



PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

ORGANIZED 1975

PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER, N.W.T.F.
REGULAR MEETING
KEATING SPORTSMEN'S CLUB
McKEAN COUNTY
NOVEMBER 8 and 9, 1985

The November 1985 board meeting of the Pennsylvania State Chapter was called to order by President Dan Roessner at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, November 8, 1985.

President Roessner welcomed everyone to the meeting, and extended a special thanks to the members of the Keating Sportsmen for their invitation to hold our meeting at their club and also to Tim Holtz who helped get the supplies for this meeting.

It was then stated that a quorum was present and that the State Chapter could conduct the business to come before it.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dan Roessner reported that he helped man the booth the Allegheny Sultans had at the Warren Mall, Warren, Pa on National Hunting & Fishing Day, he attended a day at Turkey Mountain Lodge where the National Board of Directors were holding their meeting. Dan said he met with Mr. Russ Hill, relative to the Land Use Plan for the Allegheny National Forest. Dan said he had helped the committees of Turkey Talk, and also on the Art, Stamp Print committee.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No report.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Howard Meyers gave the report for Tom Baldrige who could not attend this meeting. In Tom's report he said he wanted to send in all portfolio's to National by December 27th, Tom said that it looks like we won't win the award this year since not to many people have sent in information from the chapters and also what each director has done for the State Chapter. The group felt we must all help out with the information Tom needs to do his job.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Howard E. Meyers had sent out the minutes from the August meeting, no additions or corrections were noted. A motion to approve the minutes of the August Regular Meeting, 1985, was made by Norm Schlosser, seconded by Bill Barron. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Tim Holtz presented the balance comparative statement. The fund balance of 11-7-85 was 1,661.54. Tim said he had accounts payable of 1745.00 so we really had a negative balance of 83.46. Tim gave out the tentative budget for 1986. A motion to accept the treasure's report as presented was made by Ron Sandrus, seconded by Fred Webster. Motion carried.

VICE TREASURER'S REPORT

No report.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT

No report.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

Ron Sandrus said he attended the Mid-State Local Chapter Banquet and the Allegheny Sultans Local Chapter Banquet. In October, he held a seminar with the Allegheny Mountain Local Chapter, he was a judge at the Allegheny Mountain L.C. Calling Contest. Ron said the Perry County Local Chapter was in the process of reorganizing and that he too had attended the National Board meeting at Turkey Mountain Lodge.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TURKEY TALK

The new editor of Turkey Talk, Dan Sullivan received a round of applause from the board for his work in his first issue. Dan did a great job. Dan said that he had asked Jerry Wunz, Pa. Game Commission to contribute some articles for future issues of Turkey Talk. Dan said the issue was out on time and that we had 300.00 of advertising in this issue. Dan said he feels our ad prices are too low and he and his committee will work on this problem. Dan said some of his ideas, are a Local Chapter column, a survey from the membership on "What they want in Turkey Talk". Dan reported the budget for Turkey Talk will 11,000 for 1986, he said he will cut cost where he can. This last issue of T.T. 6,000 copies were printed up. Dan said he would for go any payment as Editor for a while.

TURKEY TALK ADVERTISING

Manager Jim Roessner gave a printed report which was very informative, Jim said he would try to get more people to advertise in the next issue of Turkey Talk.

PROMOTIONAL ITEMS

A printed report was given by Sandra Babich, several members were concerned about our promotional item inventory, Howard Meyers reported that we had all the items that were offered for sale in the last issue of Turkey Talk. Sandy had sent along prices for new stationary and envelopes which we read to the board.

YOUTH

A letter of resignation from Patrick Sullivan was read, Pat regrets being unable to continue on this committee but his time is very limited now.

ART PRINT & STAMP

No report at this time.

ART PRINT & STAMP PUBLICITY

No report.

HABITAT

Tim Holtz reported that the committee will meet to review habitat proposals from the department of Forestry, a further report will be given at the next board meeting.

PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIRMAN

Chairman Richard Weaver gave out a printed report. Highlights of Dick's report were he had contacted the Pennsylvania Game Commission about meeting with them to talk over problem areas, Rich said a meeting maybe forcomming in December, 1985. Rich also passed out paper copies of a poster that was drawn up for the Landowner project in a new landowner cooperative that may get some land opened for the spring season. Rich also checked on the public service spots offered by Austin-Nichols. Rich helped man a booth for National Hunting & Fishing Day.

NWTF

President Dan Roessner reported that the National Wild Turkey Federation would like six local chapters to sponsor banquets for the N.W.T.F. this year in Pennsylvania. Dan said funds from these banquets could be as much as 20,000 back to the Pennsylvania State Chapter for Habitat.

LEGISLATIVE

Chairman Norm Schlosser reported on the Endangered Species Act, also that the Pa Game Commission officers are now on a forty hour work week, with no over-time being given at this time. Norm gave a Toll Free number to report any type of pollution problem, or violation - 800-854-7365. The Pennsylvania Coalition is interested in having the Pennsylvania State Chapter join the coalition, after a brief discussion about the fee of 100.00 for membership, A motion was made by Dan Sullivan to authorize the Legislative committee to take a membership in the Pennsylvania Coalition, seconded by Norm Schlosser. Motion carried. If we are accepted as a member by the Coalition, Norm Schlosser and Richard Weaver will be our delegates. Norm reported the Pa. Game Commission is trying to combine both the Hunter Education classes and the Trapping classes. The legislative committee feels this should be opposed because each course should remain separate to be covered properly. A motion by Jack Crouse to have the legislative committee submit a letter to the Pa. Game Commission opposing this proposed new course of action, seconded by Bob Nodler. Motion carried. Norm reported on the recodification of the states Game laws, he also noted that a move is being made to reduce the price of the senior life-time license. Some important bills to support are SB-45, Homeowners Protection Act. HR-945 House - this bill is very important and needs our support, this bill will overturn the 1968 gun law.

BUDGET

Tim Holtz gave out the budget report, he requests comments on any topic in the budget at the January meeting.

1986 CONVENTION

Howard Meyers reported that the Gun raffle tickets should be out in November, a double mailing is being planned for this years raffle. Howard read a "Whats New for The 1986 Convention" Some important items to note is the Annual business meeting is to be held at 8:15 a.m.- a Ladies seminar is being planned and a Sportsmen's Raffle similar to the Ducks Unlimited banquets is being planned for the banquet this year. We hope to have three guns included in the Sportsmens raffle. Tickets will go on sale at 6:00 p.m. Other things new for the banquet will be a write-in auction, a chinese raffle, and ladies door prizes. Stu Harshberger reported that all the judges have been chosen for the calling contest and a run off contest if needed will begin at 1:00 p.m. on friday. Stu said the master of ceremonies for the contest will be Bob Clark. Stu then passed out posters announcing the convention (see example in the minutes) if any local chapter would like some posters contact Stu Harshberger as soon as possible. Stu also reported the passing of John Ostrosky president of the Laurel Run Highlands Local Chapter, a moment of silence was observed.

CONSERVANCY

Bill Barron the new chairman will follow up to check on our membership and straighten out any misunderstanding on our renewal.

NOMINATING

President Dan Roessner said the slate of officers and directors should be ready by the January meeting.

PAPER SUPPLIES

A shortage of paper and envelopes was noted.

HEAD DIRECTOR

The following reports were presented:

Northwest Region - Fred Webster
Northcentral Region - No report
Southcentral Region - Ron Sandrus

Southwest Region - Jack Crouse
Southeast Region - D. Strawbridge
Northeast Region - Max Dewing

NOTE: A local chapter presidents meeting is being planned for sometime in Jan. 86.

LOCAL CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Evergreen Flock
Michaux-Yellow Breeches
Allegheny Sultans
Susquehanna
Northern Cambria
Allegheny Mountain
Laurel Run Highlands

Mason-Dixon
Roger Latham
James E. Wilhelm
Wilson F. Moore
Fort Chambers
Tri-County

PA GAME COMMISSION

Jerry Wunz thanked the members of some of the local chapters in the northwest region. These chapters helped out in a brood census in Erie, Crawford, and Mercer countys. Jerry said the game commission is going to try and simplify the brood census form for next year.

REWARD

A reward payment was requested but a problem developed and President Dan Roessner was to check with the game protector on this question. Action was tabled on this reward request till the January 1986 meeting.

After these reports the friday night meeting was recessed at 12:45 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:16 p.m. on Saturday, November 9, 1985, with President Dan Roessner calling the meeting to order. It was determined that a quorum was present and that the business of the State Chapter could be conducted.

PA GAME COMMISSION

Jerry Wunz continued his report, Jerry said the trap & transfer program for the state is completed but that trap & transfer of wild turkeys will still go on in each game commission region. Jerry said turkeys will be trapped and released in the same region, to replenish birds that may have failed to get started in that region. Jerry said the lack of small game is causing more hunters to turn to turkey hunting. Jerry reported on the new turkey management areas from three to eight areas. Jerry said all areas stayed as the game commission had proposed but one, he said a local chapter had sent letters to the game commission to change the boundaries between turkey management area two and three. Jerry finished his report and left for his home. A discussion about this local chapter had acted on their own and had not made any contact with the state chapter on the matter. After a brief discussion, Fred Webster, head director of the Northwest Region, was asked to contact the chapter and director involved in this matter and report back at the January meeting.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was read from the N.W.T.F. appealing for more funds for the radio telemetry equipment.

