OWL KILL ROD & GUN CLUB

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<u>Monthly Meeting:</u> The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Owlkill Rod & Gun Club will be held on Thursday November 13th at 7:00p.m. All members are invited and encouraged to attend.

<u>President's Comments:</u> Okay, so "Mister SAFE Act" himself won. We knew there was a strong chance of it – in the end, there's always a better chance than not that the big money is going to take the election. The opposition didn't have the money and big name supporters. They weren't able to carry the big population base areas. The Governor had a big lead; all he had to do was keep possession of the ball and let the game clock run out. So was your vote for naught? Did you waste your time? NO. You didn't. He lost control of the legislature. It won't be so easy for him to cram some hackneyed sequel anti-gun legislation through the system. He knows he's being watched. Do your part as a citizen for the next few years – watch. Keep honest people honest. And keep dishonest people under close scrutiny.

NEW SHOOTING HOURS

New shooting hours at the Owlkill: Daily from 9am to 15 minutes prior to sunset. On Sunday, noon until 15 minutes prior to sunset. Keep the neighbors happy. Keep your membership. Heed and also help to enforce our shooting hours!

THE OWLKILL LOTTERY

We are going to build on the success of our lottery – and hold it in the Spring this time. The month of April will be prize-a-day drawings – and yes, we're changing up the roster of prizes. Different gift certificates, different firearms, different swag. Buy tickets. Sell tickets. You can even pre-purchase them with your membership renewal. Support your club!!!!

DUES

Folks, we're making an adjustment to the dues for the first time in well over six years. Expenses go up. However, what we're doing is eliminating the family and youth membership and going with a good old-fashioned "one size fits all" membership. \$50 includes family – spouse and minor children. If you don't have family, well, its still a pretty danged cheap membership. If you don't believe me, check any comparable club. And face it, the other clubs are nice, but... we're the Owlkill.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

We have new membership application and renewal forms. Make sure you use the new forms! And make sure you include signed safety rules with the forms! You are required to recertify your understanding of these rules annually. Be safe. Protect yourself. Protect the Club. Everybody wins....

TRIVIA

Trivia question from last month. Old West icon Annie Oakley, immortalized in the musical "Annie Get Your Gun," earned her fame on a lever action rifle which has a long history. Name the rifle, and what particular distinction it holds among all American firearms today.



Annie Oakley used the Marlin 39 for all of her famous marksmanship feats in the Buffalo Bill Wild West Shows. She is reported to have put 25 rounds into one jagged hole in 27 seconds from a distance of 36 feet.

The particular distinction that this rifle has is that the Marlin 39 has been made continuously since 1891 (introduced as the Marlin Model 1891), making it the oldest continuously produced firearm in the world.

Next month's question: Billy Dixon was a famous scout and buffalo hunter in the Old West, not least for his being one of eight civilians awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor. He also held a shooting record not matched until the Vietnam War. What was this record, and what was the weapon he used to break this record?

Extra credit: Who broke the record, and what unusual choice of weapon did he use for this purpose?

Board of Directors: Board of Directors meeting will take place at 6:15 p.m. prior to the regular membership meeting on Thursday November 13th.

*** Got something you want to contribute to the newsletter? Better yet – are you willing to step up and edit this monthly communication? Let me know, I always appreciate someone who is ready to grab on to an opportunity to excel and help the club.

Lance Allen Wang President and acting newsletter editor