

WYOMING STATE SHOOTING ASSOCIATION

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WE MUST VOTE TO PRESERVE THE RULE OF LAW

I cannot remember a time when so many good, hard working Americans were asking one another such starkly foreboding questions: "What is happening to our country? Will our freedom survive? Will our children know and enjoy the America that we and our forebears built?"

All of those questions revolve around something more fundamental: "What is happening to the rule of law; to the protections and precise order for our Republican form of government as enumerated in our remarkable U.S. Constitution?"

Before the Obama era years ago, I could not have imagined that we would be facing the immediate fundamental crisis that Jonathan Turley, perhaps the most respected liberal constitutional scholar in the legal academia, calls "a tipping point."

"... You have the rise of an uber-presidency," Turley warned. "... There could be no greater danger for the individual liberty, and I really think that the framers would be horrified by that shift..."

Uber-presidency. That's where we are. And with Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid's aggressive complicity, the U.S. Senate is no longer a counter-weight to the theft and abuse of presidential power.

Arch anti-gun U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Il., the second most powerful man in President Obama's Senate, declared that to carry out his agenda, the president must and can "borrow power" from the legislative branch—the power to enact law, to appropriate funds and to tax.

For our nation to survive this destruction of the constitutional separation of powers with 3 equal branches of government, Harry Reid and his acolytes must be retired from their majority. The framers never intended the Senate to "lend" or give its power to an all-powerful president. It is and must be the legislative body where minority rights are honored through a methodical, deliberative process. It is the emergency brake of our Republic.

Without that check, we have an administration that routinely ignores laws created by Congress; writes and rewrites federal statutes absent constitutional authority; violates existing criminal and civil statutes; misappropriates funds; lies to the American people; lies under oath to Congress; thwarts congressional and court oversight; destroys duly subpoenaed material; violates every sunshine law on the books to become the most opaque administration in history, and abets and encourages violation of federal law.

Obama's White House has hijacked the rule of law and replaced it with a lawless, corrupt regime.

For gun owners, that lawlessness has come in the form of a series of executive edicts and presidential directives circumventing gun owners' victories in the national legislature.

With regularity, Obama embraces the confiscatory gun bans in New York, Connecticut and California. He repeatedly endorses the forced "buyback" ban in Australia as the future for the US. I am certain he believes it can be done without Congress, a step at a time.

It was no accident that the first major gun control upheaval in this administration was Operation Fast and Furious, the Justice Department's cross-border gun-running scheme intended to be the basis for a new ban on semi-automatic rifles. Fast and Furious was responsible for arming drug cartels, resulting in the deaths of hundreds of Mexican nationals and contributing to the murder of at least 2 federal agents.

With the Fast and Furious investigations on Capital Hill, administration officials lied, and Eric Holder's Justice Department refused to answer subpoenas. All of this resulted in Holder becoming the first sitting cabinet officer in our nation's history to be found in criminal and civil contempt of Congress.

But this lawlessness is everywhere in the Obama regime. Obama's abuse of power has been struck down as unconstitutional at least 20 times, including unanimous 9-0 decisions by the US Supreme Court that included harsh reprimands by his own nominees.

"Transformation" by the uber-president? Look no further than a weaponized Internal Revenue Service used to intimidate and shut down the free political speech of those who oppose Obama's "rule"—and lying about it before the United States' Congress.

Then there is his electronic and digital spying by the National Security Agency in an unlawful net, capturing and storing the private communications of Americans and lying about it before Congress.

The latest crisis is the invasion of the US by thousands upon thousands of illegal aliens, including countless criminal gang members. This is a result of Obama's refusal to build security structures ordered and funded by Congress to physically secure the nation's borders. And in this, the administration lied to Congress.

There is only one way to stop all of this; to reverse the course of Obama's systemic "change" of our Republic. As NRA members—5 million strong—we must each work to educate fellow voters and get them to the polls this November 4. It is imperative that we "transform" the hamhanded, rubber-stamp senate majority of Harry Reid and keep the pro-gun majority in the US House of Representatives.

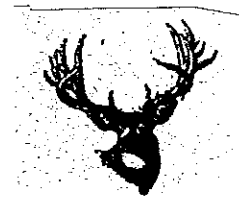
Signed by James W. Porter II, NRA President



Best wishes to President Mark Spungin as he continues recovery from back surgery. Message from NRA president is from the September American Hunter, American Rifleman and NRA Sports.



