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**January 28-29, 2023**  
 Wilmington, OH  
**March 25-26, 2023**  
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**April 29-30, 2023**  
 Medina, OH



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**A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT - TERRIE HILL**



*What a great picture and what a great plug for the May 2023 Display show! Terrie Hill presenting an award to seasoned displayer, Tom Clapper whose article can be found on page 10.*

I hope you were able to make the November meeting. It was one of our best in years. In attendance was our new Ohio Supreme Court Chief Justice Sharon Kennedy. Sharon is a regular at our show and for once she could actually relax as she handily won her seat by 507,091 votes. Sharon and fellow Constitutional Conservative Supreme Court Justices Pat DeWine and Pat Fischer will hold the line on our Civil Liberties.

We want to thank the Muzzleloader Groups for coming. (See page 6 for highlights). Our Annual Director Election was held in November. I want to welcome our two new directors Christine Holden and Ron Nickey. With everything going on this year we will sure need their help along with the continued guidance of Director Tim Inwood who heads up our Legislative and Litigation Committee.

As per the article on the next page, we need the support of members everywhere (not just in NE Ohio) for our extra show in Medina. Get your Guest Passes in early. The form is on page 11. We encourage everyone to do this in advance as much as possible due to expected turnout as well as the possibility of a long line at the show!

Our members have spoken and we have listened. By popular demand we have increased the number of times an individual may attend OGCA as a guest from 2 to 5 (page 3).

The Annual Display Show has always been a big success and a symbol of what we represent. Mark your calendar for May 20-21, 2023. It is not hard to display and it is a lot of fun. In fact, it is a great way to find items for your collection and meet those with similar interests. Along with the Saturday evening May 20th Annual Banquet it makes for a great weekend. Look for more information in the next newsletter.

The new restaurant at the Roberts Centre/Holiday Inn Complex, Ralph's American Grill, opened just in time for our November meeting. The theme of this restaurant is the legacy of trucking and transportation. The owners of the complex also own R&L Trucking which employs over 20,000 people. They started with a dream and one 1963 GMC 1-ton cab which is featured prominently inside the restaurant. It is a symbol that hard work, grit and determination makes dreams come true.



*Ralph's American Grill at the RCC complex. Great food and for a bonus the walls are covered in history.*



**"J. Stevens Arms & Tool Co. "The Ideal Choice"**

**On the front cover:**

*Scan the QR code on the cover with your cell phone camera to learn more about Joe Carter's show-stopping display which consisted of 17 Stevens rifles and contained all the Stevens model numbers from 1895-1916. Joe was interviewed by Leonardo Antaris at the May 2022 Display Show. Joe Carter is a 15 year member and we would like to thank him for bringing this display from Tennessee. "Thank you Joe!"*

## TABLES, GUEST PASSES ON SALE NOW FOR NE OHIO MEET IN MEDINA, OHIO

OGCA has added a date in Northeast Ohio for a total of 7 shows in 2023!

If you have not done so already, mark your calendar for April 29-30, 2023 for this added show at The Medina Community Center located at 735 Lafayette Rd. Medina OH 44256. The Medina County fairgrounds is only 111 miles from Columbus, 121 miles from Toledo and 133 miles from Pittsburgh!

The OGCA Board encourages members to come and show your support so we can grow and add more future dates in the north while also continuing our relationships in Wilmington.

We miss our northern members who are unable to travel and we encourage you to come and bring your friends and family. Don't fret about the guest twice per life or being a former member. Read the informative changes to this 2007 rule in the article below.

Bring up to 4 guests! We recommend advance guest pass registration if possible. Guest forms are on page 11 for April and the next two shows in Wilmington. Soon they will be available online through our Member's Portal.



Tables for this meeting are on sale now! Regular tableholders at Wilmington come and make new friends, meet new collectors and customers. We do expect to sell out of table space so please... please rent early so you don't get put on a waiting list. Table application on page 13

Medina has nothing but the best to offer in choices of nearby restaurants and tourism. A list of Medina area hotels can be found on page 15.



## GUEST VISIT POLICY INCREASED FROM 2 TO 5

At the November meeting the Board voted unanimously to increase the number of times an individual could attend as a guest from two to five. You may recall that the 2 visits per life was instituted in 2007 for security reasons at the same time guests were approved to buy/sell/trade within the confines of the law and OGCA Rules.

Thank you to Richard Kocher and others for taking the time to explain that two visits can be too restrictive. This new change increases to five the times an out-of-town friend, adult child, or parent, can attend OGCA. As Mr. Kocher explained, it may take more than two visits to instill a love of collecting. The increase also provides greater accommodations for those members who need or want assistance or companionship in making the drive, carrying items, etc. Though

less restrictive, the 5 time guest limit is an important security precaution to reduce the possibility that an individual could skirt the membership screening process by perpetually entering the show as a guest.

Remember that the limit on the number of guest visits does not pertain to minors, and it always starts fresh after membership expiration. Therefore, if you have a friend who is a prior member they may come back starting fresh as a guest and decide if they would like to rejoin. For those interested, there is an obvious financial incentive to become a member sooner rather than later. For example, one year dues is the same cost as 3 guest visits and you receive all the benefits of membership as described on page 9.

## MEETING DATES 2023

**Jan. 28-29, 2023**

(Welcome S.A.S.S.)  
Wilmington, OH

**March 25-26, 2023**

Wilmington, OH

**April 29-30, 2023**

Medina County Community Center,  
Medina, OH

**May 20-21, 2023**

(Annual Display Show & Banquet and  
High-Standard Collectors Assoc.)  
Wilmington, OH

**July 22-23, 2023**

(Ruger Owners & Collectors Society &  
Remington Society of America)  
Wilmington, OH

**Sept. 16-17, 2023**

(WACA, Hunters Ed.)  
Wilmington, OH

**Nov. 18-19, 2023**

(Annual Meeting/Director Election)  
Wilmington, OH

## MEETING HOURS

**Saturday 8:30 am - 5 pm**

**Sunday 8:30 am - 2 pm**

## MEETING LOCATIONS

### THE ROBERTS CENTRE

123 Gano Road, Wilmington, OH  
45177, (800) 654-738. I-71 at Exit  
50 (U.S. 68). West of and visible  
from I-71.

### MEDINA COUNTY COMMUNITY CENTER

735 Lafayette Rd. Medina, OH 44256  
(Medina County Fairgrounds) Lo-  
cated 30 miles south of Cleveland,  
23 miles south of Brook Park, OH  
and just 20 miles NE of Akron, OH.

Meeting Date Updates  
[www.ogca.com](http://www.ogca.com)

**HOTELS - BACK COVER**

## WELCOME NEW DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

At the November meeting, the annual election was held for the board of directors.

A total of 223 ballots were cast and we thank everyone who voted. It is important that members participate. A "tip of the hat" is in order to Bev Byrd who manned the voting table. Christine Holden, Tim Inwood and Ron Nickey were elected to the three-year term 2023 to 2025.

In addition to the election of directors, the Board voted to install the following officers for the two year term 2023-2024: Terrie Hill, President; Sean McCarter, First Vice President; Chuck Ben-

ton; Second Vice President. Fred Kolb was re-elected Secretary. Director Chris Rohal was elected Treasurer and will work closely with Anita Rieger, OGCA's Assistant Treasurer. The officers look forward to serving this great association. Please welcome our new officers and directors.

