# Rochester Rifle Club

Winter 2015 Edition





Kevin Nagle (right) stands next to his new safe. On left is Guy Daniels who sold Kevin the winning ticket.

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### RRC 2014 Raffles

### Gun Safe Raffle Winners:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize- 24-Gun Safe **Kevin Nagle** Dansville, NY

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - \$150.00 **Dan Ferrara** LeRoy, NY

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - \$75.00 **Steve Fitzpatrick** Angola, NY

### Handgun Raffle Winners:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize Springfield .45ACP Range Officer **Mike Ruisi** Roch., NY

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Ruger MKIII 5.5" . 22LR Bull Barrel **Joshua Glasser** Pittsford, NY

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Smith & Wesson Shield .40 3.5" black **John Fitton** Pittsford, NY

# Coming Events at the Rochester Rifle Club

### Saturday, February 28th, 2015

RRC Members, Do you have a <u>.45 caliber</u> Model 1911?

Come to a Maintenance & Operation Class. Includes how to take apart, re-assemble and upkeep.

Time: Class begins at 9am - ends at 1pm

Cost: FREE

Location: Rochester Rifle Club, 2445 Winton

Rd S., Rochester NY







Don't forget to bring your NYS pistol permit

### Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> & 14th

NRA Basic Pistol Class

8am – 2pm

Cost: \$85 per person

Registration ends February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015.
Contact training@ rochesterrifleclub.org

to sign up or for more info

- Must have a valid NYS pistol permit
- Learn the basic knowledge, skills and attitude necessary for owning and using a pistol safely
- Pistol Knowledge and Safe Gun Handling
- Ammunition Knowledge and the Fundamentals of Pistol Shooting
- Firing the First Shots/ Two Handed and One Handed Standing Shooting Positions
- Pistol Sports and Activities

# More coming events...

#### **Once-A-Month Lead Removal Work Crew**

7:00am - 8:30am

We could use a couple strong guys to take a turn with the spring / summer volunteers. We provide gear ("suit", respirator and gloves). Normally done in about an hour. Please note that the RRC range is also closed <u>following</u> the lead removal for the weekly cleaning staff (until about 10:30am).

Watch the **April –May** calendar for the next open dates. If available please contact Tom Penfound at 334-4624 to RSVP.

### Saturday, March 21st or Monday, April 27th

New Member Class

Do you know someone who would like to join our club? Have them go online to rochesterrifleclub.org to download an application and mail it in. Completed applications will be acknowledged with an invitation to one of the next New Member Orientation classes.

# **Expansion Update**

Several members have been asking what is going on since the RRC purchased some land in Perinton. The land is along Route 31 about 1/2 mile west of the county border. Not much to see at the present. The RRC Directors have been discussing possible building configurations and our needs. More specific details should be available later this spring after the scope of the project is refined and we have met with engineers and an architect.

# **Director Openings**

As some of you may be aware, the RRC has a closed directorate. However, we are currently looking for director candidates.

#### What does a director do?

First of all, a director assists the Board of Directors by duties assigned in the constitution and bylaws. Second, attendance at monthly meetings is expected. Third, as all directors and officers are volunteers, we assist the officers in membership processing / new member classes, some range / building maintenance, oversight of program activities and other duties where help is needed.

Skills especially useful are: NRA Range Officer / NRA Certified Instructor / Legal (could include but not limited to 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment rights) / Bookkeeping / Engineering / Electrical / Plumbing. Directors also work alongside member volunteers at periodic work parties (ie spring, summer, fall) and sometimes assist with administrative paperwork and raffles.

Questions about the above? Contact one of our officers or directors .....

Interested applicants for a Director opening should contact the RRC with your contact information, skills, and affiliations with shooting sports organizations.

Send info to: Ed Cerra, President, Rochester Rifle Club, PO Box 20617, Roch., NY 14602.

# Junior Sporterifle Youth Needed



RRC Sporterifle is currently searching for male and female youth ages 12-19 and adults of any age to build our teams up for next season. Junior shooters are age 12-19. Mom and/ or dad may shoot with their youth on Sundays 2-4pm September thru March. It is a great low cost family activity that requires very little time. There is no cost to junior shooters and we supply .22 rifles, ammo, targets and instruction for the youth.

The current season is winding down in mid-March so stop down soon to check it out. If this is your first-time at the RRC there is some training for the youth and paperwork for a parent.

Questions? Contact Jerry Sprague at 585-742-1213 <u>president@sporterifle.org</u> or Dave Vogel 585-657-5413 <u>editor@sporterifle.org</u>

## Repeal the NY S.A.F.E. Act See Online Petition

New York State Senator Rich Funke \* 55<sup>th</sup> Senate District signed the S.C.O.P.E. PLEDGE. Please sign the online petition at <a href="https://www.scopeny.org">www.scopeny.org</a> by Feb. 27. (SCOPE Officers are visiting legislators on Lobby Day in early March.)



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RRC Pres. Ed Cerra holds 2014 check the RRC gave toward fighting the SAFE Act.

What will be next in the legislative battle for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment rights?

### **News From Around Town**

#### NY Pistol Permit Re-Certification Process

The pilot programs have begun in Albany, Schenectady and Fulton Counties. Permit holders will be directed to a NY State Police web-site to download the re-certification form. See <a href="https://www.scopeny.org">www.scopeny.org</a> web-site for more details on the whole process.

#### Citing NY's SAFE Act, Henrietta Guns and Ammo Store Closes

Jackson Guns and Ammo in Henrietta has closed up shop, and owner Kordell Jackson said that New York's SAFE Act is to blame. "We catered to the assault rifles and once that was out, it kind of hurt us, " Jackson said. Jackson operated out of two locations, Henrietta and Scottsville, for more than 10 years. His stores are now empty. With certain assault weapons now banned in New York State, and a limit on magazine capacity, Jackson says sales dropped from \$250,000 to \$15,000 a month. "We were struggling with all the rules and regulations, the New York SAFE Act as well as the New York State payroll taxes, the state taxes, all these taxes," Jackson said. "You can't stay in business with all this going on." Jackson closed up shop Jan. 17. He says the decision was difficult. After spending five to six months looking for ways to keep his business viable, Jackson said closing made the most sense.

- article posted by the NYSRPA.org web administrator on Jan. 28, 2015

# NYS Rifle & Pistol Association Calls for Mayor Bloomberg to Apologize for Racist Remarks

### Leading gun control advocate calls for government to remove firearms from blacks

Albany, NY 2/09/15. The New York State Rifle and Pistol Association calls for former New York City Mayor Michael Bllomberg to apologize for racist remarks he made while speaking at the Aspen Institute last week. As reported by the Aspen Times, Bloomberg stated that government needs to remove firearms from young minority males.

"Mayor Bloomberg's statement that black males should not be allowed to have guns echoes similar sentiments made by southern white supremacists in the 19<sup>th</sup> century," said NYSRPA President Tom King. "So called "Black Codes" were enacted by various southern states to discriminate against black Americans and maintain the system of white supremacy that made slavery possible. These included restrictions on firearms possession."

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