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# THE GEM CITY GUN CLUB BULLET TEN

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### **GEM CITY GUN CLUB OFFICERS**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Chris Kelly

SPRING IS COMING again and I hope that all of our membership has wintered well. I look forward to seeing all of you at the range again this year, and I hope you will enjoy the things that we are currently working to accomplish this year.

We will be having the new electrical system finished up shortly as well as hopefully, something being done for our indoor range ventilation. We are also looking at another upgrade to our long rage rifle ranges. I would like to personally thank the board and our members that have been assisting in all of our projects.

Please remember the date for our gun show and pitch in to help if you are able; just getting the word out to those that don't know about it is helpful. This is one of the few fundraisers that we are currently doing. Also, we will be doing two Hunter Safety classes again this year and are always on the look out for more volunteers.

I would also ask that you look

over all the different things that our divisions will be offering this year. We have always strived to continue programs and competition for our members and I am sure you will find something that interests you. We also are pleased to have some new members working to improve our IPSC division; Matt is doing a wonderful job taking over for the retiring John Malmgren. If you see either of these two gentlemen please say, thanks to John for his years of work and thank Matt for helping it continue. If you have any other ideas be sure to come to the monthly board meeting and give us your input, or maybe even volunteer some of your spare time to help benefit your club. The board can only act on the ideas that we have or come up with so everyone's input is needed and welcomed.

Lastly let me offer you my best wishes for a safe and fun season this year, and feel free to contact me if need be.

# On Target

**DIVERSITY** Dave Hanes



AS I TRAVEL around to different parts of the country- and out of the country for that matter— I take every opportunity to visit local gun clubs, if for no other reason

than to meet and talk to other like-minded people. But I also like to see what they have in the way of facilities and programs. It's a good way to generate new ideas and to share our successes with others. What stands out about our club is the diversity of its programs. While most clubs tend to be one-themed, ours has many: we offer Junior Rifle, Highpower Rifle, Practical Pistol, Bullseye Pistol, Trapshooting, Hunter Safety, 3D Archery, as well as a sundry of indoor and outdoor ranges, including the police range that is used to train and qualify many local law enforcement agencies. I dare say I've never seen a club with such a diversity of programs to offer. I believe we owe this to three factors: 1) large membership base, 2) growth-oriented board members, and 3) strong volunteerism. We will be hosting a one-day gun show on 19 March to benefit our club—please support it. We certainly have something to be proud of!