### With your help and input OGCA will continue to meet its objectives as follows:

1. To establish a permanent not-for-profit Corporation and to promote friendship for those interested in the collection, possession, and use of arms by responsible persons.
2. To make a united stand in opposing leg-

islation that may be injurious to the collection, possession, and use of arms by responsible persons.

3. To establish regular meetings where: OGCA business may be transacted; members may display arms and accessories, and exchange such arms and accessories in accordance with local, state and federal laws; and members may assist each other in locating and acquiring arms and accessories of the types that interest them most.
4. To establish, uphold, and promote the highest ethical standards in our activities.
5. To promote the safe use of firearms especially with youth groups.
6. To encourage and promote educational displays of historic firearms.

## CONSIDER DONATING AN ITEM FOR THE 2023 ANNUAL PAC RAFFLE

OGCA PAC (Political Action Committee) needs your help with donations of quality raffle prizes to raise much needed funds. If you have something that you can part with for this important cause, please see PAC Chairman Marty Capito at ROW U 12 and U 16 (orange flag) or contact the business office. Visit the PAC table in the lobby at the January meeting and check out all great OGCA Logo items now available.

### Congratulations 2022 Raffle Winner William Pegg

*Right: William Pegg and his wife Kathleen picked up their 2022 PAC raffle prize at the November meeting: Remington Model 597 semi-auto rifle in 22 long rifle caliber, with extra magazines. One of six fine raffle prizes.*



## MEMBERSHIP DUES REMINDER

Your Dues Statement was mailed at the end of October. This is just a reminder to those who have memberships expiring Dec. 31, 2022 that you can mail a check with the amount of years you would like to re-up to OGCA PO Box 670406, Sagamore Hills, OH and write your member number on the memo section of your check. Dues can also be paid online 24/7 at [www.ogca.com](http://www.ogca.com). Click the "Pay

Dues Here" link. Please note that there has been no increase except for Sr. Life and Life memberships.

One Year	\$45
One year Active Duty Military	Free
Three years	\$110
Five years	\$165
Sr. Life (65+ with proof of age)	\$700
Life .....	\$1000

**Say Cheese! We'll be taking photos and videos for promotional purposes. Want to be a part of OGCA history, then be sure to come to our meetings! If you have any questions or concerns call the Business Office, (330) 467-5733.**



## WARM WELCOME TO OVERSEAS MEMBER, CHRISTIAN FAGLIA



Christian Faglia of Aubagne, France was in attendance at the November meeting. He joined OGCA in 2008 and says, "USA is my 2nd country! I came to the USA more than 300 times since 1977." His collecting interests are exclusively U.S. antique weapons which he has collected since 1970.

Christian was born in 1942 and has been retired since 2002 from his career as a technical engineer in a university research lab, including some time working at the University of Penn for the French government. In addition, Christian served in the French military 1962-1963 as a special forces paratrooper.

A sport shooter, he represented the French team 7 times taking 1st place in big bore pistol, air pistol, and free pistol. He has participated in matches in Rus-

sia, Lithuania, East and West Germany. Although he rented a table for the November meeting, his luggage did not make it. This left him with more time to run around the show, and we look forward to seeing him again in January. Christian is glad to help OGCA members regarding France militaria and others purpose including OGCA members traveling to France. He can be reached at [c.faglia@aol.fr](mailto:c.faglia@aol.fr)

## OGCA/SAF YOUTH FUND GRANTS 2023

The 2023 Grant Application for The Ohio Gun Collectors Association/Sportsman's Alliance Foundation will open in February. Grants are used by organizations, clubs and teams who have projects/initiatives that advance shooting and hunting opportunities for youth under the age of 22 years of age and are based in the state of Ohio.

To be considered for funding your program must 1) Promote gun safety and use of guns in an ethical manner. 2) Provide adequate coaching and mentoring staff. 3) Provide a description of events to be sponsored. 4) Report back on the use of funds.

The grant application window typically

opens in February and closes at the end of March. The Application is sent out through email invitations. For consideration email [fpprice@sportsmansalliance.org](mailto:fpprice@sportsmansalliance.org). Award notice emails will be sent out on or around April 1 and funds are disbursed on or around Tax Day. All applications are done 100% online.

Prospective parties provide information such as project name, sponsoring organization, projected number of impacted youths, volunteers, how funds will be used and how OGCA/SAF will be recognized. A simple online report at the close of the calendar year will be required to close out

grants. Funds can be used to pay for supplies, equipment, travel, rentals, and other related expenses. Parties will be required to provide invoices of expenses. Images of recognition and projects in action are appreciated.

Funds for this important program come from members like you and OGCA-PAC which must donate 50% of raffle proceeds to a non profit. Donations of any size are welcome and can be made by check, or credit card to the Business Office. ***The letter below says it all. Thank you!***

**Ohio Gun Collectors Association**  
**ATTN: Terrie Hill**

12 November 2022

*On behalf of the shooters, parents and coaches of the Moulton Youth Shooters Trap Team I thank our association for its continued support and the \$1000.00 grant we received this past shooting year. Forty two youngsters participated this year including six young ladies and one individual with a disability. Our team shot in a number of trap competitions, including the Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) Regionals, the Buckeye Open, the Ohio State Shoot, and the SCTP Nationals. Again this year one of our shooters earned a place on Ohio's team representing Ohio at the SCTP Nationals. This team placed second against competition from all over the United States. Our trap doubles team won first place in the doubles event. As always, firearm safety, team building and sportsmanship were stressed to all team members.*

*Thank you,*

*Dave*  
Dave Sheets  
Assistant Coach  
OGCA Life Member



**Congratulations Moulton Youth Shooters**  
**Thank You to all the hardworking OGCA Coaches**

## DAVID M. MOLCHEN WRITES FIRST BOOK ON NAVY LUGERS IN 34 YEARS

Dave Molchen's book, *Navy Lugers 1904 to 1940* is off the press. Dave autographed copies for members at his table at the November meeting. This coffee table quality reference book is hardcover, gold leaf with 246 pages and color images. It is the first book on Navy Lugers since 1988.

Dave Molchen is a longtime Life member and expert on Navy Lugers. He represented OGCA at the 2022 NRA Annual Meeting with his display, "Navy Lugers 1904 to 1940." This show-stopping exhibit took Best Educational Award and a NRA Certificate for his rare Conversion

Kit. This ever-evolving display also won prestigious awards in the OGCA Annual Display Show including, for example, the Thomas L. Kyser Best Single Gun Award in 2019 (for 1904 Navy Luger, SN 33) and First Place (Military) in 2021.

We invite Dave and all other firearm book author/members to take part in our annual "Author's Corner" book signing event during the May 20-21, 2023 Display Show.

*Navy Lugers 1904 to 1940* is \$125 and is available by contacting Dave at [cdlime@aol.com](mailto:cdlime@aol.com).



**Dave Molchen signing his new book**

# HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BLACK POWDER INVITATIONAL

The Black Powder Invitational was a blast at the November show! Members from the NMLRA, AOLRC, CLA and others were there to show of their collections and educate others about the long rifle hobby. They are some of the most knowledgeable and interesting folks you could ever meet. Thank you for preserving history!



Above: Special Thanks to Liza Kindig of the Log Cabin Shop for representing the Contemporary Longrifle Association.



Robert Woodfill exhibited his collection of stunning Hawken Rifles. Look for an article from him in a future newsletter.

Below: OGCA Member William Smith had 4 tables full of stunning long rifles and unique flintlocks. He also had a two sided display.



