

**PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OCTOBER 12, 1996
WARRIORS MARK SHOOTING PRESERVE
WARRIORS MARK PA**

CALL TO ORDER: The October 12, 1996 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 9:30 A.M. 17 Members were Present. A quorum was present and the Board could conduct business.

OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENTS: President Tim Moltz report:

Thank you's were in order for the following people:

Gary Beatty for filling in for Bill Laird in his absence
Ron Tussel - Public Relations
Larry Holjencin - State Sporting Clays Shoot
Jerry Zimmerman and Larry Holjencin Regional Meeting
Ed Kemp - Gun Raffle
Joh Szeferiski and Eric Bowman - Years of Service
Long Range Plan Committee

I encourage everyone to send letters of support to Reed Johnson for the Roger Latham Sportsman Service Award by the end of October.

I would like to remind everyone to cast their votes for the NWTF Board Of Directors

I received letters from Gene Denton and Sam Mars seeking position on National Board

I would like to remind Boyd Enos, Dennis Strawbridge, Ron Parry, Bud Wills of the deadline for their Turkey Talk Assignments is December 15, 1996.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: First Vice-President Gary Beatty:

I need to get a portfolio ready to send to National and I would like to have your information till the first of November. I need to have the yellow form filled out on anything done outside the superfund.

Lakeland Longbeards had another Golden Gobbler banquet and our local chapter will be putting money with the banquet to make it a 70% banquet to get in the 70% club.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: Second Vice-President Ron Sandrus:

Reported that with this meeting, marks his 20 years of service on the Board without missing a meeting.

August 30, 1996-Gave Turkey Hunting and Safety Seminar at the Wills Mountain Sportsman Club

September 1996-Gave Turkey Hunting and Safety Seminar at the Eneigh Sportsmen Association. Gave a Turkey Hunting and Safety Seminar at the Cooper Township Sportsmen Club. Gave Turkey Hunting and Safety Seminar at the Smokey Valley

Sportsmen Association

October 8, 1996-Did an interview on Turkey Hunting Safety with the Tribune Democrat Newspaper--Johnstown, Pa

SECRETARY: Correction to minutes of the August 1996 meeting:

Ron Sandrus made motion to remove Dale Bassinger from the Board and Don Heckman second the motion. Motion was carried.

Ron Sandrus made motion to accept the secretary report and Don Heckman second the motion. Motion Carried.

TREASURER: Treasurer: Don Heckman report:

ASSETS

Checking	\$3,932.71	
Inventory (Fair Market Value)	4,375.80	
TOTAL ASSETS		\$ 8,308.51

LIABILITIES

TOTAL LIABILITIES		.00
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EQUITY

Fund Balance - Prior	15,702.56	
Fund balance - Current Year	(7,394.05)	

TOTAL EQUITY		\$ 8,308.51
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		\$ 8,308.51
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CHECK BOOK ACTIVITY

Starting balance as of 9/1/1996: \$3,932.71

Income 15,862.04

Expenses 13,133.44

Ending balance as of 10/12/1996: \$6,661.31

Boyd Enos made motion to accept the treasurer report and Matt Freidman second the motion. Motion Carried

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Membership Secretary report: President Tim Holtz reported that Eric Bowman has resigned because of taking new employment in Michigan.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: Chairman of the Board Rick Moroney no report:

NWTF: NWTF Regional Director: Jerry Zimmerman report:

The number of banquets was up on a National level and also the number of dollars raised is up.

The Pa shoot was very successful. We had approximately 75 shooters and we are planning another shoot for next year with a tentative date of August 17, 1997. We will promote the shoot earlier.

We will be working to get maximum P.R. on the Target 2000 projects. For those local chapters involved in the Target 2000 projects, please try to get as much P.R. as you can.

I would like to suggest that the State Chapter make a report to distribute to the local chapters on the subject "NWTF AT A GLANCE". Also suggesting that the Local Chapters do a similiar report to distribute at any functions to the public.

I would like to report a new chapter in Stroudsburg Pa.

The computer that was originally bought by the State Chapter when Steve Miller was Regional Director will be coming back to the State Chapter for use by the Secretary.

Encourage the Local Chapters to submit information to Larry Smail for publishing in Turkey Talk. Try to keep your articles to a minimum so that they can be published as written or they will be cut down in order to be published.

Superfund Report: PA Chapter was the first chapter in history of NWTF to do more than 100 projects in one year. Total deposits were \$191,607.06. Turkey Transfers were \$73,500.00. Banquet deposits were \$118,107.06 into the Super Fund which does not include any fall banquets. Expenditures for the year were \$271,348.19 on 118 projects. Approximately \$18,000 of the approved dollars has not been spent as of to this date. Target 2000 Super Fund balance as of 10/12/96 is \$94,807.43. Turkey replacement dollars are \$12,983.94. The balance is \$81,823.49.

NWTF: NWTF Regional Director Larry Holjencin report: Presented by Jerry Zimmerman.

The Pa Chapter/Black Timber Classic Sporting Clays shoot held in Berlin PA was very successful with 71 shooters participating. The shoot generated enough money to pay the entry fee to the Turkey Shoot for the top four shooters and netted \$818.52 of which \$377.72 will go into the State Super Fund account. Next year we plan to announce the shoot in the spring and summer issues of Turkey Talk. Per the recommendation of several of the top shooters, we changed our policy on how to handle the situation when one of the top four cannot go to the national shoot. The shooters recommended that we give a voucher to the top four which is good for their entry to nationals. If they cannot go, they may sell the voucher for \$250 or less to someone who wants to go. Going this route will encourage more top shooters to attend our state shoot.

Joe Fasulo of Irwin, who took 4th place in our shoot, won the 20 gauge division in Atlanta with the prize being a Blackjack knife. I have written a post-event article on the shoot which will appear in the fall issue of Turkey Talk.

Reed Johnson and myself have attended the Pa Coal Association Awards dinner at Seven Springs to present the PCA/NWTF Stewardship Award to Al Hamilton Contracting. Our plaque was a hand-carved feather and it looked great! Many of the PCA members commented to us about how much they liked the feathers versus a standard plaque. In fact, the president of the PCA said it put their own award plaques to shame.

A new chapter was started in Somerset PA, calling the new chapter the Whitehorse Mountain Chapter. Rick Stutzman is President. Rick read the article in Turkey Talk titled ""Is your town on our wish list"" and called me. Their banquet is scheduled for February 13, 1997.

Lakeland Longbeards became the second chapter in PA to achieve a 70% net to gross ratio at their banquet. They also netted over \$20,000 and signed up 25

sponsors.

The other PA Chapter that made the 70% club is the Mill Creek Chapter from the Brookville area.

Achieving a 70% net to gross allows chapters to be recognized as a member of the 70% club. Committee members on a 70% club banquet receive all the Golden Gobbler incentives plus an additional incentive. This year's incentive is an Advantage camo gun case embroidered with chapter name and 70% club.

Congratulations to the Lakeland Longbeards and Mill Creek Chapters.

The following are interested in becoming District Directors:

Don O'Brien has informed me he would like to serve as a district director. Don is from Trout Run, Pa and president of the Susquehanna Longbeards Chapter in the Williamsport area. He is retired from the banking industry and would like to devote more time to the NWTF. We currently do not have a district director in north-central PA and I believe Don could help us out in this capacity.

Dave Blakely is from Grove City, Pa and is the president of the Lakeland Longbeards. Dave is a dedicated and hard-working volunteer who could fill our need for a district director in northwest Pa.

COMMUNICATIONS: Mr. Heckman received letter from NWTF thanking the State Chapter for the \$2,500.00 check, representing the first half of the pledge from the PA State Chapter for the Phase III Expansion Fund for the Wild Turkey Center. Mr. Heckman received letter from PGC thanking the State Chapter for \$175.00 check for support for the Outdoor Women Program. Passed around was publications from the Ned Smith Foundation and PA Sportsmen for Disabled which the State Chapter are members of. Mr. Holtz received letter from Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation thanking the State Chapter for the \$3,100.00 Donation. Mr. Holtz sent letter to Edgefield for Bill Drake for Henry Mosby Award. Mr. Zimmerman received a thank you letter from PGC for the donation for Outdoor Women Program.

NWTF: Bill Drake report:

Harvest Management: 1996 Wildlife Conservation Officer summer turkey sighting survey index values were about 52 percent above the statewide average for the first year the surveys were conducted in 1990 but were about 27 percent lower than the summer 1995 index values. Decline in the recent summer's index values probable reflects reduced recruitment which may have resulted from extended, relatively cool, wet weather during spring 1996. Because of this spring's reduced recruitment, fall 1996 wild turkey populations and harvests are expected to be lower than in fall 1995. However, harvest declines should not be substantial due to excellent pre-breeding season population densities. Extension recommendations have been developed for the 1996 fall turkey hunting season which will be presented for consideration at the October 7th Commission Meeting. Adopted fall season extensions for our Turkey management Areas will be well publicized by news release following the commission meeting and local newspapers should be consulted for specifics.

Target 2000 Super Fund Projects: Target 2000 Super Fund Project proposals

were received from various PGC Bureaus and Regions in August. Project proposals were generally excellent and most were approved in September. Project approvals resulted in expenditure of \$162,872.30 of the \$174,656.14 earmarked Target 2000 Super funds available. Approved proposals have been forwarded to Edgefield for check issuance. Project checks will be sent to Local Chapter Presidents who will coordinate project expenditure payments with PGC project originators. The Target 2000 Super Fund projects will greatly benefit PA's wild turkey management effort and reflect favorably on the NWTF, the PA Chapter, and the PGC. In view of controversy regarding Target 2000, every effort should be made to promote the benefits of the program. Directors are requested to encourage local chapter involvement in these projects and encourage as much local chapter newspaper and other media coverage of project events or progress as possible. Color Slides of project activities would be appreciated and can be forwarded to Bill Drake for future NWTF or PGC use.

Other Activities Biologists Bill Drake and Bill Shope attended the Northeast Wild Turkey Technical Committee meeting at Pipestem, WV in September to share information and ideas with other turkey biologists in Northeast. The meeting was very informative and enjoyable.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HABITAT COMMITTEE: Committee Chairman Rudy Kovacina Report:

Total Dollars spent on Habitat Improvement in PA 1996:

Spring	34 projects	\$70,408.11
Fall	5 projects	\$8,128.90
Local Chapter		
Seedling Order;	37,000 Trees	\$13,384.43
	Total	\$91,921.44
Target 2000	22 projects	\$86,823.30

Discussion was held on the practice of purchasing autumnolive trees to be distributed to chapters when game commission doesn't promote it's use.

HUNTER SAFETY/EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Dan Roessner Reports: No report

CONVENTION COMMITTEE: Report:

Information was passed out on resort and how to make reservations. The Phone numbers for resort reservations at Split Rock are 1-800-255-7625 or 717-722-9111. Next meeting for convention is 10/24/96. Everything is coming along very well. We have Old Milwaukee as a sponsor again. We have a local television network which is giving us air time for advertisement. The raffle tickets are being printed.

PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE: Chairman Skip Sanderson:

Not much has happened since the last meeting. We sold a few more 20th Anniversary watches and pins. Only a few watches are left. Plenty of pins are available. I ordered new T-shirt slightly different than the 20th Anniversary shirts which are gone except for a few medium shirts. Patches, mugs, decals and hats are still available.

PUBLIC RELATION COMMITTEE: Ron Tassel JR. report: Typed-up and submitted

Press Releases prepared and distributed: Reclaiming mines for wild turkeys, PA State Chapter NWTF Annual Convention Scheduled, Hunters urged to speak on license increase.

These releases were sent to the following for publishing: The News Eaglelake (Wallenpaupack), The Pike County Dispatch, The Wayne Independent, The Times Leader(Wilkes Barre), The Pocono Record(Monroe County), Pike County News Service(Milford and Port Jervis NY), The Sunday Times(Wilkes Barre Scranton), Citizen's Voice(Wilkes Barre), Tom Fegely @ Allentown Morning Call, Ben Callaway @ Philadelphia Inquirer, Lou Rodia @ Philadelphia Daily News, Wyndle Watson @ Pittsburg Post Gazette, Reading Eagle, Fayette Sportsman (fayette and Westmoreland Counties) Williamsport Sun Gazette, The Standard Speaker(Hazleton), WDNH Radio(Honesdale).

Board members are urged to obtain fax # of news room at any papers to which they believe these releases should be directed. Preferable with the outdoor writers for that paper's name.

In addition one new member to NWTF was signed in response to the article which appeared in The Standard Speaker.

Currently working with Jerry Zimmerman and another gentleman, Skip Motts on forming a new chapter in my region to fill an existing void.

One call to Rich Wingerstahn prior to 9-18 PGC meeting to reinforce my personal position on the archery/turkey stamp issue.

Hope all enjoy the tapes of shows produced around NWTF. Just finished another with Bureau of Forestry on creating grassy openings in older clear cuts. \$13,000 Superfund money was used. Projects looked great and the show tells it all. On the air soon.

Mr. Heckman brought up that we should get additional names of outdoor writers and newspapers on the list of people that we send our press releases to as soon as possible at least with the hunting license increase. Ron Sandrus and Tim Holtz will get this information to Ron Tussel.

Art Committee Reed Johnson report:

Has lots of originals for the State convention. #1 Hillside Takeoff is framed and matted and will be on loan to and displayed at the Ned Smith Art and Nature Center. Also, recommended that a letter be sent along stating the fact that the print is on loan only.

DISTRICT DIRECTORS: Bill Laird report: No report

DISTRICT DIRECTORS: Mark S. Davis report:

June 1996: Attended PA State Chapter Meeting State College PA

Gave seminar on The Wild Turkey and the NWTF at Lacawac Sanctuary Wayne Co.

July 1996: Attended Lake Region Longbeards monthly meeting.

Manned booth at Pa Trappers Association Rendezvous.

August 1996: Attended Lake Region Longbeards Chapter fall jake event at Rockport Hunting Club.

September 1996: Spoke with Tony Huckack Red Rock Chapter President on current issues.

Mailed articals to Turkey Talk
Attended Lake Region Longbeards monthly meeting
Attended Landstewardship Program at Rockport Hunting Club Wayne
Co.

Manned booth at Tobyhanna Army Depot Pa. Sportsman Expo.
October 1996: Attended organizational meeting for new chapter in Stroudsburg
PA with Jerry Zimmerman.

Publications Report by Larry Smail:

The Fall issue of Turkey Talk is currently at the final printing stage. By the time you read this, I expect that the printing may be completed and possibly mailed out for the labeling process prior to the mailing to the members. There is much information to be found within the fall issue. I find editing the material down to fit sometimes to be quite a task, but a necessary one if we are to continue with an eight page format.

Nominating Committee: Ballots are printed in Turkey Talk, please excercise your right to vote. The ballots must back in in December in order to be counted at the January meeting and with the new Amendment changes we will eliminating the positions of 2nd Vice President and Membership Secretary. We will be looking for 2 candidates from the Board in order to have 2 Board members serve on the Executive Committee so that we can maintain a 7 member committee. We are looking for a Vice-President and a Secretary to start in March 1997. Anyone interested in the Vice-President position will be looking at a six year committment because of moving up the ladder to President and then to Chairman of the Board. Secretary is one of the most important jobs in the area next to the President's position.

AWARDS COMMITTEE: Dennis Strawbridge report:

Asking for sponsors for the various awards.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: A budget was submitted to the committee for 1996-97 and the executive committee did approve this budget as it was prepared by our treasurer.

INFORMATION AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Submitted our goals for the Long Range Plan. Special thanks to everyone who served on the committee. The Long Range Plan document should be completed by January.

OLD BUSINESS

Hunting License Increase/Turkey Permit-A letter was sent to all Board members and Local Chapter Presidents to encourage them to contact their representatives for the increase or permit. Their was a hearing on 9/18/1996 and there seems to be little or no support from legislators for a permit. However, we should be keeping pressure on them to get a bill passed for the 97-98 hunting license increase.

State Gun Raffle: We still have several tickets left(approximately 200 un-sold tickets). We need to sell these tickets.

NEW BUSINESS

Amendments to Chapter By-Laws effective immediately.

Ron Sandrus made motion to accept the Amendments and Dennis Strawbridge

second the motion. Motion Carried

Funds were requested for processing of deer from the hunt on Gettysburg Park and the Executive committee respectfully declined by State Chapter.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Mr. Heckman thanked Ron Sandrus for his 20 years of dedication to the Board.

ADJOURN: Motion made to adjourn by Matt Friedman, Second by Dennis Strawbridge

Meeting adjourned at 1:40 PM.

Bill Laird

Secretary



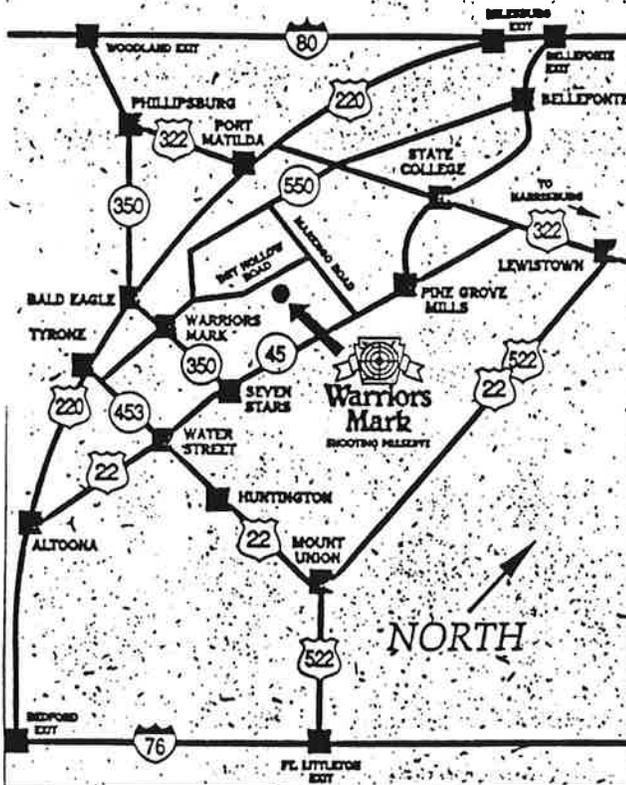
PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

ORGANIZED 1975

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

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From: Bill Laird, Secretary

ATTENTION: The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter is scheduled for October 12, 1996 in the State College area. The Frost Camp welcomes us on Friday night. The Saturday session will be held at Warriors Mark and will begin promptly at 9:00 AM on October 12, 1996.



HOW DO YOU GET TO WARRIORS MARK SHOOTING PRESERVE?

Located in the heart of Central Pennsylvania's Appalachian Mountains, we are only minutes from Penn State University, Spruce Creek Valley, and historic Altoona.

Directions from State College:

Route 26 south to Route 45 west, continue straight through flashing yellow light in Pine Grove Mills, go 6.5 miles. Turn right toward Pennsylvania Furnace. Go 3 miles. Turn left on Dry Hollow Road, go 3 miles to Warriors Mark Shooting Preserve.

Directions from Altoona:

Route 220 north to Tyrone exit. Follow Route 453 south for 1/2 mile. Turn left onto Route 550 north, go 6 miles to Village of Warriors Mark. Continue on Route 550 for 1.25 miles. Bear right off of Route 550 at Y. Go 2 miles to Warriors Mark Shooting Preserve.

**PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
AUGUST 3, 1996
WARRIORS MARK SHOOTING PRESERVE
WARRIORS MARK PA**

CALL TO ORDER: The August 3, 1996 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 9:10 A.M. 23 Members were Present. A quorum was present and the Board could conduct business.

OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENTS: President Tim Holtz report:

I want to thank Jerry Zimmerman and Larry Holjencin for keeping me informed of NWTF business and the excellent job in carrying out their NWTF staff responsibilities. I want to thank Bill Laird for the timely preparation and distribution of minutes and meeting notice. I want to thank Don Heckman and Ron Sandrus for the preparation of convention outline. I want to thank Gary Beatty and Jerry Zimmerman for the help with the Convention Steering Committee. I want to thank the Super Fund Committees (Chairman Boyd Enow, Rudy Kovacina and Dan Roessner for drafting project proposal guidelines. I want to thank Don Heckman for keeping me informed of matters in Harrisburg for example the hunting license increase proposal and staying on top of hunting license increase status. I want to thank each and every Board Member and individual in the room for their attendance at meetings and all the individual efforts in carrying out our mission. I want to give special thanks to the Executive Committee for all the hard work and hours spent conducting our business part of the responsibility--but an excellent job.

Turkey Talk assignments will be Mark Davis, Lyle Gillespie, Dan Roessner and Sam Truxel in Group D. The information must be to Larry Smail by September 15, 1996.

Long Range Plan Committee is continuing their hard work. The deadline for the revision to Rick Moroney is the October meeting. I want to thank all that have worked on the revision to this date.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: First Vice-President Gary Beatty no report:

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: Second Vice-President Ron Sandrus no report:

SECRETARY:

Don Heckman made motion to accept the secretary report and Ron Sandrus second the motion. Motion Carried.

TREASURER: Treasurer Don Heckman report:

ASSETS

Checking	\$7,622.90	
Inventory (Fair Market Value)	4,375.80	
TOTAL ASSETS		\$11,998.70

LIABILITIES

TOTAL LIABILITIES

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EQUITY

Fund Balance - Prior 15,702.56
Fund balance - Current Year (3,703.86)

TOTAL EQUITY

\$11,998.70

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

\$11,998.70

Boyd Enos made motion to accept the treasurer report and Matt Freidman second the motion. Motion Carried

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Membership Secretary report: No report.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: Chairman of the Board Rick Moroney no report:

NWTF: NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman report:

I would like to thank Lyle Gillespie for the sign at National Headquarters.

