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MGC SHOOTER

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

The Officers and Board of Directors, Wade and Brenda, would like to wish all of our members and their families a joyous Holiday Season and a prosperous 2009.

Also, we would like to thank you for your support and patronage this past year. We feel very fortunate to be able to say that we are "holding our own" in these trying times and having outstanding members makes that possible. We truly do have one of the best gun clubs to be found anywhere.

The Club will again be hosting our **Holiday party on December 28th**. The Club will be providing the main entrée, bone-in ham or roast beef. Everybody is encouraged to bring a dish to pass and if this year is like years past there will be an outstanding array of great appetizers, soups, horsd'oeuvres and desserts. Really, really good deserts. The party will start at 10:00 AM and go until 4:00 PM. Wade will have some shooting games on the schedule and we'll hand out some door prizes. If you can, plan on attending and be sure to bring your appetite, you wont go away hungry.

Also this year at the Holiday party we will be honoring the recipient of the Christine Lawson Scholarship Puller Award, Alex Martin. So, c'mon out and enjoy!!! Hope to see you there.

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Jim Lundquist is made an Honorary Member of MGC

At the September Board of Directors meeting Jim was nominated and voted in as an Honorary Member. Jim was appointed to the board in 1969 and has served continuously ever since. In addition to spending time helping making our club what it is today he has been shooting for 53 years, registering over 201,000 Skeet targets. In 1978 he was inducted into the MN Skeet Hall of Fame and has carded more than seventy-five 100 straights. If you get the chance, sit down and talk to Jim about the history of the Club and shooting in general. He's full of it and very interesting to talk to. Congratulations Jim.

Breakfasts are back on the menu

The Club is serving breakfasts Saturday & Sunday mornings from 9:00 AM until 11:00 AM. There are great combinations to choose from and you'll get a lot of food for the money. And I'm not talking buffet here....each meal is made to order, just the way you like it. New this year...a great bacon, egg and cheese sandwich.

Christmas Gifts from the Pro Shop

Need a gift for the shooter in your family?? We have a great selection of clothing items in the Pro Shop. Hats, windbreakers, sweatshirts, long sleeve T shirts, fleece jackets, along with gun cases and shooting bags. And if they have all the equipment they need already a round card is always a welcomed gift, or a membership. If there is something we don't have, check with Wade and see if he can get it for you.

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Membership is due

Yes, it's that time of year. In this issue you will find a membership renewal form. We would appreciate it if you could get it back to us as soon as you could. Filled out of course. As in the past couple years if we haven't received your renewal by February 1, there will be a \$25.00 penalty. We rely heavily on dues this time of year and they help us get through the lean months.

Capital Improvements

Part of the membership dues, \$40.00, goes entirely for Capital Improvements and if you've been out lately you should have noticed that the Skeet houses have been rebuilt. This was part of our "improvement plan" and they really needed to be done. And, like a lot of projects it ended up costing more than was originally allocated. Once Rick Ruh, who did an outstanding job, got going he found more rotten, hidden boards, than expected but we were into it and kept going. With proper maintenance they should last another 20 + years.

Newsletter Notice!!!

I have mentioned in the past that there will be a time when we are going to go to an email newsletter and that we need your email address if you want to receive your newsletter. Right now we have about half of the membership's addresses, but would like them all. Ken Johnson, our webmaster, has made it easy for you to provide them to us. Just go to <u>www.mplsgunclub.com</u> and click on "register" in the upper right corner. You will be able to provide us with the information we need. **There will be one more "snail mail" newsletter, and then we go electronic.** If you want to receive it by regular mail, you will have to let Wade know. This will save us a couple thousand dollars a year.



Winter Shooting Games

To keep you interested, and to provide you a place to go to when you're bored, come on out to the Club and participate in one of our informal shooting games this winter.

Jackpot Trap has been going on for a few years now and the entries are growing. It happens every Saturday and everybody has a chance to win some cash. It's a Lewis Class payout where after the top score it is anybody's guess what other scores will place. We shoot 25 targets from the 16yd line then 25 targets from handicap yardage.

For the Skeet and 5-Stand shooters we have some new options this year. The 5-Stand Challenge will be shot twice a month, check the website for dates, **www.mplsgunclub.com**, and will consist of 50 targets on field 9. Again it will be a Lewis Class payout so you won't have to have high score to win \$. How many classes payout depends on how many shooters on that given day. The more shooters, the bigger the payout. The Skeet "Bucket 'O' Gold" shoot is an everyday anytime shoot. It's simple, just tell Wade or Mike that you want to "enter" for a whole \$2.00 over your regular round price and if you shoot a 50 straight you will get a portion of the cash that's in the bucket behind the counter. Really it's a large clear jug so you can see all the money in it. The payouts are different depending on the gauge you run the 50 straight with. Check <u>www.mplsgunclub.com</u> for all the details. See, there is something to do rather than sit at home, bored, waiting for more snow to fall.