A very unique cased blanket gun.



Above: Mark Herman of the Association of Ohio Long Rifle Collectors. Mark is a longtime OGCA member and accomplished exhibitor.



Above: CLA/OGCA member, Alan Vivian shows off this pair of double barreled flintlocks.



More from Smith's Collection.



Below: Thomas and Carol Schiffer educated members on the benefits being part of the muzzleloading sport.



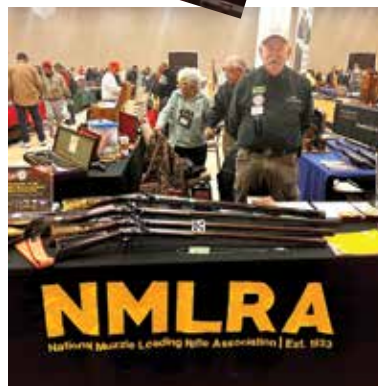
Right: A collection of beautiful long rifles and powder flasks displayed on behalf of the Association of Ohio Long Rifle Collectors.



Above: Collection by member Winston Campbell including an engraved powder horn from 1758!



Right: Marty Murphy, Past NMLRA President and NMLRA Master Trainer.



Right: Ken Leonard with his collection of David Leonard long rifles passed through the family. Ken and Diane Leonard displayed at the 2016 OGCA Display Show and represented OGCA at the 2017 NRA Meeting and Exhibits winning Best Educational (Antique).





## 50 YEAR GOLD BADGERS



**HAROLD ANDERSON** received his Gold Life badge from President Terrie Hill at the November meeting. This 95 year old WWII veteran is a 51 year member of OGCA, a longtime NRA Life Benefactor member, and a 54 year member of National Automatic Pistol Collectors Association. He is retired after 51 years of operating his own manufacturing business. Harold is well known among automatic pistol collectors for semi-automatic pistols

of the WWII era. After he sold his long time collection of WWII pistols and holsters to insure his wife that she would not have to deal with it, he became interested in SIG Sauer pistols and also began adding to his collection of U.S Navy WWII artifacts. (Lo!!) His introduction to OGCA came when he was living in Illinois and a collector friend took him to a meeting in Columbus, where he soon joined.

**JAMES W. ALLEY, JR.** has been a member of OGCA for over 60 years and is a former officer. He is pictured with his wife Carolyn (40 year member) with whom he owns IDSA books, an online bookstore that focuses on collector guns, militaria, and edged weapons. That he owns a firearms-related bookstore is not surprising given his lifelong interest in firearms that started at age 8 with the gift of a model 1873 Springfield carbine and later expanded into the history, development, and use of all types of firearms. Collect-

ing interests have included the FN 49 rifle, a variety of .22 hornet rifles and, most recently, Bergmann pistols.

Jim is retired from public school administration and holds a PhD in school business management. A Vietnam war veteran, Jim holds a bronze star, meritorious service medal; LTC ordinance. Previously a member of the American Society of Arms Collectors, he remains a Life Member of the NRA.



**DAVID KENTNER** received his Gold Badge at the November meeting with his proud family, (all OGCA members) sharing in his major milestone. David is a 56 year member from central Ohio.



*Michael Kentner, Terrie Hill, David Kentner, Jennifer Kentner and Chad Kentner*

David has a profound historical interest in military training on self defense, hand to hand combat, and the related organizations, units and instructors on these subject matters.

He has had a article published on the subject a few years back and is actively providing comment on different internet boards. He also has interest in combat shooting, blacksmithing (which he still practices), and plays the trumpet with local orchestra bands.

He and his son, Michael, share interests on the Colt 1903/08.

**JOHN SPOFF & JAMES ESSWEIN** have each been members for over 53 years. They love to come to OGCA shows and originally met through their affiliation with Free Mas-



*John Spoff and James Esswein*

**John Spoff** said, "I like German cars, German guns, and German optics." John was stationed in Baumholder, Germany in the military from 1958 to 1960.

After his Army service John returned to OSU graduating with a major in geography. He worked in the private sector and retired from the Ohio Emergency Management Agency in 2005. He collects maps, European stamps and enjoys searching the hall for German optics and scopes. He said, "You can ask our Gun Club people for a favor or assistance, and you'll surely get it."

As an OSU college student, **James Esswein** joined a group of shooters who focused on shooting Civil War Muskets, both original and reproduction. He joined the North-South Skirmish Association, and while on active duty, he joined the NRA. In the North-South Skirmish Association he played the fife in parades

alongside his drummer friend. He remains interested in the role of music in the Civil War.

He collected U.S. military weapons as far back as the Revolutionary War and always looked for characteristic pieces of evolving mechanics such as conversion from flintlock to cartridge. He also enjoys the oddballs, such as the Springfield model 1855 Musket with a Maynard Tape Primer. James was a Columbus public school band director and loved teaching music at the middle school level. He still plays music professionally and works for the All-Ohio State Fair Band which he has done for over 50 years. He remains an OSU alumni band member.

## HOW YOUR MEMBERSHIP CAN QUALIFY YOU TO BUY CMP SURPLUS GUNS

In case you didn't know, your OGCA membership plus CCW license (or other proof of shooting experience) qualifies you for purchasing surplus guns, parts and ammunition through the CMP (Civilian Marksmanship Program). Traditionally this has included M1 Garands, and .22 caliber rifles, but occasionally it includes special guns such as the M1911 sales now in its third phase.

Collectors of vintage military rifles travel from all over the country to scour the racks at the three physical CMP stores, CMP-North in Port Clinton, Ohio, or CMP-South in Aniston or Talladega, Alabama. It is a nice alternate to ordering by mail, and we estimate over 12,000 members are within a 4 hour drive to the CMP store at Port Clinton/Camp Perry where they have friendly staff and knowledgeable armorers.

Whether by mail or in person, to purchase a rifle from the CMP you must supply a) proof of U.S. citizenship, b) proof of age (i.e. drivers license), c) proof of membership in a CMP-affiliated club (show your OGCA wallet card and photocopy your badge) d) clear a NICS check, and e) CCW permit or proof of CMP-approved firearms-related activity including proof of active duty or retired military service, match participation or law enforcement training. The marksmanship requirement is waived for those 60 years and older and for those with certain disabilities.

Unlike rifles, the M1911 "special" sales are only available via mail. You must be selected by lottery in order to purchase. The process is a bit more extensive but worth the extra time to score this prized piece of history at a reasonable price.

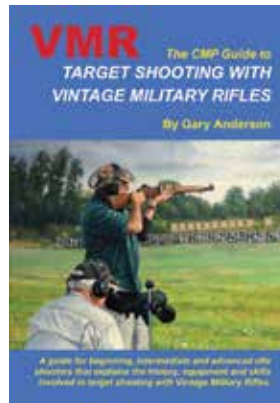
**More Info:** [http://thecmp.org/cmp\\_sales/](http://thecmp.org/cmp_sales/)

## THE CMP GUIDE TO TARGET SHOOTING WITH VINTAGE MILITARY RIFLES - A BOOK BY HONORARY LIFE MEMBER GARY ANDERSON

Besides vintage guns, also available through the CMP is a book by Honorary Life member Gary Anderson titled, *Target Shooting With Vintage Military Rifles*.

This 38-year member is Director Emeritus of the Civilian Marksmanship Program and a two-time highpower rifle Olympic gold medalist. Many members know Gary personally and are regular competitors in the National Matches John C. Garand and Springfield competitions which will be held on July 30, 2023 at Camp Perry.

