



Rich Davenport, 2010 ECFSC Recording Secretary

Erie County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs

September 2010 General Meeting Minutes

Meeting Time: 7:30 PM – 9/9/2010

Location: Springville Field & Stream, Springville, NY

Meeting Called to Order: 7:32 PM

Pledge to Flag: Completed

Moment of Silence for Bob Fuller

Quorum of Clubs: Yes

Attendance: Excused – Tony Scime, Steve Aldstadt, Dave Wharton, Paula Wharton
4 Officers, 7 Directors, 14 Delegates, 7 Guests in attendance

Guests

DEC Personnel Russ Biss, Lt. Tom Scott, Tim Spierto, Mark Kandel, Jim Snyder, Emilio Rende

Russ Biss – Natural Resources

EAB has had the quarantine expanded to include all of WNY R9 and 8, movement for private land owners now its easier to move the firewood with the certificate from website

Ulster County infestation looks like more established than Catt County

Retirements in the agency - Governor put incentives 15 in R9, 250 total from DEC taking advantage.

Joe Guardy - Stream Fisheries

Victor Anderson - Forestry, strong proponent of clear cutting for habitat rejuvenation

Richard Hatch

John Curtis - Wildlife Tech

Russ Biss - will be replacement for this position, the above will not be replaced

FWMB - further promote the H/A Stamp is the goal. Rich Davenport came up with idea to recognize sales agents that actively sell H/A Stamp and to create a bit of competition

Erie County

Town of Hamburg - Municipal

Gander Mountain - Retailer

This past Spring 38 State Forest truck trails were not opened. Will be re-opened now as once Labor Day is done, non-sportsmen use declines, 16 trails/ roads now re-opened. Three in Allegany County will not reopen

Russell Forest Road - Rush Creek
Turnpike Forest Road - Turnpike State Forest
Carr Valley - Davis Creek State Forest

Rich details ideas on the Habitat program and selling the pin, vs license

Mark Kandel - Wildlife

Retirements - in addition, Bureau Chief John Major is taking retirement - Gordon Batcheller is now acting Bureau Chief for Wildlife. Got his start in R9
Division-wide video conference meeting with Riexinger at end of the month
More info next month will come in terms of impacts and programs

John Curtis is already retired, already doing more with less.
Dan Doherty and Mike Garner retired last year with no replacements
Biggest impact will be reduced meeting attendance and public outreach, due to budget expenses for travel and gas, which was cut 40%

More relevant info coming through Field Notes, and the Monthly Updates will increase out of the region. Not a replacement for face to face, but need to fill the gap
Waterfowl - early goose is already opened, brochures are a little late on the seasons this year, but already on the DEC website. About another week to get the flyer printed and out the door.

Oct 9, 10 youth waterfowl dates

2010-2011 MIGRATORY GAME BIRD SEASONS (regulations in effect September 2010 to April 2011)

Species	Western Zone	Northeastern Zone	Lake Champlain Zone	Southeastern Zone	Long Island Zone
Ducks, Coot and Mergansers	Oct 23 - Dec 6 Dec 26 - Jan 9	Oct 2 - Oct 11 Oct 23 - Dec 11	Oct 6 - Oct 10 Oct 23 - Dec 16	Oct 9 - Oct 17 Nov 6 - Dec 26	Nov 24 - Nov 28 Dec 7 - Jan 30
Sea Ducks*	same as above	same as above	same as above	same as above	Oct 16 - Jan 30†
Youth Days †	Oct 9 & Oct 10	Sept 18 & Sept 19	Sept 25 & Sept 26	Sept 18 & Sept 19	Nov 13 & Nov 14
Canada Geese	see other panel	see other panel	see other panel	see other panel	see other panel
Snow Geese	Oct 23 - Dec 13 Dec 26 - Jan 9 Jan 30 - Apr 15	Oct 1 - Dec 31 Feb 24 - Apr 15	Oct 1 - Dec 29	Oct 2 - Jan 6 Mar 1 - Apr 15	Nov 24 - Mar 10
Brant	Oct 2 - Nov 20	Oct 2 - Nov 20	Oct 6 - Oct 10 Oct 20 - Dec 3	Oct 9 - Nov 27	Nov 24 - Nov 28 Dec 17 - Jan 30
Woodcock	Oct 6 - Nov 4	Oct 6 - Nov 4	Oct 6 - Nov 4	Oct 6 - Nov 4	Oct 6 - Nov 4
Snipe, Rails, and Gallinules	Sept 1 - Nov 9	Sept 1 - Nov 9	Sept 1 - Nov 9	Sept 1 - Nov 9	closed

