# **Our Mission**

To Promote Firearm Safety and Marksmanship Training With an Emphasis on Youth

















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## CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM



## Our Vision

## That Every Youth in America Has the Opportunity to Participate in Firearm Safety and Marksmanship Programs

As the CMP upholds its reach to marksmen throughout the country, we remain devoted to our fundamental missions and values. Though the unexpected circumstances of 2020 caused many of our events to be cancelled or rescheduled to 2021, we continued our efforts of providing marksmanship opportunities by altering our established programs to better suit current conditions. With modifications in place, competitors were able to take the firing lines in 2020 at their CMP Affiliated Clubs through sanctioned clinics and matches. A postal-style Home Range Series, created by the CMP, gave individuals an avenue for competing with others from across the nation, from the safety of their home ranges.

For our junior three-position air rifle athletes, the CMP implemented virtual postal and regional championships to supplement the traditional in-person matches. The CMP's commitment to youth training also went virtual as our Summer Air Rifle Camps were offered entirely online, allowing athletes and coaches to train from a distance. Participants



Since many events were cancelled in 2020, CMP staff members continued to develop innovative training programs.

#### **CMP Growth**

were guided through a wide variety of topics each week. Live Q&A sessions with former NCAA athlete Chance Cover and Olympian Lucas Kozeniesky provided additional discussion and a more individualized look at marksmanship training.

After a necessary pause for appropriate planning, the CMP Competition Centers in Ohio and Alabama reopened for business with new extended hours and safety protocols. The Competition Centers continue to regularly host competitive



Several CMP Affiliated Clubs joined in on the CMP's Home Range Series during the summer months. These matches allowed local competitors to compete and be ranked against other marksmen on a national level.

and learning opportunities as well as Monthly Matches and weekly Open Public Marksmanship sessions. Each range is equipped with 80 electronic targets, featuring technology developed by Kongsberg Target Systems. This technology scores and displays shots instantly on monitors beside each firing point, on CMP's Live Target web page and upon large TV screens located throughout the ranges.

As a part of our firearms safety and marksmanship mission, with an emphasis on youth, the CMP schedules the Pistol & Rifle Marksmanship 101 courses at affiliated clubs around the United States. Each course includes a classroom portion of instruction and an Excellence-In-Competition match. With various clubs hosting the event, CMP is able to reach a broader audience of citizens interested in the essentials of the sport.

Whether through the respectful adherence to local health guidelines or though marksmanship fundamentals, the CMP continues to prioritize safety above all else. Junior marksmen are offered a free safety marksmanship course on the CMP website, with many JROTC instructors and youth coaches taking advantage of this learning opportunity for their athletes. Additionally, the CMP Range Officer Program trains individuals to conduct safety and range operations. Five hundred thirty-eight individuals completed the online Level I Course. These certified CMP Range Officers may now go on to work closely with and assist CMP staff at the Camp Perry National Matches and assorted CMP Games throughout the U.S. while also possessing the ability to serve their local marksmanship club events.

New in 2020, the CMP extended sanctioning of the Pistol 2700 course of fire to CMP are Affiliated Clubs. CMP also added new Pistol 2600, 2650 and 2700 clubs to recognize those competitors who attain each scoring milestone. Although the Pistol Marksmanship 101 informational clinic was unable to be held in 2020, CMP plans to assemble the course at several locations in 2021. The growing CMP Smallbore Program also observed enhancements, including an updated lineup of matches and the deployment of its own Distinguished Smallbore Badge program.

CMP's Talladega Marksmanship Park continued welcoming visitors and competitors daily to its rifle, pistol and shotgun ranges. Each month, Talladega hosts basic and advanced pistol, rifle and shotgun classes, led by certified CMP Instructors, in addition to a variety of local, state and national events scheduled throughout the year.



The Marksmanship 101 learning opportunity features both classroom and live firing portions. The courses are led by qualified professionals in the sport of marksmanship.