HUNTING AND CONSERVATION



GREETINGS:

October finds us in the middle of hunting season. The few hunters that I have spoken with, about half have filled their tags. I am sure the warm weather has not made it easy.

By the time the next newsletter comes out we will have a better idea of the success numbers .

I am sure by now everyone is aware the feds have taken control of our wolf population. This has disrupted our hunting season. In my opinion this can only cause problems for our wildlife.

In Wyoming we are lucky to have many groups working to raise money and organize work groups to create or improve habitat for our wildlife. Each year large numbers of hunters, both in and out of state, spend large amounts of money that help fund Game and Fish, Wildlife related programs and contribute greatly to businesses in our communities.

Without these wildlife groups, hunters and other interested parties, the funds would not be here for what must be at best a very difficult and complex process of balancing fish and wildlife numbers.

I would think that this federal back and forth over wolves or any other wildlife would greatly complicate the ability of those in our state tasked with the job of trying to maintain a wildlife balance.

I am no wildlife expert but in my opinion it would make a lot of sense when advocating for a single animal to step back and look at the whole picture. Concentrating on a single part of this very complex process can help one and destroy another.

No matter what your opinion is on these complex wildlife issues, I would hope we all agree that to hurt or destroy this wonderful wildlife rich environment we call Wyoming would be an outcome we will not accept.

A couple of things that seem to be showing up often in Game & Fish reports are poaching and shooting game and leaving it to spoil. It would be a help if hunters would report any animals they see that are destroyed and left.

Bears are always a concern. It appears that there are places around Jackson and Lander where bear spray is being distributed. If one is hunting in those areas, you might want to check on that. Always be aware of bears and take proper precautions.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all a Joyous and safe upcoming Holiday season.

Please take a young person hunting or fishing. Most important in all you do BE SAFE!

Dennis K. French

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COMING -
STUFF SOME
TICKETS IN
STOCKINGS OR
WITH GREETING
CARDS*

HEADS UP!!!!

The rifle for the 2015 fund raiser is a pre-1964 WINCHESTER Featherweight in .308.

Tickets will included in the Jan- Mar newsletter

Or purchase now from Sec/Trea

\$1 each or a booklet of 6 for \$5

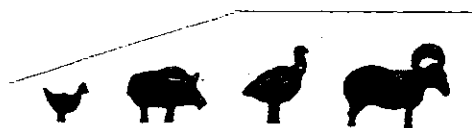
Funds support WSSA and the Junior program



NRA MEMBERSHIPS

When you renew your NRA membership via the internet you will be also supporting WSSA. By using <http://membership.nrahq.org/default.asp?CampaignID=XPO17730> , a portion of your dues will return to WSSA.

PLEASE CHECK MEMBERSHIP CARD FOR YOU RENEWAL DATE. THANK YOU



RIFLE SILHOUETTE CHAMPIONSHIPS

WY rifle silhouette championship events began in 1974 at the LVSA range with equipment much different than what was used at the Aug 23-24, 2014 matches. In 1974 only high power rifles [HP] were used. In 1982 small bore [SB] was added and then additional divisions for hunting rifles in SB 1984 and HP 1988.

This year's event had entries from CO, MO, MT, ND, SD and WY. Twenty-two fired SB and 15 HP. Each day the firing began before the sunshine reached the target bays. Saturday's 50 degree temps were under mild overcast skies that brightened and warmed until the afternoon turned to light to heavy rain and ensuing mud. Steve Hawks toppled 5 HP turkeys in a row during a spell of very heavy rain. If we had used white targets as in the past he would have not been able to see them and was thankful target color was black. Sunday started at 40 degrees with clearing skies.

Cathy Winstead-Severin, Joplin, MO established 3 new WY records [*] on her way to win each of the 4 rifle divisions. Her 2x40 aggregate score in SB @ 76*, SB-hunting @ 75* and 16 SB turkeys in a row* put her name in the record book.

David Bonner, Aurora, CO captured all 4 Master awards and set 2 long run records: 43 SB pigs* & 29 SB-hunting chickens*.