OLD BUSINESS

Information on the Past Presidents pin passed on by Lou Mamone was given at this time. A motion to table action on the pin at this time was made by Ron Sandrus, seconded by Jack Crouse. Motion carried.

President Dan Roessner would like to have a full slate of officers and directors for the 1986 year. At the present time the position as First Vice President is open, Dan would like to know of candidates for the position of Secretary.

ART PRINT AND STAMP COMMITTEE

Terry Hyde reported on the Toschick original and the Dan Feaser original painting, Mrs. Feaser is in need of funds she suggested a raffle drawing similar to the Ned Smith original, Terry presented a plan to the board to have raffle tickets printed up for both the Toschick original and the Feaser original, this way members could buy what ever ticket they want for either painting. One-half of the profit after expenses would go to Mrs. Feaser for the Feaser painting, one-half of the profit after expenses would go to Larry Toschick for his painting. Terry would have a booth at the convention to sell the tickets and raffle tickets would be mailed to our members. The raffle would take place in the spring. A motion to conduct the raffle as arranged by Terry Hyde and the Art Committee was made by Dan Sullivan, seconded by Ron Sandrus. Motion carried. Nay votes were cast by Jack Crouse and Bill Barron. Terry reported the Conservation print by artist Jack Palut will be ready by the spring season. The contract is being drawn up, the state chapter will be sole owner of the original painting. Turkey Talk will feature a color cover for the April issue of the Conservation print, prints will cost 50.00 each. A request was received from Lou Hoffman, Editor of the Pennsylvania Sportsmen.

*Lou would like to purchase 40 prints at half price, Lou said he would assist the State Chapter in selling other prints with the help of his magazine. A motion to accept the offer from Lou Hoffman after approval from both sides and a contract is drawn up was made by Ron Sandrus, seconded by Reed Johnson. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

The turkey safety points booklet is being reprinted. The State Chapter will order 5,000 copies as soon as we have the funds to pay for them.

The Keating Sportsmen have a raffle ticket for winter feeding. Interested people please take one. The Keating Sportsmen have also asked to come back at some later date to hold another meeting.

There being no further business to come before the assembly, a motion to adjourn was made by Steve Lecorchick, seconded by Terry Hyde. Motion carried.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Pennsylvania State Chapter had an order of paper supplies come early in 1985. Officers and Directors were asked to take some home with them for their use. Right now some of our people need letterheads and envelopes, if you have any "extra" at home, please bring what you don't need to the January meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Howard E. Meyers, Secretary
Pennsylvania State Chapter
National Wild Turkey Federation

PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER

OF THE

(NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION)

..... PRESENTS

PENNSYLVANIA'S 11TH ANNUAL CONVENTION & MASTERS INVITATIONAL TURKEY CALLING CONTEST

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

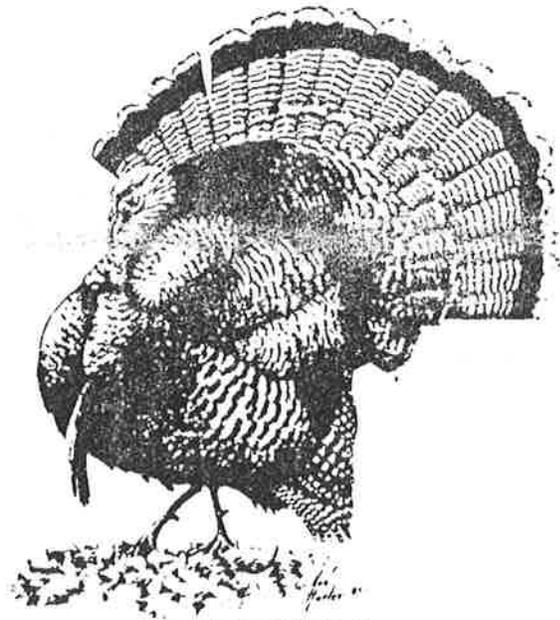
- ★ PHOTO CONTEST ★ TAXIDERMY COMPETITION ★
- ★ GOOSE, DEER, WILD TURKEY, HUNTING SEMINARS ★
- ★ ART AUCTION ★
- ★ WELL-KNOWN COUNTRY WESTERN RECORDING ARTIST ★
- ★ WILD TURKEY TRAP/TRANSFER SLIDE PROGRAM ★

CALLING CONTEST
MARCH 14, 1986

CONVENTION &
BANQUET
MARCH 15, 1986

HOWARD JOHNSON
MOTOR LODGE

Located at Exh 6 off PA Turnpike
(Intersection Route 22 & Route 48)
MONROEVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA



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ATTENDEES AT
PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER MEETING
NOVEMBER 8 & 9, 1985
KEATING SPORTSMEN'S CLUB
McKEAN COUNTY

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>PHONE-HOME</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>
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Bob Nodler	Director, N.W.	(412) 932-5214	
Bill Barron	Director, N.W.	(814) 476-7636	
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Gerry Wunz	Pa. Game Commission	(717) 667-2089	
Stu Harshberger	Director, S.W.	(814) 266-2992	
Dennis Strawbridge	Head Director, S.E.	(717) 246-2291	
Steve Lecorchick	Director, S.W.	(814) 948-5133	
Terry Hyde	Director, S.C.	(814) 684-4832	



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December 26, 1985

Dear Fellow Officers, Directors, and Local Chapter Presidents.

I hope you all had a successful fall season and a Merry Christmas. With the New Year coming fast we must move on to the business of the Pennsylvania State Chapter.

The next regular meeting of our State Chapter Officers and Directors will be held on January 17th and 18th, 1986 at Rick Moroneys brother-in-laws camp located in Huntingdon County, near Whipple Dam State Park. See Rick's map for site location, signs will be posted for additional help. The meeting will begin promptly at 7:30 p.m. on Friday with Committee Reports, the camp will be open at 4:00 p.m.. If you have a cot please bring it along also to help provide more heat in the sleeping area, a Kersun type heater would be helpful if someone could bring one along. This meeting will be hosted by the Mon-Yough Boss Gobblers Local Chapter entirely.

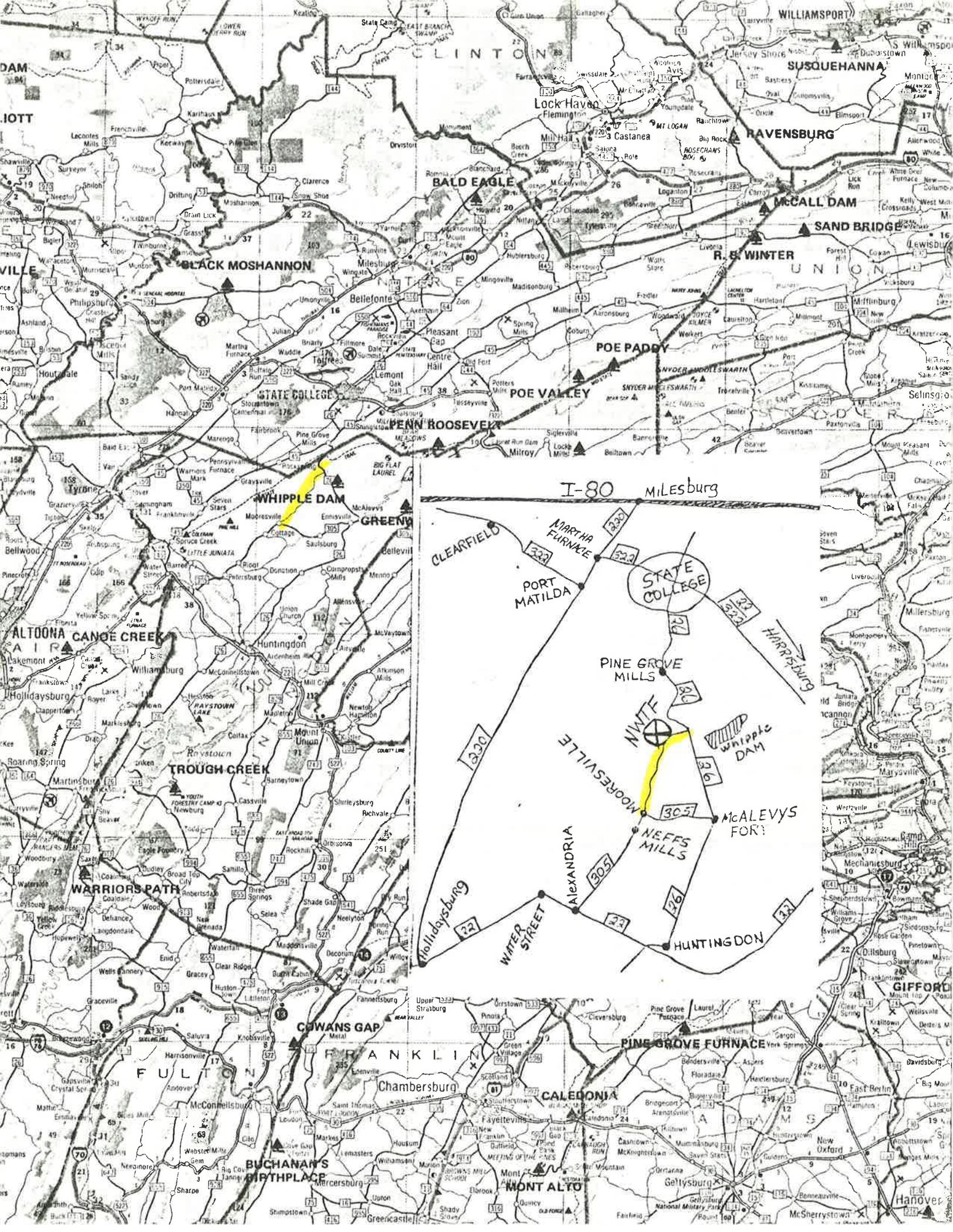
We have a great deal of convention items to cover, also your nominations for all awards must be turned in at this meeting and we want the nomination slate of officers ready for the second mailing of the gun raffle tickets. President Dan Roessner requests everyones cooperation in conducting the meeting as expeditiously as possible.

