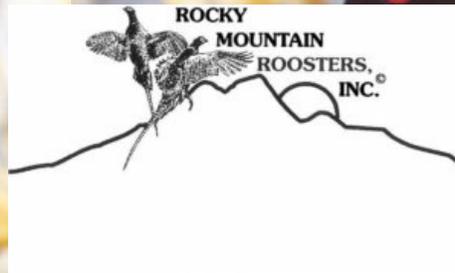


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RMR E-News November 11, 2015 VETERANS DAY

Hello RMR Faithful!

We got our first snow of the season today. A skiff, not much but it blew in and blew out leaving our first official snow of the year.

Look at your schedule and lets go hunting!!

Today I want to thank all of the members for their contributions to the **Rocky Mountain Roosters MILITARY HUNTING BANK. In 2004 we started a program where we take active duty enlisted men and women-- in any branch of service-- hunting for free. It started out with the wounded warriors, but it transitioned to the able bodied as well.**

We have taken over 3700 hunters in the 11 years and we are still taking the soldiers, but we could use some help. If you want to donate a hunt or two to the bank, we will be able to continue the program. We can also use volunteers to run their dogs for these hunts. We are running hunts every weekend, morning and afternoon for the military. A big thank you to the members who help us with these hunts. We want to thank all of our active duty and EVERYONE who has worn the uniform and served our country.

We are renaming our clay target shooting areas in honor of our military and our country.

The newest shooting stand on the west side is now named

LIBERTY 5-STAND and the west side is the FREEDOM PYRAMID. We will be introducing a memorial wall in the next two weeks as well. Watch your emails.

The counter system is up and working at the clay shooting ranges. This new system allows for much easier shooting if you are by yourself too! Come into the office and get a card and we will show you how to use the system. It is really slick!



LIBERTY 5-STAND



FREEDOM PYRAMID

Do you know anyone that would like to get the RMR E-News on a regular basis? You will get more of the witty and informative notes now that the season is starting. We will keep you up to date on things at the club and industry related around the state and country.

If you know of anyone that would like to get our news, send them to the website and have them sign up to get the newsletters. If you are not already getting the E-news, you can go to the website too, or just [Click here to OPT IN](#) for our E-News and stay informed.



Top Row, From Left: Joe SanFilippo, Kenny Donaldson, Johnny Mann, Vance Kirk, Rob Revis, Russell Tobey.

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MADE IT THROUGH WWII MIA IN VIET NAM

This is a story from a college friend of mine who just retired from the Secret Service. We were both Journalism Majors at CSU. He went on to protect many of our presidents and their families. Brian Cook is a genuine man and one that loves our country. His father was a hero and I think you will agree. He made it through hell in World War II, and was lost in Viet Nam in 1967. Thank you Brian for sharing this story with RMR and our veterans.

In honor of Veterans Day and all those who've served my country.



This is my father's WWII B-24 bomber crew, based in Spinazzola, Italy with the 15th Air Force. When their country called, they answered, They all went through different specialty training around the country and then met up for the first time as a crew just before heading out on a troop ship to Italy from the US, getting to know each other in transit. I'm told they boxed in tournaments, played a lot of cards, and talked about where they came

from and how they ended up on a boat headed to Europe.

They eventually flew 25 combat missions together over Germany, Austria, Hungary, Romania, and Northern Italy. They lived in barren tents and froze in the winter until they decided to build their own huts out of local volcanic stone, or occupied huts vacated by crews that didn't come back. The chances of getting killed were higher for air crews flying over Europe than in any other branch of the service during WWII and your chances of completing a full 25 missions were very slim. On one mission they made it back with only one engine working and the plane riddled with flak holes when they crash landed.

They did everything as a team: fought together, lived together, looked out for each other, drank together, made fun of each other, probably got sick of each other at different times, got into trouble together and cheated death together. When their missions were done and the war in Europe was over, they flew one of their planes back home, hopping from Italy to Morocco, the Azores, Brazil, Canada and then finally ending up in Connecticut before getting their orders to ship home to Kentucky, Michigan, Florida, Utah, Arizona, and the other states they came from.

I often wonder what they talked about on the way home, and especially about what they said to each other on that last day when they all said their goodbyes and went their own ways back to their lives. When you've been through all that together, what do you say when it's time to move on?