Pete Elkins Communication Information Education center will be open by the first of 1997.

Chapters Presidents meeting will be held at the new portion of the NWTF.

Porter Wagner Days will be held June 19, 20, 21, 22, 1997.

NWTF: NWTF Regional Director Larry Holjencin report:

The National Convention has available 394 spaces and there are 110 left.

The Black Timber Classic sporting clay shoot at Hillside is a cost of \$65.00 per entry. There is no membership required. There will be a BBQ, Silent Auction, Door Prizes, Fun Games, Steel Targets, 50/50. The cost to sponsor a station is \$100.00.

There is 3 ¼ advertising slots available to fill in PA Afield.

NWTF: Bill Drake report:

POPULATION STATUS: We estimate PA's wild turkey population at about 330,000. Despite early 1996 winter severity, over-winter survival was good and spring 1996 breeding population densities were excellent. Wildlife Conservation Officer (WCO) summer turkey sighting survey data are not available yet but, assuming near average recruitment, we anticipate an excellent 1996 fall wild turkey population.

HARVEST MANAGEMENT: Harvests-PA's 1995 spring and fall wild turkey harvests were record highs. The 1995 spring harvest(36,401) was 28 percent above the 1994 spring harvest. The 1995 fall turkey harvest(49,748) was 27 percent higher than the 1994 fall harvest. The total harvest for the 1994 hunting license year(74,495) was 23 percent above the 1993 hunting license year total harvest. Data for our 1996 spring harvest are still preliminary but the harvest report cards received are 3 percent less than those received in spring 1995.

Participation-Turkey hunting participation has increased during the past three years. The estimated number of individual turkey hunters(those that hunted spring only, fall only and both spring and fall) has increased during the past three years and was 345,799 in 1995.

Recruitment-W.C.O. summer turkey sighting surveys are still being conducted.

RESTORATION ACTIVITIES: We anticipate and are preparing to cooperate with the

NWTF's Target 2000 program with transfers of wild turkeys to North Carolina again this winter.

RESEARCH & MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES: Collection of fall and spring harvest and participation data by Turkey Management Area.

Statewide W.C.O. summer turkey sighting surveys.

Regional Super Fund proposals have been received by PGC Bureaus for the earmarked but unexpended Target 2000 Super Fund balance of \$174,656.14. These proposals will be prioritized and forwarded to the Executive Office by August 1. The Executive Office will review, assign final priority, and forward all proposals to the PA Chapter Super Funds Projects Committee for funding consideration by September 1, 1996. Bill Shope and I will attend the Northeast Wild Turkey Technical Committee Meeting in W. Virginia in September.

President of the Pa Game Commissioners, Dennis Fredericks, gave a report of the Financial Status of the License increase and other items of interest.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HABITAT COMMITTEE: Committee Chairman Rudy Kovacina Report:

Suggested Habitat Projects: **BROOD RANGE IMPROVEMENT**

PERMANENT HERBACEOUS OPENINGS Creating openings or planting existing openings, roadways and rights of way in grasses and legumes. Border or Edge planting of shrubs such as Barberry, Autumn Olive.

WINTER RANGE IMPROVEMENT

THERMAL COVER Confer plantings to provide cover and shelter during periods of inclement weather.

WINTER FOOD Planting of fruit, nut and seed producing trees and shrubs to provide winter food.

1. Contact local PGC Land Manager or District Forester about possible projects.
2. Identify project site, obtain soil test, and recommendations of Co-Op Agency.
3. Obtain bids for work on proposed project.
4. Submit Super Fund proposal to Habitat Committee for review.
 - A. Habitat proposals are due, January 1 Spring, June 1, Fall.
 - B. Projects on State Game Lands must be submitted to the Bureau of Land Management by the local PGC Land Manager.

HUNTER SAFETY/EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Dan Roessner Reports:

Conversations have been held with the PGC regarding the State Chapter's continuing commitment to a strong turkey hunting safety message for the general hunting public.

The Committee will be working with Mr. Lance Hoffman, Director, Bureau of Information and Education, toward the development of a series of public service announcements promoting the turkey hunting safety message. These PSA's, to be produced by PGC staff with the technical assistance of committee members, will be distributed to the news media network that has been developed by the PGC.

It is hoped that these PSA's will be available for distribution to the media prior to the start of the 1996 fall turkey season.

The Committee is working on the script for a turkey hunting safety news release to be developed in cooperation with Mr. Bruce Whitman of the PGC staff. This release will also be released to the news media through existing PGC channels prior to the start of the fall turkey hunting season.

The Committee will be discussing the need for purchase of additional turkey hunting safety materials (color I.D. charts, safety pamphlets, and other training aids) for use in the PGC's Hunter/Trapper Education Program. PA continues to lead the nation in the number of HTE graduates (40,000) who complete the course requirements each year. Our active involvement in this annual training effort is most important!!

CONVENTION COMMITTEE: Report:

1996 CONVENTION HELD IN BUTLER, PA

TOTAL RECEIPTS:	\$55,011.46	(Brewery donation included)
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$34,753.32	
TOTAL PROFIT:	\$21,258.14	
SENT TO DON HECKMAN:	\$6,000.00	(plus \$1,000.00 start up money)
GAVE TO DON HECKMAN:	\$10,000.00	(at the State meeting)
ESTIMATED CHECKING BAL:	\$4,271.70	(will be sent to Don Heckman at close of checking account. Two checks not cashed as of 8/1/96)

1997 CONVENTION

Advertise with a ¼ page add in PA Afield for the State Convention

Gary Beatty made motion to be carried out and Dennis Strawbridge second the motion.

No site has been set for the 1998 Convention.

PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE: Chairman Skip Sanderson; Typed-up

We have had a fairly good period for promo sales. I have turned over approximately \$2000.00 to the treasurer which includes items sold at the convention.

I have only nineteen watches remaining with but fourteen with matching numbered pins. There are 230 pins remaining. Again, I encourage upcoming banquets to purchase a watch and pin for sale at their banquets.

If anyone knows of a secondary market for or collectors of limited edition pewter pins. Let me know so we can sell out these items.

I have 29 20th anniversary t-shirts remaining in medium, large and xx-large. I have nine treebark 20th anniversary hats remaining.

There are advantage realtree camo hats with the new logo available. State Chapter mugs in gray and white. Patches and decals are also available.

PUBLIC RELATION COMMITTEE: Ron Tassel JR. report:

You will be able to contact Ron Tassel Jr. at:

RR #1, Box 362
Hawley PA 18428
(717)685-7333

Attended his first Board Meeting and left it beknown that he will be more active.

Art Committee Reed Johnson report:

Discussion was made about the Pa State Chapter providing and framed and matted print to the local chapters for their Jakes Events. The Pa State Chapter now provides the PGC a print for the Youth Field Days. The possibilities discussed were for the local chapters to green sheet the cost of these prints which are \$25.00 each or the State Chapter provide these prints to the local chapters upon request.

DISTRICT DIRECTORS: Bill Laird report:

June 1996-Meeting with PGC

- Mason-Dixon superfund committee meeting
- Mason-Dixon charter banquet
- Summer outdoor show in Harrisburg
- Perry County superfund banquet(Sherman Vally Strutters)
- House Game and Fisheries Public Hearing
- Mason-Dixon Local chapter meeting
- PGC meeting

July 1996-Breakfast with representative Bruce Smith

- Mason-Dixon local chapter meeting
- Meeting with Rich Skubish(PGC) Land Manager for york county game land on 1997 habitat work
- Judged the DE State Calling Contest
- Michaux-Yellow Breeches chapter superfund committee meeting

Sent information for Fort Chambers Local chapter as requested by Doug Totsen for Habitat programs.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion was made by Ron Sandrus to remove Dale Basinger from the Board and this motion was second by Don Heckman.

NEW BUSINESS

State Chapter will donate a hat, print and 25 box calls toward the Outdoors Woman Program. This program will cost \$175.00 to participate.

Matt Freidman made a motion and Reed Johnson second the motion. Motion carried

Nominations made for the Roger Latham Award are Sam Truxel, Reed Johnson, and Lyle Gillespie. Reed Johnson was voted in for the chance for this award.

Nominations made for the Mosby Award are Bill Drake. Closed the nominations with Bill Drake.

NWTF LADIES PROGRAM:

GOAL: Build a program that broadens the NWTF's outreach.

Provide a new opportunity for women interested in learning about outdoor activities.

Give an opportunity for youngsters living in single parent homes to have an outdoor educated role model.

Make an investment in the future of America's Hunting Heritage.

Identify potential new members of the N.W.T.F.

Increase the number of women enjoying hunting and other outdoor activities

IMPLEMENTATION: Identify and employ a qualified woman to design and direct the program.

Identify funding to support the program for the first 10 years of the program.

Identify corporate support for the support of the program.

Form an advisory council of lady volunteers to help design and determine the direction of the program.

Develop instructional manuals for conducting ladies events

Develop informational brochure for the promotion of the program.

Develop support products for the program(ie. t-shirts, cups, etc.)

Superfund Committee requests for ladies involved in NWTF Ladies Program at a low cost, to have a 1 or ½ day weekend and a manual is needed.

Superfund Committee proposes \$25,000 for 3 years.

Budget for the 1996-1997 year is up for review.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

ADJOURN: Motion made to adjourn by Gary Beatty, Second by Don Heckman

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM.

Bill Laird

Secretary



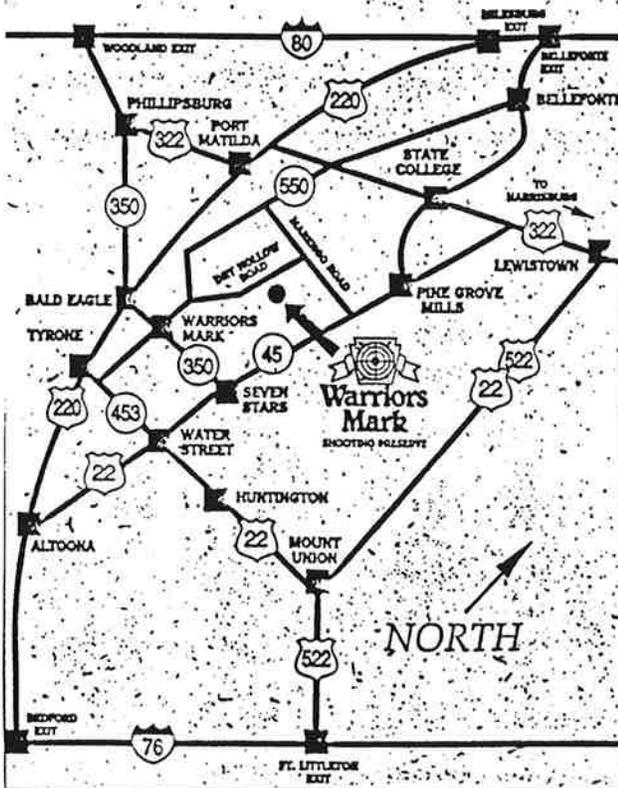
PENNSYLVANIA STATE CHAPTER THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION

ORGANIZED 1975

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

From: Bill Laird, Secretary

ATTENTION: The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter is scheduled for August 3, 1996 in the State College area. The Frost Camp welcomes us on Friday night. The Saturday session will be held at Warriors Mark and will begin promptly at 9:00 AM on August 3, 1996. Anyone wishing to shoot sporting clays, bring your gun. We will have a shoot after the Board Meeting.



