

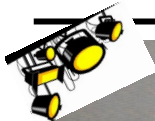


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Spotlight on Frances Stitely

Meet Frances, born in 1927, wife of deceased charter member James Stitely, Jr. She was married in 1946 to James, one year before the club was started. She remembers her husband and father-in-law spending lots of time at the trap range (reason for starting the club) and original club house (only the front room existed then). Her father-in-law continued to spend lots of time at the club, but her husband and she ended up busy at the Stitely Lumber Yard and he was not as active. She does not know of any other living charter member or spouse. She never shot at the range, as it was probably only a men's club. Therefore she does not really know what went on at the club. Maybe some things are not to be known or disseminated. She attends church regularly but has stopped driving due to her eyesight. She was interested in the present club size and additions over the years. Anyone know of any other charter members or spouses?

ITEMS FOR SALE, FOUND, LOST OR WANTED

Please inform me if an item is sold, found or you desire to take it down from this site. Email ourisanews@gmail.com or Ron at 724-396-4971. Thanks.

FOR SALE: Hydraulic lift, needs some work, \$100 or best offer. Call Jack at 724-744-2514.

FOR SALE: Simplicity Regent tractor, 18HP, 38" Mower deck, Kohler engine...Craftsman 42" High Speed Lawnsweeper... Craftsman 32" Spiker Spreader...Simplicity 42" Snow Blade...mower serviced annually...new seat and foot pan... manuals...5'x7' trailer...all items firm at \$2000 (valued new over \$3800)...pick up at location in Blairsville...Call Ron at 724-396-4971.

FOR SALE: Springfield Model 67 series E20, 3" chamber, \$200...Winchester model 1300 turkey special edition 3 chokes used very little, \$350...Remington model 7600 pump 3 1/2x10 scopes, \$450...Smith & Wesson 4006 40, \$425... Rossi .223 varmint rifle 6x24 scope, \$250...Haven by Mossberg 12 gauge, 2 3/4" and 3" chamber, \$200...Remington Speedmaster 22, Model 552, \$275...Call 724-516-1443 with questions or if interested.

Free to Good Home: About 40 new .458 size lead gas check Moyer's bullets, 300gr. My Marlin likes .459. These are also lubed. Good for maybe your rifle or if you cast bullets!! Call or text Dave at 412-999-3232.

FOR SALE: 10 gauge Remington wads SP10, 1 5/8 to 2 oz loading, bag of approx 250 \$5.00...21 cartridges 303 British round nose new Winchester Super Speed ammo appears to be 175 or 200 grain.\$20.00...Contact Jim [724-863-3764](tel:724-863-3764)

FOR SALE: 5 boxes (100 count each) of Winchester 380 ammo. 15 dollars a box. Call Royce at 724-382-4401.

FOR SALE: 1963 corvette convertible, 327 four speed. Silver with black interior. All Original and matching numbers. \$54,000 Call Glenn at [724 237 3490](tel:724-237-3490)

FOR SALE: all fishing rods and reels in good condition - Sportfisher graphite composite medium action 6' rod and Ryobi SX3M reel asking \$15...Procaster Tournament Daiwa 5'6" medium action rod and Daiwa PS705 reel asking \$20...Eagle Claw 6' medium action rod and Shimano reel asking \$20...Daiwa 4.5' medium action rod and Daiwa 100C reel asking \$15...call Rich at 412-849-5205.

FOR SALE: Harrington & Richardson Arms Breaktop revolver chambered in .32 S&W. Overall nice condition with light surface rust in 2 places. Multiple patent dates are marked on the revolver, with the most recent one being 1896. \$125...800 rounds of 7.62 x 39 ammo that I would like to sell for \$150...Contact Bill at 724-880-5832.

FOR SALE: 2016 Polaris Sportsman 570 with or without trailer, 0 miles, value \$7099.00 + trailer. Leave message for Pat at 724-863-4109.

FOR SALE: 22 Caliber rifle, single shot bolt action, Sears, Roebuck & Company Model 41-103, 1977, \$150 Neg., Call Rich 412-849-5205.



NEW MEMBERS

WELCOME AND WE HOPE
YOU CAN ENJOY THE CLUB
ADVANTAGES AND
FELLOWSHIP

Nicholas Kosan

Scott Rowan

One dozen empty & clean 5 gal. plastic
buckets needed. Donations appreciated.

Open House is scheduled for September
23rd, 23018. Please mark that on your
calendar and invite others to come and put
it on their calendar. Time passes fast!!!

There is no need for anyone to work alone. Please call
one of the following so that they can assist and provide
additional safety. They have volunteered to be "on call" to
assist.

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Did you change your phone number, email account, or
address? Please tell us so that we can communicate.

