



# PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

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PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

OCTOBER 7, 1995

C. KUNZLER'S CAMP-CENTRE COUNTY

**CALL TO ORDER:** The October 6, 1995 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter, National Wild Turkey Federation was called to order by Chairman of the Board Rick Moroney at 9:40 A.M. 13 Members were Present. A quorum was present and the Board could conduct business.

## OFFICER REPORTS

**PRESIDENT:** President Tim Holtz report:

\* **CHAPTER REBATE:** Relative to the \$1 per member rebate I discussed in my update to the Board in September, we have opted to take the rebate from the Super Fund and deposit it in our treasury. By the January meeting Treasurer (Don Heckman) will know what we will need to operate until the convention and we will determine what to do with the excess dollars, such as returning to the Super Fund or donating to the American Hunting Heritage Fund. Bottom line was that we needed to take advantage of this one opportunity to receive the funds in the event that we would need the funds to operate.

\* **LEGISLATIVE TOUR:** ON September 21, Rudy Kovacina and I attended a tour of habitat improvement projects on the elk range in Elk County. Several state lawmakers, PGC staff, Bureau of Forestry staff, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation officials, Pa Wildlife Habitat Unlimited officials, and other invited guests attended the tour. Super Fund monies from the PGC Target 2000 fund will be used for some of the work to be performed in the area.

\* **JAKES:** I attended a JAKES event hosted by the Wapiti Roost and the Moshannon local chapters and the Allegheny National Forest on September 24.

\* **NWTF COOKBOOK:** NWTF is publishing a cookbook and is making the book available to chapters for a discount to be used as a fundraiser. I've provided the information to Skip Sanderson for the Promotional Items Committee to review.

Ron Sandrus made the motion to accept the Presidents report and Gary Beatty second the motion. Motion carried.

**FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:** First Vice-President Gary Beatty report:

\* **GOLDEN GOBLER:** My local chapter, Lakeland Longbeards, has made the Golden Gobbler award four years in a row.

\* **PORTFOLIOS:** I am also expressing to have all portfolios prepared.

**SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:** Second Vice-President Ron Sandrus report:

\* **SEPT. 6, 1995:** Attended the Safety Committee Meeting with PGC in Huntingdon, PA.

\* **SEPT. 8, 1995:** Attended a meeting for the Youth Field Day Programs,



Bedford, PA

- \* SEPT. 16, 1995: Gave a Turkey Hunting and Safety Seminar in Patton, PA
- \* SEPT. 22, 1995: Attended a meeting of Hunter Trapper Education Insutstructors on the flourescent orange regulations in Altoona, PA
- \* SEPT. 24, 1995: Gave a Turkey Hunting and Safety Seminar in Schellsburg, Pa
- \* OCT. 1, 1995: Gave a Turkey Hunting and Safety Seminar at the Alexandria VFW in Alexandria, PA

**SE RETARY:** No report.

**TREASURER:** Treasurer Don Heckman report:

- \* SEPTEMBER 1, 1995 Balance \$1,326.76  
Income \$14,535.09  
Balance \$25,861.85  
Expenses \$8,764.00
- \* OCTOBER 6, 1995 Balance \$17,097.85

Reed Johnson made motion to accept the treasurer report and Boyd Enos second the motion. Motion Carried

**MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:** Membership Secretary no report:

**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD:** Chairman of the Board Rick Morony report:

- \* BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Reported that there will be nine nominees and that there will be six elected. The ballot will be published in the Winter Edition of Turkey Talk.

**NWTF:** NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman report:

- \* WELCOME: Larry Holjencin as a new Regional Director for the Western part of Pa.
- \* SUPERFUND: Total deposit in Superfund for this year as of October 6, is \$10,336.00 which makes a balance of \$78,454.00.
- \* TARGET 2000: Current balance is \$108,000.00.

I will provide a chart for projects and expenses for a full talley of the year.

**NWTF BOARD MEMBER:** NWTF Board Member Chris Kunzler Report:

Would like to conduct a Regional Sporting Shoot. Details will be worked out later.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE:** Skip Sanderson report:

- \* We had an excellent sales period since the last meeting. I have turned over approximately \$2000.00 to the Treasurer. The ad in Turkey Talk was the



key. Larry plans to run the ad again in the next issue of Turkey Talk.

\* Twentieth Anniversary Caps in realtree and treebark logo are here. I have a good supply of T-shirts.

\* The remainder of the watches finally arrived and just in time for the ad in Turkey Talk. I have sold more than 50 of the watches to date. A few more watches sold and they will be paid. The rest of the watches will be profit for the Chapter. Only a few matching numbered sets of watches and pins are available.

\* Letters to Chapter Presidents offering 20th Anniversary items have been sent along with the notice of available prints for JAKE events

\* New patches have been ordered. They should arrive within a week. The patches will be a little different than the old patches.

\* I am considering a 3 inch pocket ruler with a safety and ethics message from the State Chapter as an expensive item for giveaways at shows. More to follow on these.

**HABITAT COMMITTEE:** Committee Chairman Rudy Kovacina Report:

\* Committee has reviewed and forwarded three Superfund requests totaling approximately \$14,601.47.

ENDLESS MOUNTAINS CHAPTER	\$443.00
RED ROCK CHAPTER	\$558.47
D.C.N.R. BUREAU OF FORESTRY	\$4,600.00
ADDITIONAL	\$9,000.00 (upon completion)

\* Committee is also reviewing and considering a request from the PGC to be a partner in an extensive Elk Range Improvement Project. The Project will greatly improve habitat for a number of species including Wild Turkeys.

\* As Committee Chairman, I accepted an invitation from Don Maul, Executive Director of the PGC to attend an Elk Management briefing and range tour on September 21, 1995. The purpose being, to examine the possibilities of the Pa State Game Commission, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Pa. Wildlife Habitat Unlimited and D.C.N.R. Bureau of Forestry.

**HUNTER SAFETY/EDUCATION COMMITTEE:** Report:

\* On Sept. 6, 1995, representatives from the State Chapter's Hunter Safety Committee (Don Heckman, Ron Sandrus, Dan Roessner) met in Huntingdon, PA at the PGC's Southwest Regional Office to discuss the issue of a cooperative turkey hunting safety program between the State Chapter and the PGC. The PGC was represented at that meeting by Jim Flukosky - PGC Hunter Education Coordinator, Don Garner - Information and Education Supervisor, SW Regional Office, and Joe Stefko - Wildlife Education Coordinator, SW Regional Office.

\* Joe Stefko, also an active member of Local Chapter No. 1, spoke to the group relative to a turkey hunting safety awareness billboard that was being developed by his local chapter. Initial estimates were that the cost of each 4x8 billboard was approximately \$200. After discussion, it was decided that this effort would be pursued by Local Chapter No 1, with primary emphasis



being placed on strategic locations in the Turkey Management Area No 1. It was also suggested that other local chapters in this management area may wish to participate in the funding and placement of these billboards in their area, once the final cost of each billboard was known.

\* **TURKEY HUNTER EDUCATION COURSES** A discussion was then held concerning the need for a safety course specifically designed for turkey hunters and a mandatory attendance requirement for said course. It remained the opinion of the PGC that such a course would require tremendous amounts of manpower to reach the large amounts of turkey hunters, would be difficult to administer, and may not have any measurable impact on the accident statistics. In addition, it was felt that strides had been made within the context of the existing 10-hour Hunter/Trapper Education Course to include a segment on the turkey hunting safety issue. No further action on this matter was agreed upon.

\* **TURKEY HUNTING SAFETY AWARENESS** The group then focused its attention on short-term, low-cost/no-cost approaches to addressing the issue of turkey hunting safety awareness. It was agreed by all parties that the State Chapter and PGC continue its cooperative efforts to bring the turkey hunting safety message to the general public in the following manner:

1) Development of a turkey hunting safety poster for distribution across the State, funded in total by PA State Chapter Superfund dollars. The poster would be distributed to local chapters and PGC Regional Office for placement in key locations viewed by the hunting public.

2) Preparation of a joint safety release between the PA State Chapter and the PGC, written by Bruce Whitman of PGC staff, for distribution through PGC new release distribution network. Release will contain quotes from State Chapter President Tim Hertz, and may include a photo of key PGC staff and Don Heckman, representing the State Chapter.

3) Preparation of a Pa State Chapter news article by Dan Sullivan/Larry Smail for inclusion in fall edition of Turkey Talk, Pa Sportsman, and related sportsman's publications.

4) Preparation of 10-15 second public service announcements for radio, to be produced by PGC personnel and released through PGC channels. Video PSA's may be developed at a later date for distribution by Spring, 1996.

**YOUTH COMMITTEE:** Report:

**TURKEY TALK:** Larry Smail report:

\* The fall, and final issue of our anniversary editions, should be in the final stage of printing. The mailings should reach Dan Sullivan soon. Dan, has assured me the labels will be quickly attached to TURKEY TALK and mailed to the membership. If everything runs on course, this issue should be out slightly before the '95 fall turkey season.

\* Nupp Printing Co., Manager Terry Carlson has supported our State Chapter since the beginning. To show his support, Terry has graciously printed the



first issue of TURKEYTALK within the 20th anniversary issue for free.