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**PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JUNE 1, 1996
WARRIORS MARK SHOOTING PRESERVE
WARRIORS MARK PA**

CALL TO ORDER: The June 1, 1996 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 9:05 A.M. 21 Members were Present. A quorum was present and the Board could conduct business.

OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENTS: President Tim Holtz report:

I would like to thank the committees, regional directors for the help and support in the past and hope to continue this fine support. Special thanks to Bill Drake for keeping us updated on the PGC. I would like to thank the new directors for corresponding back to me about their role in the coming year. Special thanks to the Habitat Committee for traveling to the meeting in the Allegheny National Forest during the week.

Think about what our mission is and the mission statement is Conservation of the Wild Turkey and preservation of the resource. All work done at this meeting and the local level should be directed this mission. We have a number of goals we are striving for in the coming year:

Goal #1: We should be the number one chapter in the country. One way to do this is taking a look at our long range plan and bring this up to date. I think that we need to take the time to update. I plan to have a committee in place to revise the long range plan before the end of the year.

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

I attended the Allegheny Sultans local chapter banquet and also a banquet for the Northwest Thundering Toms which is a new Chapter in Meadville. I put on a hunters safety course for the Lakeland Longbeard Chapters. I also attend the Spring Habitat Project with the Lakeland Longbeards.

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

April 1996: Attended a Youth Field Day Meeting in Everetta, Pa

Gave a Turkey Hunting and Safety Seminar in Fishertown, Pa

Attended and participated in Turkey Hunting Shotgun Patterning at the Raven Gap Rod and Gun Club.

Gave a Turkey Hunting and Safety Seminar in Saxton, Pa

May 1996: Gave a Turkey Hunting and Safety Seminar in Big Run, Pa

SECRETARY:

Ron Sandrus made motion to accept the secretary report and Rudy Kovacina second the motion. Motion Carried.

TREASURER: Treasurer Don Heckman report:

ASSETS

Checking	\$897.07	
Inventory (Fair Market Value)	4,375.80	
TOTAL ASSETS		\$5,272.87

LIABILITIES

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EQUITY

Fund Balance - Prior	15,702.56	
Fund balance - Current Year	(10,429.69)	
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Gary Beatty made motion to accept the treasurer report and Dennis Strawbridge second the motion. Motion Carried

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Membership Secretary report: No report.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: Chairman of the Board Rick Moroney no report:

NWTF: NWTF Regional Director Larry Holjenzin report:

I would like to mention that the Hyatt Motel in Columbus, Ohio is sold out and the Crowd Plaza has 150 rooms left and they are the same price as the Hyatt. The Chapter Presidents Meeting this year will be an all day meeting on Thursday. It will be off site at Darby Dan Farms. Porter Wagoner event in Edgefield has some spots open and Pa State has 3 spots filled. The State Chapter has bought a slot and the person drawn was from St. Marys, PA. and the Mason-Dixon has bought 2 slots. Presently working with TNN for them to cover the event. Membership at the end of April we were the only state with 10,113 members which include adults and jakes. Wisconsin adults and jakes are 9,307. S. Caroline adults and jakes are 7,581. August 23-24, 1996 we will have the annual local chapter presidents meeting at Trout Run Lodge in Elk County near St. Marys. Black Timber would like to sponsor a shoot with the NWTF. This would be a \$65 entry with the membership to NWTF included and a BBQ. We have a Ford Explorer donated and we have tickets for sale at \$100.00 a ticket. Wildlife Forever has a program to map Superfund Dollars and we need to look into this a little further. Rooms are available at the National Headquarters to donate funds for them to be dedicated to person or group. It looks good for new chapters in the northeast area and one in the Philadelphia area. I have received my lap top computer and I appreciate your support for getting it for me.

NWTF: Bill Drake report:

Harvest Management: Preliminary indications of the spring 1995 and fall 1995 wild turkey harvests appear excellent. Spring and fall harvest report cards received were 9.9 and 13.2 percent, respectively, above previously recorded highs. Official Game Take Survey spring and fall harvest and hunting participation data will be available and reported at the August Board of Directors Meeting.

Target 2000 Turkey Transfer: Regional wild turkey trap and transfer crews caught 175 wild turkeys during the winter of 1996. One hundred and forty-seven turkeys were transferred to North Carolina in cooperation with the NWTF's target 2000 Program. Fifteen were sent to Rhode Island to assist that state with their wild turkey range expansion program, and thirteen were moved to the Muddy Run Area of Lancaster County, PA.

Other Activities: Both the PA NWTF technical Committee Representatives were pleased to attend the Convention in Atlanta. The Convention was both productive and enjoyable. Bob would especially like to thank the State Chapter for providing Super Fund support to permit him to meet some of the dedicated staff and volunteers of the NWTF and to appreciate first-hand their accomplishments and enthusiasm.

Progress of PA's turkey management plan is continueing pending priority of annual and final report submission deadlines. A finalized draft of the plan is anticipated by late summer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HABITAT COMMITTEE: Committee Chairman Rudy Kovacina Report:

On behalf of the PA State Chapter, I attended the 1995 Elk Committee Meeting; held thursday April 11; at the St. Mary's municipal building. The purpose of which to discuss long range elk management, and elk range improvement in PA.

On Thursday May 16 members of the Pa State Chapter NWTF, PGC, and Allegheny National Forest toured the bear creek/clarion river wild turkey management area on the A.N.F. We viewed and discussed the outstanding habitat improvements being completed; through the use of super fund dollars.

Local Chapter seedling distribution. 37,000 seedlings \$13,384.43 cost.

HUNTER SAFETY/EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Darr Roessner Reports:

JAKES EVENTS: On several occasions over the past two years, the State Chapter has been asked to approve the expenditure of funds from the Superfund account for costs associated with the development of JAKES events across PA. In most cases, the dollar amount requested appeared to be reasonable based on the quality and content of the event planned. However, in at least one case, the dollar amount requested averaged approximately \$50 per youth. The Committee believes that JAKES events should be undertaken by the local chapter utilizing local chapter resources as its primary funding source, as well as donations from businesses in the area served by the local chapter. Superfund monies should be used to supplement the income needed for the event, not represent the majority of income needed to fund the event. The Committee is looking to adopt reasonable guidelines for Superfund requests for JAKES events, possibly based on a maximum cost per youth, and/or a not-to-exceed dollar amount. As soon as these guidelines are formulated, they will be transmitted to each local chapter president to serve as a guide for future Superfund requests.

TURKEY HUNTING TASK FORCE SAFETY MATERIALS: Discussion is currently being held regarding the possibility of preparing a "Master Green Sheet" for turkey hunting safety materials from the NWTF. Such a concept would enable each

local chapter to "draw down", on an as-needed basis, safety materials from NWTF, with the master account being charged for the materials sent. Guidelines will need to be established which specify the maximum draw down available to each chapter per year.

WILDLIFE FOREVER CD-ROM: The Committee has been asked to evaluate the merits of the Wildlife Forever CD-ROM that is currently available, and determine if the State Chapter should fund the placement of the educational tool in various schools throughout the State. The Committee will review this CD, and formulate a recommendation to the Board regarding the costs of such an undertaking, as well as a distribution plan should the Board wish to proceed.

MANDATORY TURKEY HUNTER SAFETY TRAINING: The last dialogue that was held with the PGC relative to this matter seemed to indicate that a mandatory turkey hunter training course would be cumbersome, costly, labor intensive, and somewhat questionable as to measurable results. It appeared that the Commission would be willing to work with the Pa State Chapter on the preparation of a "short course", possibly one hour in length, which could be utilized by PGC field personnel to spread the safety message, however, no further dialogue has been pursued recently by either party. President Holtz and representatives of the Pa State Chapter will be meeting with PGC Executive Director Don Madl on June 3, 1996, and this subject should, once again, be revisited. Past indications were that PGC was very reluctant to make any such safety training "mandatory". Even the Commission were to agree to mandatory course, possibly offered in conjunction with the proposed turkey hunting license, the logistics of such a requirement would need to be carefully thought out by both parties. Hopefully, this meeting with the PGC will give PSC/NWTF representatives a current insight into the concerns and reservations the Commission may have regarding this issue.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE: Report:

TOTAL RECEIPTS:	\$55,611.46
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$34,094.13
TOTAL PROFIT:	\$21,517.33
TOTAL SENT TO TREASURER:	\$ 6,000.00 (plus \$1000.00 start up money paid)
ESTIMATED REMAINDER:	\$15,517.33

PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE: Chairman Skip Sanderson; Typed-up

I was disappointed with out sales at the convention. However, we have done fairly well with the response to the ad in Turkey talk. Twentieth Anniversary caps in treebark camo are still available but less than a dozen are left. I have a good supply of 20th Anniversary T-shirt in all sized but XL. We have sold or donated 77 of the 20th Anniversary watches to date. I have only 14 matching watch and pin sets remaining and 9 other watches without matching pins. I have approximately 250 20th Anniversary pins. The pins are paid for and we will have \$10.00 for the treasury for every additional pin sold. It would help if more chapters purchased T-shirt, hats, watches and pins to sell at their local chapter fundtions and shows. I did order a few sweatshirts and T-shirts by special request. I will not be ordering any

additional 20th Anniversary items. When the remaining items are gone, the 20th Anniversary will be over as far as I am concerned. I still have state chapter hats, patches, mugs, decals and NWTf pins.

DISTRICT DIRECTORS: Mark Davis report:

January 1996: Attended PA State Chapter Board Meeting, State College
Attended Lake Region Longbeards monthly chapter meeting
Spoke with Pat Camuso, organizer of the Upper Delaware Shad Fest, regarding a Jake's Calling Contest

Spoke with John Shutkufski, PA Land Management Office, regarding Spring planting projects

February 1996: Attended Red Rock Chapter's Spring Banquet

Attended Michaux Yellow Breeches Chapter's booth and interactive video at Harrisburg Outdoors Show

Attended Banquet committee meeting for the Lake Region Longbeards Chapter

March 1996: Manned booth for Lake Region Longbeards chapter and conducted a sanctioned calling contest at the Wayne County Outdoor Sportsmen's Rendezvous

Attended monthly meeting of the Lake Region Longbeards

April 1996: Met with Jerry Zimmerman at Hill's Twin Spruce Lodge regarding the formation of a new chapter

Attended Spring Banquet meeting for Lake Region Longbeards

Conducted education seminars at Bucks, Bass and Balls restaurant with Frank Antoniacci

Attended monthly meeting of the Lake Region Longbeards Chapter

Spoke with Tony Hudock, President Red Rock chapter regarding current issues

Attended Lake Region Longbeard's Spring Superfund Banquet

May 1996: Manned booth at the 1996 Upper Delaware Shad Fest, Narrowburg, NY

Attended John Anderson Concert in Wilkes Barre, PA sponsored by Red Rock

Attended monthly meeting of the Lake Region Longbeards

Assisted Lake region Longbeards with Spring planting project, Wayne County, PA

OLD BUSINESS No report

NEW BUSINESS

Request made by Howard Myers to get mailing list from NWTf for free advertising in the PA Afield. Permission given to Larry Holjenzin to pursue the request for the mailing list from NWTf.

