

Sheboygan County Conservation Association

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4 April 09	Binversies Sportsman Club Brat Fry – Pick & Save on Calumet Drive 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
4 April 09	Learn to Hunt Day – Sheboygan County Fairgrounds at Noon Contact Gary Muench 920 893-4961 for more information
16 April 09	Lady's Chapter Struttin' Hens - Anchor Lanes Elkhart Lake – doors open 5:00 pm, dinner at 6:30. Call Diane Hand 893-0817 or Vicki Feldman at 876-4039 for more information
18 April 09	SCCA Awards Night at Klemme's Wagon Wheel Howards Grove Cocktails 5:30 pm Dinner 6:30 Cost \$15.00
19 April 09	Suscha Fale Sportsmen's Club Brat Fry 11 am - 6 pm Jakums Hall 2601 North 15 th Street
14 May 09	SCCA 27 th Annual Fundraising Banquet-Range Line Inn Kohler doors open 5:30 pm dinner 6:30 pm tickets \$45 adult \$25 youth

The March meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Dave Kozicke, President followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes – Motion made by Gary K. seconded by Larry F. to accept as mailed. Carried

Treasurers Report – Given by Lee Derus – Motioned by Lil P. it was seconded by a member, unable to determine who it was. Carried

Correspondence

- Wisconsin Newspaper
- Stewardship Fund
- Eco Edges News Letter
- WI Outdoor Luncheon (WI Outdoor Education Expo Luncheon)
- Info on DNR Secretary-how Gov Doyle has changed his opinion
- US Sportsmen Alliance Newsletter

Roll Call – All Clubs were in attendance – Thank You

Committee Reports

1. **Land Acquisition** – Mike DeMaster – Clubs to take info from Jim Hulbert & Jessica Potter back to their clubs. Friends of Terry Andre put in a fish pond.
2. **Pheasant /Habitat**-Pheasants to arrive June 15th ordered 2950 cost up 2¢ a bird. Dan Renzelman working with DNR to improve Habitat hunting on grounds. First meeting for Habitat is April 15th. Contact Bob Fenner with questions or information 920 912-7016.

3. **Awards Night** – April 18th @ Klemme's Wagon Wheel still looking for donations. For ticket information contact Bob Fenner 920 912-7016.

4. **Sheboygan River Basin** – Nothing to report

5. **Banquet Report** – Mary Jo & Dave K.- donations coming in slowly as are ticket reservations for banquet-it's still early. Thank you to those clubs who have made donations, still looking for donations. Several large donations have come in including an African Safari which is in the works. Dan Renzelman has accepted the role of Public Relations for the banquet. Thank You Dan. Next banquet meeting and future meetings will be held at Smerke's starting at 6:30 pm. Come join us.

6. **Youth Committee/Trees fro Tomorrow** Jim K. – nothing to report this month.

7. **Outdoor Activity Day**-Dave Schober - next meeting April 1st – Outdoor Activity Day is June 6th @ Sheboygan Falls Lagoon. Donations are needed for fish & prizes. Suggestion was made asking each club to consider donating (1) new rod for use by the youth in attendance. Rods at Camp Y Koda are old.

Affiliate Reports

1. **WWF** – Lil Pipping DNR Secretary Appointment Bill Status report and need for help – Call Gov. Doyle 608 266-1212 or write P O Box 7863 Madison, WI 53707 let him know you are disappointed with his

decision. Lil gave a breakdown of what they are working on right now including bills & rule policy positions focusing in four areas – public access-sound management & protection of fish & wildlife & their habitat – protection of valuable Second Amendment Right to Bear Arms & Promoting Conservation Education, primarily youth education. Some of the policies & projects include – Reauthorization of the State Stewardship Fun – McMiller Shooting Range-Eagle-protecting the range from being closed or downsized-DNR Secretary Appointment Bill-Green Fur Bill-Youth Hunting Mentor law-Opposition to HR 45, Blair Holt Gun Registration Law-Puppy Mill Legislation-Muzzleloader Season and others. For more information contact Lil Pipping.

2. **Camp Y-Koda** – Jeremiah – working on Spring Programming – Thank You to clubs who have sponsored classroom programs. Programs this year include Family Day-Spring Sleepover these and all programs can be found in the Camp Y Koda newsletter. Camp Y Koda is 40 years old this year. Check out their summer Camp brochure on line.
3. **DNR Personnel** – Susan Beyler gave a report on the Sturgeon Spearing which closed Feb 18th – Hunting & Fishing Licenses expire March 31st- 2009 licenses are now on sale- Left over Turkey permit information-Boat Registration Renewals- Trout fishing-early catch & release on inland streams opened 5 a.m. on March 7th-Urban Waters Fish closed March 14th except for youth under age 16 & the disabled & will reopen to the general public on April 25th. Wildlife Management Staff are currently applying for Turkey, Pheasant and Waterfowl Stamp monies for funding. Wildlife Tech Steve Klock holding “Upland Game Bird” Presentation on Thursday, April 9th, 7 pm at the Ice Age Center in Dundee. Please spread the word. Statewide Turkey Youth Hunt is April 11th & 12th. Regular Turkey season begins Wednesday, April 15th. John Meilkes vacancy is still a priority.
4. **Conservation Congress** – Mike D, Ed H & Scott P-Spring Hearings April 13th at 7:00 pm at Sheboygan Falls High School – Ron Preder, Deer Farm guy has been very helpful- there is a lot of misinformation out

