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Friends and fellow members,

Never say "I will never do that (you fill in the that part) again".

So here I go writing the newsletter again. I will have big shoes to fill again, but 8 years out of the chair will re-fire the spark that I had the last time you asked me to do this job.

2012 will present us with some unique challenges and opportunities. The 50th Annual Interstate Shoots will no doubt be the focus of most of our efforts but there should be a lot of other chances for us to get together and enjoy each others' company.

I like to start out any project with goals. Some goals will be realistic, others perhaps pie-in-the-sky.

Goals;

1. No funerals or memorial services. That's one we cannot control but we can still wish.
2. Increased new membership and participation.
3. Big turnout for the Spring Interstate Shoot in Harrisburg Pa.. This will require the majority of our 2011 First Team to show up and wax these other states on the range. Harry, this means you and all of your clan need to be there!
4. Our Interstate Shoot at Boonesborough needs to be an absolute thing of beauty. Everything from Opening Ceremonies to the meal afterwards needs to be above and way beyond anything we have ever done in the past.
5. Everything else. Let's make every function we have this year be one that you look forward to attending weeks in advance.

Ideas;

Luckily for us, the membership is full of smart and creative people. Take a good look at what we do and have done in the past and how you can improve it. I know from sitting around enough campfires that several of you have good ideas of ways to enhance what we do as a club. Bring your ideas and a workable plan to the director's meeting.

Director's meeting

The Director's meeting will be on Saturday, January 14th at 12:00 p.m. (snow date is January 21st at 12:00 p.m.) in the Recreation Hall in the campground at Boonesborough. Be working on ideas you have for next year. If you want to get your ideas out early you can contact me at wayne.estes@lge-ku.com or call me (859-361-1055) I will get them on the agenda. Don't forget to get membership application letters, etc. and probationary follow-up letters to me before the meeting.

Thank you's;

Anyone who takes the job as an officer in the Corps goes in knowing that he cannot enjoy a Corps function as much as before he took the job. There is a ton of work that goes on behind the scene. Take a moment and thank Dan Braun for his fine leadership for the past 2 years, the same for Jeff Barker who had the sad task of taking over as secretary/treasurer after Bill York's passing.

In closing;

I got a call from Jim Fulmer (Pa. shooter, past captain, past president NMLRA) the other night. We spent a good deal of time reminiscing about Interstate Shoots of the past and ideas for the upcoming year. What great friendships we have developed all because of a challenge issued by a politician in 1963! Year after year the Pennsylvania Team takes time away from home and work to drive to Kentucky and shoot 20 shots only to drive back home with often just a tee shirt to show for their investment. If we never participate in another shooting match ever again, we owe it to ourselves and to that fine group of folks from Pennsylvania to support this year's shoot in their home state. The date is May 12th 2012 in Harrisburg Pa.. I will keep you posted on the address. Think about it. Mark your calendar!!!!

Your Buddy,
Wayne

p.s.

Bucks in the morning, does in the afternoon!!!!