



## **ATTENTION BOARD MEMBERS**

The next Executive Board meeting will be held at Sam McCartney's Camp near Pleasant Gap, Pennsylvania on Saturday, June 4, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

The regular State Board of Directors meeting will be held on Sunday, June 5, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at the Glenn O. Hawbaker office at Pleasant Gap, Pennsylvania.

***Pennsylvania State Chapter NWTF  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Glen O. Hawbaker's, Pleasant Gap, PA  
March 6, 2011***

**Director's Present:** T. Bunty, D. Butler, J. Drolet, M. Ferdinand, K. Fernburg, D. Heckman, D. Horst, S. Letterman, J. Montgomery, S. Motts, J. Panaro, S. Richards, B. Schwalm, K. Skrapits, D. Wade, R. Wagner, S. Wojton, D. Zimmerman.

**Director's Absent:** R. Johnson, S. McCartney, J. Straley

**NWTF Staff Present:** B. Eriksen

**Guests:** Mary Jo Casalena

The Board Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman of the Board, Tom Bunty.

Tom welcomed the Board members, called the meeting to order, led the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance, and ran through the ground rules.



**Action Items:**

**March 6, 2011 PA NWTF Board of Directors Meeting**

<b>Carryover items</b>	<b>Action Item List</b>	<b>Status</b>
Awards	Invite PGC Land manager & WCO'S to the Rendezvous by mid-November	Ongoing
Awards	Replace Hall of Fame Plaques	Putt working on them Scheduled for week after June BOD meeting
B. Eriksen	Set up meeting with the PGC & PA NWTF in June Draft letter & send to Edgefield requesting the attendance of a National Board member at our March BOD'S meeting	
D. Butler		invite in 2011 in discussion ... June or October meeting
D.Heckman	Draft a report to the Board on the new PA energy council	In Progress ... starting for high-level instructors in 2011
Dingo	Report to S&E committee with updates on the Turkey Hunters Ed program	
J. Panaro	Work with Phil to get tickets & guns for the upper level gun raffle	Complete
Jakes	Come up with a 40 gun ticket for this years Jakes raffle	Ongoing
K. Fernburg	Send #1 Art prints ( insured for \$10K) to Edgefield to be displayed on loan from PANWTF	3/31/2011
Mary Jo	Send reports out to the BOD'S at least one week in advance before each PA NWTF meeting for review	May 15th
Mary Jo	Invite PGC Land manager & WCO'S to the Convention by December 1st	Ongoing
Membership	New membership drive needs to go thru banquet accounting via the application	Ray Smith?
PR Committee	Create and issue press releases per the schedule that Don sends	in Progress ... March/April



Promo	Work on Promo items and clothing for State Chapter. Bring back ideas to the March meeting	discuss under Committee report
R. Johnson	contact Emily in regards to setting up DCNR/ NWTF meeting and invite to Habitat Meeting	Complete
R. Smith	Invite Mike Cleary to the Chapter Presidents weekend	??? June meeting
R. Smith	How different levels of NWTF membership accumulate	
S. McCartney	Email Phil about matching superfund dollars from Chesapeake energy	???
TT	Make sure the PA Game Commissioners are on the TT mailing list	Complete ???
TT	Look into TT advertizing incentives	Check with Jason Straley On Hold for Committee
WTM	Review Don Heckman's Spring Turkey Hunting implementation plan for the March meeting	Discussion
<b>New items</b>	<b>Action items list</b>	<b>Status</b>
B. Eriksen	Comment letter for April PGC Commissioner meeting	Complete
K. Fernburg	Change Jakes Raffle name to Outreach Fund Raffle on Tickets, Chapter Letter, and Turkey Talk Articles	April 15th
State-Local Chapter Committee	Target the chapters that are not historically selling Jakes raffle tickets to get on Board with Outreach Fund Raffle	1-Jun
Dale Butler	Create a new State - Local Chapter Liaison Committee and a Committee Description - Jay Montgomery Chairman	1-Apr
State-Local Chapter Committee	Update the "Buddy List" for BOD to contact local chapters	1-Jun
State-Local Chapter Committee	Update the Director's and Local Chapter Handbooks	June meeting



RD's	Transfer Local Chapter Committee List to one database for State - Local Chapter Liaison Committee Contact Senator Corman regarding possibility to work with Senator Allaway to amend SB 274 to allow tag sharing for multiple species rather than just antlerless deer	1-May
S. McCartney Internet Committee	Update the Hunting Heritage Spending Summary link on webpage to beyond \$5 million. Update the Hunting License Benefit Positions to March 6th revision	Complete
Heckman	Clarify the process for fundraising and split of funds created on the Versamax shotguns from Potterfield	Complete
RD's		
Dingo/Dwayne Joe	Contact Keith Snyder about feasibility of running a Turkey hunting Curriculum on July 30 at Tyrone Sportsmen Club Send updated e-mail distribution list	Complete
B. Eriksen	Compress Game News Safety Article into Spring Release #1 for Bob Kasun	Complete
B. Eriksen	Safety Article #2 to Bob Kasun	Complete
B. Eriksen/Mary Jo	Trim Northeast Region 2011 Habitat Request to < \$19,874	



**Finance Reports:**

**Treasurer's Report:**

**PA NWTF Treasurer's report**

**TO:** PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER NWTF

**FROM:** JIM PANARO

**SUBJECT:** REPORT FOR PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2011

**DATE:** 1/8/11

<b>Starting Balance</b>	<b>\$61,167.65</b>
<b>Income</b>	<b>\$30,170.22</b>
Rendezvous	\$17,197
Chapter Membership Rebate	\$ 9,012
Green Sheet Transfers (Ned Smith & S&E projects)	\$ 3,400
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>\$(49,673.49)</b>
Rendezvous	\$17,675
Jakes Raffle	\$11,128
Green Sheet Transfers (hen study and six S&E projects)	\$ 7,341
Turkey Talk	\$ 5,279
Upper Level Gun Raffle	\$ 3,536
Membership Dues (PFSC & POWA)	\$ 1,700
Insurance ( thru March 2012)	\$ 1,000
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$41,664.38</b>
<b>Net Gain (Loss)</b>	<b>\$(19,496.35)</b>

**General Updates**

Jakes Raffle – Budgeted \$34,000 income and \$17,000 expense for net of \$17,000. Actual was \$34,680 income and \$18,396.79 expense for an actual net of \$16,283.21.

Rendezvous - Budgeted \$25,000 income and \$19,000 expense for net of \$6,000. Actual was \$25,569 income and \$17,899 expense for an actual net of \$7,670.



Fiscal Year reports are attached. Half-way through fiscal year and we are at 75% income and 52% expenses.

- **A motion was made by Skip Motts to accept the Treasurer's Report. Don Heckman seconded and the motion carried.**



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## PA Chapter Budget Report: Income