Thanks to the great sportsmanship and helpful attitude all went well to get the 24 'relay to the line' completed each day. Thanks to Dave Tokach, Mandan, ND for compiling the stats; to Tom Spriggs & Ron Reemts for use of their ATV's; to GoodShooting Inc, Hornady Manufacturing, Ronald Kamp Lodgepole Crafts, Lapua, LVSA/Guns and Goods, MidwayUSA and Sierra Bullets for door prize merchandise.

AWARD WINNERS IN SB-AUG 23

CHAMPION/MW	Cathy Winstead-Severin		76*
1 st Master	David Bonner		70
2 nd Master	Steven Hawks, Loveland, CO	Hi-SR	60
1 st AAA	Scott Larson, Pierre, SD		61
2 nd AAA	Terry Stroud, Aurora, MO		61
3 rd AAA	Elisa Snider		60
1 st AA	Kenny Collins, Wheatland, WY		48
2 nd AA	Michael Ehr, Denver, CO		48
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AWARD WINNERS IN SB-H AUG 24

Cathy Winstead-Severin	75*
David Bonner	73
Bob Snyder, Littleton, CO	57 & Hi SR
Elisa Snider, Bozeman, MT	65
Terry Stroud	56
Kelly Landis, Mobridge, SD	55
Kent Geffre, Lead, SD	50
Scott Larson, Pierre, SD	49
Tony Cross, Lander, WY	30

AWARD WINNERS IN HP- AUG 23

CHAMPION/MW	Cathy Winstead-Severin		63
1 st Master	David Bonner		60
1 st AAA	Steven Hawks	Hi-SR	50
2 nd AAA	James Severin, Joplin, MO		50
1 st AA	Scott Larson		48
2 nd AA	Terry Stroud		46
3 rd AA			
1 st A	Mark Sorensen, Deadwood, SD		32
2 nd A	Michael Ehr		31

AWARD WINNERS IN HP-H AUG 24

Cathy Winstead-Severin	59
David Bonner	58
Bob McAlice, Westminster, CO	46 & Hi-SR
Bob Snyder	43
Terry Stroud	41
Kelly Landis	36
Scott Larson	36
Michael Ehr	32
Mark Sorensen	26

Expect to have full report on Pistol Championships for the next newsletter
Match scheduled for Sept 20 & 21 in Laramie

FOR SALE

The Game & Fish EXPO has been cancelled. It is doubtful that it will return. The WSSA board has voted to sell the equipment. Included are : 9 DAISY 853, some 853C and some have the butt stocks modified to allow shortening easily or returned to full length., all aperture rear sights, post or aperture fronts; 3 DAISY 717 single pump pistols; 3 CROSMAN CH2000 CO2, adjustable synthetic stocks, aperture front and rear sights; 4 Speth electronic target carrier systems for 33 foot air gun targets; 4 DAISY electronic target carrier systems; Pace trailer 7x12, single axel, with spare, hitch 'stinger' & ball; plywood enclosure for a 28X32/36 foot deep range; 3 ea 8 foot long table shooting benches. Targets, CO2, pellets, flood lights, extension cords, etc. Insured value \$12,700. Prefer to sell as package but will entertain all offers. Please contact the Sec/Trea

In case you have been waiting breathlessly for this year's Darwin Awards-- awards are given each year to bestow upon the remains or estate of (in most cases) that individual, who through single-minded self-sacrifice, has done the most to remove undesirable elements from the human gene pool. Just think... until these events occurred, these same people

SIXTH PLACE: Goes to a San Anselmo, California man who died when he hit a lift tower at the Mammoth mountain ski area while riding down the slope on a foam pad. 22-year old David Hubal was pronounced dead at Central Mammoth Hospital. The accident occurred about 3 a.m., the Mono County Sheriff's department said. Hubal and his friends apparently had hiked up a ski run called Stump alley and removed some yellow foam protectors from lift towers, said Lt. Mike Donnelly of the Mammoth Lakes Police Department. The pads are used to protect skiers who might hit towers. The group apparently used the pads to slide down the hill where Hubal hit the tower. Investigation revealed it was the tower where they had removed the pad.

