



## River Junction Epitaph



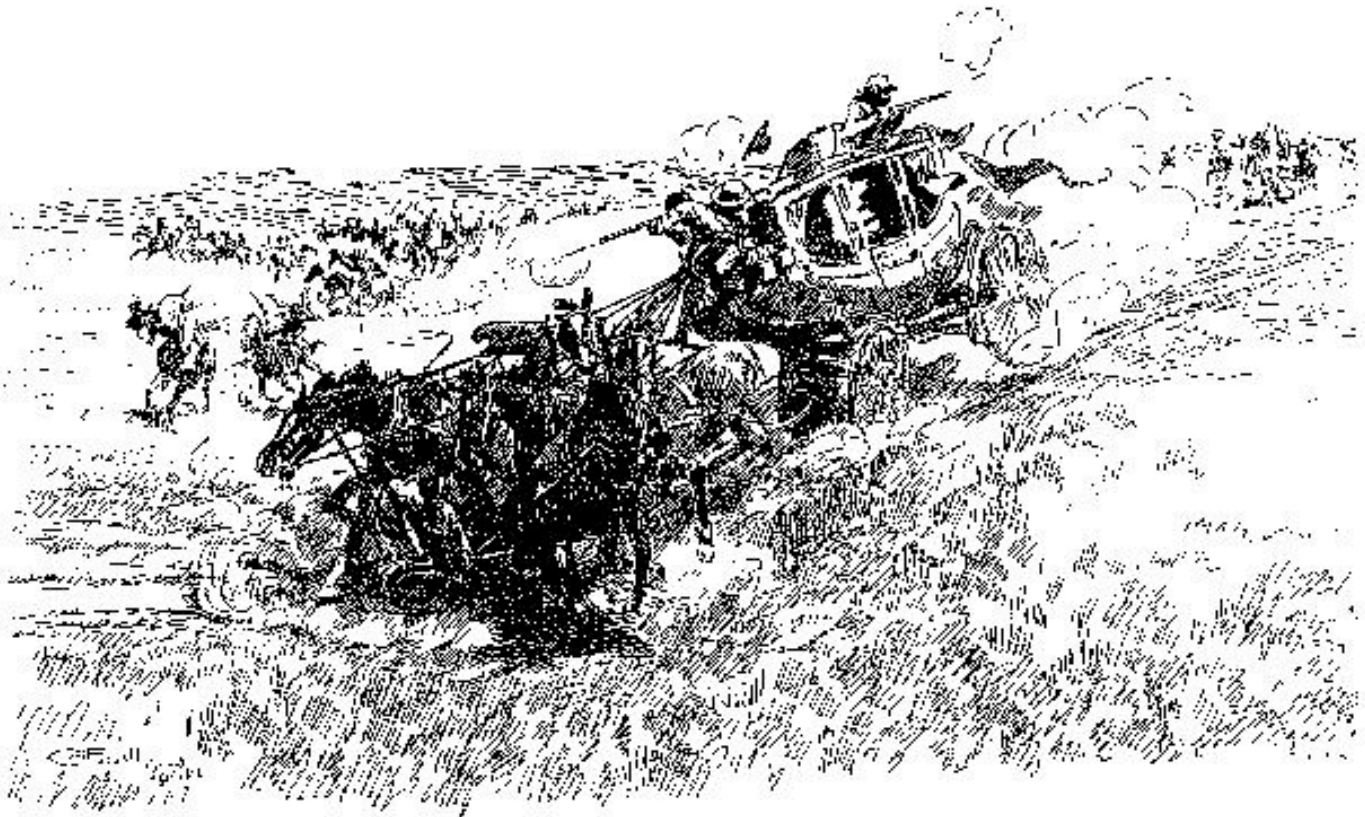
### Presidential Ponderings

June! Things I thought about doing last month, I'm still thinkin' about. Wow it's going fast. I can't reload fast enough. Lot's of things falling into place for our big shoots in July. But even so we still have this month's Paladin shoot. I remember Saturday nights, Lawrence Welk, Perry Mason, Paladin and Gunsmoke. Then Mom made us go off to bed for Church in the morning. Tombstone Timi has a load of shootin' fun ready for us this month.