## Corporation for the Promotion of Rifle Practice and Firearm Safety, Inc.

# The Civilian Marksmanship Program 2020 Annual Report

#### Chairman/CEO's Message:

The Board of Directors and Officers of the Corporation for the Promotion of Rifle Practice and Firearms Safety, commonly known as the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP), hereby present our 2020 Annual Report. We are proudly celebrating our 25th year of growth and innovation – fulfilling our mission of providing marksmanship safety training and competition opportunities for United States citizens.

The CMP certifies that it has complied with all provisions of its federal enabling legislation in Title 36 USC, §40701-40733, subsequent legislation, and the current Memorandum of Understanding with the US Army.

The 1996 law that established the CMP as a federally-chartered not-for-profit corporation gave the CMP authority to sell surplus government rifles in order to subsidize the firearm safety training and competition that the CMP carries out in fulfillment of its statutory mission. Subsequent legislation and the current MOU with the U.S. Army has allowed the CMP to sell surplus 1911s under a pilot program. Funding for all CMP facilities, junior camps, publications, events, training, ranges and programs comes from the sale of surplus weapons. These sales provide both warehousing and security cost savings to the military.

This past year the CMP modified programming to sustain as many activities as possible. For example, when National Matches events were canceled, our staff responded with a highly successful Home Range Appreciation Series, allowing CMPaffiliated clubs across the nation to conduct similar competitions and award high performers accordingly. The series was one of many initiatives our organization created to help sustain our mission during a challenging period.

In addition to continuing marksmanship training and competition activities for Army, Marine Corps, Navy and Air Force JROTC units through funding events, awards and staff/volunteer expertise, the CMP has expanded its junior and adult programs and training events to both beginners and experienced competitors. Additionally, the CMP National 3-Position Air Rifle Championships, the National Rifle and Pistol Matches, Junior Olympic Air Rifle Championships, enhanced Small Arms Firing Schools, and other programs make the CMP the nation's leader in marksmanship safety and competition training.

The CMP continues to recognize junior shooters through its scholarship program by rewarding those who demonstrated excellence in marksmanship, academics and citizenship. In 2020, the CMP awarded some \$170,000 in scholarships to graduating seniors.

The CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park in Alabama is a first-class, 500-acre home to marksmanship – complete with clubhouse, high power ranges equipped with KTS electronic targets, a challenging sporting clay field, shotgun facilities, multiple pistol bays, pneumatic steel targets, an unknown distance range and a skeet field. The Marksmanship Park hosts many CMP events and has become a favorite site for local, state and national competitions. Project Appleseed, USPSA and 3-Gun each host monthly events, while others including Steyr, the Glock Sport Shooting Foundation and IDPA have chosen Talladega for their competitions and events. The CMP offers weekly basic pistol, rifle, and shotgun classes for new and experienced marksmen.

CMP has developed and teaches a number of safety and educational programs, including the Advanced Maintenance Clinic, JROTC Marksmanship Instructor Course, Range Officer certification, Garand-Springfield-M1 Master Instructor Training, M1 Garand Maintenance Webinar, Small Arms Firing Schools, CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park classes and the Junior Air Rifle Camps.

This positive, professional culture is all made possible by CMP's amazing dedicated staff under the direction set by a caring and creative Board of Directors. All these accomplishments are proudly reflected in this CMP 2020 Annual Report.

Judith & Legenshi Chairman & CEO



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The *CMP Annual Report* is prepared to provide the Department of the Army with a formal report on CMP sales and program activities. The *CMP Annual Report* also provides affiliates and constituents with summary information on its activities and accomplishments during the previous fiscal year.

**CMP Sales Activities.** Copies of the *CMP Sales Catalog* and additional information on sales of government surplus rifles, ammunition and parts may be downloaded on the CMP web site at <u>www.thecmp.org</u>.

#### **CMP** Program Information.

For additional information, email programs@thecmp.org. Detailed information about CMP programs are also available on the CMP web site at www.thecmp.org.

News about CMP program and sales activities is available through postings of the CMP online magazine, **The First Shot**, at <u>http://</u> thecmp.org/communications/thefirst-shot/.

Anyone who wishes to receive email notices about the latest *The First Shot* postings may contact celder@thecmp.org.



