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**WISCONSIN  
FORCE**

Wisconsin Firearm Owners, Ranges, Clubs and Educators, Inc.  
Chartered by the National Rifle Association of America

**Check us out on Facebook @ Wisconsin Force**

**January 15, 2017**

## **Wisconsin Force Annual Meeting January 28, 2017 1:00pm**

**Mountain Bay Banquet & Conference Center (Dale's Weston Lanes)**

**5902 Schofield Avenue, Weston, WI 54476**

### **Upcoming Events**

**WINNEQUAH GUN CLUB  
SQUIRREL GUN MATCH  
January 27, 28 & 29 2017**

**Wisconsin Force Annual Meeting  
January 28, 2017**

**WINNEQUAH GUN CLUB  
INDOOR SMALLBORE RIFLE  
MATCH  
CONVENTIONAL INDOOR 4-  
POSITION OPEN  
February 10, 2017**

**WINNEQUAH GUN CLUB Full-  
Bore LR Individual Fund Raiser  
April 8, 2017**

**WINNEQUAH GUN CLUB Palma  
Individual Fund Raiser  
April 8, 2017**

**WINNEQUAH GUN CLUB  
CMP Junior Club Fund Raiser  
April 15, 2017**

**Racine County Line Rifle Club  
CMP Garand Match  
April 22, 2017**

**Eau Claire National Rifle Club  
Mid-Range 4 gun 600  
April 29, 2017**

**Eau Claire National Rifle Club 80  
shot NMC  
April 30, 2017**

**See Calendar on web page for  
other events:**

**<https://www.wisconsinforce.org/>**

## **Wisconsin FORCE Junior Service Rifle Team**

2016 was another good year for the Wisconsin FORCE Junior Service Rifle team. They were very active in local and state matches, and they had a very good showing at the National Rifle Matches at Camp Perry.

Two of our two man teams won medals in the Freedom's Fire match, and in the Nation Trophy Team match, one of our six man teams came in second behind an extraordinary team from California. Team members, adult helpers and coaches all had a great time.

At Camp Perry, the team awarded four adult helper/coaches with a gift certificate to Creedmoor Sports for being involved all five years since we reorganized. (Uncle) Bob Wendt, Mike Cieslewicz, Jim Schonke, and Kaleb Hall have been with us from the start, coaching, organizing, running practices, and helping with fundraising. The team could not exist without the year-round help provided by interested adult members of Wisconsin FORCE.

Every night at Camp Perry we have a team dinner/meeting to go over what was accomplished on the range that day, and make plans and squadding for the next day's events.

One of our junior shooters, Dan Hall, aged out last year, and is now a member of the Moorehead State rifle team. His dad, Ken Hall, who now lives in Pennsylvania, came to Camp Perry this year to cook our team dinner every night (free food is the best way to get teenagers to promptly attend team meetings), and to help on the range. Dan came out to help coach as well.

We currently have two team raffles available. One is the traditional M1 raffle. Tickets are \$20 each with a limit of 300 tickets. The winner will be drawn at the Central Wisconsin Gun Collectors Association gun show in Fond du Lac in April.

The other raffle is for a \$2800 SKB 28 ga. double barrel shotgun that we obtained through the Midway USA Foundation.

We are selling only thirty tickets at \$100 each. It is a beautiful shotgun, and all proceeds will go to our MidwayUSA Foundation account. All funds raised will be matched, plus \$1500 in bonus money will be added to our account if we raise \$2500. That drawing will be at the Central Wisconsin Gun Collectors Association gun show in Fond du Lac in January. Tickets for both raffles are available from team members at gun shows, the annual meetings, or by contacting Dave Holub at: [holubdave@yahoo.com](mailto:holubdave@yahoo.com) or 920-851-8625 (call or text).

Tax deductible donations can be made to our foundation account at any time. All donations will be matched by Midway USA. Donations can be made directly through the MidwayUSA Foundation website, or donations can be sent to:

Wisconsin CMP Juniors  
W4512 Ott Rd  
Black Creek, WI

Please include complete address and name that you want on the donation receipt.