* During Oct 16-Jan 30, the taking of sea ducks (scoters, eiders and long-tailed ducks - formerly called oldsquaw) is permitted within the Special Sea Duck Area, defined as the coastal waters of New York State lying in Long Island Sound, Block Island Sound, Great Peconic Bay and associated bays eastward from a line running between Miamogue Point in the Town of Riverhead to Red Cedar Point in the Town of Southampton, and any ocean waters of New York State lying south of Long Island. In these and other coastal waters of the Long Island Zone, a special limit of 7 sea ducks is allowed (see side panel). In all other areas of the state, these species may be taken only during the open season for taking other ducks, and they are included in the daily limit for ducks.

† These are additional days for Junior Hunters only (age 12-15) to hunt ducks, coot, mergansers, Canada geese and brant (see box below).

YOUTH WATERFOWL HUNT DAYS

Young hunters (12 to 15 years of age) possessing a Junior Hunting License may hunt ducks, coot, mergansers, Canada geese and brant on 2 special days in each zone (see table above). Daily bag limits for ducks are the maximum allowed during the regular season (see other panel) and 2/day for geese. Junior hunters must be accompanied by a licensed (including current HIP registration and duck stamp) adult hunter, but the adult may not shoot any birds unless the respective regular season is open. Note: A 2009-10 hunting license is needed to hunt on any Youth Day in September.

WATERFOWL HUNTING ZONES

Western Zone - That area west of a continuous line extending from Lake Ontario east along the north shore of the Salmon River to Interstate Route 81 and then south along Interstate Route 81 to the New York-Pennsylvania boundary.

Northeastern Zone - That area north of a continuous line extending from Lake Ontario east along the north shore of the Salmon River to Interstate 81, south along Interstate Route 81 to Route 31, east along Route 31 to Route 13, north along Route 13 to Route 49, east along Route 49 to Route 365, east along Route 365 to Route 28, east along Route 28 to Route 29, east along Route 29 to Interstate Route 87, north along Interstate Route 87 to Route 9 (at Exit 20), north along Route 9 to Route 149, east along Route 149 to Route 4, north along Route 4 to the New York-Vermont boundary, exclusive of the Lake Champlain Zone.

Lake Champlain Zone - That area east and north of a continuous line extending along Route 11 from the New York-Canada boundary south to Route 98, south along Route 98 to Route 9, south along Route 9 to Route 22 south of Keeseville, south along Route 22 to the west shore of South Bay along and around the shoreline of South Bay to Route 22 on the east shore of South Bay, southeast along Route 22 to Route 4, northeast along Route 4 to the New York-Vermont boundary.

Southeastern Zone - That area east of Interstate 81 that is south of a continuous line extending from Interstate Route 81 east along Route 31 to Route 13, north along Route 13 to Route 49, east along Route 49 to Route 365, east along Route 365 to Route 28, east along Route 28 to Route 29, east along Route 29 to Interstate Route 87, north along Interstate Route 87 to Route 9 (at Exit 20), north along Route 9 to Route 149, east along Route 149 to Route 4, north along Route 4 to the New York-Vermont boundary, and northwest of Interstate Route 95 in Westchester County.

Long Island Zone - That area consisting of Nassau and Suffolk counties and their tidal waters, and that area of Westchester County and its tidal waters southeast of Interstate Route 95.



BAG LIMITS

The daily bag limit is the maximum number of birds of each species that any person may take or possess in the field during any one day. The possession limit is twice the daily bag limit for all migratory game birds except snow geese.

