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President's Message #5.....

"It was the best of times; it was the worst of times." (*The Tale of Two Cities*) This seems like an apt description for the current polarization of the citizens of our country. It certainly describes our congress and administration during the relentless fiscal cliff frenzy. It seems to be describing the country's response in the aftermath of the horrible massacre in Connecticut. Again, Americans seem to think another law will effortlessly fix anything they want it to!

You and I know that firearms are no more the "cause" of violence than baseball bats, kitchen knives or insufficient laws! There are numerous factors that are the likely causes but that are not as easily pigeon holed for the public or media's attention: poverty, drug addictions, alcohol overuse, mental health problems, over crowded classrooms, certain entertainments, divorce rates and domestic violence are all factors which can have negative impacts on development of acceptable social values and individual code of ethics. But, it gets a bit more complicated to legislate against poverty. Prohibition didn't pan out too well. Drug legislation is still anybody's guess how this is going to wash.

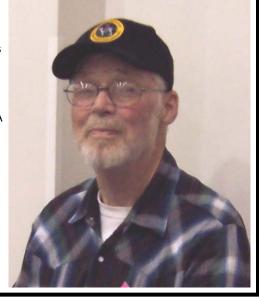
What annoys me the most is this concept of a "quick fix" and a tendency to blame or to focus on only one issue as the root cause. Quick to blame firearms as the culprit we seem polarized to either blame and attempt to legislate remediating or to stonewall and deny that firearms can be a problem associated with violence.

I surely don't have all if any of the answers. I do believe that DTGCA needs to continue to support organizations that offer young people the enjoyment of shooting sports. Further, DTGCA needs to continue to support NRA as one organization that is devoted to safeguarding gun rights. I suspect that many of us could more actively involve ourselves with NRA and other organizations and if we view them as off base to provide input as consistent with our values and with values of DTGCA. Perhaps challenging the media and also inviting the media to view these issues from another perspective can be useful in promoting a positive public image. I, for one, will be writing our congressional representatives with my views on proposed legislation.

On a more pleasant note I have just returned from attending my first 2013 DTGCA show. Roger Krumm continues to put on one very fine show. True, the weather in Bismarck was a mite brisk but that seemed not to deter vendors or patrons. I didn't see the crowds frantically looking for the so called assault weapons; that was contrary to what the media has been reporting. They seemed to be intent on purchasing handguns and ammunition and brass. I haven't been to this show for a couple of years and it was good to talk with fellow collectors.

After Saturday's show a one hour meeting was held with the show managers and board members in attendance. The agenda was two fold: a. obtaining a list of prospective people to be considered for board members and b. brainstorming for ideas that may enhance DTG-CA values and growth. Numerous ideas were tendered and I would suspect that more than a few may be incorporated in the future.

Over the years that I have been involved with DTGCA I have been much more aware that the health of this organization is extremely dependent on our show managers. I have been pleased to see more show managers making provision for vendor assistance with carts and help for loading and unloading. Show managers spend an inordinate amount of time resolving conflicts, both with the general public and with vendors. I know that the wage they earn is small compensation for the time and issues they have. The show managers need our support. Let's remember to give them a well deserved thumbs up and let them know when things go



GOT A STORY TO TELL......Have a Collection? Find a sleeper?

Care to share a story on how one slipped out of your hands? Did you find the one to top off your collection? Looking for people and stories from the membership and beyond. If something unique or interesting has happened to you or someone you know, we'd like to hear from you.

Pictures accompanying the article are **GREAT!**

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MEMBERSHIP BY STATE										
ΑZ	5	CA	4	со	12	DC	5	FL	3	
GA	1	IA	210	ID	3	IL	6	KS	11	
MO	1	MB	5	MD	I	ME	1	MI	3	
MN	515	MO	3	MT	60	ND	672	NE	109	
NV	1	ОН	1	ОК	4	OR	I	PA	3	
SC	1	SD	1562	TX	11	UT	2	VA	4	
WA	5	WI	60	WY	29					

SIOUX FALLS, SD UPDATE I) There **will not** be a DTGCA Fall Gun Show in Sioux Falls, SD this year . 2012 was the last year.

2) **Trophy Show Move** - After many requests for a contract to review and being notified the dates cannot be met for the Trophy Show, the move to the Convention Center in Sioux Falls, SD is a dead issue at this time. There is no room for deviation of dates after the New Year and the Board would not enter negotiations without contract wording to review.