My thanks go out to Capt. Huston for repairing the mowing tractor and Dr. Mary Walker for her hard work on our emergency medical plan.

With the price of everything from gas to gunpowder going up I know how tough it is to volunteer to help with shoots and work days, but if you can lend a hand please do so for our July shoots.

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# **Mattie's Musings**

**Howdy all. I sure had a good time at the Rifleman shoot last week even though I didn't shoot that category. If you weren't there you sure missed out. The Colonel still had his kazoo from the F Troop shoot last month and put it to use playing the Rifleman theme until I begged him to stop. He was so in the groove that he placed first in the Rifleman category. I didn't even give that category a try cause I knew I could miss without shooting from the hip.**

**I don't know if you noticed or not but RJSS is getting spruced up, painted and read up to hopefully attract more folks to shoot. I almost burned down RJSS. Thank goodness for Tombstone Timi being there. With two of us using shovels we were able to get the fire out. Timi will be announcing some work parties in the future and would appreciate folks coming and helping out.**

**I want to welcome the following new RJSS members: Dutch Henry Brown, Dusty Lady, Dirt Slider, Knifeman, Rambunctious Rex, Verletta McClelland, Dirty Dale and Gemstone Janet. Please make these folk feel welcome. It is great to have you.**

**Membership directories for 2008 are available in the Registration Office at each of the shoots. If you aren't able to get one there just let me know and I'll mail you one. Also available are applications for both the SASS Pennsylvania State BP Shootout, "Smoke N Fire at Indian Creek" and Ambush at Indian Creek X. If you aren't able to make a shoot or download them from the webpage let me know. I can't believe how fast May is going and July won't be that far away so please get your applications in ASAP.**

**Last month I asked who played Hedley Lamerr in Blazing Saddles. The correct response was Harvey Korman submitted by Doc Tonic. This month's trivia question for our "Smoke N Fire" theme of Blazing Saddles is as follows: Who played the leading lady in Blazing Saddles?**

**a. Carol Burnett b. Cloris Leachman c. Darrell Hannah d. Madeline Kahn.  
What was the name of the character she portrayed?  
You can email your responses at [csipe@lhtot.com](mailto:csipe@lhtot.com) The correct answers will be posted in the next "Epitaph" Take care.**

**Mattie**



# **The Colonel's Column**

**Howdy all,**

**Well, from the TG wire there is not a great deal to report, however, two items do bear repeating. These deal with those shooting the Duelist category and shotgun knockdown targets.**

**Apparently, somewhere, there are very fast Duelists who are drawing their second pistol before emptying the first pistol. This amounts to having two loaded pistols in hand at one time which is only legal in the Gunfighter and B Western categories. For a Duelist to have two loaded pistols in hand would be a failure to adhere to guidelines of their category which is a progressive penalty offense. The first violation is a procedural, the second violation is a stage DQ, and the third violation is a match DQ. So, if you are a very fast Duelist make sure that fifth round in the first pistol is down range before the muzzle of the second pistol clears the top of your holster or you will get a penalty.**

**With regard to knockdown shotgun targets, we often times help the shooter by yelling "up" meaning the shooter needs to engage the target again or "down" meaning it is a hit. Sometimes "hit" or "miss" is substituted for "up" and "down". The suggestion was made on the wire to only call out a missed shot by yelling "again", meaning shoot the same target again: it did not go down. A hit would require no coaching or further response. This was just a suggestion to simplify things and not a hard and fast rule.**

**I will continue to pass along those items that I find. Please don't hesitate to keep me informed on things along this line that may be on your mind.**

**Good Shooting,  
The Col.**



# A word from Whip

**Good News: We were awarded a grant from the NRA. We had our second monthly shoot, The Rifleman, without rain. Thanks to Deputy Keck for buying ICVSA tickets and winning the money for RJSS. Thanks to Incognito for resuming our 50/50. Every little bit helps. We now have over 90 members. Don't forget to register for the Ambush and Smoke'N Fire. It's not that far away and the weather will be nice, like last year. Don't forget to donate to the Indian Creek Valley Food Pantry. As always, the Epitaph is not responsible for any of my calculations or spelling....and neither am I.**

