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Newsletter Pamela Begovich 610-217-4841 Monthly Membership Meeting Third Tuesday of every month 7:30 PM Clubhouse, 1793 Meadows Road, Hellertown, PA

From the President March 2018

Remember to mark your calendars for our annual Spring Ham Shoot on March 25th. Remember to bring your old and unwanted sports items for our Silent Auction. We will use all of the proceeds from this auction for club improvements. Bring your friends – our shoot is always a great time with lots of chances to win prizes.

Remember HSA has a number of pistol activities at the club The Lehigh Valley Police Revolver League shoots NRA

Bulls eye style shooting every Wednesday. Contact Chuck Adams for more info. We also shoot action pistol the 1st, 4th and 5th Tuesday nights. It is a combination of IPSC, IDPA and ICORE shooting. Contact Ken Ortbach for more info. Not only will you have a good time and great practice with your handgun, but it will give you a great excuse to get out of the house.

See you at the shoot,

Jim Bambu

Raffle Tickets

Enclosed you will find Raffle tickets for Spring Ham Shoot. There was an error in printing our Spring Ham Shoot Cash Raffle tickets this year. The drawing date will be **March** 25th at the shoot not April as listed on the tickets.

The Al Stair Memorial Fishing
Tournament for Kids
Saturday, May 12, 2018
H.S.A. Saucon Creek
8am - 11am ages 5-8
12pm - 3 pm ages 9-12
Please register and it's free!
Sponsors Needed
Contact
Brock Williams 610-748-1209
Don Jenny 610-691-1903

DEFINISIVE SHOOTING TACTICS

- Advanced firearm training with specific preparation
- Tighten the gap between training and the real world experience.
- Learn a quick and decisive response for survival.
- React and deploy a handgun quickly and accurately against armed suspect.
 See Firearms Training schedule for dates.

Dr. Piazza provides this statement to all his students:

If you are feeling that maybe you should forget about carrying a gun or using a gun as a means of self-defense because the responsibility and liability is too great, let me validate your awareness that you do face a great responsibility and huge potential liability. However, let me remind you that there is nothing in this world more valuable than your life and the lives of your loved ones.

See Page 3 Article

Hellertown Archery League starts Wednesday Jan 3, 2018 and Friday Jan 5, 2018 at 7:30 pm and will run for 12 weeks. Any questions call Lou Bove at 610-865-5857.

JR Archery League has started Monday nights from 6-8 pm for kids 5 to 18 years of age. Students must be a Jr member of H.S.A. Please note all ranges are closed for this class!

Club and Range Closings

All Ranges Closed
Third Tuesday of Month 7:30 pm
During Monthly Membership Meeting

Rifle Range Closed Every Tuesday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Every Thursday 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm During Trap Shooting Sessions

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Newsletter

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Range Hours and Rules 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM Every Day

Use of Ranges Limited to Members Only

When using any of our outdoor ranges you must have your membership card visible. Please use sign in book.

Due to insurance requirements and liability issues guests are not permitted to use the facilities except for organized events.

Members who permit guests to use the ranges will immediately loose their membership for a minimum of one year.

Guests may observe but under no circumstance may participate or take an active role in use of the ranges.

USE PAPER TARGETS ONLY

After shooting, please take off all targets and pick up your spent brass.

Observe all club/gun safety rules printed on the back of your membership card and also posted at the ranges. You will loose your membership privileges for not obeying the rules.

Calendar of Events

Monthly Membership Meeting Third Tuesday of every month 7:30 PM

Action Pistol

1st, 4th, & 5th Tuesday - 6:00 PM Ken Ortbach kjoinc@aol.com

L.V.P.R.L. Bull's-eye
Wednesdays 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Bill Books 610-417-0161
Chuck Adams 610-252-3169

Hellertown Archers

Mon. Morning & Evening during Winter Wed. & Fri. League 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Lou Bove 610-865-5857

Jr. Archers Mondays 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM Don Jenny 610-691-1903

Trap Shooting
Tuesdays 9:00 AM - 12 Noon
Thursdays 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Phil Crossley 610-871-0028

2017 Firearms Training Schedule

Concealed Carry Level I & II (One and a Half Day program) To be determined for 2018

2018 Firearms Training Schedule

DEFINISIVE SHOOTING TACTICS

Defensive Shooting Tactics: April 28, 2018 Day 1 and May 5, 2018 Day 2. Day 1 will be from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM and Day 2 will be from 9:00 AM until 1 PM.

Defensive Shooting Tactics: August 11, 2018 Day 1 and August 18, 2018 Day 2. Day 1 will be from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM and Day 2 will be from 9:00 AM until 1 PM.

Advanced Defensive Shooting Tactics: November 3, 2018 Day 1 and November 11, 2018 Day 2. Day 1 will be from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM and Day 2 will be from 9:00 AM until 1 PM.

Introduction to Shooting Women Only: June 2, 2018 and September 15, 2018. The class will be from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM.

Lehigh Valley Project 9-12 WWW.LVTP.ORG

Monthly Meeting
1st Thurs of Every Month at 7:00 PM
Fearless Fire Co. Starlight Ballroom
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Are You Prepared to Take Someone's Life?

Paul Piscator, Firearms Instructor

Having been a firearm instructor for over 19 years I have been asked many questions, but one question which has never has come up is, "prepare me to take someone's life." Although there are training environments preparing individuals for taking another human's life these courses are not available at the law-abiding civilian level. What I will attempt to do is provide you with something to give thought too. Keep in mind as you read through this article, sometime it may come down to the issue of taking a life to save a life and having a basis for the justification or conduct influenced by such action.

