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President’s Message

Greetings and “Happy Winter Wonderland”

This is one of the coldest winters in recent memory. It’s not my kind of weather but spring’s right around the corner, as they say. There’s not too much going on right now but Donegal TU has a very busy spring and summer coming up. Coming up on March 1st and 2nd is the Lancaster Fly Fishing Show at the Convention Center. We will again be manning the booth in the lobby, so please stop by to say hello. Please save the date for our annual spring banquet. It’s March 29th at the Host Resort and we hope to have another record breaking event. We are still looking for volunteers to help set up or assist with some of the games. As you all know, this is our biggest fund raiser of the year and helps support our ongoing cold water projects. Let Dan Brandt know if you may be available to help out.

Again this year, we are sponsoring boys and girls, aged 14 to 17, to attend the Rivers Camp at Allenberry on the Yellow Breeches creek. The dates are June 15th to the 17th and the value and enjoyment of this camp for kids cannot be overstated. This event is hosted by the Cumberland Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited and includes such subjects as stream entomology, cold water conservation, environmental issues and, of course, some fly fishing and fly tying experience. For information, you can go to www.riverscamp.com. Applications can be downloaded from the website but they must be submitted to Donegal TU by March 12th and our chapter will cover the cost of the camp. Further information and instructions are on our website. This is a wonderful program.

Please check our website for more upcoming events throughout the spring and summer. It’s going to be a busy year so you won’t want to miss anything such as our February 19th membership meeting. Our featured speaker will be Bob Bachman of the PA Fish Commission who will tell us all about his fly fishing experiences in Russia. Any of you who have heard him know how entertaining he can be. You won’t want to miss that one. Our March 19th meeting will feature two of our members, John McLain and Todd Peters, who will give a presentation on fishing with soft hackle wet flies. Trust me, these guys know what they’re talking about. Don’t miss it!

As most of you know, we are partnered with the Lancaster County Conservancy in their restoration of the old Camp Snyder on climbers run. This could be a showcase project for them and could be one of their most important undertakings so far. We have applied for several grants to help with the stream improvement.

Corner

Badges for fishing Millport Conservancy in 2014 are now available for chapter members and members of the Conservancy. Pricing remains the same as last year: $20 in person, $22.50 to cover mailing expenses. Include your telephone # and membership info.

Volunteers will be needed to man our booth at the Fly Fishing Show on March 1 & 2. Admit it, you’re going anyway, why not spend an hour or two helping out at the booth.

Lititz Run Cleanup Day is Saturday, March 15. Volunteers are needed to work on Wetlands Farm (the Banta property).

The Banquet on March 29 will need numerous volunteers to set up beforehand, sell tickets, run some of the events, act as runners during the auction and many other things. New volunteers to help solicit donations, prizes and advertising would also be very welcome.

Contact Faye Haering at fayconthefly@comcast.net or 285-2572.
Rivers Camp

One of Trout Unlimited’s initiatives is to involve youth in cold water conservation.

Donegal Trout Unlimited has been doing that for years in a variety of events but perhaps most noticeably by sponsoring youths to attend the PA Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Camp at Allenberry every year. The Camp, run by the Cumberland Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited, teaches the participants about conservation, fly tying, fly fishing, insect identification and more. Every year the participants return enthusiastic about the experiences and glad they went. This year was no exception.

At the December 18, 2013 Membership Meeting this year’s participants told a packed audience about their times at the camp. They spoke about all they learned, how much fun they had and how each of them caught at least two brown trout on the Yellow Breeches. Patrick Morrison, Anna Miller, and Carolyn Spotts are pictured here with Tom Hall, DTU President and John Leonard, South Central Region Vice President, PA Trout Unlimited and Vice President, Cumberland Valley Chapter, Trout Unlimited. Each of them highly recommended the Camp to any youth interested about cold water conservation and fly fishing.

If you would like to attend or you have a son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter or student who you think would like to attend the 2014 Rivers Camp, go to www.rivercamp.com and download the application (application & brochure also available on our own site). Read the instructions and then email the application and essay to Jim Wellendorf at wellendorf@verizon.net. This year Camp will be held from Sunday June 15 until Friday June 20. Participants must have been born between June 20, 1996 and June 15, 2000. If you have any questions or concerns, don’t hesitate to contact Jim Wellendorf at 717.399.8165 or wellendorf@verizon.net. Deadline for early acceptance is March 31, 2014, but we would appreciate applications be submitted by March 12 for review.