#### **CMP History**

The Civilian Marksmanship Program traces its origin to 1903 when Congress and the President established the National Matches and National Board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice. The program gave life to a concept advanced by President Theodore Roosevelt and other national leaders that marksmanship skills developed through regular practice and competition contribute to the nation's defense and security.



As the program expanded to make its competitions and military support available to civilians, it became identified as the "Civilian Marksmanship Program." As U. S. Army interest in marksmanship diminished after WWII, the DCM mission increasingly

focused on fostering youth development through marksmanship. Then in 1996, after 93 years of Department of Defense and U.S. Army administration, Congress privatized the program by creating a federally chartered, not-for-profit corporation known as the Corporation for the Promotion of Rifle Practice and Firearm Safety, Inc.

Today, the program is popularly recognized as the Civilian Marksmanship Program or CMP. The marksmanship heritage inherited by the CMP in 1996 included the National Matches, Pistol & Rifle Marksmanship 101, and a network of affiliated state associations and clubs. The 1996 legislation (36 USC §40701- 40733) states, in part, that the functions of the CMP are 1) to instruct citizens of the United States in marksmanship, 2) to promote practice and safety in the use of firearms and 3) to conduct competitions in the use of firearms.



Dermid McDonald celebrated over 50 years of attending the National Matches at Camp Perry – an annual tradition maintained by the CMP for new and experienced marksmanship enthusiasts.



CMP leads marksmanship organizations in recognizing top marksmen and women for outstanding achievements.

The law goes on to state that *"in carrying out the Civilian Marksmanship Program, the corporation shall give priority to activities that benefit firearms safety, training, and competition for youth and that reach as many youth participants as possible."* 

## A National Leader in Firearm Safety and Marksmanship

Since 1996, the CMP has continued to build upon its marksmanship heritage to become the national leader in firearms safety and marksmanship training and competition. In the 24 years since the CMP became a non-profit corporation, its board of directors, administrative officers and staff have launched numerous safety, marksmanship training and competition programs that fulfill the corporation's statutory mission.

The CMP has become recognized as a national

leader by emphasizing safety and basic marksmanship instruction, encouraging mass participation in its competitions, applying technological innovation and providing outstanding constituent service. This *CMP 2020* Annual Report provides summary

data on CMP programs and activities that took place in FY20.



The CMP continued to host a number of matches and events in 2020, in accordance to social distancing and other safety precautions.

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#### **CMP SALES**

CMP operations, warehousing, inspection & repair, test firing, sales order processing and distribution activities are headquartered in Anniston, Alabama.

The CMP operates three successful retail stores that are popular destinations for CMP customers. The first CMP Store opened at Camp Perry, Ohio, in April 2002, the second opened in Anniston, Alabama, in June 2006 and recently, a CMP Store opened at the CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park. While most purchases are made online, the stores give CMP customers an opportunity to personally inspect government surplus rifles before deciding which rifle to purchase. The stores now account for about 19% of all CMP sales revenue. The CMP also conducts on-site sales at the CMP Travel Games in Arizona, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Vermont and occasionally at other venues.



In 2020, the CMP North Store welcomed customers to its new location at Camp Perry, situated within CMP's headquarters building.

Individuals who wish to purchase government- surplus rifles from the CMP must be members of a CMP-affiliated organization.

The CMP Custom Shop opened for business in October 2013 and provides a wide variety of repair, upgrade and custom services for a wide range of U.S. Military rifles, especially those issued in early eras. The CMP Custom Shop completed 274 work orders in FY20.

#### **ENDOWMENT FUND**

The CMP is committed to providing its safety, education and competition programs well into the future.

The federal law that established the new CMP authorizes the Corporation to sell military surplus .30 and .22 caliber military rifles, parts and ammunition to qualified U.S. citizens for marksmanship.



The Advanced Maintenance Class allows individuals to build their own usable M1 Garand, at the direction of CMP's Custom Shop armorers.

Accordingly, the CMP sells government-surplus M1 Garands, .22 caliber target rifles and small quantities of other rifles to qualified purchasers. Net revenue from CMP sales is used to fund operations and programs and, when possible, to supplement the endowment.