You may note that I have not sent a RSVP card with this notice, the return of the last card was only 27%, with that low of a response I didn't think we could send out the cards this time. If more of the board members would use these cards I would try them again, but for this meeting there will be none. We are planning on 35 people for this meeting.

Have a Happy New Year, Drive Safely!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Sincerely yours,

Howard E. Meyers, Secretary
Pennsylvania State Chapter
National Wild Turkey Federation



BLACK MOSHANNON

BALD EAGLE

RAVENSBURG

WHIPPLE DAM

GREENVILLE

ALTOONA CANOE CREEK

TROUGH CREEK

I-80 MILESburg

HARRISburg

STATE COLLEGE

PINE GROVE MILLS

NEFFS MILLS

HUNTINGDON

COWANS GAP

FRANKLIN

Chambersburg

CALEDONIA

BUCHANAN'S BIRTHPLACE

MONT ALTO

PINE GROVE FURNACE

GIFFORD

HANOVER



PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

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PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER, NWT
REGULAR MEETING
STONE RUN CAMP
CLEARFIELD COUNTY
AUGUST 8 and 9, 1985

The August 1985 board meeting of the Pennsylvania State Chapter was called to order by President Dan Roessner at 7:05 p.m. on Friday, August 8, 1985.

Dan Roessner welcomed everyone to the meeting, and extended a special thanks to Jim Leach and several members of the Susquehanna Local Chapter for hosting and funding the meeting.

It was then stated that a quorum was present and that the State Chapter could conduct the business to come before it.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dan Roessner reported that he was the Master of Ceremonies at a Turkey Calling Contest held by the Allegheny Sultans Local Chapter at Titusville, Pa. On July 26 & 27, he attended the Northwest Regional meeting at Trout Run on behalf of the State Chapter. Dan also is helping on the Turkey Talk Committee. Dan said he had received three resignations which he read. Resignation as Editor of Turkey Talk, Bud Erich, resignation as Assistant Editor of Turkey Talk, Gary Eckert and resignation as southeast Head Director, Steve Rheaume. Dan then read a list of new appointments that he was making after a meeting of the Executive Board. Bud Erich is appointed new Assistant Editor of Turkey Talk, Jim Roessner is appointed new Advertising Manager, Turkey Talk, Dan said he would talk to Dennis Strawbridge and see if he would accept the position as Southeast Head Director.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No report.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Tom Baldrige reported that he has been receiving portfolio material and he would like to receive more from each Local Chapter before the December 15th deadline. Tom reported on a problem on section 29 of the portfolio for 1984. Carl Brown, NWT had told Tom that section 29 of the portfolio should receive up to 200 points for each item in section 29. Tom said we received only 200 points for all of section 29, we had over 55 items in section 29 alone.

GARDNER HILL ■ WEEDVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA 15868

Tom said he would ask Gary West to clarify the problem with section 29 before the end of this portfolio year. Tom asked each Local Chapter that produces a Local Chapter Newsletter to please send a copy of their newsletter to him.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Please note these additions to the June minutes. The amount of money in the treasury of the disbanded Local Chapter was 307.17 instead of 317.40. The 1000 dollar habitat commitment was discussed but not voted upon by the habitat committee. Ron Sandrus reorganized the Mid-State Local Chapter. Any motion or second to a motion must be made by a board member or director. A motion to approve the minutes of the June Regular meeting 1985, was made by Steve Lecorchick, seconded by Norm Schlosser. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Tim Holtz presented the balance sheet comparative statement. The fund balance as of 8-9-85 was 4106.99. Tim said he would be handing out the budget request forms at this meeting and asked to have them returned promptly. A motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented was made by Fred Webster, seconded by Bill Barron. Motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT

A brief report was sent by Don Heckman in his report it was noted that the renewal rate for membership is at the 76% level. Don reported that we are experiencing a slow growth rate and that there are now 28,800 members in the National Wild Turkey Federation at the present time.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD REPORT

Ron Sandrus said he was going to update the Local Chapter list. Ron also said things looked good for a Local Chapter in the Mansfield area. Ron said he attended the Allegheny Sultans turkey calling contest and the Northwest Regional meeting at Trout Run.

VICE TREASURER'S REPORT

No report.

TURKEY TALK

New editor Dan Sullivan read a list of the new Turkey Talk Committee. Dan Sullivan, Chairman, Bud Erich, Co-Chairman, Jim Roessner, Advertising Manager, Richard Weaver, Legislative consultant, Don Heckman, Labels, Ron Sandrus, Consultant and Shirley Grenoble, Material. Dan said we must budget 10,000 per year to operate and produce Turkey Talk. Dan feels that printing costs are reasonable at Nupp Printing Company. Dan wants to have Turkey Talk out by October 15, 1985, articles and material for the January 1986 issue must be in by November 15, 1985.

TURKEY TALK ADVERTISING

Jim Roessner, the new advertising manager was introduced and greeted by the board. Jim said he had some advertising requests and sent out some information to future advertisers.

HABITAT COMMITTEE

No report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIRMAN

Richard Weaver was asked to check on advertising in Turkey Call, Rich asked Local Chapter Presidents to contact him if they can help in public relations in their local area.. Rich also needs help from the Local Chapters in knowing area newspapers and outdoor writers who print articles on hunting and the outdoors.

NWTF

No report.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Norm Schlosser, the new chairman would like to have new members on his committee. Norm asked for support on SB-80, this bill would raise fines on killing a wild turkey out of season from fifty dollars to 125.00. Norm reported that HB-585 was passed without any admendments attached. Norm also reported that the recodification of the State Game Laws was almost completed. The Game Commission wants to make the wild turkey a BIG GAME BIRD, the question came up this change could require a turkey hunter to wear fluorescent orange will hunting wild turkeys. Norm stated that various meetings on the recodification of the game laws would take place in different locations throughout the state, these meetings would take place before our November board meeting. Norm asked the State Chapters position about wearing fluorescent orange will turkey hunting? After a lengthy discussion; A motion was made by Tom Baldrige, that the PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER DID NOT support the mandatory wearing of fluorescent orange to hunt wild turkeys, but the PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER DOES support the mandatory training of new hunters in the aspects of Safe Turkey Hunting. Seconded by Steve Lecorchick. Motion carried. Norm reported that a Pennsylvania Coalition is forming and that Dick Weaver would attend a meeting and report back at the November meeting. Norm gave a report on the two different plans for the Allegheny National Forest, Plan B and Plan D. Norm read a letter sent by the James E. Wilhelm Memorial Local Chapter to support Plan B.... A motion was made by Norm Schlosser to make this letters content the stand for the Pennsylvania State Chapter on this long range plan for the Allegheny National Forest. Seconded by Dan Sullivan. Motion carried, with one abstaining member.

PROMOTIONAL ITEM COMMITTEE

No report.

HEAD DIRECTOR

The following reports were presented:

Northwest Region - Fred Webster
Northcentral Region - No report
Southcentral Region - Ron Sandrus

Southwest Region - Jack Crouse
Northeast Region - No report
Southeast Region - No report

1986 CONVENTION

Chairman Tom Baldrige said committee assignments were coming along, he said this year as an incentive to preregister a early bird raffle will take place for a Ithaca 20 gauge shotgun, you must preregistered to be entered in this raffle. Some new changes to take place were discussed by Chairman Howard Meyers. Howard said the exhibits will be open during the Masters calling contest this year with certain restrictions; also the Annual membership meeting will be moved from 4:00 p.m. to 8:15 a.m. on Saturday. Those who attend the meeting will have available to them a continental breakfast free of charge. This move should be helpful for the art auction, Tom mentioned that we will have two seminars for ladies this year, the seminars will be on make-up and antiques.

LOCAL CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Northern Cambria
Laurel Run Highlands
Michaux-Yellow Breeches
James E. Wilhelm
Roof Garden Gobblers
Blue Mountain

Susquehanna
Roger Latham
Summit Mountain
Allegheny Sultans
Mon-Yough
Wilson F. Moore

After these reports the friday night meeting was recessed at 1:03 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 9, 1985, with President Dan Roessner calling the meeting to order. It was determined that a quorum was present and that the business of the State Chapter could be conducted.