Summer League Champions

We had a busy summer league season again this year and we thank everybody that participated and the team sponsors. And the results are;

Skeet A Division League Champion Consolation Champion 3rd Place

Fongs Phillips Design Mexican Duck Hunters

Skeet B Division Division Champion 3rd Place

Trap A Division League Champion Consolation Champion 3rd Place

Trap B Division Division Champion Consolation Champion 3rd Place

Trap C Division Division Champion Consolation Champion 3rd Place

Sporties A Division League Champion Consolation Champion 3rd Place

Sporties B Division Division Champion Consolation Champion 3rd Place Speedway Enterprises A Shotgun Summer

Edina Trapshooters Hole Shots Cannon Valley

Dead Eyes New South of the River Smoking Jackets

Phillips Design Good, Bad, Ugly Build All Lumber

Better Late..... Team Primo New Market Sportsmen

Aurora Wine.... Over Under Standard Dynamics Congratulations Summer League Hi Guns Sporties Joe Raines Skeet Tom Hohag Trap Jim W.



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Dear Member,

Here is your membership renewal form for the Club dues for 2009. As most of you know we are characteristically not as busy in the winter as we are during the summer/fall months and could use your help with payment of your dues by 1/15/09. This year, 2009, if we have not received payment by February 1, 2009 the dues will increase by \$25. Please make not of this.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to you and your families.

Jim Walkowiak, President

2009 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

| \$85.00 | Individual/Family Membership Dues |
|----------|--------------------------------------|
| \$40.00 | Building and grounds maintenance fee |
| \$125.00 | TOTAL |

Less shareholder credit of \$8/share up to 5 shares (max \$40)

Method of payment Visa/MasterCard #_____ Expiration date _____ Signature if using credit card _____

For check or credit card renewal, mail or deliver to the Minneapolis Gun Club. Credit card renewals can also be accepted by phone at 952-469-4386 or Fax to 952-469-8347. If you mail or fax your renewal, we will hold your membership card at the front desk until you pick it up.



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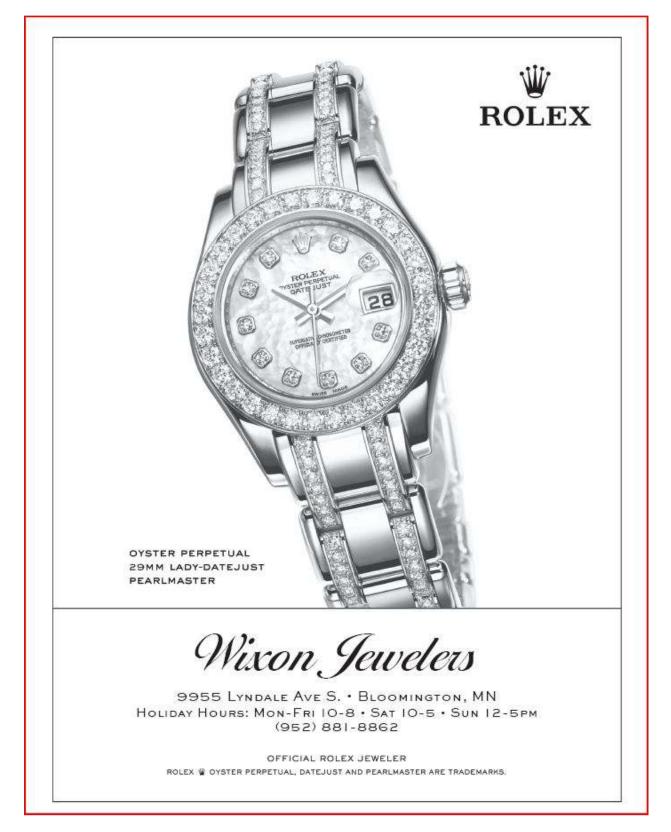
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The Christine Lawson Pullers Scholar Ship Fund

Every year our trap employees are eligible for a \$1,000 award to further their education. This fund is totally dependent on contributions from our membership. We have been very fortunate to have some outstanding young people work at our club over the years and any donations for this fund stays earmarked for the fund. With your help we can continue this for many years to come.

MGC STOCK FOR SALE

MGC STOCK is for sale for \$100/share. When you buy stock in the club you are showing your support and helping the club make capital improvements. All the monies collected are earmarked to make major improvements that the club needs over time. This support also helps us keep the cost of running the club low so we can hold our prices down. Please consider purchasing stock in the club.