

NEWSLETTER

Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, **7:00 p.m.**

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The June meeting of the Bloomer Rod and Gun Club will be held on Tuesday, June 12, at 7 p.m. at the Rod and Gun Clubhouse. In charge of the June lunch detail will be Gene Harnisch. Keep in mind that June is our annual Steak Feed, and you can bring your wife or significant other to this event. We will be looking forward to a short meeting and a long dinner time.

JUNE EVENTS

There are a couple of things going on in June. On Sunday, June 24, there will be a practice match for the "Steel Challenge". Starting time will be 12 noon. Then, on June 30, there will be a **Concealed Carry** Information on that event is can be found in several places—the bulletin board at the Rod and Gun Clubhouse, by calling 715.559.1667,on the Rod and Gun website, and also on www.triggercontrol.US#

JULY EVENTS

July 7 is the tentative day to deliver pheasants. More information will be available later in June. Call Rich Burrow at 715.568.3096 for more information. There will be another air pistol match on **July 21** (Saturday) from 9-3. The "big" Steel Challenge Match will be on July 28 at the Club rifle range. Registration starts at 8 a.m. All NSSF rules will be followed. Setup and shooting for event personnel will be Friday, July 27 starting at 2 p.m.

FAIR BOOTH

The July meeting will be the time to schedule times for "manning" the fair booth. Forms will be available to sign up. This has always been an event that sees a major portion of our membership signups and renewals. Anticipated setup will be Wednesday, August 1, in the evening—5 p.m. at the Clubhouse and 6 p.m. at the booth. Everything will be similar to previous years, so we will need to have someone at the booth from 6 p.m. Thursday, August 2, through Sunday, August 5. If you have items to display, bring them to the July meeting or to the booth. It's not heavy Anyone can do it. Somebody just needs to do it. Shifts are set up for 3hour increments.

MEMORIAL DAY

I missed the May meeting because of a planned trip to Branson, Missouri. A lot of changes have taken place over the last 20 years there. I don't care for a lot of them, but one thing has NOT changed. At the shows there—all of them—every day is Veterans Day and Memorial Day. Hopefully everyone has participated in some way at the recent Memorial Day events. If you have ever been to a military cemetery, you may have looked down the rows of crosses and given some thought to the cost of freedom that we still enjoy today. There are around two million of these markers at locations

around the world. The most awesome one I've been to is the one at Arlington, Virginia. There are rows of white crosses that run into the thousands. If you get a chance to go to one of these cemeteries, I recommend it. There is one near the airport in Minneapolis that will give you an idea of the many who served and died. Think about it: These people (yes the white crosses represent people—fathers, wives, daughters, friends, and relatives) that gave their all for our freedom. Remember: "freedom is NOT free". Don't give it away to be "politically correct". As a historical note...Arlington was the plantation of Robert E. Lee. But that's a whole 'nother story.

OLE AND LENA

Ole and Lena were at home one evening discussing the need to make a living will. Ole told Lena that no matter what he never wanted to live in a vegetative state, dependent on a machine with all his fluids coming out of bottles. "If dat ever happens Lena, yust pull da plug on me!" he told her emphatically.

Lena immediately jumped out of her chair, unplugged the TV, and threw out all the beer!

WELCOME SUMMER

Take a kid fishing...
...boating...
...camping...
...but whatever you do,
"Let's be careful out there."