Vicki L. Sandvig Dakota Teritory Gun Collector's Association Executive Secretary PO Box 5053 West Fargo, North Dakota

December 28, 2012



Dear Vicki,

- Nine hunters at the 2012 PDR Hunt harvested six deer, a new high total for the PDR Hunt. Zach from Spearfish, SD who has limited use of his arms and legs bagged a dandy deer this year. For the second year in a row he harvested a doe with a radio collar on it. We asked him to stop showing off, which made him smile.
- A new long shot record was made. Austin, who has left side palsy and is blind in one eye hit
 his deer at 400 yards. The Lone Star Field Products company from Texas makes an ultra
 steady Spec Rest gun stand that helped accomplish this amazing feat. But, wouldn't we ALL
 like to make a 400 yard shot, under any circumstance?
- Andre from Aberdeen scored a nice shot with a big doe at about 125 yards. His relatively
 short shot was responsible however for the longest retrieve of a deer ever. Andre's dad and I
 tracked that deer old style following it's blood trail seemingly into the next county before
 finally recovering it.
- Our first female hunter, Mikayla from Volga, SD had deer all around her. She laughingly
 explained how one deer made her dizzy as she spun around on her revolving seat trying to
 sight-in the ambling deer. To no avail. She never got a shot off. Though she will be too old
 to hunt with the youth group next year she promised to return and help other kids have this
 terrific outdoor experience next year.

The generosity of the Dakota Territory Gun Club allows the PDR group to purchase its \$500 raffle guns. This is the main funding mechanism for PDR so please accept and extend a tremendous thank you from all the hunters, parents and volunteers associated with the PDR Disabled Youth Hunt.

Thank you for supporting PDR Disabled Youth Deer Hunt,





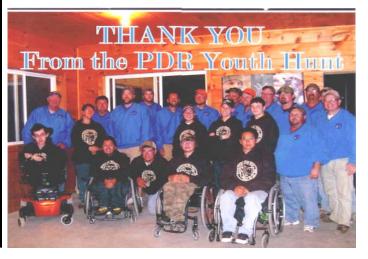


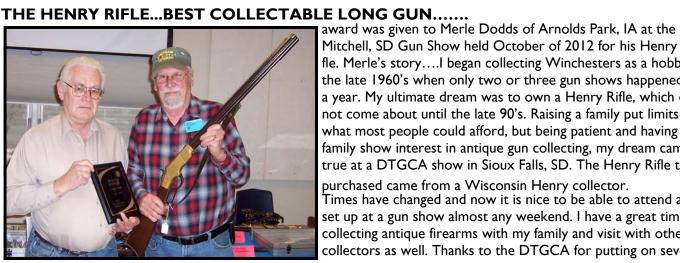
Some of last years disabled kids are "aging out" of the youth hunt therefore making room for up to a half dozen new hunters in 2013. Registration details are explained on the PDR hunter application found on the website www.pdryouthhunt.com

DAVISON COUNTY 4-H CLUB

The Mitchell, SD show manager Bob Campbell (R) presented a check to the Davison County 4-H Club. Accepting the check was (L-R) Bryan Titze, Hayle Schoenfelder and David Hiles.







Show Manager Bob Campbell Merle Dodds

Mitchell, SD Gun Show held October of 2012 for his Henry Rifle. Merle's story....I began collecting Winchesters as a hobby in the late 1960's when only two or three gun shows happened in a year. My ultimate dream was to own a Henry Rifle, which did not come about until the late 90's. Raising a family put limits on what most people could afford, but being patient and having my family show interest in antique gun collecting, my dream came true at a DTGCA show in Sioux Falls, SD. The Henry Rifle that I purchased came from a Wisconsin Henry collector.

Times have changed and now it is nice to be able to attend and set up at a gun show almost any weekend. I have a great time collecting antique firearms with my family and visit with other collectors as well. Thanks to the DTGCA for putting on several quality shows to attend.