JIM WELLENDORF

Donegal Parking

There is a new owner of the property along Donegal Spring Creek generally known as “the Red Barn.” The owner does not allow parking in front of the building, which he is using as a house. The lane alongside the “barn” is owned by the neighboring farmer, who will allow limited parking along the left side of the lane. Do not park on the right side. That lane is a right-of-way, so please be considerate and do not block the lane in any manner.

Images of mayflies in this publication are based on photographs from Jason Neuswanger (www.troutnut.com), whose rights, contribution to our knowledge of streamlife, and photographic skills are gratefully acknowledged.
Regular Table seats are $35 each or you can purchase a Gold Table seat for $45 each. Gold Tables get you front row seating, extra goodies and tickets in your gift bag, and a chance to win $100 cash.

Door prize tickets will be pulled throughout the night & there will be many items on the table and lots of chances to win for everyone.

Here is a short list of just some of the items we have so far:

- 2 New Raffle Formats this year – each with an automatic gift when you enter!
- Bucket Raffles - Buy tickets and put them in the bucket you would like to win.
- Benelli Shotgun
- CFR Rod and Reel
- Crossbow
- $500 TCO Gift Card

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Door Prizes All Night Long

$1,000 Super Fund Ticket - These are the tickets you will receive with your registration form. If you would like more, please call or e-mail me and I will send them out to you.

Phone: 664-2332 home or 341-1581 cell. E-mail: flyguy66@ptd.net

All your info and registration form will be in the packet you’ll receive soon, or you can download a registration form from our website (donegaltu.org). Please note, we will not be able to accept American Express cards for payment. Remember to save the date and bring a friend for a night of fun.

Hope to see you there!

Dan Brandt
Banquet Committee Chairman

Conservation Committee

Your committee recently did a tour, with DEP representatives, of the 4 new Conowingo sites in January. Mark Metzler, of Rettew Associates, was on
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Please contact Glen Nephin at gnephin@ptd.net or 271-9208.
Last year DTU held its inaugural Dave Shenk Fly Tying Clinic. The clinic is named after a deceased Chapter Board member who was a world-class fly tier.

This year the second annual Clinic was held on Wednesday December 18, 2013 at the Lancaster Farm and Home Center.

The clinic began with Paul Zegley, Chapter Program Chairman, introducing the program and showing a video of Dave Shenk demonstrating how he tied his “wormaboo” fly. Dave won an international competition in England with this fly.

After the video, Paul divided the audience into three groups. Each group spent 20 minutes at three different stations watching expert fly tiers demonstrate how to tie a specific fly.

The large audience crowded around each station and watched intently. At the end of the evening all the flies that were tied were donated to monthly raffle. Everyone agreed that the clinic was another success. There were several suggestions that perhaps more room would be needed next year. A good problem to have!

President, continued

ment and should be hearing back within the next couple of months. We’ll keep you posted as to the progress. Bob Kutz will keep everyone up to date on this and our ongoing work on the Conowingo watershed where design and permitting are in place for the latest round of stream improvements.

For those of you who fish the Donegal Creek in the fly fishing area, there is a situation you should be aware of. There has been a change of ownership of the old red barn property along Donegal creek road. This is the location of the access lane which takes you down to the gate and then down to the creek. If you haven’t been up there since last year and go to park where you used to, there may be an issue. The new owner does not want you to park there. The old barn is being transformed into a house where, presumably, the owner will live. It’s kind of a long story, but at this point, my best advice is to park elsewhere for the time being or until something is resolved. Kurt Enck, president of the Donegal Fish & Conservation Association is going to try to meet with the owner to try to forge some kind of treaty. Just beware.

Everyone stay warm and dream of warm breezes and rising trout! We’ll see you all on February 19th at the meeting. Don’t miss it.

Be well

TOM
Minutes - December Board Meeting

Present: Tom Hall, Jim Wellendorf, Bob Albright, Mark McMaster, Joy McMaster, Faye Haering, Bob Kutz, Gary Longenecker, Mark Ebner, Dan VanBuskirk, Fran McElhinny, Bill Henry

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Tom at Millport Conservancy.

