



PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

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To: Officers, Directors, Local Chapter Presidents, Technical Committee, and Loyal Order of Silver Spurrs

From: Tim Holtz, Secretary: 

Enclosed for your review and reference please find a copy of the minutes of the November 1993 Board of Directors meeting.

January Board of Directors Meeting: The January 1994 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter will be held at George Miller's camp near Brockway, Jefferson County, Pennsylvania, on January 7 and 8, 1994. The meeting will convene at 8:00 P.M., Friday, January 7. Directions to the meeting location will be sent to you under separate cover.

As announced for the November 1993 meeting, the upcoming and all future meetings will be conducted as follows: Friday - review of Officer and Committee reports, and committee work sessions; **each Officer and committee chairman is requested to provide a written report, with sufficient copies for the entire group assembled at the meeting, for the Friday session; if unable to attend the Friday session, please provide your report copies to the Chairman of the Board prior to the date of the Friday session;** Saturday - Old and New Business. Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus is asking for everyone's cooperation in conducting this meeting, and future meetings, in this manner so as to efficiently address the business at hand and allow ample time for relaxation and enjoyment.

Meeting Notice: The March 1994 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter will be held in conjunction with the Annual Convention on March 18 and 19, 1994 in Monroeville, PA.

I look forward to seeing each of you at the January meeting. I'm taking this opportunity to wish each of you and your family a safe and joyous holiday season.



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PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
NOVEMBER 12 & 13, 1993
PENNSYLVANIA AND OHIO CAMP, CLEARFIELD, PA

CALL TO ORDER: The November meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter, NWTF was called to order at 8:30 P.M., November 12, 1993 by Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus. It was noted that a quorum was not present and business would be limited to reports until which time a quorum was present.

Chairman Sandrus welcomed those in attendance and thanked the Pennsylvania and Ohio Camp for providing the meeting site.

Chairman Sandrus informed the Board that new procedures would be followed for the meeting, and future meetings, as follows: Friday - each committee chair and officer to provide written copies (more than one) for review of Board; if unable to attend the Friday session it is the responsibility of the individual to provide copies of the written report to the Chairman of the Board prior to the meeting; Friday business to consist of committee work and review of written reports; the President, NWTF representative and technical committee will be provided opportunity to present an oral report. Saturday - Old and New Business; duty of each Board member to review written reports prior to Saturday session.

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

NWTF TECHNICAL: NWTF Technical Committee Representative Bill Drake reported:

- * Jerry Wunz was hospitalized briefly in September.
- * PGC will participate in Project 2000 this Winter, goal is to provide 100 birds for North Carolina.
- * Bill Drake and Arnie Hayden attended the Northeast Wild Turkey Technical Committee meeting in Connecticut in September, major topics were game farm turkey releases, transfer of turkeys among states, and data required to manage turkeys.
- * A prospectus is being prepared for a new wild turkey study in PA which will involve radio telemetry work to determine mortality and recruitment rates of turkey populations in several Management Areas to facilitate population estimation and modeling; proposal includes a mail-in envelope for successful turkey hunters to provide wing and breast feathers to determine age and sex composition of spring and fall seasons.
- * Fall 1992 harvest report card data regarding weapon used for harvest has

been finalized; rifles were indicated as the harvest weapon for 12.8% of the successful fall hunters, compared to 12.0% for the fall 1991 season.

- * 1992 Game Take Survey results: license holders - 1,152,478; questionnaires successfully mailed - 14,343 (1.2% of licensed hunters); questionnaires returned 8,950 (62.4% response rate); the following estimates, with a 95% confidence interval, were made based on the Game Take Survey: spring turkey harvest - 18,180; fall turkey harvest - 21,468; spring turkey hunters - 186,738; fall turkey hunters - 212,104.

President Rick Moroney thanked Bill Drake for attending the Allegany National Forest dedication and for attending the MOU signing with West penn Power.

NWTF: NWTF Board member Howard Meyers reported the following:

- * Super Fund banquet attendees will be credited with 12 months of membership, which means individuals attending multiple banquets in the same year will have membership extended 12 months beyond first year membership expiration date.
- * NWTF will be adding Regional Directors in future.
- * NWTF will expand wild turkey center in 5 to 8 years, will be paid for in advance.
- * Gene Smith's father recently passed away.
- * Mortgage for NWTF building will be burned at the 1994 NWTF Convention.
- * NWTF will be launching a television program entitled "From the Pages of Turkey Call Magazine".

Meeting recessed, 10:15 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 12:30 P.M. November 13. It was noted that a quorum was not present.

PRESIDENT: President Rick Moroney reported the following:

- * Attended the dedication of the Bear Creek Project on the Allegany National Forest, accepted an award on behalf of the Chapter.
- * Attended the signing of an MOU with West Penn Power.
- * Need to adopt and implement the Long Range Plan.
- * The plaque for the SGL 25 land purchase was never erected, need to follow up.
- * NWTF has a brochure listing items available from the Safety Task Force.
- * PA Super Fund Update - since inception, total deposits are \$418,000; projects funded - 149; \$ spent - \$365,000; current balance - \$52,700 which includes \$43,500 of restricted funds from Project 2000 for the relocation of 87 turkeys to North Carolina.
- * Need to strive to increase deposits to the Super Fund.
- * NWTF currently has signed an MOU with 7 forest products companies, 6 utility companies.
- * NWTF has prepared a written history of the first 10 years of the organization. PA Chapter should endeavor to do the same, suggests that the Chapter approach Bud Erich and Shirley Grenoble and ask their help in preparing a written history.
- * Chapter supports NRA-ILA with annual donation of \$250.
- * Difficult to conduct business as it should be at the November meeting, Chapter should consider meeting the second weekend of October rather than November.

- * Hunters Hike was not well supported; Dan Roessner suggested that we involve JAKES as a means to involve JAKES and support for youth hikers by way of may be better than support for adults.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: No report.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: No report.

SECRETARY: Minutes of the August Board of Directors meeting were provided, no corrections were noted from the floor.

TREASURER: Treasurer Don Heckman provided the financial report for the period ending October 31, 1993. **Balance sheet:** assets, checking - \$5,947.30, inventory \$6,137.30, fund equity - \$12,084.60. **Operating statement:** income June 1 to Oct. 31 \$20,390.43, YTD income - \$42,464.03; expenses June 1 to Oct. 31 - \$25,723.06, YTD expenses - 442,729.72.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: No report.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported the following activities on behalf of the Chapter since the August meeting:

- * Judged 2 turkey calling contests, Chambersburg and Pottsville, PA.
- * Presented turkey hunting and safety seminars in Kittanning, Altoona, and Claysburg, PA.
- * Attended 3 meetings in Altoona, PA for the Keystone Sportsmen for Youth.
- * Attended the POWA conference in Linesville, PA, Sept. 10, 11, & 12, presented NWTF safety task force materials to many POWA members.
- * Attended Super Fund banquet, Susquehanna Chapter.

CORRESPONDENCE: Secretary Tim Holtz reported the following correspondence:

- * Received letter from Louis Yount, Chairman of NWTF Nominating Committee, informing the Chapter that our nominee, Dan Roessner, would be on the ballot for election of the NWTF Board of Directors.
- * Holtz sent letter to Dr. Kennemar informing NWTF of the Chapter's nomination of Larry Smail for the Roger Latham Sportsmens Service Award.
- * Holtz sent letter to Dr. Kennemar informing NWTF of the Chapter's nomination of Arnie Hayden for the Henry Mosby Award.
- * President Moroney received letter from Ron Brenneman thanking the Chapter individuals that participated in developing the long range plan.
- * President Moroney received a letter from Jim McGinnis of New York who is interested in purchasing D.D. Adams original slate calls.
- * President Moroney received letter from Carl Brown which explained the new policy regarding NWTF membership through Super Fund banquet attendance.
- * President Moroney received letter from Senator Lincoln regarding H.B. 1704.
- * President Moroney received letter from Patrick Leahy of West Power thanking the Chapter for the donation to West Penn Power's sporting clays event.

NWTF: NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman reported the following:

- * PGC turkey management report is available to review, on report table, interesting reading.
- * Banquet highlights - Lakeland Longbeards achieved Golden Gobblers status; Mason Dixon had 41 sponsor members; all banquets realized a profit; one new

fall banquet, Tamarack Turkey Talkers; Roger Latham Chapter has been revived; interest in revitalizing chapters in Greene and Clarion Counties; Lawrence County Chapter has folded.

- * We need to utilize the media in telling our story.
- * PGC, Carl Graybill, has asked for our support in providing 4,000 to 5,000 safety stickers; our cost would be approximately \$350.

FINANCE: Finance Committee Chairman Don Heckman reported that he is awaiting a decision from NWTF regarding the 501 (c) 3 status and is currently preparing a draft 1994 budget.

NOMINATING: Nominating Committee Chairman Ron Sandrus reported that the ballot for election of Chapter Board will be included in the convention mailing.

AWARDS: Awards Committee Chairman Dennis Strawbridge reported that he is updating the names for Chapter Silver Spurrs Award Plaque.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS: Constitution and Bylaws Committee Chairman Tim Holtz reported that he is in the process of placing the June 1993 amendments on a disk.

SUPER FUND, SAFETY: Hunter Safety Education Committee Chairman Dan Roessner reported that he participated in the production of a turkey hunting safety video by the Pennsylvania Game Commission which will be used by the PGC to train field office personnel on the key elements of a "Safe and Successful Turkey Hunting Program". Roessner further reported that the Chapter will be providing assistance to the PGC in the presentation of turkey hunting safety programs in Pennsylvania, that the Committee continues to review requests for Super Fund monies for projects related to hunter safety education, that the PGC will compile a report on fall turkey hunting accidents after the season closes, and that it is Roessner's personal observation that compliance with the fluorescent orange turkey hunting regulations has been poor.

SUPER FUND, HABITAT: No report.

SUPER FUND, LAND ACQUISITION: On behalf of Committee Chairman Baldrige, President Moroney asked for some clarification regarding a parcel of land in the Lakeland Longbeards area which had been available for purchase. Per Gary Beatty, PGC has not purchased due to high price per acre.

LEGISLATIVE: No report.

PORTFOLIO: Committee Chairman Gary Beatty reported that he received portfolios from the Lakeland Longbeards, Roscoe, and Local #1 Local Chapters, and requested a copy of the Long Range Plan and the 1993 Convention report to include in the portfolio.

PUBLICATIONS: Committee Chairman Larry Smail was unable to attend the meeting and provided a written report which stated: some of Smail's concerns regarding the Long Range Action Plan as it pertains to the future of Turkey Talk; Smail expressed the opinion that a drastic alteration or the deletion of Turkey Talk would be a great discredit to our membership; Smail welcomes all comments and suggestions.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Committee Chairman Dan Sullivan was unable to attend the meeting

and provided a written report in which Sullivan expressed confidence that the Public Relations efforts of the Chapter will be greatly enhanced by following the recommendations included in the Long Range Plan.

COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES: Committee Chairman Dan Sullivan was unable to attend and provided a written report which stated that Turkey talk has been mailed to the membership, the current bulk mailing account balance is approximately \$25, the Committee is working with the 1994 Convention Committee to put together the Convention mailing, and the annual bulk mail permit fee must be paid prior to any mailing in 1994.

ART: Committee Chairman Reed Johnson reported that the new conservation print is available and will be advertised in the new issue of Turkey Talk. Johnson further reported that the Committee has made 40 prints available to Jerry Zimmerman to use at Super Fund banquets. Prints will be offered to the membership and the public before any concerted effort is made to sell prints to art galleries.

YOUTH: Committee Chairman Steve Lechorchick was unable to attend the meeting and provided a written report to the Board which stated that the Committee had received a request from the Moshannon Chapter for a \$100 donation for a youth day held on the Allegany National Forest. The Committee sent a check from funds on hand from a previous Super Fund withdrawal, which was for the Chapter youth day scheduled for last August and subsequently cancelled due to low registration. The Committee has \$202 remaining from the Super Fund withdrawal, will hold the money to use for other youth events.

PAST PRESIDENTS: No report.

PROMOTIONAL ITEMS: No report.

PAPER SUPPLIES: Committee Chairman Dennis Strawbridge reported that at direction of the Board, the Committee would handle the bumper stickers and would provide them at no cost to those chapters requesting bumper stickers.

1994 CONVENTION: Committee Chairman Gil Shaffer reported that the Committee had a meeting with Coors regarding possible sponsorship of the Masters Calling Contest. Shaffer further reported that other convention related matters are progressing well and that the Committee will be obtaining \$2,000 start up funds from Treasurer Heckman.

1993 GUN RAFFLE: Committee Chairman Dennis Strawbridge reported that 910 gun raffle tickets were sold and 4 of the winning numbers were unsold tickets, Chapter retains ownership of 4 guns which will be turned over to the Convention Committee.

MEETING SITE: Committee Chairman John Szeferksi reported that the Pennsylvania and Ohio Camp would be available for the August meeting if we wish to use the site. The January 1994 meeting will be held January 7 and 8, and is presently scheduled to be held at Skip Sanderson's camp.

LOCAL CHAPTERS: Jerry Zimmerman reported that presently there are 31 active local chapters. John Szeferksi reported that the Schukill Longbeards will probably fold after the first of the year, presently have \$300 in treasury.

DISTRICT DIRECTORS: District Director Bill Laird reported that he met with members in the Chambersburg area regarding reactivating the Fort Chambers Chapter.

OLD BUSINESS

LEGAL ACTION: Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that he spoke with attorney Bilik's office regarding the action; action is still pending, will probably end up in court.

H.B. 1704: Bill passed the House, has not been addressed in the Senate.

PGC SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS: President Moroney will prepare a written presentation for our recommendations for the January PGC meeting; Moroney will bring the recommendations before the Chapter Board at the January meeting, for approval of the Board.

NWTF BOARD ELECTIONS: Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus urged the Board to support Dan Roessner in his bid for a seat on the NWTF Board

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: President Moroney reported that the Executive Committee met Friday evening and reviewed the rebate check matter, the decision of the Committee was to use the money to operate the Chapter until cash becomes available from the 1994 Convention at which time the matter will be reviewed again.

LONG RANGE PLAN: Plan is finalized, will be presented for approval when a quorum is present.

NRA INSTRUCTORS It was noted from the floor that instructors that participated in at least one clinic will be renewed as an instructor, all instructors who did not participate in a clinic will be dropped from the instructor list.

NEW BUSINESS

DEER AND TURKEY EXPO: Chairman Ron Sandrus reported that an expo is scheduled for March 11, 12, and 13 at Mount Airy, PA; Sandrus is working to obtain booth space for the Chapter.