The Corporation recognizes that its primary source of income, the sale of surplus government rifles, will not be available indefinitely. To assure that CMP programs have a stable funding source in the future, the Board of Directors established a permanent endowment fund in 1999.

All funds generated from CMP sales that are in excess of requirements for current operations are transferred to this fund. Professional investment advisory firms operating under the supervision of the Board of Directors' Investment Committee manage the endowment fund.



The CMP is able to secure the future of its marksmanship programs through plentiful youth participation.





Thomas McGowan, 15, of Hortonville, Wisconsin, was the Overall High Service Rifle competition in the CMP's Home Range Series 1600 Aggregate Rifle Match.

#### ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT

An independent accounting firm performs annual audits of CMP finances and operations. The FY20 CMP audit reported no irregularities in financial statements or operations.

#### SUPPORT FOR THE U.S. ARMED SERVICES

Because the CMP was once a Department of Defense agency and the sale of government surplus rifles is a primary source of CMP program funding, the CMP maintains close supportive working relationships with many Department of Defense organizations.

Much support for the military and veterans is provided at no cost. Examples of these programs are the CMP's support of Army, Marine Corps, Navy and Air Force JROTC marksmanship, ceremonial rifle acquisition and repair for veterans' organizations, scholarships for junior shooters and upgraded infrastructure at Camp Perry – the Ohio Army National Guard post where CMP program staff is based.

**CMP proudly supports** the U.S. Army's TACOM Life Cycle Management Command's Static Display and Ceremonial Rifle program by servicing and shipping M1 Garand rifles to eligible veteran service organizations for ceremonial purposes, at no cost. Between FY10 and FY20, CMP has produced and shipped over 21,821 such rifles.

CMP armorers inspect, repair, test fire, install blank firing adapters and ship ceremonial M1 Garand rifles to TACOM at no charge. The CMP has been providing volunteers to inspect and repair ceremonial rifles at veteran organizations since 2003.

# MARKSMANSHIP TRAINING AND COMPETITION PROGRAM SUMMARIES

CMP training and competition programs serve a growing population of youth and adults.

#### **National Matches**

**The National Matches** were established by an Act of Congress in 1903; the CMP plays a leading role in the preservation and expansion of the Matches that take place every year at Camp Perry, Ohio. The matches have been held at Camp Perry for more than 116 years.

Due to COVID-19, the 2020 National Matches were cancelled but the CMP held a **CMP Home Range Appreciation Series**. This series of matches were created after the cancellation of the National Matches as a way to stay connected with our competitors and offer a series of competitive events. CMP Affiliated Clubs were able to sanction a new set of matches where competitors would compete at their home range but all the scores would be compiled together to have winners in each event and category.

This year 762 individuals participated in 1.005 events including pistol, air gun, smallbore, rimfire and rifle matches. The **CMP Home Range** Appreciation Series offered competitors a way to compete nationally with other competitors but at their local range.



Tom Collins, 50, of Maumee, Ohio, earned the CMP's Distinguished Rifleman Badge #2500 in July 2020.

#### Gun Safety Programs

The CMP believes that gun safety training is the foremost method of ensuring the safe and responsible use of firearms and airguns. Every CMP program has a teaching component that includes safety doctrine, safety training and safety controls. Every CMP training course includes a safety presentation. The use of gun safety flags is mandatory in all CMP events. Rifle purchasers must show proof of marksmanship activity where

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safety training was given. Gun safety locks are available for all rifles sold by the CMP.

#### **CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park**

The CMP's "Home of Marksmanship" welcomed 17,877 daily use marksman, 3,820 match competitors and over 2,200 spectators in FY20. Over 125 matches and events took place at the rifle, pistol and shotgun ranges at CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park. An additional 104 pistol classes, 14 rifle and 12 shotgun classes were held at the Park throughout FY20.

#### CMP Petrarca Range

#### **CMP Targets** set

up at Petrarca Range at Camp Perry for open public marksmanship and matches. In FY20, 118 marksmen made use of the range.

#### CMP Games Events

#### CMP now offers seventeen CMP Games matches which

allow shooters



Several Championships take place at the CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park. Pictured here is a competitor firing during the World Speed Shooting Championship.

to reenact military and marksmanship history and enjoy camaraderie in a relaxed, fun-filled, yet challenging experience.

