

## **Dear MAAC Member,**

Thank you for attending our February 2012 Show. Our attendance was brisk and surpassed the 2011 February totals. The Board of Directors has approved an increase in the advertising budget and indications are that the money has been well spent. The Show Manager has been working hard to sell additional tables at each show. He sold over 425 tables for February.

MAAC would like to thank Mr. John Bassett and Mr. Dan Kurkowski for their outstanding displays at our shows. It takes great effort and an unselfish commitment of time to organize and display these collections for your enjoyment. Both of these gentlemen contribute to MAAC on an ongoing basis helping MAAC become the best show in the Midwest! As a MAAC member, you too, can get involved and help MAAC to grow. Consider tying guns at the show, work the front door, display your collection or run for the board. Your support and contributions are important to MAAC.

### Board Announcements:

- Don't forget about the election at our April Show. You will be able to cast your ballots on Saturday and Sunday. You must be a member in good standing in order to vote. John Pattinson is the Election Chairman and will hand out and certify the ballots. Candidates and their resumes will be printed on the ballot.
- Larry Serdoner will put on a Spanish American display at the April Show. If you wish to also display contact Gary Christmann.
- Contact Greg Zemsta about shows and mailings.
- Membership dues and table fees must be on separate checks.
- Future table reservations can be made after 2:30 on Sunday only.
- Front show tables are not available to Saturday only table holders.
- Please wear your I.D. badge at all times.
- Additional helper badges will be determined by the Show Manager.
- Please return all reservation forms and materials to Greg Zemsta in a business size #10 envelope.
- Refer to our website [www.michiganantiquearms.com](http://www.michiganantiquearms.com) for club updates, table and membership forms.

The February Show was well attended and enjoyed by all. Thank you for your cooperation, positive show spirit and for following our show rules. We appreciate everyone staying on Sunday until 3:00 p.m. MAAC is a great club, with great shows. Let's keep it going! Thanks again. See you in April. Have a great winter season.

### **G. Christmann**

MAAC President

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Our recommended hotels, Revised, are Double Tree Motel (248-344-8512) \$79 per night. Comfort Inn (248-504-5080) \$59 per night. Holiday Inn Suites (248-477-7800) \$69 per night. Mention MAAC to get these rates.  
*Updated 27 February 2012*

## **Dear MAAC Member,**

Thank you for attending our April 2012 show. Attendance was approximately 10% more than our April show last year. We hope everyone had a great show!

MAAC would like to thank Mr. Larry Serdoner for his Spanish American War Display featuring the infantry, cavalry, artillery and Marines in "Uncle Sam's Little War." The exhibit was enjoyed by all and received many favorable comments from our members and the public that attended our show. Also, we would like to thank Mr. Dan Kurkowski for his Remington Display "Nylon Series 22 Caliber Rifles and Pistols, The First Plastic Guns." This is just one of the many ongoing Remington Displays that Dan has been setting up for the public at our shows. MAAC would also like to thank Dan for his efforts as our Sergeant of Arms and Larry Serdoner for volunteering to help with this responsibility.

We are looking for displays for our future shows. Please contact Gary Christmann if you are interested in showcasing your collection.

MAAC would like to welcome Mr. John Siekierka to the Board of Directors and welcome returning members Mr. Larry Serdoner and Mr. Tim Barna for another term.

### Board Notes:

- Contact Greg Zemsta about future shows or mailings. Please mail your complete registration form to Greg! Do not cut it down.
- Please pay for membership dues and table fees on separate checks.
- Table registrations will be made after 2:30 on Sunday only!
- Do not request tables near the front of the show if you are a Saturday only table holder.
- Do not leave the show early on Saturday if you are a one day table holder. The paid public deserves to see the show on Saturday and/or Sunday in its entirety.
- Please do not request extra helpers' badges beyond those assigned by the Show Manager.
- Please wear your I.D. badge at all times.
- Refer to our website [www.michiganantiquearms.com](http://www.michiganantiquearms.com) club information, membership and table forms and show highlights.

Thank you for following our club rules and supporting our shows. Have a great summer! See you in September.