Species	Daily Limit	Possession Limit
Ducks*	6	12
Sea ducks**	7	14
Coot	15	30
Canada geese †	see other panel	see other panel
Snow geese †	25	no limit
Brant	2	4
Woodcock	3	6
Snipe, rails, gallinules	8	16

* The daily limit of 6 ducks includes all mergansers and may include no harlequin ducks and no more than 4 mallards (2 of which may be hens), 3 wood ducks, 1 black duck, 2 pintail, 2 scaup, 2 redheads, 1 canvasback, 4 scoters or 2 hooded mergansers.

** The daily limit of 7 sea ducks (scoters, eiders and long-tailed ducks - formerly called oldsquaw) is in addition to the regular duck bag in coastal waters of the Long Island Zone only. No more than 4 scoters may be included in the daily bag of sea ducks. In all other areas, sea ducks are part of the regular duck bag limit.

† Cackling geese and white-fronted geese may be taken as part of the Canada goose daily bag and possession limits. Snow geese and Ross' geese may be taken as part of the snow goose limits.

Cormorant control is still happening on Niagara River
Strawberry Island nests removed, and adults destroyed
868 pairs in 2010, vs 1100+ in 2005, going in right direction
6 nesting sites, plus now taking residence near islands along falls, no access.

Below the falls oiling of the eggs is only control

Goose banding - 2 sites S. Dayton gravel pits 233 geese, and Ellicott Creek Park - 189.

Both above the targets

Ran some articles on nuisance geese in paper just before banding

Duck banding happening now

Wood Duck limit up to 3 birds vs 2. Again its at 3. Part of this reason came from NY R9 banding and Connie Adams pushing to get it done.

Forestry/ Land management machine - touched on by Russ. Trying to get succession first stage forests back. Too much forest in NY - Big mower that can take down small trees. Bought for upstate regions, R5-9 will share the machine. Do not need to mow every year, once 5-6 years. Use limited to State Lands only. It could be used for H/A work once other demands where necessary work is completed - high demand for this machine now. Paid for through Federal and H/A moneys - well over 100,000 + a Bobcat and a trailer to move it. Will walk right through 3"-4" trees, mulches through it, larger trees slow it down a bit. Does not leave the "pungy sticks" like traditional equipment can.

Dan Tone - Tuscarora/ Wilson and Joseph Davis state parks could use the mowing.

Using Federal Funds we have to be careful on how we use it

Does DEC have people that can run the machine? Yes DEC does have personnel in R9 that can run the machine

Is there money budgeted to repair when parts break? Good Q

Emilio Rende - Land Management and upland game bird

Access

Work has begun on an accessible waterfowl hunting blind/ observation deck at Chautauqua Lake Fish & Wildlife Management Area (CLFWMA) – Stow Farm site. It will provide access to the lake for waterfowl hunters with disabilities. The site will be ready for use this fall.

A parking lot is being built at the CLFWMA – Cheney Farm site for users. It will provide access to anglers and waterfowl hunters

Hard Mast Survey

The annual oak survey was completed. It appears that the red oak production may be a little better than last year. White oak crop was poor again this year. Beech survey will be done later this month.

2010 Spring Turkey Harvest

The statewide estimated harvest was 25,800 birds, well below our ten year average of (34,000). This is a decrease of about 25% from LY. The decrease may be a result of a poor nesting season in 2008 which meant less two year old birds available in spring 2010. Chautauqua and Erie counties were in top five for the estimated statewide harvest.

Region 9 Spring Harvest

COUNTY	2009	2010
Allegany	940	727
Cattaraugus	1432	819
Chautauqua	2012	1350
Erie	809	865
Niagara	220	285
Wyoming	492	369

Summer Wild Turkey Sighting Survey

Regional preliminary results show an increase in the number of poults per hen compared to last year which indicates a better production year.

YEAR	# OBS.	HENS	POULTS	POULTS/HENS
2010	47	88	339	3.9
2009	56	81	156	1.9
2008	40	63	225	3.6

Regulation Changes

Pheasants Hunting

Wildlife Management Unit 9G and 9H are now included in the cock and hen area.
Season ends Feb. 28th.