#### Marksmanship 101

**Participation in** the CMP's Marksmanship 101 course included 173 students who received





Brother and sister pose after attending the CMP's Rifle Marksmanship 101 course. They both attended a classroom presentation and live firing on the range under the supervision of CMP Master Instructors.

introductory safety and marksmanship instruction in the Rifle. Students learn from the most accomplished military instructors and competitors in the nation. The Rifle Marksmanship 101 courses were held in Talladega, Alabama, Phoenix, Arizona and Bonfield, Illinois.

#### **Sanctioned Competitions**

The CMP sanctioned more than 1,965 matches for approximately 11,960 competitors in 2020. The CMP's sanctioned match program offers competitions in Excellence-In-Competition (EIC), State Championships, John C. Garand, Springfield, Vintage Military, Carbine, Modern Military, Vintage Sniper and Rimfire Sporter events.

#### **Marksmanship Clinics**

A total of 58 juniors and adults received expert instruction by CMP certified volunteers at 8 special clinics this year. CMP affiliated clubs have conducted 30 marksmanship clinics and trained an estimated 105 new shooters in 2020. The CMP has now trained 889 Master Instructors who serve as rifle clinic instructors in their home clubs. The CMP provides training curriculum for use in these clinics.

#### **Advanced Maintenance Clinics and Webinars**

The CMP held 13 Advanced Maintenance Clinics for 190 students. Students are led by CMP Custom Shop staff members and build their own M1 Garand Rifle.

CMP Games events remain popular amongst supporters, offering several competitive and learning opportunities at each location.





*CMP's Three-Position Air Rifle competitions maintain their reputation as meaningful match experiences for junior athletes.* 

#### **Three-Position Air Rifle Junior Competitions**

Air rifle target shooting is now the most popular youth shooting sports competition activity in the U.S. In addition to sanctioning 212 state and regional competitions for over 6,000 junior competitors, the CMP supported 5 major national junior competitions in 2020 in cooperation with the American Legion; Army, Marine Corps, Navy and Air Force JROTC Commands; the U. S. Army Junior Air Rifle Tournament and the National Junior Olympic Championships.

#### **Competition Tracker**

The CMP is a world leader in using computer technology to manage competition events and provide live results to the shooting sports public via the Internet. In FY20, the CMP Competition Tracker website received 130,713 visitors and over 1.5 million pageviews.

#### **State Directors**

**CMP-appointed** State Directors coordinate the delivery of CMP youth programs in their states. There are 55 Directors serving in 48 states.



CMP State Directors from around the country have stayed committed to the cultivation of junior programs and sustaining a positive impact on the marksmanship community.

#### JROTC Marksmanship Training

- **The CMP** is responsible for training JROTC instructors and certifying JROTC ranges. Twentythree JROTC Marksmanship Instructor Courses (JMIC) have taken place since March 2005. Two hundred and three Master Instructors are currently certified. JMIC Master Instructors continue to teach gun safety and air rifle marksmanship to cadets in their JROTC units. Over 4,049 Instructors have been trained and certified.
- CMP now offers an online JMIC Course open to all Cadets, Junior Shooters and Coaches as well as JROTC Instructors. A total of 941 individuals completed the online course in FY20.

#### **CMP Air Rifle Postal Match**

**Over 1,200 junior air rifle shooters** participated in the ninth annual CMP Air Rifle Postal Match.

#### **JROTC** Competitions

**The CMP cooperated** with the Army, Navy, Marine and Air Force Cadet Commands to conduct JROTC postal and regional marksmanship competitions. During the 2019-2020 school year, 7,575 cadets participated in these competitions.

#### **Smallbore Program**

**The CMP is growing** the Smallbore Program. This growth includes a Postal Match, a Regional Championship, a National Match Sporter event, match sanctioning for 3-Position and Prone matches and new Distinguished programs for 3-Position and Prone, along with award opportunities for competitors.

#### **Scholarships**

The CMP awarded 138, \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors who participated in marksmanship activities. The top scholarship winner was awarded \$5,000 and the top ten awardees received an extra \$1,000 from the Garand Collector's Association, making the grand total of \$170,000 awarded to outstanding junior marksmen.

