to increase the annual dues to \$180 and the annual range pass to \$80. The volunteer hours range pass reduction has been changed to \$20 for 20 hours, \$40 for 40 hours, \$60 for 60 hours, and a free range pass for 80 hours or more. These rates will take effect on March 1, 2024. We have sent out renewal notices that reflect these changes.

I have compiled the volunteer hours and sent a summary to the board members and committee chairs. The total volunteer hours that were contributed to the Club in 2023 were 12,680. If you do the math, this is equivalent to over 6 person-years. Thank you to all of our members who have volunteered. This is the only way that we can keep the Club going.

Thanks,

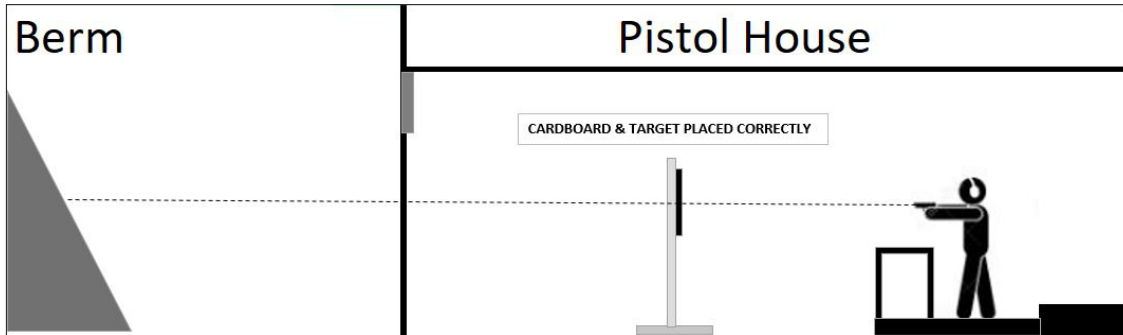
[Charlie Unbehaun](#)  
[Membership Secretary](#)



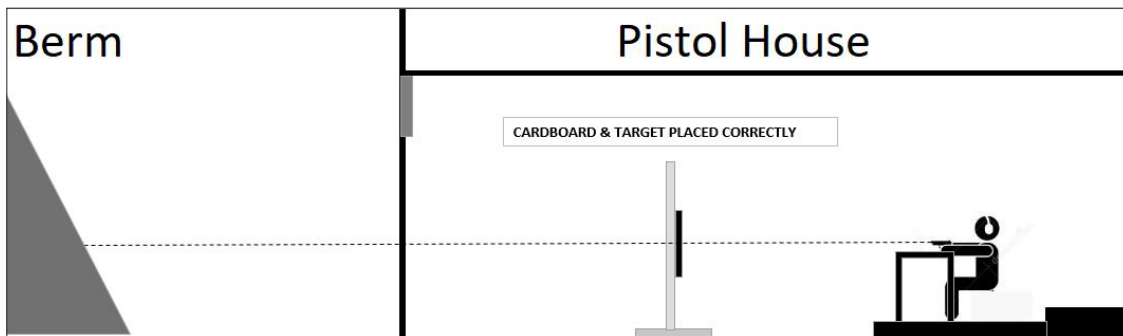
## Target Alignment: A Top Priority!

At Tri-County target placement and sight alignment are very important to the overall safety of our ranges. Knowing your target and what is behind it is one of the fundamentals of safe shooting.

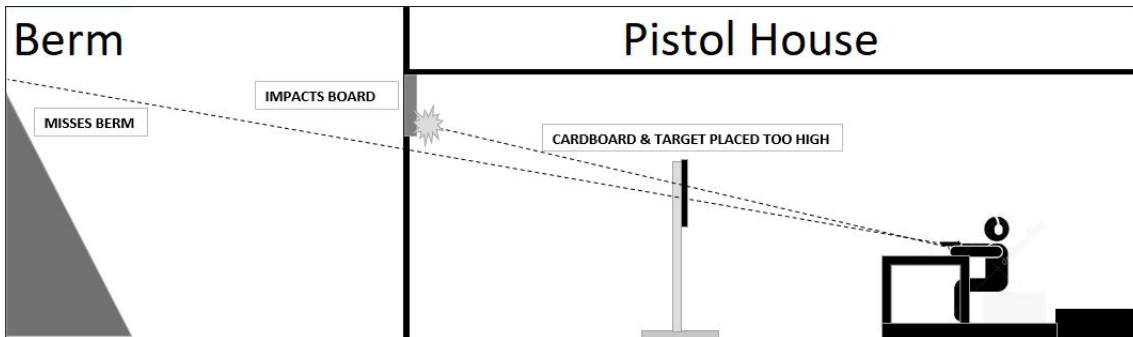
In the Pistol House we strive to place the cardboard target backers at the correct standing positions for average shooters, however people come in all sizes.