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	FY 10-11 Budget	FY 10-11 Actuals	%	FY 09-10 Actuals	FY 08-09 Actuals	FY 07-08 Actuals	FY 06-07 Actuals	FY 05-06 Actuals	5-year average	FY 04-05 Actuals	FY 02-03 Actuals	FY 01-02 Actuals
<b>Income:</b>												
<b>Chapter Administration</b>												
Interest Checking	\$100	\$32	32%	\$106	\$139	\$97	\$117	\$109	\$114	\$104	\$114	\$74
Chapter President's Meeting	\$1,800	\$-		\$2,659	\$1,935	\$2,107	\$1,741	\$1,772	\$2,043			
Dave Burdge Donations	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$3,360	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$672	\$-	\$158	\$810
Greg Caldwell Donations	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$2,305	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$461	\$-	\$158	\$810
Donations	\$50	\$663	1326%	\$98	\$1,025	\$-	\$25	\$79	\$245	\$50	\$158	\$810
<b>Zimmerman Memorial Fund</b>	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$1,000	\$18,817	\$3,963	\$100		
<b>Membership Services</b>												
Chapter Membership Rebates	\$11,500	\$9,012	78%	\$10,358	\$11,868	\$12,666	\$12,774	\$13,348	\$12,203	\$14,726	\$14,262	\$-
<b>NWTF</b>												
Local Chapter Banquet Rebates	\$6,000	\$1,655	28%	\$6,109	\$5,068	\$6,537	\$7,904	\$7,827	\$6,689	\$7,162	\$7,848	\$4,443
Women in the Outdoors	\$-	\$-		\$3,712	\$726	\$107	\$-	\$3,293	\$1,568	\$3,223	\$749	\$2,500
<b>Art Committee</b>												
30th Anniversary Print	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$133	\$114	\$481	\$146	\$656	\$-	\$-
30th Anniversary Boxcall	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$376	\$-	\$-
Rendezvous Patch & Pin Rebate	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$213	\$397	\$600
<b>Rendezvous/ Awards Banquet</b>	\$25,000	\$25,569	102%	\$20,420	\$25,701	\$24,392	\$28,935	\$26,893	\$25,268	\$26,436	\$23,624	\$6,202
<b>Promotional Items</b>	\$1,000	\$929	93%	\$1,017	\$1,116	\$530	\$1,442	\$2,221	\$1,265	\$5,508	\$1,645	\$2,341
<b>Fundraising</b>												
Jakes Gun Raffle	\$34,000	\$34,680	102%	\$30,060	\$38,852	\$15,000	\$13,500	\$15,000	\$22,482	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
Upper Gun Raffle	\$15,000	\$-		\$15,600	\$15,187	\$15,730	\$17,560	\$15,633	\$15,942	\$17,650	\$20,502	\$21,615
Elk Expo	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$652	\$130	\$649	\$1,788	\$-
Additional fundraiser	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$10,095	\$400	\$-	\$-	\$2,099	\$2,079	\$-	\$6,150
<b>Chapter Miscellaneous</b>												
Chapter Miscellaneous	\$100	\$10	10%	\$65	\$17	\$2,060	\$1,282	\$1,290	\$943	\$200	\$686	\$9,141
Equipment Rental Fees	\$870	\$100	11%	\$820	\$560	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$276	\$-	\$1,200	\$-
Local Chapter Start-up Loans Returned	\$500	\$-		\$1,903	\$1,900	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$800	\$1,521	\$600	\$1,200	\$-
<b>Turkey Talk Publications</b>												
Turkey Talk Advertising	\$500	\$-		\$90	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$18	\$-	\$-	\$190
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$96,420</b>	<b>\$72,650</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>\$93,017</b>	<b>\$119,855</b>	<b>\$81,259</b>	<b>\$87,893</b>	<b>\$108,215</b>	<b>\$98,048</b>	<b>\$94,731</b>	<b>\$89,488</b>	<b>\$70,685</b>

	FY 10-11 Budget	FY 10-11 Actuals	FY 09-10 Actuals	FY 08-09 Actuals	FY 07-08 Actuals	FY 06-07 Actuals	FY 05-06 Actuals	FY 04-05 Actuals
<b>Starting Checking Account Balance</b>	\$23,184	\$23,184	\$31,207	\$20,186	\$41,640	\$36,497	\$29,713	\$29,027
<b>Plus Income</b>	\$96,420	\$72,650	\$93,017	\$119,855	\$81,259	\$87,893	\$108,215	\$94,731
<b>Gross Available Funds</b>	\$119,604	\$95,834	\$124,224	\$140,041	\$122,899	\$124,390	\$137,928	\$123,758
<b>Less Expenses</b>	\$(96,705)	\$(49,904)	\$(91,015)	\$(114,036)	\$(105,284)	\$(85,574)	\$(107,282)	\$(89,576)
<b>Green Sheet Transfers In</b>	\$-	\$6,429	\$15,634	\$36,946	\$27,421	\$30,967	\$30,414	\$5,459
<b>Green Sheet Transfers Out</b>	\$(10,304)	\$(10,695)	\$(25,659)	\$(31,969)	\$(24,851)	\$(28,144)	\$(24,563)	\$(5,562)
<b>Ending Checking Account Balance</b>	<u>\$12,595</u>	<u>\$41,664</u>	<u>\$23,184</u>	<u>\$30,982</u>	<u>\$20,186</u>	<u>\$41,640</u>	<u>\$36,497</u>	<u>\$34,078</u>
<b>Net Gain / (Loss)</b>	\$(10,589)	\$18,480	\$(8,023)	\$10,796	\$(21,454)	\$5,143	\$6,784	\$5,051
<b>Net Gain / (Loss) w/out green sheet transfers</b>	\$(285)	\$22,746	\$2,002	\$5,819	\$(24,025)	\$2,319	\$933	\$5,155





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## Expenses:

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Expenses	FY 10-11 Budget	FY 10-11 Actuals	%	FY 09-10 Actuals	FY 08-09 Actuals	FY 07-08 Actuals	FY 06-07 Actuals	FY 05-06 Actuals	5-year average	FY 04-05 Actuals	FY 03-04 Actuals	FY 02-03 Actuals	FY 01-02 Actuals
<b>Chapter Administration</b>													
Accounting	\$650	\$640	98%	\$630	\$630	\$600	\$565	\$550	\$595	\$400	\$320	\$440	\$503
Advertising	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Board Meetings	\$2,500	\$676	27%	\$1,562	\$2,391	\$1,809	\$3,225	\$3,068	\$2,411	\$2,575	\$1,845	\$2,169	\$377
Chapter Presidents Travel	\$1,000			\$231	\$1,360	\$1,737	\$1,244	\$1,461	\$1,207	\$949	\$1,635	\$1,331	\$1,320
Chapter Promotions- Fees	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$188
Chapter Promotions- Shows	\$1,000	\$-		\$1,025	\$-	\$-	\$995	\$1,210	\$646	\$199	\$193	\$775	\$261
Chapter Travel	\$750	\$42	6%	\$305	\$37	\$1,243	\$966	\$700	\$650	\$563	\$848	\$190	\$608
Insurance - Board	\$1,500	\$1,000	67%	\$1,415	\$1,415	\$1,415	\$1,415	\$1,415	\$1,415	\$1,415	\$1,590	\$1,415	\$1,165
Legal Fees	\$100	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Local Chapter President's Meeting	\$6,000	\$-		\$7,060	\$6,770	\$5,327	\$4,027	\$4,302	\$5,497	\$2,707	\$3,075	\$2,766	\$2,594
NWTF memberships	\$60	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$25	\$-	\$5	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$-
PaNWTF webpage	\$675	\$119	18%	\$269	\$209	\$76	\$1,202	\$861	\$523	\$1,769	\$1,265	\$1,704	\$919
Postage	\$500	\$199	40%	\$293	\$567	\$380	\$464	\$605	\$462	\$587	\$703	\$1,242	\$246
Secretary Expense	\$200	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$118	\$775	\$770	\$333	\$675	\$700	\$700	\$525
Supplies	\$375	\$59	16%	\$76	\$360	\$503	\$729	\$345	\$403	\$234	\$374	\$872	\$357
Supporting Member Dues	\$1,600	\$1,700	106%	\$1,606	\$1,600	\$1,650	\$1,900	\$1,855	\$1,722	\$1,800	\$1,700	\$435	\$280
Telephone	\$500	\$-		\$455	\$387	\$247	\$294	\$546	\$386	\$1,057	\$1,408	\$2,108	\$1,300
WITO Volunteers	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$1,287	\$628	\$-	\$2,812	\$945	\$1,327	\$254	\$400	\$2,850
<b>District Directors</b>													
Postage	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Supplies	\$50	\$-		\$24	\$-	\$-	\$6	\$-	\$6	\$6	\$38	\$126	\$-
Lodging/Meals/Travel	\$1,000	\$-		\$974	\$891	\$1,021	\$419	\$409	\$743	\$431	\$72	\$225	\$-
Telephone	\$50	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$91	\$-
<b>Public Relations Committee</b>													
Committee Operating Expenses	\$50	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$164	\$33	\$-	\$737	\$155	\$-
PR Representative	\$1,000	\$-		\$225	\$300	\$300	\$175	\$625	\$325	\$825	\$900	\$-	\$-
<b>Local Chapter Startup Loans</b>													
Local Chapter Startup Loans	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$3,200	\$1,120	\$300	\$1,200	\$1,100	\$300
<b>Turkey Talk</b>													
Editor's Fee	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$2,400	\$4,800	\$4,800	\$4,800	\$3,360	\$4,800	\$3,750	\$3,600	\$2,700
Printing	\$11,011	\$5,688	52%	\$11,280	\$11,305	\$9,200	\$9,920	\$9,205	\$9,782	\$9,960	\$14,554	\$15,752	\$11,543
Postage	\$13,734	\$4,819	35%	\$10,642	\$12,250	\$15,012	\$12,175	\$11,003	\$12,216	\$11,266	\$10,753	\$8,642	\$6,069
Committee Operating Expenses	\$100	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$115	\$-	\$29
<b>Legislative</b>													
Committee Operating Expenses	\$100	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$44
Legislative Programs/Travel	\$800	\$436	55%	\$452	\$1,306	\$1,273	\$755	\$332	\$823	\$802	\$601	\$557	\$208
<b>Promotion Items</b>													
Inventory Purchase	\$1,000	\$-		\$969	\$497	\$2,407	\$450	\$2,820	\$1,429	\$6,012	\$1,687	\$1,205	\$989
Sales Tax	\$100	\$74	74%	\$11	\$13	\$6	\$31	\$34	\$19	\$147	\$28	\$47	\$179
Operating Expenses	\$100	\$133	133%	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$39	\$99	\$28	\$212	\$-	\$89	\$186
<b>Sponsor Member Hunt</b>													
Sponsor Member Hunt of a Lifetime	\$1,000	\$-		\$2,866	\$950	\$1,649	\$400	\$1,216	\$1,416	\$1,261	\$1,308	\$1,521	\$1,211
<b>Art Committee</b>													
Committee Operating Expenses	\$100	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
30th Anniversary Print	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$1,100	\$220	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
30th Anniversary Boxcall	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Framing	\$800	\$250	31%	\$390	\$725	\$-	\$1,462	\$1,144	\$744	\$308	\$-	\$85	\$454
<b>Jakes / Youth</b>													
Youth Committee Expenses	\$1,000	\$-		\$1,000	\$1,000	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$1,900	\$2,500	\$-	\$377	\$430
Committee Operating Expenses	\$100	\$-		\$-	\$118	\$1,065	\$1,066	\$1,000	\$650	\$1,181	\$116	\$102	\$191
Jakes Hunt of a Lifetime	\$500	\$250	50%	\$440	\$475	\$600	\$583	\$500	\$520	\$459	\$520	\$400	\$566
<b>Rendezvous</b>													
Awards	\$2,500	\$2,418	97%	\$2,238	\$2,395	\$3,219	\$1,884	\$2,566	\$2,460	\$2,713	\$1,765	\$2,294	\$2,394
Calling Contest	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$2,100	\$4,558	\$1,332	\$2,650	\$4,800	\$3,950	\$1,950
Miscellaneous	\$1,000	\$1,144	114%	\$104	\$852	\$1,256	\$1,488	\$828	\$906	\$1,467	\$2,888	\$1,625	\$75
Room Rental	\$300	\$265	88%	\$265	\$265	\$265	\$265	\$338	\$280	\$337	\$250	\$-	\$-
Meals	\$6,500	\$5,407	83%	\$5,692	\$7,267	\$6,750	\$6,561	\$5,326	\$6,319	\$5,684	\$5,062	\$4,842	\$1,747
Speaker Fees	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$650
Core Package	\$8,700	\$8,665	100%	\$8,895	\$8,502	\$6,722	\$7,095	\$5,619	\$7,367	\$5,336	\$4,444	\$4,922	\$4,308
<b>Fund Raising</b>													
Jakes Gun Raffle	\$17,000	\$11,231	66%	\$17,113	\$22,974	\$354	\$-	\$-	\$8,088	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Upper Level Gun Raffle	\$9,300	\$3,536	38%	\$10,614	\$8,583	\$9,374	\$9,281	\$9,559	\$9,482	\$8,991	\$9,456	\$9,144	\$8,597
Elk Expo	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$535	\$107	\$733	\$478	\$1,708	\$-
Additional Fundraiser	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$9,800	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$1,960	\$852	\$-	\$-	\$4,543
<b>Donations and Contributions</b>													
NWTF Chapter Donations	\$500	\$250	50%	\$-	\$-	\$1,006	\$350	\$3,665	\$1,004	\$3,809	\$2,745	\$1,204	\$1,840
Zimmerman Memorial Fund	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$-	\$3,208	\$3,326	\$12,477	\$3,842	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
Dave Burdge Medical Fund	\$-	\$-		\$-	\$3,360	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$672	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
<b>Other Operating Expenses</b>													
DART System Expense	\$500	\$535	107%	\$1,681	\$542	\$473	\$336	\$73	\$621	\$252	\$164	\$78	\$172
Equipment Repairs	\$300	\$304	101%	\$96	\$253	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$70	\$-	\$-	\$78	\$172
Chapter Miscellaneous	\$100	\$63	63%	\$118	\$-	\$15,891	\$881	\$1,090	\$3,596	\$-	\$-	\$78	\$9,138
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$96,705</b>	<b>\$49,904</b>	<b>\$2%</b>	<b>\$91,015</b>	<b>\$114,036</b>	<b>\$105,284</b>	<b>\$85,574</b>	<b>\$107,282</b>	<b>\$100,638</b>	<b>\$89,576</b>	<b>\$84,363</b>	<b>\$80,756</b>	<b>\$73,990</b>





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## Hunting Heritage Budget Report:

### 2011 Hunting Heritage Fund Budget

	Budget	YTD Actual 2/28/2011	Forecasted Remaining	YTD plus Forecast	Budget vs. Forecast
<b>Starting Balance in Hunting Heritage Superfund Reserve:</b>	<b>\$221,638</b>	<b>\$226,091</b>		<b>\$226,091</b>	<b>\$4,453</b>
\$2,400 per banquet	<b>Forecasted Income from 2011 Banquets: 86 Chapters \$206,400</b>	\$10,323	\$194,400	\$204,723	\$(1,677)
	<b>Income from 2011 Outreach Fund: \$11,792</b>	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$(11,792)
	<b>Donations from Outside Sources \$-</b>	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
	<b>Total Funds Available for Projects and Programs \$439,830</b>	<b>\$236,415</b>	<b>\$194,400</b>	<b>\$430,815</b>	<b>\$(9,015)</b>
<b>2011 #</b>	<b>5-Star 2011 Expenses projected for: 86 Chapters</b>				
60	Jakes Days \$500 each	\$(30,000)	\$(4,000)	\$(26,000)	\$-
40	Scholarships \$250 each	\$(10,000)	\$(4,750)	\$(5,250)	\$-
20	WITO Events \$250 each	\$(5,000)	\$-	\$(5,000)	\$-
40	School Boxes \$63 each	\$(2,520)	\$-	\$(2,520)	\$-
8	Wheelin' Events \$250 each	\$(2,000)	\$-	\$(2,000)	\$-
1	PA Scholarship \$1,000 each	\$(1,000)	\$-	\$(1,000)	\$-
1	State WITO Event \$800 each	\$(800)	\$-	\$(800)	\$-
0	National WITO Event attendees (1x) \$300 each	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
	<b>Local Chapter 5-Star Expenses:</b>	<b>\$(51,320)</b>	<b>\$(8,750)</b>	<b>\$(42,570)</b>	<b>\$-</b>
	<b>PA Chapter Budgeted Program Expenses for 2011:</b>				
	Hen Mortality Telemetry - Year #2	\$(20,000)	\$-	\$(20,000)	\$-
	NWTF Biologist	\$(20,000)	\$-	\$(20,000)	\$-
	Chapter Membership Rebate	\$(11,500)	\$(9,012)	\$(11,500)	\$(9,012)
	Seed Subsidy	\$(4,500)	\$-	\$(4,500)	\$-
	Ned Smith Fund	\$(2,500)	\$(2,500)	\$(2,500)	\$(2,500)
	Unallocated Contingency Reserve	\$(1,500)	\$-	\$(1,500)	\$-
	Local Chapter Presidents' meeting	\$(1,500)	\$-	\$(1,500)	\$-
	MSF Summer sighting	\$(500)	\$-	\$(500)	\$-
	Conservation Seed	\$(250)	\$-	\$(250)	\$-
	2011 Super Fund Reserve Allocation	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
	4-H Shooting Sports	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
	Congressional Sportsmen Foundation	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
	Hunting Heritage	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
	PGC Hunting Digest Ad	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
	US Sportsmen's Alliance	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
	<b>PA Chapter Expenses:</b>	<b>\$(62,250)</b>	<b>\$(11,512)</b>	<b>\$(62,250)</b>	<b>\$(73,762)</b>
	<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$(113,570)</b>	<b>\$(20,262)</b>	<b>\$(104,820)</b>	<b>\$(11,512)</b>
	<b>Total Available for 2011 Super Fund Projects:</b>	<b>\$(108,068)</b>	<b>\$(6,447)</b>	<b>\$(105,603)</b>	<b>\$(3,982)</b>
	Allocation for 60 Habitat Projects 89%	\$(96,068)	\$-	\$(100,000)	\$(3,932)
	Allocation for Safety & Education 10%	\$(11,250)	\$(6,447)	\$(4,803)	\$-
	Allocation for Advertising & Membership Growth 1%	\$(750)	\$-	\$(800)	\$(50)
	Allocation for Land Acquisition 0%	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-
	<b>Total</b>	<b>100% \$(108,068)</b>	<b>\$(6,447)</b>	<b>\$(105,603)</b>	<b>\$(3,982)</b>
	<b>Ending Balance in Hunting Heritage Superfund Reserve:</b>	<b>\$218,192</b>	<b>\$209,706</b>	<b>\$193,683</b>	<b>\$(24,509)</b>