Bob Albright announced that he and his wife will be moving out of the area, back to western Pa to his hometown area in Greensburg. And so he is submitting his notice of resignation. He offered to work with any candidate for the Treasurer’s position. He noted that this is a very cut and dried job and that almost anyone can do it with a little guidance. He hopes to be around until March to help with the transition.

MINUTES
Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published.

TREASURERS REPORT
Bob reported a balance or $90,304.95 in the checking account, $1,305.01 in the Conowingo grant account, for a total of $91,609.96. Details can be found in his full report attached.

Motion and second to accept was passed.

CONSERVATION
Bob reported that the Grant of $10,000 submitted for the Embrace-A-Stream project will not be known until March. He is also submitting for $1,000 for Back-the-Brookies. Will be submitting for a Carol Brooks Grant. This is a very detailed and in-depth application. Friends of Fishing Creek have a new proposal for us which Bob will be looking at in the near future. Bob also reported that 2 of the 4 projects on Conowingo have the survey done and are in permitting. These two will be the first worked on. The remaining two will proceed to survey and design.

COMMUNICATIONS
Jim has reviewed his draft of the Calendar of Events, will make changes needed and submit to the media on Dec 13. No changes in Communications Contacts. He also encourages all to send him contact leads and he will follow-up. Tom noted that he had a call from John Leonard and he may be setting up for him to attend one of our meetings. Jim noted that the River Camp participants from this year will be attending our next meeting.

MEMBERSHIP
Fran reports that he is working with a few others to put together a packet to give to visitors and/or prospective members. Suggested that we also give them a hat. Bob noted that if we want to do that we will need to order more hats. Fran also noted that he has a young man who is interested in the River Camp program. Jim noted that it would be good if he can come to the next meeting because last years participants will be there also.

NURSERY
Gary reported that about 400 trees were winterized some weeks ago. This is the most we have ever had to hold over. Asked if we want to continue at current/past levels. Consensus was Yes. He will be ordering in Dec, Jan, and Feb.

Gary asked for an accounting of cash flow for guidance and Bob will forward that info to him.

EDUCATION
Ned was not present but had submitted the following report.

All the classrooms have received their eggs. At this time, all eggs/fish are doing well.

Josh Shortuse from Ephrata HS is using the new chiller we purchased for him. It is working well, and he is extremely thankful for the kindness of the club in purchasing the chiller for him. He is an enthusiastic participant in the TIC program and a goodwill ambassador for DTU. The final cost was $588.68.

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR
Faye reported the Cold Water Women’s Breakfast is scheduled for April 26 at Millport. A youth fly fishing clinic is scheduled at Hugh Wenger’s site tentative Sept 13. Faye will submit a formal request for this event. A discussion of Faye’s and Mark’s proposals was had. These were a collaboration of Faye and Mark. It was recommended by them that we choose the John McLain/Todd Peters option. It seems to require more from us but provides more for the participants. We should be able to provide enough volunteers to help as required. It was decided that this was the best option and Faye will proceed with the planning.

PROGRAMS
Paul was not present, Jim reported:

Jim Wellendorf announced that he will host Anna Miller, Carolyn Spotts and Patrick Morrison at the December 18 Membership Meeting. DTU sponsored Anna, Carolyn and Patrick at the 2103 PA Trout Unlimited Rivers Youth Camp at Allenberry. They will speak about their experiences. Jim encouraged everyone to invite persons who might have children or grandchildren who would be eligible (ages 14 -17) to attend the 2014 Camp to the Membership Meeting.

BANQUET
Dan was not present. Jim noted that Dan has suggested we purchase a bulk amount of gift cards for use in the buckets, silent auction, prizes or any other ways we can think of. He has a way of buying in bulk from one source. He estimates $1,000 worth. A motion to authorize up to $1,500 was made, seconded and passed.