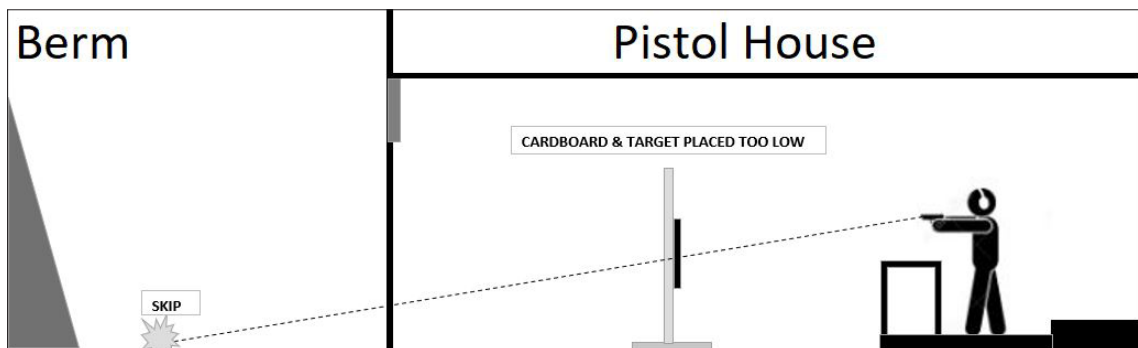
Many people enjoy shooting while seated or sighting in their pistols using a bench rest. This requires the cardboard and target to be placed at a lower position to properly impact the berm.



It is very important to remember to lower the cardboard and target to ensure proper target alignment, failing to do so can result in damage to the building or missing the berm entirely.



We ask that if you lower the cardboard for sitting you replace it to the original higher position when you have completed shooting. Shooters have been observed negligently shooting at low cardboard from a standing position. Remember you must always check your target alignment to prevent skips, this is especially important in the winter when the ground may be frozen.





## Booster Club

### DONATE TO

#### *Tri-County Sportsmen's League*

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\$10 \$50 \$100

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Or mail a check to:

*Tri-County Sportsmen's League*  
*Attn: Booster Club*

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The mission of the Booster Club is to raise funds to supplement TCSL's traditional funding through member dues. These funds will help to ensure that TCSL can continue to: Promote sportsmen and women in the betterment of hunting, fishing, hiking, camping, boating, shooting.

- Host social activities for our members.
- Provide leadership for our youth.
- Participate in citizen action in the legislative process.
- Protect our environment.



## Women On Target Saturday June 8

Planning is underway for Women On Target 2024, and our next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 13, at 6:30pm in the clubhouse. (No meeting in February.)

Volunteers are needed! Here are just some of the volunteer spots that need filling:

Range coaches (about 70) Guides (7)  
 Kitchen help (5 - 6)  
 Work on raffle (2-3)  
 Event check-in (3-4)  
 Horn table (1)  
 Moving supplies to and from ranges (2-3)  
 And many more!

We depend on volunteers to assist in a myriad of other jobs on the days and weeks leading up to the event: setting up the ranges on Friday; setting up tables; preparing for Saturday morning arrival of participants; preparing "goody bags," sanitizing and packaging eyes and ears for participants and various workers, picking up supplies.

We need your help obtaining donations of items for the prize baskets and the gorgeous hanging flower baskets for our raffle.

Sponsors are needed to help defray the cost for this event. We appreciate your help in soliciting sponsors and donors. Informational Sponsorship Packets are available at the club, or we will be happy to send one to you via email.

