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# Mountain Man Monthly

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Colorado Springs Muzzle Loaders Inc.

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**Monthly Meeting**  
**December 1 @ 7:00 p.m.**  
**Ornament Exchange & Goodies**

**Club Paper Shoot - Dec. 4**

**Club Primitive Shoot - Dec. 18**

**Monthly Meeting - Jan. 5, 2012**  
**Wild Game Potluck & Trophies**

**Tellin' of the Tall Tales**

### UPCOMING EVENTS: CSML & Statewide

WHAT	WHERE	WHEN	INFORMATION
Regular Club Meeting & Annual Ornament Exchg.	American Legion Colorado Springs	December 1	bring a wrapped ornament & take home a new one!!!
Club Paper Shoot	Ft. Melchert	December 4	range opens at 1:00 p.m.
Club Primitive Shoot	Ft. Melchert	December 18	pistol @ noon; range @ 1:00 pm
<b>Club Paper Shoot @ Ft.</b>	<b>Melchert, January 1</b>	<b>Celebrate w/ friends,</b>	<b>shooting &amp; fun @1:00 pm</b>
Regular Club Meeting	American Legion Colorado Springs	January 5, 2012	wild game potluck & Tall Tales to be told; game trophies given.
CSML Annual Board Meeting	Joy's House 4820 Montebello	January 10 <sup>th</sup> or 17 <sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m.	set yearly calendar; start shoot activities; get things arranged
Club Primitive Shoot	Ft. Melchert	January 15, 2012	pistol @ noon; range @1:00 pm
Regular Club Meeting	American Legion	February 2	white elephant gift exchange
Club Paper Shoot	Ft. Melchert	February 5	range opens at 1:00 p.m.
CSMLA Winter Trade Show & Convention	Holiday Inn Denver East, Quebec St.	February 18-19	traders, gun maker's fair, classes drawing, art show, & more!!!
Club Primitive Shoot???	Ft. Melchert	February 19	pistol @ noon; range @ 1:00 pm
Regular Club Meeting	American Legion	March 1	annual mailing preparation
Club Paper Shoot	Ft. Melchert	March 4	range opens at 1:00 p.m.
Club Primitive Shoot	Ft. Melchert	March 18	pistol @ noon; range @ 1:00 pm
Club Paper Shoot	Ft. Melchert	April 1	range opens at 1:00 p.m.
Regular Club Meeting	American Legion	April 5	37 <sup>th</sup> annual shoot preparation
Club Paper Shoot	Ft. Melchert	April 15	pistol @ noon; range @ 1:00 pm
Regular Club Meeting	American Legion	May 3	last run-through for the shoot!!!
<b>NO CLUB SHOOTS</b>	<b>IN MAY.....</b>	NO monthly club	shoots during May
37 <sup>th</sup> Annual Shoot & Rendezvous	Florence Mountain Park	May 26-28	lots of fun, work, and best shoot in the state!!!!
Club Paper Shoot	Ft. Melchert	June 3	range opens at 1:00 p.m.
Regular Club Meeting	American Legion	June 7	review the 37 <sup>th</sup> annual shoot
Club Primitive Shoot	Ft. Melchert	June 17	pistol @ noon; range @ 1:00 pm

For CSML scheduled shoots; CALL SHOOT HOT LINE (719) 632-7690 after 9:00 a.m. on shoot day to be sure shoot is on!!!  
*Schedule is subject to change at any time and is based on information available at time of publication. On-line check csmlinc.org*

## PAST THINGS

The November meeting and craft fair was a pleasant event. Several of our members brought their crafts and creations for us to see and buy. Our "honey" was also present for the first time. If you didn't get a chance to purchase some of this wonderful honey, you'll need to watch for James at our shoots and get him to sell you some.

The business meeting went rather quickly. We covered all the subjects on the agenda and a few others. As of this meeting, we have 91 paid members which includes 23 new members, two of which signed up at the gun shows.

It was noted that long-time member Jim Hidy is selling off some of his muzzle loaders. He has at least a CVA .50 and .45 caliber, a Lymon .50, a T/C Hawken .50, a 12 gauge shotgun, and two pistols. Anyone interested in any of these guns can contact Jim at (719) 495-4021 for more details. Jim will be more than happy to talk with you about them.