FIFTH PLACE: Goes to Robert Puelo, 32, was apparently being disorderly in a St. Louis market. When the clerk threatened to call the police, Puelo grabbed a hot dog, shoved it into his mouth and walked out without paying. Police found him unconscious in front of the store. Paramedics removed the six-inch wiener from his throat where it had choked him to death.

FOURTH PLACE: Goes to poacher Marino Malerba of Spain, who shot a stag standing above him on an overhanging rock and was killed instantly when it fell on him.

THIRD PLACE: A man at a West Virginia party popped a blasting cap into his mouth and bit down, triggering an explosion that blew off his lips, teeth and tongue. Jerry Stromyer, 24, of Kincaid, bit the blasting cap as a prank during the party late Tuesday night, said Cpl. MD Payne. "Another man had a blasting cap in an aquarium hooked to a battery and was trying to explode it. It wouldn't go off and this guy said, 'I'll show you how to set it off!'" He put it into his mouth, bit down. Stromyer was listed in guarded condition with extensive facial injuries, according to a spokesperson at Charleston Area Medical Division.

SECOND PLACE: Doctors at Portland University Hospital said an Oregon man shot through the skull by a hunting arrow is lucky to be alive and will be released soon from the hospital. Tony Roberts, 25, lost his right eye last weekend during an initiation into a men's rafting club, Mountain Men Anonymous in Grants Pas. A friend tried to shoot a beer can off his head, but the arrow entered Robert's right eye, missing a major blood vessel by 1 millimeter to the left. Neurosurgeon, Dr. Johnny Delashaw said the arrow went through 8 to 10 inches of brain with the tip protruding at the rear of his skull, yet somehow managed to miss all major blood vessels. Roberts admitted afterwards that he and his friend had been drinking that afternoon and said "I feel so dumb about this".

THE WINNER: John Pernicky & his friend, Sal Hawkins, of the great state of Washington, decided to attend a local Metallica concert at the Geo Washington amphitheater. Having no tickets [but 18 beers consumed], they thought it would be easy to hop over the nine foot fence and sneak into the show. They pulled their pickup over to the fence and the plan was for Pernicky, who was 100 pounds heavier than Hawkins, to hop the fence and then assist his friend over. Unfortunately for Pernicky, there was a 30 foot drop on the other side of the fence. Having heaved himself over, he found himself crashing through a tree. His fall was abruptly halted [and broken along with his arm] by a large branch that snagged him by his shorts. Dangling from the tree with a broken arm, he looked down and saw some bushes below him. Possibly figuring the bushes would break his fall, he removed his pocket knife and proceeded to cut away his shorts to free himself. Finally free, Pernicky crashed into holly bushes. The sharp leaves scratched his ENTIRE body and now, without the protection of his shorts, a branch penetrated his rectum. To make matters worse, upon landing his knife penetrated his thigh. Hawkins, seeing his friend in considerable pain and agony, threw him a rope and tried to pull him to safety by tying the rope to the truck and slowly driving away. However, in his drunken haste, he put the truck into reverse and crashed through the fence, landing on his friend and killing him. Police arrived to find the crashed pickup with its driver thrown 100 feet from the truck and dead at the scene from massive internal injuries. After moving the truck, they found Pernicky deceased under it half-naked, scratched all over, a holly branch in his rectum, a knife in his thigh and his shorts dangling from a tree branch 25 feet in the air.

Congratulations gentlemen. You win. Five more idiots have been removed from the gene pool and we are richer because of your supreme sacrifice.

EVENTS all phone numbers are 307 prefix

Dubois Gun Club contact regs.phillips@dteworld.com

Lander Valley Sportsmen Cowboy action on 2nd Sat- John 332-9203; All club programs on lvsa.info.

