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Welcome to 2013!

Remember—if you have story ideas, please send them on!

I love to see, edit and post articles from all of our members!

Bob Ball, Editor

Vander Linden Named Citizen of the Year

1st Vice President Dale Vander Linden has been named the Delano Citizen of the Year for 2013 by the Delano General Federated Women's Club (GFWC).

Vander Linden spent his working career using his electrical engineering degree from Iowa State University to further the US space program. While at Rockwell International, he became friends with several astronauts; including Apollo 1's Gus Grissom, Ed White and Roger Chaffee, who died in a launch pad fire.

While working as a contract engineer for Lockheed Martin, he helped redesign the fuel tanks for the Space Shuttle program

after the loss of the Space Shuttle Columbia in 2003.

While Vander Linden has lived all over the country, he and Mary Kay, his wife of 53 years call Delano home; returning here periodically throughout his career and returning here permanently after retirement.

Retirement is somewhat of a misnomer for Dale. He remains active in a variety of volunteer activities within the community.

In addition to serving as 1st Vice President of the Delano Sportsmen's Club; he also remains active in the Lion's Club, the Fourth of July Celebration Committee, the Toastmasters, the American Legion, the Veterans of For-

eign Wars and the Disabled American Veterans.

He is also involved in the Delano Dream Team II; an organization tasked with maintaining and improving the qualities that make Delano special.

Vander Linden will be honored at a banquet on Saturday, April 13th at the Delano American Legion. Tickets are available through the GFWC.

Congratulations Dale!

For the full story, see the Delano Herald Journal front page article:

<http://www.herald-journal.com/archives/2012/stories/vanderlinden-cov.html>

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Our Sympathies...

In the two months that the *Sportsman* has been on hiatus, we have lost two long-time club members.

Francis Bauman of Delano passed away in December. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Ruth; children, Nancy (Lance) Wetter, Dick (Neta), Joan (Alan) Zeltner, Patricia (Doug) Bruhn, Jim (Colleen), Jeff (Katie); 12 grandchildren; 7 great-

grandchildren and one on-the-way; sisters, Ann Lundsten, Georgia Berchtold, Barb Merriman, Lucille (Jim) Ronan, Edie Moran.

His funeral was at St. Peter Catholic Church in Delano, and he was buried with military honors in Calvary Cemetery.

Jack Rivers of Delano passed away on January 9th. He is survived by

his children Helen (Ron) Kestner, Jack Rivers Jr; grandchildren Daniel and Jenny; as well as 6 great grandchildren.

Private services will be held for Jack. His obituary noted that he was involved in designing the tracking system for NASA's Apollo program, and his membership in the club.

Our sympathies to their families and friends.

Delano Sportsmen's Club

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The Delano Sportsmen's Club

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Standing Committees:

- Executive Board: This is a closed committee consisting of current officers and directors. It makes decisions on matters related to the club and presents recommendations to the membership. Director: Club President
- Constitution and Bylaws: This committee meets to ensure that all rules are included in the bylaws and to review and make recommendations when needed. Director: Dave Quammen; 952-473-9071
- Membership: This committee tracks membership to ensure compliance with the maximum allowed. They also review applications for membership and accept new members. Director: Dave Quammen; 952-473-9071
- Range & Grounds: This is a working committee that meets to discuss issues and projects related to the range and grounds. They solicit bids for maintenance/repair projects and report to the membership. Director: Mike Speckel; 763-477-3619

The Delano Sportsman

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Businesses or members wishing to advertise may place an ad in the newsletter once per year at no charge. Ad space is limited to 1/4 page.

For advertising information contact Bob Ball at 612-363-3936 or editor.dsc@comcast.net.

Story Ideas:

Do you have a story or photos about an event involving the Delano Sportsmen's Club? Do you have an idea for an article that would be of benefit to the membership? Please contact Bob Ball. Stories and photos can be submitted by email at:

editor.dsc@comcast.net

The deadline for story or advertising submissions is the 8th of each month.