**DISTRICT DIRECTORS:**

Bill Laird report:

- \* August 1995: Attended meeting Adams Co. Longbeards Gettysburg Pa  
Helped with booth at Blain Picnic, Blain Pa  
Set-up for Outdoor Expo, York, Pa  
Mason Dixon Meeting  
Helped with Turkey Calling Contest, Outdoor Expo, York, Pa
- \* Sept 1995: Attended Mason Dixon Superfund Banquet York, Pa  
Attended meeting in York, PA Federation of Sportsman  
Attended Machuex Yellow Breeches Superfund Banquet
- \* Oct 1995: Attended Game Commission Meeting  
Attended Meeting in York, PA Federation of Sportsman

Mark Davis report:

- \* August 1995: Attended Penna. State Chapter Board Meeting  
Attended Lake Region Long Beards Chapter monthly meeting  
Gave seminar at the Pike County Youth Conservation School  
Spoke with and offered my assistance to Red Rock Chapter  
President Dale Englehart
- \* Sept. 1995: Sent letter of support to John Szefernski for the Roger Latham  
Award  
Attended Lake Region Long Beards monthly meeting  
Supervised Jake event held at Rockport Hunting Camp  
Attended land Stewardship Program with area foresters
- \* Oct. 1995: Mailed letter to Larry Huljensin in support of him as Pa new  
Regional Director position

**PORTFOLIO:** report:

- \* Gary Beatty (Chairman): Forms should be completed as soon as possible

**GUN RAFFLE:** report:

I volunteered as chairman for this years gun raffle to prove a point! If the chairman is willing to make the commitment to be responsible for the project, than we can end up each year as this one with a SELL OUT!! To my knowledge, we don't have one unsold ticket but, if one should turn up at your meeting, I expect someone to purchase it since these tickets can be sold two weeks into the raffle. The chairman has to make a commitment to spend time....a lot of time and willing to do whatever it takes to get the job done. If you are not willing to do this (spend the time) than don't do it. Do it right or don't do it at all. This is the BOTTOM LINE!!

The board needs to decide now, this meeting if you want to have another raffle next year, so the guns can be ordered at the 1995 prices. Also you have to get a chairman for the raffle, this cannot be put off. I would like to see an ad ran in the spring and summer issue of TURKEY TALK. This will help get tickets out to more of our members.



I want to thank Reed Johnson, Local Chapter #1 member, Bill Murphy, my wife Debbie, and of course all the chapters and people who sold tickets for the Pa Chapter and the Wild Turkey. For your information, our Regional Director, all State Chapter Officers and Directors bought a ticket this year, this is a first as far as I know.

OLD BUSINESS No old business to report

NEW BUSINESS

Don Heckman made a motion for renewal of NRA and ILA dues. Total \$250.00. John Szeferiski second the motion. The motion was passed.

A discussion on the new WCO's graduation to give them a one year membership. Ron Sandrus made the motion and it was second by Dan Roessner. The motion was passed.

Don Heckman made a motion to up our printing of TURKEY TALK to 650 issues to be sent to Game Commission Personnel. Ron Sandrus second the motion. The motion was passed.

Youth Hunter Education Challenge sponsored by the PGC at Scotia Range. Dale Rohm to donate a box call for the top winners in their classes.

Garry Beatty made a motion to give top winners in their classes a Jakes hat and a Jakes membership. Don Heckman second the motion. Motion Passed.

**ADJOURN:** Motion to adjourn was made by Bill Laird and Second by Gary Beatty  
Meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM

Bill Laird  
Secretary

2201 Skytop Trail  
Dover, Pa 17315  
December 15, 1995





# PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

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Dover, Pa 17315  
September 7, 1995

**TO:** Pennsylvania Chapter Board of Directors, Local Chapter Presidents,  
Technical Committee, and Loyal Order of Silver Spurs

**From:** Bill Laird, Secretary

**ATTENTION:** Our October 7, 1995 meeting will be held at Chris Kunzler's Camp at 9AM. See attached directions on back of this page. Members are encouraged to bring their shotgun and shells for a trap shoot. Don't forget your personal items (sleeping bag, towels, etc.). The last chance to buy any personal items is at the gulf station as shown on the attached map. The station is about 15 miles from camp.

**VERY IMPORTANT:** Please Return post cards ASAP to Jerry Zimmerman so Chris can select groceries. This will be greatly appreciated.

**UNATTENDED BOARD MEMBERS:** Dale Basinger  
Sam Truxell  
Eric Bowman  
Bill Hoover  
Dan Roessner  
Tom Baldrige  
Don Heckman

PLEASE RETURN THE RSVP POST CARDS ASAP TO JERRY ZIMMERMAN



**PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
AUGUST 5, 1995  
STATE COLLEGE, PA**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The August 5, 1995 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter, National Wild Turkey Federation was called to order by Chairman of the Board Rick Moroney at 8:55 A.M. 26 Members were Present. A quorum was present and the Board could conduct business.

**OFFICER REPORTS**

**PRESIDENT:** President Tim Holtz report:

- \* Executive Committee meeting, June 11, 1995
  - NWTF nomination
  - Bronco tickets
- \* PGC 100 Anniversary
  - Attended dinner, Hershey, PA, June 24, 1995
- \* NWTF Wild Turkey Workshop, August 3, 1995
  - Attended workshop conducted by Ron Brennemen, Bill Drake assistance
  - Land management with turkey management considerations
  - International Paper Co. and Georgia-Pacific Corp.
- \* Long Range Plan Action Items
  - Committee updates

**FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:** First Vice-President Gary Beatty report:

- \* June 1995
  - Attended executive committee meeting at Don Heckmans home
  - Attended meeting with Game Commission in Harrisburg
  - Attended meeting in Butler for 1996 State Convention
- \* July 1995
  - Attended Local #1's annual Gun Bash
  - Attended meeting of Lakeland Longbeards local chapter
  - Met with Senator Robbins and discussed current issues
  - Attended local chapter president's meeting in State College
- \* August 1995
  - Attended Lakeland longbeards meeting to set-up this years Banquet

**SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:** Second Vice-President Ron Sandrus report:

- \* June 1995
  - Attended Pa Chapter Executive Board meeting - Camp Hill, Pa
  - Attended Pa Chapter and Pa Game Commission Meeting- Harrisburg, Pa
  - Attended Pa Game Commission Meetings-Harrisburg, Pa
  - Attended Local chapter meeting at Dale Rohms Home-Blain, Pa
  - Attended Pa Game Commission 100 year Banquet-Hershey, Pa

\* July 1995

Attended meeting for the youth field day programs-Bedford, Pa

**SECRETARY:** No report.

**TREASURER:** Treasurer Don Heckman report:

\* Period ending July 31, 1995 the ending balance is \$11,923.30

\* Bills are all paid with the exception of the following:

Summer issue of "Turkey Talk" approximately \$3,650

Guns for 1995 Gun Raffle approximately \$10,000

\* Fiscal year ends August 31, 1995. Financial statements will be completed by September 15, 1995

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Dale Rohm, second by Gary Beatty. Motion passed.

**MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:** Membership Secretary no report:

**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD:** Chairman of the Board Rick Morony report:

\* Long Range Plan Action Items

Committee Actions

Awards Review, and revise as necessary, guidelines, criteria, and qualifications for Chapter Awards.

Seek sponsorship for awards

Publications Evaluate the feasibility of using The Caller in place of Turkey Talk, particular attention given to cost of Turkey Talk, duplication of efforts for two publications, pros's and con's of two publications, and demographics of two publications.

Super Fund Maintain a specified % of funds in Super Fund which are uncommitted, for special projects. Need to review and if applicable need to establish %.

Habitat Encourage local chapters to channel chapter funds for qualifying projects through the Super Fund.  
Provide landowners with expert advice on habitat management.  
Develop list of experts available to provide advice.  
Develop videos, pamphlets, etc. on how to do habitat work.  
Follow up on completed habitat projects: review a portion of projects for success: provide necessary maintenance.  
Develop means to identify and recognize landowners who provide public access.

Other Actions President appoint committee to solicit corporate sponsorship.  
President write description of Public Relation Chairmen position.  
Board members attend local chapter meetings and Super Fund

Banquets to build awareness of state chapter: emphasize importance of fundraising and how \$ are spent when talking to local chapters and the public.

Board members create a list of activities and events that chapters can conduct.

**NWTF:** NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman report:

- \* We now have 120,000 members in N.W.T.F. A 30,000 increase in one year. Pa. now has over 10,000 members.
- \* Regional Meeting went well.
- \* Banquet year 1996, I want a Pennsylvania Jakes hunt of a Lifetime, we will pursue to make this opportunity happen in 1997.
- \* There are 13 or 14 Banquets to take Place this fall.
- \* New Chapter Banquets this fall are Johnstown, Gettysburg, Altoona, Warren.
- \* Future Development: We will have a new regional director. This will make two for the state of Pa. (one for western part and one for eastern part).
- \* Reminder of the Grand National Shoot on September 30, 1995. We have two teams for the shoot. Hope to have at least 4 or 5 teams.

**NWTF TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE:** NWTF Technical Representative Bill Drake report:

- \* Population Status: We estimate Pa wild turkey population at about 240,000. Our harvests have been generally increasing since the mid 1970's. The 1995 winter was relatively mild. Over-winter survival was good and 1995 spring breeding population densities were excellent. Wildlife Conservation Officer summer turkey sighting survey data are not yet available but, assuming near average recruitment, we anticipate and excellent 1995 fall wild turkey population.
- \* Harvest Management: Data for our 1995 spring harvest are still preliminary but look favorable. We received a record number of spring turkey harvest report cards-9.9 percent more than for the 1994 spring hunt.  
Recruitment- W.C.O. summer turkey sighting surveys are still conducted. However, breeding season weather appeared generally favorable, field reports have been good, and, assuming near average recruitment, we should have excellent 1995 fall turkey populations.
- \* Restoration Activities: Southeast Regional personnel will transfer turkeys within the Region to the Muddy Run Area of Lancaster County this winter. This area is considered to have habitat of suitable quantity and quality to support turkeys, has no turkeys at present, is open to public hunting, and is surrounded by habitat that presents barriers to natural dispersal into the

area.

**NWTF BOARD MEMBER:** NWTF Board Member Ron Brenneman report:

- \* New Building Update: N.W.T.F. new addition to building plans to break ground this fall and to completed in 12 months.
- \* Budget: Outlook in Ron Brenneman's department looking to put two new professionals and one secretary.
- \* Project Help: Sales were 100,000 more this year than past year. About 22,000 in royalties. Catalog will be an insert with Turkey Call fall issue. This means 120,000 people will view the catalog and help the awareness of this catalog. Look in future issue for a project in McCean Co., Pa, Bunker Hill Area.
- \* Pa Coal Association Meeting in Seven Springs Pa on August 23, 1995 will update the Wild Turkey Partnership Program with the Coal Association
- \* Superfund Update: To this date Pa Chapter has funded 250 projects spending one-half million dollars. Current balance is \$74,000. \$108,000 on turkey transfer, will need special approval from PGC to spend. Total Balance in superfund is \$182,000.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ART COMMITTEE:** Reed Johnson Chairman report:

- \* Will accept donations of prints from local chapters for the 1996 Convention.
- \* Reed has #1 Hillside take-off by Ned Smith. He has a suggestion to present it to the Ned Smith Foundation for display, along with our name, in their building as a loan.

**PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE:** Skip Sanderson report:

- \* We had a fairly good sales period since the June meeting with over \$500.00 of merchandise sold. Larry Smail was asked to put an ad for 20th Anniversary merchandise in the upcoming edition of Turkey Talk.
- \* Twentieth Anniversary Caps in realtree and treebark camo have been ordered. More T-shirts are on the way. I received nine more 20th anniversary watches making the total up to 57 received. The manufacture assures me the balance of the watches are on their way. Letters to chapter presidents offering 20th anniversary items have been prepared for mailing. New patches have been ordered.
- \* Three-inch pocket ruler with a safety and ethics message from the State Chapter as an expensive item for giveaways at shows is being considered.

**HABITAT COMMITTEE: Report:**

- \* Committee has been established with Rudy Kovacina as Chairman.

**HUNTER SAFETY/EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Report:**

- \* As a result of a meeting between the Pa State Chapter Executive Committee members and executive staff members of the PGC held in Harrisburg, Pa on June 12, 1995, a renewed commitment to develop a plan for implementing a turkey hunting safety education course was made by Executive Director Don Madl. In addition, he pledged PGC staff support to developing a safety message campaign for the fall 1995 turkey season, with specific emphasis on Turkey Management Area 1.
- \* Time will be of the essence in presenting our safety message to the turkey hunting public. The safety campaign should be developed in cooperation with the PGC, and most likely will involve use of their existing media contacts in addition to other sources of assistance such as local chapters, members of the Pa Outdoor Writers Association, and others.
- \* President Tim Holtz will be kept informed on the developments of this joint venture.

**YOUTH COMMITTEE: Report:**

- \* On June 11, 1995, the Executive Committee of the State Chapter discussed the role of the Youth Committee in JAKES events. It was felt that the Youth Committee should take a lead role in promoting a JAKES event at each local chapter throughout the state by making initial contacts with local chapters and offering support where needed. The Youth Committee will need to work closely with Jerry Zimmerman on establishment of these contacts.
- \*\*\*Special Note: Sincere thanks to all local chapters who have been very active in Youth Field Day events in the area!!! As a result of your efforts, 37 events are being held this summer, and the program's success continues to snowball!!!!

**TURKEY TALK: Larry Smail report:**

- \* I wish to express a heartfelt thank you for all my friends of the NWTF who supported me with the David Wanless Memorial Award. I was truly honored, although I believe many others are more deserving than I.
- \* I also want to congratulate our incoming President Tim Holtz. Like his predecessor, Rick, Ron, Tom, Howard, Dan... he is a quality person deeply concerned about the turkey and State Chapter.
- \* As for TURKEY TALK, the rough copy is in the process of organizing, laying out and finalizing for print. If anyone would like to send anything along for inclusion in the summer issue, please do so in short order. I am planning to use colored paper for the fall

issue. This issue will actually be the 20th anniversary of  
TURKEY TALK.

- \* I will be setting up an education booth for the Armstrong County Youth Day on June 24th and will be laying out materials for our Annual Dayton Fair in August. I had the opportunity to talk with Don Madl. I requested a brief note from him for TURKEY TALK. We discussed the orange issue as well as rifles for fall turkey hunting. We both hope to heal wounds encountered with the orange issue.

**DISTRICT DIRECTORS:**

Bill Laird report:

- \* June 1995: Mason-Dixon charter banquet  
Shermans Valley Strutters superfund banquet  
Executive meeting at Don Heckmans House  
PGC staff meeting  
Mason-Dixon meeting  
PGC meeting  
Shermans Valley Strutters meeting  
PGC 100th year banquet in Hershey Pa
- \* July 1995: Attended committee meeting for Mason-Dixon superfund banquet  
Mason-Dixon meeting  
Set-up booth at Raddison Convention Center for COPA  
Regional Directors meeting at Warriors Mark

Mark Davis report:

- \* March 1995: Assistant host Chapter with State Convention, Allentown, Pa  
Attended PA State Chapter Board meeting  
Attended Redrock Chapter's Spring Banquet
- \* April 1995: Mailed letter to Don Madl in support of Turkey stamp and orange issue  
Organized Lake Region Longbeard Chapter Youth Spring Planting project with Pa. L.M.O. John Shutcuwski for Gamelands #236 Susquehanna County.  
Attended Lake Region Longbeard chapter meeting  
Supervised Lake Region Longbeards spring banquet
- \* June 1995: Spoke with Adam Hill owner of Hill's Twin Spruce Lodge in regards to a chapter fall shooting event.  
Lake Region Longbeards chapter meeting  
Spoke with PA L.M.O. John Shutlufski about posting N.W.T.F. signs on planting sites in Wayne and Pike County.
- \* July 1995: Lake Region Longbeards chapter meeting  
Attended regional workshop Warriors Mark, Pa

**PORTFOLIO: report:**

- \* Gary Beatty(Chairman): Forms should be completed on gold sheet on events other than Superfund. It is not necessary to put in binder form. I

need copies of newsletters and minutes of all local chapter meetings.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**GUN RAFFLE:** It is reported that a little more support is needed in selling the tickets.

**TURKEY TRANSFER:** Ron Brenneman is reporting there is \$108,500 in Superfund to spend with the recommendation of the PGC. The suggestions are as follows: Interactive Video System (for a small system the cost will be approximately between 40 and 50 thousand dollars). Habitat (Elk Foundation and N.W.T.F.)

**NEWLY ESTABLISHED CHAPTERS:** Possible Starting Funds given. Also, there is some old bills which are still outstanding from new chapters. The chapters should be checked out if still active.

**ELECTION:** Elections to the board deadline for the resumes to be sent to Turkey Talk is September 15, 1995. This is in order to be on the ballot.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ROGER LATHMAN AWARD**

Ron Sandrus nominated John Szeferksi and it was second by Rich Weaver. Nomination resume to be sent to N.W.T.F. by October 31, 1995. The secretary will send letter of support from State Chapter.

**HENRY MOSBY AWARD:**

Ron Sandrus nominated Bill Drake for this award and it was second by John Szeferksi. All Board members to send letter of support for these awards to Dr. James Earl Kennerman.

- \* Bill Laird asked the Board where are our banners, flags and signs. Suggestion was made to maybe do like the N.W.T.F. and send money to use these items and when returned you will also have money returned
- \* Outdoors Women: Jerry Zimmerman talked to Christine Thomas on possible program with outdoors women. More information to come.
- \* Public Relations Chair-Person: Tim Holtz is recommending for all committees to have one.

**ADJOURN:** Motion to adjourn was made by Ron Sandrus and Second by Dennis Strawbridge. Meeting adjourned at 1:35 PM.

Bill Laird  
Secretary

2201 Skytop Trail





# PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

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PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

JUNE 3, 1995  
CLEARFIELD, PA

**CALL TO ORDER:** The June 3, 1995 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter, National Wild Turkey Federation was called to order by Chairman of the Board Rick Moroney at 8:12 A.M. A quorum was present and the Board could conduct business.

## OFFICER REPORTS

**PRESIDENT:** President Tim Holtz report:

- \* Thanks to Rick Moroney for his guidance
- \* Thanked the Board for their support for Election as President
- \* Stressed an Importance on the Future on Pennsylvania State Chapter. What to Focus on and What is Our Goal?
- \* Stressed that Pennsylvania Chapter support the increase in hunting license and a turkey stamp
- \* January 1996 Dues will increase to \$25.00 for the general membership

**FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:** First Vice-President Gary Beatty attended Executive Committee Meeting in Huntington County on April 2, 1995 and expressed to key in on working on all local chapters portfolios.

**SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:** Second Vice-President Ron Sandrus on April 2, 1995 attend Executive Committee Meeting (Huntington County), Game Hunting and Safety Seminar, Raven Gap Rod and Gun Club (Bedford Pa), Tuscarora Game and Fish Association, Telephone Conversation with Representative Leudansky, and Telephone Conversation with Game Commissioner Dennis Fredericks.

**SECRETARY:** No report.

**TREASURER:** Treasurer Don Heckman Reported:

- \* Reported the State Convention was a great success with a profit of \$22,000.00
- \* Balance Sheet and Operating Statement:

Assets	-	\$20,812.51
Liab.	-	.00
Total Equity	-	\$20,812.51
Revenues 2/28,1995-5/31/1995	-	\$28,069.01
Year-to-Date	-	\$50,050.63
Total Expenses	-	\$14,658.65

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Boyd Emos, second by Matt Friedman. Motion passed.

**MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:** Membership Secretary Eric Bowman reported our Membership Total is 9,687. Month of May not complete.

**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD:** No report.

**NWTF:** NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman Reported:

- \* All Local Chapter Presidents are asked to attend the workshop meeting at Warriors Mark Shooting Preserve near State College. All meetings to be held at Warriors Mark. All food to be provided at Warriors Mark. Lodging will be at the Holiday Inn in State College.
- \* 37 new field day events this year in every part of the state.
- \* We need to a NWTF representative at every event. Jerry suggests it is important to attend these events.
- \* Year-to-Date deposits on Super Fund evenst is \$74,829.28 and approximately five more events to go this fiscal year.

**NWTF TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE:** NWTF Technical Representative Bill Drake reported on Project 2000. 1995 Trap and Transfer commitment to provide 100 wild turkeys to North Carolina and 40 wild turkeys to Rhode Island . This committment fell short of the goal and 33 wild turkeys were provided to North Carolina and 32 wild turkeys were provided to Rhode Island. Trapping success was effected by trapping restrictions and a mild winter weather. A wild turkey questionnaire has been developed by the Pennsylvania Game Commission to sample attitudes regarding Pennsylvania Wild Turkey Management Program.

