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The Scatter Sheet

THE ANNUAL ORGC CHRISTMAS PARTY



The ORGC Annual Christmas Party will take place on Saturday, December 7, 2019 at the clubhouse. A delicious lunch will be served from Noon to 2 p.m. and will cost \$10.00 per person or **free** to anyone who purchases two (2) canteen raffle tickets. Raffle will be at 3 p.m. SHARP.

For all the collectors out there, the raffle item is a piece of local history created by regional artist Wayne Williams. "The Canteen" is a cast from the canteen worn by the soldier walking into the wall as depicted by Williams' contribution to the Vietnam War Memorial at Highland Park in Rochester, NY. Raffle benefits the ORGC Veterans Fundraiser. See pages 10 & 11.

ORGC will be accepting unwrapped toys for the Marine's Toys For Tots boxes located in the clubhouse until **December 7**. If you bring a toy to the party you'll get a gift from ORGC!



MARINE CORPS RESERVE



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2020 CHANGE IN MEMBERSHIP RATES

Your dues along with member volunteers accomplished great things in 2019!

- General improvements to our facility
- New trap equipment, new trap sidewalks
- Berm maintenance and improvements (making them higher)
- Extensive club house upgrades (paint roof, gutters, windows, etc.)
- Extensive upgrades to the shoot houses (paint, lighting, fencing)

It was a \$30,000 investment in the club for members to enjoy. Thank you to our member volunteers for their assistance with these projects that greatly improved our facility helping make it a premier range in NY.

Our 2020 plans for dues and member volunteer assistance includes:

- Upgrade to the east trap field
- A major investment to improve the long-range shoot house.

ORGC's dues have remained **consistently affordable** for many years, however some of the improvements required us to hire contractors to complete the job. We simply didn't have enough volunteers and help!

ORGC's goal is to encourage more members to volunteer their skills so we can do the work internally to maintain a great facility while keeping membership rates from going up more frequently. This year we have a modest increase in dues.

ALL 2020 MEMBERSHIP DUES PAID BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2019 WILL BE AT THE 2019 RATES.

	2019	2020
SINGLE	\$ 85.00	\$100.00
FAMILY	\$110.00	\$125.00
SENIOR	\$ 35.00	\$ 50.00
JUNIOR	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
ORIENTATION	\$40.00	\$ 50.00

PAYMENTS NOT RECEIVED BY APRIL 1, 2020 WILL BE CHARGED A \$25 LATE FEE.

FOB WILL NOT BE REACTIVATED UNTIL LATE FEE PAID.

Thank you for being a member! Thank you for volunteering your time and skill to help maintain and improve YOUR club, Ontario Rod and Gun Club.... Western New York's Premier Gun Club.



Thank you to Ken Paul and Steve Verdi for organizing the 7th Annual Black Friday Rifle Match!

Thank you to Ken Paul, Pete Sundquist, Jeff Aman, Bill Verhagen and Steve Verdi for working with the RIT Air Force ROTC Cadets.

Thank you to the person who brought the ORGC shirt to Nairobi, Africa. We are now world famous!!

Thank you to members who attended the General Membership meeting! Your input is important and you sat on our new chairs!

Thank you to the Veterans Fundraiser Committee members who attended the meeting.

Thank you to everyone who is calling, sending cards and checking in on Billy Palermo while he recovers! Get Well, Billy—the new trap field is waiting for you!



Dear Santa,

Our volunteers have been especially good this year. They need ammo, powder and bullets and a repeal of the SAFE ACT.



RANGE RULES REBOOT!

Curious about rules changes, range updates and new policies? Attend any monthly Orientation FREE as a refresher 3rd Saturday each month.

For an updated copy of policies and range rules, stop by any Saturday or Tuesday night to get a copy.

REMINDERS

Range Security Access is limited to members and their guests.

Your FOB records your IN AND OUT. Close the gate each time you pass. Do not allow anyone else to enter without using their own FOB. There is a fee for lost FOBs.

Please **SIGN IN every guest** in the log located in the box on the long range. Two (2) guests per member at a time, and no more than 3 times per year. Get them to join.

Wear your ID or have it visible to identify yourself as a member. Get to know who is using the facility.

Anyone deliberately destroying or damaging anything on the range, shoot houses, clubhouse or grounds, including wildlife, will be subject to immediate removal and will face the consequences of such actions in accordance with our ORGC Bylaws and Constitution.