BEST OF SHOW 2013 ANNUAL FARGO GUN SHOW "TRADE GUNS"

author Richard Pasche, Andover, MN Life Member



The display title is "THE NORTH WEST GUN-MISHIPESHU" The Great Water Lynx and the Archaeology of Serpent Side Plates. The title illustration is named "DEMI-CHARGE" by water colorist Howard Sivertson. Having been raised in the commercial fishing industry on Lake Superior's Isle Royal, Mr. Sivertson has a profound understanding of the history of the Great Lakes and the old fur trade in particular. While the display features a number of North West Guns from my collection, the decorative Serpent Side Plates on the North West Guns and the belief system of the Native American fur trade customers are the main thrust of the display. From the old Mississippi culture, the Horned Serpent and the feared Great Water Lynx are central figures in the belief system of the indigenous people. Where ever you hear the names SPIRIT LAKE or DEVILS LAKE, MISHIPESHU resides in the deep water causing fear of drowning from waves, rapids and whirlpools. MISHIPESHU is also the guardian of the copper ore found in and around the Great Lakes. When the French and English fur traders arrived with copper and brass kettles, their Algonquian customers made an immediate connection with the power of MISHIPESHU. The Serpent Side Plates found on French firearm fragments of

Michilimackinac and Point Saint Ignes follow the detail included in the 1684 edition of a gun makers pattern book by Clawde Simonin Plusieurs entitled Pieces Et Ornaments D'arquebuzerie, Paris. By the late 17th century the Judson's Bay Company had adopted a flat engraved brass serpent side plate without the body coil which would appear by 1715. MISHIPESHU was not only feared, but could also bring success to fishing and hunting. To appeal to the power of MISHIPESHU, the hunter would remove a lock screw from his North West Gun and break off a part of the side plate and ritualistically toss it on the ground or into a fire, lake or stream. This display contains 24 broken side plates collected from the Rainy River, 3 Serpents from Point Saint Ignes, and one unusual Serpent from east central Minnesota. One of the North West Guns displayed was made by Thomas Barnett for the American trade and dates to about the 1830 time period. This gun has a 43 1/4 inch barrel and a large trigger guard made in the imitation of the Hudson's Bay Company trade guns. During its working life converted from flint lock to percussion. This gun comes from an old Washington State collection. A second North West Gun was made for the Hudson's Bay Company by Parker Field & CO. and is dated 1871. In its day it would have been called a buffalo running gun and features a 30 inch barrel. A table display box contains the relic remains of a Hudson's Bay North West Gun marked Parker Field and dated 1855. While this relic had the barrel filled with sand, the stock broken and burned, it remains one of my favorite things. It comes from a collector here in Minnesota and I have owned it since 1976. I thank the Dakota Territory Gun Collectors and show manager Bill Braun for selecting this display "BEST OF SHOW: Fargo Winter Show 2013. I also would like to thank Sam Braun for presentation of the award.









Our **Extended Sympathy**

The Association would like to notify you and recognize the death of the following Member.

Allen Petersen, Fargo, ND Passed away January 2013

COLT 45 SA ARTILLERY PRESENTATION

author and owner Lenard Cave, Jamestown, ND

COLT 45 SA Artillery with silver plague on left grip with inscription "Presented to Hon. Elihu Root by Harrey Carey. First to Limit Armament Nov. 12, 1921."

Elihu Root was a man of great importance in the late 1800's & early 1900's.



Senator -Secretary of War under President McKinley-Secretary of State under President Teddy Roosevelt—Nobel Peace Prize 1912-Commissioner, Limitation of Armament Nov. 12, 1921 Leading to the Five Power Naval Treaty of 1922. Harrey Carey was one of the great film stars; he has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame & was a close friend of John Wayne.

This Colt came into prominence in May 1984 when it was purchased from an agent of a trust co., acting as an agent for an estate.

Along with the Colt came a file with much documentation and excellent provenance as to it coming from the estate of a prominent family that was a relative of Elihu Root.



A DAKOTA ITHACA By Bruce Foster, Black Hawk, SD

This grade 5E Ithaca: serial number 455736 sports 30 inch barrels, a single trigger, vent rib, beaver tail forend, Ithaca recoil pad and Lyman sights. The original owner was Gus Olson who resided in Mission Hill, SD. Mission Hill is a small community NE of Yankton, SD.