## **Officers' Reports:**

### **President's Report:**

PA State Chapter President Report March 2011

Jan 7, 2011 Attended PA State Chapter Exec Board Meeting

Jan 8, 2011 Attended PA State Chapter Banquet

Jan 9, 2011 Attended PA State Chapter Board meeting

Jan 17, 2011 Attended Red Rock Chapter regular meeting

Jan 24, 2011 Attended banquet meeting for Red Rock chapter

Jan 29, 2011 Worked on border cutting project Wyoming County SGL # 57

Jan. 30 2011 Attended January Commissioner Meeting recited our positions

Jan 31 2011 Attended Banquet Meeting Red Rock Chapter

Feb 7 2011 Attended Banquet meeting Red Rock chapter

Feb 12, 2011 Attended Banquet Red Rock Chapter

Feb 13, 2011 Attended Habitat & Scholarship Meeting Glen Hawbaker

Feb 14 ,2011 Attended post banquet meeting Red Rock chapter

Feb 21 2011 Sent to national all Local Chapter scholarship winners' pictures

Feb 26, 2011 worked 2<sup>nd</sup> day border cutting project Wyoming County SGL# 57

Feb26, 2011 Master of Ceremonies at Luzerne Conservation District Banquet

### **Vice- President's Report:**

VP Report, March, 2011  
Skip Motts

1. Jan. 7th, Attended Exec. Board meeting.



2. Jan. 9th, Attended BOD'S meeting.
3. Jan. 8th, Attended PA NWTF State banquet.
4. Jan. 20th Attended Pocono Mountains Chapter meeting.
5. Feb. 5th, Attended a local hunting club game dinner. Passed out over 200 Turkey Hunting safety brochures. Briefly spoke on some of the new issues the PA NWTF faces and the new changes in the turkey hunting seasons.
6. Feb 13th, Attended PA NWTF habitat meeting.
7. Feb. 10th, Attended Pocono Mountains Chapter meeting.
8. Feb. 22nd, Attended Pocono Mountains Chapter final banquet meeting.
9. March 5th, Put on our local NWTF banquet.

#### **Secretary's Report:**

- Joe Drolet presented the prior meeting's minutes.
- **A motion was made by Scott Richards to accept the minutes of the last meeting. Dwayne Horst seconded and the motion carried.**

#### **Chairman's Report:**

Chairman's Report March 2011

Did the Annual Meeting and Regular Board Meeting on Jan 9<sup>th</sup>

Attended Mason Dixon Chapter Meeting on Jan 19, Banquet Meeting and WITO meeting

Attended National Convention on Feb 16-20.

Went to State President Breakfast on Thursday morn.

Went to Leadership workshop on Thursday afternoon and Welcome Party on Thursday evening. Was on Stage Momentarily with 43 other State and Provincial leaders.

Went to Hunt Auction on Friday and Banquet in the Evening

Went to Awards Banquet on Saturday evening and went up twice to receive the State Awards for 1<sup>st</sup> place in Net/Net and 3<sup>rd</sup> for Chapters 10,000-19,999 LA Dixon Awards

Attended Lake Marburg Banquet on Feb. 26

Tom Buntly

#### **Executive Officer Report– Don Heckman:**

Don Heckman, PA Chapter NWTF Executive Officer Report – March 6, 2011

Report of committee interactions, activities, action items, ideas, and completed items

Jan. 10 – sent Board and NWTF Staff a 10 year review of PANWTF Total Membership Categories- Super Fund Dollars

Jan. 11 – meeting with Carl Roe, email sent to Board members



- Jan. 12 – sent PFSC the PANWTF credential sheet and \$1600 check for 2011 state-wide organization membership dues
- Jan. 14 – continued work this past week on PGC WCO David L. Grove special award criteria for NWTF Convention
- Jan. 14 – sent Board estimated wild turkey population by WMU management plan update for 2004-2010
- Jan. 18 – send Board PGC management plan charts and graphs addendum updates
- Jan. 18 – sent Board wild turkey management position statements to be reviewed, spring turkey hunting license value and benefits statement for review
- Jan. 21 – sent Board the PGC Commissioner meeting schedule for proposed rule making decisions
- Jan, 21 – spent time these past two weeks with other MYB chapter members on our ESOS assignments, calling contests, and booth work
- Jan. 21 – attended PFCS Southern Division Meeting at PFSC Harrisburg Office
- Jan. 22 – attended January PFSC Board Meeting in State College
- Jan. 22 – spent the week working with other PA Sportsmen's Coalition members on White Paper to be presented to Governor Corbett; will send to Board for their review and approval
- Jan. 30 - Feb. 1 – attended PGC Board of Commissioner's meeting, report filed with Board.
- Feb. 4-13 – Eastern Sports and Outdoors Show, spent 10 days at the Farm Show Building working with other MYB Local Chapter Members at the Membership and DART System booths, helped run and coordinate two turkey calling contests, ESOS Contest Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, and US Open Finals, Feb, 12-13. Several meetings, several communications and emails, and a ton of opportunities to inform and educate...
- Feb. 11 – completed WCO David L. Grove Memorial Award presentation plaque wording and final design, Thank You to Vern Ross, Ron Fretts, Bob Eriksen, Putt Rohm, and Howard Meyers
- Feb 15-22 – several email reminders, questions, and follow-up on committee work status and executive committee work in progress status
- Feb. 22 – spoke with Keith Snyder on PGC Successful Turkey Hunting Course, email several suggestions for instructor information handouts, and opportunities on how to contact turkey hunters beyond just PANWTF and local chapters. Finalized wording through Keith for informing turkey hunters of opportunity to be a PGC Successful Turkey Hunting Course instructor.
- Feb. 23 – added PGC Successful Turkey Hunting Course to several message board forums and blogs, sent to my local chapter contacts, and several PANWTF past leaders



Feb. 25 – working with Emily Just and Bob Eriksen to set-up and coordinate the DCNR/NWTF meeting for April 5

March 2 – Tim Grenoble invited me to attend PGC WCO Training School to speak to Cadets about NWTF, PANWTF and our working partnership

March 2 – meeting with Keith Snyder to review status of PGC Successful Turkey Hunting Course

March 2 – meeting with Steve Smith to review legislative issues and turkey hunting license

**Executive Officer Report– Sam McCartney:**

Executive Officer Report March 6, 2011

Sam McCartney

Jan 7, 2011	Attended State Chapter Exec. Committee Meeting
Jan 8, 2011	Attended PA State Chapter Awards Banquet/Rendezvous
Jan 9, 2011	Attended State Chapter Board Meeting
Jan 19, 2011	Discussed turkey hunting license with Dave Putnam
Jan 20, 2011	Discussed turkey hunting license with Jim Eckert (Jake Corman's C.O.S.)
Jan 20, 2011	Attended Nittany Valley Longbeard's Banquet Meeting
Feb 8, 2011	Attended Nittany Valley Longbeard's Banquet Meeting
Feb 13, 2011	Attended State Chapter Habitat Meeting
Feb 26, 2011	Set up and attended NVL Chapter Banquet
March 6, 2011	Attend State Chapter Exec. Committee meeting.

**NWTF Reports**

**Carl Mowry:**

**PA Membership numbers as of 2-28-11**

Regular – 6019  
 Sponsor – 892  
 Life – 358  
 WITO – 1349  
 Wheelin – 79  
 JAKES – 2505  
 Extreme – 1194

**Just as a Reminder the 2011 PA Chapter Leadership Workshop**

Once again this summer we will be holding the Leadership Workshop. The dates are Saturday July 30 with the fun trap & block shoot at the Tyrone Sportsman's Club. We





also have a new food vendor who will be on site serving the meal. On Sunday August 31 we will hold the meeting at the Ramada Inn in State College. Information will be sent out to the local chapter presidents in June.