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MAAC President

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*Updated 27 February 2012*

## Dear MAAC Member,

We hope everyone enjoyed our September 2012 show. We had over 400 tables sold with attendance matching the September 2011 show.

We had three outstanding displays this fall. MAAC would like to thank Mr. Dan Kurkowski for his very informative display on "Firearms Safety". Great examples of some damaged guns Dan! Thanks also to Mr. Craig Zinc for his vast assortment of Winchester's that he exhibited. His display had very fine quality examples of Winchester's and it was nicely presented. A special thanks to Mr. Jim Curlovic for his excellent display of Hotchkiss carbines and rifles. If they were manufactured, Jim had them in his display. The club appreciates the time and effort put forth to create these exhibits for the public. We are still looking for future displays for upcoming shows. Please contact the President if you are interested in displaying your collection.

We will be having an election at our February 2013 show to fill board vacancies. More information will be forthcoming in the November show newsletter.

### Board Notes:

- Please do not leave our show early on Saturday or Sunday if you are a table holder! If you can't stay the full day, it would be best to wait until a future show to purchase tables. Also, tables in the front of the show, including end caps, are prime display spaces. If you leave early, either day, those tables will be re-sold to someone else in the future. We had several outstate dealers complain because tables were vacant in the front of the show, with some table holders leaving before the close of the day.
- Saturday and/or Sunday only table holders will only be issued tables in the rear of the show.
- Helper badges are assigned by the Show Manager. Do not request additional badges beyond the assigned number.
- Please refer to our website [www.michiganantiquearms.com](http://www.michiganantiquearms.com) for club updates, forms and info.
- Mr. Larry Serdoner, one of MAAC's Sergeant of Arms, surveyed our table holders for their input during this past show. Thank you for your ideas and suggestions. As always, we strive to improve and make each show better. We will utilize your suggestions when possible.

Thank you for complying with our club rules and participating in our shows. Have a great fall. See you following Thanksgiving.

### G. Christmann

MAAC President

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"A free people ought not only to be armed and disciplined, but they should have sufficient arms and ammunition to maintain a status of independence from any who might attempt to abuse them, which would include their own government." --- George Washington

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*Updated 18 September 2012*

## Dear MAAC Member,

We hope everyone had a good time at our Thanksgiving/November 2012 Show. We had the same number of tables sold as our November 2011 show and about the same attendance.

MAAC would like to thank Mr. John Bassett for his excellent display on Poncho Via and the Border Wars. A special thanks to Larry Serdoner for contributing camp items for John's exhibit. John does so many of our show displays we regard them as a permanent part of each show. We would also like to express appreciation to Mr. John Siekierka (also on the Board of Directors) for his terrific display on Springfield Swords. John is also doing a great job on our Board of Directors. These displays take great effort and time to assemble. Please let our display members know that you appreciate their efforts.

At our February 2013 show, Sheriff Mike Kline will be back with the St. Valentine's Day Massacre Display (Thompson Sub Machine) from the Berrien County Sheriff's Office. Please welcome him back!

### Board Notes:

- We have 3 board positions that will be open in February 2013. We have 3 candidates that have applied for these positions so in order to be fiscally responsible we will not be holding an election to fill these positions.
- Please do not leave our show early on either day if you are a table holder! The Board of Director's is discussing the possibility of shorter hours, but as a table holder it is your responsibility to abide by the times that are set. Our patrons pay a fee to see a complete show. If you desire tables at future shows please comply with the show rules. If outstate dealers can comply (and many drive great distances) then we need to follow their lead. If you leave the show early you will be placed in the rear of the show. If you continue to leave early you will not be sold future tables.
- Club info can be viewed on the website [www.michiganantiquearms.com](http://www.michiganantiquearms.com) If you would like info added to the site contact the Secretary Joyce Christmann.
- If you experience difficulty at the show contact the Sergeant at Arms Larry Serdoner and Dan Kurkowski.
- The February Show will be held in Hall C. Limited drive in will be available. You must unload and remove your vehicle immediately.

Thanks for another great show year. Have a safe and happy holiday season! See you in February 2013.

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