Use of equipment provided in Eagles Range is a privilege of membership. It is expected that all people who use the range will leave the range in good condition for the next user.

Put all equipment away.

Remove your targets from the stand and discard.

Pick up your brass.

Put all tools away.

Put your trash in the trash can.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING REVIEW

Chairman Steve Verdi shared information about club events. RIT ROTC AF Cadets enjoyed their time at the club on Saturday Workday. (See page 8). The Canteen Raffle will happen on December 7th at 3 p.m. (see pages 10 & 11). The Christmas Party will be on Saturday, December 7th. Two raffle ticket will get you a free lunch or it's \$10 per meal. Bring a new toy for Toys for Tots. (see page 1). Come and have fun!!

Trap News: Bill Palermo is no longer available to set up the trap fields on Tuesday Open Trap. He is still recovering at home. Doug Trumpowsky and Steve Verdi will create a schedule for Tuesday nights to assure someone will be available to open the club house. If you can help, thanks!

Several committees were formed. Election Committee: Steve Verdi, Ken Paul, Bohdan Ersteniuk and Heidi Levan. If you know someone who is interested in running for the Board of Directors, please let a committee member know. Audit Committee: Ken Paul, Bill Burger and Lee McMullen. **Thank you to everyone who attended!**

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



VETERANS FUNDRAISER MEETING REVIEW

The Veterans Fundraiser Committee met on November 16 to finalize the donations from the 2019 funds. Close to \$30,000 was raised with 100% of the proceeds donated directly to local and regional veterans. We generously gave \$11,000 to American Legion Riders Williamson Post #394, \$6,000 to Blue Star Mothers, \$6,000 to Veterans Outreach Center of Rochester, and put \$1,000 toward start up for 2020. The remaining funds we allocated to the Ontario Veterans Benevolent Fund to assist veterans and veteran organizations as need arises during the year. At this meeting, the committee voted to give \$300 to the Ontario American Legion for care packages to be sent to service member overseas, \$1,000 to Clear Path of Syracuse to help train a service dog, \$100 for veterans on Long Island personal supplies, and approximately \$1,500 toward home modifications for an anonymous veteran.

The 2020 fundraiser will be modified to 2 days, a USPSA Match (7/11/20) and a Main Event and Trap Shoot (8/15/20) and are still in the tentative planning stages. Next meeting will be announced. If you would like to assist with the committee and planning contact Steve Verdi.

TUESDAY NIGHT OPEN TRAP—NEW TRAP HOUSE IS A GO!

Our new trap house is open! First time in use the birds launched perfectly! Everyone had a blast! It is pictured below!

Special thanks to Steve Verdi, Doug Trumpowsky, Ralph Wroblewski, Bill Burger, Ken Paul, Pete Sundquist, Jeff Aman, Bill Verhagen, Tony Massimi, Adam Barclay and Brad Shultz—the volunteers and contractors who made this improvement possible for members to enjoy for many years.

Join us for a round or two of trap shooting at ORGC every Tuesday night from 5-9 p.m.

Member trap price will remain the same \$4.00. Non-Member price will now be \$6.00. Junior price will now be \$3.00. Still a great price for a night of fun!

The NYSHSCTL program was a success last year and we will sponsor it again this year. Doug Trumpowsky will act as the ORGC liaison and coach. Webster High School students will use the field for \$4.00 per round.

We encourage trap shooters of all skill levels to come and enjoy shooting with us. We have a number of skilled trap shooters who are just fun to watch. Warm yourself at our new woodstove after you shoot a round! Hot and cold beverages and snacks available.

"They aren't hard to hit...they're just easily missed." Anonymous



WOMEN OF ORGC—A GROWING FORCE

Women at Ontario Rod and Gun Club have been around since its beginnings in the 1950s. Most of their responsibilities at the club included what was typical for the times, with a few brave souls stepping into a male dominated sport shooting arena. But in recent years, gun ownership for women has been on the increase. In fact, for the past four years, women have been the fastest growing demographic of firearm ownership.

Women understand women's rights include the right to bear arms; pistols, shotguns, rifles or ARs. Women understand the meaning of personal protection in a world of victim vs. predator. Women also understand sport shooting is just plain fun. It is enjoying time with good people, personal challenges, unlimited possibilities, athleticism and the drive to learn and develop skills.

Women of ORGC participate in a variety of disciplines: sporting clays, pistol, defensive pistol, smallbore, shotgun, long rifle, silhouettes, and hunting. They also participate in competitions such as USPSA Pistol and NRA Marksmanship Qualification Program. They are NRA Range Officers, NROI Chief Range Officers, Instructors and Mentors. They are the Women of ORGC, a growing demographic within our own firearms community!