**Bob Eriksen:**

**Regional Biologist Report  
Bob Eriksen, NWTF Regional Biologist  
January 1- March 1, 2011**

**Meetings and Presentations**

- Attended the January meeting of the Pennsylvania Game Commission in Harrisburg
- Attended Pennsylvania State Chapter Rendezvous and Awards Banquet, New Jersey Chapter Awards Banquet and Maryland Chapter Awards Banquet
- Worked at Lower Delaware Chapter Super Fund banquet
- Attended Pennsylvania and New Jersey Chapter Board meetings
- Presented a power point on eastern coyote at the Pennsylvania Chapter Rendezvous
- Worked at NWTF annual convention and attended the NWTF technical committee meeting
- Presented a summary of the technical committee resolution on handling residential nuisance and damage complaints involving wild turkeys and worked on modifying all three resolutions
- Planned, scheduled and moderated the Wildlife Law Enforcement Officer session at the NWTF convention and sport show
- Participated in the annual Pennsylvania Chapter Super Fund Habitat Committee meeting
- Attended the annual meeting of the Northeast Upland Game Bird Technical Committee in Shepherdstown, WV
- Presented a paper on “Survival and Hunting Mortality of Male Wild Turkeys in New Jersey” at the Tenth National Wild Turkey Symposium
- Attended the January and February meetings of the New Jersey Outdoor Alliance
- Participated in a pre-work conference with a contractor doing 388 acres of oak release on the Martin Run project on Allegheny National Forest
- Represented the New Jersey Chapter at an outdoor expo held at a shopping mall

**Writing Projects**

- Prepared an article on a donation received from Chesapeake Energy for the spring issue of “Pennsylvania Turkey Talk”





- Completed articles on turkey hunting safety and all day spring hunting for “Pennsylvania Game News”
- Prepared two NWTF biologist blogs for our website
- Wrote letters (3) in opposition of two bills in the New Hampshire legislature designed to reduce the cost of turkey hunting and other special permits that would reduce funding for the New Hampshire Department of Fish and Game
- Prepared a summary of the Pennsylvania Chapter Conservation and Outreach activities for presentation at a meeting with Anadarko Petroleum
- Drew up an agreement for regional biologist funding for the West Virginia Chapter
- Developed a power point presentation on a gobbler survival and cause specific mortality study in New Jersey for the Tenth National Wild Turkey Symposium
- Prepared an application for grant funding from Chesapeake Energy for projects in Bradford, Sullivan, Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties

### **Special Projects**

- Reviewed resumes and conducted interviews with candidates for a NWTF project biologist position on Allegheny National Forest
- Considerable time was spent working on plans for the Stewardship Agreement and a National Forest Foundation Grant on Allegheny National Forest which includes early successional habitat and grasslands management
- Set up an interview with National Geographic television regarding a bear incident in which I was involved in New Jersey back in 1998
- Provided information to a free lance writer from Maryland on all day spring hunting techniques
- Continued to discuss wild turkey introduction and management options with interested parties in the Canadian province of New Brunswick
- Developed monthly expense projections for FY 2011 for the Northeast Region
- Assisted regional biologists with issues in their respective regions
- Prepared bills for equipment and supplies related to the current fall harvest rate study and submitted bills to the chapter treasurer for payment
- Considerable time was spent preparing a detailed report on the PA Department of Community and Economic Development grant in Luzerne County
- Provided advice to University of Delaware researchers on turkey trapping techniques and galvanometers

### **Super Fund and Outreach Fund Requests**

- Processed 31 Pennsylvania Super Fund request forms and 2 New Jersey requests
- Processed 4 Outreach Fund requests for the Pennsylvania Chapter



### **Information Requests**

- Handled 31 requests for information on gobbling, wild turkey nesting, aging wild turkeys, odd-colored wild turkeys, habitat management and wild turkey ecology

**Mary Jo Casalena:**

### **NWTF Technical Committee Representatives' Report - PA Chapter NWTF Board of Directors Meeting, March 6, 2011**

**Submitted by: Mary Jo Casalena, Wildlife Biologist II,  
Bureau of Wildlife Management, PA Game Commission**

### **Harvest Management**

The preliminary fall 2010 harvest was approximately 18,000 turkeys, which is a 20% decrease from 2009 and 25% lower than the previous three-year average of 24,085 (Table 1). These data still are being checked. Final harvest totals from the annual Game-Take survey will be available this summer.

### **Wild Turkey Season Recommendations**

During the January PGC Board of Commissioners meeting, the Board gave preliminary approval of staff recommendations to maintain the closed fall season in WMUs 5C and 5D for the second year and maintain the 3-day (Tuesday, November 1 – Thursday, November 3) season in WMU 5A for the second year. Also, in support of the hen harvest and survival rate study, the Board gave preliminary approval to return to the 2- and 3-week seasons in the remaining WMUs, opening Saturday, October 29. However, in the 3-week WMUs the Board gave preliminary approval to close the fall wild turkey season on Friday, Nov. 18, to allow the black bear season to open Saturday, Nov. 19 without conflict with turkey hunters (WMUs 2B, 2F, 2G, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 4C and 4E). The Bureau of Wildlife Management has not developed a final position regarding this Board action. However, there are several issues to consider regarding whether to agree with a Friday turkey season closure in the 3-week WMUs or request the season closes Saturday and concurrent with the first day of black bear season. The main objective of the study is to determine if harvest rates differ significantly between the 2-week and 3-week season WMUs. As important though is to study a season structure that will remain in place for the future. Therefore, the ultimate question is whether the fall turkey and bear hunters prefer an overlapping season or not. The current fall turkey hunter survey includes two questions asking whether or not they prefer the turkey season to overlap with the first day of bear season.

### **Wild Turkey Spring Harvest Rates and Annual Survival Rates Study**

Dr. Duane Diefenbach submitted the manuscript, Variation in Spring Harvest Rates of Male Wild Turkeys in New York, Ohio, and Pennsylvania, to the peer-reviewed *Journal of Wildlife Management*, where it has passed the initial review process.

### **Hen Turkey Survival and Harvest Rate Study**

All regional turkey trapping teams have been busy baiting, trapping and attaching leg bands and transmitter to wild turkeys for this study. As of 28 February, we have banded 245 of the 310 hen winter quota, which is 79% of our total, trapping an average of 8 hens per trapping attempt (similar to last year). We are ahead of last year's bandings when we banded 227 by the same time period, thanks to a successful trapping by WCO Dick Bodenhorn in Elk County, WMU 2F, of 44 turkeys!! Two turkeys escaped, 2 were



males and 1 hen was a recapture from last winter, totaling 42 newly banded hens – the most turkeys ever caught under 1 net in PA that I recall. Banding totals per Region are: NC Region, 111 (quota = 146); SC Region, 62 (quota = 73); SW Region, 55 (quota = 49), NW Region, 17 (quota = 42). We also legbanded 85 males, mostly jakes, with non-reward bands incidental to hen trapping, almost twice as many as last year (44 males). For unknown reasons jakes have remained with hen flocks longer than normal this winter, decreasing our overall success of hen trapping. To maintain a sample of 60 transmittered hens, we have been re-deploying transmitters from hens that have died during the first year. To date, we have re-deployed 20 of the 25 transmitters ready to be used. Trapping will continue through March

Sample sizes were low for legband/transmitter returns from the 2010 fall turkey hunting season (n=11) because of being the first year so conclusions cannot yet be made. Preliminary results showed slightly higher harvest rates in the study area with a shorter fall season (WMUs 2C, 2E, 4A, 4B & 4D).

#### **2010 Fall Turkey Hunter Survey**

The survey (to determine fall turkey hunter participation, recruitment and satisfaction with the fall turkey hunting season) was mailed to a random sample of 10,000 hunters on January 12 with a reminder postcard mailed to nonrespondents Jan. 27. Approximately 50% have been completed and returned. Survey data will be analyzed and provided prior to the April Commission meeting.

#### **2011 PANWTF Habitat Superfund Projects**

The PA Chapter NWTF was able to fund 70 proposals for 2011 on 705.8 acres of private, state, county and federal lands in Pennsylvania, totaling \$99,272.50 PANWTF habitat superfund dollars – much of which is matched with cooperator monies/labor, so the total on-the-ground dollars for habitat improvement could be twice that amount. This, along with the PANWTF's seed subsidy and conservation seed programs shows the PANWTF's great partnership for improving wildlife habitat throughout Pennsylvania. Fifty-one of the 70 proposals (74%) are funded in cooperation with the PA Game Commission for a total of \$72,965.95 funded to the Game Commission by the PA NWTF. Most habitat improvement projects were funded at a lower level than requested because there simply were not enough funds available to fully fund every proposal.

#### **Turkey Population Model**

I provided an update at the January board meeting. The board requested an additional update at this meeting. Due to other commitments (turkey trapping, turkey hunter survey and preparation for the PGC Commission meeting and three other meetings) we do not have an update. Work on the model will begin again after trapping season, April 1.

