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The Liberty Pole

November 2026 Edition

Shooters, Center up!





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

You did it !!! Thank you to all who contributed to Mantis' #TRAINtheWORLD event in September. Project Appleseed was one of the recipients selected out of 250 applicants and will receive a grant for $3000! From Mantis: "Our Mission is clear: help every shooter, at every level, improve. We hope this grant helps you expand your impact and brings us one step closer to making training accessible worldwide."

New this month! The Marksmanship Minute - tips and advice on marksmanship from our Senior and Master Instructors to help you become more consistent and effective on the line and in the field.

We love our volunteers! They work selflessly on the line and behind the scenes to help bring you the best marksmanship and liberty experience possible. Well it's high time they got some more *public* recognition, don't you think?



We still have two Tippmann Appleseed Edition M4-22 Elite rifles donated by Waco Tactical Fitness available in our 250 for America's 250 Marksmanship Challenge. Get to an Appleseed event and go for that perfect 250 !!!

As always, thank you for reading.

"Shooters, your preparation period begins now ..."s now !!!"





Words of Wisdom



"A pure democracy is generally a very bad government. It is often the most tyrannical government on earth; for a multitude is often rash, and will not hear reason."

— Noah Webster

Portrait By: James Herring, 1833
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MARKSMANSHIP MINUTE

Tips from Project Appleseed™ Senior Instructors

Welcome to Project Appleseed's Marksmanship Minute™!

Each month, one of our Senior or Master Instructors will post a topic full of tips and recommendations to help you shrink those groups and move them onto target! Take these tips and drills to heart, practice them regularly, and when you go to your next Project Appleseed marksmanship clinic you'll be in strong shape to increase your scores and put you over the hump to Rifleman, Pistoleer, Distinguished Score, or that elusive 250 😎

This month's column comes to you from Idaho, and Senior Instructor Prescott. He shares a step-by-step dry fire regimen that's sure to help you meet your precision and speed goals for the AQT *and* out in the field. Follow the link below to learn more!

The Marksmanship Minute



2026 Holiday Season
Gift Certificates!
On Sale 11/11 to 12/31/26



Give the gift of marksmanship and liberty for 30% off!
Starting Veterans' Day through New Year's Eve

Get one for yourself, your family, and one for your favorite person! Join Project Appleseed at one of our safe, friendly marksmanship clinics at ranges across the country. Project Appleseed rifle clinics teach the skills needed to consistently reach out to the Rifleman's Quarter Mile. Our pistol

clinics teach fundamental pistol skills with simplicity and precision. All of our clinic formats are fun and challenging for students of all skill levels!

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Project Appleseed Volunteer Spotlight: Pookie from Michigan



Project Appleseed couldn't exist without its dedicated cadre of volunteers.

Every clinic, every story told on the line, every new Rifleman and Pistoleer who walks away with sharper skills and a clearer sense of the history that still shapes us—none of it happens without the men and women who give their weekends, their expertise, and their energy to the mission.

Today we pause to celebrate one of those volunteers—someone whom their peers looked around and said, "That one stands out." Not because they seek recognition, but because the work they do quietly multiplies the impact of everyone else on the firing line.

Read More - Volunteer Spotlight

Event Highlights

September 26-27

25M Rifle Clinic in Kingston, MI from Shoot Boss RangeRat67
It was a great weekend on the range in Kingston MI with perfect weather for an Appleseed Rifle Event! Thirty eight patriots arrived on time and were eager to get started. Of these thirty eight, sixteen were first time Appleseeders and ten were sixteen or younger.

October 10-11

25M Rifle Clinic in Wilmington, OH from Shoot Boss Longrifleman
Eighteen brave patriots and the Greatest Rifle Marksmanship Instructor Corps in the World took up their battle stations early Saturday morning based on the latest intelligence from the Sons of Liberty spy network. The Regulars were out! And they're headed to CCFSA for another fierce battle! But what's this we keep hearing about a hurricane?!!?

Known Distance Clinic in Puryear, TN from Shoot Boss DonD
Ten shooters gathered for a KD at the Henry County Gun Club clubhouse October 10 for safety and marksmanship instruction. Then we moved to the club's 600 yard range for further instruction and shooting. Unfortunately outlier rain from a hurricane plagued us for the entire day. However, that didn't dampen the spirits of the shooters who exhibited much concentration.

October 17-18

Pistolseed in Perryville, MO from Shoot Boss Geek
We had a group of 10 folks brave the fall weather to try this new adventure in Appleseed Missouri. The weekend was filled with inspiring history, top notch coaching, and some darn good instruction. Only one participant had seen our pistol program a couple years back. So, Pistolseed was new to everyone shooting.