By Frankie LaMarca



ORGC & ROTC AF CADETS

A TIMELY TRADITION



The November 9th Saturday Workday turned out to be much more fun than usual for volunteers Ken Paul, Pete Sundquist, Jeff Aman, Bill Verhagen, Steve Verdi and the 17 ROTC Air Force Cadets from RIT who showed up to volunteer. It was a continuation of a tradition.

Seven years ago, RIT freshman ROTC air force cadets and an professor (not affiliated with ORGC) had a discussion about guns. The professor, Verdi describes as the 5th dentist of the “4 out of 5 dentists prefer Dentine Gum,” arranged some basic instruction on the AR15/M4 platform with Verdi and a few other gun enthusiasts. The training made an impact on the cadets, and the following year they sought additional instruction, but couldn’t find a willing location to train.



Our Eagles Range had just been completed, so Verdi invited the cadets to ORGC for the training. ORGC would provide the range time, guns and instruction and the cadets would supply their own ammunition. But the NYS un-SAFE ACT made the cost and acquisition of ammo difficult for the student cadets. Verdi orchestrated an exchange: to provide ammo to the cadets if they would help Bill Verhagen with the setting up and tearing down of the Rochester Gun Show at the Dome Arena. The concept “we’ll work for ammo” was born. The cadets continue to work at the gun show for ammo, and they work at the range for ammo used during their training.



Cadets spent two hours cleaning the grounds, moving props to the training range, organizing the props, straightening up the shed and trailer and removing trash. After a pizza lunch and a chance to talk and get to know each other, cadets and members headed out to the training range for three hours to learn about firearm safety and handling skills and to run a few rounds through an AR/M4 platform firearm. Many of the cadets had never shot before, so with the experts on hand, they had a perfect opportunity to learn from the best!

The tradition has been a part of ORGC for 5 years. This year Bill Verhagen donated 1,000 rounds of ammunition. ORGC donated ammunition from the Youth Program surplus. Everyone, from expert to novice, learned something, and new friendships were forged. The cadets get a big jump on the other cadets when they get to basic training.



Verdi reports with pride “the first cadet to help pioneer this training is in the Air Force flying fighter jets for our great nation!” It became a great idea to put into practice; highlighting the hallmarks of ORGC...the spirit of volunteerism, supporting youth and honoring the greatest nation on earth!

By Frankie LaMarca as told by Steve Verdi



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**CLUB RANGE HOUR
CHECK CALENDAR FOR
CLOSINGS**

Monday—Saturday

9 a.m. to Sunset

Sunday—10 a.m. to Sunset

HOLIDAYS—Noon—4 p.m.

Holidays are New Years Day,
Easter Day, Thanksgiving
Day & Christmas Day

Meetings-3rd Thursday

**General Membership
7:15 p.m.**

**January, March, May,
July, September,
November**

**Board Of Directors Only
7:15 p.m.**

**February, April, June,
August, October,
December**

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EVENTS AT ORGC — DECEMBER 2019

Events are subject to changes. Check the website calendar for the most current listings and changes.

December 3 —ORGC Open Trap Open Trap 4:30p.m.

December 7 —ORGC Christmas Party & Raffle 1-6 p.m.

Everyone Welcome! Get Your Tickets!!!

Canteen Raffle Drawing 3 p.m. Bring a Toy!

December 10 -ORGC Open Trap Open Trap 4:30p.m.

December 14—**Wreaths Across America Day—To Participate:**

Contact Kaleina at rr4406pak@netzero.net please put WAA in the subject line or text/call 585-520-6992 for more information.

December 17 - ORGC Open Trap Open Trap 4:30 p.m.

December 19 —Board of Directors Meeting 7:15 p.m. Clubhouse

December 21 —**ORGC New Member Orientation 9 a.m.-Noon**

Clubhouse

Reminder: If you need a refresher of new range rules and policies, you are welcome to attend any orientation free.

December 24 —ORGC Open Trap Open Trap 4:30p.m.

December 31 —ORGC Open Trap Open Trap 4:30p.m.

Training Range Private Event Schedule

December 1 —Private Event Clubhouse & Training Range 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

December 4— Private Event—Training Range 3:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

December 8 —Private Event Clubhouse & Training Range 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

December 9 —Private Event Clubhouse & Training Range 9 - 11:30 a.m.