MEETING SITE: President Moroney reported that a committee to review established meeting sites and dates will be formed; committee will be guided by Long Range Plan.

ALLEGANY NATIONAL FOREST WISE USE COALITION: Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that Tim Holtz will represent the Chapter as a member of the Board of the ANF Wise Use Coalition, a coalition of parties interested in the management of the Forest for the benefit of a broad base of forest users.

NOVEMBER MEETING: Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus led a discussion regarding the possibility of conducting our fall Board meeting in October rather than November. Consensus of the Board was that the business meeting should be scheduled for October and a hunt weekend (no business) should be scheduled for November.

REUNION: Dan Roessner reported on an idea to schedule a reunion type event for a summer weekend, the idea being to have past Board members gather with present

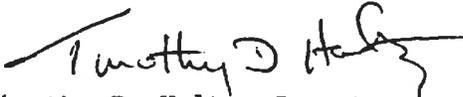
Board members for a weekend of fun and perhaps a modest fund raiser. Tim Holtz to gather information on a potential site, report to the Board in January.

CHAPTER SAVINGS ACCOUNT: Treasurer Don Heckman informed the Board that he has closed the Chapter savings account and will keep all funds in the checking account.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: President Rick Moroney informed the Board that the Executive Committee would move to approve the Treasurer and Secretary reports.

MEETING ADJOURNED, 2:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Timothy D. Holtz, Secretary
Pennsylvania Chapter, NWTF

Executive Committee Meeting Notes

Treasurer - Second consecutive year with budget deficit, causing us to use Super Fund rebate \$ for Chapter operations, need new fund raising projects. Treasurer report approved.

Secretary - Minutes of August 1993 Board meeting approved.

Board Member Expenses for Reimbursement - Receipts required for all expenses.

Banquet Start Up \$ - Heckman reported that the Chapter is due \$900 in start up loans; due from 6 chapters, going back to end of 1991; monies apparently were included in chapter banquet receipts; Zimmerman to follow up.

Long Range Plan - Need to adopt and begin implementation.

Meeting Site Committee - Formed Committee to evaluate and plan meeting site plan; Committee members - Szeferksi, Knoll, Johnson, Sandrus; proposed meeting dates - 2nd weekend in January, 3rd weekend in March, 1st weekend in June and August, and weekend between opening of archery and early small game season.

Action Items

- * Seasons and bag limits - Moroney
- * Awards - Awards Committee send letter soliciting nominations for awards
- * PGC safety sticker request - Roessner to follow up
- * Deer and turkey expo, Mt. Airy - Sandrus to arrange booth space and to contact Jerry Zimmerman for local chapter help with booth
- * 10 year history - Sandrus to contact Shirley Grenoble and Bud Erich to solicit their help in compiling history

Board members absent from November meeting: Baldrige, Barron, Bassinger, Bolan, Bowman, Crilley, Dewing, Keagy, Krug, Lechorchick, Porowski, Smail, Sullivan, Weaver

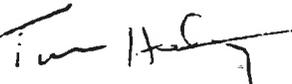


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RD #1 Box 77
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October 11, 1993

To: Pennsylvania Chapter Board of Directors, Local Chapter Preseidents,
Technical Committee, and Loyal Order of Silver Spurs

From: Tim Holtz, Secretary, Pennsylvania Chapter 

Enclosed for your review and reference please find a copy of the minutes of August 1993 Board of Directors meeting.

NOVEMBER MEETING: As of this date, the November meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter is scheduled for November 5 & 6 at the Pennsylvania & Ohio Camp in Clearfield County. A map showing the location of the Pennsylvania & Ohio Camp is on the reverse of this memo. It is possible that the November meeting site and/or date will be changed due to some scheduling conflicts with the P & O Camp. If there are changes, you will be notified as far in advance as possible.

Regarding the November meeting, please be informed that Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus will be instituting some changes in the meeting format; please refer to page 3, Chairman of the Board, of the enclosed minutes. Also at this meeting President Rick Moroney wishes for the Board to agree on any proposals we wish to present at the PGC January Seasons and Bag Limits meeting.

JANUARY MEETING NOTICE: The January meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter will be January 7 and 8 at a site to be announced.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION: I've been notified by NWTF that Dan Roessner's name will appear on the ballot for election of Directors of the National Wild Turkey Federation. I urge each member of the Pennsylvania Chapter to support Dan in his bid for election. I suggest that each Local Chapter President consider urging members of their Local Chapter to support Dan. Dan has a great deal to offer to the National Board.

I look forward to seeing each of you at the November meeting.

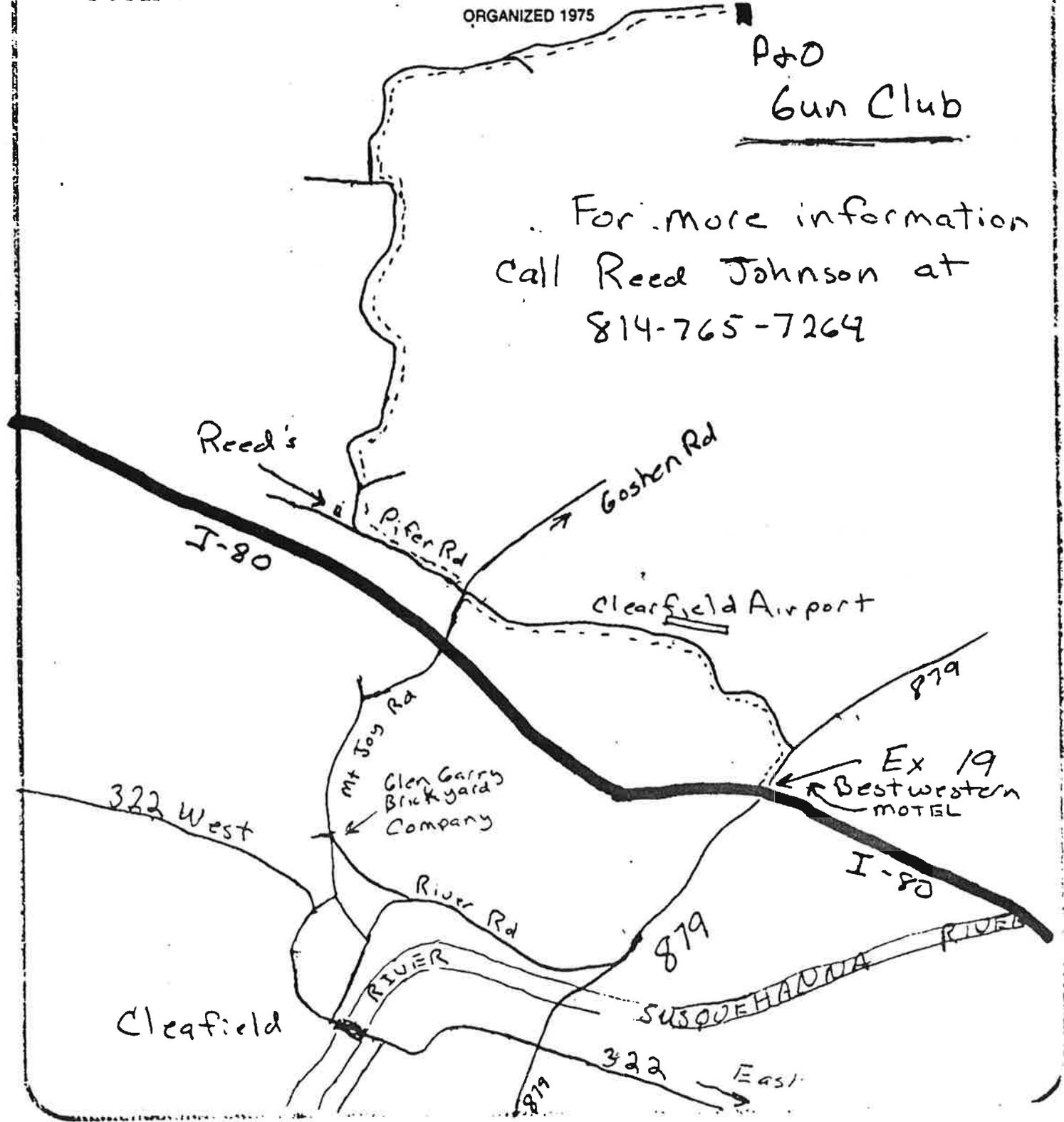


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Gun Club

For more information
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October 12, 1993

To: Pennsylvania Chapter Board of Directors, Local Chapter Presidents, Technical Committee, and Loyal Order of Silver Spurrs

From: Tim Holtz, Secretary 

MEETING NOTICE CHANGE

Please be informed that due to a scheduling conflict with the Pennsylvania and Ohio Camp, the November meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter has been rescheduled for **November 12 and 13 at the Pennsylvania and Ohio Camp.**

I appologize for this change and for the late notice.



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PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
AUGUST 13 & 14, 1993
REED JOHNSON'S CAMP, CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PA

CALL TO ORDER: The August 1993 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter NWTF was called to order at 9:30 P.M. on August 13, by Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus. It was noted that a quorum was present and the board could conduct the business to come before it. Chairman of the Board Sandrus welcomed NWTF staff members Carl Brown and Ron Brenneman.

OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENT: President Moroney expressed his desire to present his report at the Saturday session of the meeting.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: First Vice President Skip Sanderson informed the Board that he would report activities under various committee reports.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: Second vice President Dennis Strawbridge reported that he attended the Delaware Chapter's calling contest.

SECRETARY: Secretary Tim Holtz presented the minutes of the June 1993 Board of Directors meeting. The floor noted one correction as follows: page 4, Turkey Talk report, ...obtaining the labels from Graphics 100;... was changed to read, ...obtaining the labels for Graphics 100;...

A motion to accept the minutes as corrected was made by Steve Lecorchick, second by Mikolajczyk. Motion passed.

TREASURER: On behalf of Treasurer Don Heckman, who was unable to attend the meeting, Secretary Holtz presented the following report. As of August 7, 1993 checking account balance - \$5,123.30; savings account balance - \$2,732.06; total - \$7,855.36. Projected bills, August through November: guns for raffle - \$10,700; Turkey Talk, Summer issue - \$2,500; Conservation Print - \$4,500; telephone - \$800. Chairman Sandrus noted that Heckman expressed concern as to the Chapter's ability to pay upcoming bills, during a recent telephone conversation between Sandrus and Heckman. **A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented was made by Gary Beatty, second by Dennis Strawbridge. Motion passed.**

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported the following activities on behalf of the Chapter since the June Board meeting:
* June 8 - Altoona, meeting Keystone Sportsmen for Youth

- * June 18, July 28 - turkey hunting & safety seminars, Kittaning and Altoona, respectively
- * June 20 - Safety Committee meeting, Frank Piper's camp
- * July 14 - PGC meeting, Huntingdon, PA
- * July 30 - interview for Wade Bourne's Wild Turkey Review newsletter
- * August 5 - interview for Tom Fegely, outdoor writer

CORRESPONDENCE: Secretary Holtz reported the following correspondence on behalf of the Chapter: sent letter to Gary Tanner congratulating him on his promotion to Director of Development; sent letter to the NWTF Nominating Committee submitting the name of Dan Roessner for consideration of Roessner's nomination to the position on the Board of Directors of the NWTF; received a letter from Gary Tanner thanking the Chapter for the congratulatory letter regarding his promotion; received a letter from Rob Keck acknowledging the Chapter's submission of Dan Roessner's name for nomination to the NWTF Board. President Moroney reported receiving a letter from Yirhy Bihun acknowledging the Chapter's donation to the Forest Stewardship VIP program and a letter from Vernon Shaffer thanking the Chapter for supporting him in his desire to become a Commissioner of the PGC. Carl Brown reported on a letter he had sent to the Chapter suggesting that Chapter's process donations to the American Heritage Hunting Fund through the Super Fund so as to create a permanent record of all donations. Brown noted that support of the American Heritage Hunting Fund should be considered on an annual basis and it was suggested that support be included in the Chapter's annual budget.

NWTF: Director of Membership and Chapter Development Carl Brown reported that NWTF membership has surpassed the 80,000 mark, including 13,000 JAKES members; for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1993, the NWTF funded over \$800,000 more in projects than in the previous fiscal year; NWTF Board recently approved a record budget for the upcoming fiscal year; projections are that there will be 500 Super Fund banquets in the upcoming fiscal year; the Membership Committee has a goal of 100,000 members by the end of 1995; building fund debt is currently \$100,000.

Assistant Director of research and Management Ron Brenneman reported that in the first 7 months of the current fiscal year 329 Super Fund projects have been funded; in Pennsylvania 39 projects have been funded with a value of \$53,000; present PA Super Fund balance is \$5,600 with an additional \$43,000 earmarked from Project 2,000 turkeys transferred by the PGC; there is a new Super Fund withdrawal request form which is 4 part carbonless paper; Chapter will soon receive a letter regarding the \$1 per member rebate which the Chapter will have the option to receive from the Super Fund, present Super Fund balance is not adequate to cover the cost of the rebate; the new hunter safety products developed by the safety task force are available, including a camera ready slick for a billboard.

Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman provided information on first time Super Fund banquets; reported that on a national basis Pennsylvania is presently first in membership, fourth in sponsor members, third in JAKES, fourth in \$ raised through Super Fund banquets, and second in the number of Super Fund banquets held; noted that the Pennsylvania Deer Association is seeking our support for their upcoming annual meeting, Zimmerman will coordinate a donation.

NWTF Board member Howard Meyers reported that he was unable to attend the summer Board of Directors meeting; Meyers noted that he has informed the Board that he will

not be seeking reelection to the NWTF Board of Directors.

NWTF TECHNICAL COMMITTEE: Technical Committee representative Bill Drake presented the 1993 Pennsylvania Game Commission wild turkey management report noting the following:

- * Fall 1992 estimated harvest (calculated from harvest report cards) declined 38% from fall 1991.
- * The 1992 WCO summer turkey sightings were down 32% from 1991.
- * The fall 1992 turkey harvest reporting rate declined by 14.7% from fall 1991.
- * The fall 1992 turkey hunter success rate declined 18% from fall 1991.
- * Preliminary spring 1993 harvest report cards increased 23% over spring 1992.
- * Final spring 1993 harvest figures will be available in August 1994 after data is collected from the 1993 game take survey.
- * Research - Forest Wildlife Section of the PGC Bureau of Wildlife Management is continuing to monitor turkey harvest trends, reporting rates, participation rates, and success rates; WCO summer turkey sighting survey is ongoing as well as WCO turkey baiting survey; two proposals for additional wild turkey research are being prepared, one involving radio-instrumenting turkeys to determine the effect of varying hunting season lengths on turkey survival and recruitment, the second proposal is for a study involving a hunter mail-in envelope survey of primary and breast feathers from harvested turkeys to determine sex and age composition of spring and fall harvests.
- * The PGC Commissioners have requested the Forest Wildlife Section to provide recommendations concerning an option for a two bird bag limit for the spring season and a May 1 starting date.
- * 87 turkeys were trapped and transferred to North Carolina in winter 1993 in cooperation with NWTF Project 2000.