WMU 9A, 9C and 9F are in cock only area. Season ends December 31st.

Youth weekend will be October 9 and 10.

Air Gun

Air guns (.17 caliber or larger and a muzzle velocity of 600 fps) can now be used to hunt small game except waterfowl, pheasants and wild turkeys.

Dedication on UA Blind at Stow Farm site - Hopefully before duck season. Cheney Point Parking area being built. Long time coming
What about ice fishing access - Have to be worked out with plowing rotation

How did these come to be?

Only had Tom's Point, DOT had some properties, which were given over to DEC, and once remaining Cheney Point properties were secured - creation of Chautauqua Lake F&W Management Area was created

Game Farm excellent production year - got 1200 more birds this year, added more youth hunt sites (over 600 for that weekend will be stocked), 5 stockings total 4 during season + youth hunt

Tim Spierto - Big Game

16yrs left before retirement

50% of all DMP issuance have been issued already. Long way to go. All units...

Came close to shutting down a couple units this year, 9R, 9S, 9T are in pretty severe shape - Rich mentions the conditions in 9R and the arborvites

Promoting more land management with private ownership - will talk and help land owners

Some issues is lower forestry personnel - lower timber values, and politics

Public meeting coming up next week in Ellicottville - will lay out future of management plans for state forests - Public Library - draft plan is available

We do need to educate the ranks, work with DEC, Forestry and Sportsmen to reach out and educate to habitat and wildlife conflicts

Second issuance - 9A and F probably first come- first served

Don't know about any other units as of yet

DMAP issuance down 12% in apps. LY was way up, probably because of the DMP app fee, landowners get for free DMAP. Land owners are requesting help. More of the boxes checked to get hunters to help

Pathology - one deer from Little Valley tested positive for Rabies (two in the state), one for EHD in Catt County, and one with mastitis (inflammation of udder) or severe hernia (Chautauqua)

Many bears throughout Erie County - Niagara County may have reproducing bears now but not confirmed. Many transient Bears. Tim predicts this year we will take our first bear from the expanded bear hunting areas.

Tom Fischer mentions the low media coverage, good thing. Part of it is little time for public outreach and informing the public.

April 1 lots of complaints, settled down now. Perhaps the public is catching on to DEC efforts to educate? Let's hope

14 road kills TY, on par with average.

Mast crop production means good bear harvest, hope we have a good acorn crop

Apples took a hit with the late frost in Spring.

Bear Check station week after bear opener in S. Tier somewhere, as to examine "fresh" specimens

Will bear open in this area with deer? Many things are in the works concerning bear management.

Is ASP open for bear hunting? No, by Parks regulations

LE provided some surplus trailers that were no longer being used. Some traps were becoming immobile. Now have more mobile traps.

Whitesville - 290lb in the Freezer, looking to have a club for a mount for educational purposes, in the freezer, must make room, please use or it has to go....

CWD - sampling to continue. 5th year of surveillance, looks like NY is in the clear.

Check station Rt 16 in Holland, 12-8 Sat and Sun

ASP as well

Two rifle bills that are out there - still no news, still in committee

Crossbow Bill is sitting on Governor's desk as of yesterday

Dan Tone - Deer task force meetings? Truly been a problem. Has no facilitators, Cornell not cooperating. Looking for facilitators, Megan Goldwitzer is trying, but she is busy. Looking to work on 9G this year, meaning this coming license year. Cannot do these things when hunting season/ fall is around the corner.

Lt. Tom Scott – NYS DEC ECO/ LE

Sad time in the agency, empty spaces, where coworkers used to be. However, encouraged by the talented young people coming up, and this period, too, turn around.

22 vacancies in ECO program

320+ people in LE statewide, total.

Last academy was 2 years ago. It is not anticipated that we will see approval for the next academy until late 2012, or more probable in 2013. This is a 5-year period without hiring.