Received reports on the bird & buffalo event. Todd noted that there were no medical emergencies and only a slight disruption by the local Sheriff due to an alarm not being turned off. We all agree that Todd did a magnificent job for his first event as the new Range Officer!!

Joy brought us information on the Lincoln Financial demo that some of our group completed. This little soiree brought us a donation of \$300 and the group that went was able to have a good meal on the Lincoln group. Lots of pictures were taken and the pilgrims present sure loved our attendees.

Joy also presented the last of her President's surprises to the group. Among the recipients was a new bigger knife for Doug, jerky for Tony who spends so much time on the range that he needs some nourishment, and notebooks for Lois to keep track of all the things we say at the meetings. Thanks to all of the group who help support our President and keep this club running smoothly and efficiently!!!

Several of our veterans helped with the American Legion's dedication of their new flag pole on the 11<sup>th</sup> of November. We are so proud of our veterans in this group and thank them for their service

to our country. We think that it is a true testament to their dedication that they shoot the old fashioned muzzle loaders that helped tame this wild country and bring us forward into the new world.

It was noted that we have received the first renewal of dues for 2012. Richard Truax has sent his annual letter and check for membership. Thanks Richard for reminding us that it is time to pay our dues for another year of fun and frolic!!!

Everyone was wished a Happy Thanksgiving and reminded not to indulge too much on the day. We'll see you all in December at the annual ornament exchange. Be sure to bring your favorite treats to share with the group.

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### **Colorado Springs Muzzle Loaders, Inc. Regular Monthly Meeting November 3, 2011**

The regular monthly meeting of the CSML was on November 3, 2011. We welcomed new and old faces: Al Bartok and James Eide the honey man.

Joy asked for a motion of acceptance of the minutes of the October meeting as printed in the *Mountain Man Monthly*. Motion and second received from the floor. Motion was unanimously approved.

When asked, Treasurer Gwen gave us the total for the month. She broke down for us, the deposits and the debits to the account. Joy asked if there were any questions and since none were raised, a motion was made to accept. Motion was seconded and unanimously passed. Gwen then informed the members why son Tim was not at the Bird and Buffalo event. He was away proposing to the woman in his life. She did accept and now Gwen will have a new grandson to show about muzzle loading.

Membership Chairman Ted reported that we have 91 members; 23 new this year. At the last gun show they got two new members.

Doug the Primitive Chairman announced that he would not be at the shoot on November 20 but Tony assured us there would be a shoot.

Old Business: The event that a few of the

members attended at the Cheyenne Mountain Resort Events Center for the Lincoln Financial Group was great with great words from the organization. Joy received a letter stating that instead of the \$200 going to be donated to the club, the amount was being raised to \$300.

Ted thanked everyone who helped out at the last gun show.

Todd thanked everyone for the support at the Bird and Buffalo. He stated that no one was dead and no 911 calls were made and he thought everyone had fun. On Sunday morning we had two Deputy Sheriffs show up but everything was fine. The alarm to the shop had accidentally gotten set and when someone went in for breakfast on Sunday morning, it triggered the alarm. The Deputies said it smelled good in the shop!

Todd and Lois had overlooked Gwen on Saturday night when recognizing all the help or the event. They recognized Gwen and gave her some canned items for all the work she put into the Bird and Buffalo and for getting all the paperwork to the Lincoln Financial Group for the demonstration that our members conducted for them.

New Business: Joy finished up her presentations to the Board members who weren't at the October meeting. Doug was given a BIG pocket knife because Randy had given it to Joy and said he bet Doug didn't have one this big. Lois was presented a notebook and accessories to keep track of the minutes. Tony got a bag of jerky for being the Assistant Primitive Exec.

Joy announced that there would be some guns for sale listed on the website. Jim Hidy is selling of some of his muzzle loaders.

The American Legion asked if some of our members would be at the Legion to help dedicate their new flag pole. Marlin, Don, Tom Gabor, and Ted volunteered to attend this event starting at 2:00 p.m. on November 11.

It was noted that Doreen had sent in an article on our club to the NMLRA magazine *Muzzle Blasts*. This puts us in the national spotlight as one of their charter clubs. Thanks to Doreen for writing great articles.