Meeting recessed at 11:30 P.M.

Meeting reconvened at 9:00 A.M. August 14, 1993.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Membership Secretary Eric Bowman reported that the current Chapter membership is approximately 8,000. **Note: New address for Eric Bowman, P.O. Box 1542 Warren, PA 16365.**

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus informed the Board that effective with the November Board meeting business will be conducted as follows: Friday evening - Committee work and presentations from individuals unable to attend Saturday; Committee Chairmen are responsible for providing a written report and having the report available to the Board for the Friday evening session; if not attending Friday evening provide written report to the Chairman of the Board prior to the meeting.

Saturday session will be for Old and New Business and other pertinent matters

Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman stressed the importance of conducting Board meetings in a businesslike manner, including having a meeting site which is conducive to business; should consider a central location.

These matters will be addressed in greater detail by the Long Range Planning Committee.

PRESIDENT: President Rick Moroney reported that in addition to the business reported in his update report of July 5, he has attended several local chapter meetings, wrote numerous letters, has been in contact with Board members regarding Chapter matters, attended several functions on behalf of the Chapter, and has been working with the Mon-Yough Chapter planning their upcoming Super Fund Banquet.

President Moroney expressed thanks to the following individuals: Ron Sandrus for keeping Moroney updated on legislative matters and other Chapter concerns; on behalf of the Chapter, Ron Fretts, Steve Lecorchick, and Dan Roessner along with Local Chapter Number One including Joe Crilley, Sam Truxal, and Tom Baldrige for making the golf outing a success; Joe Krug for his efforts and suggestions on restructuring the Super Fund Project review process; Carl Brown and Ron Brenneman for attending the meeting and assisting with the Long Range Plan.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE: No Report.

NOMINATING: Committee Chairman Ron Sandrus informed the Board that he had received one nomination for the Board from a local chapter, the nominee being Matt Friedman of the Red Rose Chapter.

Committee Chairman Sandrus reported that the following Board members term expires at the March 1994 Annual Meeting: Ron Barron, Dale Bassinger, John Bolan, Eric Bowman, Gary Beatty, Max Dewing, and John Szeferksi.

AWARDS: No report.

BYLAWS: No report.

SUPER FUND SAFETY: No report.

SUPER FUND HABITAT: Committee Chairman Joe Krug reported that he has received two proposals, one from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and one from the DER Bureau of Forestry, total cost approximately \$30,000. The Committee has not discussed the proposals, Krug noted that the present Super Fund balance is not sufficient to cover the cost of the proposals.

Committee Chairman Krug also noted that 12 Bureau of Forestry project proposals are awaiting approval and funding (in addition to the the above noted project); Krug noted that a recent discussion with Dan Devlin's office of the Bureau of Forestry indicated a willingness on the part of the Bureau of Forestry to submit additional project proposals providing that funding will be available.

Committee Chairman Krug noted that the project proposal process for the coming year will be to review and approve funding of projects at the January Board meeting, the limits of funding being based upon the projected monies available in the Super Fund during the year. **Krug noted that this process will make it necessary to have project proposals to him by December 31, 1993, to enable him time to compile the information for the Committee to review prior to the January meeting.** Krug will be sending information to local chapters on the new process.

SUPER FUND LAND ACQUISITION: No report.

ART: Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that the Chapter has received 3 "Follow the Leader" prints for our donations to the building fund and they have been turned over to the Art Committee.

Committee Chairman Reed Johnson reported that the conservation print has been printed and prints are presently being shipped to Gerald Putt for signature. 100 prints will be sent to NWTF. Prints will be available at cost of \$75.

Dennis Strawbridge informed the Board and the Art Committee of a print by Bob Sopchick which Sopchick has offered to make available to the Chapter, Strawbridge noted that the Mason-Dixon Chapter is using the print for their Super Fund banquet. Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus asked the Art Committee to review the matter.

LEGISLATIVE: Committee Chairman Rich Weaver reported that H.B. 1704 has been passed by the House Game and Fisheries Committee and the full House and presently is in the Senate. Weaver noted that the Senate is presently recessed and will not be back in session until November.

Committee Chairman Weaver informed the Board that in the future the Legislative Committee and the Public Relations Committee will be working more closely together on conservation/environmental issues; Weaver noted that we are foremost a conservation organization and we need to work to project this image.

LOCAL CHAPTERS, DISTRICT DIRECTORS: No report.

PORTFOLIO: Committee Chairman Gary Beatty reported that he will be sending a letter to local chapter presidents encouraging the local chapters to provide him with information for the portfolio. Beatty noted that the portfolio is due in Edgefield by November 15. Carl Brown noted that Super Fund banquet and Super Fund project figures will be compiled automatically by NWTF, need only include other projects in the portfolio.

PUBLICATIONS: Committee Chairman Larry Smail reported that the summer issue of Turkey Talk has been printed and should be on the way to Graphics 100; expect the issue to be to the membership within a couple of weeks.

Committee Chairman Smail informed the Board that he plans to include the results of the survey that appeared in the winter issue of Turkey Talk in the upcoming fall issue of Turkey Talk.

Committee Chairman Smail appealed to the Board and local chapters for material for the Caller. Send information on habitat projects, banquets, etc. to Smail. Rich Weaver suggested that as part of the Super Fund project approval process a copy of the project be sent to Smail.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Committee Chairman Dan Sullivan reported that he believes public opinion of the Chapter is presently good. Sullivan reported that he recently was invited to speak to two separate outdoor related group meetings and that the response to the Chapter's activities was positive.

Sullivan also reported that regarding H.B. 1704 he has been in contact with the Lt. Governor's office, Senator Lincoln's office, and Sullivan's local Senator's office. Sullivan further reported that he was contacted by Randy Opferbeck, editor of the New York Chapter newsletter, regarding a number of topics with the primary subject of conversation being the fluorescent orange issue.

COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES: Committee Chairman Sullivan reported that the current balance of the bulk mailing account is \$83.77. Sullivan will be requesting monies from the Chapter treasurer to cover the cost of mailing the summer issue of Turkey Talk, which Sullivan reported will be about 7,067 pieces.

YOUTH: Committee Chairman Steve Lecorchick reported that the JAKES program scheduled for August in the Blue Knob area has been cancelled due to insufficient enrollment. Lecorchick noted that a number of local chapters are holding youth events. Lecorchick noted that the Youth Committee has \$500 remaining from a Super Fund withdrawal that was designated for use to fund the JAKES weekend. Lecorchick appealed to all local chapters to send a report to him of local chapter youth events.

Carl Brown informed the Board that chapters scheduling youth/JAKES events should contact the NWTF prior to the event, to arrange for insurance coverage for the event.

PAST PRESIDENTS: No report.

PROMOTIONAL ITEMS: Committee Chairman Skip Sanderson reported that he has safety bumper stickers available. Cost of stickers is 51¢ each. Concensus of the Board was that the cost of the bumper stickers provided upon request to chapters and other organizations should be submitted as a Super Fund expenditure, should turn over to the Super Fund Safety Committee.

PAPER SUPPLIES: Committee Chairman Dennis Strawbridge reported that he has supplies available at the meeting. Strawbridge noted that he will soon need to order more posters.

1994 CONVENTION: Committee Chairman Gil Shaffer reported that a contract has been signed with the Radison Hotel in Monroeville. Will have additional information to report at the November Board meeting.

MASTERS CONTEST: Committee Chairman Steve Lecorchick reported that Lovett Williams will be the Master of Ceremonies; the Wilson Moore local chapter has expressed interest in sponsoring the Masters Calling Contest.

GUN RAFFLE 93: Committee Chairman Dennis Strawbridge reported that he has received \$1780 for ticket sales.

GUN RAFFLE 94: Howard Meyers noted that there will be no Winchester 1300 shotguns available in 1994.

MEETING SITE: Committee Chairman John Szeferksi reported that the November meeting will be at the Pennsylvania and Ohio Camp, November 6 and 7; the January 1994 meeting will be at Skip Sanderson's camp, January 7 and 8, 1994.

NWTF: NWTF Board Member Ron Fretts reported a number of facts regarding turkey hunting, as supplied by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

POWA: Committee Chairman Ron Sandrus reported that he will attend the Fall meeting of the POWA and will have the NWTF Safety Task Force products available to distribute at the meeting.

GOLF OUTING: Ron Fretts reported that 72 golfers participated in the outing. The event netted approximately \$1450. Fretts noted that the 1994 event will be held on a Saturday; Local Chapter #1 and the Laurel Highlands Committee will coordinate the 1994 event; anticipate 140 to 145 golfers in 1994.

HUNTERS HIKE: Committee Chairman Skip Sanderson reported that he sent a letter to all of last year's participants; Sanderson urged all Board members to participate. The event will be the week of September 19.

LOCAL CHAPTERS: Reports were presented by the following local chapters: James E. Wilhelm, Kinuzua-Allegheny Longbeards, Lakeland Longbeards, Endless Mtn., Allegheny Mtn., Mason-Dixon, Mon-Yough Boss Gobblers, Local Chapter #1, Red Rose, and Michaux-Yellow Breeches.

OLD BUSINESS

JERRY WUNZ BOOK: Joe Krug reported that he talked with Jerry Wunz recently and Wunz is presently busy working with the Forest Stewardship program. Krug will seek a commitment from Wunz to compile the book.

1995 CONVENTION: Jerry Zimmerman informed the Board that the Appalachian Trail Chapter has offered to host the 1995 convention in Allentown, PA, and has a proposal from a Holiday Inn. A motion to have the Appalachian Trail Local Chapter host the 1995 convention was made by Tom Baldrige, second by John Szeferksi. Motion passed.

MEMBERSHIP SURVEY: Eric Bowman reported the results of the member survey which was conducted earlier in the year, as follows: 1516 surveys returned, 1443 of respondents were fall turkey hunters of which 1344 hunted in the fall 1992 PA turkey season; of these 1344 fall 1992 turkey hunters, 65% hunted 5 days or more, 496 said they harvested a turkey of which 319 were called in to the gun; of the 496 successful hunters, 111 reported wearing the required 250 square inches of fluorescent orange; 71% of the respondents felt that hunting turkeys in the fall 1992 PA season was more difficult than in past seasons.

Howard Meyers discussed the Virginia Survey which he shared with the Board at the June meeting and urged the Board to consider a similar survey. Chairman Sandrus asked Meyers to work with Eric Bowman and Rick Moroney to develop a draft survey to present to the Board. Ron Brenneman noted that the Virginia Chapter works with NWTF and the Super Fund on their survey; Brenneman offered to assist Meyers with preparation of PA Chapter survey.

SILVER SPUR: Steve Lechorchick reported that the current price to have a silver spur made for the Chapter is \$20 with the individual to provide the spur. A motion to have the Chapter provide all past and future Silver Spur inductees with a silver spur pin, the individual to provide the turkey spur, was made by Steve Lechorchick, second by Max Dewing. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

HABITAT PROJECT, PA SPORTSMEN FOR THE DISABLED: Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that the PA Sportsmen for the Disabled are in the process of planning a habitat improvement project at the Conenaugh Dam property in the spring of 1994. Sandrus asked Joe Krug to contact Harry Miller of Sportsmen for the Disabled and attempt to move the project forward.

ROGER LATHAM SPORTSMENS SERVICE AWARD: Tom Baldrige submitted the names of Larry Smail and Rick Moroney for nomination for the award. **A motion to close nominations was made by Tom Baldrige, second by Eric Bowman. Motion passed.** By ballot, the Board elected to submit to NWTF the name of Larry Smail to be considered for the Roger Latham Sportsmens Service Award.

HENRY MOSBY AWARD: President Rick Moroney suggested that the Chapter submit Arnold Hayden as the Chapter's nominee for the Henry Mosby Award. Moroney will coordinate with Hayden.

NOMINATIONS FOR CHAPTER BOARD: Chairman Sandrus opened the floor to nominations for Chapter Board members, noting that the Red Rose Chapter has submitted Matt Friedman for nomination. Dennis Strawbridge nominated Bill Laird. Tom Baldrige nominated David O'Leary. **A motion to close nominations was made by Steve Lechorchick second by Eric Bowman. Motion passed.**

BUILDING DEBT DONATION: A motion to donate \$500 to the NWTF Building Fund Debt in memory of Gregory C. Manjarrez was made by John Szeferiski, second by Joe Krug. **Motion passed.**

JAKES: Youth Committee Chairman Steve Lechorchick reported that from the \$500 the Committee has on account from the Super Fund for JAKES events, the Committee will forward \$100 to Local Chapter #1 and \$100 to the Roscoe Sportsmen Chapter for their youth events.

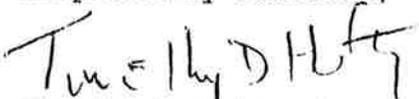
WEST PENN POWER: Howard Meyers asked the Chapter to support a sporting clays event being held by West Penn Power, by way of donation. Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus asked Meyers to get with Skip Sanderson for a hat and mug.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: President Rick Moroney thanked the Board for considering him for nomination for the Roger Latham Award. Moroney stated that we have an excellent nominee in Larry Smail. Moroney urged the Board to send Smail letters of recommendation.

Carl Brown commended President Rick Moroney for his activity update, dated July 5.

ADJOURN: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dan Sullivan, second by John Szeferiski. **Motion passed. Meeting adjourned 1:55 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,



Timothy D. Holtz, Secretary, PA Chapter NWTF



PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

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July 7, 1993

To: Pennsylvania Chapter Board of Directors, Technical Committee, Silver Spurs, and Local Chapter Presidents

From: Tim Holtz, Pennsylvania Chapter Secretary

Enclosed for your review and reference please find the minutes of the June Board of Directors meeting.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter will be held **August 13 and 14 at Reed Johnson's camp in Clearfield County, PA.** A map showing the location of the meeting is on the reverse of this memo. Please note that sleeping accommodations at Reed's camp are limited. Anyone that can arrange to make their own sleeping arrangements, such as a camper, is encouraged to do so. The meeting will be called to order at 8:00 P.M. on Friday, August 13.