Registration will open on Monday, April 1. We will again be taking online registration and payments, allowing for participants to register, sign the waiver, order their event T-Shirt, and pay the \$125 registration fee. We are limited to 70 women on a first-come basis. We fill up quickly, so please remind your interested friends to mark their calendars to register early by going to [TCSL.org/events](https://TCSL.org/events)!

Please let us know your availability and willingness to help.



Carol Grubb, [WOT@tcsl.org](mailto:WOT@tcsl.org)  
734-417-9599.

## Kids on the Range Day Saturday, July 13

Please join us for our second planning meeting on Wednesday, March 13, at 6:30pm in the clubhouse. (No meeting in February.)

If you've volunteered for this event before, you know how much fun it can be! If you haven't, come out and give it a try. Most of the kids have little to no experience, and it's fun to watch them as they're introduced to the fun of sport shooting.

This year's KORD will follow the same basic format as always, but constructive suggestions about how to improve the event are welcome! Many of you already know the drill; but we're always looking for new volunteers.

Our "needs" list is pretty much the same as the one for Women On Target, though on a bit smaller scale. Please think about a role you might like to play this year.

While KORD and WOT share many similarities, there are also some important differences. For instance, KORD volunteers must submit a background check—done through the Michigan State Police's ICHAT website. It's a pretty painless process (though it does cost \$10), but the site isn't as user friendly as it might be. I'll bring a handout explaining the process to the meeting on the 14th. And if you'd rather not deal with it, I'll be happy to do it for you. I'll just need your birthdate—and the \$10, of course.

I hope to see many of you on the 14th. I know July seems like a long time from now, but it will be here before we know it!

Reminder: I'd love to hear from someone who'd like to take over this event for 2025.

Questions? Let me know.



Val Kabat, [KORD@TCSL.org](mailto:KORD@TCSL.org)

### MONTHLY WOT/KORD Planning Meetings

2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm:

March 13 • April 10

May 29 - Volunteer Dinner

July 10 - KORD Volunteers only



## A Blast from Tri-County's Past

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MEN'S DIVISION II Through June 6		
	W	L
Tri-County	7	1
Immaculate Conception	5	2
Bimac	5	2
Richard's Construction	5	2
Spaulding Taxidermy	3	3
Lawrny Pontiac-Olds	3	3
Saline Ford	3	3
Local 600	2	4
Fruehauf	3	5
American Sun Sol	1	6
Milan Moose	0	6

### JUNE 2 RESULTS

**Tri-County 3, Spaulding Taxidermy 0**—Jim Chie's second-inning homer provided Tri-County the only run it needed as Doug Esch pitched a four-hitter. Kirk Seabloom tripled in a run in the fifth inning and scored the finale on Ken Stewart's sacrifice fly.

**American Sun Sol 19, Milan Moose 3**—Sun Sol scored seven runs in the sixth inning enroute to its first victory. Harold Littlefield powered two home runs for five RBIs, with Dan Gimson adding two hits and two RBIs and Charlie Agner chipping in three hits and three runs. Mike Gibson knocked in one Moose run and scored the other.

**Richard's Construction 3, Bimac 1**—All the runs were scored in the first two innings of this well-played game. Winning pitcher Rex Plasters had a five-hitter and went 3-for-3 with an RBI and a run scored. Jim Bice also knocked in a Richard's run, while the losers' Roger White went 3-for-3.

**Saline Ford 10, Immaculate Conception 7**—Four runs in each of the third and fourth innings helped the winners, who received three hits and as many RBIs from Jessie Butler. Gary Stralnic and Ken Bobicz each had two IC hits.

**Fruehauf 14, Lawrny's Pontiac-Olds 6**—Cliff Wanty plated four runs, and John Otts and Kelly Bennett each had three hits to pace Fruehauf.

### MAY 31 RESULTS

**Richard's Construction 14, American Sun Sol 1**—The winners scored nine runs in the first innings and never looked back. Rex Plasters had two hits and three runs scored, with Dave Tomford adding two RBIs. Harold Littlefield's HR provided the lone Sun Sol tally.