Joy had brought some old copies of the Memorial Day Shoot books that had been shared with

her. Some of the members from earlier years spoke about how these books were put together in Rich "Singe" Stites' basement. Even the tents were repaired in the basement as well. Joy remarked that she sat at a typewriter and typed all the information for the books. Someone noted that even an outhouse had been built at Singe's house for the 1974 shoot. Knowing all the old ways and hard work on the book, the group thanked Doreen for the work she now does on this great shoot book.

Don Stoner noted that Tom Newell's wife Madeline is in the hospital at this time. She is in an induced coma due to head injuries received while trimming trees in their yard. Please remember both Tom and Madeline in your prayers.

Upcoming events were noted. November 6 is a paper shot, November 20 is a primitive shoot, and December 1 is the regular meeting and ornament exchange. Happy Thanksgiving to all!

Joy asked for am motion for adjournment and was seconded and unanimously approved. So done!

Respectfully submitted,  
Lois Schainost

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## PAPER PISTOL MATCH

### November 6

By: Ken "Suds" West

Had a good turnout of eight pistol shooters - -  
- probably the good weather! The scores were:

Jim Murray	90x
Marlin Johnson	83
Doug Davis	74
Fred LaChance	72
Ken West	72
Al Bartok	66
Roy Crouse	19
Jorge Carbo	

Roy was shooting a revolver which seemed to prefer the left side of his target (or the board to the left

of that!). Al Bartok is still working on this front-loading thing - - same problem I had earlier in the year; the cap didn't go all the way down on the nipple resulting in 50% misfires! Jorge was so dissatisfied with his target that he tore it up. I told him that he should shoot a target pistol, like mine, instead of a revolver. He said that he could hit the bulls' eye with my pistol. He wanted to hit it with his! His persistence sounds very familiar to me!!!

***Things everyone else already knew.....***

I've gone back to a Tradition .32 with a 4 pound trigger pull to practice trigger pull. Not easy to practice with a single-set trigger on a target pistol. This has confirmed to me, the importance of getting the trigger pull right and practicing until you get it right without thinking about it! You talk yourself (mentally, if you don't want to scare other people on the range) through the correct procedure until it is imprinted in "muscle memory", then do it without thinking.

For some unknown reason, casting perfect buckshot is easier than casting larger round balls. The Tradition .32 fires a #1 buckshot, which was not available in any of the gun shops checked.

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We have heard that Bernie Penfield is up and about town now. A little bird told us that he went to the Cracker Barrel for breakfast only a day or two after his stent was inserted. Way to go Bernie.... don't let anything stand in your way. We're glad that you are up and about.

Also heard that Bob Emmons was at the last gun show. The guys at the club table said that Bob is doing well and it was really good to see him. So good to hear!!!

### **Great Knife Makers for the Early West**

By: James D. Gordon

The most comprehensive book yet on early trade knives. Details on butchers, scalpers, skinners, cartouche, dags, hunting/bowies, dadleys, and others.

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Don't forget to submit your nomination for the 2012 CSMLA Muzzle Loader of the Year. The nominations are due to Scott Drake by January 15, 2012. (#1 Marmac Drive, Loveland, CO 80538 or [damnphoneguy1330@aol.com](mailto:damnphoneguy1330@aol.com))

Don't delay - - get your nomination in today.

## **PRIMITIVE PISTOL MATCH November 20**

By: Ken "Suds" West

The weather could not have been better! Seven people showed up to shoot gongs - - and all of them did well - - with a three-way tie for first! The scores were:

Fred LaChance	12
Stephen LaChance	12
John Gloyd	12
Jim Murray	11
Ken West	11
Clint Cole	10
Al Bartok	9

Fred LaChance won the tie breaker, winning the match - - - looked like he hit the gong at 50 yards dead center! I think that John Gloyd has been practicing. His good shooting is becoming consistent! Having figured out how to shoot a single-shot target

pistol, Al Bartok decided to shoot this one with a revolver.

***Things everyone else already knew.....***

“Performance Anxiety” seems to manifest itself as tension in the shoulders. This can be partially relieved by consciously relaxing these muscles before shooting.

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## TALL TALES

Yes, it is almost time for the tellin' of the tall tales. The January 5<sup>th</sup> meeting is the event and you should be prepared to tell your tale. The tales do not have to be current from this year's hunt, but they do have to be tall in nature.