Gary is the originator of the CMP's competitive vintage rifle program, and with his book he set out to present a detailed manual covering all aspects of safely shooting rifles such as the 1903 Springfield, U.S. Krag, 1917 U.S. Enfield, M1 Garand, M1 Carbine and many more, including rifles from "across the pond."



If you collect or compete with vintage military rifles be sure to review Gary's book. The 284-page, soft-bound, fully-illustrated first edition is only \$29.95.

Target Shooting With Vintage Military Rifles is comprised of 18 chapters covering:

*Origins & Fundamental of Marksmanship*

*Firing Rifles in Competition*

*Operation, Cleaning, Loading & Unloading Rifle and Range Safety*

*Sight Adjustment, Zeroing & Fine Tuning*

*Critical Value of the Sling*

*Prone, Sitting and Standing Position Building*

*Highpower Rifle Match Procedures*

*Using a Scorebook/Databook*

*Strategies for Improvement*

<https://thecmp.org/shooting-the-vintage-military-rifle/>

## KATRINA DEMERLE EARNS HISTORIC DISTINGUISHED AIR RIFLE BADGE #1

OGCA member Katrina Demerle, 17, of Hamilton, Ohio, has earned the Civilian Marksmanship Program's (CMP) Distinguished Air Rifle Badge #1. Fellow member Gary Anderson had the honor of presenting this prominent honor in the marksmanship community. The Distinguished Badge Program awards marksmen and women who produce consistent scores at qualifying events where they may earn the Excellence-In-Competition (EIC) points needed to receive a badge.



From one member to another:  
Katrina Demerle receives Distinguished Air Rifle Badge #1 from Gary Anderson



Over the past 65 years, most M1 rifles have been arsenal rebuilt, refinished, rebarreled or repaired at least once and often several times. Most will show signs of service (often considerable) and replacement of various parts. They are seldom encountered with all original parts and original finish as delivered from the manufacturer. Such "original" rifles, even in well-used condition, are highly prized by collectors.

M1 Garands are graded by their condi-

## SUMMARY OF M1 GARAND GRADES

tion as follows:

**Rack Grade:** (Fair)

**Field Grade:** (Fair to Good)

**Service Grade:** (Good to Very Good)

**CMP Special:** (Excellent)

**Correct Grade:** (Very Good to Excellent)

**Collectors Grade:** (Excellent)

Criteria details of each of these grades can be found on the CMP Website under sales and service, <https://thecmp.org/sales-and-service/m1-garand/>.



## SPONSORING FRIENDS FOR OGCA MEMBERSHIP

Do you have a friend who might like to join The Ohio Gun Collectors Association? Bring them as a guest to one of the meetings and they can apply in person.

Your friend will either need two non-probationary members (sponsors who have been a member for over one year) to sign their application or one sponsor and evidence of a Concealed Carry Permit (CCW) or Federal Firearms License (FFL) including a Curios & Relics License. Either way one of the signers must be physically present when they drop off the application at the Applications Desk at any meeting they attend. Applications are not accepted by mail and instructions can be found on the back of the membership application form.

For security reasons, **guests are limited to 5 visits per life.** If your guest would like to join, they must do so during one of these guest visits. Guests are permitted to buy and sell firearms in compliance with the law and OGCA rules.

**Guests** may pick up an application at the meeting at the Guest Pass or Applications Desks. Or, if you send in for a guest badge 2 weeks prior to the next meeting, a membership application will automatically be mailed to you as the member with the processed guest badge.

When a new membership application has been submitted, it will be reviewed by the Screening and Enforcement Committee and Board of Directors, and his/her name will be available for review by the membership. Applicants will be voted in by the members at the NEXT meeting (in about 2 months) at approximately 10 AM on Saturday morning and will be announced over the sound system.

After acceptance as a new member, your friend may pick up their membership credentials (if present after the vote) or they will be mailed to him/her. They will begin receiving newsletter/meeting announcements, including registration

forms for tables/guests, roughly 3 months from the time of applying depending on the meeting dates. For example, an applicant at the November meeting will be voted in at the January meeting and will receive the Spring newsletter mailing approximately mid-February.

Guest passes can be found on page 11 of your current newsletter, and copies can be picked up by members at the Guest Pass desk. (Soon they will be available online.) Simply follow the instructions on the back of the form. Cost is \$15 per guest (waived for minors). Members are limited to four guests per meeting but requests to bring additional guests are welcome.

### Application Fees Vary by Time of Year (and do not include the \$15 Guest Pass):

**Jan. - March:** \$40 includes one-time \$10 application fee and dues thru the end of THIS year.

**April - July:** \$30 includes one-time \$10 application fee and dues thru the end of THIS year.

**Aug. - December:** \$40 includes one-time \$10 application fee and dues thru the end of NEXT year.

*"It's like going to a museum where you can actually buy the artifacts!"*

*- Pat Lipps, Member since 2009,  
Sr. Life Member*

*"OGCA has the best people, you can ask them anything. They are experts on everything and I'm proud to be a member!"*

*- Mark Casedonte, member since 1990,  
Life Member*



## BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

1. Free admission to all OGCA meetings for you, your spouse and any minor children or grandchildren.
2. One of the most interesting, safety-oriented firearm swap-meets with a wide variety of firearms, accessories and gun-related items.
3. Invite up to four guests to a meeting. Guest passes are \$15. Page 11
4. Rent trade or display table space. Page 13.
5. Four newsletters plus two interim reminder mailings per year to keep you up to date on meetings and events.
6. Sponsorship of others after one year of membership.
7. Helps qualify you to purchase firearms through the Civilian Marksman-ship Program (CMP). (Page x.)
8. Educational opportunities to meet people you would otherwise never meet. Learn from veteran collectors from all over the country including our author members who have written over 100 firearms books.
9. Vote in director elections, Annual Display Show competitions and OGCA constitution and membership matters.
10. Supports the fight for firearm freedoms, youth target shooting and the study and preservation of historical and collectible arms.
11. Run for Director after 5 years (Ohio members.)

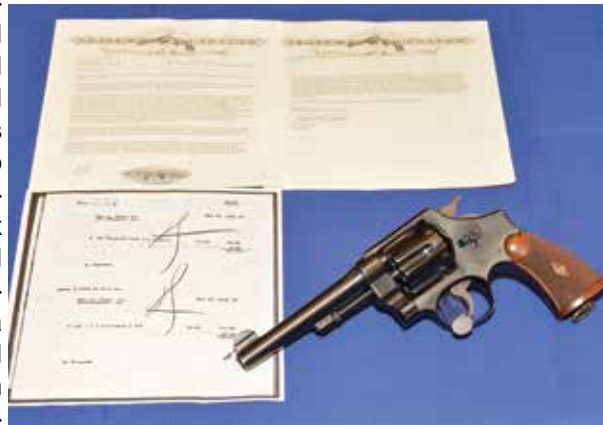
## THE SMITH AND WESSON HISTORICAL FOUNDATION

By Jarvis Hurd and Bill Cross

The Smith and Wesson Historical Foundation (SWHF) was founded in 2007 by Ray and Sheryl Cheely with its mayor objective to preserve the paper records of Smith and Wesson housed and maintained at the Lyman and Merrie Wood Museum of Springfield History in Springfield, MA. Since its founding the SWHF has grown into an organization with over 500 members. The project to digitize and index the records of S&W was completed in December 2019 with the uploading of all digitized and indexed data in Global Search C2, a cloud-based system. Records and invoices from 1920 through 1967 can now be easily researched via computer. The cost of digitizing and indexing the records was several hundred thousand dollars.

that tell a story about a particular S&W firearm a Historical Foundation letter will be issued along with the documents.