#### **Junior Air Rifle Distinguished Badges**

The CMP awarded 37 Junior Air Rifle Distinguished badges in FY20. A total of 1,499 badges have been awarded to junior air rifle competitors since its inception.

#### 4-H Shooting Sports State Grants

The CMP awards \$200 to 4-H Shooting Sports State Grants. In FY20, 17 states were awarded grants.

#### **Junior Rifle Camps**

The CMP took an opportunity to create a virtual course for both athletes and coaches to integrate into their education. The ten week series offered ten topics including goals, motivation, how to series, support and leading and much more. One hundred twenty-seven athletes and twenty-seven coaches took advantage of this virtual learning option.

#### **CMP** Competition Centers

The CMP Competition Centers are located in Anniston, Alabama, and Port Clinton, Ohio, and feature advanced electronic targets. Over 1,911 competitors attended Marksmanship Nights in FY20. The Competition Centers also had 5,373 visitors and 3,138 competitors in matches held at the Competition Centers.

#### **Affiliated Clubs**

There are 5,200 clubs, schools, teams and other shooting sports organizations currently affiliated with the CMP. Clinics and instruction offered by affiliated clubs are important ways for the CMP to deliver gun safety and marksmanship programs to U. S. citizens.

#### On the Mark

**The CMP** publishes and distributes its quarterly magazine for youth shooting sports leaders and JROTC instructors. Mail circulation for *On The Mark*, the nation's preeminent juniors shooting publication, includes 5,264 mail recipients. Additional copies of *On the Mark* are available at the CMP ranges and stores.

#### The First Shot Online

The CMP posted over 93 new feature articles and provided periodic (usually bi-weekly) issues of this electronic online newsletter to 112,148 email subscribers. CMP Sales updates are also provided



CMP 4-H funds were used to help operate the Tennessee 4-H Target Smart Camp. This camp helps youth to develop firearms safety, responsibility and life skills.



The CMP Talladega Marksmanship Park, the Home of Marksmanship, regularly welcomes a variety of large groups and teams throughout the year.

to 344,817 subscribers. Electronic communications are the CMP's primary means of communication with program participants.

#### **CMP Social Media**

The CMP actively engages and communicates with customers and participants through social media. The CMP has over 97,625 Facebook likes and Twitter and Instagram accounts, along with a CMP Forum where individuals can ask questions and post comments.

#### CMP Electronic Mobile Range

The CMP Electronic Mobile Range continues to bring the highest level of



Allison Henry of Granbury High School, Texas, was named the inaugural top recipient of the CMP's Carolyn Hines Memorial Scholarship in 2020 and was featured on the cover of the On The Mark Fall 2020 issue.

competition equipment to competitors around the country. The CMP Mobile Range was scheduled at eleven events in but successfully completed one trip to the CMP JROTC Service Championship in Arizona before the COVID pandemic forced the cancellation of the remaining events in FY20.

#### **Training Materials**

A major part of the CMP's educational effort is the design, production and distribution of training materials that are available in print or DVD formats or as online downloads through the CMP website This year's distributions included 500,000 printed training and program items plus several hundred DVDs and online downloads.



### **Board of Directors and Officers**

A ten-person Board of Directors, representing a wide range of expertise in the fields of business, military affairs and marksmanship governs the Corporation. Current members of the Board of Directors and Officers are:



Judith Legerski presides as CMP's Chairman of the Board and plays a pivotal role in CMP's development.

Judith Legerski (Chairman) is an original appointee to the CMP Board of Directors and has been active on the board in various positions since 1996. Legerski has held elective office, served the Secretary of Defense as a member of the Defense Advisory Committee for Women in the Military, served the Secretary of the Army as a Civilian Aide for some 28 years, and is active in a number of community and state efforts.

Harry A. Sieben, Jr. (Vice Chairman) is an

attorney with the Sieben Carey law firm in Minneapolis. He was a State Representative for 14 years, including two terms as Speaker of the Minnesota House of Representatives. He served 35 years of active and reserve duty in the United States military, retiring from the National Guard as a Major General. He served 12 years as a Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army and currently serves as Civilian Aide Emeritus.

