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# *The Liberty Pole*



## **Shooters! Center up!**

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

Happy New Year from the Appleseed Team! We have a great newsletter in store for you this month! We have an event highlight from a Pistol clinic in Elizabeth, Indiana, a history article about Washington's Crossing, and more! As always, thank you for reading. Now, on to the newsletter...

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

## **Words from the Founding Fathers**



***“From a persuasion that equal liberty was originally the portion,  
it is still the birthright of all men.”***

**Benjamin Franklin**

**Petition Against Slavery**

**(c. 1773–1774)**

**A special LIVE event on YouTube**



Hear ye, hear ye!

On January 2nd at 7pm CST, there will be a special YouTube livestream for Applesseed cadre!

To show appreciation for all of our volunteers and everything you do for Liberty every day, join us

for a special live broadcast. All supporters of the program are welcome to tune in. Your EmCee will be the one and only GHOSTRING! Color commentary provided by SteelThunder ;) Guest appearances by: Cleveland, Malabar, MaxOrd, Mrs. Smith, MattNH, ChuckA, CorgiMom, and Roswell.

Hear about the stats from 2025!

Get a sneak preview of the 2026 student Tee-shirts!

Be the first to see glimpses of the Marketing Team's newest project!

WIN PRIZES!

Click [HERE](#) to read more.

## **January's Event Highlight**



This month, I wanted to give a shout-out to one of our pistol Clinics, which was at Liken's Shooting Academy in Elizabeth, Indiana on December 7, 2025. Below are some words from the Shoot Boss, **Geek**:

*"We had a great 1-day Pistol Clinic at Liken's Shooting Academy. It was a SOLD OUT event! December in the Ohio Valley is a roll of the dice for weather. We lucked in to a really nice early December day. I want to thank Liken's Shooting Academy for letting us use the facility. It worked out great for our first Pistol Clinic in Southern Indiana. [...]"*

Click [HERE](#) to read the rest of the article and enjoy many more pictures!



## January's History: Washington's Crossing



This month, we wanted to tell the story of Washington's Crossing. Below is a sample of this month's exciting article from your editor, Roswell.

*"By 4 p.m., the Continental Army began moving toward McConkey's Ferry. Ammunition was distributed, and even officers and musicians were ordered to carry muskets. The troops were informed only that they were embarking on a secret mission.*

*Marching quietly in tight formations, the army reached the ferry around 6 p.m., roughly ninety minutes after sunset. As night fell, the weather deteriorated rapidly, shifting from rain to sleet and snow amid fierce winds. Washington placed the crossing under the direction of his chief of artillery, Henry Knox, who was tasked with ferrying troops, horses, and eighteen cannon across the ice-choked river. The operation was extremely difficult, with floating ice posing the greatest danger[...]."*

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

Image Source: Washington Crossing the Delaware (1851). Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York City; Public Domain

## **Call Your Shot: Project Appleseed 20th Anniversary Coasters!**

**Raise a Glass to Liberty!** For two decades, Project Appleseed has seeded marksmanship, history, and the unbreakable spirit of Liberty across America. Now, honor the milestone with our **Limited-Edition 20th Anniversary Commemorative Coaster Set** – handcrafted from **Thirsty Stone®**, the ultra-absorbent wonder that soaks up spills faster than you can say "full value wind." Gear up your den, or gift them to a patriot. These are already en route to our warehouse, so check back soon!



## 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!

**Paul Revere's Ride** is the single best historical source for all the stories you hear at an Appleseed event. Thoroughly footnoted, including a 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!** Great kits for rimfire and centerfire that include scopes, rings, and rails to take out the guesswork! It couples well with the Rifleman Cheekrest System to help you achieve perfect sight alignment.

**Tumblers, Appleseed cards, gear pouches!**

As always, ALL proceeds go to support Project Appleseed.



## 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!

- Florida -Bunnell - Rimfire Known Distance Clinic - February 7-8, 2026
- North Carolina - Ramseur - Known Distance Clinic - January 24-25, 2026
- North Carolina - Ramseur - Rifleman Boot Camp - April 13-17, 2026
- Ohio - Orwell - Rimfire Known Distance Clinic - January 31- February 1st, 2026

- Virginia - Charlottesville - Pistol Clinic - February 28 - March 1, 2026
- Wisconsin - Racine - Known Distance Clinic - February 28 - March 1, 2026
- Wyoming - Laramie - Rifleman Boot Camp - June 7-12, 2026

**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.

## Rave Reviews

Check out our reviews on Facebook. If you have a minute, we'd love to hear from you. What did you learn? What impact did Appleseed have on your life? And most importantly, did you have fun? We certainly hope so! Let us know and help spread the word.

## 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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