GUEST SPEAKER

President Dan Roessner introduced Frank Rice to the board. Frank had attended the NWTf Wild Turkey Symposium at Des Moines, Iowa, and had given a report on the National Wild Turkey Federation's Strip Mine Project in Pa. Frank thanked the State Chapter with helping him make the trip, Frank then gave a talk on his strip mine project. It was noted that a lot of new people had come on the board who had never heard of Franks project which took place in 1981 in Centre and Clinton Counties. This project took place on State Game Lands 100 an unstripped area and on stripped areas that adjoin State Game Lands 100. It was the concensus of this project that it is very important to get strip miners to replant the stripped area with trees and shrubs along with the grasses now being planted on these areas. Frank urged the Local Chapters to contact landowners whose land was going to be stripped to inform these landowners that they can tell the strip miners what they want planted on their lands. Franks report showed that wild turkey really like the 30 to 40 year old strip mines and a lot of this prime habitat is being restripped now and is being replanted in grasses only.

NWTF WILD TURKEY SYMPOSIUM

Dale Jeffrey gave an overview of the Iowa Wild Turkey Symposium. Dale said 27 reports ranging from the effect of illegal turkey kills (scheduling of seasons); problems with farm raised turkeys released in the wild, were given at the week long symposium. Dale said as a spectator to this symposium he learned much more about the wild turkey here in Pennsylvania and all over the United States

ART PRINT AND STAMP COMMITTEE

Terry Hyde reported on our print program, he said most programs outside of the National Wild Turkey Federations program are having problems. Terry said the market is very soft and other states are also having the same problems that we are having selling art prints. Terry reported that we now have \$4,100 in the stamp print program, Terry also said that artist Larry Toschick still has not been paid and that he is still trying to work out an agreement over the money owed to Toschick. Terry said he would like to see the State Chapter start a State Chapter Conservation Print of which the State Chapter would have 100% control. After Terry's report a discussion followed on how to clear up the debt to artist Larry Toschick; this led to A motion by Jack Crouse to clear up this debt in one of three manners.

1. Return the original painting to Larry Toschick and wipe the slate clean.
2. Sell the original painting - split the profit 50-50 with artist Toschick.
3. Pay Larry Toschick the money owed to him outright.

the motion was seconded by Norm Schlosser. Motion carried. Shirley Grenoble then made A motion to authorize the Art Print Committee, through recommendation of the Executive Board to proceed with the Conservation Print Program upon the finalization of the Toschick problem, seconded by Reed Johnson. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENT

President Dan Roessner said that during the lunch break a meeting of the Executive Committee took place and Dan was making the following appointments. Larry Utnik is being appointed a Director in the Southwest Region and Dale Jeffery is appointed to the Vice Treasurer's position.

OLD BUSINESS

Dave Fisher posed a question to the board at this time, Dave's question, "Why doesn't the Local Chapter Presidents have a voting voice at the State Board meetings?" This question was discussed thoroughly by the board with no clear answer to this question at this time.

ROGER LATHAM TURKEY SERVICE AWARD NOMINATION

Nominations were asked from the floor for a nominee for the Roger Latham Turkey Service Award. Fred Webster nominated Ron Fretts, seconded by Terry Hyde. Ron Sandrus nominated Gary West, seconded by Jack Crouse. Tom Baldrige nominated Howard Meyers, seconded by Joe Krug. Howard Meyers declined the nomination. Motion to close nominations by Terry Hyde, seconded by Jack Crouse. A vote was taken by secret ballot for the nomination of either Ron Fretts or Gary West for the Roger Latham Turkey Service Award. Results of the voting are as follows: Ron Fretts - 16 votes, Gary West - 5 votes, Shirley Grenoble requested that her vote be recorded as a no vote for Ron Fretts. Ron Fretts will be the nominee for the Roger Latham Turkey Service Award from the Pennsylvania State Chapter.

NEW BUSINESS

Tom Baldrige made A motion to nominate both Ron Fretts and Jan Bausinger to the National Wild Turkey Federation's Board of Directors pending their situations, seconded by Fred Webster. Motion carried.

Richard Weaver, public relations chairman reported on several public relations suggestions. Dick would like to set up two pilot projects to assist in creating better hunter-landowner relations and to provide some incentives for the landowners to open their lands for hunting. Dicks pilot program for both projects would take \$250.00 to get it started, if it works with these pilot programs it could be done in other areas of the state. A motion was made by Ron Sandrus to authorize two pilot projects, per region by the public relations chairman and to also authorize the expenditure of \$250.00 for the total program, seconded by Norm Schlosser. Motion carried.

Dan Sullivan proposed a change of letterhead and envelopes. Maybe a new design would be cheaper to get printed? Dan gave prices for 5,000 letterheads and envelopes. Prices were asked to be quoted from other sources to compare the prices for the letterheads and envelopes.

Howard Meyers reported on the tentative meeting places for 1986. The January meeting will be in Huntingdon County, tentative date for the meeting will be fri. 17th and saturday 18th, March, Monroeville, June, Somerset County, August, Blue Mountain Local Chapter will host this meeting at the French Creek State Park, Berks County and the November meeting will be hosted by the new Wilson F. Moore Memorial Local Chapter in Susquehanna County. Howard asked the other local chapters to follow the lead of the Roger Latham and the Susquehanna local chapters to host and fund a State Board meeting. We need to start working on finding meeting locations for 1987.

There being no further business to come before the assembly, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tom Baldrige, seconded by Norm Schlosser. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Material for the winter issue of Turkey Talk must be to Dan Sullivan by November 15. Anyone writing anything for the convention please take note. February 15 is the deadline for the spring issue.

Respectfully submitted,



Howard E. Meyers, Secretary
Pennsylvania State Chapter
National Wild Turkey Federation



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AUGUST 9 & 10, 1985
STONE RUN CAMP, CLEARFIELD COUNTY

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Refer to:

PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER, NWT
REGULAR MEETING
RACON CREEK STATE PARK
BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
JUNE 7 and 8, 1985

The June 1985 board meeting of the Pennsylvania State Chapter was called to order by President Dan Roessner at 9:00 p.m. on Friday, June 7, 1985.

Dan Roessner welcomed everyone to the meeting, and extended special thanks to John Sohn and several members of the Roger Latham Memorial Local Chapter for hosting and funding the meeting.

It was then stated that a quorum was present and that the State Chapter could conduct the business to come before it.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dan Roessner reported that on March 31, 1985 he attended the 2nd annual Roger Latham Memorial Banquet, the Allegheny Sultans Spring Seminar on April 11th, and he participated in the Pilot Habitat Project on State Game Lands No. 238 in Fayette County. Dan noted the passing of Ned Smith, L. A. Dixon, and the father of First Vice President Dan Sullivan with deep regret of the Pennsylvania State Chapter. Dan said he received a request from Frank Rice, for some financial assistance from the State Chapter for his trip to Des Moines, Iowa, the NWT Turkey Symposium where he would present a program. Dan contacted other members of the State board and with the approval of all concerned, \$200 was donated to sponsor part of the trip for Frank Rice.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dan Sullivan indicated he would give his remarks on the Legislative Committee.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Tom Baldrige reported Portfolio information from all directions and local chapters.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Howard Meyers read a letter from Dana Chalfant, State Game Commission, who said he could not attend our meeting due to a conflict in his schedule, Mr. Chalfant stated he would try to attend a future meeting, also a note was read from Ned Smith's widow who thanked the State Chapter for the donation to the Heart Fund in behalf of Mr. Smith. A motion to approve the minutes of the March 15, 1985 meeting was made by Steve Lecorchick, seconded by Norm Schlosser. Motion carried.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Tim Holtz presented the balance sheet Comparative Statement of Operations for the three months ended March 31, 1985. Gross profit was \$5,962.79 for the period, operation expense was \$6,638.91, leaving a negative net income of - \$231.08 for the period. Tim reported that the working checkbook balance as of June 6, 1985 at \$4,957.89 to cover routine operating expenses. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Ron Sandrus, seconded by Don Heckman. Motion carried.

Terry Hyde regretted that he could not be at the meeting, but his father was ill and would be operated on the Friday of the meeting.

VICE-TREASURER'S REPORT

No report.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT

Don Heckman presented the Membership Secretary's Report dated June 8, 1985 and reviewed the report in detail. Don noted that part "C" is new since he is working closely with Dick Weaver, Public Relations Chairman they thought these people should receive a copy of "Turkey Talk." Don said they will also receive a press release 3 times a year. Don repeated that membership as of May, 1985 stands at 4887 - membership for new and renewal members goes up in March, April, May, and June then falls during the rest of the year. Don urged all members to sign up new members at upcoming events so our members keep going up. Don said for all Local Chapters to make a special NOTE - if you sold a new membership under national's new hat program - you must send National a report of all names and address of the new members.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD REPORT

Ron Sandrus reported that in March he attended the Calling Contests at Allegheny Mountain, and Laurel Run Highlands Local Chapters, manned a booth at the Raystown Sportsmens Show, showed the safety slide module, and had for the local chapter presidents present art proofs from Bud Erich and Dan Feaser.