It is unusual to be able to find more than oral documentation on an older firearm. Even fewer firearms in South Dakota have such a historical pedigree. This 5E is a scarce gun as only 133 were manufactured in the New Ithaca Double configuration from 1926-48. Gus was a trap shooter and this gun accompanies him in the summer of 1930 to Vandalia, OH where the National Trap Shooter's championship is held. Gus came in first in the Championship 200 target event in class E. Furthermore, on Friday, August 22, 1930 he won a trophy in the "Grand American Handicap". A nice honor for Gus and for his Ithaca.

I purchased this Ithaca in June of 2008 after the family decided to sell it. A historical firearm is again residing in South Dakota.



Amateur Trapshooters Association "Roaring Twenties" Vandalia, Ohio



Bruce Foster's Ithaca 5E

SHOW AWARDS

COLLECTABLE AWARDS FARGO, ND SHOW

LONG GUN SINGLE A.R. Davies Double Rifle—Rick

Johnston

LONG GUN COLLECTION Sharp's Display—Gannon Larson,

Loren Knutson

HAND GUN SINGLE Smith & Wesson—

Randy & Bob Schell

HAND GUN COLLECTION Nambu's—Jack Lau

PEOPLES' CHOICE 94/22's—Jim & Lori Neigel

BEST OF SHOW Trade Guns—Richard Pasche

BEST HUNTING RELATED Grandfather of Modern Hunting

Rifle—Gail Steinhauer







Rick Johnston

Jack Lau

Gail Steinhauer



Gannon Larson

Loren Knutson



Show Mgr Bill Braun

Jim & Lori Neigel

THE BREECH LOADING RIFLE IST MODEL......The Great Grandfather of Winchester Repeating Firearms

In the line of development of the Winchester Repeating Firearms the first step was the Hunt's patent #6663 for a breech loading rifle in 1849. The sole example is the patent model that is in the Cody Firearm Museum.

The second step in the evolution was the improvements that Lewis Jennings made to the Hunt design. They were made from 1850 to 1851. The Jennings was built by Robbins & Lawrence of Windsor, VT. The first model Jennings was breechloading single shot, using a 54 caliber "Rocket Ball" cartridge. It had a 26 inch barrel with a cleaning rod under the barrel and a ring trigger that also worked the action. The shop foremen was B. Tyler Henry of "Henry Rifle" fame.



The later 2nd model, which was a repeater, was designed by Horace Smith of Smith and Wesson fame. From the Jennings, Smith & Wesson went on to make Volcanic Repeating Arms Co. With improvements that B.T.

Henry made to the Volcanic it became the "Henry Rifle", the direct predecessor to Winchester Repeating Firearms. There probably was only about 1000 made of all models of the Jennings. The ser. # on this rifle is 395. It has not been converted to a muzzleloader as most were, as the design's cartridge wasn't strong enough to be of much use. This rifle was factory engraved.

I obtained the Jennings at a gun show in September in Winnipeg. It was early in the morning of the show. So the early bird can still find interesting firearms at gun shows, and this find will keep me looking for the odd and different.

Submitted by: Gail Steinhauer of Thief River Falls, MN

SHOW RULES OF CONDUCT

A. Exhibits, displays, buys, sells and trades all types of acceptable arms and their accessories, along with the Association membership and guest attendance, formulates the primary goal of this Association Show Meeting.

B. Illegal arms and bulk explosives shall not be brought in the Show Meeting Hall.

C. Only the contracted table surface or surfaces shall be the display areas. Exception can be made by show manager.

D. No playing videos or electronic audio visual aids.

E. An item that is considered detrimental, by the opinion of the majority Board members present, to the safety or best interest of this Association shall be barred. No loaded or strapped to oneself firearm except for authorized security personnel.

F. ALL firearms including air guns must be strapped.

G. Badges will be distributed by the show manager to all authorized attendance and security at the beginning of set up for the show

H. Contracted space shall be well maintained by its renter from garbage and refuse.

I. If a show is sold out, all "no show tables" will be open until 10:00 a.m. Saturday morning, then allocated via a waiting list in numerical order.

Definition of acceptable arms and accessories:

* Air Weapons

* Ammunition

* Bayonets

* Cartridges & Shot shells for Collectors

* Gun Parts, sights, gun repair supplies

* Pole Arms & Battle Axes

* Military uniforms and directly associated accoutrements related solely to conflicts in which the United States was involved. Said items are to be individually displayed on mannequins or fully laid out on tables. No such items are to be stored, displayed or sold in bulk or from clothes

*American Cowboy, Indian Weapons & Personal

*Armor

*Books and Videos (Weapons related)

*Firearms of all legal types

*Firearm Curiosa

*Knives, Swords & Daggers

*Military weapons & direct weapons related items

*Powder Flasks & Horns

*Paintings, Pictures, Prints & Statuary-covering items on this list (jewelry not permitted)

*Reloading Tools and Supplies

*Belt Buckles-Dealing with items on this list only.