**Bimac 13, Saline Ford 10**—Roger White and Steve Crummins collected homers, Jay Allen went 3-for-4 with three RBIs and Gary Heath went 2-for-4 with two RBIs to lead Bimac. Saline Ford scored eight first-inning runs and squandered a 9-5 lead.

**Immaculate Conception 16, Fruehauf 13**—Five runs in the fifth inning and four in the seventh helped IC. Gary Chatell and winning pitcher Randy Eisemann each had three hits, with Eisemann scoring four runs. Ken Bobicz and Ron Bies contributed two hits apiece, while Fruehauf's Cliff Wanty went 3-for-5 with three runs scored and two RBIs.

**Lawrny Pontiac-Olds 10, Local 600 6**—Jim Manor went 3-for-4 and scored three runs and Jerry Betz Jr. and Dave Bordine each had two RBIs to pace the winners. Tom Fugate scored two 600 runs and drove in two more.

**Tri-County 10, Milan Moose 4**—Kirk Seabloom counted a home run among his three hits and Dan McLean added two hits and two RBIs to pace the loop-leaders.

As a former athlete himself, Jim Chi had lots to offer as a coach for Tri-County's ball teams. Jim graduated from Lincoln High School in 1958 as a stand-out athlete. He turned down opportunities to go to college and play sports to work in the family construction company (Joe Chie Contractors, later Chie Contractors) and get married to his wonderful wife Gilda. The rest as they say is history.



Tri-County coaches Jim Chie and Merle Uhl review the scorebook with Laura Wright during Monday's game with Bimac. The numbers weren't pleasant as Bimac upended the then-league tri-leader, 9-2.

-Photo by Carolyn Corfman

## Recreation Softball



### MEN'S DIVISION I

	W	L
B&C Lounge	7	1
Newman's Realty	6	2
Brant Pharmacal	4	3
Manchester Tool & Die	4	4
Collins TV	1	5
Shidler-Wilder	0	7

### JUNE 2 RESULTS

**Newman's Realty 11, Brant Pharmacal 6**—Winning pitcher Bill Auten and Brian Romans slapped two-run homer runs to pace twice-beaten Newman's. Ed Zucal and Greg Keilman added RBIs. Karl Rath went 2-for-4 and scored two runs to pace Brant.

**B&C Lounge 10, Shidler-Wilder 8 (eight innings)**—The league pacesetters needed Larry Boyles' two-run pinch-hit double in the eighth to dispose the cellar dweller. Bernie Martin had the big bat, stroking a home run and three doubles for three RBIs. Jim Horton added a two-run triple.

**Manchester Tool and Die 14, Collins TV 13 (eight innings)**—Dave Porter and Bob Wierick each slapped homers and respectively drove in four and three runs to lead the winners.

### MAY 31 RESULTS

**B&C Lounge 5, Newman's Realty 3**—B&C again outlasted its old nemesis in a first-place showdown. Bernie Martin clobbered a two-run homer, and John Domas and Jim Gruen each had two hits to support pitcher Larry Collar. Brian Romans, Ed Zucal and Don Tomford drove in Newman's runs.

**Brant Pharmacal 8, Manchester Tool and Die 6**—Heading the winners were Jeff Rayme with three hits and two runs scored and Karl Rath and Duane Stevens with two RBIs each. Dan Burch went 3-for-4 and scored two runs for Manchester.

**Collins TV 18, Shidler-Wilder 2 (five innings)**—Three hits from Tim Keller and a home run from manager Chuck Maynard helped Collins to a mercy-rule triumph. Winning hurler Randy Banks yielded seven hits.



### WOMEN'S

	W	L
B&C Lounge	7	1
Tri-County	6	2
Little Store	6	2
Bimac	5	3
Breedveld's	4	4
Local 600	3	5
Campfire/Jones Ins.	1	7
McDonald's	0	8

### MONDAY'S RESULTS

**Local 600 13, McDonald's 3**—McDonald's scored three runs in the first inning, but it was all Local 600 thereafter. The winners cracked 18 hits, with winning pitcher Becky Capler, Winnie Osborne and Mary Cummings collecting three each. Cummings also drove in three runs. Pat Petrowski accounted for all of the McDonald's runs, driving in two and scoring the other.