Ron Sandrus made a motion and Reed Johnson second the motion. Motion carried Larry Holjenzin suggested that the first ad to be ran in the PA Afield to be information on the Sporting Clay Shoot.

Dan Roessner made a motion and Rudy Kovacina second the motion. Motion carried.

The Board is going to take action to remove Dale Bassinger from the Board in

August.

NWTF Board nominations are due by August 1, 1996.

1998 Convention asking for anybody to host this convention. Holiday Inn in Indiana has expressed an interest, but we need a chapter to host the event. Sporting Clay State shoot (Black Timber Sporting Goods) for the Board to decide for Larry Holjenzin to work with the project and make this the State Shoot.

Dan Roessner made a motion and Don Heckman second the motion. Motion carried With any expenses be approved by the Board.

State Board Nominations are due by August 1, 1996. Resumes and signatures are required by each nominee.

Super Fund Land Acquisition . Superfund Committee has made a commitment to the PGC for a fixed number of dollars for the Land Acquisition and to work with us to find projects to put this money to good use. Superfund committee is looking for the Boards blessing in our pledging to the P&C \$25,000.

Committee Assignments for the coming year: Awards/Dennis Strawbridge, Bill Laird, Skip Sanderson. Nominating/Rick Morony, Tim Holtz. By-Laws/Bill Laird, Rick Morony. Financy/Don Heckman, Gary Beatty, Rich Weaver. Superfund/Tim Holtz, Boyd Enos, Rudy Kovacina, Dan Roessner. Habitat/Rudy Kovacina, Joe Frug, Bill Drake, Jerry Wunz, Dale Rhom, Jay Frey, Bob Boyd. Land Acquisition/Boyd Enos, Eric Bowman, Ron Perry. Superfund Education Safety and Youth/ Dan Roessner, Boyd Enos, Don Heckman, Ron Sandrus, Dan Sullivan, Bud Wills. Legislative/Bill Laird, Don Heckman. Local Chapter/Jerry Zimmerman, Larry Holjenzin, Eric Bowman. Portfolio/Gary Beatty. Publications/Larry Smail, Don Heckman, Dan Sullivan. Public Relations/Ron Tussell. Art/Reed Johnson, Matt Friedman, Bill Hoover, Sam Truxel, Bud Wills. Communications Services/ Dan Sullivan, Don Heckman. Promotional/Skip Sanderson. Paper Supplies/Dennis Strawbridge. Fall Gun Raffle/ Eric Bowman. POWA/Ron Sandrus. Masters Calling Contest/Ed Kemp. Convention Steering/Rosanne Good. Convention Adversiorry/ Jerry Zimmerman, Gary Beatty, Don Heckman, Ron Sandrus, Larry Holjenzin.

State Jakes Event held somewhere in the state and possibly each chapter send two Jakes for a weekend event.

State Chapter to have a booth set-up at the National Convention and to possibly get a hunt set-up to be donated at the National Convention.

State Chapter to get sponsors for the awards and how to go about getting these sponsors(maybe run an ad).

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

ADJOURN: Motion made to adjourn by Ron Sandrus, Second by Dennis Strawbridge Meeting adjourned at 3:15 PM.

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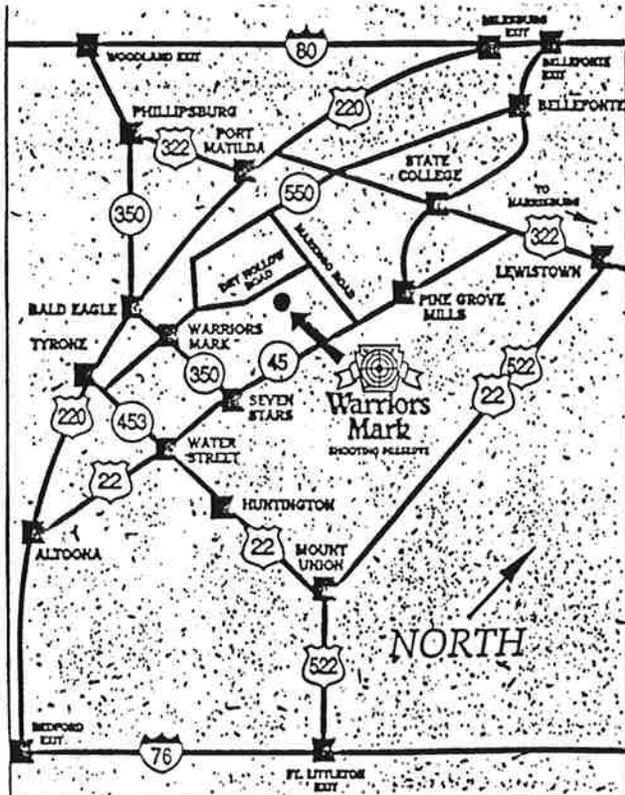
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AMENDMENT TO THE JANUARY 1996 SECRETARIES REPORT:

ERIC BOWMAN MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE SECRETARIES REPORT AND RON SANDRUS SECOND THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.



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PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER, N.W.T.F.
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
MARCH 15, 1996
DAYS INN - BUTLER, PA

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CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: No Report

SECRETARY REPORT: Dan Roesner motioned to accept Ron Sandrus second the motion

VICE PRESIDENT No Report

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT No Report

TREASURER REPORT: Don Heckman reported the beginning balance at 9/1/94 as 3,790.53 and 11,326.76 at 8/31/95.

motion made to accept by Jerry Stahl and Dennis Strawbridge second the motion

NWTF BOARD: Ron Fretts reported on the sponsorship of the Busch Grand National race car as a total donation. There is no money spent by N.W.T.F. I would also like to thanked the State Chapter for the \$5000.00 donation to the building fund, this was a total suprise. There is 1.8 million dollars raised so far.

NWTF STAFF: Dick Rosenleib reported on the new Jakes Manual to help with bigger and better jakes Events. I would like to remind everyone of the Jakes Event in June which each state has a sponsorship for one Jake and his parent. I would like to also remind everyone about the Turkey Shoot in September at Wolf Creek Gun Club in Atlanta, Georgia. We would like to create a State Champion and have all states participate in the Grand Championship.

We are in the process of developing an Outdoor Woman program at NWTF. We would like to make the event on a Saturday.

SECRETARY
BILL LAIRD



**PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MARCH 17, 1996
DAYS INN CONFERENCE CENTER
BUTLER PA**

CALL TO ORDER: The March 17, 1996 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 9:05 A.M. 34 Members were Present. A quorum was present and the Board could conduct business.

OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENTS REPORT: President Tim Holtz Report:

I would like to thank everybody for the vote of confidence in serving as President for a 2nd year.

I would like to thank the Banquet Committee for doing such a fine job in putting this weekend together.

I would like to thank Bill Drake for attending the meeting and keeping us informed on the PGC.

I would like to thank the Superfund Committee for helping us spend the \$103,000 in a wise and prudent manner.

I would like to bring to your attention that there is a new Superfund form with a date of 3/96 in the corner, if you have any old forms, please destroy them and use the new forms. I would also like to suggest that after a project is complete that you take a colored slide and send them to Ron Brenneman so that he has the opportunity to include them in Turkey Call.

I would like to thank the Habitat Committee for their recent work. There is a lot of talent on that committee.

I would like to thank Jerry Zimmerman for submitting our testimony at the January Game Commission on season and bag limits.

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

Attended the National Convention in Atlanta, Georgia

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

February 3-11, 1996: I participated in the Presentation of the interactive safety video for 9 days at the Harrisburg sport and outdoor show.

February 18, 1996: I gave a turkey hunting and safety seminar at the Rossiter Fire Hall.

February 20, 1996: I had a telephone interview with John McGonigle about the interactive safety video.

March 1-3, 1996: I participated in the Allentown Sport Show for 3 days with the Appalachian Trail Local Chapter.

March 8, 1996: I was a panel member discussing turkey hunting and safety in Windber, PA.

SECRETARY:

John Szeferksi made motion to accept the secretary report and Matt Freidman second the motion. Motion Carried.

TREASURER: Treasurer Don Hackman report: Read by Rick Moroney

The firm of Hamilton & Musser, P.C. Certified Public Accountants has completed their audit as of December 31, 1995.

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LIABILITIES

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Ron Sandrus made motion to accept the treasurer report and Boyd Enos second the motion. Motion Carried

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Membership Secretary report:

Current membership is 10,400 and is hoping to have 11,000 till the end of year. Has copy of the Youth Hunter Certificate to be published. Should the certificate be available to Jakes 17 years and under only?

Dennis Strawbridge made the motion, Ron Sandrus second the motion. Motion Carried.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: Chairman of the Board Rick Moroney no report:

NWTF: NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman report:

I would like to thank for a very good year. I met with land Management Personel and found out that they have no clue as to what we do. I proceeded to tell them and hand out information. I would like to suggest if anyone has a contact with anyone from land management, please let me or Larry Holjenzin know.

There will be a Ford Explorer XUT raffled off this year along with 10 other prizes on the ticket. The cost of the ticket will be 100.00 per ticket.

NWTF: NWTF Regional Director Larry Holjenzin report:

I have a lead for a shoot in Sommerset PA.

I would like to make a recommendation for the New chapter loan of \$200 be increased to \$300.

Gary Beatty made the motion and Dale Rhom second the motion. Motion carried.

Target 2000 went real well this past winter. We shipped 123 birds to North Carolina and 14 birds to Rhode Island.

We received a preliminary harvest report and we exceeded the 1991 record harvest by 13 percent and this was due to opening up a few more areas to fall hunting.

Matt Freidman to update on Muddy Run area. On February 7, 1996 the Red Rose Local Chapter and the PWC left loose 8 hens in the Muddy Run area. We had good publicity for the event with the help of the News Media. We hope to get some gobblers from Franklin County area to release so we can get a good population established soon.

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We are in the process in developing an Outdoor Women program at NWTF. We would like to make the event on a Saturday. State of Wisconsin has three ladies Chapters.

I would like to thank Chris Kuntzler, Ron Fretts, Jerry Zimmerman and Larry Holjenzin for all the fine work they do for the NWTF.