**NWTF BOARD MEMBER:** NWTF Board Member Ron Fretts reported total membership to date is 113,800 (5/31/95). Estimated total cost for the planning of the new addition is 3.1 million dollars. We have a 1 million dollar grant from the state of South Carolina. He stressed the fact that we need to promote HUNTER SAFETY PROGRAM IN PENNSYLVANIA.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**ART COMMITTEE:** Reed Johnson Chairman reported current inventories of conservation prints has remained as reported in the march board meeting. The Art Committee will be suppling art to the Pennsylvania Game Commission for the Youth Field Days. Any Chapter that has any art work that could be donated to the State Chapter for its Wildlife Art Auction, Please let the committee know

**PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE:** Skip Sanderson has reported that the shirts and mugs are selling very well. The anniversary pins and watches have not done as well.

**HABITAT COMMITTEE:** Joe Krug Chairman has reported approximately 26,000 seedlings were sent to local chapters. He also suggested that a Habitat Award for local chapters to be inacted in the awards program. Rudy Kovacina to submit names at August 1995 Meeting. Monies spent by local chapters on Super Fund Habitat Projects totaled \$50,000.00. Allegany National forest was given \$12,150. Wildlife Forever matched our dollars for the Forest Project.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**TREASURER DON HECKMAN:** Don Heckman reported on 1995-1996 Budget is average for the past two to three years. Again Don Heckman did a fantastic Job. This Budget must be voted on in the August 1995 Board Meeting by the Executive Committee. Don Heckman also reported our state sales tax collection permit has been renewed till December 1999. Don Heckman also stressed we must sell more conservation prints and our promotional items.

**1996 CONVENTION:** Reported that the 1996 Convention will be held at Days Inn in Butler, Pa. More information to follow.

**REGIONAL WORKSHOP:** Jerry Zimmerman made a motion to provide \$500.00 to defray expenses on Regional Workshop, Dennis Strawbridge second the motion. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**SPORTSMAN ADVISORY COUNCIL:** The following individuals are to submit applications to Chairman Vern Ross: Dan Roessner, Don Heckman, Bill Laird. A motion by Dan Rossner to select Don Heckman to Represent our State Chapter. The motion was seconded by Ron Sandrus. The other two board members should send in their applications.

**PINS:** Jerry Zimmerman suggested the State Chapter should purchase a custom pin for 1996 and every year thereafter. These pins would be numbered. The Board tabled the matter and asked that JF Graphic Attend next board meeting to discuss issue.

**ADJOURN:** Motion to adjourn was made by Ron Sandrus and Second by Bill Laird  
Meeting adjourned at 4:10 PM.

  
Bill Laird  
Secretary





# PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

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

From: Tim Holtz, <sup>President</sup> Secretary 

April 24, 1995

Enclosed for your review and reference please find a copy of the minutes of the 1995 Annual Membership Meeting and the March, 1995 Board of Directors Meeting.

The next meeting of the Pennsylvania Chapter will be held June 2 & 3, 1995 in Clearfield, PA. The June 2 session, consisting of Committee meetings, will be held at Reed Johnson's camp near Curry Run, Clearfield County (refer to map on reverse of this notice). An Executive Committee session will be held at 9:00 P.M. on June 2 at the camp. The Saturday, June 3 session will begin at 9:00 A.M. at the Best Western, Clearfield, PA. Enclosed for Board of Directors is an RSVP card. Please return the card to Jerry Zimmerman before May 31. It is necessary to have an accurate count so that meals are available for the meeting. Meals will be provided only to those responding that they are attending the meeting. Individuals that respond that they will attend, and subsequently do not attend, will be billed for their lunch since the Chapter will be responsible for the meal. For Saturday evening at Reed's camp, a cookout is being planned.

Local Chapter Presidents, please be advised that you are invited and encouraged to attend this and all Chapter Board Meetings. Local Chapter Presidents and/or representatives that plan to attend the Saturday session at the Best Western are hereby requested to contact Jerry Zimmerman by telephone at (610) 395-7467 and inform him of such so that he may arrange for your lunch.

**Meeting Notice:** The August meeting of the Board of Directors of the PA Chapter will be held August 4 and 5, 1995.

**NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** In accordance with Article VII, Section 4 of the Bylaws of the Pennsylvania Chapter, Local Chapters may submit one name for nomination to the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter. Chapters interested in submitting a name for nomination should send the name in writing, along with the signatures of 15 or more local chapter members, to Rick Moroney, Nominating Committee, 389 Kenney Ave., Pitcairn, PA 15140 **before August 1, 1995**. Along with the name for nomination, the chapter should include a resume outlining the nominees background and qualifications.

**Committees:** At the June meeting committee assignments will be made. Board members are encouraged to consider which committee(s) they wish to serve on and to inform the Chapter President of their desires.

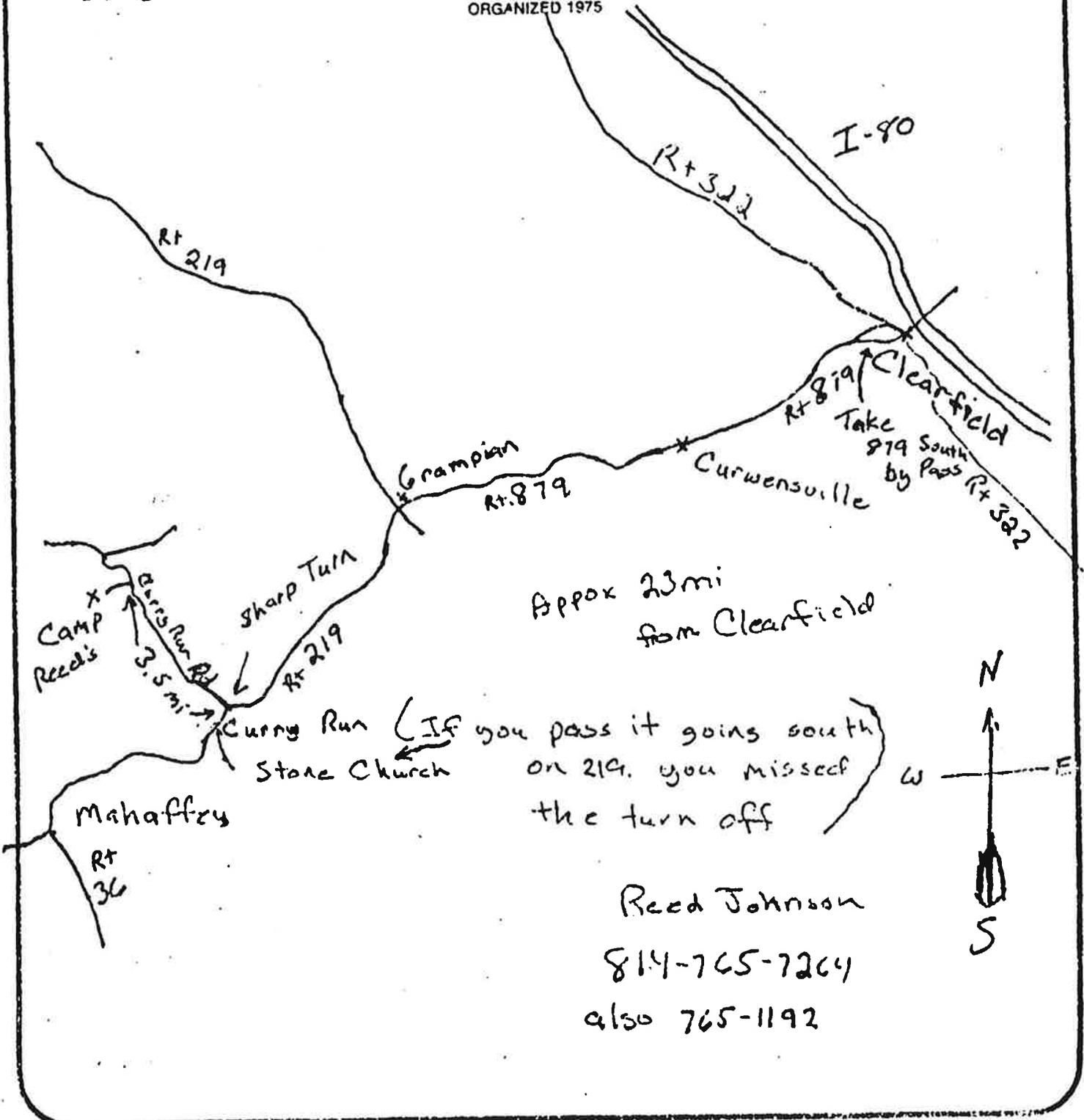
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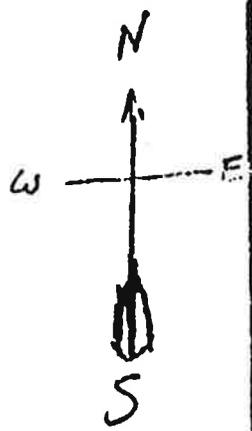


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# PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

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PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF  
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
MARCH 18, 1995  
DAYS INN, ALLENTOWN, PA

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Annual Membership meeting of the Pennsylvania Chapter, National Wild Turkey Federation, was called to order by President Rick Moroney at 8:10 A.M. President Moroney welcomed those in attendance and extended a special welcome to NWTF Executive Vice President Rob Keck, NWTF Assistant Director of Research and Management Ron Brenneman, and NWTF Board of Directors members Ron Fretts and Chris Kunzler. (46 in attendance)

**NWTF TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT:** NWTF Technical Committee member Bill Drake reported that Arnie Hayden has been experiencing some health problems and is presently in the hospital in Sayre, PA.