#### **Meetings**

NE Upland Gamebird Technical Committee Meeting, National Conservation Training Center, WV



In attendance were state upland gamebird biologists from most northeast states and technical representatives from the NWTF. The technical committee exists to serve NE Association of Fish & Wildlife Administrators by working on specific charges they give us, specifically to identify and resolve population management issues associated with the various upland game bird species, and identify habitat needs and priorities to provide to the NE Upland Habitat Committee. The committee is also important for facilitating exchange of information and to establish coordination and collaboration on projects. We are considering collaborating with the SE Tech Committee to validate/standardize population survey techniques, and development of a habitat suitability index. These would be long-term projects requiring large-scale funding.

#### 10<sup>th</sup> National Wild Turkey Symposium, NCTC, WV

I presented the results of the agency's 2008 Pennsylvania wild turkey hunter survey (hunter knowledge, characteristics and attitudes) and compared results with our surveys conducted in 1995 and 2001. The peer-reviewed paper will be published in the Symposium Proceedings next year. Several general conclusions were:

- 1) Turkey hunters in Pennsylvania generally are not initially supportive of regulation changes
  - gradual acceptance over time
  - Education & Time needed to garner support for changes.
- 2) One-third have hunted turkeys for only 1–10 years.
  - a substantial pool of new turkey hunters not yet committed to tradition who could be more agreeable to changes and
- 3) Not all hunters understand relationship between turkey populations & fall harvest.
  - educational efforts must continue annually regarding hunter safety, turkey biology and how season structure can impact turkey populations.

Annual NWTF Convention and Sport Show, Nashville, TN

Thanks to the generous support from the Pennsylvania State Chapter, the Game Commission sent Technical Committee representative, Mary Jo Casalena, to the National Convention, where I attended the 2-day National Technical Committee meeting, presented the first year results of the hen harvest/survival rate study and an update on the NE Upland Gamebird Technical Committee, and attended the NWTF Research Grant Proposals meeting where we prioritized wild turkey research proposals for possible NWTF funding. Also attending the Convention for the Game Commission were Bureau of Wildlife Protection Director, Rich Palmer, the Joe Kurz award recipient, Matt Belding, Land Management Officer in the Southeast Region and Wildlife Conservation Officer of the Year award recipient, Chris Ivicic, Clearfield County, Northcentral Region.





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and the Preservation of Our Hunting Heritage

Table 1. Pennsylvania spring and fall wild turkey harvests, by Wildlife Management Unit (WMU), determined from Game-Take Surveys, 2006 - 2009. Spring harvests include initial harvest + second bird harvests. Preliminary 2010 data are from reported harvests corrected for reporting rates.

WMU	Spring					Fall				
	2006	2007	2008	2009	Prelim. 2010	2006	2007	2008	2009	Prelim. 2010
1A	1,674	2,185	1,305	2,163	2,581	1,015	805	745	1,430	738
1B	2,312	3,183	2,878	3,372	3,139	1,626	1,006	1,598	1,634	1,227
2A	2,685	1,692	2,293	3,321	2,321	1,321	1,208	533	613	566
2B	1,853	1,385	2,168	1,605	1,767	1,117	805	319	714	545
2C	2,363	2,357	2,191	1,752	2,375	915	1,309	1,065	1,634	1,119
2D	2,822	2,490	3,166	4,153	3,384	2,641	1,611	2,130	1,532	1,171
2E	1,134	335	1,163	1,035	1,259	609	1,006	1,065	919	722
2F	1,650	1,679	1,462	1,520	1,499	1,219	805	639	817	914
2G	2,387	2,302	3,061	2,566	2,994	2,539	2,315	2,342	1,634	1,889
3A	2,064	1,212	992	1,538	1,692	1,117	1,510	958	306	1,003
3B	2,268	2,175	2,533	3,129	2,577	711	1,409	958	1,327	1,151
3C	2,395	2,028	3,680	2,988	2,804	1,524	2,617	2,982	2,043	1,147
3D	2,177	2,467	2,006	2,525	2,017	711	704	958	511	477
4A	1,968	1,507	1,276	1,954	1,599	1,828	2,315	1,172	1,634	674
4B	2,067	1,397	1,097	1,548	1,401	1,321	1,006	1,065	511	710
4C	2,480	2,687	2,744	2,362	2,704	1,015	603	958	511	1,119
4D	1,463	2,180	2,830	2,467	2,824	1,524	2,315	3,088	1,430	1,392
4E	1,898	2,561	3,064	2,767	2,937	1,321	1,811	1,598	1,634	1,219
5A	412	774	730	314	649	-	-	-	-	176
5B	321	491	425	509	729	-	-	-	-	8
5C	895	797	1,242	830	1,266	387	201	107	102	4
5D	52	79	103	196	42	19	8	10	-	4
Unknown	-	29	28	27	228					17,976
TOTAL	39,339	37,992	42,437	44,639	44,788	24,482	25,369	24,288	20,934	

### Committee Reports

**Art – K. Fernburg/K. Skrapits:**

No Report

**Awards – T. Bunty/J. Drolet:**

#### **Awards Report March 2011**

Created two missing Hall of Fame Certificates and got the signatures at Habitat meeting.

Gave one to Sam and shipped other to Chuck Mathews.

Had a missing Award recreated by Putt and shipped.



Awards committee met at Hawbaker's on Feb 13 and reviewed 17 scholarships and chose a winner.

Tom Bunty

**By-Laws – R. Johnson/J. Straley:**

No Report

**Conservation Seed – S. McCartney/R. Johnson:**

No Report

**Dart – T. Bunty/J. Drolet:**

Dart Report March 2011

Both system are out at events, no Problems reported.

Tues. Had call about scheduling/reserving issue- reported I had both system reserved in Sept. – not correct

Told him now that convention was over, that soon the website will be corrected.

Looked at schedule on Thursday and I don't see any overlap.

I don't see field available to input dates?

Tom Bunty

**DCNR/PA Wilds – R. Johnson/D. Heckman:**

No Report

**Drilling Reclamation – D. Butler/B. Eriksen:**

No Report

**Habitat – S. McCartney/R. Johnson:**

Habitat Committee Meeting Report

February 13<sup>th</sup> 2011

NWTF Staff Present: Carl Mowery, Bob Eriksen

PGC Staff Present: Mary Jo

PA NWTF Chapter Present: McCartney, Motts, Butler, Richards, Johnson, Ferdinand

Habitat Committee met to review and approve 2011 habitat projects.

72 Projects were reviewed and 70 projects were funded to some level. The total request received was \$133,370.29 and the total amount funded was \$99,272.50. Part of the





meeting discussion was trying to understand while approving these projects what matching dollars may be out there.

I believe that we need to try and create a system to put these projects into that would help us identify the best possible projects. The criteria will be based on several factors, acres involved, the organizer/owner of the project, is there matching or could there be matching funds etc. This will be discussed at the March BOD's meeting.

**Internet – S. Letterman/J. Drolet**

**Internet/Website Committee Report  
Board of Directors Meeting  
March 06, 2011**

Finally have restored the DART schedule page. And has been updated. I have request coming in and will be updating the site each week. The request form for the DART has been corrected. You can now enter the date of your event in the proper blocks. The state info on the right hand side of the DART page has be changed to info pertaining to Pennsylvania not Washington.

Scott W. , Trina, Jason, Scott L. Have worked out a bundling package for advertisers, which will include a link on the new website and advertisement in Turkey Talk. We have 5 spots available on the site at this time. We will provide more detail at the meeting.

The cost of the web site has been paid for by the first two advertisers, so the five remaining spots will be revenue that the board can use where ever it is needed. As we become more familiar with the new website, we will be able to add much more information about the State Chapter, local chapters, and members.

Scott Letterman

**Jakes – K. Fernburg/D. Zimmerman:**

No Report

**Land Acquisition – D. Heckman/S. Richards:**

No Report

**Legislative – T. Bunty/D. Heckman:**

PA Chapter NWTF Legislative Committee Report

Legislative Bills – March 6, 2011 – for PA Chapter NWTF Board consideration

PA Legislative Bill Locator --

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/home/session.cfm>



Game and Wildlife Code Bills and Firearms Bills will be monitored and reported to PANWTF Board of Directors from House and Senate Game and Fisheries and Judicial Committees.

All future legislative committee reports for 2011 will show bill number and description only when legislation is approved by either House or Senate Game and Fisheries Committees.

NWTF Sentry Program - status for PA Chapter NWTF Board of Directors.