NWTF: Chris Kuntzler report:

I would like to remind everyone of the turkey shoot in September this year. I attended last years turkey shoot along with 3 others from PA and the 4 of us brought home a gun and a print. If planning on attending this year and if anyone is interested in going, please contact me.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE: Gary Beatty reports:

I would like to know how to get the local chapters more knowledgeable of how to do their portfolio and what to include in the portfolio.

I would like to suggest that the State have a Local Chapters president meeting and acquaint them with portfolio and other subjects. This would be done maybe at the State Convention.

HABITAT COMMITTEE: Committee Chairman Rudy Kovacina Report:

The State Chapter Habitat Committee met on February 10, 1996 at Koozer

The State Chapter Habitat Committee met on February 10, 1996 at Kooser State Park in Somerset County PA. The meeting was hosted by Local Chapter #1 member Jack Gradler.

The Committee Accepted a total of 34 proposals for Spring 1996. Local Chapters 21, Allegheny National Forest 1, D.C.N.R. Bureau of Forestry 12. Adding to a total of \$74,606.64. Total of 34 projects.

These projects consist of tree and shrub plantings and the creation of permanent herbaceous openings in 22 counties across Pennsylvania.

Just think, almost \$75,000 put on the ground for the Wild Turkey in the great state of Pennsylvania

HUNTER SAFETY/EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Dan Roessner Reports:

We currently are reviewing 8 projects totaling \$4300.

Youth Field days in Pennsylvania. In 1991 was the first one. 75 people attended the first youth field days. Sponsorships for the Youth Field days are PA Deer Assoc., State NWTF, and Trappers Assoc. of PA. We have 47 Youth Field days planned this year. We are looking to serv 6 or 7 thousand kids. We have donated a framed art print to each of the past events but now that it is growing we are asking for some type of commitment as a sponsor to help in the events. I have about 100 prints in my possession and I have talked to Larry Smail and he would like to donate those to the State Chapter, sign and number them, as youth conservation prints.

Working with the PGC on Safety Releases and hope to have some Spring 1996.

AWARDS COMMITTEE: Dennis Strawbridge reports:

We are looking for sponsors for the awards so that we do not have to take this out of our funds.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE: Report:

All receipts but the total income so far is \$49,671.

TURKEY TALK: Larry Smail report: Spring issue waiting for final print.

OLD BUSINESS No report

NEW BUSINESS

Eric Bowman asked for a rookie Award

Executive Board suggests to elect Bud Wills to the board for a 3 year term and to be added to the class starting with this year and to elect Ed Kemp to the board for a 1 year term with the availability of running in next years. This will keep out board evenly structured for 7 in each class.

Dan Roessner made a motion and Ron Sandrus second the motion. Motion carried

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Local Shoot/State Jakes Event/State booth at National Convention/Special Shoot maybe auctioned off at the Hunt Auction/C.D. Rhom available to local chapters

ADJOURN: Motion made to adjourn by Ron Sandrus, Second by Dennis Strawbridge Meeting adjourned at 10:25 AM.

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Secretary

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NWTF BOARD: Ron Fretts reported on the sponsorship of the Busch Grand National race car as a total donation. There is no money spent by N.W.T.F. I would also like to thanked the State Chapter for the \$5000.00 donation to the building fund, this was a total suprise. There is 1.8 million dollars raised so far.

NWTF STAFF: Dick Rosenleib reported on the new Jakes Manual to help with bigger and better jakes Events. I would like to remind everyone of the Jakes Event in June which each state has a sponsorship for one Jake and his parent. I would like to also remind everyone about the Turkey Shoot in September at Wolf Creek Gun Club in Atlanta, Georgia. We would like to create a State Champion and have all states participate in the Grand Championship.

We are in the process of developing an Outdoor Woman program at NWTF. We would like to make the event on a Saturday.

SECRETARY
BILL LAIRD





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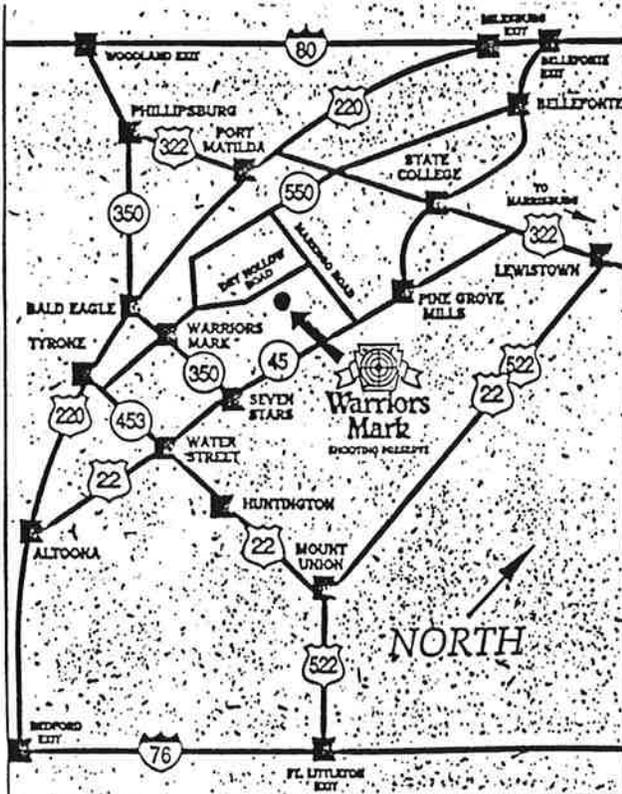
TO: Pennsylvania Chapter Board of Directors, Local Chapter Presidents,
Technical Committee, and Loyal Order of Silver Spurs

From: Bill Laird, Secretary

ATTENTION: The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter is scheduled for June 1, 1996 in the State College area. The Frost Camp welcomes us on Friday night. The Saturday session will be held at Warriors Mark and will begin promptly at 9:00 AM on June 1, 1996.

AMENDMENT TO THE JANUARY 1996 SECRETARIES REPORT:

ERIC BOWMAN MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE SECRETARIES REPORT AND RON SANDRUS SECOND THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED.



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PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTf
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MARCH 17, 1996
DAYS INN CONFERENCE CENTER
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CALL TO ORDER: The March 17, 1996 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 9:05 A.M. 34 Members were Present. A quorum was present and the Board could conduct business.

OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Tim Holtz Report:

I would like to thank everybody for the vote of confidence in serving as President for a 2nd year.

I would like to thank the Banquet Committee for doing such a fine job in putting this weekend together.

I would like to thank Bill Drake for attending the meeting and keeping us informed on the PGC.

I would like to thank the Superfund Committee for helping us spend the \$103,000 in a wise and prudent manner.

I would like to bring to your attention that there is a new Superfund form with a date of 3/96 in the corner, if you have any old forms, please destroy them and use the new forms. I would also like to suggest that after a project is complete that you take a colored slide and send them to Ron Brenneman so that he has the opportunity to include them in Turkey Call.

I would like to thank the Habitat Committee for their recent work. There is a lot of talent on that committee.

I would like to thank Jerry Zimmerman for submitting our testimony at the January Game Commission on season and bag limits.

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

Attended the National Convention in Atlanta, Georgia

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

February 3-11, 1996: I participated in the Presentation of the interactive safety video for 9 days at the Harrisburg sport and outdoor show.

February 18, 1996: I gave a turkey hunting and safety seminar at the Rossiter Fire Hall.

February 20, 1996: I had a telephone interview with John McGonigle about the interactive safety video.

March 1-3, 1996: I participated in the Allentown Sport Show for 3 days with the Appalachian Trail Local Chapter.

March 8, 1996: I was a panel member discussing turkey hunting and safety in Windber, PA.

SECRETARY:

John Szeferksi made motion to accept the secretary report and Matt Freidman second the motion. Motion Carried.

TREASURER: Treasurer Don Heckman report: Read by Rick Moroney
The firm of Hamilton & Musser, P.C. Certified Public Accountants has completed their audit as of December 31, 1995.

ASSETS

Checking	\$2,944.66	
Inventory (Fair Market Value)	4,375.80	
TOTAL ASSETS		\$7,320.46

LIABILITIES

TOTAL LIABILITIES		.00
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EQUITY

Fund Balance - Prior	15,702.56	
Fund balance - Current Year	(8,382.10)	
TOTAL EQUITY		7,320.46

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		\$7,320.46
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Ron Sandrus made motion to accept the treasurer report and Boyd Enos second the motion. Motion Carried

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Membership Secretary report:

Current membership is 10,400 and is hoping to have 11,000 till the end of year. Has copy of the Youth Hunter Certificate to be published. Should the certificate be available to Jakes 17 years and under only?

Dennis Strawbridge made the motion, Ron Sandrus second the motion. Motion Carried.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: Chairman of the Board Rick Moroney no report:

NWTF: NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman report:

I would like to thank for a very good year. I met with land Management Personel and found out that they have no clue as to what we do. I proceeded to tell them and hand out information. I would like to suggest if anyone has a contact with anyone from land management, please let me or Larry Holjenzin know.

There will be a Ford Explorer XLT raffled off this year along with 10 other prizes on the ticket. The cost of the ticket will be 100.00 per ticket.

NWTF: NWTF Regional Director Larry Holjenzin report:

I have a lead for a shoot in Sommerset PA.

I would like to make a recommendation for the New chapter loan of \$200 be increased to \$300.

Gary Beatty made the motion and Dale Rhom second the motion. Motion carried.

Target 2000 went real well this past winter. We shipped 123 birds to North Carolina and 14 birds to Rhode Island. We received a preliminary harvest report and we exceeded the 1991 record harvest by 13 percent and this was due to opening up a few more areas to fall hunting.

Matt Freidman to update on Muddy Run area. On February 7, 1996 the Red Rose Local Chapter and the PGC left loose 8 hens in the Muddy Run area. We had good publicity for the event with the help of the News Media. We hope to get some gobblers from Franklin County area to release so we can get a good population established soon.

NWTF: Dick Rosenleib report:

I would like to report on the new Jakes Manual to help with bigger and better Jakes Events. I would like to remind everyone of the Jakes Event in June which each state has a sponsorship for one Jake and his parent. The Mason-Dixon chapter has a sponsorship for two Jakes which gives the state of Pa 3 sponsorships.

I would like to remind you about the Turkey Shoot in September at Wolf Creek Gun Club in Atlanta, Georgia. The turkey shoot has now doubled. We had 200 shooters their last year. We gave 30 guns and over \$30,000 in Cash and Prizes last year. We would like to create a state champion and have all states participate in the Grand Championship on Sunday. We need to build the rules and we would like to create our own targets.

We are in the process in developing an Outdoor Women program at NWTF. We would like to make the event on a Saturday. State of Wisconsin has three ladies Chapters.

I would like to thank Chris Kuntzler, Ron Fretts, Jerry Zimmerman and Larry Holjenzin for all the fine work they do for the NWTF.