TURKEY TALK

It was noted that this would be Bud Erich's last month as Edition of "Turkey Talk." Also, a question about how long after the publication arrived at Checks and Balances that the publication must be in the mail. The contract states "Mailing must, be in the mail in seven days" with the receiving report date the committee said the mailing of Turkey Talk was within the seven day time frame - it was noted that bulk mail is very slow and could take as long as three weeks.

TURKEY TALK ADVERTISING

No report.

PROMOTIONAL ITEMS

Sandy Babich reported that Head Directors will receive a separate inventory of promotional items for use in upcoming summer events. If any of these directors give any of their promo inventory to a local chapter for a local event, the head director is responsible for an inventory report to be sent to Sandy. The local chapter then will receive an invoice for the received promo items by the State Chapter. This way the high cost of shipping is eliminated. Sandy said the State Chapter went from 3 promotional items in 1984 to 19 items in 1985 - a new order form copy will soon be in "Turkey Talk." Several new items for promotion of the State Chapter are imprinted glass ware, coffee cups, a window decal, new tee-Shirts, camouflage pens, and pencils. Sandy will get a report out to Local Chapters to get orders for promotional items for Local Chapters shortly.

YOUTH COMMITTEE

A written report by Terry Hyde noted that a one day outing in the Southcentral area is being planned.

ART PRINT AND STAMP COMMITTEE

No report.

STAMP PRINT PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

It was noted a program to promote stamp sales is being considered.

HABITAT COMMITTEE

Due to the absence of Gary West, it was noted that he would give his report later in the meeting.

PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIRMAN

Richard Weaver reported he had represented the State Chapter, on March 21, 22, 23 at the Federation of Sportsmens Convention, March 21, the Pennsylvania Wildlife Federation Banquet, March 28, public meeting on hazardous waste sites, April 6th spring outing at Meadow Lodge, April 15 and 17 Sportsmens meetings at Mt. Holly Fish and Game, and Boiling Springs Sportsmens Club, April 25, attended the services for Mr. Ned Smith. During May, Rich said he worked on the completion of the directors manual. On June 3rd, Rich testified at the public hearing on HB No. 585 conducted by the Pennsylvania Senate Game and Fisheries Committee. Rich stated he is presently working on setting up a meeting between the Pennsylvania State Chapter and the Pennsylvania Game Commission in July.

NWTF

Gary West reported on the passing of L. A. Dixon. He also stated he had been appointed to head the 1985 Portfolio committee, Gary passed out the point system for 1985. This year, all portfolio's will end on December 1, 1985 and must be at National headquarters no later than January 1, 1986. (NOTE- The Pennsylvania State Chapter now requires all Local Chapter portfolio's be sent to the 2nd Vice President before it is sent to the National Headquarters.) Tom Baldrige would like all Local Chapter portfolios sent in to him by December 15, 1985. No exceptions will be made on this date. The National Headquarters has been asked to send back to the 2nd Vice President any portfolio sent to them and not the 2nd Vice President - all local Chapters are asked to follow voted upon procedure. Gary West also said the new stamp print by the late Ned Smith should sell out very fast.

STAMP PRINT FINANCE

Terry Hyde submitted a written report. Don Hockman asked if anyone knew where the No. 1 prints were located? We need an answer to this question.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Dan Sullivan and Norm Schlosser reported that if anyone wants a report on any particular legislation you can call a Toll Free number 1-800-932-0784 give the Bills number, you will receive the bill's status, what Committee it is in, or when a vote will be taken (Note). Keep this number handy. It is very important to know. Dan asked support on the Endangered Species Act, HR 24. He also said 6 new amendments to the Game law are now proposed - one amendment would raise the fine for killing a wild turkey in closed season from \$50 to \$150. House Bill 180g - anti-trapping Bill
NOTE - The state of New Jersey passed an anti-trapping Bill - No trapping is permitted in New Jersey. Write to your congressmen and inform him that you don't want HB 1809 passed. Dan informed the board of plans to change management of the Allegheny National Forest, two plans B. and D. were being considered. Dan recommended we support plan B., to keep management of the

forest consistant with good wildlife management. A motion was made to support plan B. by Steve Lecorchick, seconded by Jack Crouse. Letter in support of plan B. will be sent by the legislative committee. House Bill 632 - and 970 Saloom admendments must be defeated. Dan Sullivan said HB 585 with the admendments tacked on in the House can't be passed with the admendments. Dan Roessner informed the group the author of one of the admendments to have the legislature authorize the budget of the Game Commission will address the board at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday. The Friday night meeting was recessed at 1:49 a.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 8, 1985, with President Dan Roessner calling the meeting to order. It was determined that a quorum was present and that the business of the State Chapter could be conducted.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Tim Holtz reminds all committees to prepare budget requests for 1986.

1985 CONVENTION

Don Heckman reproted a profit of \$12,040.81 on the 1985 convention. After discussion about the point system for the Masters Calling Contest, a motion by Tim Holtz to revise the points system satisfactory to have the amount of callers shortened, seconded by Skip Scharch, motion carried, 1 nay. A motion to limit the contest to two and a half-hours or have call-off was made by Jack Crouse, seconded by Dan Sullivan. After several questions, the motion was withdrawn.

CONSERVANCY COMMITTEE

No Report

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Chairman for 1986 will be Head Director Steve Rheaume.

1986 CONVENTION

Howard Myers passed around proposed assignments for the 1986 Convention to be held in Monroeville, Pennsylvania, March 14 and 15, 1986. Plans are well under way and most of the seminars are set-up. We need help in the area of the art auction. Jan Bausinger had indicated he did not want to participate in this area this year. A chairman will have to be found before the next meeting. Anyone who has a problem with their assignment should not be quick to reject it, call either chairmen to talk about it.

PAPER SUPPLIES COMMITTEE

Dave Pershing reported that we are out of Plastic Reward Posters. Sandy Babich will attempt to secure new prices for stationery and envelopes. An order for plastic Reward Posters will be made. We also are in need of a Hall of Fame Award. Dan Roessner design new artwork for the Hall of Fame Award for the next meeting.

HEAD DIRECTOR

The following reports were presented:

Northwest Region - No Report due to time element.
Southwest Region - Jack Crouse
North Central - No report
South Central - Ron Sandrus
Northeast - No report
Southeast - No report

LOCAL CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dutch Fork Gobblers
Mid-State Warrior Trail Gobbler
Susquehanna
Roger Latham
Tamerack Turkey Talkers
Allegheny Sultans
Roof Garden Gobblers
Evergreen Flock
Blue Mountain

Allegheny Mountain
James E. Wilhelm
Michaux - Yellow Breeches
Northern Cambria
Laurel Run Highlands
Fort Chambers
Mon-Yough
Summit Mountain

Dave Fisher said that the National Banquet at Seven Springs should show 400 new members - they had 100 less people and made \$11,803,26 more. Great job Dave! John Sohn President of the Roger Latham Memorial L. C., presented the State Chapter with a check for 1,000 for habitat. This is what the Pennsylvania Chapter is all about, helping the Wild Turkey together. Dale Jeffrey's mentioned that a directory of the attendees of each Board meeting, with the names and phone number be included in the meeting minutes (copy enclosed in these minutes).

President Roessner directed all local chapters to give a current listing of the local chapters officers and directors, the State Chapter President Dan Roessner, Ron Sandrus, local Chapter Coordinator, Don Heckman, Membership Secretary, and Howard Meyers, Secretary. This must be done by each local chapter to keep an updated and current listing. Dan also stated that minutes of local chapter meetings are to be sent to Ron Sandrus and also a copy to Dan Roessner. Please send any news letter a local Chapter puts out. Shirley Grenoble has resigned as head director of the North Central Region. Shirley was appointed director of the South Central Region. A meeting of the executive committee met and moved to take \$317.40 from the General Fund and place this money in a local Chapter fund - this money represented the treasury of a local Chapter that disbanded our State Chapter. By-laws read the State Chapter will hold such funds for 3 years. If the local Chapter reorganizes within the three year period, the funds will be returned to the local Chapter. If the local fails to reorganize, the funds go into the State Chapter's General fund.

TURKEY TALK

In looking for an editor for "Turkey Talk" a letter from Outdoor Communications to handle Turkey Talk, associate editor, Gary Echart would take editor of Turkey Talk for \$100.00 per issue Dan Sullivan was asked to take the job as Editor of Turkey Talk. A motion by Ron Sandrus, seconded by Norm Schlosser, to make Dan Sullivan, Editor of Turkey Talk and chairman of the Turkey Talk Committee. Dan Sullivan received a round of approval from the body and Dan said he would try to get an advertising manager and maybe ask Bud Erich to consider Associate Editor of Turkey Talk. Dan said he would set goals for Turkey Talk - also check on limiting costs in the Erie area. Dan Sullivan presented his resignation as first Vice President and Chairman of the Legislative Committee. Motion made to accept Dan Sullivan resignation by Skip Schaich, seconded by Don Heckman. Dan Roessner said that the State 10th Anniversary knife order has been paid and all sales now on will be profit.