Jon N. Bengtson (Treasurer) is a founder and Chairman of the Board of AirWire Technologies, a mobile networking company. Mr. Bengtson has served as Chairman of the Board of Altair Nanotechnologies (ALTI), various senior executive positions with International Game Technology, The Sands Regent Hotel Casino (SNDS), Radica Games LTD. (RADA), and ShareGate Incorporated. Throughout his career, he served on numerous local charity boards and served as the Nevada Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army from 1991 until his retirement in 2005. He holds a B.A. in Finance and MBA degree from the University of Nevada, Reno.

**Carmen Allegra M.D. (Secretary)** is an emeritus professor at the University of Florida Department of Medicine. He is deputy editor of the Journal of the National Cancer Institute and a senior clinical investigator for NSABP Foundation Inc. Dr. Allegra knows the CMP well as a longtime volunteer and collector, and is pleased to have been selected to serve on the CMP board. **Regina Chavis** has over thirty years of experience in public accounting and the nonprofit industry. As the Chief Financial Officer at the Military Officers Association of America she believes in the motto of "never stop serving", which she has done throughout her career not only for veterans and their families, but the communities she has lived in all over the world. She is the child and surviving spouse of United States Air Force Retirees. She is a CPA and holds a Bachelor's degree in Accounting for Walsh College in Troy, Michigan. She has enjoyed the opportunity to travel the globe, from the time she was born in Germany to the time her spouse retired in the Washington DC area. "Aim High…Fly-Fight-Win"

Allan D. Cors was elected as the 63rd president of the National Rifle Association in April 2015. He is a former member of the NBPRP and holder of the Distinguished Rifleman Badge, President's Hundred Tabs and Elihu Root medals. From 1966 through 2005, he was a firing member of Virginia State National Matches highpower rifle teams that won many national civilian championships. He is the Founder and Chairman of the National Museum of Americans in Wartime. Mr. Cors retired from the Board of Directors following the 2020 Fall Meeting.

**Will Dantzler** is Co-Founder and Vice Chairman of Rofori Corporation, a company focused on cybersecurity threat awareness and mitigation in the public and private sectors. He is a graduate of the Air Force Academy and served as Wing Commander with the 351st Strategic Missile Wing at Whiteman AFB. Dantzler received his MS from Central Missouri State University and his MBA from the University of Missouri. He is enthusiastic about his position with the CMP Board of Directors and the impact CMP has in shaping leadership qualities among the youth of America.



CMP Board Member Carmen Allegra poses with a junior marksmanship team. Many CMP Board members have demonstrated their own commitments to safeguarding the future successes of marksmanship.



**Joseph R. Inge** retired from the United States Army in 2007 as a Lieutenant General. He has broad experience in homeland security and homeland defense and currently serves as a private consultant.

Launi Meili is the head coach of the Air Force Academy's rifle program, where she has led the Falcons to seven straight appearances in the NCAA National Championships, with 30 team members earning All-American honors in smallbore and air rifle events. She shot for USA Shooting for 10 years, participating in two Olympic games, two PanAm Games and a World Championship. She produced three world records, three Olympic records, a world team championship and won the Olympic Gold Medal in Barcelona in 1992, becoming the first American woman ever to win gold in smallbore. She is a seven-time national champion in 3P rifle. She has authored *Rifle: Steps to Success*, a how-to book for shooters, available on Amazon. Mrs. Meili is honored to serve on the board of the CMP, which she says is THE quality organization in marksmanship and safety training.

**Orest Michaels** is a retired Army logistician and past Division Chief of the Defense Depot Anniston Weapons Division. He served as a past administrative officer of the Corporation between 1997-2014. Mr. Michaels retired from the Board of Directors following the 2020 Fall Meeting.

**Ed Newell** is employed by the Wyoming Judicial Branch. He spent twenty five years as a prosecutor in Fremont County and Sweetwater County, Wyoming. His prosecutorial career included many murder cases, including two capital cases. He enjoys officiating high school soccer competitions and shooting rifle and handgun competitions. He holds a B.A. degree from the University of Iowa and a J.D. from the University of Wyoming.

