

# The Liberty Pole



## Shooters! Center up!

Welcome Shooter, to the May edition of *The Liberty Pole*, Project Appleseed's newsletter.

We have a great newsletter in store for you this month! We have a Monthly Drawing, an event highlight from a 200 yard Rimfire Known Distance Clinic, a history article about The Siege of Ninety-Six, a Membership Drive, and more! As always, thank you for reading. Now, on to the newsletter...

*"Shooters! Your Preparation Period Begins Now!"*

## Words from the Founding Fathers



*"Arms in the hands of individual citizens may be used at individual discretion in private self-defense."*

*John Adams,*

*"A Defence of the Constitutions of Government of the United States of America";*

*1787-1788*

## 2025 Monthly Drawing!!!



Project Appleseed is having a drawing each month in 2025! Prizes will include \$1,000 in gift cards from Palmetto State Armory!

How can you participate? Simply register for an event. That's pretty much it! All adults who attend one of our events in 2025 up to the month of November will be entered to win automatically in the drawing the following month!

We will announce winners via live drawings on our YouTube channel on the 2nd of every month. Tune in on May 2nd at 8 PM EST/7 PM CST for our next drawing! This is a special one that will be broadcast from the A Girl and a Gun National Conference in Grand Junction, Colorado. Tune in to see who will win the Pennsylvania Flintlock Rifle!

Click [HERE](#) for more details!

## May's Event Highlight



This month, I wanted to give a shout-out to one of our recent 200 Yard Rimfire Known Distance events. This one was in Sudlersville, Maryland on April 6th. Below are some words from the Shoot Boss, **Catch-10-22**:

*"A great start to the 250th anniversary month celebrations with a 200-yard Rimfire Known Distance yesterday in Sudlersville on Maryland's Eastern Shore. We had a great group of shooters for this spring event and an almost equal number of instructors. The forecast called for temperatures in the 80s with an afternoon thunderstorm...and instead we had temperatures no higher than the 50s, fog and drizzle all day (with heavy rain at lunch time - thank goodness we could use the clubhouse for history).*

*We started out at the 50-yard line to establish our initial zero and test scope tracking with a few basic drills (vertical squares target) then did two teams for the Parker's Revenge target. While that target is meant for 25 yards, we kept it out at 50 and saw group sizes shrink - aim small, miss small! Team 1 was awarded a clear victory and received Appleseed playing cards and pins for their effort.*

*We then started the process of zeroing and data collection at 50-200 yards.[...]"*

Click [HERE](#) to read the rest of the article.



**May's History:  
The Siege of Ninety-Six, May 1781**



Some stories are told more than others and it is our job at Project Appleseed to make sure all the stories from the American Revolution don't die on our watch. This month, we wanted to tell the story of The Siege of Ninety-Six, May 1781. Below is a sample of this month's exciting article from our resident historian, AH1Tom.

*"Major General Green had his men throw up earthworks for his own 3-gun battery before the sun came up on May 22nd. His guns were about 130 yards from the Star Fort. Continental engineer Thaddeus Kosciuszko laid out the siege lines in the typical European pattern. Throughout this first day, the Patriot artillery fired round after round into the Star Fort.*

*Kosciuszko began a new parallel farther back, about 1,200 yards from the fort. On June 3rd, the second parallel was completed and the Patriots were within 180 yards from the Star Fort. Major General Greene now sent in Col. Otho Williams with a surrender proposal, but Lt. Col. Cruger refused, as expected.[...]"*

Click [HERE](#) to read the rest and join the discussion!

[Image Credit: Fort Ninety-Six Display Rifle Tower, photo by John Stanton 8 May 2013]

## 20th Anniversary Membership Drive



It's time we talked about a seriously under-utilized offering: **The RWVA Membership!**

Memberships are super awesome!

You get a very cool welcome packet.

Along with participation in Appleseed events, it qualifies you for access to CMP-sold ammunition and firearms, like surplus M1 Garands and 1911s.

AND... drumroll please... **RWVA Members get 35% Off ALL Project Appleseed Clinic formats for the duration of their memberships!**

Memberships are available in One-year, Five-year, and Lifetime levels.

Memberships are VERY reasonably priced, and can pay for themselves in as little as ONE discounted event ticket.

One-year - \$35

Five-year - \$99

Lifetime - \$599

Appleseed Volunteer Lifetime - \$499

Effective February 1st, we have a special incentive! All Lifetime and 5-year memberships purchased in 2025 will receive in their welcome packet one of our beautiful new 20th Anniversary/250th Anniversary Commemorative Coins, while supplies last! These hand-enameled coins are 3mm thick and 2" in diameter. As a nod to legendary silversmith Paul Revere, they have an antique silver finish.

You can get your membership at [RWVA Memberships](#) What are you waiting for?

#### NOW FOR THE FINE PRINT:

RWVA Memberships are for Individuals. Any discounts can only be utilized for the named member. Project Appleseed reserves the right to request membership cards at event check-in.

RWVA Membership packets are mailed out twice a month. Instructions for redeeming your event discounts will be included in your packet.