*Scrimshaw-Dealing with items on this list only.

*Bumper stickers are prohibited from all gun shows. An exception: stickers may be sold or given away by non-profit organizations whose purpose is to promote shooting or gun ownership: stickers must be shooting

or firearms related.

Prohibited Items:

*Smoke bombs

*Blow Guns

*Bulk Gun Powder

*Communication equipment

*No dummy ammunition in firearms

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*No sales of weapons or ammunition to youth under the age of 18.

*Martial Arts items (Ninja), examples: throwing stars, numb chucks, throwing

balls, etc.

*Parts, kits, manuals, instruction books, etc for the conversion of legal items to illegal items, or the making of bombs, silencers,

machine guns, etc.

* Any form of media on government overthrow or anarchy, including anti-semidry or bigotry items.

*All items prohibited by the organization rules shall be banned from the show and must be

removed from the facility.

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2012-2013 DAKOTA TERRITORY GUN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION GUN SHOW DATES

AUGUST 25-26, 2012 FALL GUN SHOW SIOUX FALLS CONVENTION CENTER SIOUX FALLS, SD Chairman: Steve Livermore PO Box 972 Ft. Pierre, SD 57532 (605) 280-2438

September 29-30, 2012 BISMARCK CIVIC CENTER BISMARCK, ND Chairman: Roger Krumm PO Box 158 Strasburg, ND 58573 (701) 336-7533

OCTOBER 27-28, 2012 DAVISON CTY. 4-H GROUNDS MITCHELL, SD Chairman: Robert Campbell 105 Hegge Court Big Stone City, SD 57216 (605) 268-0254

JANUARY 5-6, 2013 CIVIC AUDITORIUM FARGO, ND Chairman: Bill Braun 1331 14 1/2 Ave N Wahpeton, ND 58075 (701) 642-6970 JANUARY 12-13, 2013 SWIFTEL CENTER BROOKINGS, SD Chairman: Vic Carter 18299 US Hwy 81 Castlewood, SD 57223 (605) 793-2347

JANUARY 19-20, 2013 BISMARCK CIVIC CENTER BISMARCK, ND Chairman: Roger Krumm PO Box 158 Strasburg, ND 58573 (701) 336-7533

JANUARY 26-27, 2013 NATIONAL FIELD ARCHERY BLDG YANKTON, SD Chairman: Chuck Harens 711 E 14th St Yankton, SD 57078 (605) 665-4537

FEBRUARY 2-3, 2013 RAMKOTA HOTEL ABERDEEN, SD Chairman: Roger Krumm PO Box 158 Strasburg, ND 58573 (701) 336-7533

FEBRUARY 09-10, 2013 TROPHY SHOW-THE BIG ONE RAMKOTA INN CONVENTION CTR SIOUX FALLS, SD Chairman: Chuck Harens 711 E 14th St Yankton, SD 57078 (605) 665-4537 FEBRUARY 16-17, 2013 RAMKOTA RIVER CENTRE PIERRE, SD Chairman: Steve Livermore PO Box 972 Ft. Pierre, SD 57532 (605) 280-2438

MARCH 2-3, 20123 ALERUS CENTER GRAND FORKS, ND Chairman: Bill Braun 1331 14 1/2 Ave N Wahpeton, ND 58075 (701) 642-6970

MARCH 09-10, 2013 RAMKOTA INN COLLECTOR CLASSIC SIOUX FALLS, SD Chairman: Rick Larson 46675 Lovely Circle Tea, SD 57064 (605) 366-4857

MARCH 16-17, 2013 CODINGTON CTY AG BLDG WATERTOWN, SD Chairman: Vic Carter 18299 US Hwy 81 Castlewood, SD 57223 (605) 793-2347

APRIL 13-14. 2013 RUSHMORE CIVIC CENTER RAPID CITY, SD Chairman: Sonny Pesicka 135 Johnson St Box Elder, SD 57719 (605) 923-5191