Future projects being considered by the SWHF are the digitizing and indexing the .357 Magnum order books for Magnums with registration numbers, digitizing some of the older serial number books to improve readability, and digitizing and indexing invoices from the 1870s and 1880s. As can be seen there is no shortage of projects to consider.



*Revolver pictured is a Smith and Wesson Model 1917 US Army Model Shipped to Pennsylvania in 1921 shown with letter and other available paper found in the Foundations Data Base.*

The SWHF has donated \$20000 To the museum in Springfield to help maintain the Smith and Wesson collection of firearms and records housed there.

The records from 1920 through 1946 consist of correspondence, invoices, and a variety of other types of documents, the records 1947 through 1967 consist of invoices only, with no correspondence. A very few repair and service records are included in with the invoices. Many searches have been performed for collectors with copies of documents and invoices supplied to them in order to enhance the provenance of an individual firearm in their collection. When a sufficient number of documents is found

In July 2007 the SWHF accepted the responsibility for issuing letters of authenticity from Smith & Wesson. Since this time the process of issuing letters continues to operate smoothly under the management of Dr. Roy Jinks, Historian, and Don Mundell, Assistant Historian. Requests for letters remain very high and Dr. Jinks spends a great deal of time issuing letters to collectors. If you are a member of the SWHF Dr. Jinks will include a copy of the invoice for your S&W firearm if available.

Since its founding the SWHF has been a valuable asset to collectors of S&W firearms and to those who want to learn more about the history of the company. The foundation continues to grow, but we need your support and would like collectors who are not members to consider joining the SWHF. Lifetime, tax deductible, memberships are available for \$100 (Member), \$1000 (Patron), or \$10,000 (Benefactor). To learn more about the Foundation and download an application form please visit our website [swhistoricalfoundation.com](http://swhistoricalfoundation.com). You can also send your check and personal information to SWHF, PO Box 1494, Great Bend, KS 67530.

## A FEW FUN FACTS ABOUT THE WINCHESTER MODEL 63

by Gold Life Member Tom Clapper

The model 63 replaced the model 1903, and later the name changed to the 03. It was produced from 1933 to 1958 beginning with serial number 1, there were a total of 174,692 mfg'd.

The 1903 was originally patented in 1901 by T.C. JOHNSON and was actually Winchester's first semi auto 22 cal. produced in the USA.

To stop black powder fouling Winchester produced the "22 automatic" smokeless powder cartridge. In 1910 the cartridge industry replaced black powder 22 with all smokeless powder.

The Model 63 had a blow back action, take down assembly. It was chambered for the new standard smokeless powder 22 cal. long rifle only, and the tube held 10 rounds. The action is cycled by the forward charging lever, push lever and twist action stays open for cleaning.



Remington built a Browning designed bottom ejection model 24 in 1924 and was the first semi auto competition for the 63, the model 24 was chambered for the standard 22 cal. long rifle

This model retailed for \$34 in 1933. Later versions have a top receiver groove for mounting a scope (this feature adds a collectors premium.)

## LATEST ACE SPONSOR AWARD RECIPIENTS

Congratulations! Here are our latest members to have earned the Ace Sponsor Award:

- Benzil Jenkins*
- Karl Kern*
- Patrick Dale*
- Allen Rohal*
- Gary Smith*
- James Scott*



This pin is not sold. It must be earned.

Our strength is in our numbers, and there has never been a better time to grow this grass roots collecting club. Towards that end, the first 100 members to sponsor 5 new members will receive an **Ace Sponsor pin**. Only 100 pins will be made and they are numbered 1-100. The program is retroactive to January 2022 so some of you are well on your way to reaching Ace status! The top sponsor of the year will also be duly recognized. Someone invited you and, in turn, it is important to take the time to invite another.

Please see Second Vice President Chuck Benton at the January meeting for your Ace Sponsor pin. These 6 members have sponsored 5 new members since January 2022. Thank you!

THE Gun Trader Classified section will resume on the new OGCA Website when it is up and running. Stay tuned to your newsletters for exciting things to come!

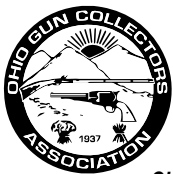
### November Meeting Stats

Tables: 617

Guests: 353

Applicants: 125

Members may bring 4 guests per meeting. Forms may be copied. Instructions on reverse.



### WILMINGTON OGCA Guest Registration Form

Present fully completed, legible form at the **Guest Pass Desk** in the Registration room at the meeting or Mail in Advance to OGCA address on reverse. Must be signed by both guest and sponsor to be accepted. Guest Pass fee **\$15.00** for guests age 18+ (Free age 17 and under) Checks payable to "OC

Check which date guest is

**Guest:**

First Name of Guest Middle Initial

Birth Month/Day/Year (Required)

By signature hereon, I agree to comply with the rules of the Ohio Gun Collectors Association and release the Association from all liability. I further agree that a portion of the \$15.00 fee is for the purchase of a membership application.

GUEST SIGNATURE: X

**Sponsor:**

Member Number

SPONSOR SIGNATURE: X

Meeting/Show Hours  
Sat. 8:30 am - 5 pm  
Sun. 8:30 am - 2 pm

Location:  
The Roberts Centre  
123 Gano Rd.  
Wilmington, OH  
45177

Zip

#### EAPONS INCL. CCW

Magazines. No primed air guns or recording devices prohibited.

5 visits per life for security purposes during your visit by requesting a Membership Application. Guests permitted to buy/sell firearms with law & OGCA rules.

## Members

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(330) 467-5733



Presenting or Not accepted to "OC

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First and Last Name of Sponsor

Daytime phone # of Sponsor

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Meeting/Show Hours  
Sat. 8:30 am - 5 pm  
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Location:  
Medina Community Centre  
735 Lafayette Rd.  
Medina, OH 4456

Zip

#### EAPONS INCL. CCW

Magazines. No primed air guns, cameras, recording devices prohibited.

Guests limited to 5 visits per life for security purposes. Consider applying for membership during your visit by requesting a Membership Application. Guests permitted to buy/sell firearms in compliance with law & OGCA rules.

January 28-29, Please Welcome

# BIG IRONS

## S.A.S.S.



Learn all about Cowboy Action Shooting at their tables against the wall in the center of the hall this January.

CUT ON DOTTED LINE

## DON'T RISK LOSING A YEAR FOR SOMETHING SO SIMPLE

A friendly reminder regarding loaded guns and being responsible for your guests. If you or your guest have a loaded gun at OGCA you will be automatically suspended for one year - no matter what the circumstances. If a guest has a loaded gun they are permanently barred. This may sound harsh but life, limb and the existence of our club are at stake. It takes less than 10 seconds to check your firearms and inform your guest to do the same before you enter the building. Make sure all guns and magazines are not loaded! OGCA rules provide zero tolerance for a loaded gun at a meeting. Pursuant to OGCA Rules Part III no person shall possess a loaded firearm at an OGCA meeting. Anyone who

violates this rule is automatically placed on a one-year suspension from OGCA, no exceptions. It is imperative that you check your guns, especially concealed carry guns. Sometimes as the years go by, we get out of the old habit that was mandated by our mentors "when you pick a gun up, check and see if it is loaded." We need to follow that sage advice, because we all have been surprised at one time or another by finding a gun loaded, that we thought was unloaded. For all the reasons we all know, please be vigilant in making sure any guns brought to a meeting are unloaded.