You can follow the thread on the forum [HERE](#).

## Appleseed Store

**Swing by the Appleseed Store and see all the goodies we have in store for you! Don't worry the puns are free!**

Limited Edition '**Dressier**' **Appleseed polo shirts** are available in Black only. 60/40 cotton/poly material. Get yours today!

The ever-popular **Project Appleseed shooting mat**, custom-designed Project Appleseed shooting mat is perfect for Appleseed events, competitions, long-range shooting, varmint hunting, lounging on the beach, or under a sleeping bag. We looked at other mats and made changes, especially for Appleseed shooters. Easy-to-clean surface with waterproof bottom coating. Just-right 1/2" thick cushioning.

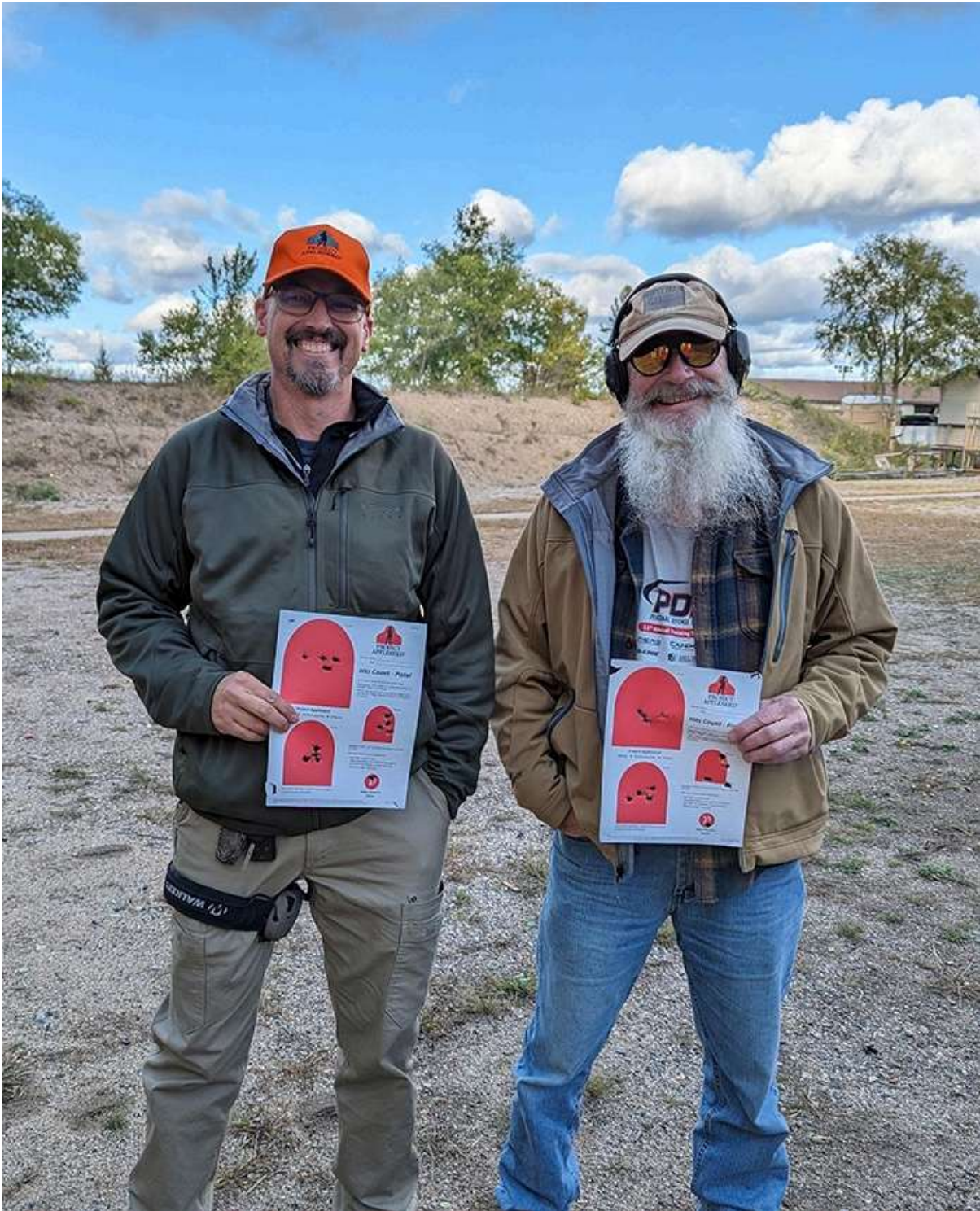
**Paul Revere's Ride** is the single best historical source for all the stories you hear at an Appleseed event. Thoroughly footnoted, including valuable and detailed Appendix. A highly acclaimed and deeply engaging read.

**Hats!** We have a very nice variety of hats, for representing Appleseed on and off the range.

Don't forget about our awesome **Scope kits! Tumblers, Appleseed cards, gear pouches, and lots more at The Appleseed Store.**

As always, ALL proceeds go to support Project Appleseed.