The winner of the Tall Tales Trophy will take home the George Bennett Memorial Tall Tale Trophy with their name added to the list of storytellers.

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### ***Cats! Their Lives and Lore on the Missouri River***

By: W. Raymond Wood

Mice and rats are a fact of life worldwide, and the expanding western American frontier was clearly no exception. Prior to the arrival of Euroamericans, however, the West was free of what was to become a scourge of Native Americans and whites alike: rats. *Rattus norvegicus*, the Norway or brown rat, spread almost as rapidly into the West as did their unknowing carriers, fur traders and their compatriots. The date of their arrival on the Upper Missouri is not known - -

Lewis and Clark do not mention them, but they must have been stowaways in the vessels of very early traders on the river. There were also, of course, native field mice to contend with before (and after) these intruders.

As Manuel Lisa worked his way up the Missouri River by keelboat in the spring of 1812, his crew accidentally left a “she Cat” at one of their camps. A man was sent back to retrieve the animal, for cats were a necessity in the post they were to build for trade with the Arikaras. Clerk John Luttig wrote, “Mr. Manuel sent a Men for the Cat, he returned in the Evening with the Cat to our great satisfaction this Remark may seem ridiculous, but an Animal of this kind, is more valuable in this Country than a fine Horse. Mice are in great abundance and the Company have lost for want of Cats, several Thousand Dollars in Merchandize, which were destroyed at the Bigbellies station [Lisa's “Fort Mandanne” (1809-13) along the Hidatsas], there has not a night passed since our departure from Bellefontaine where I got that Cat, that she has not caught from 4 to 10 Mice and brought them to her Kittens.” By this time their neighbors, the Arikaras, apparently also valued the animals, for after a group of them left the fort Luttig discovered they had stolen their “only he Cat *Tom*.” (John C. Luttig, *Journal of a Fur-Trading Expedition on the Upper Missouri, 1812-1813* (St. Louis: Missouri Historical Society, 1920), 63-63, 110).

George Catlin gave a story of how rats spread into the Upper Missouri trading posts and Indian villages. He wrote about their arrival at one of the Hidatsa villages, apparently black Moccasin's Awatixa village. The people were at first intrigued by this new creature, for it began by eating deer mice, which had been gnawing their possessions. Initially they thought “this had been an act of the Great Spirit, as a means of putting a stop to the spoliations committed by these little sappers, b ut it was not long before they regretted their presence.” A resident trader told the artist that the first rats had arrived on one of their keelboats not long ago and soon infested the village, for they quickly multiplied and then spread to Fort Clark. (George Catlin, *Letters and Notes on*

*the Manners, Customs, and Conditions of the North American Indians*, Vol. 1. (Minneapolis: Ross and Haines, 1973), 194-95.) Their burrows under the adjoining Mandan earthlodges undermined their support posts and led to their collapse, as they also did the fort's structures and palisades. When Henry Boller visited the fort in 1858 it was still infested with rats, as was its competing posts, Fort Primeau. The pests surely led to the periodic cleaning out of the fort, and Chardon commented in 1836 "all the wives turned out to day - - and cleaned out the Fort, Miracles will happen sometimes." (Henry A. Boller, *Among the Indians: Four Years on the Upper Missouri, 1858-1862* (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 1972), 28-29 and Francis A. Chardon, *Chardon's Journal at Fort Clark, 1834-1839*, edited by Annie Heloise Abel (Pierre, South Dakota: Department of History, 1932), 85.)

Prince Maximilian spoke of the "plague of rats" at Fort Clark in 1833 and 1834, saying they ate five bushels of the fort's corn supply every day. Bourgeois James Kipp built a scaffold in the courtyard on which he placed corn to protect it, for the one domestic cat at the fort could not begin to diminish the number of these pests. These rodents soon ate through the floorboards in the prince's new cabin and were persistent visitors, though his pet prairie fox kept their attic free of them. He, as well as the engages, even disposed of them using guns in their rooms. Contrary to Catlin's account, the prince said they did not yet exist in the Hidatsa villages. (Maximilian, Prince of Wied, *the North American Journals of Prince Maximilian of Wied*, Vol. 3 (Normal: University of Oklahoma Press, 2012), Nov. 3, 24, 1833, Dec. 2, 1833, and Mar. 10, 1834.)

