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# Press Release

## Three Lakes Trap Team Receives \$5,000 Gun Donation from TLFWIA

**Three Lakes, Wisconsin** — The Three Lakes Fish & Wildlife Improvement Association recently made a great contribution to the Three Lakes High School Trap Team by purchasing five dedicated trap guns for student athletes to use. The gun donation is valued at more than \$5,000.

“Most of our shooters come each week with either their hunting shotguns or their parents’ hunting shotguns,” said Trap Team Coach Al Votis. “That’s great, but for many of our shooters, the guns don’t fit well.”

Votis said dedicated trap shotguns help athletes change the hold and aim of the guns, which gives a better view of the target.

“Members of the Fish & Wildlife Association who were trap shooters in the past know the difference a gun can make in competition,” Votis said. “The new shotguns will help our shooters be better, and with more success, we’ll continue growing our team.”

Votis also noted that having team guns eliminates barriers and encourages more students to join the trap program.

“We, as coaches, have always brought extra guns, but the same problem still existed: fit and the use of hunting guns. This donation just helps us reach even more students, so we can teach them to enjoy the shooting sports. We are very fortunate and blessed to have support for our team in our community. We have a great community that understands the importance of safety, training and respect, all of which we focus on in our trap shooting,” Votis said.

The Three Lakes Trap team has 31 members for the 2019 season. Students in grades 7-12 can join the trap team at Three Lakes, and the club covers all fees, shells and clay targets for the athletes. The Three Lakes Trap Team is a member of the Scholastic Clay Target Program’s (SCTP) Wisconsin Clay Target Conference Northeast Division. Clay target shooting is the fastest growing sport in several states, including Wisconsin. Last year’s state tournament saw more than 1,300 athletes participate out of about 4,000 high school athletes in the state.

**About Three Lakes Fish & Wildlife Improvement Association** - TLFWIA is a nonprofit organization that was founded in 1990. The organization is dedicated to youth education, conservation of natural resources, and enhancement of hunting, fishing and other outdoor opportunities.

**About TLSD** - Three Lakes School District is located in Oneida County, Wisconsin, in the heart of the Northwoods. Our district includes Sugar Camp Elementary, Three Lakes Elementary and Three Lakes Jr./Sr. High schools and the communities of Hiles, Monico, Piehl, Stella, Sugar Camp and Three Lakes. Our award-winning district has received a 2017 Magna Award Honorable Mention and has been recognized as a Title 1 School of Recognition.