Thermopolis Gun Club , monthly meetings 7PM @ Armory 1st Thurs; n7zrx@yahoo.com,

Platte River Rod & Gun Club contact John 265-1210 or plattriverge@yahoo.com



WSSA LOGO BELT BUCKLE - \$6.00 POST PAID

4"x6" EMBROIDER PATCH \$5.00 POST PAID

MORE STOCKING STUFFERS FROM SEC/TREA

BEST WISHES FOR AN ENJOYABLE HOLIDAY SEASON -

AFFILIATED WSSA CLUBS

- Bridger Trail Lt. Inf. Rangers, POBox 932, Worland 82401
- Cheyenne Public Shooting Park, POBox 2833, Cheyenne, 82003
- Cheyenne Rifle & Pistol Club, POBox 571, Cheyenne 82003
- Cody Shooters Complex, POBox 1504, Cody 82414
- Dubois Gun Club, POBox 91, Dubois, 82513
- Fort Fetterman Sportsmen, POBox 843, Douglas 82633
- Future Stars 4-H Club, 133 W. Center St. , Douglas 82633
- Lander Jr Rifle & Pistol Club, 943 Amoretti, Lander 82520
- Lander Rifle Club, 943 Amoretti., Lander 82520
- Lander Valley Sportsmen's Assoc., POBox 1113, Lander 82520
- Laramie Rifle Range, Inc., 73 Rifle Range Rd, Laramie 82072
- Lovell Rod & Gun Club, POBox 221, Lovell 82431
- Platte CO Shooting Assoc, POBox 1324, Wheatland 82201
- Platte River Rod & Gun Club, POBox 1587, Mills 82644
- www.platterivergunclub.com
- Rawlins Rec Services, 1616 Harshman St, Rawlins 82301
- Sheridan CO. Sportsmen, POBox 155, Sheridan 82801
- Thermopolis Gun Club, POBox 731, Thermopolis 82443
- Western Wyoming Rifleman Assoc., POBox 605, Afton 83110
- Worland Shooters Complex, POBox 713, Worland 82401

CLUB WISHING TO HAVE THEIR WEB SITES OR ADDRESSES ADDED PLEASE NOTIFY SEC/TREA

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
Jan 15, 2015

FOR SALE

- Win 70, 300 Win mag, SN 847xxx, Redfield 4-12 Accu-trac in Redfield Jr mounts, Hunter military style sling, Packy recoil pad, 80-85% metal and wood. \$675 + HIS & FFL
- Rem 870 12 Ga, vent rib, 30" full, wood 75%, metal 80%, 2 3/4", 13 1/3" LOP, \$275+ HIS & FFL
- Rem 870 Magnum, 3", 28". Vent rib, full, 12 ga 12 3/4" LOP, Rem Express case, missing less than 2" of bluing outside tip of barrel [wet case?] 65% wood, 75% blue, \$250+HIS & FFL
- Ithaca 37 featherlight, 12 ga, 2 3/4", 26 1/2", with Poly choke, Remington recoil pad, 75% wood & metal, \$350+ HIS & FFL
- 2 Lawrence scabbards [8-20 & 8], 2 Hunter scabbards [402B22 & 402B22 w/ H402 hood \$40 -70.
- Sebesta 307-335-9323

Our WSSA has a registered political action committee. Donations are welcome. Please consider adding a few dollars to fund. They can be sent to the secretary/treasure at 625 Sweetwater St, Lander, WY 82520

VOTE FOR FREEDOM
TIME TO TAKE AMERICA BACK



4/14

625 Sweetwater St., Lander WY 82520

WSSA MEETING
DEC 6, 2014
RAMADA INN
COFFEE SHOP
CASPER WY

SET CHAMPIOSHIP DATES
FINANCIAL UPDATE
NEW & OLD BUSINESS
ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR
ALL MEMBERSHIP INVITED

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION WYOMING STATE SHOOTING ASSOCIATION, INC.

NAME _____

“THE RIGHT OF THE CITIZENS TO BEAR

ADDRESS _____

ARMS IN THE DEFENSE OF THEMSELVES

CITY-STATE-ZIP _____

AND OF THE STATE SHALL NOT BE DENIED.”

E-MAIL _____

WYOMING CONSTITUTION, ART. 1, SEC. 24

MY INTERESTS INCLUDE: High power Smallbore Benchrest Black powder Pistol Shotgun

Air rifle-pistol Gallery Hunting Collecting Silhouette Cowboy Action Police Combat

Do not actively shoot, but support “The Right to Keep and Bear Arms”

New member Renewal NRA member yes no NRA# _____

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\$15 annual \$40 individual 3 year \$50 individual 5 year \$100 life \$300 Patron

\$5 junior annual –under 19 yrs \$20 Club annual \$50 Club 3 year \$80 Club 5 year

Please send completed application with dues to WSSA 625 Sweetwater St., Lander, WY 82520