NWTF: Chris Kuntzler report:

I would like to remind everyone of the turkey shoot in September this year. I attended last years turkey shoot along with 3 others from PA and the 4 of us brought home a gun and a print. If planning on attending this year and if anyone is interested in going, please contact me.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE: Gary Beatty reports:

I would like to know how to get the local chapters more knowledgeable of how to do their portfolio and what to include in the portfolio.

I would like to suggest that the State have a Local Chapters president meeting and acquaint them with portfolio and other subjects. This would be done maybe at the State Convention.

HABITAT COMMITTEE: Committee Chairman Rudy Kovacina Report:

The State Chapter Habitat Committee met on February 10, 1996 at Kooser

The State Chapter Habitat Committee met on February 10, 1996 at Kooser State Park in Somerset County PA. The meeting was hosted by Local Chapter #1 member Jack Gradler.

The Committee Accepted a total of 34 proposals for Spring 1996. Local Chapters 21, Allegheny National Forest 1, D.C.N.R. Bureau of Forestry 12. Adding to a total of \$74,606.64. Total of 34 projects.

These projects consist of tree and shrub plantings and the creation of permanent herbaceous openings in 22 counties across Pennsylvania.

Just think, almost \$75,000 put on the ground for the Wild Turkey in the great state of Pennsylvania

HUNTER SAFETY/EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Dan Roessner Reports:

We currently are reviewing 8 projects totaling \$4300.

Youth Field days in Pennsylvania. In 1991 was the first one. 75 people attended the first youth field days. Sponsorships for the Youth Field days are PA Deer Assoc., State NWTF, and Trappers Assoc. of PA. We have 47 Youth Field days planned this year. We are looking to serve 6 or 7 thousand kids. We have donated a framed art print to each of the past events but now that it is growing we are asking for some type of commitment as a sponsor to help in the events. I have about 100 prints in my possession and I have talked to Larry Smail and he would like to donate those to the State Chapter, sign and number them, as youth conservation prints.

Working with the PGC on Safety Releases and hope to have some Spring 1996.

AWARDS COMMITTEE: Dennis Strawbridge reports:

We are looking for sponsors for the awards so that we do not have to take this out of our funds.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE: Report:

All receipts but the total income so far is \$49,671.

TURKEY TALK: Larry Smail report: Spring issue waiting for final print.

OLD BUSINESS No report

NEW BUSINESS

Eric Bowman asked for a rookie Award

Executive Board suggests to elect Bud Wills to the board for a 3 year term and to be added to the class starting with this year and to elect Ed Kemp to the board for a 1 year term with the availability of running in next years. This will keep our board evenly structured for 7 in each class.

Dan Roessner made a motion and Ron Sandrus second the motion. Motion carried

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Local Shoot/State Jakes Event/State booth at National Convention/Special Shoot maybe auctioned off at the Hunt Auction/C.D. Rhom available to local chapters

ADJOURN: Motion made to adjourn by Ron Sandrus, Second by Dennis Strawbridge
Meeting adjourned at 10:25 AM.

Bill Laird

Secretary



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

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From: Bill Laird, Secretary

ATTENTION: The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Chapter is scheduled for March 15-17, 1996 at the State Convention at Days Inn and Conference Center in Butler, Pa.

PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER NWTF
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JANUARY 6, 1996
WARRIORS MARK SHOOTING PRESERVE
WARRIORS MARK PA

CALL TO ORDER: The January 7, 1996 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 9:20 A.M. 26 Members were Present. A quorum was present and the Board could conduct business.

OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENT: President Tim Holtz report:

Relative to the NWTF Board of Directors election, I've received letters from Tony Lieb, Rick Cotton, and Michael Tull asking for support in their respective bids for seats on the Board.

Ron Tussel Jr. has accepted the position of Public Relations Chairman. Ron will be working with the Chapter in an effort to put information about the organization before the public, primarily through the printed news media.

As noted in my December update to the Board, Ron Brenneman is soliciting slides of various Super Fund projects for inclusion in Turkey Call. Please keep this request in mind and please send slides to Ron Brenneman. This is an excellent opportunity for us to showcase our projects to the entire NWTF membership.

As we begin 1996 I feel that the Chapter and this Board of Directors should commit to being the number one chapter in the nation. Working with Jerry Zimmerman and Larry Holjencin, with this goal foremost in our minds, will enable us to do a tremendous amount of work to benefit the turkey resource and be the number one chapter. I know we're up to the challenge, as is Wisconsin. Let's start now.

Dan Roessner has asked me, on behalf of the Safety and Education Committee to solicit feedback from the Board as to the effectiveness of the fall safety campaign. Was it effective? Was it money and time well spent? Should we be doing similar things for the coming spring season?

Dan Roessner reported that he'll be attending a meeting relative to Youth Field Days at the PGC Region Office in Huntingdon on January 19 & 20. It's anticipated that there will be individuals from a number of counties at this meeting.

Relative to Chapter correspondence I have the following to share with the Board:

Received a copy of a letter from Robert Abernathy, NWTF, to the Technical Committee regarding efforts to have media days when turkeys are released as part of the Target 2000 program. One

of the states being most encouraged to coordinate such an event is North Carolina, which will hopefully be receiving some turkeys from Pennsylvania.

Received a letter from Bill Drake relative to the Pennsylvania Game Commission's request to NWTF to have Bob Foyd added to the Technical Committee.

Sent letters to Lynn Boykin and Rob Keck commending the NWTF staff and Board of Directors for a successful 1995.

Sent a letter to Jay Pifer, President of Allegheny Power Systems, thanking Allegheny for becoming a Stewardship Partner and for having an article highlighting this in their company newsletter.

Sent a letter to John Palmer, Forest Supervisor for the Allegheny National Forest, advising him that our Board has approved the request of the US Forest Service to carry over to fiscal year 1996 monies from the Super Fund project funded in 1995.

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

Attended a meeting for the 1996 Annual Convention in Butler Pa
Attended Executive Committee meeting at Coudersport on November 11-12, 1996

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

October 15, 1995-I gave a Turkey Hunting and Safety Seminar at the Raven Gap Rod and Gun Club-Bedford, Pa

October 25, 1995-I gave a Turkey Hunting and Safety Seminar at the Tuscarora Game and Fish Association

November 5, 1995-I gave a Turkey Hunting and Safety Seminar at the Schellsburg Fire Hall, Schellsburg, Pa

November 11-12, 1995-I attended the Pa Chapter Executive Committee Meeting-Coudersport, PA

December 15, 1995-I attended the Youth Field Day meeting, Bedford, Pa

December 18, 1995-I held a meeting in Altoona of Local Sportsmen concerning PA Chapter current position on license increase, turkey permit, fluorescent orange regulations, Target 2000, and other turkey subjects.

SECRETARY: No report.

TREASURER: Treasurer Don Heckman report:

CHECK OUT THE NEW FORMAT FOR TREASURER REPORT

ASSETS

Checking	\$17,453.49	
Inventory (Fair Market Value)	4,375.80	
TOTAL ASSETS		\$21,829.29

LIABILITIES

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EQUITY

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Fund balance - Current Year	6,126.73	
TOTAL EQUITY		21,829.29

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		\$21,829.29
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Boyd Enos made motion to accept the treasurer report and Ron Sandrus second the motion. Motion Carried

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Membership Secretary report:

Attended the Game and Fish Hearing and gave report that State Chapter will support a license increase and a turkey hunting permit.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD: Chairman of the Board Rick Morony no report:

NWTF: NWTF Regional Director Jerry Zimmerman report:

We will be having another Chapter Presidents meeting sometime in August and will consists of Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The location and time will be announced hopefully at the 1996 Convention.

At Edgefield we will be have a Porter Wagner Youth Field days. It will be very similiar to youth field days in Pa. Trying to get enough funds to have the TNN film crew present. Other entertainment we will be having Porter Wagner and Johnny Morris. Try to get at least one youth from each state and this youth will be determined by an essay contest. Each State Chapter President and Local Chapter President will receive a letter making this announcement.

A special youth hunt for PA will be held at Chris Kuntzler's camp and Dale and Robby Rhom will guide the hunt in Spring 1997. There will be two hunts. All Jakes who sign up at any NWTF Banquet in the year 1996 will be eligible. One hunt will given away by drawing at the 1997 Convention or before and the other hunt will be auctioned off at the 1997 Convention.

There will be a turkey release in PA. in January in the Southeast Region. The release will be in the Madrun area, Lancaster County Pa. They will be release on the State Game lands.

We will be having a dues increase effective January 1996 to \$25.00.

Cookbooks hopefully will be ready for the January shows and the price to the local Chapters will be \$11.00 and the retail price will be \$19.95.

NWTF: NWTF Regional Director Larry Holjencia report:

I will be putting an article in the Spring issue of Turkey Talk and target the areas where there is no Local Chapters. Also for those local chapters

which have Banquets and don't have Habitat Work and don't have methods as to how to go about this, there is a book called Managing Openings for Wildlife from NWTf which is \$4.00 an issue. I will attempt to green sheet this item so that all Local chapters receive one copy.

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 second add in Turkey Talk again helped.

Twentieth Anniversary Caps in Advantage Realtree and Trebark Camo are available. I have a good supply of T-shirts in all sizes.

I have sold more than 65 of the watches to date. The watches are now paid for. The rest of the watches will be profit for the Chapter. Of the remaining 35 watches (which includes #1), I have only 21 matching sets remaining.

I have 269 20th Anniversary pins remaining to be sold, just 19 short of $\frac{1}{2}$ of the pins have been sold. That means the pins also are nearly paid for and we will start making money on them soon. It would help if more chapters purchased T-shirts, hats, watches and pins to sell at their local chapter functions and shows.

New patches are here The patches are a little different than the old patches.

I still have mugs, decals and NWTf pins.

HABITAT COMMITTEE: Committee Chairman Rudy Kovacina Report:

The committee has purchased 25,000 seedlings from Greenwood Nursery in Minnville, Tenn, for local chapter distribution in spring of 1996. This consist of 11,000 Barbary and 15,000 Autumn olive

Joe Krug is in the process of sending letters to all local chapters concerning seedling orders.

The committee is planning a meeting in early February to review Superfund-Habitat requests.

HUNTER SAFETY/EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Report:

There were no turkey hunting accidents in the new areas one and area nine.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPRESENTIVES: Report:

TARGET 2000 The PGC has agreed to provide N. Carolina with 100 wild turkeys this winter in cooperation with the NWTf's Target 2000. Any additional turkeys captured after completion of this commitment will be sent to Rhode Island.

The Unified Sportsmen of PA have appealed the PGC's participation in Target 2000 to the Commonwealth's Attorney General. Publicity regarding the PGC's participation in this program will be partially dependant on the

outcome of this appeal.