## OFFICER REPORTS

**PRESIDENT:** President Rick Moroney expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve as President for the past two years. In addition, Moroney reported:

- \* Regrets that fluorescent orange is still required to be worn when turkey hunting in Pennsylvania. Many efforts to change this requirement were undertaken in the past two years. Is perhaps hope that this requirement will be modified in the near future, as the PA Game Commission is presently reviewing the matter. Interested sportsmen should express their views to the PA Game Commission Executive Director, Don Madl, before April 18.
- \* Attended the NWTF convention in Nashville, TN in February and was honored to accept on behalf of the Chapter the First Runner-Up in the L.A. Dixon Chapter Competition. Moroney thanked Gary Beatty for preparing the Chapter Portfolio and the local chapters that participated in the Portfolio process.
- \* Local Chapter #1 was presented the Outstanding Local Chapter Award at the NWTF convention in Nashville, TN. Moroney noted that Local #1 has been recognized as the outstanding local chapter in the nation for a number of consecutive years. Furthermore, at the NWTF convention, Local #1 was given special recognition for having raised over \$500,000 at its' Super Fund Membership Banquets.
- \* Three Pennsylvania local chapters attained Golden Gobbler status in 1994. Moroney congratulated the three, the Lakeland Longbeards Chapter, the Red Rose Chapter, and the Mill Creek Chapter.
- \* In the past 8 years, through the efforts of the many local chapters in PA, there has been \$556,812 deposited in the state Super Fund account. In this same time period we have spent \$428,786 in Super Fund money on 193 projects. In 1994, Super Fund deposits were \$103,499 and 52 projects were completed

using \$69,894. Majority of the dollars spent in PA over the years have been directed towards habitat improvement projects, safety education programs, and youth events.

- \* Over the past three years the Chapter has donated \$6,000 from the Super Fund account to the American Hunting Heritage Fund. Moroney encouraged all local chapters to support the American Hunting Heritage Fund by donating as many dollars as possible without compromising other ongoing local chapter programs, future of gun owners, hunters and lovers of outdoors may depend upon this

**SECRETARY:** Secretary Tim Holtz presented the minutes of the 1994 Annual Membership Meeting. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Dan Roessner, second by John Szeferksi. Motion passed.

**TREASURER:** Treasurer Don Heckman reported the following for 1994: income - \$49,237.62 expenses - \$55,812.34, account balance as of 12/31/94 - \$2771.59, and account balance as of 3/17/95 - \$1355.34. A motion to accept the Treasurers report as presented was made by Gary Beatty, second by Dennis Strawbridge. Passed.

**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD:** Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus thanked those members in attendance for their presence and for their continued support and involvement with the organization and encouraged their future support.

Regarding the election of members to the Chapter Board of Directors, Sandrus reported that the membership elected Reed Johnson, Dwight "Skip" Sanderson, Dennis Strawbridge, and Rich Weaver to serve a three year terms. Sandrus noted that 66 members participated in the election process.

As Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Sandrus presented the the Committees nominations for Chapter Officers: President - Tim Holtz, First Vice President - Gary Beatty, Second Vice President - Ron Sandrus, Secretary - Bill Laird, Treasurer - Don Heckman, Membership Secretary - Eric Bowman. Sandrus called for nominations from the floor. There being no further nominations, a motion to close nominations was made by John Szeferksi, second by Matt Friedman. Motion passed.

A motion to accept the slate of Officers as presented was made by Dan Roessner, second by Dave Wilcox. Motion passed. Sandrus thanked President Moroney for his leadership and dedication over the past two years. Don Heckman presented Rick Moroney with one of the original PA Chapter hats as a token of thanks for Moroney's leadership, and special thanks for his dedication to the efforts to eliminate the flourescent orange requirements for turkey hunting in PA.

**NWTF REPORT:** NWTF Executive Vice President Rob Keck reported that the National Wild Turkey Federation is growing at a record pace, thanks to the dedication of all members. In addition, Keck reported:

- \* The restoration of the wild turkey in the USA continues with the present range extending beyond the ancestral randge; present turkey population in USA exceeds 4 million with tukreys in every state but Alaska.
- \* NWTF is proud to be a leader in turkey hunting safety education and new Interactive Video system will be an effective tool used for education.
- \* Through the Super Fund program, NWTF has completed over 3000 projects with a value, including cooperator monies, of \$42,000,000.
- \* Grant in Aid program, for research, has a very positive impact on all states.

- \* Target 2000 program continues, need 20,000 more turkeys to complete the program.
- \* Seventh National Wild Turkey Symposium will take place in South Dakota this May.
- \* Project HELP (Habitat Enhancement Land Program) has moved the Federation forward in effort to plant species which benefit the resource.
- \* Cooperative projects continue to expand, partnerships with private landowners, coal companies, timber companies, utility companies, etc.
- \* Nearing 20,000 JAKES members; Keck is excited about the involvement of the members and chapters in JAKES programs.
- \* Making Tracks program with the U.S. Forest Service continues, aimed at restoration and improvement of turkey habitat on Forest Service lands.
- \* NWTF will be expanding the Wild Turkey Center in Edgefield to accomodate growth.
- \* Three priorities for the organization, will help in moving forward, are: respect for God and country, regard for religion, and involving and showing importance for families.
- \* Future of the organization is bright, Keck thanked all for their support.

**NWTF RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT:** NWTF Assistant Director of Research and Management Ron Brenneman addressed the membership and expressed thanks to Pennsylvania for the support of the Turkey Hunting Safety Task force. Brenneman noted that Pennsylvania was a large financial contributor to the Task Force and the number of safety materials now available are to a large degree the result of Pennsylvania's support. Brenneman invited all to view the turkey hunting interactive video.

Brenneman presented symbolic checks to represent: \$500,000 spent through the PA Super Fund, \$600,000 deposited in the PA Super Fund, \$1,400,000 net generated by the PA Chapter Super Fund program, and \$2,800,000 generated through the PA Chapter Super Fund, all dollard amounts since the inception of the program in 1985.

**NWTF BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** NWTF Board member Ron Fretts reported the following:

- \* Welcome to Chris Kunzler, new member of the NWTF Board of Directors.
- \* Jerry Zimmerman is doing an excellant job in moving PA and NWTF forward, Zimmerman is key to PA Chapter's pursuit of being #1 State Chapter in NWTF system.
- \* NWTF building expansion project, to accomodate growth of organization, continues; presently have raised about ½ of the money needed for project.
- \* Commended President Rick Moroney and the PA Chapter for a job well done and encouraged the Chapter to continue to redefine the Chapter's goals and focus commitment to these goals.
- \* Challenged all in attendance to take a youth or spouse hunting this spring, noting that the future of the hunting sport may depend upon involvement of this segment of the population.

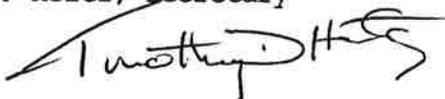
NWTF Board member Chris Kunzler expressed delight for the opportunity to serve on NWTF Board.

**NWTF REGIONAL DIRECTOR:** NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman expressed thanks to all the chapters for their support. Zimmerman expressed thanks to Rick Moroney and the PA Chapter Board for their support. In closing, Zimmerman noted that it is time that we set our sights on having a Regional Director dedicated strictly to PA.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:** Howard Meyers noted that he has 1995 Fall Gun Raffle tickets are available from him.

**ADJOURN:** Motion to adjourn by Gil Shaffer. Motion passed. Adjourned 9:20 A.M.

Timothy D. Holtz, Secretary







# PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

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PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MARCH 19, 1995, Allentown, PA

**CALL TO ORDER:** The March, 1995 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter NWTF was called to order by Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus at 8:10 A.M. It was noted that a quorum was present and the Board could conduct the business to come before it.

## OFFICER REPORTS

**PRESIDENT:** President Rick Moroney thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as President and for their support over the past two years.

**FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:** No report.

**SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:** Second Vice President Dennis Strawbridge expressed thanks for the opportunity to serve as Second Vice President and expressed a desire to again serve on the Executive Committee at some point in the future when he's in a position to do so.

**SECRETARY:** Secretary Tim Holtz presented the Minutes of the January Board of Directors meeting. Don Heckman noted one correction to the minutes as follows: page 4, under Finance Committee report, "The \$2000 1995 Convention start up money..." should read "The \$1000 1995 Convention start up money..." A motion to accept the minutes as corrected was made by Gary Beatty, second by Mike Mikolajczyk. Motion passed.

**TREASURER:** Treasurer Don Heckman presented the Chapter Balance Sheet and Operating Statement, for the period ending 2/28/95, as follows:

<u>Assets</u>	checking account - \$1,280.81	
	inventory (FMV) - \$5,020.20	
<u>Total Assets</u>		\$6,301.01
<u>Liabilities</u>		\$ 0.00
<u>Total Equity</u>		\$6,301.01

For the period 1/1/95 to 2/28/95, Heckman reported revenues of \$2,384.98 and expenses of \$4,075.76. Year to date revenues were reported as \$22,981.62 and expenses as \$26,426.19. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented was made by John Szeferksi, second by Eric Bowman. Motion passed.

In closing, Heckman noted that in 1994 income was down and expenses were up which has left the Chapter treasury low. Because of this Heckman recommended that the Board support the Conservation Print Program, that the Chapter fully utilize Super Fund monies in manner that they are available for, and that expenditures in excess of \$1000 be approved by the Executive Committee prior to payment. A motion that the Executive Committee provide approval in advance to any commitment by the Chapter and its' Committees to expend \$1000 or more from the treasury for any one item or project was made by Dan Roesnner, second by Joe Krug. Motion passed.

Regarding finances, Dan Roessner noted that we need to sell the Chapter 20th Anniversary items soon and suggested that the items be marketed through local chpts. Promotional Items Committee Chairman Skip Sanderson reported that the Committee sold approximately \$4000 of items at the Chapter booth March 17 & 18.

**MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:** Membership Secretary Eric Bowman reported Chapter membership is 9,430 as of 2/28/95.

**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD:** Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported Chapter Board member Fred Knoll is ill and unable to attend the meeting, and Harry Miller of PA Sportsmen for the Disabled is also ill. In addition, Sandrus reported:

- \* Attended PA Game Commission meeting January 8-10.
- \* Participated in presentation of NWTF Interactive Safety Video at the Eastern Sports and Outdoor Show, February 4-12.
- \* Presented a seminar at the York Sport and Outdoor Show in York, PA.