HABITAT COMMITTEE

Gary West went over the list of projects for 1985 the Pennsylvania State Chapter will fund for \$5,000 and Gary said the project submitted by the Summit Mountain Yelpers will receive \$1,000 from the State Chapter. A motion to fund these projects was made by Dale Miller, seconded by Jack Crouse. Motion was carried. In the future, a Habitat Request Form maybe drawn up to be submitted to the Habitat Committee. At this time in the meeting, the State board was addressed by State Representative David Levoansky who had placed an admendment to HB No. 585 which was not popular with the members of the board. Several points were made in this serious discussion by both sides.

OLD BUSINESS

Richard Weaver, Public Relations Director - presented the directors packet he assembled. He had been asked to prepare this item for all new directors, but it was passed out at the meeting to directors and Local Chapter Presidents, the Director directory is very well done and Rich's work was greaty appreciated by all.

PAST PRESIDENT'S PIN

Lou Mamone has obtained the artwork for the pin - the price to make just a few pins is prohibitive so the suggestion was to make it an officers and Directors pin. Sandy Babich was asked to find a more reasonable source to make the pin and report back at the next meeting.

President Roessner brought to the floor the suggestion to follow up on the Radio Telemetry equipment the State Chapter has already donated \$500 toward the purchase of a unit, the cost of a unit is \$1,200, \$700 is needed to purchase one unit by the State Chapter. A motion was made to donate an addition \$700 to the National Wild Turkey Federation for the purchase of one radio unit, made by Jack Crouse, seconded by Tim Holtz, motion carried.

Howard Meyers reported on the April 21, pilot Habitat project on State Game Lands No. 238. Seventy-five volunteer planters helped plant the 6,500 trees and shrubs in 4½ hours. Everyone who came to the planting won a prize of some kind.

The winner of the Guided Wild Turkey Hunt was Jimmy Stafford.
The Turkey Mountain Lodge School winner was Ron Babich.

Since we were able to get 10 hunts sponsored on TNT Shooting Grounds, we got our two free hunts. The following local Chapters each sponsored a \$50.00 hunt on the TNT Shooting Grounds for a prize that was given away to one of the planters. The Roger Latham Memorial Local Chapter, Mon-Yough Boss Gobblers, Laurel Run Highlands, Dutch Folk Gobblers, Summit Mountain Yelpers, Allegheny Mountain, Susquehanna Allegheny Sultans, Mason Dixon and the Ruffed Grouse Society, the Tri-County Gobblers donated a print, and a special thank you for the donations from National Wild Turkey Federation, the Ruffed Grouse Society and the turkey call manufacturers.

NEW BUSINESS

Ron Sandrus - coordinator of local Chapter development reported that he had been successful in organizing the Mid-State Local Chapter and that the new President Carl Halfpenny was at this meeting with several of the Local Chapters officers and Directors. Ron also said that he had an application for our 33rd local Chapter - Wilson F. Moore Memorial L. C. - located in the Montrose area. A motion to accept this new local Chapter was made by Ron Sandrus, seconded by Tom Baldrige, motion carried.

Nominees for the Roger Latham Memorial Turkey Service Award will be made at the August meeting. Please be ready at this time to make nominations. Portfolio for nominee must be at NWTf Headquarters by October 1, 1985.

Dan Roessner told the group that Carl Brown had informed Dan that there will be an Eastern Regional meeting of the National Wild Turkey Federation, on July 26 and 27th either at the Ponderosa Preserve or Trout Run. Letters will be out from Carl Brown about the meeting - all local Chapters Presidents should try to make this meeting.

A local Chapter meeting is being considered in the near future.

Stu Harshberger - chairman of the Master's addressed the board with information on the Master's contest and points system revision. The minimum amount of points to be considered for the Master's is now 150 points. Changes made in the point system will be printed and made public.

Howard Meyers said the Art Auction Committee is in need of a Chairman and also he would like some information about questions on all artists who say they donate to the National Wild Turkey Federation and also information about commissions on artwork sold by National. Gary West was asked to find out some answers to these questions. We need 150 prints for our art Auction. The National should keep in mind that we have contributed a great deal of money to them and should consider this when asking for a commissions purchasing art.

The Convention Committee will bring information back on this at the August meeting. Paul Reed volunteered to be on the art auction committee. A motion was made to donate two stamp prints for the 100th Pennsylvania Forestry Association Convention - one Toschik and one Feaser - by Don Heckman and seconded by Tom Baldrige, motion carried. A contract for Checks and Balances Computer Service was presented by Dan Sullivan with a few minor changes but the price is still the same. A motion to accept this new contract was made by Tim Holtz, seconded by Howard Meyers, motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the assembly, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by John Sohn, and seconded by Dan Sullivan. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Turkey Talk deadlines are respectfully submitted, February 15, for the spring issue, May 15th for the summer issue, August 15 for the fall issue, and November 15, for the winter issue.

NOTE: New Mailing address for Ron Sandrus:

3022 Spruce Avenue
Altoona, PA 16601

Phone (814) 942-0932

Respectfully submitted,

Howard E. Meyers, Secretary
Pennsylvania State Chapter
National Wild Turkey Federation



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PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER N.W.T.F. MEETING

HARRISBURG MARRIOTT HOTEL

HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

MARCH 16, 1985

The March, 1985 regular meeting of the Officers and Directors of the Pennsylvania State Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation was called to order by President Dan Roessner at 5:05 P.M. on Saturday, March 16, 1985.

It was determined that a quorum was present and that the State Chapter could conduct the business to come before it.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Dan Roessner welcomed the board and announced that the Executive Committee had met prior to the meeting and a unanimous decision by the Executive Committee voted to appoint Norm Schlosser - Director-at-Large and Norm would be chairman of the Legislative Committee.

Dan also welcomed Gary West, NWTf Representative and Director to the meeting.

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENTS REPORT - No report.

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENTS REPORT - No report.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT - Don Heckman stated his January report stands for the March meeting. He reported membership as of 1-25-'85, 5043 annual members, 260 life members, and 107 jakes members.

OLD BUSINESS - Ron Sandrus stated that he had spoke to Bud Erich as requested at the last meeting and Bud had told Ron that he (Bud) would step down as Editor of Turkey Talk after the July issue. Ron also said we still didn't have a signed contract with Nupp Printing Company as of this meeting. Dan Sullivan asked that after a contract is drawn up with Nupp Printing Company that the draft be sent to the State Chapters legal counsel Bob Weisgerber to have it reviewed and in that way we might have a signed contract by the June Meeting. It was felt by many at the meeting that a replacement for Bud Erich will be hard to find since Bud has done such a good job as Editor of Turkey Talk for the last ten years. It was noted that a search for a new Editor for Turkey Talk will have to begin to have a replacement ready for Bud upon his retirement as Editor.

Lou Mamone would have a report on the Past Presidents pin for the June Meeting.

Dan Roessner stated that at the June board meeting that consideration of an additional donation to purchase a complete radio telemetry unit, approximate cost of \$1,200 dollars maybe in order. We have already voted to donate \$500 dollars to the project of the National Wild Turkey Federation.

NEW BUSINESS - Lou Mamone said the next board meeting is set for June 7-8, 1985 at Raccoon Creek State Park in Beaver County for friday evening and all day on saturday, no provision to stay over on saturday night has been made.

Howard Meyers reported to the board about a proposal the he and second vice-president Tom Baldrige obtained from the Howard Johnson Motor Lodge and Restaurant in Monroeville, Pennsylvania (Pittsburgh Suburb). This proposal would be for the site of the 1986 Convention and Annual Meeting. Howard stated that the room rates would be arranged for a Weekend Special for two persons in a room \$88.00 for two nights, one night for two persons would be \$56.00 dollars are firm from the hotel. The dates for the 1986 convention would be March 14, & 15, 1986. Howard Meyers and Tom Baldrige have volunteered to be co-chairmen of the 1986 convention. A motion made by Terry Hyde to accept the proposal of the Howard Johnson Motor Lodge and Restaurant to have the 1986 Convention and Annual Meeting at this hotel, and seconded by Dan Sullivan. Motion carried.

Announcements - Rob Keck, Executive Vice President said the 1986 National Wild Turkey Federation Convention will be on February 14, & 15, 1986 in Nashville, Tennessee, Rob said "You'll come now, here !!!!".

There being no further business to come before the assembly, a motion to adjourn was made by Carl (Skip) Schaich, and seconded by Steve Lecorchick. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Howard E. Meyers, Secretary
Pennsylvania State Chapter
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PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

HARRISBURG MARRIOTT HOTEL

HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

MARCH 16, 1985

The March, 1985 Annual Membership Meeting of the Pennsylvania State Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation was called to order by President Ron Sandrus at 4:00 P.M. on Saturday, March 16, 1985.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Ron Sandrus indicated that since January he had been helping with the 1985 convention, he had also helped in manning the booth at the Harrisburg Sport Show in February and he also represented the State Chapter at Des Moines, Iowa at the N.W.T.F. National Convention.... The Pennsylvania State Chapter for the fourth year won the most outstanding State Chapter award in the 1000 + member category, he expressed his thanks to all the officers, directors, and the general membership for their hard work for the wild turkey which made the receipt of this award possible.

It was also reported that Local Chapter #1 at Hecla, Pennsylvania was second runnerup in Local Chapter competition at the National level.

It was also reported by Ron that John P. (Jack) Crouse had been named to be a recipient of the Roger Latham Turkey Service Award at the NWTF Convention, in recognition of his years of devoted service to the goals of the NWTF. Jack was congratulated by the group for the award he deserved.