OTHER ACTIVITIES Executive Director Madl has requested that Robert Boyd, Assistant Director of the Bureau of Wildlife Management, be appointed to the NWTM's Technical Committee to replace Arnie Hayden. If approved, Bob is hoping to join me in attending the National Convention at Atlanta in February.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE: Report:

January: Come to January Board meeting, have final convention report ready. Review Convention Committee assignments at Board Meeting. Mail out convention flyer. Get information for convention Program. Art Auction Committee putting together art works for auction, check to see if auctioneer can be provided. Master's Calling Contest agenda (trophies, prize money, invitations, set-up, NWTM Sanctioned contest, MC, back up MC, judge, backup judge, green jacket, score board, score sheets, pens, pencils, calculator, scorers, etc.). Pre-registration should start through the mail. Work on ideas to get walk-in crowd, local advertising, etc.

February: Treasurer makes ledger system and money envelopes for each event/activity. Review registration table with committee, make sure all tickets, handouts, sign-in forms, starting money, and committee people know what to do. Send press release to all PA Outdoor Writers. Get convention program printed. State Chapter Promo booth, promo items, and committee is ready

TURKEY TALK: Larry Small report:

I would like to thank Ron Tussell for coming on board as P.R. Chairman. I'm sure Ron will add much to the organization. (Note that this was not presented at the meeting).

In light of CALER Editor, Dana Tol's information, (see last report in fall) I would like to go on record recommending that any further planning of eliminating TURKEY TALK be deleted from the Long Range Action Plan. I believe that the importance with having our own identifying and traditional form of communication is more evident now than ever.

DISTRICT DIRECTORS:

Bill Laird report:

October 1995-Attended Sherman Valley Heritage Days and helped at booth for Perry County Strutters.

Attended viewing of Lou Hoffman

November 1995-Attended Executive Committee meeting in Coudersport

December 1995-Attended Hanover Committee meeting for spring banquet.

January 1996- Attended Pa Federation Sportsman Club meeting York, CO

Mark Davis report:

October 1995-Attended Lake Region Long Beards monthly meeting Wayne County

Spoke with Tony Hedick, Rock Red Chapter President

November 1995-Attended Lake Region Long Beards monthly meeting Wayne County

December 1995-Spoke with Donald Schauer, Wayne County Wildlife Conservation officer on current issues.

Spoke with organizer of Wayne County outdoor show for Chapter booth.

OLD BUSINESS

400 copies of Turkey Talk will be sent out to the PGC to be sent down to their staff headquarters to be distributed properly. This will be tried for the Winter and Spring issues and then will be looked at as to whether we can cut on down the issues sent out. PGC will do the mailing for these 400 issues.

NEW BUSINESS

We will make a donation of \$220.00 to PRUA for processing deer taken at the Gettysburg National Park.

Ron Sandrus made a motion and Dennis Strawbridge second the motion. Motion carried

Pa. Outdoor Writers has a Will Johnson Memorial Fund (scholarship). Pa State Chapter to contribute to this fund in the amount of \$500.00 in memory of Lou Hoffman. This suggestion was recommended by Don Heckman. Ron Sandrus made a suggestion to up the dollar figure to \$700.00. The committee will decide where and where to give this money to the wife and daughter of Lou Hoffman or Ben Moyer.

Don Heckman made motion and Ron Sandrus second the motion. Motion carried

Rhom Brothers will be donating some calls for the James Hunt and the Pa State Chapter was approached about purchasing two guns (Mossberg 12 GA. ((Banquet Gun)) not Gun of the Year). The cost is \$225.00 each.

Gary Beatty made the motion and Eric Bowman second the motion Motion carried

Executive Committee recommending that we make \$3500.00 direct deposit from the Membership Rebate to the Superfund.

Don Heckman made the motion and Boyd Enos second the motion. Motion carried

Executive Committee recommending that we give \$1200.00 to Larry Holjencin for hardware for a computer which will be added to the \$2100.00 left over from the same purchase which was given to Jerry Zimmerman. Maryland, Delaware and New Jersey states will be asked to donate.

Skip Sanderson made the motion and Ron Sandrus second the motion. Motion carried

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Local Chapters to provide material for future issues of Turkey Talk.

Jerry Zimmerman and Tim Holtz will provide more information on this issue to the Local Chapters.

Bill Laird
Secretary



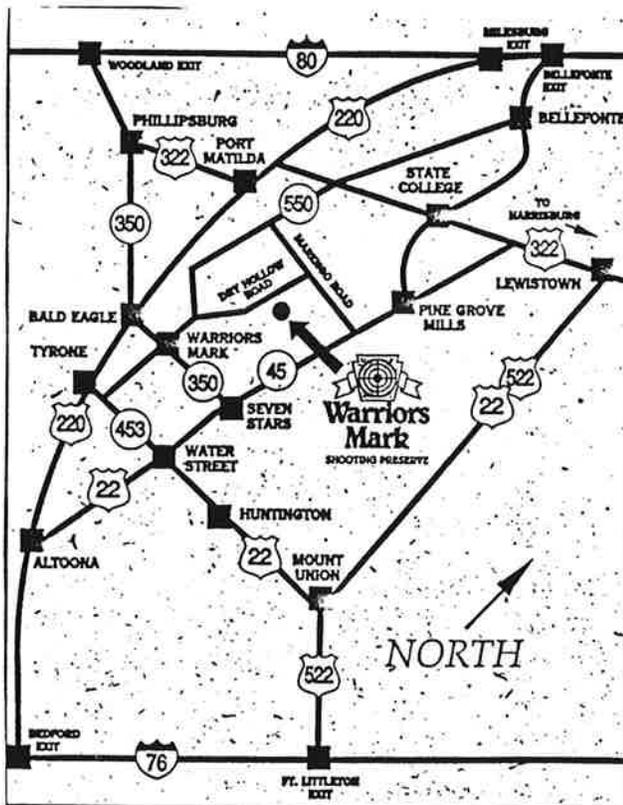
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From: Bill Laird, Secretary *WLL*

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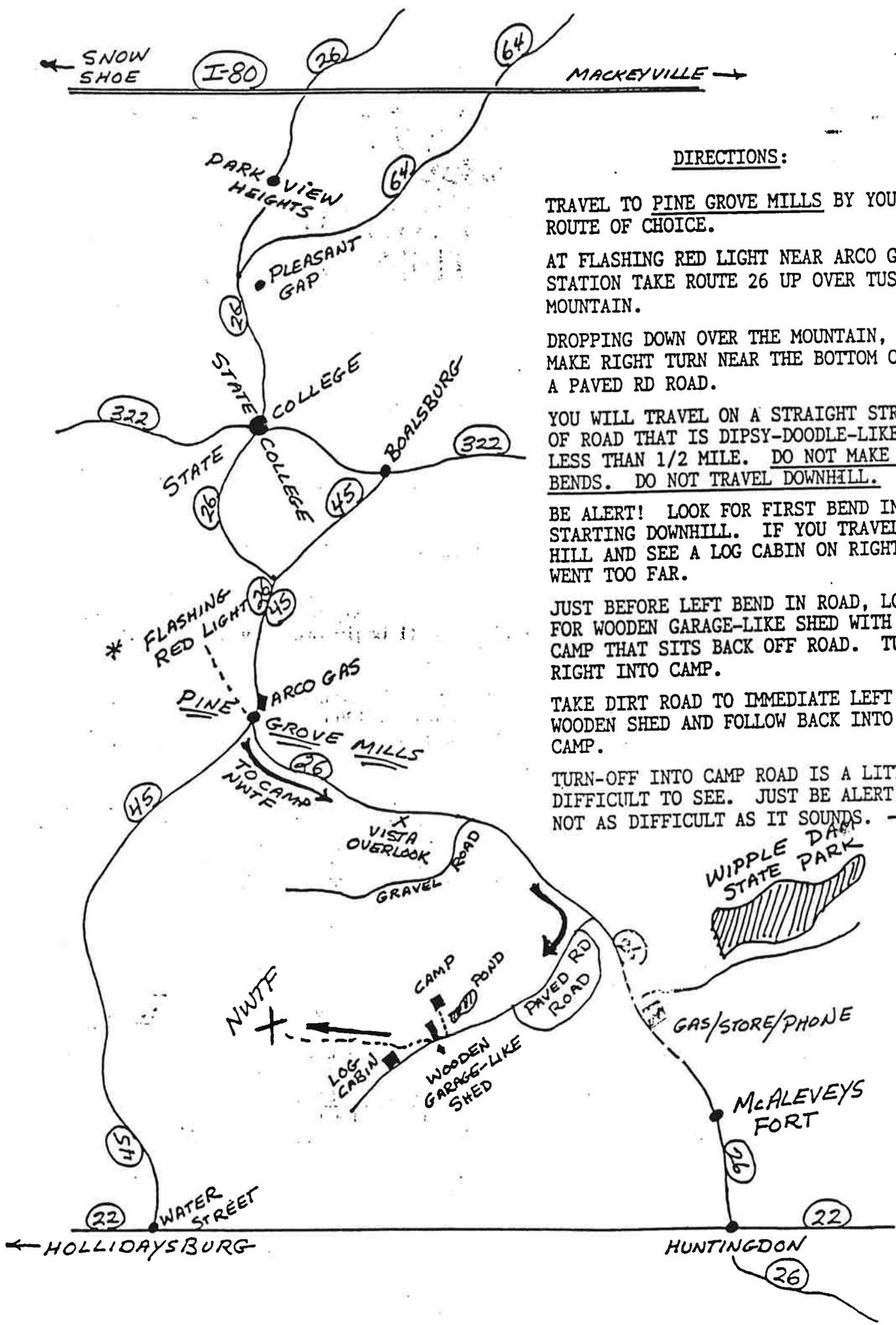
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DIRECTIONS:

TRAVEL TO PINE GROVE MILLS BY YOUR ROUTE OF CHOICE.

AT FLASHING RED LIGHT NEAR ARCO GAS STATION TAKE ROUTE 26 UP OVER TUSSEY MOUNTAIN.

DROPPING DOWN OVER THE MOUNTAIN, MAKE RIGHT TURN NEAR THE BOTTOM ONTO A PAVED RD ROAD.

YOU WILL TRAVEL ON A STRAIGHT STRETCH OF ROAD THAT IS DIPSY-DOODLE-LIKE FOR LESS THAN 1/2 MILE. DO NOT MAKE ANY BENDS. DO NOT TRAVEL DOWNHILL.

BE ALERT! LOOK FOR FIRST BEND IN ROAD STARTING DOWNHILL. IF YOU TRAVEL DOWN HILL AND SEE A LOG CABIN ON RIGHT, YOU WENT TOO FAR.

JUST BEFORE LEFT BEND IN ROAD, LOOK FOR WOODEN GARAGE-LIKE SHED WITH A CAMP THAT SITS BACK OFF ROAD. TURN RIGHT INTO CAMP.

TAKE DIRT ROAD TO IMMEDIATE LEFT OF WOODEN SHED AND FOLLOW BACK INTO THE CAMP.

TURN-OFF INTO CAMP ROAD IS A LITTLE DIFFICULT TO SEE. JUST BE ALERT. IT'S NOT AS DIFFICULT AS IT SOUNDS. - ~~SEE~~