Business at the August Board meeting will include among other items the Chapter nomination of candidates for the Roger Latham Sportsman's Service Award and the Henry Mosby Award. Additionally, the Nominating Committee will advise the Board of Local Chapter nominations for Chapter Board members.

Meeting Notice: The November 1993 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter will be November 5 and 6 at the Pennsylvania and Ohio Camp in Clearfield County.

I look forward to seeing each of you at the August meeting.

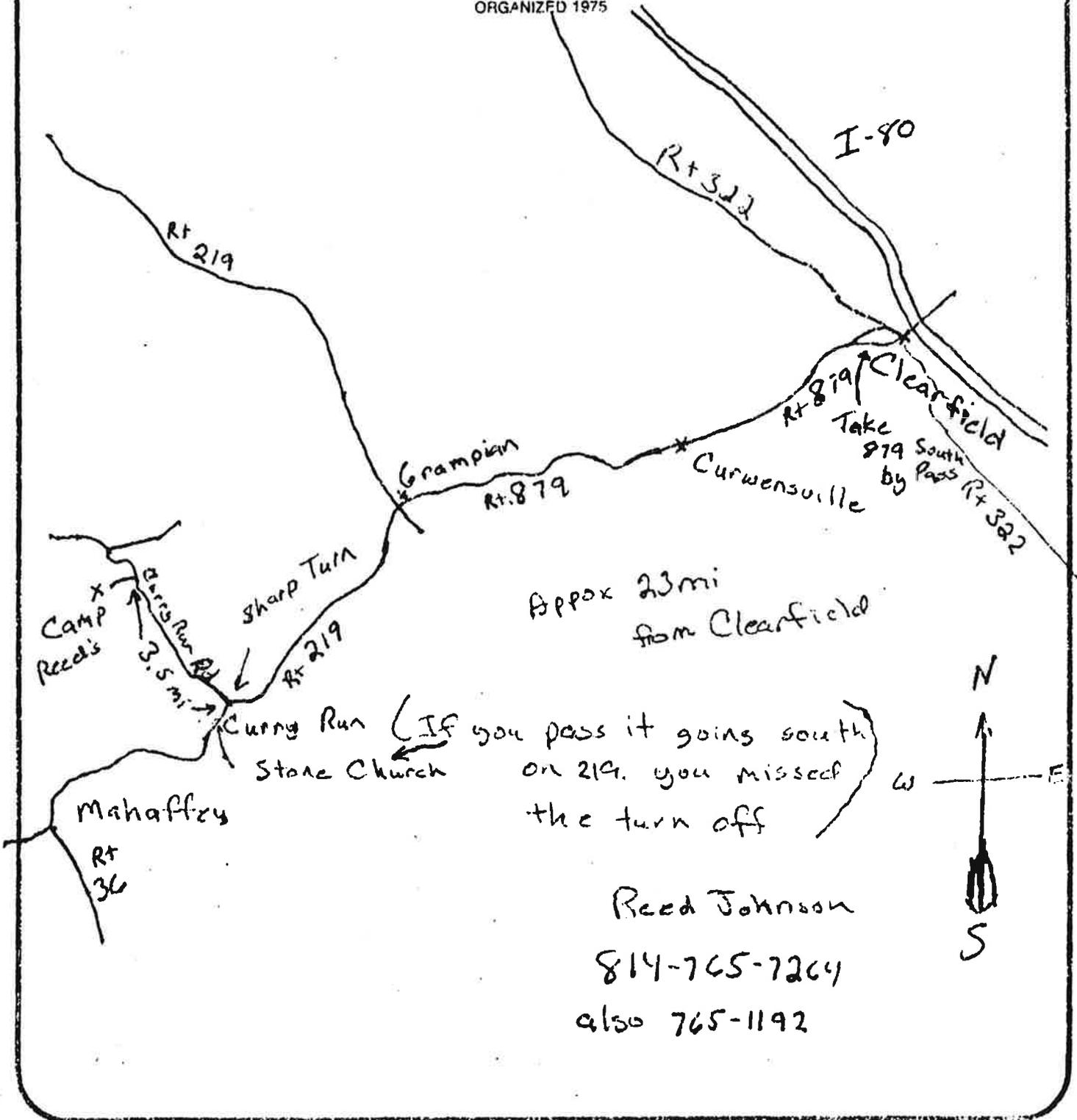
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JUNE 4 AND 5, 1993
LAUREL HILL STATE PARK

CALL TO ORDER: The June 1993 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter National Wild Turkey Federation was called to order by Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus at 8:20 P.M. on June 4, 1993. It was noted that a quorum was present and the Board could conduct the business to come before it.

Chairman Sandrus asked Howard Meyers to introduce Sue Wiseman, Chairperson of PA Cleanways. Mrs. Wiseman presented information on PA Cleanways, a non-profit conservation organization which is working to stop illegal dumping and to clean up old illegal dump sites.

Chairman Sandrus addressed the Board as follows: **In the spirit of cooperation and in order to run the Board meetings in the most effective and timely manner I ask the following:**

1. Raise hand to be recognized.
2. One person talking at a time.
3. Notify Chairman of agenda items in advance of Board meetings.

OFFICER REPORTS:

PRESIDENT: President Rick Moroney reported to the Board that since the March meeting he had written a number of letters and had conducted much Chapter business on the telephone; being in communications with a number of Board members, NWTF Staff, and Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman regarding Chapter affairs. President Moroney also reported attending several Local Chapter meetings and other functions on behalf of the Chapter.

Regarding the **April meeting with the Pennsylvania Game Commission** President Moroney reported that the meeting went well and while nothing was finalized at the April 26 meeting, Moroney believes that a number of our concerns will be addressed by the PGC in the near future.

President Moroney thanked the following individuals: Gary Beatty and Eric Bowman for the great job they did chairing the 1993 Convention; those Chapter Officers/Directors who attended the April 26 meeting with the PGC; Don and Sandy Heckman for hosting Chapter Officers/Directors on April 25; John Szeferksi, Fred Knoll, and Bill Laird for representing the Chapter at the April meeting of the PGC Commissioners; Ron Fretts for volunteering to chair the Long Range Planning Committee and assisting the Chapter in establishing

future direction; the Board of Directors for providing President Moroney with the opportunity to serve as President. President Moroney commended Local Chapter #1 for all they have done in furthering the goals and objectives of our organization.

In closing, President Moroney asked for the support of everyone in an effort to lead the Chapter back to its' rightful position within the organization. Moroney stressed the importance of looking to the future and planning our direction so that we are poised to take advantage of the opportunities that present themselves; we must build our Super Fund and plan for the development of our local chapter system.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: First Vice President Skip Sanderson reported that he attended the April 25 Long Range Planning meeting at Don Heckman's house and the April 26 meeting with the Pennsylvania Game Commission at the PGC Headquarters.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: Second Vice President Dennis Strawbridge reported that he attended the April 25 Long Range Planning meeting held at Don Heckman's house and the April 26 meeting with the Pennsylvania Game Commission held at the PGC Headquarters.

SECRETARY: Secretary Tim Holtz reviewed the minutes of the March Board of Directors meeting. **A motion to accept the minutes of the March 1993 Board of Directors meeting as presented was made by Don Heckman, second by Gil Shaffer. Motion passed.**

TREASURER: Treasurer Don Heckman presented the Chapter Balance Sheet and Operating Statement for the period ending May 31, 1993.

<u>Balance Sheet</u>	Assets: checking account - \$8,186.81
	savings account - 2,712.21
	inventory (FMV) - 6,137.30
	total assets <u>17,036.32</u>
	Liabilities: state sales tax 0.00
	fund equity <u>\$17,036.32</u>
	total liabilities <u>17,036.32</u>

<u>Operating Statement</u>	Income: 3/10/93 to 5/31/93 \$19,019.98
	YTD 5/31/93 22,073.60
	Expenses: 3/10/93 to 5/31/93 12,662.08
	YTD 5/31/93 17,056.66

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Membership Secretary Eric Bowman was unable to attend the meeting as he was in the process of relocating to accept new employment.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported the following business on behalf of the Chapter since the March meeting:

- * Conducted 5 turkey hunting and safety seminars
- * Attended 2 meetings for the Keystone Sportsmen for Youth in Altoona
- * Did a radio program for American Outdoor Radio Network, 4/19/93
- * Attended the POWA conference which was held as a joint conference with the New York Outdoor Writers in Olean, NY, 5/20 - 5/23/93
- * Gave 3 interviews at the POWA meeting
- * Sent mailing to 30 POWA writers updating them on Chapter and Task Force matters

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ART: Chairman Reed Johnson reported that the Art Committee is in the process of moving forward with the printing of the next Conservation Print; plan to advertise print in the July issue of Turkey Talk. Present art inventory is: 13 Mountain Music, 41 Apprentice, 62 American Heritage, and 500 Double Explosion. The Art Committee is comprised of Reed Johnson, Don Heckman, Matt Freidman, Gary Beatty, and Bill Hoover.

COMMUNICATIONS: Ron Sandrus reported receiving the following correspondence:

- * Pittsburgh Convention Bureau Re. 1994 convention
- * PGC Ligonier Office Re. youth field days
- * Steve Miller, thanking Chapter for David Wanless Award
- * Carl Brown, thanking Chapter for donation to building fund in honor of S. Miller
- * Copied on letter from Ron Clouser, PGC - Huntingdon, to NWTF expressing displeasure with the recent issues of Turkey Talk
- * Copied on letter from Ron Brenneman, NWTF, to Pete Duncan, PGC expressing the desire of NWTF and the Chapter to move forward in working with the PGC
- * POWA to Don Heckman thanking the Chapter for supporting the Will Johns Memorial Auction

Tim Holtz reported the following correspondence, since the January meeting:

- * Sent letter to Sam Truxal, President Local Chapter #1, expressing the Chapter's pride in Local #1 for having received the top chapter in the nation award
- * Sent letter to Ron Fretts congratulating him on his reelection to the NWTF Board
- * Sent letter to David Schmidt of West Penn Power Re. West Penn's enrollment of land in PGC cooperatives
- * Sent letter to Charles Bolgiano thanking him for his attendance at our January meeting
- * Sent letter to Carl Brown providing results of the Chapter election in March
- * Rick Moroney received letter from Carl Braown Re. Chapter nomination of candidate for the NWTF Board
- * Rick Moroney received letter from Carl Brown asking the Chapter to provide financial support to fight anti-hunting through the NWTF commitment to the American Hunting Heritage Fund
- * Rick Moroney received letter from the New York Southern Tier Chapter Executive officer regarding fund raising
- * Rick Moroney received information on a calling contest in Delaware, 7/24/93

NWTF: Carl Brown, Director of Chapter and Membership Development, reported the following:

- * Current membership is 79,500 - 80,000
- * American Hunting Heritage Fund will receive annual support from NWTF, hope PA will support
- * JAKES membership will be close to 15,000 by end of year
- * Current building fund debt is approximately \$100,000

NWTF TECHNICAL: Technical Committee representative Bill Drake reported that the PGC may be conducting some radio telemetry studies to determine turkey mortality rates; and will be working to determine the most accurate method of monitoring turkey populations, be it brood surveys, baiting sites, etc.

NWTF: NWTF Director Howard Meyers reported:

- * Safety Task Force materials are now available
- * He received a letter from Dr. Kennamer Re. some of the Clinton Administration's appointments who are individuals that are anti-hunting
- * H.B. 1307, Godshall, Re. turkey hunting and orange; would like the Chapter to take action at the meeting on the bill

SUPER FUND, SAFETY: Committee Chairman Dan Roessner reported:

- * Continuing to work with Bob MacWilliams, PGC, on development of 2 hour safety course
- * Recommends that we continue to work with the PGC on development of the safety course as well as support the NRA Hunter Clinic
- * Present spring accident count is 5
- * Presently there are 15 Youth Field Days scheduled in the state, including the city of Philadelphia; contact the PGC region office to become involved
- * Roessner will be in touch with Larry Smail Re. possibility of using Smail prints for Youth Field Days

TUKEY TALK: Turkey Talk editor Larry Smail was unable to attend the meeting; he provided a written report to President Moroney. The written report consisted of: thanks for honoring Smail with the Hall of Fame Award; information on the mailing date of the spring issue, which Smail held back as long as possible in hopes of including up to date information on pending orange legislation and also was delayed due to problems with obtaining the mailing labels from Graphics 100; the summer issue will be out in August; plea for local chapters to send material to Smail for inclusion in the Caller; thanks to Rich Weaver for his efforts on the legislative front and Dan Sullivan for keeping Smail informed of PR issues as well as mailing.

LEGISLATIVE: Committee Chairman Rich Weaver updated the Board on the status of H.B. 1704, introduced by Rep. Levdansky, which would reduce the orange requirement to 100 sq. in. while moving spring and fall. House Fish and Game Committee Chairman Fee believes this bill will move forward; Surra and Godshall bills probably will not come out of Committee. Discussion was held as to the Chapter's position on H.B. 1704 with the outcome being no formal position on the bill, though the concensus was that regardless of the outcome of the bill the Chapter will continue its' efforts to have education and permit a part of turkey hunting in PA. It was further noted that the House Fish and Game Committee has asked the Chapter to meet with the Committee in Harrisburg in July to present information on turkey hunting.

Regarding several other pending bills, Weaver reported the following:

H.B. 673: Addresses fines and penalties; Rep. Surra believes bill will pass.

H.B. 781: Introduced by Rep. Godshall; provides for separate habitat improvement fund to be established within the Game Fund of the PGC; Weaver sent letter to Godshall stating the Chapter's support for the bill.

H.B. 708: Would require DER to hold public hearings prior to permitting experimental projects on state land; no action by Chapter.

S.B. 181: Would establish 13 member advisory committee for environmental education in schools; Weaver sent letter supporting legislation.

President Moroney thanked Weaver for his efforts as Legislative Committee Chairman.

PAST PRESIDENTS: No report.

POWA: Committee Chairman Ron Sandrus noted that information on the recent POWA meeting was presented as part of the Chairman of the Board report.

LOCAL CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT: No report.

YOUTH: Committee Chairman Steve Lecorchick reported that he has first bird patches available; has received information on the Southwest Region Youth Field Days; plans for a JAKES weekend mid to late August are progressing, need 15-20 youths.

GUN RAFFLE: Committee Chairman Dennis Strawbridge reported all tickets out.