**Your Corporate Treasurer,  
Whip Wagner**





# **Ambush “June” Update**

**By**

**Durango Dave**

**Last month I reported that the Ambush at Indian Creek has some traditional activities that we Cowpokes like to take part in each year and included some information about the costume contests. Thanks to Col. Hays, all the details about the Costume Contest rules were explained, plus we’re going to have a special Lone Ranger category in this year’s Ambush. A second traditional festivity of the Ambush that I’ll touch on concerns food, and that would be the Saturday Night BBQ, which is free to registered shooters, & \$7.00 for non-shooters. It will be held right in River Junction, but we have to know in advance if you plan to attend so Chuckwagon Sam can prepare.**

**You could say that the Saturday Night BBQ is a poor name to describe this meal. Chuck- wagon Sam and his wife, Sarsaparilla Sharon, team up to create a feast that is truly an “EXTRAORDINARY..GOURMET.. BBQ”. As Deputy Keck put it, “For the registered shooter who gets a chance to eat free at the BBQ on Saturday night, it’s like they are actually shooting the matches for half price.” It’s a night no shooter wants to miss.**

**Our Cowboy family at RJSS must be getting pretty excited about the Ambush & Smoke n’ Fire because I’ve already had several folks approach me to donate prizes for both shoots. It overwhelms me at times seeing the joy in people’s faces & their unassuming attitudes while donating prizes. So, for anyone still wishing to donate a Prize and watch me blush, see me at a shoot or contact me by phone (724-228-8999) or e-mail, (see my address below). The “Cowboy Way” is alive and well at River Junction.**

**Well, it’s time for more Lone Ranger trivia. Last month, we asked this Lone Ranger trivia question.**

**What breed of horse was Tonto’s Scout?**

**a) spotted palomino                      b) appaloosa                      c) paint**

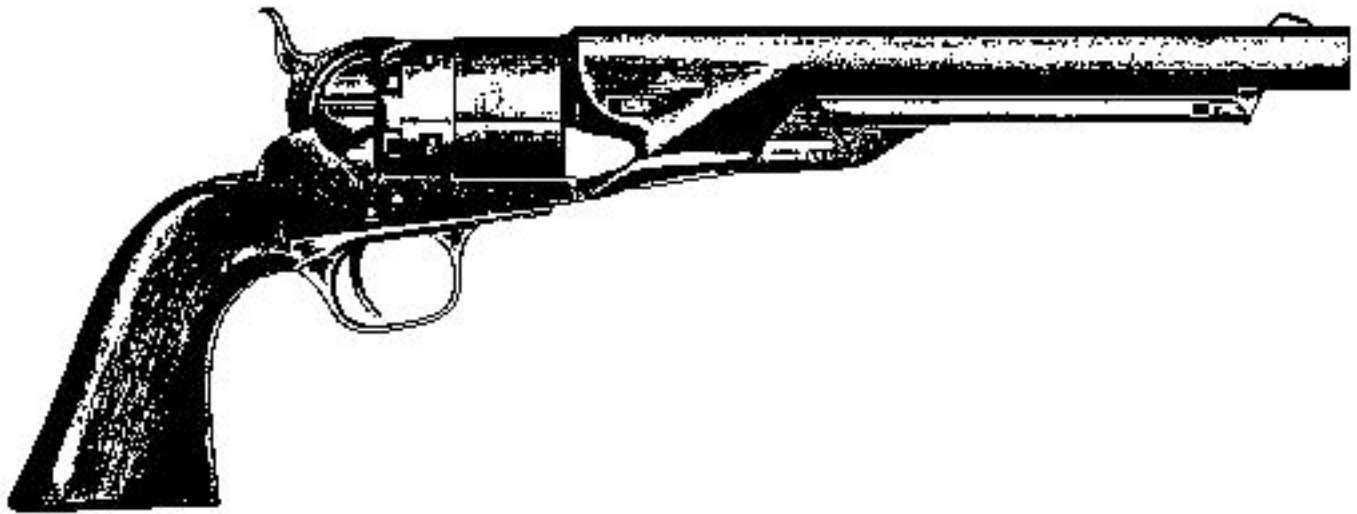
**We really have two answers, spotted palomino & paint. Dutch Henry Brown (a new member & an Ambush sponsor) was first, with Allegheny Trailblazer second.**