Have received instruction and training, to carry a firearm for self-protection, provides you the knowledge as well as the capability and understanding to take a human life within a fraction of a second. You now comprehend the significance, and implications of all it takes is applying between three to seven pounds of pressure with your index finger to take a human life whether young, old, innocent or a person commenting an evil act. Asking yourself - Am I capable of taking someone's life? - is the one question only you can answer. Cross-examine yourself because no one can answer it for you. Consider this while interrogating yourself, whose life has a greater significance, the person threatening your life and your love ones or the threat itself? Ouestions that need to be resolved are religious believes, humanitarian issues, and personal etiquette. Other issues to consider is what will family members and fellow workers think of me, how will neighbors judge me, the potentiality of being sued, and most importantly how it will affect you being a very emotive experience. Before carrying a weapon with the capability of taking a human life, these and other determinism's need to be resolved ahead of time. When the time comes you cannot second guess yourself or negotiate with yourself, you will be pointing a loaded gun at another person(s) with the resourcefulness for killing. Unfortunately, the majority of people judging or adjudicating you may not be capable of understand or more correctly have a "systematic interpretation" of your actions.

The ancient Roman philosopher, Epictetus, stated "It is not the thing itself, but the view we take of it which upsets us." You need to decide in advance can you do the right thing when the time comes. It is a case of doing the rationalization and acceptance process before having the unquestionable ability to press the trigger. When it happens there will be that sense of being alive but suddenly realization comes back into focus as the threat lies eternally inanimate and now confusion manifests itself. As Muhammed Ali stated "the will must be stronger than the skill." Thoughts coming into play will be, I could have done this or that which "surely would have changed the outcome." Your decision will be analyzed, the Monday morning quarterbacks with the nauseating hind-sight by everyone including the acidosis news media. Any time your actions supersede a defining tenet you must be sure you are making the right call. Critics will come out in force with social media leading the way and making a trying situation even more challenging. Social media has taken dis aliter visum to a level unforeseen in the digital dark ages. This will be the time you desperately need support from your loved ones and friends.

Having taken someone's life will have an effect on you, your spouse and your children. Before the day when you need to use deadly force to take a life, you need to discuss this with your spouse, understanding their feelings, and whether it will place a wedge between your relationship. After a lethal encounter you will need their support to cope with the afterthoughts and pressure put on you by the investigation, news media and the possibility of a civil lawsuit. Another question that needs to be considered is, how will it affect the spouse's relationship with their friends, will it be positive and understanding or will it be negative, resulting in reserved, un-cordial and a standoff manner?

If you have children or grandchildren what will be the effect on them? Will they be able to cope and understand? Where they go to school, how will they be looked upon? Are the other children going to taunt them? Will the parents of children who play with your children be told not to associate with your children? How will teachers judge your children? Also since everyone knows you have deadly weapons in your home, other parents may not want their children playing with your children. If all of a sudden your children's best friends no longer play with your children, because their parents will not allow it, it may have psychological implications on your child or children.

The questions you need to ask yourself and answer can become fatiguing and exhaustive. Now is the time to answer those pestiferous questions.



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Building & Grounds Maintenance Report

KITCHEN PROJECT: February 3rd, Saturday and 4th, Sunday. AM Shift 8-12 PM Shift 12-4. Please sign up we need more than a few people.

Second Amendment Report

PA for Self Protection has circulated a petition for State reciprocity to allow Conceal Carry. It has passed the House. Thank you to those who signed. Senate Bill 2135 NICS Fix legislation. This bill would force the VA to identify veterans who get medical marijuana for the purpose to disarm them. Also people with bench warrants will go to the FBI. Contact Sen. Toomey and ask him to remove his co sponsorship. His phone 202-224-4254 or email https://www.toomey.senate.gov/?p=contact

L.V.P.R.L

Our 81st shooting season started Wednesday, January 3, 2018 and we are having a great turn out even in the 8 degree temps.

I would like to thank the league members that have volunteered to help by being range officers. Please consider volunteering to run the range during the new shooting season.

I would also like to thank Jim Kruge very much for volunteering many years! He changes the shooting backers every Wednesday afternoon and staples new clean targets up for every one. Since he comes early members are able to start shooting at 5:00 PM.

On Dec 19th 2017 at the general membership meeting the Board dedicated the indoor range to Rich Geyer on his 90th Birthday! Please stop in to see the plaque.

Shoot Safe, Chuck Adams, LVPRL President

Spring Ham Shoot

Block Shoot for Han or Meat Trays

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Silent Auction

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Food and Beverages

Sunday, March 25, 2018 From Noon Until 5:00 PM

Our main source of fund-raising. We need all of our members to participate in this very worthwhile and needed effort. Wheel Spins for Ham or Meat Trays

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Raffle Ticket Drawing

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Fun for the entire family

Gun Raffle Mossberg 590 Shockwave

There will be a .22 cal Rifle Game in addition to the Block Shoot

Raffle Tickets

In the mailing you will find Club Improvement Raffle Tickets. Please sell these tickets to your friends and return the ticket stubs with appropriate funds in the self-addressed envelope. We need all of our members to participate in this very worthwhile and needed effort.

HSA Silent Auction Back by Popular Demand

Donate your unwanted items to this very worthwhile fundraiser activity.

Bring your items to the Monthly Membership Meeting or contact one of the Board of Directors to arrange for a drop off.

Raffle Tickets

Printing Error:

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