Not only the corn was in peril at Fort Clark, but rats were undermining the foundations of the post itself, and in 1839 bourgeois Francis Chardon wrote that he "employed the Men arrangeing the Pickets of the Fort, as they are eat off at the foundation by the Rats, and in a fair way to tumble down." (Chardon, *chardon's Journal*, 188.) Chardon entered into the hopeless task of trapping the little mammals. Over a five-year period he recorded monthly totals in his journal, and by his own count he trapped 3,729 of them. On February 28, 1836, for example, he "Killed 89 rats this month - - total 1423." Indeed the remains of this pest constituted more than half of the small mammal bones recovered during the 2001 excavations at the fort by the State Historical Society of North Dakota. The traders set traps to catch them

everywhere, for they "Caught a Chicken by the head in a trap set for rats, in the office," the fowl having fatally mistaken the bait in the trap for food. Cats surely could not keep pace with the rapidly breeding and well-fed rats.

Stanley Vestal wrote "Almost every steamboat had its staff of mousers, and many carried crates of cats requisitioned by army posts or trading forts upriver. Smart settlers brought along their own toms and tabbies . . . A settler without a cat was headed for bankruptcy - - bound to be eaten out of house and home." (Stanley Vestal, *The Missouri* (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 1964), 103.) In 1811 Henry Brackenridge wrote of a canoe that had sheltered under one of Manuel Lisa's keelboats near the Gasconade River whose owner had a couple of kittens that "kept up such *doleful serenades*, during the night, that I was scarcely able to close my eyes." (Henry Marie Brackenridge, *Views of Louisiana, Together With a Journal of a Voyage up the Missouri River, in 1831* (Pittsburgh: Cramer, Spear and Eichbaum, 1814), 107.)

In 1846 Fort Pierre bourgeois Honore Picotte wrote P. D. Papin at Fort John, "Caryon & Morin arrived on the 29 ulto with all you sent in good order except the two Cats which were drowned in Leue que Court [Niobrara River] by the negligence of the men. I think they should be made to pay well for them & I request you to send me others pr 1st opportunity." (Picotte Picotte to Papin, April 7, 1846, Fort Pierre Letterbook C. Chouteau Collections, Missouri History Museum, St. Louis.)

The bones of domestic cats also appear in the inventories of excavated fur-trading posts. Archaeologist G. Hubert Smith presumed the dat bone recovered at Fort Pierre II (1859-63) was from the period when the area was farmed, but the importance of these rodent disposal units in the fur trade makes it more likely it dates to the period the fort was occupied. (G. Hubert Smith, "Fort Pierre II (39ST217), A Historic Trading Post in the Oahe Dam Area, South Dakota." *Bureau of American Ethnology*, Bulletin 176 (Washington: GPO, 1960), 146.) Smith also noted the presence of domestic cats in the bones from the 1954 excavations at Fort Berthold I (1845-62), North Dakota. (G. Hubert Smith, *Like-a-Fishhook Village and Fort Berthold, Garrison Reservoir, North Dakota*. National Park Service, Anthropological Papers, No. 1 (Washington: GPO, 1972), 167.) The nearly complete skeleton of a cat was recovered from Fort Union (1828-67) early in the archaeological investigations there (as were the bones of abundant rats). (Carol A.

Angus and Carl R. Falk, *Fort Union Trading Post National Historic Site (32W117): Material Culture Reports, Part 6: Preliminary Analysis of Vertebrate Fauna from the 1968-1972 Excavations* (Lincoln: National Park Service, Midwest Archaeological Center, 1986), 34, 37.) Later work raised that number to no less than five individuals. (William J. Hunt, Jr. Personal communication, April 2011.)

