



MCSA NEWSLETTER

2nd QUARTER

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GENERAL CLUB NEWS

Hello to all MCSA members out there and welcome to our 2nd Quarter Newsletter! To start things off the Board of Directors wish to thank everyone for your continued patience while Range No. 1 is undergoing a complete overhaul.

Two years ago we implemented the use of chamber flags to increase safety while on the firing line. It has proved to be very successful. Since then we have needed to order a new supply and like so many other things the cost has increased. If you wish to purchase them from us we are asking for a donation of \$2.00 per Range Flag to cover the club's cost. They are available in the Range Office.

RANGE NO. 1

This range was one of the oldest ranges at MCSA. If you haven't visited lately I think you will agree that it's overhaul was a project long overdue. It has required a lot of planning, demolition and securing required materials and steel that had to be delivered in place before construction could commence. This undertaking was spearheaded by Directors Rob

Morris, Vice President Dave Fisher and President Neal Chianese Jr. along with many others contributing to complete this project.

Many Kudo's go to Armadillo Earthworks with their Heavy equipment and expertise as well as Eden Screen & Construction Company for erecting the New Range No. 1 structure.



OPERATION 300

In Honor of SOC (SEAL) AARON C. VAUGHN



Special Operations Chief (SEAL) Aaron Carson Vaughn was KIA on August 6th, 2011 when a chopper carrying 30 Americans was shot down in the Tangi River Valley of Afghanistan while rushing into battle. Aaron left behind 2 small children; a son who was not quite two years old and a daughter who was only nine weeks old on that fateful night. Aaron's story, life, and legacy inspired the creation of Operation 300. We believe that when a member of our Armed Services gives his life in defense of our great nation, the least we can do is pledge to honor that sacrifice by caring for his family. This is the heart behind Operation 300, a registered 501(c)3 not for profit organization that hosts weekend-long adventure camps for children who have lost their parent as a result of military service, pairing each child with a father-aged, male mentor who spends the weekend doing things with the children they might have done with their parent. Special Operations Chief Aaron Vaughn was from Stuart, Florida and on Sunday, February 25th, MCSA sponsored it's 1st Operation 300 with great success. **Excerpts, in part, were taken from the www.op300.org website. Please visit their website if you want to learn more or you wish to donate.**

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GENERAL MEETING, SWAP MEET AND PICNIC

On, Sunday, March 3rd MCSA held its annual Swap meet, General Meeting and Picnic. A very good time was had by all. “Mission Barbecue” catered the event again this year with plenty of food to go around.

The swap meet provided plenty of “stuff” for members to shop looking for bargains and other related material.

The General Meeting, led by President Neal Chianese Jr., reported on the current improvements and state of affairs. Four MCSA Board Directors were up for re-election. President Neal Chianese Jr., Treasurer Dave Sorel, David Fisher and Bubba Glass all ran unopposed and were re-elected.





...that just about wraps it up for this Newsletter but not before we introduce one of MCSA's up and coming young and pretty shining stars!

Hello! I am Raegan Hearn, and I have been a competition shooter in my local community for the past 6 years. Both my parents and I have been MSCA members for the last few years, and we love it! As a competition shooter, I've been able to travel across the country to go out and shoot matches along with the support of my friends, family, and most importantly, range staff! The MSCA staff have always been supportive across my shooting journey, and that support has



driven me to be the best that I possibly can. Last year, I was able to go to the Rimfire Challenge World Championships in Alabama, and I took home the title of Lady Junior World Champion for both my pistol and rifle divisions. Along with that, I took both 1st and 2nd for the Lady division at the Area 6 Steel Challenge match in 2023. I also won the High Master title for my iron sight rifle at the Metal Madness Shooting Association's Summer Shootout last year in 2023. Throughout my local matches, I also tend to take both spots of 1st and 2nd with either my optics or irons divisions for my pistols and my rifles. I would like to thank all of the MSCA staff for always being supportive of me and my family, along with the matches that they put on to help me in practice. Plus, they give me a little bit of a challenge compared to what I normally shoot. I hope to see you all out on the range sometime soon!





***...if you should see
Reagan out at the range
be sure to give her a
high five!***

