

LEYDEN RIFLE CLUB NEWSLETTER

Leyden, Massachusetts

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- ✓ **The LRC Spring Work Bee** was held on April 2^{8th} & 29th. There were only 12 LRC members who volunteered their time for both days. The volunteers accounted for less than 6% of LRC's total membership, -which is not good. With the few workers' help, we did accomplish much that weekend like grooming the 200 yard rifle range, making 15 brand new target frame holders, picking up all the trash at the 200 yard range, etc. (There was not enough workers to do any work to the indoor rifle range.) The Club would thank the following members for giving of their time those days: Elwin B., Eric G., Joe B., Scott H., Carey B., Dennis M., Robert T., Chuck M., Andre M. & son, Joe S. and Mary Lou B. A special "Thank you" goes to Mary Lou for making all the great food for our luncheons on both days; another special "Thank you" goes to Elwin and Scott for picking up all the lumber stock and supplies used for making the new target frame holders.
- ✓ **Trash at the 200 yard rifle range** was atrocious from the winter. Many shooters brought target stands, plastic jugs, telephone poles, etc., as targets which were purposely left at the pistol and 100 yard ranges. These were all destroyed by shooters and purposely left at the range. As a result, LRC will no longer provide any target stands for our ranges. LRC members have always been required to pick up their brass and/or all trash when at the ranges. Some members are abiding by this rule, -many others are not. For 2012: **IF YOU BRING ANYTHING TO THE RANGE, YOU MUST TAKE 'IT' BACK WITH YOU!** (This includes shot-up targets stands.) Also, if you come to the ranges and find there's nothing there for your paper targets, don't complain....
- ✓ **Renewed your 2012 LRC Membership?** Dues are still \$35.00 per year. Please give or send-in your dues to Elwin Barton; he can be contacted @ (413)773-3548.
- ✓ **Current LRC Membership Cards** are required, on your person, while on the Club grounds; it is for your benefit as well as the Club's. You **will** be asked to produce it if requested by a Club officer or another LRC member. If any person who fails to, or refuses, to produce their LRC membership card, do not confront them; rather, write down their vehicle's **STATE & LICENSE PLATE number** and call Elwin Barton @ (413)773-3548 ASAP. The Club will handle it from that point on.
- ✓ **Four 'Appleseed' weekend events at LRC** will take place this year. 'Appleseed' weekend shoots are planned for May 19th & 20th, July 14th & 15th, September 22nd & 23rd, and November 3rd & 4th. At the weekend courses, attendees will learn to shoot .22 rifles that simulate shooting up to 500 yards and possibly earn a Rifleman patch by scoring "Expert" using the Appleseed targets. For more information about the Appleseed weekends, contact Eric Goodchild @ (413)625-8203
- ✓ **Junior Shooters** : The LRC is still actively looking for junior shooters at our rifle matches. If you should know of youngsters, who may be interested in rifle shooting, please bring them to one of the LRC rifle matches, even it just to watch. If there will be any future interest in our sport with the next generation, it begins with us.
- ✓ **CMP Update** : Have you qualified for and received an M1 .30 CAL ("Garand") rifle yet? To qualify for an M1 surplus rifle, the purchaser must: 1) be a U.S. citizen at least 18 years of age, 2) be legally eligible to purchase a firearm, 3) be a member of a veterans' organization or state association affiliated with the CMP (like the LRC) and, 4) have participated in a marksmanship activity, e.g., a rifle match or satisfy other marksmanship criteria. By the way, the current cost for a *SERVICE* grade M1 (SA or H&R) is \$625 + \$24.95 S&H.

Enjoy the summer's nice weather,

- The LRC Officers and Directors

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