Legislative Bills for 2011-2012 Legislative Session

**HB 40** By Perry. Amends Titles 18 (Crimes & Offenses) & 42 (Judiciary) further providing for use of force in self-protection, protection of other persons, grading of theft offenses & for licenses to carry firearms; & providing for civil immunity

**HB 169 Delozier (R)**

**(PN 61) Amends Local Option Small Games of Chance Act** further providing for definitions, permitted games, prize limits, insured games, recordkeeping, use of locations for conducting small games of chance etc. & for enforcement & advertising

**Jan 12, 2011- H-Filed**

**SB 274 Alloway (R)**

**(PN 250) Amends Title 34 (Game) in hunting and furtaking, licenses**, to allow the Pennsylvania Game Commission to establish regulations fostering youth hunting, including allowing exemptions for youth hunting activities. This includes allowing a youth hunter to have no more than one antlerless deer permit per season. In special licenses and permits, allowing the commission to define, implement and provide for the issuance of falconry permits to eligible persons. Makes it illegal to engage in falconry without a valid permit

**Feb 14, 2011- S-Reported as committed from Senate Game and Fisheries**

(Passed 2/14) Now to the full Senate for floor calendar schedule  
First consideration, Feb. 14, 2011



**Membership – S. Wojton/K. Skrapits:  
Membership Committee Report March 2011**

- Jan 2011:** \$5M membership drive wrapped up... winners drawn and awarded
- Jan-Feb 2011:** Actively solicited donations for 2011 membership drive
- Jan- Feb 2011:** Collecting and organizing ideas for 2011 membership drive
- Jan 2011:** Filled out and mailed tax receipts for those who donated to \$5M
- Jan 2011:** Filled several more merchandise orders from fall TT order form
- Feb 2011:** Organized “Bring a Buddy” membership drive for 2011 and email to board for review
- Jan-Mar 2011:** Attended several local chapter meetings (JZ, WP & WITO)
- March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011:** Jerry Zimmerman Memorial Chapter---Hunting Heritage Banquet

**Nominating – T. Bunty/D. Butler:  
Nominations Report March 2011**

Nothing to report

Tom Bunty

**PFSC – D. Heckman/B. Schwalm:  
PFSC Report and PFSC Spring Convention  
March 6, 2011, submitted by Don Heckman, PANWTF Delegate to PFSC**

Completed and sent PFSC State-wide Org. PANWTF credential sheet and list 16 board members as members, 2011 membership check for \$1600.00 sent with Credential Sheet

Bob Schwalm is new PANWTF Alternate Delegate for 2011 to PFSC

PFSC Spring convention will be held at the Country Cupboard Best Western in Lewisburg, March 11, 12, 13, 2011

June Board Meeting – June 18, unless request to change date, meeting in State College area

**Promotion – S. Letterman/S. Wojton:  
No Report**

**PR/Adv/Comm – S. Richards/K. Skrapits:  
PR/Advertising/Communications Report March 2011**

**February 2011:** Emailed “Hunters Can Purchase Special Spring Tag” PGC blast to Bob Kasun, The Morning Call & Allentown Outdoor Examiner for distribution through their



**channels.**

**February 2011: Bob Eriksen is working on drafting Turkey Hunting Safety Message press release, in conjunction with his article in TT. Once approved, it will be distributed.**

**March 2011: Distributed 290 Turkey Hunting Safety message poster to attendees of the JZ Memorial Chapter banquet.**

**March 19 & 20<sup>th</sup>: Cabela's hosting Spring Great Outdoors Days/Turkey Ckclassic weekend. Area chapters asked to participate. Would be able to deliver Safety Message.**

**Pub./Turkey Talk – J. Straley/K. Skrapits:**

Turkey Talk Committee Report March 2011

- Reminder the spring issue deadline is 3/10/11
- The Internet and Turkey Talk committees have worked out a bundling package for advertisers, which will include a link on the new website and advertisement in Turkey Talk:
- Full year—Website and Print TT bundle--\$375. Includes the banner ad on the website for a full year and a 1/8 page in TT in the Guide to the Outdoors/Group page for 4 issues. (\$800 value---your savings = \$425)
- Half year—Website and Print TT bundle--\$225. Includes the banner ad on the website for a ½ year (6 months) and a 1/8 page in the Guide to the Outdoors/Group page for 2 issues. (\$400 value---your savings = \$175)
- Ads for Turkey Talk must be submitted as camera ready for layout publication.
- Turkey Talk Committee will keep track of the number of issues the ad is run on the website and publication.
- Please feel free to provide any feedback on the process or fees.

**Rendezvous – D. Butler:**

No Report

**Safety & Education – S. Motts/D. Zimmerman:**

PA NWTF SAFETY & ED COMMITTEE REPORT  
COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, Skip Motts

Jan.-Feb. The S&E Committee has reviewed and approved 15 requests. Worked with NWTF and Beard printing to update and print the turkey hunting success & safety brochure.



Safety and Education - Dingo: There has been some interest and questions brought up on the subject of the PGC's turkey hunting success and safety program and the lack of response from the pgc to interested hunter ed instructors. I believe that everyone that has been involved with the emails, replies, and information that came back from Keith Snyder are more at ease with the calculated progress of doing this program the right way for it to become a superb success. April 18-19 are set as dates to get the pgc staff up to par so they can properly teach instructors across the entire state in the future. Per Keith's instructions please have interested volunteers contact their local management office to get the proper advice on proceeding with the hunter ed instructors class when it becomes available.

Seed program: the Pheasants Forever program in the Hegins/Gratz area is purchasing ten bags of seed corn that was left over from this past year's inventory at the price of \$6.00 per bag. Sam is passing the inventory to Dingo who will be meeting a member of the PF for the exchange.

2011 Safety & Education Budget Amount \$12,000.00

Status	Date	Chapter	Description	Approved Cost
n/a		MYB	ESOS booth (Won't need until 2012 event)	\$-
approved	10-Jan	Allegheny Plateau	Stackhouse Park	\$(900.00)
approved	10-Jan	Allegheny Plateau	Community Arts Center of Cambria	\$(250.00)
approved	10-Jan	Local #1	S&E funding to support PGC intern	\$(1,500.00)
approved	10-Jan	Local #1	Ed Boxes	\$(1,300.00)
approved		PA NWTF	Hunter success tri-fold	\$(600.00)
approved		PA NWTF	Convention Travel - Tom Bunty	\$(1,000.00)
approved		Juniata Gobblers	support of Everett high school rifle team	\$(300.00)
pending		Susquehanna	Safety billboards	\$(450.00)
approved	14-Jan	Foothill Spurs	Little Sportsman's books for school library	\$(408.60)
approved	14-Jan	Shenango Valley Beards & Spurs	Custaloga Town Boy Scout Camp Jakes event	\$(200.00)
approved	14-Jan	Lakeland Longbeards	Custaloga Town Boy Scout Camp Jakes event	\$(200.00)
approved	14-Jan	Wolf Creek Longbeards	Custaloga Town Boy Scout Camp Jakes event	\$(200.00)
approved	27-Jan	Muncy Creek	6th Grade Education Day	\$(250.00)
approved	27-Jan	Muncy Creek	Sullivan Co. HS Shooting Program	\$(250.00)
approved	14-Feb	Delaware County Longbeards	Ed Boxes	\$(250.00)

**Strategic Plan – T. Bunty/D. Butler:**

Strategic Planning Report March 2011

Nothing to report

Tom Bunty

**Upper Gun Raffle – J. Panaro/J. Straley:**

No Report

**Wheelin' Sportsmen – S. Richards/D. Horst:**





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No Report

**Wild Turkey Management – J. Panaro/D. Heckman:  
PA Chapter NWTF Wild Turkey Management Committee Report  
March 6, 2011 PANWTF March Board Meeting  
Submitted by Don Heckman, WTM Committee**

