

2018 Waite Park Rifle Club Newsletter

Our Annual Membership Dinner and Meeting will be Saturday, February 10, 2018, Waite Part Legion. The social hour, membership renewal and key exchange start at 5:30pm. The dinner (pot roast) will be served at 6:30pm with the meeting and election of officers following the dinner. Election for three Board members will take place at the meeting. If you'd like your name on the ballot for one of these positions, prior to the meeting, please call or e-mail (contact link on our website) the board. Current Board members are running for office. The back bar will be open for us. **The meal cost is \$15.00 per plate**, please complete and return the Dinner Attendance Form at the end of this letter with payment of \$15.00/plate by January 15, 2018, if you would like dinner. You can attend the meeting, pay 2018 dues and exchange keys, without signing up for the dinner.

\$70.00 – Annual Membership Renewal Fee.

(New members first year dues and initiation fee total is \$120.00)

IMPORTANT DATES:

February 11, 2018 – The range gate and building locks will be changed.

Membership renewal and key exchange at the Waite Part Legion:

February 10 at 5:30pm (at the Annual Membership Meeting)

February 13 from 7:00pm to 8:00pm, Waite Park Legion

March 15th from 7:00pm, Waite Park Legion

April 15th – Membership dues must be paid. After April 15th we will offer open membership spots to people on the waiting list. If you can't pay yourself, make arrangements with a friend or family member to pay for you, use the mail (do not mail key) or call 320-654-8860 – ask for Dan.

Range Clean-Up Dates:

May 3rd starting at 5:00pm and May 5th starting at 9:00am.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Please volunteer you time to help maintain our ranges. If you volunteer at least (5) hours of your time to our ranges, you Can deduct 50% of your membership dues. Just note what you did on the sign in sheet when you sign out. Anything you do will help: sweeping up brass, taking home the recyclables, putting paper trash in the burn barrel,

minor repairs and clean-up day projects. Please bring your skills and basic tools to help perform needed repairs. Let the board members at the membership renewal sessions know how you would like to help.

New member training dates:

April 12th at 7:00p.m. or April 14th at 10:00am. Both sessions will be at the Waite Park Legion.

New members must present a valid MN Permit To Purchase a handgun or valid MN Concealed Carry permit at this time.

New member first year dues and initiation fee total is \$120.00. Children of members who turned 18 are considered members but they must pay membership renewal dues of \$70.00 and attend a new member training session.

Guest Day dates (second Sunday of the month from June – October)

June 10th, July 8th, August 12, September 9th, October 14th.

Hours for each guest day are 12:00pm until 4:00pm.

Three RSOs are required to be on our facility for each guest day.

NOTES TO OUR MEMBERS:

We plan to expand the concrete pad and safety baffle system on the rifle range in the near future. Reducing expenses in 2015, 2016, and 2017 has made funds available to continue with these safety improvements. The new safety baffles have proven themselves to be effective and worth the expense; just take a look at the number of bullets they have stopped. Our club is proactive regarding safety and the Board of Directors wants to keep our members and the surrounding community as safe as possible. We hope to complete the safety improvements recommended in our NRA range evaluation within this decade.

See the website calendar for specific dates for the Trap League.

We thank our members for making 2017 a very safe year at our facility: But please remember – it takes all of us to preserve our ranges and keep them safe. **SAFETY IS ALWAYS FIRST AND FORMOST.**

Thank You,

Bruce Miller

Dan Carson, candidate for re-election

Gary Grimmus, candidate for re-election

Steven Studanski

Frank Osendorf, candidate for re-election

Dan Knoll