Ron helped organize 32 Local Chapter on March 6, 1985 in Greene County, other local chapters are looking good for several areas, Ron reported.

Ron thanked everyone who helped him in his term as President without your help his job would have been impossible to handle.

SECRETARY'S REPORT - Secretary Dan Roessner read the Minutes of the March, 1984 Annual Membership meeting at length, with no additions or corrections.

A motion to approve the Minutes of the March, 1984 Annual Membership Meeting, was made by Fred Webster, and Seconded by Steve Lecorchick. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Tim Holtz presented the Treasurer's report for the period ending December 31, 1984, since the State Chapters fiscal year is from January 1 to December 31. Tim's report indicated total income for 1984 of \$35,066.18 and total expenses of \$35,602.47, leaving a minus 536.29 expenses exceeding income for 1984.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by John Patterson, seconded by Tom Baldrige. Motion carried.

Ron Sandrus then introduced Carl Brown, Director of Chapter Development for the NWTf, and asked Carl to give remarks to the general membership.

Carl offered the congratulations of the NWTf to the State Chapter and the Local Chapter who received outstanding Chapter awards, but he warned the group that several State Chapters are waiting in the wings to take this award away from the Pennsylvania State Chapter if we let up a little bit. He said the judging was very close and our State Chapter had an exceptional portfolio to win.

He said another Northeast Regional meeting will be conducted again this year in June or July and he urged all local chapters to have a representative at this Regional meeting.

Carl said the NWTf has several membership promotions going on now with the membership sweepstakes and the free hat give-away with the goal to raise the membership by 2,000 new members.

He reported the NWTf allocated \$64,000 for grants-in-aid program. For the first time \$25,000 will be spent for habitat work.

Carl stated the building debt is retired and \$119 thousand dollars for this retirement of this debt came from State and Local Chapters.

Carl reports that in 1985 the NWTf is asking the help of the State and Local Chapters to donate to a project for radio telemetry equipment to be used by different State agencies and then returned to the NWTf for reuse by other states. This research work is very important to further the development and range of the wild turkey in the United States.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS - Bob Nodler, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, read a listing of the nominations for Officers and Directors of the Pennsylvania State Chapter for the 1985-1986 year (copy attached to and made part of these minutes). Ron Sandrus asked for any additions to the slate, there were none. A motion to elect the slate of Officers and Directors, as presented by the Nominating Committee, was made by Lee Neely, and seconded by Norm Schlosser. Motion carried.

Newly-Elected President Dan Roessner then took his new position and thanked everyone for their vote of confidence in him and his new office.

Dan thanked Ron Sandrus for his work in the last two years as President and for the usual fine job he has always done.

Dan introduced the Newly-Elected President of the NWTf, Ron Fretts of Scottdale, Pennsylvania and also introduced Executive Vice President, Rob Keck to the group for a few words.

Rob stated its "Volunteers making it Happen, is the Name of the Game", Pennsylvania has these people in their state. Since we have done so well for the wild turkey in Pennsylvania. Rob asked everyone to obtain new memberships from the turkey hunters in our state. Rob also talked of Project 30,000 to reach this goal of membership for 1985, we need "M & M's - Money and Membership" Keck said to complete the goals of the National Wild Turkey Federation.

Rob said it's time to find new ways to make new items and new types of seminars available to bring back people to our conventions and bring new members into the National Wild Turkey Federation.

COORDINATOR OF LOCAL CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT - Ron Sandrus presented the 32nd local chapter - Warrior Trail Gobblers Local Chapter in Bobtown, Greene County. Ron stated that the paper work was in order and made a motion to accept the Warrior Trail Gobblers Local Chapter into the Pennsylvania State Chapter, National Wild Turkey Federation, seconded by Jack Crouse. Motion carried.

Dave Fisher, Coordinator of the National Wild Turkey Federation banquet told everyone that the banquet was going to be held on April 19, 1985 at Seven Springs and Dave said he had tickets with him for anyone wanting to be present.

Dan Sullivan, newly-elected first vice president introduced Mr. James Lovette, Executive Director of the House Game and Fisheries Committee, who spoke to the group about our chapter which he just learned about just two years ago. Radar, Mr. Lovette's nickname urged more participation by our membership with our area legislative people. He urged all local chapters to get to know their State Representative and your State Senator, Jim said several new changes will be made that will affect everyone who hunts, fishes, and lives for the outdoor life. These changes will take place within the next two years and he asked all members of the Pennsylvania State Chapter to contact their State Representative and State Senator to tell them their views of the proposed hunting license increase as it is written, tell them your likes or dislikes but just tell them.

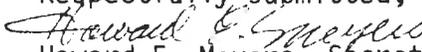
Jim also stated to the group to write to their State Representative and State Senator to let them know how the State Chapter or its members feels on House Bill 388 - This bill if passed would BAN the use of the leghold trap to trap furbearers in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Lovette urged all our local chapters to contact their area Representative or Senator and invite them to one of the local chapter meetings to get them to know about the local chapter and what we stand for.

There being no further business to come before the assembly, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bob Nodler, and seconded by Stu Harshberger. Motion carried.

The Annual Membership Meeting was adjourned at 4:56 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Howard E. Meyers, Secretary
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MOUNTAIN CREEK CAMPGROUND

GARDNERS, PENNSYLVANIA

JANUARY 25, 1985

The January, 1985 regular meeting of the Pennsylvania State Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation was called to order by President Ron Sandrus at 7:30 P.M. on Friday, January 25, 1985.

Ron Sandrus welcomed everyone to the meeting, and expressed the State Chapter's thanks to Dick Weaver, Don Heckman, the Michaux-Yellow Breeches Local Chapter, and Bill and Ray Stallsmith (owners of the Campground) for hosting this meeting.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Ron Sandrus stated that he had been unsuccessful in his attempts to contact Ronald Fowkes of Slippery Rock concerning the final results of the turkey hunting survey which Mr. Fowkes had undertaken, and that it was not likely that a report would be forthcoming.

Ron Sandrus noted that an organizational meeting would be held in early February relative to the formation of a new local chapter in Greene County.

It was also reported that Ron Sandrus was continuing his work with the NWTF Resolutions Committee, and expected to hold additional meetings at the NWTF National Convention in February, 1985.

Ron also said that he was continuing to provide input into the 1985 State Convention planning process.

It was mentioned that Ron had been contacted by Charlie Burchfield concerning the possibility of writing an ongoing column on habitat in several newspapers that Charlie writes for, and also requesting a tour of the Hunt's Run habitat improvement project. Ron said that he would attempt to set up this tour in the near future.

Ron informed the group that he would be representing the State Chapter at both the Harrisburg Sports Show and the Raystown Sports Show in the near future.

Ron Sandrus stated that he would be attending the NWTF National Convention in Des Moines, Iowa in late February, 1985 and would be representing the State Chapter in that regard.

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Terry Hyde indicated that the NRA Turkey Hunting Clinic which was originally planned for April, 1985 has been postponed to April, 1986. This clinic, co-sponsored with the NWTf, is planned for the Philadelphia area.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT - Don Heckman reviewed membership totals for the 1983-1984 year, and indicated that the membership level as of December, 1984 was 4,990 members. He also reviewed the rebates received from NWTf during 1984 which totalled \$10,324.00.

Don also stated that new local chapters in an existing local chapter area should review their zip code directory with other local chapters in a designated area to be sure that duplication does not occur. New local chapters must submit a zip code directory to the Membership Secretary for verification and submission to the Membership Director at NWTf.

Membership levels reports for all local chapters within the State Chapter organization are available for each month of the calendar year. These reports are available at each State Chapter Board of Director's meeting, and show current renewal members and new members and their addresses.

TURKEY TALK COMMITTEE - Dan Roessner reported that he had talked to Bud Erich recently and that Bud had indicated that the current edition of Turkey Talk was at the printer's office and would be mailed within the next few weeks. Bud also noted that the deadline for articles to be included in the spring edition was February 15, 1985, and that if all went well, the Spring edition would be out by mid-April.

Ron Sandrus indicated that since we did not have a contract with Nupp Printing to consider, he had asked Dan Sullivan to attempt to secure a contract for consideration at the general membership meeting at the State Convention in March, 1985.

ADVERTISING COMMITTEE - Ron Sandrus said that he had received several adverse comments from advertisers in Turkey Talk due to the late publication of issues of Turkey Talk. He noted that he would like to have this matter brought up under old business for general discussion on Saturday.

PROMOTIONAL ITEMS - It was reported that Ron Hudsick had no promo items available, and that Howard Meyers should be asked what can be done to secure more of the needed items.

YOUTH COMMITTEE - Terry Hyde and Dick Weaver reported briefly on the possibility of a "regional" JAKES seminar, and that this committee would make further recommendations on this matter in the future.

ART PRINT & STAMP COMMITTEE - Terry Hyde reported that due to the death of artist Dan Feaser, the 1983 Stamp Print artist's proofs were not completely signed, leaving approximately 25 unsigned artist's proofs. He also reported that due to the poor sales of the 1982 and 1983 Stamp Prints, it appeared likely that there would be no 1984 Stamp Print Program.