December 11— Private Event—Training Range 3:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

December 15 —Private Event Clubhouse & Training Range 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

December 18— Private Event—Training Range 3:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

December 25— Private Event—Training Range 3:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

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**Ontario Rod & Gun Club
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Drawing is December 7, 2019
at 3 p.m.

@ the Club Christmas Party
Free lunch with the purchase of 2 tickets

1st Prize: The canteen w/plaque
1 year free club membership
Voodoo black gun equipment bag

**Canteen Raffle drawing will be on December 7 at the
Christmas Party at 3 p.m.**

SATURDAY WORK DAY

Do you have a skill you'd be willing to share? Will you help out at your own club?

We request you assist with work at the club for a minimum of 8 hours each year.

We begin at 9:00 a.m. every Saturday rain or shine.

There is always work to do. Painting, range improvements, odd jobs, building, cleaning, organizing and everything in between.

We've had many new faces show up to help and they are a welcome sight! Our regular team is so much fun!

Contact Steve Verdi (585) 739-3195 if you have a specialty and time specific availability or better yet, come to the club on our Saturday Work Day, every Saturday rain or shine, and give us a hand.

We'll be looking for you!

Thank you!!

Veterans Fundraiser Recipient



Clear Path
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Chairman Steve Verdi and Veteran Liaison Jerry Slater visited the Clear Path facility in Chittenango, NY to learn about Clear Path's service dog program. After touring the facility, and enjoying (for a \$10.00 donation) lunch provided free to veterans, they investigated the service dog program on behalf of the fundraiser committee.

The complete price to prepare a canine to be a companion service dog for a veteran is approximately \$15,000. We will not be able to finance a dog, however, we can support the organization. It is in a beautiful part of the state, offering a variety of programs designed specifically for veterans. There are programs for wellness, women, culinary, art, work readiness, and peer companion all designed to help veterans.

The fundraiser committee decided to follow through with the \$1,000 donation that was discussed at the last meeting.

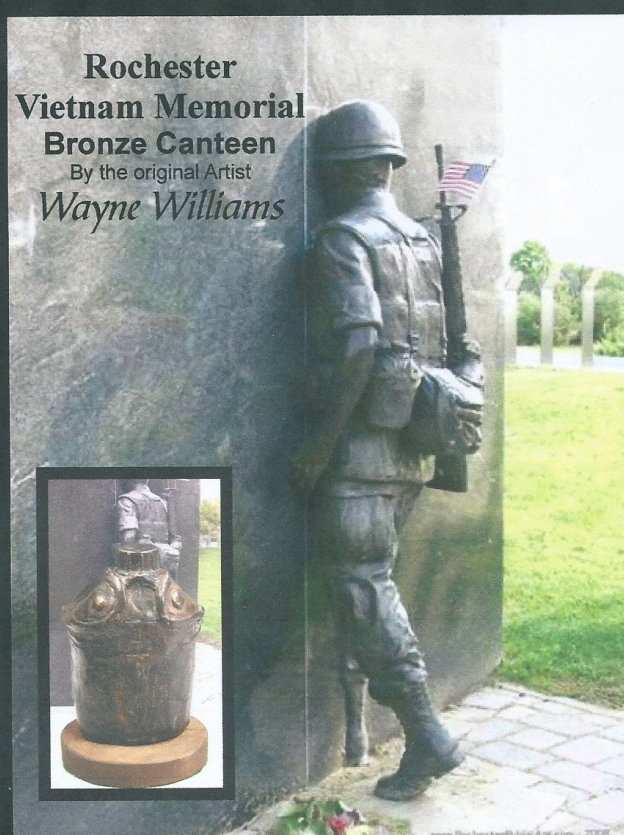
You can learn more about Clear Path's mission "Recognizing the responsibility of communities to help those who serve, Clear Path for Veterans empowers service members, Veterans, and their families through supportive programs and services in a safe, respectful environment." at <http://www.clearpath4vets.com/>

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**Rochester
Vietnam Memorial
Bronze Canteen**
By the original Artist
Wayne Williams



Correction:

**Canteen Raffle drawing
will be on December 7
at the Christmas Party
at 3 p.m.**

**Don't miss this oppor-
tunity to own a piece of
Rochester history!**

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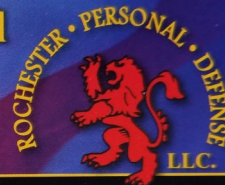
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