**Gerald O'Keefe** joined the CMP Board of Directors in September 2019. In 1981, he graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point with a Bachelor of Science in Nuclear Engineering. He went on to earn a Master of Engineering in Operations Research and Industrial Engineering in 1989, along with a Master of Science in National Resource Strategy from the National Defense University, Industrial College of the Armed Forces in 2002. From 2010 to 2013, he served as the Deputy Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army at the Pentagon before moving on to the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army, where he stayed until 2018. Currently, he's the director at Grant Thornton LLP in Alexandria, VA.

Gary Anderson, Director Emeritus, presents a gold medal and award plaque to the High Junior in the T-Class Rimfire Sporter Match during the Talladega 600 Matches.

### **Administrative Officers**

Mark Johnson, Chief Operating Officer is responsible for all daily operations of the Corporation and the conduct of the Civilian Marksmanship Program. He earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Management from Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, Alabama, and a Master's and Doctorate in Philosophy from Jacksonville Theological Seminary, Jacksonville, Florida. He began CMP employment as an Armorer in 2000 and worked his way up to Chief Operating Officer in September 2014.

**Christie Sewell**, Programs Chief, is responsible for the daily program operations of the Corporation. She earned her Bachelor's Degree from Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio. She started with the Corporation in 1998 in the competitions division and recently served as General Manager for programs.

**Denny Lord**, the Corporation's Special Projects Officer, is a retired Brigadier General in the Minnesota National Guard.

**Gary Anderson**, Director of Civilian Marksmanship Emeritus, retired as the full-time CMP Director at the end of 2009. He continues to work with CMP as the senior marksmanship instructor. During his competition career, he won two Olympic gold medals, seven World Championships and 16 National Championships. In 2018, he stepped down as a Vice President of the International Shooting Sports Federation after 40 years of service in the world governing body of Olympic shooting. He is a Past President of USA Shooting and a former Nebraska State Senator. In 2012, the International Olympic Committee awarded Gary Anderson the IOC's highest honor, the Olympic Order "for outstanding services to the Olympic Movement."





# Honoring the Shooting Champions of 2020

The federal law that established the CMP gives it statutory authority to conduct national competitions. To fulfill that mission, the CMP conducts national, regional and sanctioned competitions. CMP competitions and the numbers of 2020 participants were:

- CMP Home Range Appreciation Series with Service & Match Pistol, Service & Match Rifle, Vintage Rifles, Rimfire Sporter, Smallbore, and Air Gun events: **1,238 competitors.**
- The CMP Regional Games with As-Issued Military Rifle and Service Rifle events: **284 competitors.**
- JROTC Air Rifle Championships with Postal and Service Championship events: **7,575 competitors.**
- CMP National Air Rifle Championships with Postal events: 1,286
  competitors.
- National Three-Position Air Rifle Council sanctioned competitions: **7,500 competitors.**
- CMP Sanctioned Matches for Service Rifle and Pistol, As-Issued Military Rifles and Rimfire Sporter: 11,960 competitors.



Granbury HS MCJROTC, of Texas, finished first in the Precision Air Rifle JROTC Regional competition with a score of 4692-320x.



Home Range Series, Rimfire Sporter T and TU-Class, MATCH WINNER, Jean Redicker, Vallonia, Indiana, 595-43x (T-Class) and 589-24x (TU-Class).



Home Range Series, 60 Shot Air Rifle Standing Match, MATCH WINNER, Natalie Perrin, Coopersville, Michigan, 615.7.



Home Range Series, Smallbore Prone 3200 Match, HIGH JUNIOR, Dylan Gregory, Naperville, Illinois, 3153-161x.



Home Range Series, CMP Pistol 2700 Three Gun (Any Sights) Aggregate Champion, Philip Hemphill, fired a 2634-133x.



Home Range Series, John C. Garand Champion, Ashley Kennedy-Foster, of Henrietta, New York, fired a 289-4x.



Home Range Series, Rimfire Sporter O-Class, MATCH WINNER, Lawrence Goodrich, Greenfield, Indiana, 566-14x.