The Next Club Meeting will be held at the Clubhouse at 7:00pm on Tuesday January 29th, 2013

Welcome New Members

We would like to welcome our newest members this month. We hope they will enjoy many hours of safe shooting activities on our range!

Steve Anderson, Sidney Blanchard, Dan Tschudi, Bob Stalberger, Steve Miller, Pat Grossman, Roger Stundahl, Frank Czanstkowski, Frank Hendricks, Gary Fischbach, Adam Warden, John Larkin, Jason Kokx, Theodore Rex, Steven Holt, Robert Blake

From the Editor

Happy New Year!

We've had a lot of ups and downs over 2012. For those of us involved in shooting sports, the year ended on a low note with voices rising up to suggest bans and controls on firearms.

There will be much controversy and many arguments about how to solve tragedies such as the mass shootings we saw in Colorado, Wisconsin, Minneapolis and Connecticut in 2012.

I firmly believe organizations such as ours are in a position to show our communities and the world at large that the problems we are seeing are not "gun" problems; they are social problems that require a bigger solution than banning a firearm because it looks scary.

More as we go along...Bob Ball, Editor

Minutes of the November 27th, 2012 Meeting

Meeting called to order by President Jim Klatt

Secretary's report - minutes of the October 30, 2012 meeting were approved

Treasurers report -

Opening balance \$23,388.72;

Debits \$4696.54;

Credits \$9080.00;

Checking balance \$27,772.18;

Balance in all accounts \$91,468.07.

New Business

There has been \$2500 raised so far on the members only gun raffle. The Remington 1911 was available for members to look at. 49% of members have paid their 2013 dues

John McClay is working on starting the high school trap shooting league. An informational meeting will be held on March 25th at the club for all interested students. Interest at the school seems high. Dates for shooting would be April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13, 20, 27.

The concrete barriers along the river are temporary. There was a concern that vehicles may drive into the river.

Jim Berg won the youth ATV on our club raffle and now has won a gun on

the 21 gun salute raffle. Lucky guy!

Clubhouse reservation for March 25th for the high school trap shooting meeting and April 8, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 29 and May 2, 2013 for firearms safety were approved.

Range reservations for May 4, 2013 for firearms safety were approved.

A request was made for start up money for the high school trap league for supplies to get up and running. Motion made to furnish \$500 was passed.

John Tackaberry provided lunch for the members. He introduced his guests and spoke briefly about his time at Star West Chevrolet and its recent sale.

New members introduced themselves.

Jim Klatt thanked all volunteers, committee members, and lunch providers over the past year. Without them things would be much different.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Dick Nordling, Acting Secretary.

Editor's note: As customary, there was no December Meeting.

Thank you to John Tackaberry and Steve Pool for providing us with a wonderful lunch for the November Meeting!



Minutes:Wright County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs

DATE: 8 OCT 2012

LOCATION: "V"s CAFÉ

PRESIDING: PRES MARK KAMINSKI

ROLL CALL: 7 DELEGATES FROM 7 CLUBS

Conservation Pledge lead by Pres Kaminski Secretary's report read and accepted as read Treasures report read and accepted as read. Balance \$4,027.80

The Waverly Gun Club returned the \$100 check we donated to them to assist in buying a defibrillator. They decided not to buy a unit.

The break down for events at our fundraiser

is as follows.

Blue table \$795 Red table \$600 Ladder stand \$110 Half-a-hog \$340

Wine basket \$165 Shotgun \$220 Blind \$325 Ruger handgun \$650

We cleared \$2,658.44 Thanks to those who worked and attended the fundraiser.

The Midwest Outdoors Unlimited calendar is now available. All proceeds from the sale of these calendars go to support outdoor adventures for disabled veterans.

The disabled vets duck hunt at Ney Park went well. Many birds were harvested by the hunters. Silver Creek furnished a dinner and trap shoot for the hunters following the

hunt.