### INSTRUCTIONS TO OBTAIN A GUEST BADGE

**AVOID DELAY OR DISAPPOINTMENT, BE SURE TO READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.**

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2. **For advance registration (recommended)**, the completed form on reverse may be mailed by the sponsor to the Business Office address (right) with a check for \$15.00 payable to OGCA. Guest Registration Forms arriving 14 days prior will be processed and mailed to the sponsor whose responsibility it is to give it to their guest. Forms arriving less than 14 days prior will be processed in advance and held for convenient pick up at the **Business Office Desk** in the Registration room of the meeting hall.

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**Members: Inform your guests that the badge is not transferable and of the rules of the OGCA.**

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**TABLE APPLICATION • OHIO GUN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION**  
 ALL STATE AND FEDERAL FIREARMS LAWS, AND ALL SAFETY RULES OF OGCA MUST BE OBSERVED

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ If your address has changed please provide new address.

Please indicate the meeting date(s) for which you are paying. This form may be copied by members:

**Reserve \_\_\_\_\_ tables for January 28-29, 2023 \$95.00 each**

**Reserve \_\_\_\_\_ tables for March 25-26, 2023 \$95.00 each**

**MEETING LOCATION: THE ROBERTS CENTRE, 123 GANO RD., WILMINGTON, OH 45177**

**Reserve \_\_\_\_\_ tables for April 29-30, 2023 \$95.00 each**

**MEETING LOCATION: MEDINA COMMUNITY CENTER, 735 LAFAYETTE RD. MEDINA, OH 45177**

Enclosed is my Check / Money Order payable to OGCA for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Charge my Visa, MasterCard or Discover. Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Card# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ CVV# \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder street address \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Signature for credit card \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

- This form may be copied by members. If you need a copy sent to you call (330) 467-5733 or email [ogca@ogca.com](mailto:ogca@ogca.com)
- In order to receive a Table Slip by mail, this Table Application must be received by the Business Office no later than 2 weeks prior to the meeting. Otherwise, you must pick up your application at the door.
- During set-up times, exhibitors may enter with a ship badge, and "tableted" exhibitors must be accompanied with one "helper pass" | **Your helper must be a OGCA member.** (Except for exhibitors, you must make arrangements by contacting the Business Office in advance).
- Trading privileges apply only to Tableholders during set-up and do not extend to other areas of the show.
- Walkie-talkies, cameras, pets, alcoholic beverages prohibited.

**EXHIBITOR HOURS**  
**Fridays** 3 pm - 9 pm Set-up  
**Saturdays**  
 7 am - 8:30 am Set-up  
 8:30 am - 5 pm Meeting  
**Sundays**  
 7:30 am - 8:30 am Set-up  
 8:30 am - 2 pm Meeting

**Co-share Tables**  
 Call or email in advance if you need a "Co-Share Table Form." Both members must sign. **Do not use this form.** Additional fee: \$20.

**Members**  
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- A. \_\_\_\_\_% Collectible, Curio
- B. \_\_\_\_\_% Modern firearms
- C. \_\_\_\_\_% Class III, Title
- D. \_\_\_\_\_% Books and literature
- E. \_\_\_\_\_% Edged incl. \_\_\_\_\_
- F. \_\_\_\_\_% Militaria, Uniforms
- G. \_\_\_\_\_% Parts and Accessories
- H. \_\_\_\_\_% Shooting Ammunition
- I. \_\_\_\_\_% Other Permitted

Are you a transient vendor? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do you have commercial liability insurance? \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail Table Application by March 10, 2023**  
**Applications received after this date will not be accepted.**

**OGCA Use**  
 Postmark \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ck# /Auth. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Requested \_\_\_\_\_  
 Prior \_\_\_\_\_  
 Assign 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Assign 2 \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail by mail. (Application must be received by MARCH 10, 2023 Meeting.) before you set up.**

Mail to: OGCA Tables, P.O. Box 670406, Sagamore Hills, OH 44067-0406  
 Ph: (330) 467-5733 Fax: (330) 467-5793 Email [ogca@ogca.com](mailto:ogca@ogca.com)

**NO TABLES WILL BE ASSIGNED WITHOUT YOUR SIGNATURE ON REVERSE**  
 For your convenience you may request and sign an "Extended Safety Guarantee."

Cut on dotted line. This form is good for the next 2 meetings and may be copied by OGCA members.



## SAFETY GUARANTEE

### ALL TABLEHOLDERS MUST READ AND SIGN

It is hereby understood by this tableholder that all items displayed, including firearms brought to a meeting of the OGCA, have personally been inspected by the tableholder to determine that at all times each and every firearm is unloaded and incapable of discharge of any type of projectile, bullet, etc. and that any non-firearm display item is rendered safe for display at the time firearms are placed on a trade table. All firearms must be secured with a plastic safety tie to make the firearm inoperable. The term firearm includes but is not limited to those of the percussion, breach loading, air, spring type and/or any such device from which a projectile can be expelled. If a plastic tie has been removed for inspection, it is understood that it must be immediately reinstalled after inspection. It is understood that no table will be open for the purpose of sale or trade until all firearms are properly tied.

By accepting a table at an OGCA meeting, I represent that it is for my personal use to display my own property. I will supervise my display in accordance with all OGCA rules, and understand that carts are prohibited in the aisles during meeting hours. If I cannot occupy and use the space myself, I understand that I cannot sell, rent, sublease, transfer, give or assign it or any part if it to others. I understand and accept that I am totally responsible for all firearms/weapons and other materials displayed and agree to release the Roberts Centre and Medina County Fairgrounds; its parent corporation, subsidiaries, and all affiliated companies; and The Ohio Gun Collectors Association, its officers and directors from all liability and hold and save them harmless from all liability arising out of the items I bring into a meeting of the OGCA. While my display is on the premises of the Exhibit Hall, I accept the risk of any loss or accident.

It is also understood no tables will be assigned to me unless this agreement is complete and signed. I have read the foregoing statement and acknowledge my understanding and agreement with the same.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Member No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**(Sign here and initial Permitted Items, last line below)**

