LEYDEN RIFLE CLUB NEWSLETTER

Leyden, Massachusetts

Affiliated with the National Rifle Association & the Civilian Marksmanship Program

- ✓ Work Bee, Work Bee, and Work Bee, get the message? The LRC will be holding its Spring work bee for Saturday and Sunday, April 24th and 25th at the indoor and outside rifle ranges. Please plan on helping clean up the ranges, repair targets, perform normal maintenance, etc., at the Club. We'll need rakes, shovels, chain saws, leaf blowers, hammers, saws, etc., and anything else you might want to bring. Of course, lunch will be provided, both days, at noon for all at Elwin's house. "Many hands will make light work."
- ✓ The 2010 LRC Spring Meeting will also be held on Saturday, April 24th @ ~1:00 PM at Elwin Barton's house. The meeting will conduct normal Club business and should not take long. Please plan on attending, -whether you are helping at the work bee or not. BTW, new faces are always welcomed to attend Club meetings.
- ✓ Entergy Security (Vermont Yankee) will <u>not</u> be at LRC this year: they have found another place to train and practice. From this move, all LRC ranges will be OPEN this year, -with the exception of work bees (all ranges closed). The LRC wishes Entergy Security all the best for the future; they will always be welcomed back to the LRC.
- ✓ A 'Hold Harmless Agreement' (HHA) must be signed and dated for your 2010 Leyden Rifle Club membership be it new, renewal & honorary. The HHA's were mailed to all 2009 members. Please be sure to return the completed HHA with your membership dues. No one will be issued a 2010 membership without signing an HHA. If you haven't received your HHA, please call Ewin @ (413)773-3548 to request one. The HHA is a one-time-for-life occurrance and it will be retained on file with the Club indefinitely.
- ✓ 2010 LRC Membership dues were increased January 1st from \$25 to \$35 per year. This was a result of only a few dedicated members helping out at the Club and because the Club will be forced to hire outside contractors to perform the work. The membership dues increase will be used to pay for those contractors.
- ✓ Hiring outside contractors to mow the grass, field, etc., will mean a temporary closure of both the rifle and pistols ranges for the day they are on Club property. The Club is responsible for the contractors' safety while on our ranges.
- ✓ **The LRC Annual Meeting** was held on Sunday, October 25th at the Clubhouse. An informal work bee was held in the morning to rake leaves at the Clubhouse grounds before the meeting. The Club would like to thank Scott H., Elwin B. Chuck M., Henry S. and Eric G. for helping out and, of course, special thanks Mary Lou B. for cooking her hot beef stew on a cool autumn day. All LRC officers, for 2010, were elected at the meeting. (See above).
- ✓ 'Appleseed' comes to Leyden Rifle Range! 'Appleseed' is an American rifle marksmanship heritage course run by the non-profit Revolutionary War Veterans Association and is the fastest growing shooting program in the country. Two (2) 'Appleseed' courses will be held at the LRC on May 22-23 and September 25-26, 2010 at our outdoor range. At the course, you will learn to shoot .22 rifles that would simulate shooting up to 500 yards and possibly earn a Rifleman patch by scoring "Expert" using the Appleseed targets. In addition, you will learn history about April 19th 1775 and the real story about the Battles of Lexington & Concord. Q. *Do you know who fired the first shots?* Q. Where did the American Revolution really begin? All women, anyone under 21 years of age, and all current active-duty military can shoot for free and the rest (men) shoot for a modest fee. The 'Appleseed' course is open to the whole family. For more information and/or to obtain a pre-registration discount, visit their website, http://www.appleseedinfo.org.

Please help support your rifle club in 2010.

- The LRC Officers and Directors

2010 Officers:

President Eric Goodchild

Vice President Steve Brown

Treasurer Elwin Barton

Recording Secretary Mary Lou Barton (J. Healey – Alt.)

Range Maintenance Officer Scott Healey

Newsletter Joe Sipitkowski

Gone, but <u>never</u> forgotten by us......





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