There was a motion to purchase 10 \$5 raffle tickets from Silver Creek Club, motion received a second and passed a voice vote.

There will not be a meeting in Nov or Dec. See you in 2013!

Respectfully submitted
Dick Nordling, Sec

NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON JAN 14,2013 AT 7:30 PM AT "V" IN MAPLE LAKE

Volunteering at a Glance

Once again, we have many opportunities for members to save **\$50** in dues by volunteering with club activities in 2013.

Lunches: Like to cook? Want to make lunch for your fellow members and not pay for it? Want to get credit for volunteering? Volunteer to make lunch for after a membership meeting! Buy and make a wonderful lunch, and turn in the receipts for reimbursement! Call Tom Delaney to volunteer for lunches in 2013.

Annual Hatchet-Jack Muzzleloader shoot: There's a need for volunteers to help with the annual Hatchet Jack shoot; held January 27th (the Sunday before the Superbowl—so there's no football that week). Contact Dick Nordling if you want to help out.

Firearm Safety: Do you want to help our future generations of youths (and adults) learn to handle firearms safely and responsibly? We need volunteers to obtain Firearm Safety instructor training and help with classes. Go to the DNR site for more information on becoming an instructor (<http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/safety/instructors/firearms/index.html>), then contact John McClay.

Highway 12 Cleanup: The Minnesota Carry Permit Holders have a cleanup in the spring and late summer each year on the east side of Maple Plain. If you have questions or want to help, contact Dan MacDonald at 952-473-2201.

Wood Duck & Bluebird Houses: On March 23rd we will have our annual Bluebird and Wood Duck house building, from 9am-1pm. This is a fun activity for the whole family, and a great way to complete volunteer time. If you're interested in participating (or cutting lumber before the event), contact Larry Lindborg.

Delano Business Expo: Every April we have a booth and provide information about our club, socialize with visitors and hand out bluebird or wood duck houses. If you're interested, contact Joe Kittok at 763-972-2989.

Teaching at Advanced Hunter Safety: April 24th and April 27th. Contact Mike Speckel at 763-477-3619 if you are interested.

Father's Day Muzzleloader Shoot: June 15th and 16th, all day. Contact Dick Nordling if you'd like to help.

July 4th Float: We need help decorating the float on July 3rd and to ride in the parade on July 4th. Contact Rod Minnich 763-242-0063.

July 4th Fair in Delano: Work the Bingo or Milkshake booth at Delano Park during the July 4th fair. Contact Jan Kittok 763-972-2989.

Air Gun Booth at Wright County Fair: Help youth target shooting in the air gun booth. The fair is held in Howard lake, usually the last weekend in August. Contact Dick Nordling if interested.

Members Only Turkey Shoot: Held in September, it's a great opportunity for members to demonstrate their shooting skills. But before it can happen, targets need to be designed, made and put up! Contact Jim Klatt if interested.

Crow River Clean Up: Usually held in September. Contact Tom Delaney.

Non-Member Sight In: Held in October every year before Deer Season, help collect money, ensure range safety and help non-members sight in. This is also a place where we have recruited many new members after a successful sight in! Contact Tim Hainlin if interested: 763-479-6846.

General Housekeeping: There are always weeds to be trimmed and minor landscaping issues to manage. Contact Tom Delaney if you want to help with this.



Volunteering: Good for the club, good for you, and fun to do. How else can you have fun and save \$50 on your dues?

Three Rivers Forkhorn and Long Lake Conservation Camps!

Once again this year, the Delano Sportsmen's Club will pay the fees for boys and girls ages 9-16 who wish to attend either the Long Lake Conservation Camp or one of the Three Rivers Forkhorn camps!