## Wisconsin Force News/Updates

Wisconsin Force Board of Directors held a meeting at Winnequah Rifle Club on December 10<sup>th</sup>. The newly appointed president Mike Stewart filled the vacant board positions with the following: Dale Anhalt, Jim Schonke, Jeff Rowsam and Brady Westling.

Some changes to our website have been made and will be excepting membership dues through PayPal.

## Junior Service Rifle has two raffles and they are:

**SKB SxS shotgun, value \$2800.** The shotgun has a pistol grip stock & Schnabel forearm which are carved from a premium grade Turkish walnut; hand checkered and rubbed with an oil finish. The receiver is finished with a genuine bone charcoal color case hardening. The 200HR barrel features a raised ventilated rib for quick target acquisition and has a high polish finish with deep luster bluing. Chrome lined barrels are fit with ejectors, flush fit thin wall choke tubes and target sights. All Proceeds Support Wisconsin Junior Rifle Team.



- .28 GA
- 28" barrel
- Gold trigger
- 5 thin wall choke tubes  
Full, Imp. Modified, Modified, Imp. Cylinder, Skeet
- Choke wrench
- Trigger lock
- Fitted luggage case

We are only selling 30 tickets--\$100 each.

Drawing at Central Wisconsin Gun Collectors Association gun show in Fond du Lac on January 22, 2016

## 2017 Wisconsin Force Junior Raffle- M1 Garand



All Proceeds support the Wisconsin FORCE Juniors.  
Drawing to be held Sunday April 9, 2017, 1 p.m.  
Central Wisconsin Gun Collectors Association Gun Show, Fond Du Luc Fairgrounds, 495 Martin Avenue, Fond Du Lac, WI 54935. \$20 per ticket and Only 300 Tickets will be sold! ALL FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS APPLY to ALL RAFFLES – NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN!

## How to Care for Your Family's Collectible Firearm

by Doug Wicklund, NRA National Firearms Museum - Tuesday, January 3, 2017



Looking back at 30 years with the National Rifle Association and being responsible for a collection of thousands of historic firearms can give one a different perspective when it comes to taking care of guns. Many times, I've spoken to collector groups about how to maintain their treasures and years later, I've had pieces that belonged to some of those collectors come to the [NRA National Firearms Museum](#) as a donation. Whether you decide to donate a firearm to a collection or not, taking proper care of them is essential.

Conservation is the museum term for taking care of artifacts. At the National Firearms Museum, an artifact could be a firearm, a book, a sword, a shooting jacket, or many other types of objects represented in our extensive collections. All items in the museum collection require care, most needing specialized care.

Here are several aspects of conservation that you need to know when caring for your own piece of history:

**Environment:** The temperature and relative humidity where you store things can make a big difference in how well they will be preserved. Ideally, a year-round temperature of 70 degrees and a relative humidity near 50 to 55 percent works well for firearms. Just be sure this environment remains constant year-round and doesn't change.

Heating and cooling can cause metal and wood to expand and contract, and regular cycles of this change can lead to cracking. Wood can crack even if the temperature remains constant but the relative humidity changes too rapidly. For most folks on the Eastern seaboard, winter is a time with lower temperatures and often extremely low humidity.

Plan to measure your conditions so you can figure out what you need to do. Buying a dehumidifier might be just the ticket for those humid summer months, but you need to add that moisture back to the environment safely when it gets colder. A good contractor can suggest what equipment would work best in your home.



*Overly humid environments can lead to serious damage to firearms, like this rusty Glock. (Photo courtesy/SaltAir)*

**Light:** Overexposure to light can be just as bad for your collection as it was for your skin that time you got sunburned at the beach. Natural light can provide more ultraviolet (UV) radiation than necessary. Modern LED bulbs don't emit UV radiation and may be the safest way to illuminate your display. Overexposure to excessive UV can lead to fading in some materials like mother-of-pearl grip panels and case colors on metal components. Keeping light exposure below 25 foot-candles for sensitive materials is a good precaution.

**Pests:** There are many things that can dine on your collection. Look out for bugs that can feast on old uniforms or accouterments. Sometimes the “critters” are visible to the naked eye, but often, smaller attacks can occur on leather or cloth, and all you will see is the resulting damage.