## PERMITTED ITEMS

1. Advertisements for auctions not to occupy more than 1/2 of one table.
  2. Advertising material - firearms, ammunition, knives, and/or firearms accessory, manufacturer's advertising materials and memorabilia manufactured at least 35 years ago.
  3. Authentic American Indian Artifacts, trade silver, copper, shell, bone, beads, stone and clay items of proven pre-20th century origin.
  4. Ammunition: non-armor piercing or non-incendiary and related items for hand or shoulder arms only:
    - a. Inert artillery projectiles and cases
    - b. Reloading presses, bullet molds, dies, and other user related items, unless otherwise specified herein.
    - c. Reloaded ammunition provided ammunition is in a sealed box with the name, address, and phone number of reloader properly displayed on each box indicating the loading information. Reloader will assume all liability of his loading and will hold OGCA Officers, Directors, Members and Guests free of all liability from his/her sale of reloaded ammunition.)
    - d. Ammunition stripper clips or in Enbloc clips must be in original packing containers. No loose ammunition.
  5. Antique weapons and armor
  6. Belt buckles - original military belt buckles manufactured at least 35 years ago.
  7. Belts - leather or web, military or western.
  8. Bone, ivory, horn and other material (in amounts approved by OGCA) used in the manufacture of knives.
  9. Books - new and used books, literature, photographs, and publications relating to weapons, shooting, small arms, ammunition, wars, regimental histories and battles; excluding books pertaining to suppressors or other materials, attachments or proposed modifications that would alter the manufactured firearm's use to become one not in conformity with the law.
  10. Bronzes, busts, sculptures, and statues depicting military or gun-related situations.
  11. Canvas goods - gun cases, belts, cartridge pouches.
  12. Club insignia approved by OGCA
  13. Cap guns manufactured at least 35 years ago.
  14. Carvings - portraying weapons or armor.
  15. Compasses - military or hunting only.
  16. Displays - that are no higher than 6 ft. from the floor.
  17. Edged weapon defined as those customarily used as weapons. They include authentic replicas of same such as tomahawks, axes, bowie knives, custom-made knives, folding pocket and sheath knives.
  18. Flags - authentic war souvenirs only on trade tables for display or sale, not to be used as table covers. (Refer to Rules, Section IV.A.22.)
  19. Gas masks - military only manufactured at least 35 years ago.
  20. Gun related items:
    - a. Accessories and attachments for small arms, including sights, carrying cases, slings and cleaning equipment.
    - b. Personal equipment used in shooting, including spotting scopes, binoculars, targets, target scoring devises, score books, bullet traps and other related items provided their primary purpose is for shooting.
  21. Gun magazines and clips - (empty).
  22. Ivory - pre 1898 depicting arms related scenes.
  23. Military items - proven military items - drums, bugles, armor, canteens, and mess kits manufactured at least 35 years ago, bearing military inspection or acceptance markings.
  24. Miniature weapons.
  25. Mortars - manufactured prior to 1946.
  26. Patches - proven military division and unit patches, decorations, badges, rank and insignia manufactured at least 35 years ago, and displayed in a neat and orderly fashion.
  27. Pellet / air guns.
  28. Percussion caps, primers and smokeless powder. All items to be in original, unopened packaging.
  29. Photographs depicting military or firearms and/or their use at least 35 years ago.
  30. Plaques - depicting military and/or firearms and their use only.
  31. Pouches - military pouches - manufactured at least 35 years ago.
  32. Safes - gun safes only.
  33. Shooting awards and shooting trophies.
  34. Concealed carry holsters, vests, handbags or purses when used exclusively for said purpose.
  35. Shovels & picks - military only manufactured at least 35 years ago.
  36. Small arms intended to be fired from the hand or shoulder by a single individual which are in compliance with all Federal, State and local Laws.
  37. Sporting collectables - antique decoys, calls, hunting licenses not to exceed 1/3 of one table.
  38. Steins - military or shooting only manufactured at least 35 years ago.
  39. Trench/military art manufactured at least 35 years ago.
  40. Uniforms - proven military uniforms and headgear manufactured at least 35 years ago and displayed in a neat and orderly fashion.
  41. Watches - military, Colt or Winchester only.
  42. Western memorabilia manufactured prior to 1898 and not to exceed 1/3 of one table.
  43. Suppressors - only completed and ATF registered suppressors are permitted. All N. F. A. rules must be followed. See Second Vice President for written permission prior to displaying.
- Owners of items to be registered under the Gun Control Act of 1968, Title III, must have proof of legal ownership immediately available for inspection by appropriate authorities. Any member planning to display items classified as "machine guns" must request written prior permission from the Second Vice President prior to bringing the material into the hall. Permission must be obtained for each meeting. Each request must be signed by the member/owner. Machine guns/ weapons that weigh more than 250 pounds total weight, including the mounting, shall not be displayed on a table.

Members wishing to display items having significant educational value of collector interest, which do not fall under the current OGCA guidelines for permitted exhibits, may make written application to the Second Vice President requesting permission to display such items prior to the meeting desired. Such application shall be reviewed by the Screening and Enforcement Committee and an appropriate recommendation shall be made by the Board of Directors. Should such application receive the approval of the Board, accommodation shall be made for display of such items in an area of the hall which shall be set aside for such displays, taking into account the size of the display and other significant criteria.

OGCA through its Security and Enforcement Committee and its Second Vice President reserve the right to require a Tableholder to remove an item or items from the Tableholder's trade table.

OGCA does not warrant the authenticity of any items sold. The ultimate responsibility for all sales/purchases rest with the parties to the transaction.

**ALL ITEMS NOT LISTED ABOVE ARE PROHIBITED.**

**I have read, understand and agree to have only permitted items on my table(s) \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial)**

## Bailey Brower, Passing of a Great Savage Collector



Command under General MacArthur in

36 year Life member, Bailey Brower, Jr. of Chatham Twp., NJ passed away peacefully on October 8th, 2022 at his home. He was 94 years old. He volunteered for military service during WWII and served under the 8th Army

Yokohama, Japan. Bailey graduated from Princeton University in 1949. In 1951, he married Nancy Tasman Brower (Taz) and together they had four daughters.

Bailey was a Benefactor Member of the NRA, donating his extensive collection of Savage Pistols for display at the NRA Museum in VA. As the "Number One Expert" on these unique American firearms, Bailey authored the "definitive" book, **Savage Pistols**. Brower displayed his collections

many years at the our Annual Display Show and represented OGCA in 2012 in St Louis at the NRA Annual Meeting and Exhibits with "The Age of Excellence; The Gold Standard." His display won many awards including the NRA "Best Educational" Award and 2 Silver Medallions.

Bailey will be missed by his many friends in and out of the gun collecting community. He made a major impact on OGCA and the Savage Firearm Collector Community.

## Passages



Member for 55 years, **N. Keith Casto**, 87, of Columbus, passed away in August surrounded by his loving family and friends. He was the vice president of the Ripley FFA and was awarded

the State Farmer Degree in 1953. He was a U.S. Army Veteran who had a lifelong respect for his country and fellow soldiers. Keith was employed by General Motors where he would retire after 30 years of service. He enjoyed playing guitar and singing, hunting, flea markets and keeping the family farm in perfect condition. He also loved spending time with his dog, Little Bud. Keith was known for his sense of humor and storytelling, where he could remember every detail of things from days past.

**Tony Felheim**, age 75, of Midland, Ohio, passed away unexpectedly November 5. He was a U.S. Air Force Veteran and a member of Martinsville Masonic Lodge and the Wilmington F&AM lodge #52. He was a member of the NRA, Amateur Trap Shooting Association, Clinton County Farmers and Sportsmen Association, and the Emmaus Community. Tony loved to hunt, fish, and trap shoot. He began shooting registered targets in 1969. He had retired from Verizon as a fiber optics technician, and was a Clark Township Trustee for many years. Tony was a 20 year Life member of OGCA. He was said to be one of the "good guys" who was always young at heart, had a smile on his face, and was eager to "talk or swap guns".



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39 year Life member, **Michael W. Floyd**, age 66, of Ohio, passed away in October. He was a member of the Masons and was an avid horse enthusiast, owning many horses.

He will be greatly missed by all who loved him, especially his grandchildren.