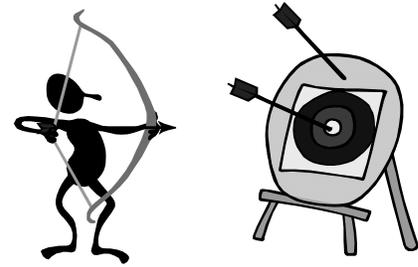
The Long Lake Conservation Camp is located near Palisade, Minnesota in Aitkin County. For information on their week-long camps, go to: <http://www.llcc.org/>.

The Three River Forkhorn Camps are week-long camps conducted through the Three Rivers Park District. Information on their camps are located on the web at: <http://www.threeriversparks.org/events/Groups/~media/Files/summer-camps.ashx>.

These camps promote safe use of firearms (the Forkhorn I camps provide DNR firearms safety training for those who do not yet have their certificate) and provide many activities related not just to hunting but to outdoorsmanship.

If you have a child, niece, nephew, grandchild, etc., that would like to attend one of these camps, contact Jan Kittok to sign up: 763-972-2989.

Please note that a parent or guardian must transport the child to and from camp.



Elections!

The positions of Secretary and Treasurer are up for election this month!

If you would like to run for office, please contact Jim Klatt and let him know!



Raffle News!

This is the January Newsletter...that means that if you haven't already registered for the Members Only Raffle—you're too late!

Fortunately, most people did register—but who won? The best way to find out will be to attend the meeting on January 29th at 7pm!

We will be conducting monthly club business, electing a new Secretary and Treasurer (see the adjoining article); *and* we will have the drawing for the members-only raffle!

Now, if you've forgotten what that extra \$10 might get you, here it is:

- A Remington 1911 (reviewers say it's a fine full-sized 1911...something any of us would be proud to own!)
- A fishing trip at Ballards on Lake of the Woods...and
- A Gander Mountain Gift Certificate!

Come to the meeting and see who will win! Could it be YOU???

In other raffle-news...Jim Berg, one of our members who was also the lucky winner of the child-sized 4x4 in the fall raffle also represented our club by winning one of the firearms from the MN Conservation Federation's 21 Gun Salute Raffle! Congratulations Jim!

Please note! Do not rub Jim "FOR LUCK" at the range or meetings without his permission; it gets awkward.

DELANO SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

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Change Service Requested

We're on the web!

<http://www.delanosportsmensclub.com>

Range Hours:

Rifle & Pistol:

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-8:30pm
(or Dark...whichever is earliest)

Saturday: 9:00am-6:00pm

Sunday: 11:00am-6:00pm

Rifle and Pistol Ranges are closed during Trap Shooting events, leagues and practices.

Watch the range calendar for restrictions/closures due to scheduled events.

Trap Shooting:

League and Practice Hours:

Wednesday & Thursday:
5:00pm-10:00pm

Trap Shooting is only allowed during scheduled events and practice time.

Don't forget to wear your I.D.

See someone without an ID? Ask to see it...

No one likes to show up at a closed range! *These reservations have been accepted and approved by the club. Please note the time and date to avoid conflict.*

Reservations:

Range:

January

27 - (Sun) - Hatchet Jack Muzzleloaders Shoot - All Day

February

27 - (Wed) - Three Rivers Park Police Department - 8:30am - 5:30pm

March

16 - (Sat) - Delano Boy Scouts 9:00am - 1:00 pm

21 - (Thu) - Deephaven Police Department - 8:00am - 1:00pm

Clubhouse:

January

29 - (Tue) Monthly Meeting , 7:00 PM

February

26 - (Tue) Monthly Meeting, 7:00 PM

March

15 - (Fri) - Delano Boy Scouts - All day

16 - (Sat) - Delano Boy Scouts - All day

17 - (Sun) - Delano Boy Scouts - overnight until 10:00 am

23 - (Sat) - Build bluebird and wood duck houses - 9:00am - 1:00pm

25 - (Mon) - Youth Trap League Sign-up & meeting (McClay)

26 - (Tue) Monthly Meeting in the Clubhouse, 7:00 PM

Questions about Range Rules? Please see a club officer!

Please Report all Range Damage