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January Newsletter and Dues Notification

It's the beginning of the year and it is time to start thinking about paying your dues. Your dues are to be paid by April 1st, 2010; if you have not paid your dues by this date or have not contacted the secretary concerning your dues then as of May 1st you will no longer be a member of the club. If you wish to be a member you will have to reapply for membership just like you were coming in as a new member.

The Landowner's dinner and the appreciation dinner will held on the same night, March 20th, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at Otterbein United Methodist Church. The cost for the ticket will be \$11.00. All landowners are free and all other members will have to pay unless you receive an invitation letter. If you receive an invitation letter you will have to pay for your ticket and then you will be reimbursed at the door. No one else will receive a free ticket.

This year with the new by-laws in effect there will be four general meetings, Please make sure that you attend these meetings as this is where you will receive important information pertaining to the club and any changes that the Division of Wildlife will be making. These dates are as follows: February 1st - May 3rd - September 13th and October 26th.



I am happy to report that the youth hunts keep getting bigger and bigger each year. It's nice to see kids coming to the youth hunts that are not only first time bird hunters but are also first time hunters. As you can see in the picture we had a wonderful turn out.

In the Camp Tippecanoe newsletter they have a section headed wish list. These are things that they need for around camp. If you can help in any way please call Dan Miller at 330-484-3883. Wish List - 4WD Diesel Kawasaki Utility Mule, Computer/Video Projector, 25HP Outboard Boat Motor, Canoes, Kayak or Funyaks, Drying Kiln, Table Saw, Flooring approx 200 sq.ft. , 3 Handheld GPS Units, Field Guides – trees, plants, birds 1958 Pick Up Truck, Tents & Backpacks for Hiking, Backpacking Cook Stoves Handheld Two Way Radios, Wireless Microphone, Trailer for Hauling 5 gallon hot/cold beverage containers, Chain Saw, Potter's Clay Wheel, Loader Attachment – New Holland Tractor, Hand Tools, 18v Cordless Drill, Vegetable Slicer, Compasses, Bird Feeders all types, XL Outdoor Grill, Coleman Lanterns, Horse Tack, Emergency Storm Radios, New Camp Pick Up Truck, 4WD Quad Runner

They also have a project list. If you can lend a hand please do so. Remember all of this is for the kids. Project List – Hiking Trail Maintenance, Build Boat Rack, Construct Target System at BBs, Build Stage & Parents Pavilion, Cut & Split Firewood, Dock Refurbishing, Repair Boat House, Build Archery Target Stands, Build Fire Circle Benches, Paint Exterior of Camp Buildings.

The board of trustees has been collecting information pertaining to ladder and tree stands. They have talked to many people including our insurance agent. Nothing has been voted on yet but this is what the board is considering, tree and ladder stands will be permitted on G.R.A. controlled land as long as you have written permission from the landowner and a copy of the written permission from the landowner is given to the club secretary for the club records. You cannot build anything in the trees or damage the trees in any way. The board is still working on the particulars and will inform the membership when a final decision has been reached. (This will most likely be in the June newsletter giving members ample time before bow season comes in).

I would like to take a moment to ask the entire membership to help the club build a Lucky X shooting range at our farm in Dundee through donations. This range would benefit the club in a financial manner. All proceeds from the shoots would go back into the general fund after all expenses are paid. These shoots would be open to the public hoping to draw some much needed funds. To make this work all members need to step up to the plate and help. All donations no matter the amount will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you President Jeff Bair.

The trustees for 2010 – 2011 are: Jeff Bair, Teresa Bair, Bob Black, Bill Bonk. Mike Bossart, Charlie Brown, Tony Girard, Carl Hendershot, Merv Hendershot, Bill Hyde, George Karakis, Denise Kover, Dick Longfellow, Andy Mark and Dan Miller. The officers for this year are: President – Jeff Bair, Vice President – Merv Hendershot, Treasurer – George Karakis, Secretary – Teresa Bair and Sergeant at Arms – Carl Hendershot.

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Monday, February 1st, General Meeting at American Legion Post 44, 7:00p.m.
Thursday, February 4th, Board Meeting at Sippo Lake at 7:00p.m.
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Saturday, March 20th, Landowners and Appreciation Dinner at Otterbein United Methodist Church at 6:30p.m.
Thursday, April 1st, Board Meeting at Sippo Lake at 7:00p.m.
Monday, May 3rd, General Meeting at American Legion Post 44,7:00p.m.
Thursday, May 6th, Board Meeting at Sippo Lake at 7:00p.m.
Thursday, June 3rd, Board Meeting at Sippo Lake at 7:00p.m.
Saturday, June 26th, Work Party at the farm at 10:00a.m.
Thursday, July 1st, Board Meeting at Sippo Lake at 7:00p.m.
Saturday, July 17th, Work Party at the farm at 10:00a.m.
Saturday, July 31st, Work Party at the farm at 10:00a.m.
Thursday, August 5th, Board Meeting at Sippo lake at 7:00p.m.
Saturday, August 28th, Work Part at the farm at 10:00a.m.
Thursday, September 2nd, Board Meeting at Sippo lake at 7:00p.m.
Monday September 13th, General Meeting at American Legion Post 44, 7:00p.m.
Thursday, October 7th, Board Meeting at Sippo Lake at 7:00p.m.
Tuesday, October 26th, General meeting at American Legion Post 44, 7:00p.m.