"Thanks. It's been real. See you around sometime. Let's have a beer and catch up. Will you call me?" I'm sure there was more to it than that. You look at this picture and can see there is a camaraderie that transcends words.

They had no Facebook, no email, and no mobile phones to keep in touch with and message each other. They only had the US Postal Service and a phone number that may or may not have worked, assuming they were home

to answer it. Although they saw each other here and there, and kept in touch over the years as they slowly moved through life, they were never together as a whole crew again. Two of them are still alive - the guy at the upper left (the ball gunner) and the shorter of the two tall guys in the middle (the top gunner). They both told me they felt so lucky to have been part of a crew that got along so well and cared for each other to the end. They were their own Band of Brothers.

I tip my hat to the crew and thank them, and all the others before and since, who have answered when the call of duty came.

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WHAT IF????

Here are the rules for you to make a reservation. Remember that we have a



48 hour cancellation policy. IF weather is so bad that it is unsafe to get to the club, we will cancel the hunt and will call you. We do not want to endanger anyone, but we hunt in all sorts of weather.

If you call the office to make reservations, please speak slowly and leave your phone number....believe it or not we have more than one John or Jim as members!

The only number you call to make reservations is the office--719-635-3257. If it is after hours during the week, leave a message and we will call you the next business day. (Don't call the clubhouse to make reservations....please!) You can call the office Monday - Friday, 8am-5pm and make reservations by phone at 719-635-3257.

You can also make reservations by email. [Email hunt@rmroosters.com](mailto:hunt@rmroosters.com)

When you email a reservation, we will reply to you to confirm the reservation. You need to tell us how many hunters are in your group, if you will need a guide (are you hunting with your own dog or not) and what birds you want to shoot....Pheasants or Chukar or BOTH. A mixed bag is lots of fun and you don't have to care about what gets up to shoot at.

Do not email hunting reservations after 5pm on Friday....weekends. We don't always look at email during the weekends. Call the office number and it will direct you to the clubhouse, if we are not in the office to get your call.

EMAIL OR PHONE...THOSE ARE THE TWO WAYS TO MAKE RESERVATIONS. DO NOT CALL THE CLUBHOUSE TO MAKE RESERVATIONS (UNLESS IT IS ON THE WEEKEND)

REMEMBER!!!

There is a 48 hour cancellation policy.

We can not take more than 4 people in a party NO EXCEPTIONS!!

The guide fee is \$50 per group, not per person. 1 to 4 hunters.

Hunts start at 8 and run until 11am or from 1 to 4pm.

HAVE YOU EVER HEARD THIS??



[Watch and LISTEN!!](#)

TWO FOR THE ROAD

A famous lawyer, who had been a public defender for years, dies.

He finds himself standing at the back of an enormous queue outside the gates of Heaven.

The queue before him is enormous. The number of people who die in a single day appalls him.

He can barely see St Peter sitting up on a podium outside the gates with a large book. Every now and then St Peter glances down the queue to see how he is going. Suddenly he catches the eye of the lawyer.

He looks very surprised. He jumps down from the podium and comes running along

the line until slightly out of breath he arrives beside the lawyer. He embraces him.

He pulls him out of the queue and motions for him to come to the front of the queue. Another person questions what is happening and another angel speaks to the person.

Word is passed along the queue and the lawyer is surprised, as people start nodding and clapping. He becomes embarrassed by all the attention and asks St Peter why he is getting the special attention.

St Peter stops suddenly and looks concerned.

"You are a lawyer aren't you?"

"Yes" the lawyer replies. "Does this happen to all lawyers in heaven?"

"Oh, no," said St Peter. "It's just you are the first one to ever get here."

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During a lady's medical examination, the British doctor says, "Your heart, lungs, pulse and blood pressure are all fine. Now let me see the part that gets you ladies into all kinds of trouble."

The lady starts taking off her undies but is interrupted by the doctor.

"No! No! Just stick out your tongue!"

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During the holiday season, most of us have at least one or two empty seats at our dinner tables. Why don't you consider asking a single friend or a couple to join you? How about a soldier and his or her family (a lot of them are by themselves too...)? We can help you find a soldier to invite to share in your bounty. Drop me a note and I can help you fill your table and share with those that are alone and or less fortunate.

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