

# Weapons Collectors Society of Montana (WCSM)

## President's Message by Rick Montgomery

Dear friends,

### No Gun Shows

This is a collector and hobby organization. It's meant to be fun and enjoyable, but I think it's time to get serious.

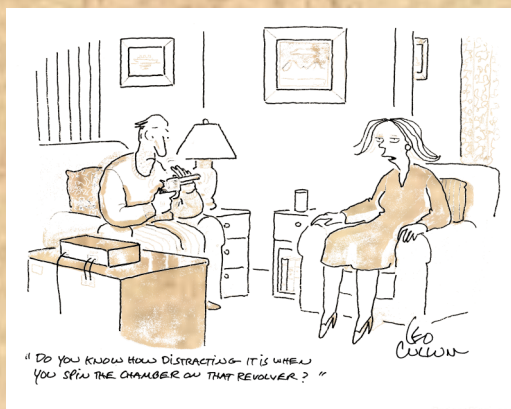
A few years ago a member told me that we always hear talk about laws that take our guns and gun shows away, but no matter which party is in power, they can't stop our shows or take our guns, or stop the WCSM, because we are too strong in Montana. Since that conversation, he was part of the group that tried to disband the WCSM and then left us. Show attendance then slowed down to a point that several smaller shows closed, and some laws were passed that didn't help either. Some thought these laws couldn't hurt us, but they did.

When things started to look up, there came a little bug - Corona Virus. Now we know what life is like without gun shows, because of infighting, a few little laws, and now a little bug.

It seems clear that working together, supporting people and groups that support us, is the only way to keep what we have, or we will lose more than just a few shows. Those against us have drawn a line in the sand. They are serious. We better get serious too.

As long as I am on the subject of supporting each other, we are still looking for members to re-establish District 5, which was the Billings area, or perhaps establish a smaller district in the northeastern part of the state. If you are interested, 2516 please call me at 406-375-2511 or Sandra at 406-836-7081. **THANKS FOR BEING A MEMBER!**

**Be honest now. Is this you after no gun shows?**



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## DUES

### NRA Membership:

\$25.00 single  
\$30.00 couple

### Regular:

\$35.00 single  
\$40.00 couple

For the 2020 application form, go to our website at: <https://www.wcsfmt.net/>

## Wanted

### The Good, Bad or the Ugly

#### Do you have:

- District News?
- Interesting News?
- Helpful News?
- Good, Bad or Ugly News?

If so, send your submissions to Sandra. Post or email will work!



Our 2021 membership drive begins in October and once again you have the opportunity to win a FREE membership if you find your number hidden somewhere in this newsletter. Call or email Sandra when you find it to claim your prize.

# State Updates

Summer 2020



## Earn Some Extra Cash

For every new member a District recruits, State will pay \$5.00 to the District to be spent in whatever way the membership decides. This can include giving the monies back to the sponsoring members. The particulars:

- New member must be sponsored by a current—paid up—WCSM member.
- Sponsoring member **must** sign the application form as the sponsoring member.
- State will keep a log of the new members and their sponsors, and will send this list and a check every quarter to the applicable District.
- The District that recruits the most new members by the end of December 2019 will receive a special prize.

Because the Great Falls April show was canceled, our board meeting was as well. We didn't have any urgent business, so directors decided to wait until the next show, which we hope will now be in September in Great Falls. We aren't keeping our fingers crossed though.

## Twin Bridges Show

The TWIN BRIDGES 90-table Benefit Gun Show is tentatively scheduled to be held August 28-30 at the Twin Bridges fairgrounds. Proceeds will support 4H shooting programs in two counties. If you would like to rent a table, call Carl Robertson at 406-599-5391. If you are unsure if the show will be held, call Carl before you travel.

## Several Show Cancellations



Sadly, because of COVID-19, many promoters were left with no choice but to cancel their shows. We certainly hope that shows scheduled later in the summer and fall can be held, but as of this writing, Montana is still in Phase II of reopening. Check our website often for updates, and if you haven't been receiving show cancellation emails from Sandra, then it means I do not have your address. Check the opposite page for our email address so you can send yours to me or visit our website and click on 'contact'.



We hope when the shows resume you are able to support our promoters and the vendors who have been hard hit by the virus.

## District 4

Since the virus began, only District 4 has been able to meet. A 'light' crowd of just under a dozen members met on May 27 in Stevensville and enjoyed dinner, a brief business meeting, show and tell, and just being able to meet up again with good friends. A great time was had by all!

R.I.P.  
Peggy D. Guerrieri  
1957-2020



Our condolences are extended to the family and friends of Peggy Guerrieri, who died in Great Falls on June 27, 2020 after a short illness. Peggy was a long time member of WCSM and a faithful participant at the shows. Her burial service was held at Fort Harrison on July 7, 2020.

*You can never cross the ocean until you have the courage to lose sight of the shore.*  
André Gide



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## 2020 District Officers and Directors

State President Rick Montgomery 406 381-4363  
 State Vice President Ed Spragg 406 788-4036

### District 1:

President: Bob Snider—406 590-0351  
 Vice-President: Mike O'Rourke—406 452-0298  
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 Treasurer: Laura Schultz—406 453-2898  
 Director: John Shevlin—406 788-6908  
 Director: Ed Spragg—406 788-4036

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President: Bill Matthews—406 755-9378  
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 Director: Scott Cloninger—406 755-0917

### District 3:

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### District 4:

President: Rick Montgomery—406 381-4363  
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Let's take a break from all of the lunacy and test your knowledge of Montana cities and towns with some history thrown in for good measure. This word search is similar to the game show Jeopardy! in that the answers to the clues are hidden in the puzzle. ENJOY!

## Montana Cities and Towns

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 Y G J T D J T L G D G L E M R O X  
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|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| 1 The oldest settlement                  | 8 Similar to the piccolo                          |
| 2 Jack Dempsey fought here               | 9 A South American snake                          |
| 3 Founded by a copper king               | 10 The first permanent settlement                 |
| 4 Lonesome Dove cattle drive destination | 11 Named after a Union general                    |
| 5 Olympian marksman                      | 12 Named for a crop                               |
| Lones Wigger was born here               | 13 Home of the Unabomber                          |
| 6 Renamed after a French rancher         | 14 The area was once known as Clark's Fork Bottom |
| 7 The Army abandoned it in 1891          | 15 The Avant Courier was published here in 1871   |

### ANSWERS

1, Fort Benton; 2, Shelby; 3, Hamilton; 4, Miles City; 5, Great Falls; 6, Wibaux; 7, Fort Shaw; 8, Fife; 9, Anaconda; 10, Stevensville; 11, Sheridan; 12, Flaxville; 13, Lincoln; 14, Billings; 15, Bozeman