By next April could be 30-35 vacancies, and Lt. Scott will be among them - Normal pattern is to turn 25% of the fleet each year. No new patrols purchased this year. No purchases for vehicles this year. One still in service has 100K, 2005 model yr. Most vehicles are replaced and used elsewhere in the state. Some of these will not be able to be used.

Arbitration - last meeting is Oct 29. Ruling on years 2005 and 2006. No contract for 7 years. Light at end of tunnel for compensation ruling. Despite the budget crunches, officers are still dispatched as normal, no directives to not answer the primary calls, which is good. Trying to streamline the non-essential work.

Jan vs Jan information

Erie County ECOs 725 complaints and proactive investigations handled. 6 ECOs and two non-sector officers. 758 total complaints called in - 343 dealt with F&W matters. @ 50/50 in F&W vs EP work.

LY ECO worked 110 complaints apiece. Very busy!

DEC ECO is only uniformed force in NYS that work like detectives, keeping complaints from "cradle to grave". Very unique. All complaints closed. Plus 67 proactive investigations and 86 outreach activities.

From Jan 1 - TD, 425 complaints & proactive investigations (360 complaints)

140 dealt with F&W, balance Enviro complaints. Not yet at 50/50, but this will change this quarter with hunting season. Looks like year end figure could double, and get close to 2009 levels.

38 outreach activities TY, down, but 18 sportsmen related, and this will increase now as well

Total Enforcement actions 387 EnCon primary mission areas action taken, plus 191 other law action taken (penal, Parks, vehicle, etc), total of 578 actions taken thus far. Some are simple, like no license, here's your ticket, to the timber theft start that is starting to look more like grand larceny (felony). Variety of work is amazing

How many actions are slaps on the wrist vs serious matters?

Judges are the key. Typically many judges are unfamiliar with EnCon laws as opposed to DWI, etc., which results in conservative actions benefiting the suspect. However, through education of the laws and nuances of EnCon law, more judges understand and will treat the cases differently and with more confident seriousness.

Penalties should not only be punitive, but also encouraging of changing behavior.

Retirement plans for Lt. Scott is late April 2011.

What is a non-sector officer - those who run the boats, snowmobiles, equipment details, etc.

Chuck Godfrey mentions that those who we work with here are the best. They are getting cut back and still get the job done!

Secretary's Report - Rich Davenport

Legacy 11 information delivered from Aug 30 correspondence with Gary House

Membership Report – Antoinette Grote

Archers group, 3 of the 9 are in Erie County, balance in Niagara

Thanks to Antoinette for taking initiative for contacting the clubs to get info

Treasury Report – Tony Scime

No report but we are still solvent

Correspondence Report – Dave Barus

Legacy 11 to Collins, Grannis on Baitfish, Lake Erie Wind Farm, Etc

Also Sen Antoine Thompson copied us on the letter he sent supporting the Federation position to create the lake erie corridor

Next Meetings

Date		BM Time		GM Time		Location
10/14/2010	-	6:30	-	7:30	Gen Meet	Hawkeye Bowmen, Alden, NY
11/11/2010	-	6:30	-	7:30	Gen Meet	Boston Valley Cons., Boston, NY
12/2/2010	-	6:30	-	7:30	Gen Meet	Bison City Rod & Gun, Buffalo, NY

Committee Reports

Law Enforcement – Dave Smzycynski

Already covered - Suggestion from Chuck, if not crucial, send report to Rich

Archery – Dave Reed

Ray G - certificates of appreciation youth camp at Elma - Erie County Sportsmen, ECOs, Lakeshore Exempt, EC Trappers, Bison City R&G, Deer Search, Evans R&G, Millgrove Sportsmen.

Thank you everyone for the donations, efforts, and the DEC for sending ECOs and biologists. Thank you.... 4 clubs are currently involved, West Falls, Elma, Hawkeye, Depew

Crossbow – Frank Miskey, Jr.

Already covered - Bill is with the governor

Special note – Governor has signed the bill into law.

Fish – Dave Barus

Lake Erie Angler surveys released.

Center for biodiversity petitioning to ban lead ammo and fishing tackle.