**Verne R. Gregg**, 79, passed away in August. He was a 44 year Life member of OGCA. Verne was born in Chelalis, Washington. He married the love of his life, Nancy, in 1963 in Mechanicsburg, Ohio. He was a longtime member of the Church of Our Savior, and was also a member of the Mechanicsburg Lodge # 113 F&AM. He helped to run the Gregg Family Farm and worked for the Ohio Department of Corrections, retiring from London Correctional Institute after 30-plus years of service. Verne was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting, fishing, traveling and photography. But most of all, he loved spending time with his family and dogs.

42 year Life member, **Richard L. 'Dick' Hefner, Jr.** of Lima passed away July 24 He married Kathy Barrows in 1970. Dick was a retired pipe fitter from Ford Motor Company.



He was an avid sportsman and loved to garden. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather and would do anything he could for people, often helping complete strangers.

**Norman Szymonik**, age 74 entered into Eternal Rest on July 6th, 2022. He was a 49 year Life member and regular tableholder (row B) up until recent years. Norman grew up in Chicago, IL but has been a long-time resident of Lansing, IL. He was retired from Superior Construction as a Vice President. He was an avid lifelong military historian and collector. We miss you, Norm.



**Clyde W. Potter**, age 76, passed away November 26. A member for 55 years, he was affectionately known as "The Old Guy." Clyde was a U.S. Army veteran, retired from Columbia Gas, and was an auxiliary chief firefighter. Clyde loved wearing his cowboy hat and his handlebar mustache. He was an avid gun collector, life member of the NRA, and enjoyed hunting and fishing.

**Michael Tomblinson**, 72, of Kentucky, passed away in September. Michael owned and operated R&D Electric until his retirement. He was a member of St. Mary's Episcopal Church and served on the boards of Morning Kiwanis Club, Boy Scouts Eagle Review, the Baptist Health Deaconess Madisonville Foundation, and the Hopkins County YMCA. A member of OGCA for almost 17 years he will be missed by his many friends and fellow collectors.



## DEADLINE FOR 2023 ANNUAL TABLES IS JAN. 13TH, 2023

**Attention Tableholders:** If you were planning to get Annual Tables or Co-share Annual at the 6 show discounted rate for 2023, call the Business Office right away at 330-467-5733 or email [ogca@ogca.com](mailto:ogca@ogca.com). The deadline is fast approaching. Lock in your tables for 2023. Cost is \$480 per table which breaks down to \$80 per table x 6 meetings and is a **savings of \$90 per year, per table**. (Per-show rent is \$95/table.) Annual tables are also a convenient way to reserve the same table for the whole year. (Table location based on availability.)

Alternately, if you want to continue renting tables on a per meeting basis and would like to be added to the **"Table Application Email List"** just shoot us an email at [ogca@ogca.com](mailto:ogca@ogca.com) and we will automatically email the form to you 5-6 weeks prior to each meeting. It also serves as a convenient reminder.

Annual Tables consists of the 6 Willmington Shows only. Added Medina show is offered at discount rate to 2023 Annual Tableholders.

## MEET PETER IAFFALDANO, CENTENARIAN AND WWII VETERAN



*Northeast Ohio member, Peter Iaffaldano recently turned 100 years young. He is a WWII Navy Veteran who served on the Ammunition ship USS Paricutin in the South Pacific. As Peter explained, ammunition ships were named after volcanoes because they often exploded if attacked! Enjoy his story:*

My father died when I was 9 years old. My Italian immigrant mother didn't read, write, or speak English so I learned very early, "If it's to be, it's up to me." I graduated second in my class.

I put myself through college on the work/study program and became an engineer. I was fortunate enough to have a few wonderful mentors along the way that fostered my talent and encouraged me. I worked for General Motors and then Norton Company which I retired from over 35 years ago.

I'm a proud father blessed with 6 children (one deceased), 6 grandchildren, and 7 great-grandchildren.

I married and buried two wonderful women that made me a better person just to be with them.

Working on cars was my first love. I've always enjoyed solving problems and working on projects with metal. It's amazing what you can do with the right tools. I've been a lifelong hunter, gun collector and an amateur ham radio operator.

### **Advice on Longevity:**

My children think I'm the energizer bunny. In the last year I fell and broke my hip, had replacement surgery, was hospitalized a few weeks with C-Diff, and then had Covid. I'm grateful to be here.

More than eating right, exercising, and being grateful, you need love in your heart and have the support of family, friends, and neighbors to live a long life.



**Peter Iaffaldano with rifle in younger days.**

## HOTELS

Remember to follow all OGCA Rules for your safety and others.

**NOTE:** Ask for confirmation of room rate at time of reservation. Prices subject to change with high tourism. Book early, but please provide courteous notice of cancellation.

## WILMINGTON

- 1) Headquarters Hotel: Holiday Inn at Roberts Centre** 123 Gano Road., Wilmington, OH 45177 (937) 283-3200 or (800) 654-7036 **Check in 3 PM.** 24-hour cancellation (greater notice will help your fellow member.) **Two-night minimum.** For **RV parking**, hook up and cost call (937) 283-3200.
- 2) General Denver Hotel** (6 mi) 81 W. Main St., Wilmington, OH. Historic Inn (937) 383-4141.
- 3) Hampton Inn & Suites** 201 Holiday Dr., Wilmington. (937) 382-4400 (7 mi) Ask for the OGCA 10% discount when making reservations. Rates can fluctuate with peak seasons.
- 4) TownePlace Suites by Marriott** 175 Holiday Dr, Wilmington, OH 45177 (937) 805-0420 (7.6 mi)
- 5) Holiday Inn Express** 155 Holiday Dr., Wilmington (937) 382-5858 (7 mi) Ask for the OGCA 10% discount when making reservations.
- 6) Wilmington Inn** 909 Fife Ave., Wilmington, OH (937) 382-6000 (7 mi.). Ask for OGCA rate .
- 7) Hampton Inn WCH** 11484 Allen Rd., NW, Jeffersonville. (740) 948-9499 (15 mi.) 1-71 at Exit 65. Ask for the OGCA 10% discount when making reservations.
- 8) Baymount Inn & Suites** 11431 Allen Rd. NW, Jeffersonville, OH 43128 (740) 948-2104 (15 mi). I-71 Exit 65. Outlet mall. \$79 + tax.
- 9) Fairfield Inn/ Marriott** (15 mi) 11349 Allen Road NW, Jeffersonville, OH, 43128, I-71 Exit 65. (740) 948-9305. Ask for the OGCA 10% discount off going rates (which fluctuate) when making reservations.

## MEDINA

- 1) Headquarters Hotel: Holiday Inn Express & Suites**, 5185 Gateway Dr., Medina, OH 44256, (330) 722-6006. "OGCA" rate \$135 plus tax, or \$150 plus tax for a suite. (4.8 mi)
- 2) Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Medina**, 3125 Eastpointe Dr, Medina, OH 44256, (330) 722-1722. (4.2 mi)
- 3) Hampton Inn Medina** 3073 Eastpointe Dr., Medina, OH 44256, (844) 209-0765.
- 4) Quality Inn & Suites**, 2850 Medina Rd, Medina, OH 44256, (330) 723-4994.
- 5) Super 8 by Wyndham Medina**, 5161 Montville Dr., Medina, OH 44256, (330) 723-8118.
- 6) Red Roof Inn** 5021 East Pointe Dr., Medina, OH 44256, (877) 843-7663.
- 7) Quality Inn & Suites** 4949 Park Ave W, Seville, OH 44273•(330) 769-4949 (7 mi )
- 8) Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham Akron/Seville** 59025 Park Ave W, Seville, OH 44273• (330) 769-5025 (7 mi)