PAPER SUPPLIES: Committee Chairman Dennis Strawbridge reported that he had envelopes and stationary available at the meeting.

PROMOTIONAL ITEMS: Committee Chairman Skip Sanderson reported that sales at the 1993 Convention were near \$500. Sanderson expressed thanks to Dan Roessner and his people for helping to man the State Chapter Booth at the Convention.

COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES: No report.

MEETING SITE: Committee Chairman John Szeferiski reported that the August meeting is presently scheduled for Reed Johnson's camp; President Sandrus noted that the meeting will be August 13-14 but the site may be changed to the P & O Camp.

1993 CONVENTION: Committee Co-Chairman Gary Beatty reported that the convention was very successful. The final accounting will be completed within 2 weeks. Delays in the accounting have been the result of conflicts in work schedules of Committee Co-Chairman Eric Beatty and convention Treasurer Dan Holquist.

1994 CONVENTION: Convention Co-Chairman Gil Shaffer reported that the convention will be March 20 & 21 at the Radisson Hotel in Monroeville. Initial contact with the convention speakers has been made.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Committee Chairman Don Heckman reported that the Chapter's Federal 990 form has been filed; copies of the report were provided to the Chapter President and Secretary.

MEETING RECESSED AT 11:45 P.M.

MEETING RECONVENED AT 8:45 A.M., JUNE 5, 1993. It was noted that a quorum was present and the Chapter could conduct the business to come before it.

SUPER FUND, HABITAT: Committee Chairman Joe Krug reported:

- * Committee is in process of reviewing 5 projects which were re-submitted for approval; initially proposals did not include adequate detail.
- * Committee approved projects requiring \$20,000 in funding this spring.
- * Committee is continuing to evaluate possibility of processing all project proposals at the January meeting, and include representatives from NWTF, PGC, DER-BOF, USDA-USFS.
- * Out of curiosity, Krug tracked his time spent on habitat projects this spring, total time working on the ground was 107 hours.

NWTF: NWTF Board Member Ron Fretts reported the following:

- * PA had a good spring Super Fund Banquet season; some other states doing well.
- * Building fund debt is down from \$340,000 to \$114,000 since last November when the drive to pay off the debt was initiated.
- * Impression from attending the PGC meeting on April 26, orange is here to stay for PA turkey hunting, PGC cannot handle mandatory turkey hunter education due to logistics.
- * We spend a great deal of time determining how to spend our Super Fund monies, perhaps not as much time is spent determining how to raise the monies; may be reason some states have done better than PA; will address in long range plan.

LOCAL CHAPTER REPORTS: The following local chapters presented reports:

Local #1	Mon-Yough Boss Gobblers
Allegheny Mountain	Lakeland Longbeards
Schuylkill County	Allegheny Sultans
Mason-Dixon	Michaux-Yellow Breeches
Endless Mountain	Northcentral PA

NWTF REGIONAL DIRECTOR: NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman reported that for this fiscal year (9-1-92 thru 8-31-93) PA has held 19 Super Fund Banquets which have put \$56,000 into the PA Super Fund; will be 3 or 4 more banquets in this fiscal year, 10 to 12 more in this calendar year.

OLD BUSINESS

LEGAL ACTION: President Rick Moroney reported that he received a letter from attorney Bilik which stated that the Chapter brief has been filed with the Pennsylvania Supreme Court; Moroney has copy of brief. Bilik noted that the court will make one of three rulings: the case is without merit in which case we would lose this action, or there is no jurisdiction to hear the case and the case would be dismissed, or the case would be returned to the Commonwealth Court to hear the case. The Supreme Court is awaiting the PGC filing of their brief in response to our brief before the court will make a decision.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS: A motion to adopt the revised Constitution and Bylaws as presented to the Board at the March meeting was made by Don Heckman, second by John Szeferksi. Motion passed.

INSURANCE POLICY: Gil Shaffer reported that the new policy is in place and the Chapter Secretary has the policy.

HUNTERS HIKE: President Rick Moroney asked First Vice President Skip Sanderson to chair the Hunters Hike.

PORTFOLIO: President Rick Moroney asked Gary Beatty to chair the Portfolio.

DIRECTOR RESPONSIBILITY: President Moroney noted that several Board members are not in compliance with the Bylaws as they pertain to attendance to Board meetings. Discussion was held as to what action the Board should take. The matter was referred to the Executive Committee.

ROGER LATHAM AND HENRY MOSBY AWARDS: President Moroney requested that the Board

consider nominees for the awards.

COMMITTEES: President Moroney reported that the following individuals are chairing the following standing committees (chairman will select committee members):

Finance - Don Heckman
Nominating - Ron Sandrus
Constitution and Bylaws - Tim Holtz
Super Fund, Safety and Education - Dan Roessner
 Habitat - Joe Krug
 Land Acquisition - Tom Baldrige
 Super Fund - Rick Moroney
Legislative - Rich Weaver
Local Chapters - Ron Sandrus
Portfolio - Gary Beatty
Publications - Larry Smail
Public Relations - Dan Sullivan
Communications Services - Dan Sullivan
Art - Reed Johnson

Appointed committees:

Youth - Steve Lecorchick
Past Presidents - Ron Sandrus
Promotional Items - Skip Sanderson
Paper Supplies - Dennis Strawbridge
Convention - Gil Shaffer
Gun Raffle - Dennis Strawbridge
Meeting Sites - John Szeferiski
POWA - Ron Sandrus
Golf Outing - Dan Roessner
Hunters Hike - Skip Sanderson

GOLF OUTING: Committee Chairman Dan Roessner reported that the golf outing is scheduled for August 6. Anticipate 144 golfers.

JERRY WUNZ BOOK: Joe Krug updated the Board on the project, noting that Wunz has been busy and has not worked on the book. Gary Beatty reported that he has some information on printing costs, which he provided to Krug.

NEW BUSINESS

SUPER FUND SAFETY: Committee Chairman Dan Roessner reported that the Committee approved 3 projects, one for the Michaux Yellow-Breeches Chapter, one for the Endless Mtn. Chapter, and one for NFA instructor reimbursement. Roessner also reported that the Committee is working to make available assembled packets of the Task Force safety materials.

It was noted that at the April 26 meeting with the Pennsylvania Game Commission the PGC asked the Chapter to provide 40,000 "hunt safely" stickers. Consensus of the Board was that we should endeavor to provide the stickers to the PGC; cost could be covered as part of our \$250,000 commitment to hunter safety.

Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that the House Game and Fisheries

Committee has asked the Chapter to meet with the House Committee in July to discuss turkey hunting safety. Sandrus requested that the Safety Committee handle the coordination of this meeting and asked the Safety Committee to report back to the Board at the August meeting.

NWTF BOARD MEMBER NOMINEE: A motion to have the Board submit to NWTF the name of Dan Roessner for consideration as a nominee for the Board of the NWTF was made by Steve Lecorchick, second by Gary Beatty. Motion passed.

CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP IN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS: Don Heckman reported that he has paid the following 1993 memberships/affiliations: Wildlife Legislative Fund of America, POWA, and Pennsylvania Sportsmen for the Disabled. Heckman questioned the status of our other memberships/affiliations; should he pay?

NRA/ILA: A motion that the Chapter donate \$200 to the National Rifle Association Institute For Legislative Action was made by Don Heckman, second by Dennis Strawbridge. Motion passed.

JACK PALUH ORIGINAL: Don Heckman reported that per our agreement with Jack Paluh for the conservation print "Mountain Music" we owe Paluh \$240 since the Chapter has sold the original.

BUSINESS CARDS: Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that the Chapter ordered 200 business cards for President Moroney, at a cost of approx. \$50. Sandrus noted that the Board previously approved the cost of business cards for the Pres.

SILVER SPURS: Don Heckman requested that Dennis Strawbridge have the Silver Spurs plaque updated to include names of recent Silver Spurs. Steve Lecorchick suggested that the Chapter provide a silver dipped spur for each Silver Spur member. Sandrus asked Lecorchick to obtain price information and report back to the Board.

JUNE PGC MEETING: President Rick Moroney reported that John Szeferiski, Fred Knoll, and Bill Laird will attend the June meeting of the PGC Commissioners on behalf of the Chapter.

1995 CONVENTION: Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman reported that the Appalachian Trail Chapter has expressed interest in hosting the 1995 Convention in the Allentown area.

MEMBERSHIP SURVEY: On behalf of Howard Meyers, First Vice President Skip Sanderson presented information to the Board regarding a survey which was conducted by the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries. Meyers suggested that the Chapter consider conducting a similar survey. The Board recommended that Meyers draw up a survey and report back to the Board. It was noted that the survey should be aimed at determining what the membership wants from the Chapter, and the survey should be well thought out and consider what the Chapter wants from the survey.

CHAPTER INVESTMENTS: Mr. Ken Noll, a certified financial planner, presented information to the Board on investing money to provide an account from which to draw monies for Chapter operations and projects. President Moroney noted that a discussion with Kenneth Ray, NWTF Controller, confirmed that under the present tax laws and Federation structure it is legal for the Chapter to generate income from

investments.

AMERICAN HUNTING HERITAGE FUND: NWTF Director of Chapter and Membership Development Carl Brown urged the Chapter to consider the NWTF request for support of the American Hunting Heritage Fund. A motion that the Chapter donate \$1000 from the Pennsylvania Super Fund to the American Hunting Heritage Fund was made by Dan Roessner, second by Boyd Enos. Motion passed.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION MEETINGS: NWTF Board member Ron Fretts suggested that in the future, when the Chapter has a request, proposal, suggestion for change, etc. to present to the PGC at our annual meeting with the PGC or at a season and bag limits Commissioners meeting we should do the following:

- * Decide as a Chapter what it is we want to propose.
- * Prepare a written proposal to present to the PGC and/or PGC Commissioners.
- * Include in the written proposal our reasons for the proposal.
- * Include documentation for the proposal.

LONG RANGE PLANNING: Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that following adjournment of the meeting, the Long Range Planning Committee would be meeting to continue with development of the plan. The Committee will also meet on Sunday morning.

THANK YOU: On behalf of the Board, President Rick Moroney thanked Gil Shaffer for cooking the meals for the weekend and thanked John Szeferiski and Fred Knoll for helping with the kitchen duties.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dennis Strawbridge, second by Steve Lecorchick. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned 1:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Timothy D. Holtz, Secretary
Pennsylvania Chapter, NWTF



PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

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April 26, 1993
Harrisburg, PA
Pennsylvania Game Commission Headquarters

Meeting, Pennsylvania Game Commission and Pennsylvania Chapter NWTF

Attending: State Chapter - President Rick Moroney, 1st Vice President Skip Sanderson, 2nd Vice President Dennis Strawbridge, Membership Secretary Eric Bowman, Secretary Tim Holtz, Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman, NWTF Director Ron Fretts; Pennsylvania Game Commission - Pete Duncan, Bill Drake, Cal DuBrock, Steve Williams, Jim Filkosky, Bruce Whitman, Carl Graybill, Commissioner Roy Wagner Jr., Commissioner Ed Vogue.

Pete Duncan: State Chapter, NWTF, and PGC have accomplished many good things working together over the years; need to continue to work together for the benefit of the resource; PGC is sincere in its' desire to continue to work with the Chapter; PGC and Chapter may disagree on specific issues, we should disagree as gentlemen, respect each other, and move forward while working for common goals.

Rick Moroney: Chapter is also sincere in its' desire to move forward in a positive manner and will strive to work with the PGC.

Chapter would like PGC to consider a **two bird limit for spring gobbler season.**

Cal DuBrock: Staff has been discussing two bird limit; presently being reviewed by Wildlife Management; have not reviewed with Administration the mechanics of licensing; may discuss with Northeast Technical Committee; probably will go through some type of public review; no recommendation yet to the Commissioners.

Rick Moroney: Chapter would probably support giving hunters the option to receive a second spring tag by giving up the fall tag.

Chapter would like PGC to consider a **1 week season in portions of Zone 1**, specifically Greene Co., Southern Washington Co., Northern Mercer Co.; perhaps require a special permit to hunt in Zone 1 to limit # of hunters.

Cal DuBrock: Presently collecting data statewide, looking at zones; will be 1995 before data base is complete; report to the Commission in 1992 re zone 1, looked at possibility of season in entire zone.

Rick Moroney: Chapter is interested in evaluating all options to increase hunting opportunities which are not detrimental to the resource; Chapter

questions whether resource would be able to stand a fall hunt in entire zone.

Spring season dates, Chapter would like the spring season to be established as opening the first available day in May, i.e. May 1 unless a Sunday in which case May 2; may limit opening day pressure; would provide Memorial Day weekend hunting opportunities.

Pete Duncan: Some sportsmens groups are proponents of Saturday openings.

Rick Moroney: Re safety, Chapter believes that **mandatory education** is necessary to reach the people we need most to reach; Dan Roessner is working with Bob MacWilliams on safety video; PGC should consider developing a correspondence course for the mandatory course.

Pete Duncan: PGC has reservations about a mandatory course due to logistics; PGC understands the importance of safety education, believes that vast majority of hunters understand the importance of identifying their target.

Rick Moroney: Chapter appreciates the changes the PGC made in the Hunter/Trapper Safety course to include additional turkey hunting information and questions.

Carl Graybill: Statistics indicate that experienced turkey hunters are responsible for majority of turkey hunting accidents; NRA turkey hunting course not strong enough on safety/ethics and courses conducted in fall of 1992 did not reach the people we need to reach.

Jim Filkosky: Low numbers attending the NRA courses was disappointing; some states have tried correspondence courses.

Eric Bowman: The Chapter would like to work together on safety training; we're disappointed that the PGC does not have faith in the NRA course; is there a way that we can work together to get across the target identification aspect of hunter safety training?

Rick Moroney: Regarding **research and management**, Chapter would appreciate an annual report.

Cal DuBrock: Bill Drake will keep us informed; PGC is developing a strategic plan concerning research, if Chapter has any suggestions as to research please share with Bill Drake; a priority for PGC will be management zones and population management.

Rick Moroney: Chapter expresses thanks to the PGC for supporting **Project 2000**; asking PGC for continuing support of Project 2000.

Pete Duncan: PGC will endeavor to support providing certain requirements are met, such as birds being placed on lands open to public hunting.

Rick Moroney: Chapter offering to help PGC with various **youth programs**, such as Keystone Sportsmen for Youth.

Carl Graybill: Chapters and interested individuals should contact Regional I & E Supervisors and offer assistance.

Jerry Zimmerman: NWTF is looking forward to continuing to work with the PGC to benefit the resource, we should look to the future not the past.