Chuck Godfrey makes a motion for the Federation to send a letter to EPA to oppose this
2nd Paul Stoos

Motion carries

Small Game – Dan Tone

Pheasant project - 700 released so far., 100-200 yet to be released.

One field that was stocked, and was getting a second stocking - hawks greeted and one of three had a young rooster.

Big Game – Paul Stoos

Permits still available

Reg changes to game reporting now open for comment, deadline coming up.

Paul Stoos motions to support the reporting deadline extension

2nd Frank Miskey, Sr

Motion carries

Trapping – Patti Wattengel

Youth trapping camp 4 days in October will be held 12-15 yr olds, @ 25 of them.

Experienced mentors (about 12) will take them out to trap, skin, etc.

Pat Arnold is coordinating this effort. This camp will be held at Rushford.

Rick W motions to send \$250 to support the camp

Tom Fischer 2nd

Motion carries,

Who does this money go to? Will get that info

Paul Stoos - Point of order - need a written request for this donation and a report of its expenditure. Its good.

Request in writing

September 9,2010

Erie County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs,

On behalf of the New York State Trappers Association, we would like to request a donation of \$250 to be used for the 1st Youth Trapping Camp. It

will be held on October 8-11, 2010 at NYSDEC Camp Rushford, Allegheny , NY.

This will be a hands-on camp with 25 kids in attendance, and as many mentors ready to help. The kids will learn about the history of trapping, ethics, laws and regulations. Each will learn to set traps and hopefully catch animals, then participate in fur handling. At the end of the camp, those that do not already have their trapping certificate will take the exam and be certified.

We are hopeful that this camp will be a yearly event and perhaps expand throughout the state in the future.

Thank you for your support.

Rick & Patti Wattengel ,

Erie County Trappers

Please write check for \$250 (to be used for meals) to Patricia Arnold. Send to Pat Arnold 12374 Arnoldville Road, Natural Bridge, NY, 13665
Questions be sent to patriciaarno@gmail.com

NYSCC – Joe Fischer

Convention coming up

Legislation – John Susz

Crossbow bill, NYSCC details given, NYB was talked to on the amendments, no one else. Intent of bill was to legalize the crossbow and let the DEC decide its use. LW, archery IHEA education crossbows will be added in NYS (next year, starting January) as part of the archery training program.

Awards – Frank Miskey, Sr.

Nominations form will be inserted into the minutes starting this month found in the back of this document.

Meet candidates Sept 30, 6PM

Banquet – Dan Tone

Start basket solicitations now – We need baskets for the Chinese Auction. Ladies Raffle. We are asking the member clubs to please donate at least one basket for the banquet. Please include chosen theme of your basket. Please contact Chuck Godfrey concerning what your club will donate...

Thank you

CFAB

None

FWMB - Paul Stoos

Unable to attend the meeting - Dan Tone did when minutes are released they will be inserted into the minutes

Shows & Expos – Dave Wharton

Very successful fair. Took in \$1139, some of it spent, looks like net is over \$300.00
Next show in March

Shows Chairman Dave Wharton and committee member Chuck Godfrey would like to thank everyone for their support of the Federation by manning the booth at the recent Erie County Fair. We made contacts with many people who were visiting the Fair, explaining our mission and activities to them, and answering general question on matters that we deal with. As an added bonus, we made over \$300.00 to help support our programs. Special thanks to Carl Leas, who again generously made his shotgun shell light strings available to us on a consignment basis. Thanks to the following clubs who took “Club Days”, which greatly decreased the amount of time we had to spend scheduling volunteers to work the booth: Elma Conservation Club, Springville Field and Stream, Federation of Fly Fishers, the Teen Shooting Academy, Lake Shore Fire Co. Exempt Sportsmen’s Club, and last but not least West Falls Conservation Society, which took two days. The next show is the Expo at the Agricenter on the Fairgrounds March 10-13, 2011. If any club would like to work a day there, please contact Chuck Godfrey at 440-6995 or steelheader@roadrunner.com . Elma Conservation has already volunteered to work the booth on Friday, March 11. Finally thanks to the following individuals who worked the booth:

R Markewitz, T Marks, J Fischer, N Antonik, N Cronin, J Satola, R Kulinski, J Marlowe, R Wilcox, J Parks, E&A Belter, T Bromund, P Creagan, A&S Ziccardi, S Aldstadt, A Murphy, D,P,J&P Wharton, C Leas, R Rezabek, J&G Albrecht, T Gonnello, R Schrufer, T&S Kunz, M Kopacz, D&K King, D Bonenberger, G Ebert, L Ciszak, D Beeman, J Kinon, J Nearhood, K Ott, R Zifra, B Young, A Gai, J&S Susz, B Avery, P Keefe, T Rozler, L Willis, B Phillips, R&RJ Stoberl, T Fischer, D Patterson, G Patterson, A&C Sagool, F Thompson, A Ziccardi III, S&A Munich.

WNYEF – Dan Tone

Seaway Trail September 12, 2PM

Website – Dave Smzycynski

None

Old Business

National Hunting and Fishing Day - Sept 25, 2010, Wood and Brook,
Nelson Cronin said he would work the Federation booth
Federation does not go to this one, but he is welcome to help

New Business

None

Hunter Education – Frank Miskey, Sr.

2nd of October - ECOs will be giving waterfowl ID classes for youth hunt and firearms safety training, contact Scott Marshall.

Dave Barus says a presentation was given.

Banquet for Hearth Restaurant, Sept 26, Rt 16 in Chaffee, for Sportsmen's Educators

Cost per ticket \$20

Paul Stoos motions to buy 10 tickets and give to hunter ed instructors

2nd Tom Fischer

Motion carries

Good & Welfare

American Hunter Magazine mentioned Erie County Federation and Rich Davenport

Fund Raising

Calendars - pre-orders came in. Still time to get

50/50

Winner is WNY Walleye

\$33.00

Rich Davenport motion to adjourn

2nd Frank Miskey Sr

Motion carries - meeting adjourned 10:40PM

Thank you Springville F&S

ERIE COUNTY FEDERATION OF SPORTSMENS CLUBS

NOMINATIONS FOR AWARDS FOR 2011

List of categories:

Valerie E. Gonnello Sportswoman of the Year
Sportsman of the Year
Youth of the Year
Club of the Year
Volunteer of the Year
Public Servant of the Year
Public Relations of the Year
Dedicated Service Award
Lifetime Achievement Award
Stanley Spisiak Conservationist Award

Name of Candidate

Address

Contact person if applicable

Person's history and why they should be chosen

Greatest Achievement

Submitted by

Phone Number

Send to: Frank Miskey Sr.
62 Boll Drive
Elma, New York 14059

DEADLINE 2/1/11

NO E-MAIL WILL BE ACCEPTED

CANDIDATE CAN ONLY BE NOMINATED FOR ONE AWARD

ERIE COUNTY FEDERATION OF SPORTSMEN'S CLUBS INC.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

As part of the Erie county Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs efforts to enhance our environment and wildlife appreciation, we award up to five \$200 college scholarships yearly.

To qualify for a scholarship you must be a high school senior enrolled in an accredited college, or attending an accredited college with your major in any one of these areas: environmental conservation, law enforcement, or environmental pollution **and must be a resident of Erie County.**

Scholarships are awarded based upon need and the area of study. To be considered for one of these scholarships complete the form below and return with a short essay telling of need, any projects you have **engineered or participated in**, your future goals, and proof of enrollment (i.e., course enrollment, course schedule, report card, etc.) to the address below prior to **December 15.**

**SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN
29 YVETTE DRIVE
CHEEKTOWAGA, NY 14227**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ COUNTY: _____ NY ZIP: _____

HOME TELEPHONE: _____ OTHER: _____

COLLEGE: _____

GRADE LEVEL: _____ MAJOR: _____

End of the '72 Cohort...



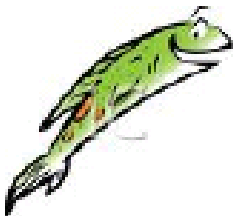
After 38 years of service with the NYSDEC,

Bill Culligan is Retiring!