Sundays, March 4th and 18th, 1 PM, Thumbtack Pistol Shoot
Saturday, March 31, 11AM, Special Work Party to turn on water.
Thursday, April 12, 5PM, Pin Shoot \$3.00
Saturday, April 21, 9AM, Boy Scouts on Pistol Range
Saturday, April 28, Boy Scouts on Pistol Range

Lake trout rebounding in Great Lakes Associated Press

Scientists have found a way to keep sea lampreys largely in check in the Great Lakes, which has allowed the lake trout population to rebound. The sea lamprey is an invasive species that has needle-sharp teeth that can bore a hole through fish scales, Minnesota Public Radio reported. The lampreys can then suck out blood and fluids. "It's caused tremendous damage," said Doug Jensen, Aquatic Invasive Species Program Coordinator at Minnesota Sea Grant. "It's called the 'Vampire of the Great Lakes' for good reason. It made lake trout go extinct in all the Great Lakes except for Lake Superior." Scientists created a chemical called TFM in the 1950s that kills sea lamprey when they're still small larvae. The Great Lakes Fishery Commission treats about 200 rivers around the Great Lakes with the chemical. Other control efforts include barriers that are built across streams to prevent lamprey from getting to spawning areas.

State fisheries managers recently ended a trout stocking program in Lake Superior because hatchery-raised fish are no longer necessary to increase the population. Officials also opened a small commercial lake trout fishing season near Duluth this year. "It's kind of a culmination of 50 to 60-plus years of rehabilitation coming full circle," said Cory Goldsworthy, Lake Superior Area Fisheries Manager for the Minnesota DNR. While lamprey numbers are stable in lakes Michigan, Huron and Ontario, they have increased in lakes Superior and Erie, according to a commission report. "There's still more lake trout killed by sea lamprey predation in Lake Superior than sport and commercial fishing combined," Jensen said. The growth may be due to warmer water temperatures and the increase in trout, which means lampreys have more prey to feed on, commission officials said.

REMAINING 2017-18 HUNTING SEASON

COYOTES: No closed season. Unlimited. Outside of any big game season (deer, bear, elk and turkey), coyotes may be taken with a hunting license or a furtaker license, and without wearing orange.

OPOSSUM, STRIPED SKUNKS and WEASELS: No closed season, except Sundays. No limits.

PORCUPINES: now through March 31. (3 daily, season limit of 10).

GROUNDHOGS: No closed season or limit except on Sundays and during the regular firearms deer seasons.

CROWS: now through April 8, on Friday, Saturday and Sunday only. No limit.

STARLINGS AND ENGLISH SPARROWS: No closed season except during the antlered and antlerless deer season. No limit.

PA Hunters Split on use of Semi-automatic rifles Associated Press

YORK, Pa. — In 2017, Pennsylvania became the last state to legalize semi-automatic rifles – including AR-15s – for hunting.

It looked like the guns might be allowed for furbearers, small game and big game, until something surprising happened: A survey showed hunters didn't want them. Ahead of the March 2017 Board of Game Commissioners meeting, the Pennsylvania Game Commission sent out 4,000 surveys about semi-automatic guns. The responses showed there was support for using semi-automatic guns for furbearers and groundhogs, but not for big game. "Very many hunters who said in the survey that they currently own semi-automatic rifles did oppose it for big game," PGC spokesman Travis Lau said.

Lau said it might be because hunters felt deer hunting is fine the way it is. He said others thought it would make hunting unsafe, which the PGC couldn't prove by looking at data from other states. However, safety is what makes John Hunt of Peach Bottom Township wary about semi-automatic guns. The hunting safety instructor said hunters might be too focused on spraying their game to see what's beyond. "I don't think you're going to kill any more squirrels or small game animals with a semi-automatic firearm than you would a single shot," he said. "I'm old school, but I have shot them." Others argue the opposite. Don Helms is an NRA-certified instructor who had a long career with the Baltimore Police Department. The Shrewsbury Township man fully supports hunting with semi-automatic guns. After Senate Bill 281 passed in Maryland, restricting the type of guns residents could own, Don Helms moved to New Freedom. "They're accurate. They're easy to operate, and you can become quite proficient with them," Helms said about AR-15s, a common semi-automatic gun. He's used an AR-15 to hunt coyotes. He likes the gun because it has little recoil, and it's possible to follow an animal's movement while firing, as opposed to loading another round and sighting the game again. "It can be a lot safer than bolt-action," he said.

Helms acknowledged that there could be a disadvantage with big game. Sometimes semi-automatic guns such as the AR-15 leave too small of a hole, making it difficult to track an animal's blood trail. Part of that might have to do with caliber. Lau said there are caliber restrictions for small game but not for furbearers. For example, a .223 caliber AR-15 couldn't be used for small game, as it's limited to a .22 caliber or less.

Semiautomatic shotguns considered for deer, bear, elk in PA

The Pennsylvania Board of Game Commissioners on Tuesday, Jan. 30 gave unanimous preliminary approval to regulatory changes that would permit the use of semiautomatic centerfire shotguns that propel single-projectile ammunition while hunting deer, bears or elk. For elk, the shotgun would need to be 12-gauge or larger.

The Game Commission historically has permitted the use of semiautomatic shotguns for deer and bear seasons within its special regulations areas near Pittsburgh and Philadelphia. The preliminarily approved proposal would extend this authorization to the remainder of the Commonwealth, as well as permit semiautomatic shotguns using single-projectile ammunition for elk hunting. The proposal will be given final consideration at the board's next quarterly meeting, which is yet to be scheduled.



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Member drawing for \$25 was for Life Member Al Deros, Sr. who was not present. Next month it will increase to \$30.
50/50 drawing for \$37 was won by a very lucky person.

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