Rick Moroney: On behalf of Chapter, thanks to PGC for opportunity to discuss matters of importance to all.

Pete Duncan: There is much to be done for the resource; PGC is sincere in its' desire to work with the Chapter; regarding safety, the PGC is committed to improving, will not stand pat.

Distribution: Ron Sandrus
Rick Moroney
Skip Sanderson
Dennis Strawbridge
Don Heckman
Tim Holtz
Eric Bowman
Carl Brown
Ron Fretts
Howard Meyers
Jerry Zimmerman



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April 25, 1993
Long Range Planning Session
Camp Hill, PA

Attending: Eric Bowman, Bill Drake, Ron Fretts, Don Heckman, Tim Holtz
Rick Moroney, Skip Sanderson, Dennis Strawbridge, Jerry Zimmerman

Summary of Session

Chairman: Rick Moroney requested that Ron Fretts Chair the planning task force.

Mission Statement: Ron Fretts - NWTF mission statement developed as part of planning process: Promote public awareness of and support for the conservation and wise management of the American Wild Turkey; to initiate programs to protect and improve habitat; to increase the number and distribution of the wild turkey.

Goals and Objectives: Brainstorming session

- I. **Research and Management**
 - habitat improvement
 - land acquisition - conservation easements
 - cooperation with government agencies
 - MOU's
 - population research, wild turkey
 - Super Fund
 - NWTF staff
 - landowner relations
- II. **Membership and Chapter Development**
 - increase
 - include every PA turkey hunter
 - chapter development
 - Super Fund banquets
 - youth/JAKES
 - leadership development
 - increase active membership
 - top chapter in the nation
 - local chapter participation in state chapter
- III. **Finance and Budget**
 - Turkey Talk
 - fundraising, state chapter
 - chapter finances
 - chapter budget

conventions
increase financial accountability
corporate support

IV. Information and Education

public relations
Turkey Talk
legislation
hunter safety
youth/JAKES
hunting ethics
portfolio
conservation group involvement and cooperation
increase public awareness of NWTF
supportive education materials
internal and external environment in which chapter operates
support NWTF goals
solidify cooperation with other conservation organizations
communications
NWTF clarify relation with volunteers and members
promote conservation clubs at schools
corporate support
external communications

V. Chapter Administration and Management

local chapter development
standing committees
ad-hoc committees
portfolio
board of directors size
local chapter participation at state
internal and external environment in which the chapter operates
convention
board meeting agenda
fun
district directors
regional directors
NWTF staff
non-profit status
chapter awards criteria
industry support
chapter director criteria
develop membership
internal communications

VI. NWTF

chapter development
membership
Super Fund banquet fundraising
leadership development
NWTF goals
regional directors
NWTF staff
NWTF Board of Directors

non-profit status
support of industry
corporate support

Long Range Planning Task Force members: (Rick Moroney to contact individuals to confirm willingness to serve on Task Force)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PROPOSED COMMITTEE</u>
Gary Beatty	Chapter Administration
Tom Baldrige	NWIF
Eric Bowman	Information and Education
Bill Drake	Research and Management
Ron Fretts	Chapter Administration
Barry Haydt	Information and Education
Don Heckman	Finance and Budget
Tim Holtz	Research and Management
Ken Jacobs	Membership and Chapter Development
Marty Kapusta	Finance and Budget
Dick Kirby or Dave Streb	Resource Person
Joe Krug	Research and Management
Rick Moroney	Chapter Administration
Howard Myers	NWIF
Dan Roessner	Information and Education
Skip Sanderson	Membership and Chapter Development
Ron Sandrus	Chapter Administration
Dennis Strawbridge	NWIF
Dan Sullivan	Information and Education
Jerry Zimmerman	Membership and Chapter Development

Next meeting of long range planning task force: Sunday, June 6, 1993 at 8:30 A.M., Laurel Hill State Park.



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PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL ELECTION MEETING
MARCH 20 & 21, 1993
RAMADA INN
WEST MIDDLESEX, PA

CALL TO ORDER: The March 1993 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter National Wild Turkey Federation was called to order by Chairman of the Board Tom Baldrige at 7:10 A.M. on Saturday, March 20, 1993. It was noted that a quorum was present and the Board could conduct the business to come before it.

PRESIDENT REPORT President Sandrus provided a written report to the Chapter Secretary which reported the following activities on behalf of the Chapter:
Meetings attended - Jan. 10, Keystone Sportsmen For Youth; Jan. 22 and Feb 12, Susquehanna Local Chapter; Feb. 18-21, NWTF Annual Convention, Louisville, KY.
Other activities - Jan. 30, Seminar at Harrisburg Community College; Feb. 26-28, Jaffa Sports Show, Altoona, PA; Feb. 27, 90 minute radio program for American Outdoor Radio Network (WILK 980 AM and WGBI 910 AM); March 18, Newspaper interview, Harrisburg Patriot News.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT REPORT: First Vice President Rick Moroney informed the Board that he would provide reports under various committee reports.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT REPORT: Second Vice President Joe Krug informed the Board that he would provide reports under various committee reports.

SECRETARY REPORT: Secretary Tim Holtz reviewed the minutes of the January 1993 Board of Directors meeting. **A motion to approve the minutes of the January, 1993 Board of Directors meeting as presented was made by Rick Moroney, second by Gary Beatty. Motion passed.**

TREASURER REPORT: Treasurer Don Hackman presented the Chapter Balance Sheet and Operating Statement for the period January 1 to March 10, 1993. Balance Sheet: Assets - checking, \$1,792.26; savings, \$2,685.17; inventory (fair market value), 6,137.30; total assets, \$10,614.73. Liabilities - fund equity, \$10,614.73; total liabilities, \$10,614.73.
Operating Statement: Income - \$3,053.62; Expenses - \$4,394.58.
A complete copy of the Treasurer's report will be kept with the permanent record of this meeting.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY REPORT: Membership Secretary Eric Bowman noted that he had no information to present to the Board at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS: Chairman of the Board Tom Baldrige reported that the membership elected the following members to the Board for a three year term: Tom Baldrige, Don Heckman, Tim Holtz, Dan Roessner, Ron Sandrus, Larry Smail, and Dan Sullivan.

A motion to appoint Joe Krug, Steve Lecorchick, and Rick Moroney to the Board, each to serve a 3 year term, was made by Dan Roessner, second by John Szeferksi. Motion passed.

Regarding the election process, Joe Krug suggested that in the future the ballots should be mailed to an individual that is not on the ballot. Ron Sandrus suggested that the Board explore the possibility of have future ballots collected by an independent party or individual.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Chairman Tom Baldrige presented the Board with the list of nominations for officers, as nominated at the January Board meeting, as follows:
Chairman of the Board - Ron Sandrus
President - Rick Moroney
First Vice President - Joe Krug, Skip Sanderson, Tim Holtz
Second Vice President - Reed Johnson, Gary Beatty, Dennis Strawbridge
Secretary - Tim Holtz, Skip Sanderson
Treasurer - Don Heckman
Membership Secretary - Eric Bowman

The floor was opened to nominations for officers.

Chairman of the Board: **Motion to close nominations for Chairman of the Board by Rick Moroney, second by Fred Knoll. Motion passed.**

President: **Motion to close nominations for President by Dan Roessner, second by Steve Lecorchick. Motion passed.**

1st Vice President: Joe Krug respectfully declined nomination. Tim Holtz respectfully declined nomination. **Motion to close nominations for First Vice President by Joe Crilley, second Gil Shaffer. Motion passed.**

2nd Vice President: **Motion to close nominations for Second Vice President by John Szeferksi, second by Boyd Enos. Motion passed.**

Secretary: Skip Sanderson respectfully declined nomination. **Motion to close nominations for Secretary by Dan Roessner, second by Rick Moroney. Motion passed.**

Treasurer: **Motion to close nominations for Treasurer by Gary Beatty, second by Dennis Strawbridge. Motion passed.**

Membership Secretary: **Motion to close nominations for Membership Secretary by John Szeferksi, second by Gary Beatty.**

Chairman Baldrige instructed the Election Committee, under leadership of President Ron Sandrus, to distribute ballots for the office of Second Vice President. All other offices have one nominee. President Sandrus instructed Jerry Zimmerman and Howard Meyers to collect and tabulate the ballots. Elected to the office of Second Vice President was Dennis Strawbridge.

Elected to a one year term of office were:

Chairman of the Board - Ron Sandrus
President - Rick Moroney
First Vice President - Skip Sanderson
Second Vice President - Dennis Strawbridge
Secretary - Tim Holtz
Treasurer - Don Heckman
Membership Secretary - Eric Bowman

Rick Moroney thanked the Board for the vote of confidence in electing him President. On behalf of the Board Don Heckman thanked Tom Baldrige for his years of service in various Executive positions.

NWTF REPORT: Director of Chapter and Membership Development Carl Brown addressed the Board, as follows:

- * Greetings from Rob Keck and NWTF Staff; Federation is off to exciting start in 1993, many exciting things to happen for the turkey and the volunteers of the Federation.
- * Commended Ron Sandrus for his two years of distinguished service as Pennsylvania Chapter President and challenged Rick Moroney to move the Chapter forward.
- * Pennsylvania is being recongnized for its' leadership within the Federation, as exhibited by the awards presented at the NWTF convention in Louisville: Local Chapter #1 - best local chapter in the country; Laurel Highlands Committee - best banquet in the country; Pennsylvania Chapter - second runner up in the over 3000 state chapter competition; Tim Holtz - Roger Latham Sportsmans Service Award.
- * Flourescent orange issue has consumed much time and energy, an emotional issue which can lead to many frustrations. We must conduct ourselves in a professional manner to maintain credibility, must focus on all the positive aspects of what is happening for the wild turkey in Pennsylvania.
- * Chapter must work to develop new leaders, draw new blood to the Board.
- * Chapter needs to set goals and work towards the things that are best for the resource.
- * Work at the grassroots level is the key to NWTF success. State Board members should be taking the initiative to contact local chapter officers, attend local chapter functions.
- * NWTF will have 80,000 members by mid 1993, 15,000 JAKES by year end.
- * NWTF has received a letter of determination from the IRS indicating that NWTF 501 (c) 3 tax status will include state and local chapters providing each chapter provides a letter to NWTF stating desire to be so included; Jerry Zimmerman will coordinate.
- * Pennsylvania should be proud of the contribution that it made to the turkey hunting safety task force.
- * Commended everyone for the wonderful job they've done for the Federation over the years and challenged everyone to seek the opportunities that are before us so that we may grow into the 21st century.

Meeting recessed at 8:00 A.M.

Meeting reconvened at 8:10 A.M., March 21, 1993. It was noted that a quorum was present and the Board could conduct the business to come before it.

TURKEY TALK REPORT: Editor Larry Smail and Assistant Editor Dan Sullivan reported on the most recent issue of Turkey Talk. Regarding the material addressing the fluorescent orange issue it was reported that the intent was to update and inspire the membership; inform the membership that the Chapter had been the victim of an apparent injustice; let the membership know of our resolve regarding the fluorescent orange issue. Response to the issue has been mixed, though majority of the response has been supportive and positive.

Following discussion on the floor, President Ron Sandrus noted that at the January Board meeting it had been the consensus of the Board that Rich Weaver should write a letter to the Pennsylvania Game Commission and to the Pennsylvania Outdoor Writers Association regarding certain information that was published regarding the Chapter's position on turkey hunting regulations. Sandrus noted that Weaver had not yet mailed the above referenced letters. The consensus of the Board at this time was to direct Rich Weaver **notto** send the letters.

Following further discussion on fluorescent orange and the general direction of the Chapter, a motion that President Rick Moroney draft and send a letter to the Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Game Commission stating the purpose of the Pennsylvania Chapter and the desire of the Chapter to move forward in a positive manner, letter to be reviewed by the Executive Committee prior to sending to the PGC, was made by Reed Johnson, second by Mike Mikolajczyk. Motion passed.

NWTF REPORT: Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman urged the Board to move the Chapter forward in a positive manner and suggested that the Chapter spend some time on long range planning and goal setting. Zimmerman also suggested that one of the Chapter's objectives should be to develop an active JAKES committee.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Chairman Tom Baldrige reported that the Executive Committee had met and addressed two matters: 1. suggested that the Super Fund monies in 1993 should be allocated 50%, 25%, 25% for habitat, education, land acquisition respectively; 2. approved the 1993 operating budget.

INSURANCE POLICY: Gil Shaffer reported that a new policy has been obtained for the Chapter. The new policy will double the coverage from that of the previous policy. New policy will be kept on file by the Chapter Secretary.

ORIGINAL ART PRINTS: Howard Meyers noted that the January meeting minutes reported that the proceeds from the two Chapter original painting sent to NWTF will be used to reduce the building debt when in fact the agreement was that proceeds from the sale of one painting in 1993 was to go to the building debt and the proceeds from the sale of the second painting in 1994 are to be deposited in the Super Fund.

ART COMMITTEE: Committee Chairman Reed Johnson reported that the next Conservation print will soon be published; artist is Gerald Putt

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS: Committee Chairman Rick Moroney distributed copies of proposed Bylaws; proposed Bylaws include revisions for Chapter operations under the 501 (c) 3 tax status. Changes in Bylaws are in nominations and elections, tax structure, and non-compliance. Board should review proposed Bylaws prior to the June meeting; action will be taken at the June meeting to adopt the Bylaws.

Regarding the 501(c) 3 tax status there was discussion on the floor as to whether the Chapter can invest money under the new tax status. **A motion that Joe Krug arrange to have a financial planner attend the June Board meeting to provide information on investment options available to the Chapter, providing it is confirmed that under the 501(c) 3 tax status it is legal to pursue such options was made by Skip Sanderson, second by Gil Shaffer. Motion passed.** The Board suggested that Joe Krug have the financial planner contact Ken Ray at NWTF regarding the matter prior to the June meeting.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: On behalf of Committee Chairman Rich Weaver, who was unable to attend the meeting, Dan Sullivan presented a report on legislative matters. H.B. 673 - Is a reintroduction of legislation to amend title 34 of the Game Code to provide increased fines and penalties for shooting at, causing injury to, or killing another person; and for license revocation if convicted. The legislation was previously introduced as H.B. 1129, by Curt Bowley. H.B. 673 is sponsored by Rep. Dan Surra of District 75, Elk County. The Chapter previously gave its' full support to H.B. 1129; Weaver recommends that the Chapter support H.B.673.