STAMP PRINT PUBLICITY - No report given.

HABITAT COMMITTEE - No report given

PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIRMAN' REPORT - No report given.

NATIONAL REPORT - No report given.

STAMP PRINT FINANCE COMMITTEE - Terry Hyde reported that there had been no sales of stamp prints during the last quarter of 1984, so that the ending balance of \$1,085.18 was the same as at the beginning of the quarter.

He then stated that the State Chapter is participating with NWTf in the promotion and sales of stamps, and that NWTf will return \$1.00 to the State Chapter for each stamp sold during this promotion.

1985 STATE CONVENTION - Don Heckman gave an in-depth report on the plans for the 10th Anniversary Convention, including a detailed listing of all committee assignments and responsibilities. He noted that plans were progressing quite well, and expected the 1985 Convention to be a financial success.

CONSERVANCY COMMITTEE - No report given.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE - Bob Nodler gave a report on the findings and recommendations of the Nominating Committee. He stated that vacancies existed for the offices of Vice-Treasurer, Advertising Manager of Turkey Talk, and Director in the Southwest, Southcentral, and Northeast Regions of the State. He added that the nominations letter to the general membership would be mailed in the near future.

AWARDS COMMITTEE - Dick Weaver gave a brief report on the nominations received by the Awards Committee for the various service awards to be given at the 1985 Convention.

HEAD DIRECTORS REPORTS - The following reports were presented:

North West Region - Dan Roessner
South East Region - Steve Rheaume

LOCAL CHAPTER REPORTS - The following chapters were represented at the meeting and each gave a brief description of their past and planned activities:

Allegheny Mountain	Blue Mountain
Michaux-Yellow Breeches	Susquehanna
Mason-Dixon	Roger M. Latham Memorial
Allegheny Sultans	Northern Cambria County
Fort Chambers	Evergreen Flock
Juniata Gobblers	

The meeting was recessed at 10:47 P.M.

The meeting was re-convened at 10:00 A.M. on Saturday, January 26, 1985, with President Ron Sandrus calling the meeting to order. It was determined that a quorum had been established and that the business of the State Chapter could be conducted.

Ron Sandrus announced that at an Executive Committee meeting held on Friday evening, the following were appointed to a Director position within their respective regions:

Skip Schaich - SE Tom Szerlik - SE Dale Miller - NW Ralph Holtin - SC

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Howard Meyers thanked all local chapters who had submitted portfolio materials to him, and said that these materials aided him in the preparation of a first-class portfolio. Howard also reviewed the point totals with the group, and said that he felt the State Chapter should score quite high in the Outstanding Chapter competition.

SECRETARY'S REPORT - Under amendments to the minutes, it was noted that reference to total expenditures for the nine-month period should be changed to read "for the three-month period". A motion to approve the minutes of the November 9, 1984 meeting, as amended, was made by Tom Baldrige, and seconded by Fred Webster. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Tim Holtz presented the Treasurer's Report for the period 1/1/85 - 1/24/85, indicating income of \$2,640.77 and expenses of \$1,918.64, leaving a current fund balance of \$2,084.09. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Tom Baldrige, and seconded by Lou Mamone. Motion carried.

Membership Secretary Don Heckman pointed out that there are approximately 2,000 NUTF members throughout the State that are not currently assigned to a local chapter. Any chapter wishing to add some of these members to their local chapter should contact Don Heckman.

OLD BUSINESS - Ron Sandrus noted that prior to the printing of new habitat pamphlets, the habitat committee would review the pamphlet and make necessary changes and corrections.

Lou Mamone presented several ideas concerning the design of a Past President's Pin, and gave several cost figures for the group to consider. After much discussion on the matter, a motion to refer the matter back to the committee and ask for a further report at the March, 1985 meeting was made by Don Heckman, and seconded by Terry Hyde. Motion carried.

Howard Meyers gave a presentation on the status of the order for certain promotional items such as decals, pins, hats, t-shirts, and pencils, and said that he was working with A to Z Advertising relative to the placement of an order. He added that funds for promotional items were extremely limited, but that he would work with Tim Holtz in order to determine other sources of funding for the purchase of these items.

Dave Fisher handed out copies of a proposal which requested funding for a habitat improvement project in Fayette County, which was then referred to the Habitat Committee for review and recommendations.

Dan Roessner spoke about the progress being made on the production of the 10th Anniversary Commemorative Knife, and indicated that the Board had already given its approval to an order of 100 knives each of the field grade and presentation grade. Since it had been suggested that the first 50 knives of each edition be reserved for the holders of the corresponding number of the Pennsylvania State Stamp Print Series, a motion to increase the knife order by 50 knives of each series, bringing the total order to 150 knives of each series. was made by Tom Baldrige, and seconded by Howard Meyers. Motion carried. After a discussion on the projected costs of these knives to the State Chapter, a motion to set the price of the field grade knife at \$25 and the presentation grade knife at \$40 was made by Terry Hyde, and seconded by Lou Mamone. Motion carried.

Tim Holtz reported briefly on the activities of the Habitat Committee, and noted that the Board had approved the amount of \$5,000 for habitat improvement projects in 1985 which would be undertaken with the cooperation of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources. He said that he would contact Gary West concerning the actual projects to be undertaken, as well as present Dave Fishers' request for funding consideration, and hoped to have the Committee's recommendations ready by the March, 1985 meeting.

A discussion then followed concerning the displeasure voiced by certain advertisers in Turkey Talk relative to the late publication of the newsletter. It was suggested that in order to avoid this situation in the future, it might be possible to drop all advertising from Turkey Talk for a period

of time, or to consider dropping the advertising altogether. The pros and cons of the situation were discussed at length, as well as what could be done to insure that future editions of Turkey Talk were issued on schedule. After further discussion, a motion directing Ron Sandrus to talk to Bud Erich concerning his intentions as Editor of Turkey Talk and his willingness to continue in that capacity was made by Howard Meyers, and seconded by Bob Nodler. Motion carried.

Bob Clark made several suggestions relative to the Hall of Fame Awards which are presented annually at the State Convention, and it was noted that these suggestions would be taken into consideration by the Awards Committee.

In the absence of Legislative Committee Chairman Dan Sullivan, Dan Roessner reported on House Bill 388 which would ban the sale, possession, and use of the foothold trap in Pennsylvania, and that the Committee was opposed to the passage of this bill. After further discussion, a motion authorizing the Legislative Committee to draft a resolution stating the State Chapter's opposition to this bill was made by Shirley Grenoble, and seconded by Don Heckman. Motion carried. The Legislative Committee was also given a consensus of approval to send a letter to the Pennsylvania Game Commission voicing the State Chapter's support of proposed hunting license increases, as well as a letter congratulating the PGC for their work in connection with the arrests relative to black market wildlife sales.

Don Heckman requested that a written final report from each of the Convention committees be sent to him by March 6, 1985.

Howard Meyers reminded everyone of the habitat improvement work session to be held in Fayette County on April 21, 1984, which also involved the West Penn Power Company, the Pennsylvania Game Commission, and the Ruffed Grouse Society. Further details of the work session can be obtained by contacting Howard Meyers.

Don Heckman spoke about the possibility of preparing new Director's packets which would be given to all Directors of the State Chapter and would outline the duties and responsibilities of the Director position. Howard Meyers indicated that he would contact Jack Crouse relative to this matter, and report further at the March, 1985 meeting.

Tim Holtz presented the proposed operating budget for the 1985 year which projected operating income of \$39,115 and operating expenses of \$38,115, leaving a figure of \$1,100 income after expenses. A brief discussion was held on various line items within the budget. A motion to adopt the 1985 Operating Budget as presented was made by Dan Roessner, and seconded by Tom Baldrige. Motion carried. Ron Sandrus expressed the State Chapter's appreciation to Tim Holtz and his Budget Committee for the fine job they had done in the preparation of the operating budget.

Ron Sandrus spoke concerning a letter he had received from NWTf requesting donations which would be used for the purchase of telemetry equipment to be utilized by wildlife biologists throughout the country. After further discussion, a motion to donate \$500 to NWTf for the purchase of telemetry equipment was made by Steve Lecorchick, and seconded by Shirley Grenoble. Motion carried. 10 ayes, 3 nays.

Don Heckman noted that there had been no representation from NWTf for the last several meetings, and asked what could be done to insure that the State Chapter receives a report concerning what is happening at NWTf. Ron Sandrus said that efforts would continue to encourage the attendance at State Chapter meetings by Pennsylvania's representatives on the NWTf Board. Dan Roessner stated that he would send a written request to NWTf asking that copies of NWTf Board Meeting minutes be sent to the State Chapter President and Secretary.

Tom Baldrige spoke about the submission of the State and local chapters portfolios to NWTf for judging in the Outstanding Chapter competition each year, and suggested that the submission of each local chapter's portfolio to the person responsible for the preparation of the State Chapter's portfolio would insure that local chapter activities could be included in the State Chapter's portfolio. A motion requiring each local chapter to submit their portfolio directly to the Second Vice-President of the State Chapter, which in turn would be forwarded to NWTf for judging, was made by Tom Baldrige, and seconded by Fred Webster. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the assembly, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Fred Webster, and seconded by Dennis Strawbridge. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:13 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



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