**Here’s our June trivia question.**

**During the TV series, who was the first “outlaw” the Lone Ranger pursued?**

**a) Knife Norton   b) Butch Cavendish   c) Dirk Nelson**

**You can email me your choice again at: [durangodave44@comcast.net](mailto:durangodave44@comcast.net). We’ll post the answer in next month’s update. Until then, “Hi-Yo Silver, Away”.**



## **“Gun Raffle Reminder”**

**Durango Dave**

**This is a reminder that Smoke n Fire & Ambush X are having a raffle this year for both Friday & Saturday nights during that weekend of shooting on July 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>. As I mentioned back in April, Comanche Joe donated two non firing replica cowboy revolvers that look and handle like real ones and are already framed and ready to hang up in your favorite room. One is a blued Jessie James Remington revolver that goes off on Friday night and the other is a nickel engraved Wyatt Earp S&W 44 that goes off on Saturday night. (Maybe goes off is the wrong phrase to use, just watch the Lottery those nights.) Anyway, Philadelphia Kid got the tickets printed up & he made it a very easy “user friendly” raffle. Each ticket has five numbers and is good for both nights for each gun. You get 10 chances for a \$5.00 donation. The guns will be on display at River Junction and other shoots in the area before the Ambush & Smoke n’ Fire. Thanks again to Comanche Joe & Philadelphia Kid for putting together this raffle.**

**Remember there are only 200 tickets, so reserve yours now, or to get tickets to sell & help us out, contact me at 724-228-8999, or email at:**

**[durangodave44@comcast.net](mailto:durangodave44@comcast.net). Or contact Philadelphia Kid at 724-455-3846.**

**These guns will look great in your office, den, or kitchen...you heard it right...kitchen. Get some before they’re all gone.**

# What's My Line?

First off, if you recognize the title of this article as a direct ripoff of the TV show which featured Kitty Carlisle, Dorothy Kilgallen, & John Charles Daly, you probably shouldn't admit it. ;)

Check out the Member Scrapbook pages on the RJSS web site. In each month's Epitaph, I'll ask a question or two which can be answered by perusing the Scrapbook. Submitting complete and correct answers (by email or pony express) by the deadline will enter you in a drawing for \$5 off your next RJSS shoot fee.

If you haven't yet sent me your scrapbook information, send it along. I'll get it posted and perhaps YOU will be spotlighted in a future Scrapbook question.

This month's questions:

1. Currently, nine RJSS members list golf among their hobbies. Name any six of them.
2. The movie **Blazing Saddles** is the basis for the scenarios at Smoke 'N Fire at Indian Creek, the PA State Black Powder Shootout on July 18. Which RJSS cowpoke includes it among his/her favorite cowboy movies?

Deadline is June 17. Send your answers along with your alias to:

[rjss@nauticom.net](mailto:rjss@nauticom.net)

or

T. Zigo 2507 W. Hardies Rd. Gibsonia PA 15044

You can also win \$5 off your next RJSS shoot fee by winning the caption contest currently posted with the May 17 results.

Thanks for visiting the RJSS web site,  
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### RJSS MONTHLY MATCHES 2008

April 19 - Calvary Days

May 17 - Rifleman

June 21 - Have Gun Will Travel (Paladin)

August 16 - Josey Wales

September 20 - Bonanza

October 18, 19 - Groundhog Day

Registration 8:00 AM to 9:25 AM --- Shooters' Meeting at 9:30AM

### Extras

April 26 - True Grit

July 27 - Wild Bunch (Sunday Shoot)

September 27 - True Grit

RJSS Membership Meeting Dates - Jan. 12, Oct. 25, - Brady's Restaurant - 10:00 AM

SASS PA STATE BLACK POWDER SHOOTOUT - July 18

AMBUSH AT INDIAN CREEK 10 - July 19-20

COMMUNITY DAY WITH ICVSA - July 26

<http://www.nauticom.net/www/rjss/>

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