25M Rifle Clinic in Phoenix, AZ by Shoot Boss Kelly42a
What a great weekend at Ben Avery! We welcomed 16 shooters to the line Saturday, with an impressive 15 returning Sunday. It was an excellent group that included several first-time Appleseeders, and everyone brought a positive attitude and a willingness to learn.

25M Rifle Clinic in Denver, CO by State Coordinator Bravhrt
Fantastic mid-October denver sunshine and full line made for a great event at the Lockheed Martin sponsored Skyline Hunting and Fishing Club! Much gratitude to them for the use of their first class facility, to Shoot Boss codefogey for running an outstanding event (as per usual), and of course to the numerous members of the CO cadre for their contributions to the

cause. Kudos to the shooters for their solid performance and their regard for safety.

Rimfire KD in Waterlivet, MI from Shoot Boss SteelThunder
Why do we live in a place where the air hurts our face from December through March? For fall days like we just had this past weekend, that's why! October 17-18 brought a "chamber of commerce" fall weekend to southwest Michigan and 11 intrepid patriots took advantage of it to hone their skills out to 200 yards with their rimfire rifles and rekindle their brushfires of their heritage.

October 24-25

25M Rifle Clinic in Dunbarton, NH from Shoot Boss MattNH
We conducted the last NH event of the year at Pioneer Sportsmen in Dunbarton with a sold out clinic. It was a glorious weekend weather-wise. Down right frosty in the mornings but as the sun rose higher the layers were shed.

Ladyseed in Annapolis, MD from Shoot Boss Phoebe
What a great weekend with all ladies on the line ready to tackle some new material. We started off day one with our redcoats and 1 student clearing it right out of the gate!

25M Rifle Clinic in Concord, CA from Shoot Boss 3Huzzahs
If asked by their friends, family, and relatives how the 48 hours of Saturday and Sunday October 24-25, 2026 spent their time.... when Americans from far and wide gathered at Concord, California ....I am sure that they will have replied in so many words...."Quite wisely actually" and vowed to both return in the near future and share stories of their new 7th Stepping activities in support of liberty.

Public posts about events

Pistolseed Month!











Marksmanship Challenge



We still have TWO Tippmann Appleseed Edition M4-22 Elite rifles generously donated by Waco Tactical Fitness to present to any perfect score of 250 on the Appleseed Qualification Test. Get to a 25M rifle clinic and shoot your best! For more information and the official rules, click below.

Learn More

November History: An Early American Naval Victory

In November of 1775 the fledgling colonial navy was at an enormous disadvantage. AH1Tom reminds us of the importance of small victories within the big picture.

When fighting broke out at Lexington and Concord in April 1775, the colonies faced a difficult challenge. The British Army was one of the most powerful military forces in the world, and the Royal Navy dominated the seas. The colonies had no established navy and possessed only a limited number of vessels capable of military service.

Keep reading ...



Artistic rendering of the USS Hannah, a contemporary vessel of the same type as the USS Lee
By John Faunce Leavitt, Abbot Hall, Marblehead, MA Public Domain

What our students say about us ...

Henrik P. wrote ...

I had a great time at the event. Felt good to revisit rifleman basics and notice significant progress over the weekend. The crew did a great job with instruction, history lessons, and generally keeping everything safe and flowing along.

Andrea M. wrote ...

I really enjoyed the Project Appleseed rifle class. The instructors were incredibly dedicated to meeting each person at their individual skill level, and they created an atmosphere that was encouraging and supportive while still pushing you to reach your fullest potential. It was a tremendous amount of instruction packed into the course, and I came away with a much greater understanding, improved skills, and a real appreciation for the time and dedication of the instructors. I will definitely participate again and encourage others to do so.

D. Lee wrote ...

Thank you all for, bar none, the best introduction to Appleseed and marksmanship I could be a part of!

The Appleseed General Store









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Did you earn your patch? We have Rifleman and Pistoleer items. Show off your accomplishment and proudly wear the gear.





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Upcoming Events



- **25M Rifle Clinics:**
  - Check YOUR State
- **Known Distance (KD):**
  - TX, IN
- **Rimfire KD:**
  - NC, NM, SC, WI, OH, VA, TN
- **Pistol Clinics:**
  - IN, ID, VA, PA, TN, AZ, MI, OH, NC, GA, AL, FL

Join a 25M Rifle Clinic

Join a KD Event

Join a Rimfire KD

Join a Pistol Clinic





One Minute to Help Preserve Our Nation

If you'd like to support Project Appleseed, there are plenty of ways to do so. You can buy tickets, buy store items, purchase a membership, or make a tax-deductible donation. We accept and are appreciative of all donations, and starting this year deducting your donations is easier than ever! 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.

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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.

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Thank you!

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... Shoot Boss, anything to add?