**Wild Turkey Management changes requiring PGC Staff and Commissioner overview.**

- 1) Support PGC Management Plan For Wild Turkeys In Pennsylvania, 2006-2015, goal, 8 objectives 47 strategies, with measurement timeline outlined, plans needs to be fully funded over the 10 years; several management plan strategies are not being fully funded or followed.
- 2) Northeast Wild Turkey Population Model – implement in wild turkey management plan – PA NWTF has \$15,000 invested in development; model data and modeling results are requirements for future wild turkey management decisions; Mary Jo updating model for implementation.
- 3) Recommendation to extend last day of spring gobbler season to May 31, permanently ---  
**FINAL COMMISSIONER APPROVAL – BOC Meeting April 20, 2010.**
- 4) Recommendation for Mentored Youth Hunting to including fall turkey hunting season in regulation starting in 2011. SB 274 pass by Senate G&F Committee, no mention of fall turkey. PANWTF needs to continue to support “tag sharing” with Mentored Youth Hunters and then work with PGC to get their support to including fall turkey hunting with fall antlerless hunting legislation.
- 5) Recommendation to expand youth spring gobbler season and regular spring gobbler season to all day hunting after 4 year gobbler leg band research project is completed in 2009, project evaluation will be completed in 2010, and recommendations will be documented. **At April 20, 2010 PGC Commissioner meeting they voted 8-0 to expand spring gobbler season for last two weeks of spring season up to May 31 to all day hunting starting Spring 2011. Will need to wait 3 years before continued support for all day youth hunt opportunities, unless.**
- 6) Recommendation to expand youth spring gobbler to more than one day.
- 7) Continue recommendations to reduce or increase WMU fall season lengths as management plan setting fall season guidelines are determined; using management data based on current field data and indices, harvest densities, population densities, and hunter densities, as charted measurements outlined in the wild turkey management plan; when management data supports regulation change. Fall turkey hunting regulations for season start and end date changes were adopted by PGC BOC at April 20 Meeting. PANWTF articles have been distributed documenting our disapproval of these fall turkey hunting season regulations. **Feb. 1, 2011 under Proposed Rule making, Commissioner’s move tentative fall turkey hunting season dates back to 2009/BWM supported/recommended dates, except for 4th Saturday, which is now Bear Season Start date; and kept Thanksgiving Day, Friday, and Saturday intact.**
- 8) PGC Gobbler Leg Band Research Study (2006-2009) has been completed. Study results have been documented by Dr. Duane Diefenbach and Mary Jo Casalena, and handed out to PA Chapter NWTF Board. What will be the PGC recommendations coming out of this research study and how will they be presented to PGC Executive Staff, Commissioner’s, PA Chapter NWTF?
- 9) PGC submitted Fall Hen Harvest Rates Study to NWTF Technical Committee requesting funding for state-wide hen research/telemetry study for 4 years – 2010-2013. Bob Boyd resubmitted and presented NWTF Grant-In-Aid proposal for 2011-2013. NWTF approved funding for 2011 trapping sessions. Mary Jo, IAN, or John Dunn and Bob Eriksen can update Board on final decision and payment schedule. Mary Jo presented Hen Harvest Rate Study Summary at January 31, 2011 Board of Commissioners meeting. PGC BWM updates and recommendations will presented and reviewed at March 6, 2011 PANWTF Board meeting.
- 10) PA Chapter NWTF submitted position statement on 2010 Fall Turkey Hunting Season date changes to PGC Commissioners and Executive Staff. PA Chapter NWTF has also submitted position statement for news release across Pennsylvania, and submitted articles in Turkey Talk. NWTF Dr. James Earl Kenamer submitted support letter to PGC, Aug, 11, 2010. What will be the Board position statement and Commissioner Meeting comments for the 2011 Fall Season?  
**We now know under Proposed Rule making, Commissioner’s move tentative fall turkey hunting season dates back to 2009 format/BWM supported/recommended dates, except for 4th Saturday, which is now Bear Season Start date; and kept Thanksgiving Day, Friday, and Saturday intact.**





11) Wild Turkey Biologists Spring Options white paper has been finalized March 2010 for PGC Executive Staff and Commissioner's review. Number of changes have been made by Commissioner's like expanding spring gobbler season to all day hunting for last 2 weeks up to May 31 for spring season starting in 2011. No further reports back from Commissioner's or Executive Staff on other white paper suggestions or changes.

12) June 10, 2010, PGC Staff meeting with PA Chapter NWTF representatives in Harrisburg Headquarters building was held. Final meeting minutes were distributed on September 29, 2010. Time to review action items to see what is currently being done and what is still on the back burner before June 2011 meeting. Waiting for date to be finalized for June 2011.

**Legislation changes that require Governor signature.**

- 1) Spring Turkey Hunting License proposed by PA Chapter NWTF Board of Directors. Support statement and benefits talking points will be distributed to several key Legislators, PGC Executive Staff, PGC Commissioner's, and Local Chapter Presidents.
- 2) PGC hunting license increase legislation – no legislative action was taken on legislative bill introduced in 2009-2010 session. Waiting decision to introduce a new PGC Hunting License Increase Package and those licenses, tags, stamps that will be included for 2011-2012 legislative session.
- 3) Support Sunday hunting as regulated by PGC, required legislation to change Title 34 Game Code. No Legislative was taken on legislative bill in 2009-2010 legislative session. Legislative bill will be introduced in 2011-2012 legislative session.
- 4) Do not support legislation [Title 34 Game Code] through legislative wording that changes PGC hunting seasons, bag limits, and shooting hours. PGC hunting seasons, bag limits, and shooting hours are changed by Board of Commissioners through PGC Regulation [Title 58 Code].

**Other Committee actions requiring PA Chapter NWTF Board participation and overview. PANWTF Spring Turkey Hunter Cooperative Program for Spring 2011 will be scheduled.**

**Other Committee actions requiring PGC Staff and Commissioner participation and overview.**

- 1) Turkey hunting safety and ethics – New PGC Turkey Hunting Curriculum Course on schedule for Spring 2011 kick-off. Other PANWTF / PGC wild turkey hunter safety material - NWTF Turkey Hunter Safety DVD provided to PGC HTE classes; helping PGC reach out to 300,000+- turkey hunters with additional turkey hunter safety and ethics information and material; PA Edition NWTF Turkey Hunting Success and Safety brochure; NWTF Turkey Hunter Safety Task Force material; New updated PANWTF Turkey Hunting Safety posters.
- 2) Annually review of meeting minutes from PGC Executive Staff and PA NWTF June meeting as provided by PGC Wild Turkey Biologist Mary Jo Casalena. Final June 2010 meeting minutes were forwarded to PGC Staff and PANWTF Board. Important wild turkey management criteria and decision making changes have been accomplished since these joint partnership yearly meetings started back in the mid 1980's. Continue request for PGC wild turkey biologist to update PA Chapter Board at the January and June board meetings on status of Objectives and Strategies as outlined in the PGC Management Plan For Wild Turkeys In Pennsylvania.
- 3) NWTF wild turkey management outreach programs - Wild Turkey Woodlands, Habitat Management, Safety Education, Land Acquisition, Conservation Seed programs, Project HELP, Operation Appleseed, Operation Oak, other budgeted NWTF outreach programs and HHSF Super Fund expenditures, support funding for NWTF's Pennsylvania Comprehensive Wild Turkey Management Plan, continue distributing PANWTF news releases and articles in Turkey Talk, Tell The Story – Pass It On.

**NWTF North American Wild Turkey Management Plan.**

- 1) Pennsylvania Comprehensive Wild Turkey Management Plan - support management plan objectives and recommendations, provide for fully funded management plan criteria as directed by NWTF Wild Turkey Biologist and NWTF Conservation Programs.

- **Don Heckman made a motion for the PA State Chapter to support a spring turkey hunting license for a minimal fee and a fall turkey hunting license for a minimal fee to be included in any PGC proposed hunting license increase**



**that is part of a legislative bill for hunting license increase in the current legislative session. Jim Panaro seconded and the motion did not pass.**

**WITO – K. Skrapits/S. Richards:**

WITO: The state chapter is hosting a WITO event at Cabelas in Hamburg on Saturday March 12th at 8:30 am. Our local chapter has two members attending and I will be helping Jeff S. To date 30 some ladies are signed up for this event

Lykens Valley Longbeards events: Sunday, March 13th Fund raising Bingo: Longaberger basket, Vera Bradley and cash bingo Come see how the chapter has raised funds while having fun and helped the chapter grow in leaps and bounds.

13th annual membership banquet: Kevin's Place in Lykens doors open at 5:00 pm

13th annual youth day: last Saturday in August at Martz Game Farms for 125 youth

**YHEC – D. Zimmerman:**

YHEC: PA YHEC state event: Saturday, June 18th, 2011, Scotia Range, State college, PA The PA state chapter will be donating two prints to the two top winners of the event. I will request a check be approved matching previous year's donations for support of this event.

2011 NRA International YHEC, will be held at the NRA Whittington Center, Ratan, New Mexico, July 24th - 29th, 2011

### **Communications**

- Nothing

### **Old Business**

- Nothing

### **New Business**

- Nothing

### **For the Good of the Order**

**Motion made for the PA NWTF State Board of Directors meeting to adjourn. Seconded. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Joe Drolet  
PA State Chapter Secretary