Regarding H.B. 2866, which was introduced by Curt Bowley in the previous legislative session, Weaver updated the Board on reintroduction of a similar bill in the present legislative session. Presently two bills have been introduced which contain language similar to the bill introduced by Curt Bowley in 1992; one bill by Rep. Dan Surra and one bill by Rep. Robert Godshall. Both bills eliminate the mandatory fluorescent orange requirement as presently required by PGC regulation, though the Godshall bill would require 100 sq. in. of fluorescent orange while moving in both the fall and spring seasons for a period of several years until which time a mandatory hunter safety program would be developed for all turkey hunters and the Surra bill would eliminate the mandatory use of fluorescent orange at the time the bill becomes effective. Both bills would require mandatory turkey hunter safety education and would establish a turkey stamp available at the conclusion of successfully completing the safety course. Neither bill has been assigned a number at this time. Weaver recommends that the Chapter support both bills. **A motion that the Board accept the recommendation of Legislative Committee Chairman Weaver pertaining to the bills introduced by Reps. Surra and Godshall and referenced in the Legislative Committee report was made by Dan Sullivan, second by Rick Moroney. Motion passed.**

SUPER FUND SAFETY COMMITTEE: Committee Chairman Dan Roessner recommended that the Chapter inform the Pennsylvania Game Commission that we are willing to assist the PGC with the development and implementation of a turkey hunter safety course. **A motion that the Chapter accept the the recommendation of Dan Roessner as presented was made by Gary Beatty, second by Mike Mikolajzyck. Motion passed.**

PGC COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENTS: Ron Sandrus informed the Board of the status of several individuals that the Governor has recommended to the Senate for appointment to the position of Commissioner of the PGC.

LONG RANGE PLANNING: Discussion was held regarding the establishment of a Long Range Planning Committee. Committee will be named at the June meeting.

TREASURER REPORT: A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented on March 20, was made by Gary Beatty, second by Ron Sandrus. Motion passed.

NWTF TECHNICAL COMMITTEE: Technical Committee representative Bill Drake reported that the Pennsylvania Game Commission agreed to provide North Carolina with 100 turkeys in 1993, under project 2000, after waiving the condition that the birds be released in areas open to public hunting. Iowa and Wisconsin also agreed to provide 100 turkeys each, for a total commitment of 300 turkeys for the winter of 1993. Actual number of turkeys shipped to North Carolina were: PA - 87, IA - 151, WI - 59, total of 297.

Drake also reported on the 1992 fall turkey reported harvest, noting that the reported harvest was down approximately 37% from the 1991 reported harvest. Estimates of the 1993 calculated harvest will not be available until data is collected from the 1992 Small Game Take Survey.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Mike Mikolajczyk, second by Dan Sullivan. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned, 11:35 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Timothy D. Holtz". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name of the signatory.

Timothy D. Holtz, Secretary



PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

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PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
MARCH 20, 1993
WEST MIDDLESEX, PA

CALL TO ORDER: The 1993 Pennsylvania Chapter NWTF Annual Membership meeting was called to order by Chairman of the Board Tom Baldrige at 8:10 A.M., March 20, 1993. Chairman Baldrige welcomed those in attendance and expressed thanks to the Convention co-chairmen, Gary Beatty and Eric Bowman.

Chairman Baldrige announced that the Board of Directors had elected the following individuals to serve a one year term as Chapter officers:
Chairman of the Board - Ron Sandrus, **President** - Rick Moroney, **First Vice President** - Skip Sanderson, **Second Vice President** - Dennis Strawbridge, **Secretary** - Tim Holtz, **Treasurer** - Don Heckman, **Membership Secretary** - Eric Bowman.

PRESIDENT REPORT: President Ron Sandrus welcomed those in attendance and thanked the membership for their support of the Chapter; welcomed Jerry Zimmerman, Regional Director who joined the NWTF staff in November 1992.

President Sandrus reported that the NWTF Convention in Louisville, KY was a successful convention; PA received several awards at the NWTF, State Chapter was 2nd runner-up in the state chapter competition for chapters with membership of 3000 and up, Local Chapter #1 was recognized as the best local chapter in the nation, and Tim Holtz received the Roger Latham Sportsmans Service Award, and NWTF presented the Chapter with a letter of thanks for Pennsylvania's work on the fluorescent orange issue.

At the NWTF convention Pennsylvania made the following pledges to the NWTF building fund: \$1,500 in thanks to Steve Miller for his service to the organization and \$500 towards a room in the name of Glenn "Tink" Smith, one of ten states which together pledges a total of \$5,000 for the Smith room.

President Sandrus reported that the Chapter believes that education is the best means by which to eliminate turkey hunting accidents and has pledged \$50,000 per year for 5 years to be spent on turkey hunting safety education. A portion of this money has been spent on the NWTF Turkey Hunting Safety Task Force and the program developed by the Task Force is on line. The Chapter continues to work to train individuals to teach turkey hunting safety and as part of this effort the Chapter cooperated with the Pennsylvania Game Commission to present 7 NRA Turkey Hunter Clinics in the fall of 1992.

On behalf of the Chapter, Chairman Baldrige thanked President Sandrus for his

two years served as President of the Chapter.

TREASURER REPORT: Treasurer Don Heckman presented the treasurer report for fiscal year 1992; January 1, 1992 through December 31, 1992: income - \$52,596.97; expenses - \$54,427.97.

SECRETARY REPORT: Secretary Tim Holtz presented the minutes of the 1991 Annual Membership Meeting. **A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Gary Beatty, second by Jim Roessner. Motion passed.**

NWTF REPORT: NWTF Director of Chapter and Membership Development Carl Brown welcomed all to the convention and reported the following on behalf of NWTF:

- * Grassroots support is key to the success of the Federation, volunteers are the most valuable resource the Federation has.
- * NWTF membership will top 80,000 by mid year, JAKES membership should reach 15,000 by year end.
- * Super Fund banquets will raise over \$3 million in 1993.
- * Many Pennsylvania Super Fund dollars were spent on the NWTF Turkey Hunter Safety Task Force, many products now available as result of the Task Force.
- * Thanked the Chapter and the Pennsylvania local chapters for the support of the building fund.

NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman reported the following:

- * Presently have 31 active local chapters in Pennsylvania.
- * Five new banquets presently planned for 1993.
- * Some of the Safety Task Force materials are available at this time, notification of availability will be made when all materials are available.
- * NWTF is working on some new programs for JAKES.
- * NWTF has pledged \$50,000 to be utilized by 3 organizations to oppose anti-hunting and anti-gun organizations; the 3 organizations are Putting People First, United Conservation Alliance, and The Wildlife Legislative Fund of America.
- * Urged everyone to help retire the Building Debt.
- * Communications are important to the success of the Federation, we will all work together to maintain good lines of communications and strive to return Pennsylvania to the standing of #1 chapter in the country.

USDA FOREST SERVICE PROJECT: On behalf of the U.S. Forest Service, Mary Hosmer presented a report on a habitat improvement project which was initiated on the Allegheny National Forest with Super Fund monies. Hosmer noted that the project was appealed but the appeal was lifted in time to initiate the project prior to the end of the fiscal year. The project is nearly complete. Will be a sign erected at the site and will be a dedication ceremony in October. The area will be an oil and gas pipeline right-of-way demonstration area.

Hosmer further reported that the Allegheny National Forest will be conducting a JAKES program the last weekend of September and the Forest Service would like the support of our chapters.

PENDING LAWSUIT: Attorney Bilik updated the Membership on the pending appeal of to the State Supreme Court of the Chapter's suit regarding the fluorescent orange regulation. The Commonwealth Court has ruled against the Chapter. The Supreme Court will be the last Court to rule on the suit.

SPORTSMEN FOR YOUTH: On behalf of PGC Regional Information and Education Supervisor Bob MacWilliams who was unable to attend the meeting, Chapter Board member Dan Roessner reported on the Sportsmen for Youth program. Roessner urged the chapters and NWTF members to become involved in the program in their area. The program is a cooperative effort of a number of sportsmen organizations and the Pennsylvania Game Commission.

HUNTER SAFETY COMMITTEE: Committee Chairman Dan Roessner reported that the Pennsylvania Game Commission is presently working on the development of a turkey hunting safety course. The Chapter should be working with the Pennsylvania Game Commission on hunter safety education.

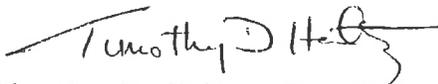
NWTF: NWTF Board member Howard Meyers addressed the membership on the following matters:

- * Thanked everyone for attending the Chapter convention; thanked those members who attended the NWTF convention in Louisville.
- * Reported that the Ohio Department of Natural Resources has become a \$10,000 diamond life member of the NWTF. The Ohio DNR urges its employees to be active members of the NWTF and its' chapters.
- * Urged the Chapter to develop a long range plan.

There being no further business to come before the membership **a motion to adjourn the meeting was made and duly seconded. Motion passed.**

Meeting adjourned, 9:10 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Timothy D. Holtz, Secretary



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PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JANUARY 8 & 9, 1993
THIRD HEAVEN CAMP
HONEY GROVE, PA

CALL TO ORDER: The January 1993 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter National Wild Turkey Federation was called to order by Chairman of the Board Tom Baldrige at 8:40 P.M. on January 8, 1993. It was noted that a quorum was not present, therefore business would be limited to reports until a quorum was present.

PRESIDENT REPORT: President Ron Sandrus reported that he attended a meeting of the Keystone Sportsmen for Youth on November 15, 1992; presented turkey hunting and safety seminars on November 20 and December 18, 1992; had telephone conversations regarding chapter business with attorney Bilik on November 24 and 27, 1992.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: Chairman of the Board Tom Baldrige thanked Skip Sanderson for hosting the meeting.

TREASURER REPORT: Treasurer Don Heckman presented the Balance Sheet and Operating Statement for the period ending December 31, 1992. Assets reported on the Balance Sheet: checking - \$1,133.22, savings - \$4,647.50, inventory (fair market value) - \$11,338.30, total assets - \$17,119.02. Liabilities and equity per the Balance Sheet: liabilities - \$0.00, fund equity - \$17,119.02, total liabilities and equity - \$17,119.02.

Operating Statement: income for period November 1 to December 31, 1992 - \$13,879.14, year to date income as of 12/31/92 - \$52,596.97; expenses for the period November 1 to December 31, 1992 - \$13,212.64, year to date expenses as of 12/31/92 - \$54,427.97. A copy of the Treasurer's report will be kept with the permanent record of the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: Secretary Tim Holtz reported that he sent letters of thanks, with a check, to two individuals who were presented rewards by the Chapter.

President Sandrus reported that he had received correspondence from an outfitter in Alaska, C. Kishbaugh, who is offering to provide services

which the Chapter may purchase to use as fundraising prizes.

DISTRICT DIRECTORS: Southcentral - Bill Laird reported that he is presently working with Jerry Zimmerman to generate interest in keeping the Fort Chambers Local Chapter active. Northwest - Eric Bowman reported that he has been in contact with the Lawrence County Longbeards to begin planning their Super Fund Membership Banquet; has been in contact with a flying club from Youngstown, Ohio that has offered to provide planes and pilots to fly mapping trips and game survey flights for the Chapter, at no cost to the Chapter.

QUORUM: Chairman Tom Baldrige noted that a quorum was present and the Board could conduct the business to come before it.

A motion to accept the Treasurers Report as presented was made by John Szeferksi, second by Dennis Strawbridge. Motion Passed.

Secretary Report: The minutes of the November 1992 Board of Directors meeting were reviewed. It was noted that on page 2 of the minutes, under the Treasurer Report a correction should be made as follows: Heckman noted that since October 31 he received a \$7,140 membership rebate check... be changed to read ... received a \$7,141 membership rebate check... A motion to accept the November Board of Directors meeting minutes as corrected was made by Steve Lecorchick, second by Rich Weaver. Motion passed.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT REPORT: First Vice President Rick Moroney informed the Board that his activities would be reported under various committee reports.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY REPORT: Membership Secretary Eric Bowman reported that he has received no printouts from NWTF since the November meeting.

TURKEY TALK: On behalf of Editor Larry Smail, who was unable to attend the meeting, Ron Sandrus read a written report from Smail which stated that Turkey Talk is at the printers and should be in the hands of the members by early February. The report also stated that the Super Fund maps are in the final stages; the bumper sticker is in the final preparation stage. In closing, Larry commended Dan Sullivan for his efforts as PR Chairman.

Don Heckman reported that he was contacted by Carl Graybill of the PGC regarding our Turkey Talk mailing to PGC field staff. The PGC suggests that rather than the Chapter mailing directly to the field staff we ship 250 copies to the PGC headquarters and the PGC will distribute the copies to their personnel through the Region Offices.

OLD BUSINESS

RAISED TOPO MAP: Eric Bowman reported that he has not yet received the map from Dan Sullivan.

FOREST STEWARDSHIP: Tim Holtz reported that he has initiated a Super Fund request form which will be forwarded to the the Super Fund Committee. Holtz will discuss with the Committee.

H.B. 2866: Legislative Committee Chairman Rich Weaver reported that the Winter issue of Turkey Talk will outline what the Chapter is doing in regards to this bill. It was further noted that Rep. Hanna has agreed to sponsor the bill in the new Legislative session. Rep. Hanna was a co-sponsor of the bill in the previous session. Weaver reported that he will meet with Rep. Hanna in the near future to discuss the bill. It was further noted that the bill number and printer's number may change.

PENDING LAWSUIT: President Ron Sandrus reported that Attorney Bilik has suggested that the Chapter petition the court to determine when the suit will be back on the court docket.

HUNTERS HIKE: Rick Moroney reported that no additional money for the 1992 Hike has been turned in since the November meeting; two checks drawn on a closed account were returned to the Chapter. Ron Brenneman noted that NWTF needs an expense statement for the hike so that the money may be deposited in the Super Fund.

501 (C) 3 TAX STATUS: Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman reported that NWTF has an attorney working to have our status changed to 501 (c) 3.

FAX MACHINE: Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman reported that Eric Bowman researched the possibility of purchasing software which enables a PC to be used as a FAX machine and determined that the expense would exceed the cost of a FAX machine; will purchase a FAX machine when the treasurer has sufficient funds in the account.

GUN RAFFLE: Committee Chairman Dennis Strawbridge reported that since the November meeting the Chapter has received \$900 additional from the 1992 gun raffle and noted that Bob's Army and Navy still has two guns that have not been picked up by the individuals that hold the winning ticket. Strawbridge will send a registered letter to each individual requesting that they contact Strawbridge within 10 days; arrangements will be made to have the individuals pick up their guns.