**CHAPTER CORRESPONDENCE:** Secretary Tim Holtz read a letter of resignation from Board Member Gil Shaffer.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**NWTF:** NWTF Board member Ron Fretts shared his thoughts with the Board as to the dedication of Rob Keck and the entire NWTF staff, noting that they are extremely hard working and maintain a pace that few others could.

NWTF RD Jerry Zimmerman thanked the Appalachia Trail Chapter for the excellent job in hosting the convention. Regarding the hat and video membership program, Zimmerman stressed the importance of properly administering the program. It's important that NWTF know where the hat and videos are. If you and/or your chapter have hats and videos please provide Tracy, at NWTF, with an up to date inventory.

**NWTF TECHNICAL:** NWTF Technical Committee member Bill Drake reported that the turkey resource in PA is doing very well. The potential exists to further improve the resource. Drake noted that relative to the possibility of a fall season in management areas 1 and 9 we'll need to take a wait and see attitude.

Drake briefly addressed the Board regarding the PA Game Commission license increase proposal, noting that the proposed turkey permit as a positive step. A motion that the Chapter President write a letter to PA Game Commission Executive Director Don Madl and the Commissioners expressing the Chapter's support of the turkey permit proposal was made by Dan Roessner, second by Don Heckman. Motion passed. Drake suggested that in addition to stating support to the PA Game Commission, as the license increase proposal is debated by the State Legislature it would be helpful for the Chapter to contact lawmakers and express our support of the turkey permit.

Drake reported that preliminary 1994 fall harvest information from harvest report cards sent in by successful hunters suggests an excellent fall harvest. Official 1994 fall harvest figures will be available in September, 1995.

**ART:** Committee Chairman Reed Johnson reported the Committee will meet in April to prepare a business plan for the coming year.

**DISTRICT DIRECTORS:** District Directors Mark Davis and Bill Laird provided written reports of their activities on behalf of the Chapter. Davis reported on attendance at many local chapter meetings in his district, several contacts with the PA Game Commission regarding plans for spring habitat projects, contacts with schools in Wayne and Pike Counties regarding placement of Turkey Talk in the schools, and worked booths at several sports and outdoor shows. Laird reported attendance at many local chapter meetings and events, PA Game Commission meeting, York Co. Federation of Sportsmen Clubs meeting, NWTf Convention in Nashville, helped with several sports and outdoor shows, and recently had breakfast with Bruce Smith, Chairman of the House Fish and Game Committee.

### OLD BUSINESS

**AWARDS:** Ron Sandrus urged the Board to continue to pursue sponsorship for the Chapter Awards.

**SPORTSMENS ADVISORY COUNCIL:** In response to a question from the floor, Don Heckman reported that he spoke with Vernon Ross, who will probably be the Chairman of the Council, regarding the status of the Council. Heckman noted that the Charter is presently being drawn up for the Council.

**CONSERVATION OFFICERS OF PA:** Rick Moroney reported that he received correspondence from the Conservation Officers of PA (COPA) soliciting the Chapter's support of the North American Wildlife Enforcement Conference which COPA is hosting this year in PA. **A motion that the Chapter donate \$500 to COPA for the North American Wildlife Enforcement Conference was made by Rick Moroney, second by John Szeferksi. Motion defeated.** Sam Truxel noted that Local Chapter #1 donated items to COPA which COPA used for a fundraising raffle which generated \$9000 for COPA.

Dan Roessner and Bill Laird suggested that the Chapter offer a donation of art or other Chapter items to COPA which they could use for fundraising. Furthermore, Dan Roessner suggested that the Chapter send a letter to COPA stating our support of their activities but at this time the Chapter is not in the financial position to provide a cash contribution but would offer art prints and other Chapter items for their use for fundraisers. **A motion to accept Dan Roessner's recommendation regarding support of COPA was made by Rudy Kovacina, second by Mike Mikalojczyk. Motion passed.**

**NWTF REGION MEETING:** In response to a question from the floor, Jerry Zimmerman reported that NWTf is attempting to find a facility that will handle the numbers of people expected to attend, date will be June 30 if a facility is located.

### NEW BUSINESS

**GUN RAFFLE:** Ron Sandrus reported that tickets for the fall 1995 gun raffle are available from Howard Meyers.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:** Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that the Executive Committee met on March 18, 1995 and as a result of that meeting the Executive Committee recommends that Boyd Enos, Dale Rohm, and Sam Truxel be appointed to the Board of Directors. A motion to approve the Executive Committee's recommendation for appointment of Enos, Rohm and Truxel to the Board of Directors was made by Dan Roessner, second by Dennis Strawbridge. Motion passed.

**PGC 100TH ANNIVERSARY:** Don Heckman reported that a dinner is planned for June 24, 1995 in Hershey as part of the PGC's celebration of its' 100th anniversary. Heckman is preparing a list of Chapter individuals who wish to attend the dinner at their own expense.

**INTERACTIVE VIDEO:** On behalf of Howard Meyers, Don Heckman reported that Ron Brenneman has initiated discussions with the PA Game Commission regarding the possibility of the PGC utilizing Pittman-Robertson funds to purchase an Interactive Turkey Hunting Safety Video system. Meyers is suggesting that the Chapter assist in the purchase of one or more of the systems. Heckman expressed the importance of the Chapter developing a plan for utilizing the interactive system as part of our previous commitment of funds to the PGC for turkey hunting safety.

On a similar topic, Gary Beatty suggested that we encourage the PA Game Commission to purchase modern video equipment to be used for hunter-trapper safety education courses. Beatty noted that in many cases instructors are using projectors with films which date back several decades.

**YOUTH HUNT:** On behalf of Howard Meyers, Don Heckman recommended that the Chapter go on record as supporting a designated youth only hunt. A motion that the Chapter President draft and send a letter to the PGC Executive Director, with copies to the House and Senate Fish and Game Committee Chairmen, stating the Chapter's support of a youth only hunt, was made by Don Heckman, second by Rick Moroney. Motion passed.

**SAFETY VIDEO:** Don Heckman suggested that NWF develop a turkey hunting safety video appropriate for use for groups such as boy scouts. Ron Fretts informed the Board that part of the building expansion will include a communications department part of which would be a library including a film library. In the meantime, Fretts suggested that chapters interested in such safety materials contact Ron Brenneman.

**YOUTH FIELD DAYS:** Dan Roessner thanked the Board and local chapters for their support of the 21 Youth Field Days in PA in 1994. Roessner expects about 30 such events in 1995, noting that each county in the NW Region will have one. Roessner asked for Chapter support for the 1995 events. A motion that the Chapter donate a 1983 PA Stamp Print to each of the estimated 30 Youth Field Days, was made by Don Heckman, second by Gary Beatty.

In response to a question from the floor, Dan Roessner reported that the JAKES activity books provided by the Chapter for use at the Youth Field Days were well received. Roessner noted that some books remain at the PGC Region offices.

**CONSERVATION PRINT:** Matt Friedman reported that one Board member has taken 10 prints and will be attempting to sell the prints. Other offers of help will be appreciated. Friedman reported that rate of sales of the print have increased each time it has been advertised. Other suggestions as to methods to increase sales of the print will be appreciated.

**JAKES:** Jerry Zimmerman reported that NWTF has a new JAKES membership incentive program whereby each JAKES member that signs up 10 new JAKES members will receive a Black Jack knife (knives have been donated by Black Jack Knives). There is a special form to be used for the program which includes a parental consent form. Local chapter presidents should be receiving a mailing soon regarding this program.

**NWTF NATIONAL SHOOT:** Jerry Zimmerman reported that plans for the NWTF National Shoot are progressing. Zimmerman noted that Chris Kunzler is Chairing a committee to form Pennsylvania teams, and will be seeking sponsorship for the teams. Chris Kunzler noted that teams consist of 5 shooters and asked for support of the shoot, and asked that anyone aware of sporting clay courses which he might visit in an effort to recruit shooters please inform him (Kunzler).

**NWTF COMPUTER SYSTEM:** Jerry Zimmerman reported that NWTF has hired an individual to operate the computer system and part of the upgrade of the system will include a link of all Field Directors to the NWTF system by modem. Zimmerman noted that this enhancement will improve the efficiency of the field staff. Zimmerman noted that the NWTF Board has given approval to utilize Super Fund monies for purchase of the equipment needed to link the field staff to NWTF. Don Heckman reported that he has reviewed some of the project and has spoken with Marcia Allen at NWTF regarding the same. Heckman noted that the Mellon Foundation has agreed to fund part of the system. Estimated cost of the equipment needed for each Region Director is \$7915. Heckman noted that he has researched the equipment pricing and that \$7915 is a very good price. **A motion that the Chapter prepare a Super Fund request for funding the purchase of a system for Jerry Zimmerman, to link to NWTF, at an estimated cost of \$7915, money from the Super Fund Safety/Education account, was made by Don Heckman, second by Dennis Strawbridge. Motion passed.**

Don Heckman noted that we should solicit assistance from the other states in Zimmerman's region to fund the purchase of the system, and Heckman asked Zimmerman to make the solicitation. It was suggested that the request to other states in the region should be for them to fund on a pro-rated basis, with each state's contribution being equal to the % of Super Fund monies generated by the state in Zimmerman's region. Zimmerman thanked the Board for their support.

**GUN DONATION:** On behalf of Howard Meyers, Don Heckman suggested that the Chapter donate a gun to the Laurel Highlands Committee Super Fund Banquet. **A motion that the Chapter donate a shotgun to the Laurel Highlands Committee Super Fund Banquet, the gun being one left over from the 1994 fall gun raffle, was made by Gary Beatty, second by Eric Bowman. Motion passed.** On behalf of the Laurel Highlands Committee, Sam Truxel thanked the Board.

**CONVENTION:** 1995 Convention Treasurer Don Good presented a preliminary report projecting gross revenues of \$58,000 and net revenues of \$24,500.