The best conservation advice I can provide? Use plain white cotton gloves! Wearing these gloves when handling your collectibles can prevent acidic residues from transferring from your hands to the gun’s surface that can react unfavorably. Take a close look at the Smith & Wesson Model 1917 revolver shown below. The deep blue finish is the same one that was on this double-action .45 when it was presented to a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy prior to World War II.



*(Photo courtesy/NRA National Firearms Museum)*

**Wax:** We use microcrystalline wax, sold commercially under the trade brand *Renaissance* wax, to put an inert barrier layer on both metal and wood components for protection. After the wax application we use gloves for handling, as touching this piece with bare hands would lead to the heat of the skin melting the wax coating and ending the protection afforded by the wax. Applying microcrystalline wax is an easy process that lasts far longer than oils. Most museums that display collectible firearms use microcrystalline wax as a protective coating.



*(Photo courtesy/NRA National Firearms Museum)*

Despite the fact that this piece has already been “engraved” by nature, we still utilize microcrystalline wax to protect this relic. While it won’t ever regain the original finish shown on this complete M1 Garand also on display in our WWII galleries, the wax helps prevent further deterioration.



*(Photo courtesy/NRA National Firearms Museum)*

Documenting your collection through photography can provide a permanent record of how certain pieces looked when they were acquired. If you see rust on a firearm you don’t remember being rusted, a quick glance at your photo record can indicate whether this corrosion is a new issue or not.

Whether you decide to donate a firearm to a collection or not, taking proper care of them is essential. Conservation is more than simply preserving the look of a collectible – it’s the best way to ensure that firearm remains most valuable. Looking to find out more about taking care of your guns? Check out [this conservation guide](#) on the NRA National Firearms Museum website.



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**Membership Application**  **NEW MEMBER**  **RENEWAL**  
**Please fill out and return to: Wisconsin FORCE, PO Box  
 130, Seymour, WI 54165-0130**  
**Make checks payable to: Wisconsin FORCE**  
**Club Patriot Member:  1 Year (\$250) Annual membership and  
 donation!**

Member Dues: Adult  1 Year - \$20  Life - \$250  Membership ends with the passing of a member or dissolution of a corporation. Members are responsible to keep their personal information current. Junior Member / Under 18 Years  - FREE Make a donation:  \$20  \$50  \$100  \$200  \$500  \$1000  \$5000  Other \$\_\_\_\_\_ If paying by credit card, name and address above MUST match exactly the billing info for credit card.  VISA  Master  Discover Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ CVV Code from back of card \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Due for Wisconsin FORCE \$ \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail (required to receive newsletter and updates): \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
 Address City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Where did you hear about Wisconsin FORCE? Clubs that you are a member of. I certify that I am not now, and never have been, a member of any organization which has in any part of its program, the attempt to overthrow the government of the United States by force or violence, and that I have never been convicted of a felony, crime of violence, or misdemeanor domestic violence, and I am not otherwise prohibited from owning firearms. If admitted to membership in the Wisconsin Firearm Owners, Ranges, Clubs & Educators Inc., I will fulfill the obligations of good sportsmanship, and I will uphold the Constitution of the United States of America and the Second Amendment thereto. Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
 Donations to Wisconsin FORCE are not refundable or transferable and are not tax deductible as charitable contributions for tax purposes

## Wisconsin FORCE Mission

To promote and support the purpose and objectives of the National Rifle Association, while protecting and defending the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Wisconsin.

### Securing Our Rights

The assaults on the rights of today's firearms owner have never been stronger. These attacks on our civil rights come from anti-hunting, anti-gun, and anti-civil rights organizations. We must stand together to preserve the rights guaranteed to all free citizens under the Second Amendment, the U.S. Constitution, and the Wisconsin Right to Keep and Bear Arms. Wisconsin FORCE has a constant presence in Madison helping to ensure your voice is heard. Whether it is the right to self-defense, micro stamping or hunting regulations, we are involved. Combine your voice with that of thousands like you in Wisconsin; our united voice cannot be ignored.

### Club and Range Support

We are the experts in the State advising the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, clubs, and businesses in upgrading, improving, and the design of ranges.

### Competitions

Matches and events are listed on our calendar. Match Directors can also utilize our on-line registration. NRA discipline championships are authorized and promoted by Wisconsin FORCE.

**Please join us today!**

## Wisconsin Force Junior Supporters

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