**Bimac 9, Tri-County 2**—Peggy Grace plated four runs, Tricia Woerst knocked in two and Diane Anderson clubbed a home run to pace Bimac.

**B&C Lounge 15, Campfire-Jones Insurance 0 (five innings)**—Kim Riggs pitched a no-hitter in this mercy-rule contest as B&C regained sole command of first place. The victors milked 12 walks, scoring five runs on free passes with the bases loaded. B&C's Celeste Phillips scored three runs and had two hits.

**Breedveld's 7, Little Store 5**—Breedveld's scored four runs in the third inning to erase a 4-1 deficit and never trailed. Beth Barnes stroked a triple and single, and Denise Mercier knocked home two runs to support winning pitcher Sue Fugate.

### JUNE 1 RESULTS

**Breedveld's 5, McDonald's 4**—Joanne Dennison came in on an error in the bottom of the seventh as Breedveld's scored twice to deny McDonald's its first win. Patty Kanitz went 3-for-4, and Denise Mercier smacked a home run to pace Breedveld's. Flo Pope scored two McDonald's runs.

**Little Store 3, B&C Lounge 2**—Linda Elvey's seventh-inning double chased home Tara Hoot for the winning run as the defending champions handed B&C its first loss. Also for Little Store, Pam Joplin slapped a solo homer, and Kim Humphrey went 2-for-3 with a run scored.

**Bimac 10, Local 600 9**—Local 600 scored four runs to knot this game at 9-9 in the seventh inning, but Barb Anderson scored the winner on Diane Anderson's fielder's choice. Marilyn Crouse paced Bimac, going 3-for-3 with three RBIs and two runs scored. Lisa Kurtz added two hits and as many RBIs, while Local 600's Cheryl Cook belted a two-run homer.

**Tri-County 16, Campfire-Jones Insurance 7**—A close game was broken open when TC scored 10 runs in the seventh inning. Mary Betz stroked a pinch-hit, three-run double and winning pitcher Brenda Andrews added a two-run two-bagger in the decisive frame. Kim Cook had four hits for Tri-County.

When asked to think back to those days, here's Jim Chie's response:

I've been racking my brain for information about the TCSL girls softball team. We had family, friends, girls from Lincoln, Milan, Saline. The only trophies I can remember were from a snowball tournament in Milan. We played in snow with a orange ball.

Any trophies would have been in the case at Tri-County. Of course this was 40 years ago.

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4 RSO on Duty: Charlie U. pistol house closed for 8am - Breakfast at 12pm - Trap Shooting @	5 12pm - Friends of	6 RSO on Duty: Phil C. @	7 RSO on Duty: Mark S (am) 10am - Wednesday Range	8 12pm - Friends of	9	10 8am - Michigan CCW / 1pm - Pistol House
11 RSO on Duty: Charlie U. 12pm - Trap Shooting @ 	12 12pm - Friends of 6:30pm - Safety 7:30pm - Finance	13 RSO on Duty: Phil C. @ 6:30pm - Education	14 RSO on Duty: Mark S (am) 10am - Wednesday Range 6:30pm - Gun Safety 6:30pm - WOT & KORD 	15 12pm - Friends of 5pm - Burger Night 6:30pm - Board Meeting 7pm - Membership	16	17 9am - High Power Bench 12pm - Oakwood Chili
18 RSO on Duty: Charlie U. 12pm - Trap Shooting @ 1pm - Hall setup (entire) 3:30pm - Oakwood Chili	19 12pm - Friends of 	20 RSO on Duty: Phil C. @	21 RSO on Duty: Mark S (am) 10am - Wednesday Range	22 12pm - Friends of	23 5pm - Flame Broiled	24 8am - NRA CCW Course 1pm - Pistol House
25 RSO on Duty: Charlie U. 12pm - Trap Shooting @	26 12pm - Friends of	27 RSO on Duty: Phil C. @	28 RSO on Duty: Mark S (am) 10am - Wednesday Range	29 12pm - Friends of	1	2

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