**ADJORNMENT:** Motion to adjourn by John Szeferksi. Passed. Adjourned 10:45 A.M.



Timothy D. Holtz  
Secretary

Absent from meeting: Tom Baldrige, Dale Basinger, Rich Weaver, and Dan Sullivan





# PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

ORGANIZED 1975

RD #1 Box 77  
Coudersport, PA 16915  
February 20, 1995

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

From: Tim Holtz, Secretary

Enclosed please find a copy of the minutes of the January, 1995 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter will be held March 18 and 19 (Saturday and Sunday) in conjunction with the Annual Membership Meeting and Convention to be held in Allentown, PA March 17 and 18. Directions to the Convention site have been published in Turkey Talk and also were included in the Convention mailing.

**MEETING NOTICE:** The June, 1995 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter will be held in Clearfield, PA June 2 and 3. Additional details will be provided with the minutes of the March meeting.

I look forward to celebrating the Chapter's 20th anniversary with each of you at the Convention in Allentown.





# PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

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## PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING JANUARY 7, 1995 CLEARFIELD, PA

**CALL TO ORDER:** The January 7, 1995 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter, National Wild Turkey Federation was called to order by Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus at 9:15 A.M. Eleven members were in attendance at this time.

**NWTF:** NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman reported:

- \* Regional Director meeting held in December; review of 1994, overall a very good year:
  - NWTF membership reached 93,000 in December (75,109 regular, 3,258 sponsor, 15,238 JAKES)
  - cap and video program generated 5,000 new NWTF members in 1994
  - 1994 NWTF Super Fund banquet net was \$3,930,190
  - PA Chapter 1994 results; 29 Super Fund banquets, \$98,899 deposited in state Super Fund account from banquets plus \$48,500 deposited from Target 2000, 52 Super Fund projects funded - total \$69,894 (63% of expenditures for habitat, 23 projects, \$43,887; 26 projects for safety and education, \$15,981)
  - PA Chapter membership as of 12/31/94 was 9,124
- \* NWTF projects that 75% of future growth will come from Super Fund banquets
- \* 1995 Sponsor member program, members will receive cap and travel bag
- \* 1995 Grand National shoot, looking for shooters and sponsors for a PA team; Zimmerman would like two PA teams
- \* NWTF building fund has received \$1,600,000 in donations, \$1,000,000 from the South Carolina Government; need an additional \$3,100,000; there will not be a fund raising project aimed at the membership
- \* NWTF will again be supporting the American Heritage Hunting Fund, PA Chapter asked to consider support for 1995.

**QUORUM:** Chairman Sandrus noted that a quorum was present (13), and the Board could conduct the business to come before it.

### OFFICER REPORTS

**PRESIDENT:** President Rick Moroney report:

- \* Thanks for nomination for Roger Latham Sportmens Service Award; thanks to those that provided letters of support
- \* Long Range Plan update provided for Chapter Administration; Executive Committee will continue to monitor and report progress

- \* Will be making presentation at the January 8, 1995 Seasons and Bag Limits meeting of the Pennsylvania Game Commission; written report will be presented to the Commissioners and PGC Staff, verbal testimony will address recommendations of Turkey Mangement zones/seasons, Chapter will support Bureau of Wildlife Mgmt. recomendations; some written comments regarding rearing and releasing "wild" turkeys, now legal with proper permits; Moroney suggested that the Chapter take a position in opposition to this being legal  
**A motion that the PA Chapter oppose the release of pen reared and/or domestically raised wild turkeys in Pennsylvania was made by Joe Krug, second by Gary Beatty. Motion passed.**
- \* NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman has been doing an excellant job with Super Fund banquets and in identifying future PA Chapter leaders.

**FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:** First Vice President Skip Sanderson thanked the Board for their support over the past year and announced with regret that he would not be seeking an officer position in the March election; Sanderson will continue to serve on the Board if he is re-elected this March.

**SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:** No report.

**SECRETARY:** Secretary Tim Holtz presented minutes of the October 1, 1994 Board of Directors meeting. **A motion to accept the minutes of the October 1, 1994 Board of Directors meeting as presented was made by Don Heckman, second by Gary Beatty. Motion passed.**

**TREASURER:** Treasurer Don Heckman reported:

- \* Chapter expenses continue to exceed income; remaining financially solvent depends upon a good convention and a good fall gun raffle; improved sales of the Conservation Print would be beneficial
- \* Balance Sheet and Operating Statement:
 

assets - checking	\$2,771.59	
inventory (FMV)	5,020.20	
total assets		\$7,791.79
total liabilities		\$ 0.00
operating statement, 9/1/94 to 12/31/94 - revenue \$20,276.64		
		expenses \$22,550.43

**A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented was made by Bill Laird, second by Dennis Strawbridge. Motion passed.**

**MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:** No report.

**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD:** Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported:

- \* Oct. 4 & 5, 1994 participated in presentation of NWTF Interactive Safety Video to State Lawmakers and PA Game Commission, Harrisburg, PA
- \* Oct. 7, 1994 along with Terry Hyde, met with Senator Robert Jubilier regarding H.B. 1704
- \* Nov. 2, 1994 had a telephone conversation with Mike Schmit, PGC, regarding turkey management zone 7 season
- \* Nov. 22 and Dec. 30, 1994 had a telephone conversations with Dennis Fredericks,

- PGC, regarding fluorescent orange regulations for turkey hunting
- \* Jan. 3, 1995 had a telephone discussion with Rep. David Levdansky concerning turkey hunting safety and education.

#### CHAPTER COMMUNICATIONS

Secretary Tim Holtz reported that on behalf of the Chapter he received a letter from Jim Roessner thanking the Board for the get well card, and sent a letter to Dr. James Earl Kennamer informing the NWTF Awards Committee of the PA Chapter's nomination of Rick Moroney for the Roger Latham Sportsmens Service Award.

Treasurer Don Heckman reported that he received a letter from the National Rifle Association Institute for Legislative Action thanking the Chapter for the donation.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**NWTF TECHNICAL:** NWTF Technical Committee member Bill Drake reported:

- \* PGC Bureau of Wildlife Management met in December to further consider Turkey Management Area revisions; Bureau decided to stay with recommendations proposed at the October 5, 1994 meeting of the PA Game Commission
- \* A second incident of PGC personnel roost shooting nuisance turkeys (pen reared turkeys living in the wild) occurred in Lancaster County; procedures for handling future nuisance complaints will be reviewed by the PGC
- \* Regarding nuisance birds, Drake recommended that the Chapter attend any public meetings which are held to address the problem, and consider sending Barry Moore of the PGC a letter asking that the Chapter be informed of any such meetings which are scheduled
- \* The PGC has received requests for turkeys from North Carolina (100 birds) and Rhode Island (40 birds); the requests have been approved, the NC request will be processed through Target 2000 and the PA Super Fund will be reimbursed \$500 per bird with the money earmarked for the PGC; the birds for RI will be donated by the PGC due to low Super Fund balance in RI (RI will reimburse PGC for cost of transporting birds)
- \* Population study proposal (survival, recruitment rates, and mortality factors) is on hold until Turkey Management Area revisions are finalized
- \* Comprehensive Turkey Management Plan is continuing to be drafted, though involvement with the Turkey Management Area revisions has slowed the project
- \* Small Game Take Survey results published in PA Game News do not include turkeys because turkeys are not classified as small game; Cal Dubrock is working to determine how to include turkeys in future survey results.

**FINANCE:** Committee Chairman Don Heckman reported:

- \* Potential income dollars in unsold Conservation Prints, holding high inventory
- \* Awaiting confirmation of re-establishment of Pennsylvania Chapter NWTF as a corporation, tax attorney finalizing paperwork with Commonwealth and NWTF
- \* State Chapter 501 (c) 4 status is complete, EIN No. 25-1447791; local chapters need own EIN No.
- \* State Chapter State Sales Tax License renewed till 1999, No. 24 033958
- \* Returned \$220.00 held in escrow, from Schuylkill Longbeards Chapter, to the re-established chapter in Schuylkill County (Schuylkill Spurs); provided \$200 start up loan to the Red Rock Local Chapter on 8/15/94, check has not been cashed and will stop payment on 1/31/95, Jerry Zimmerman has been notified.
- \* A Super Fund withdrawal request for \$1035.00 has been initiated to reimburse the

Chapter for advertisement in the Eastern Outdoor Show program, advertisement highlights the NWTF Interactive Safety video

- \* The \$2000 1995 convention start up money will be returned to the Chapter in late February.

Heckman suggested that the Board review the guidelines for local chapter monies kept in escrow for chapters which become inactive, and also address how these monies should be allocated for start of new chapters in areas with an inactive chapter.

**NOMINATING:** Nominating Committee Chairman Ron Sandrus presented the Committees slate for officers for the March election, as follows:

President - Tim Holtz	First Vice President - Gary Beatty
Second Vice President - Ron Sandrus	Secretary - Bill Laird
Treasurer - Don Heckman	Membership Secretary - Eric Bowman
Chairman of the Board - Rick Moroney	

Sandrus solicited nominations from the floor; there being none, Sandrus announced that nominations would remain open until the election in March.

President Rick Moroney appointed the Nominating Committee to serve as the Election Committee.

In response to a question from the floor regarding Board size following the Election of the Board, it was noted that with the election of 4 by the membership the Board size would stand at 18; the Board does have the option of appointing additional Board members.

**AWARDS:** Awards Committee Chairman Dennis Strawbridge reported that the Awards Committee would be meeting later in the day to finalize 1995 Awards.

#### **SUPER FUND**

**HABITAT:** Committee Chairman Joe Krug reported that prices for shrubs obtained through project HELP have increased dramatically this year (barberry from \$325/M to \$850/M). Due to this increase, Krug suggested that the Chapter consider purchasing shrubs elsewhere, or reduce the number of seedlings purchased for distribution to local chapters, or spend all the monies allocated to habitat on shrubs. Krug and Committee asked for direction from the Board. Following a brief discussion on the floor, President Moroney suggested that the Committee explore the purchase of shrubs from other sources at better prices. If unable to obtain shrubs at prices comparable to last year Moroney suggested that the Chapter not purchase seedlings for distribution to local chapters and further stated that he would write a letter to each local chapter president explaining the situation. Moroney noted that the Chapter has always prided itself in getting the best bang for our hard earned dollars.