Please join us for a night of toasts and roasts to celebrate his career and wish him health, happiness, lunkers, and weed-free gardens in his retirement!

A fun and relaxing evening in Bill's honor will be held on

Tuesday, October 19th, 2010 at:



Webbs Resort

115 West Lake Road
Mayville, NY 14757
Phone: 716-753-2161
www.webbsworld.com



*Cocktails (cash bar) will be available at 5:30 pm
Buffet style dinner served at 7:00 pm
Cost for dinner, tax, and gratuity is \$30 per person*

Please RSVP to MariEllen Szejwbka at the Lake Erie Fisheries Unit, 178 Point Drive North, Dunkirk NY 14048 (716-366-0228) by Friday, October 8th

Name: _____

No. Attending: _____ x \$30 = _____

Gift Contribution: _____ TOTAL: _____

Cash or checks (payable to MariEllen Szejwbka)

* Block of rooms available under "Great Lakes" for \$70/night



SCOPE NY BANQUET INFO

This years banquet will be held on October 8th, 2010.

Lucarelli's Banquet Center

1830 Abbott Road, Lackawanna, NY 14218



[Map & Directions](#)

Guest Speakers!

- **David Keene first vice president on NRA Board of Directors.**
- **This year we are honoring Assemblyman Brian Kolb
129th Assembly District .**
- **We will also as always be honoring our members!**
**If you feel that a member deserves special recognition, please
submit entries with a brief summary about the person you are
nominating.**

Ticket Information.

- **Invitation**
- **5 Gun Raffle Tickets**
- **Tickets / Ads Order Form**
- **Ad Sizes**

We will also as always be honoring our members!

If you feel that a member deserves special recognition, please submit entries with a brief summary about the person you are nominating.

Banquet Info:

- **[Cash Bar - 5:30 - 7:00 PM Dinner - 7:00 PM](#)**
- **[Bar re-opens 9:00 - 11:00 PM](#)**
- **[Tickets: \\$50-person, \\$90-couple \\$ 400 per table of 10](#)**

Menu:

Fresh Chef Salad

Prime Rib w/ au jus and Grilled Pork w/ apricot chutney

Twiced Baked Potatoes

Bean Medley w/ roasted almonds

Penne Pasta w/ red sauce

Rolls and Butter

Cream Puffs and Eclairs

Coffee / Decaf / Tea

Our Energy Future: Determined by Science or Lobbyists?

Presented by John Droz, Jr. Physicist and Environmental Activist

OCTOBER 15, 2010 7:00 PM

Location: The Rapids Theater, 1711 Main Street, Niagara Falls New York

Admission is free! The public is encouraged to attend.

"With energy being one of the top three issues facing our nation and it having ever increasing impact on our daily lives (financially and environmentally), I believe it is important that people have a greater understanding of how our energy policy decisions are made, and the tactics being used by lobbyists to advance their products and causes," said Mr. Droz.

"Our nation's energy policy involves serious technical, economic and environmental challenges and it's important that citizens get educated on such technical matters — and then insist that their representatives make decisions based on science rather than politics" Droz said. "There is well over a trillion dollars at stake regarding electrical energy — in addition to potentially enormous impacts on our environment. This is worth getting up-to-speed on."

We are concerned about the proposed Great Lakes Offshore Wind Project (GLOW) for Lake Ontario and or Lake Erie. There are environmental, navigation, and economic concerns over this proposal. The New York Power Authority under Rich Kessel is pushing ahead at great speed before the public can be heard. The Power Authority wants to name a developer soon so that they (NYPA) can avoid dealing with the residents of NYS. NYPA is an unelected authority that answers only to no one. Please attend this presentation and learn how wind energy is connected to the grid and if there are any benefits for New York State residents.

Mr. Droz's presentation on the subject is considered to be the best in the country. So do not miss this highly informative presentation.

This event is being sponsored by the Great Lakes Citizens Action Group and NY Director for the Great Lakes Sport Fishing Council.

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