## What is an Appleseed Pistol Clinic?



Our pistol clinic is designed to help you unlock your shooting skills. You will learn pistol shooting with speed and precision. Whether you're a seasoned shooter or a novice, our clinic is the

perfect place to take your shooting abilities to the next level.

At our clinic, we believe that precision shooting is both an art and a science. Our experienced instructors have honed their skills and are ready to share their knowledge and expertise with you. Through a combination of theory, dry fire, and live shooting exercises, we'll teach you the fundamental principles, including proper grip, stance, and trigger control.

Our goal is to create a supportive and encouraging environment where you can build confidence in your shooting abilities. We understand that everyone learns at their own pace, which is why we tailor our instruction to meet your needs.

So why wait? Join us at our marksmanship clinic and discover the joy and satisfaction of hitting your target with accuracy. Whether you're aiming for improvement in self-defense or competitive shooting, our clinic will help you develop the skills needed to become a true marksman.

For more information about how to prepare, download our quick guide, "How to Prepare - Appleseed Pistol Clinic".

For full pricing information, visit [pricing](#).

Click [HERE](#) to sign up for an Appleseed Pistol Clinic today!

## Upcoming Special Interest Events

We have TONS of upcoming events lined up all across the country. Below are just a few of the special interest events that we want to mention. These include just a sample of the upcoming Rifleman Boot Camps, Known Distance Clinics, Rimfire Known Distance Clinics, Ladyseeds, and Pistol Clinics. Reserve your spot today!

- Alaska - Talkeetna - Rimfire Known Distance Clinic - June 28-29
- California - Sacramento - Rimfire Known Distance Clinic - May 31 - June 1
- Colorado - Denver - Rimfire Known Distance - May 3rd (One Day Event)
- Colorado - Ramah - Known Distance Clinic - June 28-29
- Kansas - De Soto - Known Distance Clinic - May 31 - June 1
- Maryland - Marriottsville - Rimfire Known Distance - May 25th (One Day Event)
- Minnesota - Monticello - Ladyseed June 21st (One Day Event)
- New Hampshire - Dunbarton - Rimfire Known Distance - May 31 - June 1
- North Carolina - Ramseur - Rifleman Boot Camp - October 19 - October 24
- Ohio - New Philadelphia - Known Distance Clinic - May 24-25
- Pennsylvania - Harrisville - Known Distance Clinic - June 14-15
- Tennessee - Kingsport - Ladyseed - May 31 - June 1
- Tennessee - McMinnville - Rimfire Known Distance Clinic - May 24-25

- Tennessee - McMinnville - Known Distance Clinic - June 14-15
- Texas - Temple - Known Distance Clinic - May 24-25
- Texas - Muenster - Ladyseed - June 28-29
- Virginia - Charlottesville - Ladyseed - May 10-11
- Wisconsin - Hubertus - Ladyseed (One Day Event) - May 17th
- Wyoming - Laramie - Rifleman Boot Camp - June 8-13

**Click [HERE](#) to find a 25m event near you!**

**Rimfire Known Distance Clinic**

**Known Distance Clinic**

**Rifleman Boot Camp**

**Pistol Clinic**

**Ladyseed**

## **One Minute to Help Preserve Our Nation**

It takes just one minute to write a simple postcard, email, or letter to our representatives to make a difference in preserving our nation. Although you will likely never convince a representative who is dead set on a position, they simply need to know that folks back home are for or against an issue and are watching them. Studies have shown that with just 10-12 letters, representatives on the state level can be swayed. With as few as 50 letters, some federal representatives can be swayed. Not bad for a minute's worth of work once or twice a week. This link [www.usa.gov](http://www.usa.gov) can provide contact information for your State and Federal Representatives.

Find out more [HERE](#).

## **Want to Support Project Appleseed?**

If you'd like to support Project Appleseed, there are plenty of ways to do so. You can buy tickets, buy store items, or make a 100% tax-deductible donation. We accept and are appreciative of all donations. Of course, the thing valued above all is TIME. Volunteers; those that can give up their time and help us out, in whatever capacity it may be, are what this program runs on.

## Partnership with "Right to Bear"

Concealed carry/self-defense insurance options have grown in recent years. Appleseed has partnered with one of these groups - Right to Bear (RTB).

"When you become a Right To Bear Member, your dollars are helping to fund our God-given right to freedom. A portion of every dollar we [RTB] earn is given back to the causes that support organizations that fight for First Amendment Religious Freedom, Freedom of Speech, Second Amendment Right to Bear Arms, Sanctity of Life, and the needs of our Veterans and First Responders."

You can visit Right to Bear [HERE](#)



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BEAR**

## Thank you! Let's stay in touch!

I hope you enjoyed this issue of, "*The Liberty Pole*". Please, click the links below to follow us on social media. Keep an eye on our schedule for future events. Lastly, if you would like to reach the editor; email [newsletter@appleseedinfo.org](mailto:newsletter@appleseedinfo.org).

Thank you again for reading and being a part of Project Appleseed!

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