**PORTFOLIO:** Committee Chairman Gary Beatty reported that he received 8 local chapter portfolios. Beatty compiled the Chapter portfolio and sent it to NWTF.

**PUBLICATION:** On behalf of Committee Chairman Larry Smal, who was unable to attend the meeting, Don Heckman reported that the winter issue of Turkey Talk will focus on the 20th anniversary.

Heckman also reported that at the time that Bud Erich was Editor of Turkey Talk the Chapter reimbursed him \$50 per issue for his time, noting that preparing an issue of the publication is a large undertaking. On behalf of Committee members and former Editor Dan Sullivan, Heckman noted that when Sullivan became Editor he elected to not receive the \$50 reimbursement, thereby saving the Chapter some money. Since then the Chapter has not reimbursed the present Editor, Larry Smail, for his efforts. The Committee recommended that the Chapter consider to once again offer some form of reimbursement to the Turkey Talk Editor and also include the Associate Editor. It was further noted that this reimbursement lends credibility to the sitting editor as an outdoor writer by being paid for their services, and the Chapter is a supporting member of the Pennsylvania Outdoor Writers Association.

**A motion that the Chapter offer the Editor of Turkey Talk \$100 per issue and the Associate Editor \$50 per issue of Turkey Talk as partial reimbursement for their expenses, was made by Don Heckman, second by John Szeferksi. Motion passed.**

**COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES:** On behalf of Committee Chairman Dan Sullivan, who was unable to attend the meeting, Don Heckman reported that our mailing services supplier, Graphics 100, has changed ownership and will no longer perform mail services in house. Graphics 100 will now sub contract this work and it will cost an additional \$300 to \$400 per mailing. Heckman reported that Sullivan was able to arrange mailing services (labeling and stuffing envelopes) for the convention mailing through one of Sullivan's family members at a cost equal to the original contract price with Graphics 100; this was done to save the Chapter the additional fee from Graphics 100's sub contracting and due to the fact that time was of the essence. For future mailings, Sullivan will be working to secure a contract with a mailing services agency. It was also noted that effective January 1, 1995 the 3rd Class Bulk rate increased, resulting in an additional cost per mailing of approximately \$140. The Chapter' annual permit fee also increased from \$75 to \$85.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Bill Laird reported that the Chapter has been extended an offer from the publisher of Pennsylvania Woods and Waters for a one time full page ad at a cost of \$75; the ad to include a membership application. Laird noted that the circulation of the publication is approximately 20,000. **A motion to place a full page ad in Pennsylvania Woods and Waters at a cost of \$75, ad to include a membership application and a schedule of upcoming events, was made by Bill Laird, second by Gary Beatty. Motion passed.**

**ART:** Committee Chairman Reed Johnson reported that the Committee was not happy with the quality of the ad in the Pennsylvania Sportsmen magazine, noting that the color was very dark. To date the ad has generated the sale of one print.

**CONVENTION 1995:** Convention Chairman Ed Kemp reported:

- \* Per Dan Sullivan, the convention mailing has gone out
- \* The Committee needs help with the video room
- \* There will be a press release going out soon to outdoor writers
- \* The Committee has arranged for 10-12 billboards, announcing the convention
- \* The Committee will be distributing convention fliers for the upcoming outdoor shows (Harrisburg, York, etc)
- \* Old Milwaukee has agreed to sponsor the Masters Calling Contest
- \* There'll be a meeting at the convention site on January 15, 1995
- \* Patches are available.

**CONVENTION 1996:** Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus noted that we need to very soon form a Committee and arrange a site for the 1996 convention. Sandrus noted that Gil Shaffer was contacted by the Pittsburgh Convention Bureau, they'd like us to return to Pittsburgh. Jerry Zimmerman suggested that a Convention Committee be formed ASAP. President Moroeny noted that a Committee to provide guidance to the Convention Committee (assistance in locating a site, timetables, etc) was named some time ago; Committee has not been active.

**FALL GUN RAFFLE:** Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that tickets will be distributed soon; Howard Meyers is chairing the 1996 Fall Gun Raffle.

**PAPER SUPPLIES:** Committee Chairman Dennis Strawbridge reported that he had supplies available.

**YOUTH:** Gary Beatty suggested that the Chapter obtain some type of inexpensive hadout for youths, to be used at booths, etc. Beatty noted that while the youth activities book is a fine publication, it is expensive to use as a handout.

Jerry Zimmerman reported that he checked on the availability of youth guns for the Youth Field Days and determined that the guns are available only for Super Fund Banquets. Regarding Chapter donations for the Youth Field Days, Art Committee Chairman Reed Johnson noted that we can again make art prints available; the Art Committee needs to know how many prints are needed, when they are needed, and where they are to be sent and Johnson will see that the prints are shipped.

**PROMOTIONAL ITEMS:** Committee Chairman Skip Sanderson reported that the 20th anniversary watches and pins will be available soon. Sanderson noted that he'd hoped for the items to be available before Christmas, but this did not happen despite assurances from the manufacturers that it would.

**POWA:** Ron Sandrus reported that criteria has been established for the POWA award which the Chapter is sponsoring for three years; the award will be for the best public piece (as determined by the POWA awards committee) that promotes interest in the American wild turkey, topics to include the wild turkey and/or habitat management, turkey hunting, or education programs designed for turkey hunting.

#### OLD BUSINESS

**H.B. 1704 AND H.B. 1868:** Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that the bills died with the end of the Legislative session.

**SALES TAX:** Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that he spoke with attorneys Ed Bilik and Ed Wilt and both suggested that the Chapter take a close look at the matter. Jerry Zimmerman noted that the Super Fund Banquets are conducted by NWTF and Kenneth Ray, NWTF Controller has given guidance regarding the tax code as it pertains to sales tax on auction items.

**AWARDS SPONSORSHIP:** Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that the Awards Committee would discuss this matter in further detail when it meets later in the day.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:** Regarding matters from the October 1, 1994 Board of Directors meeting which the Executive Committee took under advisement, President Moroney

reported that: a 1993 print was donated to the Wildlands Trust Fund, a \$250 donation was sent to the NRA - ILA, and a letter of support for the re-introduction of the fisher was sent to the PGC. Jerry Zimmerman reported that regarding the 100th anniversary for the PGC he spoke with Carl Graybill of the PGC and the PGC is not looking for donations for the anniversary celebration. Zimmerman noted that the PGC is hosting the North American Conservation Officers convention and that a donation for this event may be appropriate, President Moroney will discuss in detail with Carl Graybill at the January 8 meeting of the PGC.

**AMERICAN ARMS SHOTGUN:** A motion that the Chapter use the American Arms Shotgun received from NWTF for donations to the building fund be used as a fund raiser at the 1995 Chapter Convention was made by Don Heckman, second by Dennis Strawbridge. Motion passed.

**PA GAME COMMISSION ANNIVERSARY:** It was suggested that aside from the matter of a donation for a PGC 100th anniversary banquet, the Chapter should donate a print to the PGC in honor of the PGC 100th anniversary.

**FLOURESCENT ORANGE REGULATIONS:** Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that there may be discussion at the upcoming PGC Commissioners meeting regarding possible changes in the regulations; the PGC may come to the Chapter for direction and/or support.

#### NEW BUSINESS

**1995 SPORTS SHOWS:** Relative to the 1995 Deer and Turkey Expo, to be held in King of Prussia, Jerry Zimmerman asked the Chapter to consider loaning the local chapter in the area money for a booth space; local chapter will reimburse the Chapter with proceeds from the Expo. President Moroney noted that the matter was discussed last year and at that time it was agreed that the Chapter would loan the money, if the local chapter did not have the money needed for a booth space.

Ron Sandrus reported that there will be an outdoor show in Indiana, PA on March 10, 11, and 12; booth space is \$60. Jerry Zimmerman noted that he would contact the local chapter in the area to determine if they can man a booth at the show.

**NWTF INTERACTIVE VIDEO:** Chairman of the Board Ron Sandrus reported that the video was shown to state lawmakers in Harrisburg on October 5, 1994 and shown to PA Game Commission in Harrisburg on October 6, 1994.

The interactive video system will be at the Harrisburg Outdoor Show; Ron Brenneman will represent NWTF for four days at the show; help is needed for the other days of the show. The system will also be set up at the Chapter convention in Allentown.

Jerry Zimmerman noted that development of the interactive video was supported with major funding from the Ohio wildlife agency and the Ohio Chapter. Zimmerman urged the Board to open a dialogue with the PA Game Commission to encourage the PGC to purchase an interactive video system; Chapter should review possible funding with Super Fund dollars and/or Pittman-Robertson funds.

**NWTF CONVENTION BUS TRIP:** Don Heckman reported that local chapters in the Harrisburg area are attempting to put together a charter bus for a trip to the convention in

Nashville, TN. Heckman noted that persons interested in reserving a seat on the bus should contact Heckman.

**LICENSE PLATE:** Jerry Zimmerman reported that he checked with the PA Department of Transportation regarding a PA Chapter license plate. Zimmerman reported that confirmation of a minimum of 300 plates is required to get a plate. Cost of plate is \$40 plus the cost of the vehicle registration.

**1994 FALL GUN RAFFLE SELLER PRIZE:** In response to a question from the floor, President Moroney reported that the drawing for the black shadow shotgun, one ticket drawn and the seller of the ticket will win the shotgun, will be held at the state convention.

**MEETING NOTICES:** Jerry Zimmerman suggested that the meeting notices clearly state that local chapter presidents are invited to attend the meetings.

**ADJOURNMENT:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Don Heckman, second by Dennis Strawbridge. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 4:00 P.M.



Timothy D. Holtz  
Secretary

Absent from meeting: Directors Baldrige, Basinger, Enos, Freidman, Kovacina, Mikolajczyk, Roessner, Shaffer, Smail, Sullivan, and Weaver.

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