PORTFOLIO: Committee Chairman Rick Moroney reported that he has not heard from NWTF in regards to the portfolio.

LOCAL CHAPTER START-UP MONEY: NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman reported that he has not yet had an opportunity to get together with Treasurer Don Heckman to sort out which chapters have not returned start-up money.

INSURANCE POLICY: Committee members Rick Moroney and Gil Shaffer reported that with the assistance of Don Heckman they have obtained a copy of the present policy and will solicit quotes for comparable insurance.

KEYSTONE SPORTSMEN FOR YOUTH: Ron Sandrus reported that work is progressing in the Southcentral Region for the June 1993 youth program. It was noted from the Floor that planning for a similar program in the Southwest Region has been initiated.

It was noted by Don Heckman that action taken at the November 1992 Board meeting authorized the Chapter to provide the Southcentral Region of the PGC with \$250 to be used for the Sportsmen for youth program. However, the PGC subsequently informed Heckman that the money should be provide directly to the Sportsmen for Youth committee and not channelled through the PGC. Heckman sent \$100 to the Southcentral

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: Skip Sanderson nominated by Mike Mikaloczyk; Tim Holtz nominated by Ron Sandrus.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: Reed Johnson nominated by Gary Beatty; Gary Beatty nominated by Don Heckman; Dennis Strawbridge nominated by Ron Sandrus.

SECRETARY: Skip Sanderson nominated by Steve Lecorchick.

A motion was made by Gary Beatty, second by Mike Mikaloczyk, that nominations be made for officers as recommended by the Nominating Committee. Motion passed.

Chairman of the Board Tom Baldrige noted that President Ron Sandrus will appoint an Election Committee prior to the Annual Meeting.

1993 CONVENTION: Committee Co-Chairmen Eric Bowman and Gary Beatty reported on progress with convention plans, including: Masters Calling Contest is seeking \$ support from local chapters; need donations (\$ and prizes) for the raffle PA style; there will be one convention mailing which will include 12 gun raffle tickets; Skip Sanderson is working on mugs for the convention; Howard Meyers donated his two prints from the Hunters Hike to the Ruffed Grouse Society and in return received a print from the Ruffed Grouse Society which Meyers donated to the Chapter to us at the convention. Rick Moroney suggested that the Chapter advertise the 1993 Hunters Hike at the Chapter booth at the convention.

Discussion was held as to whether the Chapter should invite the House and Senate Game and Fisheries Committees to the convention. The matter was referred to the Convention Committee for decision.

A motion that the Chapter sponsor the PA Taxidermy Association annual award, with a limit of \$25, was made by Mike Mikaloczyk, second by Skip Sanderson. Motion passed. Tom Baldrige will coordinate.

SEEDLINGS FOR LOCAL CHAPTERS: Joe Krug reported that seedlings have been ordered and will be available for distribution in the spring.

AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIPS: Committees receiving membership renewal notices should forward the same to Treasurer Don Heckman; Heckman will process and renew.

SPRING MEETING WITH PGC: President Ron Sandrus will discuss April meeting dates with the Pennsylvania Game Commission at the time that Sandrus attends the January seasons and bag limits meeting.

LOCAL CHAPTER PRESIDENT MEETINGS: Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman reported that he will be planning meetings on a regional basis; will schedule meetings after the spring banquet season.

AWARDS COMMITTEE: Awards Committee Chairman Dennis Stawbridge reported that the committee has completed its' work on the annual awards.

HUNTER SURVEY: Eric Bowman reported that the survey will be included in the Winter issue of Turkey Talk.

1994 CONVENTION: Convention Co-Chairman Gil Shaffer reported that he has made an initial contact with a possible convention site, waiting for response from hotel.

BUILDING FUND DONATION: A motion that the Chapter donate \$1,500 to the building fund as thanks for the service of Steve Miller was made by Don Heckman, second by Tom Baldrige. Motion passed. The pledge for the donation will be made at the NWTF Convention.

1993 CHAPTER BUDGET: Treasurer Don Heckman presented the proposed 1993 budget. The proposed budget will be presented to the Executive Committee for approval. Copy of budget attached to minutes.

1099 FORM: Treasurer Don Heckman reported that our accountant has notified him that the Chapter is required to provide a 1099 form to any non-corporate entity to which we paid \$600 or more in 1992.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NWTF REPORT: Assistant Director of Research and Management Ron Brenneman reported the following:

- * Pleased to have Jerry Zimmerman on board, will be an asset.
- * 1993 NWTF Convention plans progressing well, more rooms booked than in past.
- * Project 2000 - PA has pledged 100 birds with stipulation that the birds be placed on lands open to public hunting; had planned to send birds to NC, but NC cannot guarantee that birds will be placed on land open to public hunting; trying to work out between PA and NC.
- * NWTF appreciates PA support of the hunter safety task force, PA has provide approx \$24,000 to date.
- * NWTF has checked with insurance carrier regarding coverage for manpower we provide to work on projects such as West Penn Power habitat improvement; we are covered under the NWTF policy.
- * NWTF is pursuing MOUs with P.H. Glatfelter and West Penn Power. Presently have MOUs with Transco, PGC, International Paper, Westvaco, and USFS all of which have operations in PA. Have MOUs with other companies and agencies as well.
- * Super Fund - proposed that we plan and budget how to spend Super Fund \$; recommends that have 2 submission dates per year for project proposals, would allow for planning and prioritizing; also recommends that a budget be set for each agency so they have some guidelines within which to propose projects; noted that the membership rebate comes out of the 56% Super Fund split, if Chapter wishes to receive membership rebate must have money in Super Fund account in September.

NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman reported the following:

- * Multiple banquet attendance - a membership purchased at a Super Fund Banquet is good for 12 months from the date of banquet; if individual attends more than one banquet their membership is not extended for a year, rather individual will have membership for 12 months from the date of each banquet.
- * Membership list can be searched by member # or last name.
- * Mailing labels are generated by zip-code, not chapter code.
- * Marketing department would appreciate 8 weeks notice for banquet merchandise request.
- * SC Chapter has largest number of Sponsor members per member; Zimmerman would like PA to increase % of Sponsor members and would like suggestions on how to increase the %.

- * NWTF is conducting a raffle to generate \$ for the building fund; tickets will be available at banquets and sport shows; prize will be a restored 1970 Ford Bronco.

NWTF Board member Howard Meyers reported the following:

- * Ron Fretts is meeting in Alabama to discuss various means to raise money for the building fund.
- * Local chapter donations for the building fund have been short of expectations.
- * Suggested that Jerry Zimmerman contact inactive chapters to determine if they are holding money which they may wish to donate to the building fund. It was noted that any chapter that dissolves is required to turn over money in chapter accounts to the State Chapter for the State Chapter to hold the money in escrow. Zimmerman will explain all the options to the inactive chapters.
- * Meyers noted that we should not hold any animosity towards the NRA for hiring NWTF people; the NRA simply wishes to hire the best people to do a job; if these people are our people, so be it - it's a compliment that we have the best people and the NRA desires to hire them.
- * Urged everyone to attend the NWTF convention.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE: Technical Committee representative Bill Drake was unable to attend the meeting and provided the Chapter Secretary with a written report, which was read before the Board. Drake's report updated the Board on the PGC's participation in Project 2000, noting that details of sending birds to NC are presently trying to be worked out (refer to NWTF report above).

PROMOTIONAL ITEMS: Skip Sanderson reported that he has promotional items available.

SUPER FUND:

Land Acquisition: No report.

Safety/Education: Ron Sandrus reported on behalf of Dan Roessner that there is not yet a final count on fall hunting accidents from the PGC. Ron Sandrus reported that he will convey the Chapter's thanks to the PGC for their support and help in conducting the NRA turkey hunting clinics.

Habitat: Joe Krug reported that the Committee has received 24 project proposals, most of them from DER Bureau of Forestry; presently do not have sufficient fund balance to finance all the projects, will need to prioritize. Krug noted that he supports Ron Brenneman's suggestions for revising the Super Fund project proposal process. Regarding Jerry Wunz's proposed book on the history of the turkey in Pennsylvania, Krug noted that Ron Brenneman had provided estimated cost figures.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: Committee Chairman Rich Weaver suggested that the Chapter send a letter to the PGC regarding the John Plowman matter and a second letter be sent to the POWA regarding Charlie Burchfield matter. Weaver will draft letters.

COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES COMMITTEE: Committee Chairman Dan Sullivan was unable to attend the meeting and provided the Chapter Secretary with a written report which was read before the Board. Sullivan's report noted that the Committee has been working with the Convention Committee to move ahead as quickly as possible with the convention mailing; the bulk mailing account balance remains at \$174.91, the annual bulk mail permit fee of \$75 is due before end of January; Sullivan will delay as much as possible the payment timing for printing and mailing of convention materials to allow the Convention Committee some time to generate some earnings; will have

Turkey Talk in the mail ASAP.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Committee Chairman Dan Sullivan provided a written report in his absence, which the Chapter Secretary read. The report further elaborated on the issues addressed by Rich Weaver in the Legislative Committee report, noting that we should present our side of the matters. Sullivan also reported that he has been in contact with Bruce Whitman of the PGC in an attempt to get statistics on the fall hunting accidents, to date the figures have not been available.

ART COMMITTEE: Committee Chairman Reed Johnson provided the Board with an up to date art inventory as follows: Mountain Music - 13, American Heritage - 64, Double Explosion - 501, The Apprentice - 46, Hillside Takeoff - 1, total - 625 prints. Johnson suggested that we discontinue giving prints to local chapters due to low inventory. Johnson also reported that the Committee has received 26 entries for the art contest and that the inventory of stamps is large. A motion to destroy all stamps except 1000 of each issue was made by Reed Johnson, second by Gil Shaffer. Motion passed.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS: Committee Chairman Rick Moroney reported that he has researched the status of the Art Committee and has determined that the Art Committee is not a standing committee. Moroney suggested that the Bylaws be amended to include the Art Committee as a standing committee. The Chapter Secretary will initiate action to amend the Bylaws accordingly.

NEW BUSINESS

SUNDAY HUNTING: Howard Meyers initiated discussion as to whether the Chapter should support any proposal to allow Sunday hunting in PA. It was noted that the Chapter membership should be surveyed to determine a position.

PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS MEETING: A motion to have the Chapter include in its' remarks at the public meeting on seasons and bag limits on January 10 a statement regarding fluorescent orange was made by Gary Beatty, second by Rick Moroney. Motion passed. The matter was referred to the Executive Committee.

POWA DATA BASE: Eric Bowman noted that our present POWA data base is outdated. A motion to purchase for \$10 a disc with the current POWA data was made by Rick Moroney, second by John Szeferksi. Motion passed.

ART ORIGINALS: The Art Committee recommended that the Chapter offer the original Mountain Music and The Apprentice paintings to NWTF to be used to generate funds to reduce the building debt, with Mountain Music to be offered for 1993, The Apprentice for 1994. A motion to accept the Art Committee recommendation and to empower the Executive Committee to make decisions relative to the matter was made by Reed Johnson second by Mike Mikaloczyk. Motion passed.

Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by John Szeferksi, with a second. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned 4:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Timothy D. Holtz, Secretary PA Chapter NWTF



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PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER - N.W.T.F.

1993 OPERATING BUDGET JAN. 6, 1993

INCOME:

Fund Balance - 1992	\$ 2,000.00
Chapter Administration	
Donations	\$ 100.00
Interest Checking	\$ 500.00
Membership Services	
Chapter Membership Rebate	\$ 6,200.00
Art Committee	\$12,000.00
1993 Chapter Convention	\$13,000.00
Promotional Items	\$ 1,500.00
Fund Raising - Gun Raffle	\$17,500.00
Turkey Talk Publication	\$ 100.00
Chapter Meetings	\$ 300.00
Local Chapter Banquet Rebates	\$ 1,000.00
Super Fund Committees	
Land Acquisition	\$ 100.00
Habitat	\$ 100.00
Hunter Safety/Education	\$ 500.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 500.00

	\$ 1,200.00
Chapter Miscellaneous	\$ 1,000.00
 Total Income	 \$56,400.00



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EXPENSES:

Chapter Administration	
Telephone	\$ 3,500.00
Postage	\$ 300.00
Supplies	\$ 1,000.00
Chapter Travel	\$ 1,500.00
Chapter President Travel	\$ 900.00
Secretary Expense	\$ 750.00
Portfolio	\$ 100.00
Accounting	\$ 1,500.00
Chapter Meetings	\$ 800.00
Insurance	\$ 250.00
Legal Fees	\$ 100.00
Register/Filing Fees	\$ 100.00
Donations	\$ 3,000.00
Chapter Promotion	\$ 250.00
Supporting Membership Fees	\$ 150.00
Chapter Promotion Shows	\$ 350.00
Rewards	\$ 600.00
Service Charges	\$ 100.00
Awards/Gifts	\$ 1,000.00
L.O.S.S.	\$ 0.00

	\$16,250.00
District Director's	
Telephone	\$ 750.00
Postage	\$ 550.00
Supplies	\$ 200.00
Lodging/Meals/Tickets	\$ 1,000.00

	\$ 2,500.00
Membership Service	
Operating Expense	\$ 400.00
Computer Service	\$ 200.00

	\$ 600.00



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Local Chapter Development	
Local Chapter Establishment	\$ 0.00
Local Chapter Banquet Funding	\$ 800.00

	\$ 800.00
Promotional Items	
Inventory Purchase	\$ 1,500.00
Sales Tax	\$ 25.00
Operating Expense	\$ 25.00

	\$ 1,550.00
Turkey Talk Publication	
Printing	\$ 7,000.00
Mailing Service	\$ 1,300.00
Postage	\$ 4,200.00
Operating Expense	\$ 100.00

	\$12,600.00
Legislative Committee	
Legislative Programs/Travel	\$ 500.00
Subscription/Dues	\$ 200.00
Operating Expense	\$ 100.00

	\$ 800.00
Art Committee	
1993 Conservation Print	\$ 4,000.00
Operating Expense	\$ 500.00

	\$ 4,500.00
Fund Raising - Gun Raffle	\$10,500.00
1994 Chapter Convention	\$ 2,000.00
Public Relations	\$ 300.00
Youth Committee	\$ 100.00



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Super Fund Committees	
Land Acquisition	\$ 100.00
Habitat	\$ 100.00
Hunter Safety/Education	\$ 700.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 100.00

	\$ 1,000.00
 Chapter Miscellaneous	 \$ 500.00
 Fund Balance - 1993	 \$ 2,400.00

 Total Expenses	 \$56,400.00