there- Lil P. asked about muzzleloader season allowing an individual over age of 50 to use crossbow during gun/deer season – WI Bow hunters – keep the crossbows out of the archery season.

5. **Legislature** – Joe Liebham – Thank you to those who came to the capital for Lobby Day-DNR Secretary Bill – remind Governor to stick to what he originally said- Last week hearing on License Plate Bill “Enjoy our Great Outdoors” Plate- Governor proposes changes to Great Lakes Compact – more info will be coming- Boat Registration Fee's min 15 – 32% increase in fees-Phosphorus Bill will be voted on next week.
6. **Maywood** – Rebecca Spring programs are underway. Programs cut 10% - Volunteers always needed to help on tours – Earth Day is April 25th 10 – 4 @ Maywood. Anyone & everyone is invited to visit Maywood. Summer Camp - doesn't have a flier or program but all information is on The Maywood Website. Would like to do a Praire Burn but needs volunteers & equipment to help. Contact Rebecca if you would like to volunteer or have equipment.
7. **WI League of Conservation Voters** – Gene Ecklor handed out surveys and read a letter about League of Conservation Voters Day.
8. **W.O.A.** – Hubie Nett – Meeting last week re: Expo is a go and registration is going well. Their goal is to have 4 –5 throughout the state next year.
9. **Great Lakes Sport Fisherman** – Larry Freitag – 3 meetings in Milwaukee – cleaning of Great Lakes – Call Larry for more information – Federation Meeting info- Statistics 34-50% of Chinook Salmon are spawned on the west side of the Great Lakes-Lake Trout controversy Lampreys might be killing them-Fisherman don't fish the way you did before –H2O cleaning up to fast you need to fish on the bottom- Larry has been nominated by Mayor to The Water Safety Task Force- 100's of letters received after last drowning- they would like to place a Rip Current sign on Lake Michigan-The City of Sheboygan will be putting up 4-5 phones along the Lake Michigan Beach-money has been put aside for these projects.

Old Business

- **Skills Center in Plymouth-** June 1st is the last date for use.
- **Marsh Tower** – Lil P & Jim B – Big Meeting planned with contractor coming up-there is a trailer on the site and plans are moving forward.
- **WWF Annual Meeting** – John Z & Priscilla B will be attending.
- **Mailing Cost-** In an effort to help control costs of paper, postage & time, please get your email address to Dave Kozicke (meandu2@charter.net) so that you can receive the monthly newsletter by email.
- **Presidents Meeting** – April 6th, 2009 at The Marsh Lodge Dinner @ 6:30 pm. Contact Dave Kozicke.
- **Dues** – Clubs who have not paid their dues they are now due- please get them in.
- **Pig Roast** – Tri County Sportswomen will chair this event. Date will be decided upon & announced at the Presidents Meeting in April. It was voted on as to where to hold it and it will be held at the Sheboygan Marsh.
- **Reel Em In Club** – Dave Zerger – Archery being taught to the youth of the club – Winooski provided the equipment-released fish & fly fishing & putting up duck houses are some of the projects the youth have or will be doing. After the drowning of a Longfellow student grant money has been provided for kids to get on a bus & go to the YMCA and are learning how to swim.

back to their clubs. It will be brought up again to decide if the link should be added to the SCCA website.

- **Learn to Hunt Day** – Sheboygan County Fairgrounds on April 4th @ 12:00 – contact Gary Muench for more information 920 893-4961

Next Board Meeting –April 6th at The March Lodge 5:30 pm – Presidents Meeting to follow.

Next regular meeting – April 15th at Camp Y Koda 7 p.m. hosted by Tri County Sportswomen.

Motion by Lil Pipping – seconded by Chris Charles to adjourn – carried.

*Respectfully submitted by Mary Jo Robinson
for the
Board of Directors*

New Business

- **SCCA Secretary** – SCCA Board of Directors is still looking to fill the position of Secretary. If interested, see any Board Member or call Dave Kozicke, 207-4078.
- **Sheboygan Hmong Association** – looking for permission to put their link on the SCCA website- Lil P gave some background information on the Hmong-it was decided that club members should check out the Hmong website at www.hmaaweb.org and take info