Dogs are commonly represented in scenes of western life, but cats are conspicuous by their absence. The most notable image, by George Caleb Bingham *trappers' Return, 1851*, is of a black cat (often identified as a fox) seated in the prow of a pirogue being paddled by two fur traders descending the Missouri River. (E. Maurice Bloch, *The Paintings of George Caleb Bingham* (Columbia: University of Missouri Press, 1986), 89. Fig. 253.) An 1845 oil painting of the same subject shows the animal with more cat-like ears. (John C. Ewers, *Artists of the Old West*. (Garden City, New Jersey: Doubleday, 1973), 139.) Another image is a painting by Rudolf Friedrich Kurz of a group of Iowa Indians near present-day St. Joseph, Missouri, in about 1851 that depicts a black cat standing (unlikely as that seems) on the mane of a horse. (Ernst J. Klay and Hans Lang, *Das Romantische Leben der Indianer: Malerisch Darzustellen, Leben and Werk von Rudolf Friedrich Kurz (1818-1871)* (Solothurn, Germany: Verlag AARE, 1984), 27. Sometime during his tenure among the Salish Indians in the northern Rocky Mountains (perhaps in 1841), Father Nicolas Point illustrated two black cats in a tule mat lodge occupied by Jesuit priests. (Jacquelin Peterson and Laura Peers, *Sacred Encounters: Father De Smet and the Indians of the Rocky Mountain West* (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1993), 91.) Is it coincidental that all of these felines were depicted as black?

Today, cats fulfill their function in our lives primarily as house pets, though they remain valuable assets in helping keep farm homes and buildings free of rodents - - - as they did on the frontier.



## **2012 Annual Trade Show and Convention**

The Colorado State Muzzle Loading Association's annual meeting, known as the Annual Trade Show and Convention, has been scheduled for

February 18-19 in Denver. We once again will be at a hotel in the South Denver area. Flyer for this event is elsewhere in this newsletter. If you can, be sure to make your reservations for a room and the banquet as soon as you can. Total cost for the event is partially based on the number of rooms that are reserved.

Plans are to conduct an auction and a silent auction as well. If you have items to donate for these auctions, please be sure to bring them with you.

There are also plans for the annual Gun Maker's Fair to display the guns that those of you have made. Awards will be given for the crafts that are displayed in the making of the various firearms of the period.

If we receive enough donated items we will also conduct the drawing for those items. Again we are asking for items of good repair that can be used in the drawing. Time to go through your closets, trailers, boxes, and bags and find those things you no longer need or want. We'll take anything for the drawing table.

One of the most important things done at this Annual Trade Show and Convention is the election of the officers for the coming year. So far, none of the current Board Members have indicated that they will not run again but that may not be true when the day arrives. Please plan to be at the election on Saturday at 3:00 p.m. It is important that you who are members are present to state your wishes and desires for the Colorado State Muzzle Loading Association and it's future.

This event is a great opportunity to check out the Traders that come, meet up with old friends you may not have seen in a while, and to also pick up the flyers that are always there for upcoming events. It is also a good time to renew your dues with the CSMLA as Joy will be at the door taking care of membership issues.

Mark your calendars and make your reservations now. Let's have a great showing of all the members we can. Everything has been done to keep the cost as minimal as they can so let's show up and support the hosts and show them that we care.

Oh, and don't forget to send in your nomination for the 2012 Muzzle Loader of the Year. This individual will be honored at the banquet on Saturday night and may be one of our members!!!!



Colorado State Muzzle Loading Association  
Winter Trade Show and Convention  
Holiday Inn Denver East – Stapleton  
3333 Quebec Street, Denver, Co 80207  
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Saturday February 18<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Trade Room, Demonstrations and Classes, the Annual Meeting, Drawing, Gun Makers Fair, Art Show. There is a Full service bar and restaurant in hotel

Dogs welcome with Pet Fee of \$25.00 for the weekend.

Room rate is \$85.00 single or double.

Saturday Evening Live Auction, Dinner, and Awards. A cash bar will be set up for interested parties.

Saturday night Dinner Choice of: London Broil # \_\_\_\_\_  
Pan Seared Chicken # \_\_\_\_\_  
Vegetable Strudel # \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner includes: Garden or Caesar salad, rolls and butter, vegetable, coffee, Herbal Teas, Iced Tea and water and a dessert.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Complete and mail)

Amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The Cost for dinner is \$27.00 per person and includes tax and gratuity.

**Make checks payable to CSMLA**

Must be received by 01/10/2011

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Registration forms for traders are on the web:

[www.csmla.org](http://www.csmla.org)

Be sure to mention the Colorado State Muzzle Loaders when making Reservation at the Hotel. (Deadline is 01/14/2012.)