

ATA DELEGATE'S NEWS LETTER

We had a meeting last week to discuss the Hall of Fame Benefit shoot that will be hosted by Ogden Gun Club at the Lee Kay Center on July 31st and August 1st 2010. There are still some details to be hammered out (vendors, shell availability, etc), but we are moving forward with it so I'm pleased.



Speaking of "benefits," I'm sure you've probably heard about the very generous donation by Bill and Lee Ann Martin to the ATA. Their \$100,000 donation will be won by the winner of a shoot-out composed of the winners of each of the 9 handicap events in the Grand American. I encourage everyone I talk to to try and attend the Grand American. It is a very special tournament that is full of history, world-class competition and great friends. If my words haven't convinced you to go, perhaps Bill and Lee Ann's challenge will. After all, someone is going to win the \$100,000; it might as well be you.

Continuing with the benefit/donation theme, the ATA announced a new donation program, *Champions of The Future*, last week. This program is designed to help fund Gun Clubs and the AIM program. Donors can select which of those two groups they would like their donation to go to. The minimum donation is \$100 and donor forms are available at the link above. Donors will also be listed in the 2010 Grand American program. I hope you can find it within your means to donate to one of these worthy groups. Trapshooting is a sport that depends heavily on volunteerism and the generosity of all of us.

If you are not familiar with AIM (Academics, Integrity, Marksmanship), it is the ATA's youth development program. Young people up through collegiate level compete in ATA-registered tournaments, with an emphasis on developing/rewarding their academic and marksmanship achievements through trapshooting. The program also provides scholarship opportunities to qualified applicants.

Currently, there are four AIM teams that shoot at Golden Spike Trap Club under the coaching of Ardith Stitt. If you are interested in starting an AIM team at your club, information is available at the [ATA's website](#). If you would like to talk with Ardith regarding her teams, contact me and I will put you in touch with her. Since the inception of the youth shooting programs, first with the Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP), and now with AIM, we've been very fortunate to have teams that have won trophies at the National Championships at the Grand. For a small state, this is a very big accomplishment. Our young people are very good shooters. With your help and interest, that can continue.

UP COMING EVENTS

SPANISH FORK	APR. 10
ROUND ROBIN FINALS	APR. 11 @ Golden Spike
PURGATORY	APR. 17-18
OGDEN	APR. 23-25
VERNAL	MAY 1-2
HELPER	MAY 1-2
Sporting Clay & FUN SHOOT	Are listed on USTA Website

Thank You,

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