WEBSITE NEWSLETTER
Mark reported the following:

The website continues to receive the same amount of traffic. We’ve seen 111 dl’s of the December Mayflyer to date, but I noticed another figure which may account for the “missing” dl’s. Our server tracks the amount of bandwidth used in total as well as in many categories. I noted that the amount of bandwidth used for the Dec Mayflyer was a good deal more than could be accounted for by 111 dl’s. By converting that figure to dl’s we would account for 170 copies to date. Applying the
Pennsylvania Trout In the Classroom (TIC) is an interdisciplinary program in which students in grades 3 - 12 learn about cold water conservation while raising Brook Trout from eggs to fingerlings in a classroom aquarium. TIC has applications in environment and ecology, science, mathematics, social studies, language and fine arts, and physical education. All classrooms end the year by releasing their trout into a state-approved waterway.

Pennsylvania’s statewide TIC program is made possible through a unique partnership between Pennsylvania Council of Trout Unlimited (PATU) and the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission (PFBC). This partnership provides curriculum resources, workshops for teachers and program partners, technical support, brook trout eggs and food, and grants.

Ned Bushong is the Education Chairman for Donegal Trout Unlimited. One of his responsibilities is to coordinate the Chapter’s TIC programs. Currently there are eight TIC programs in classrooms ranging from third grade to eleventh grade.

One of the programs is located in Ephrata High School in Josh Shortuse’s eleventh and twelfth grades environmental studies class. Recently Josh notified Ned that the chiller for the aquarium where the trout eggs are raised was not working. Ned told Josh to have it repaired but that did not work. So the Board authorized Josh to spend $600 to buy a new chiller.

At the Wednesday December 18, 2013 membership meeting Josh, second from the right, presented a thank-you certificate from the High School to from right to left: Wayne Boggs, Past Chapter President and retired Math Department Chairman at Ephrata High School; Tom Hall, Chapter President and Ned Bushong, Chapter Education Chairman.

Josh told the members about the many benefits of the TIC Program. He also said that the students plan to post a weekly video (https://sites.google.com/site/mrshortuse/classroom-news/trout-in-the-classroom) about the status of their trout, up to and including the time they are released in Indian Run in May 2014. We plan to post the link to the blog on our website www.donegaltu.org.

Several days after the meeting, Josh sent the following pictures of the aquarium, affectionately called Margaret’s Run after Josh’s late grandmother, and his students holding thank you notes to the Chapter.

Jim Welleendorf
The Donegal Chapter of Trout Unlimited was called to order at 7:00 PM on Wednesday January 8, 2014 by the Chapter President, Tom Hall.

The following Board Members were present: Tom Hall, Jim Wellendorf, Bob Albright, Bob Kutz, Garry Longenecker, Mark McMaster, Joy McMaster, Mark Wilson, Dan Van Buskirk, Dan Brandt, Wayne Boggs, Paul Zegley and Fran McElhinney.

The minutes from the previous Board Meeting were read by Tom Hall and approved by the Board.

BOB ALBRIGHT - TREASURER

Bob reported that there was $96,156 in the General Account and $53,017 in the Grant Account. He explained that all the invoices for Grant work done in 2102 were now paid in full. After reviewing the financial activity for the past month, the Board approved Bob’s report.

BOB KUTZ – CONSERVATION

Rettew reports that the Lapp and Lloyd farms are in the final design stages. Mark to do a final site review with DEP next week. The Embrace A Stream grant was submitted. Also, the Lancaster County Conservancy submitted the Cora Brooks grant instead of DTU. Kevin Anderson, national TU, felt that the Conservancy might have a better chance in securing the grant. Greg Wilson & I will be looking at another possible site on Fishing Creek in the near future. All structures put in during September are functioning well.

JIM WELLENDORF - COMMUNICATIONS

Jim reported that there were no changes to the Communications Contact List. He asked the Board members to continue to be on the lookout for new Contacts and to send any new leads to him. Jim reviewed the January 2014 Calendar of Events and will make the appropriate changes. He intends to send the Calendar to the Members no later than Friday January 10.

Jim encouraged the Board members to list their Events on the Calendar as far in advance as possible so that the members will have as much advance notice as possible to volunteer to help at an Event.

NED BUSHONG – EDUCATION

TIC Program

All schools report that the trout are doing well and growing.

There is lots of interest from their students.

MARK EBNER – FACEBOOK

January chapter meeting was updated in events

A funny Hank Patterson video was posted to the wall

Derek Beverly posted a picture of a nice rainbow he caught on the Conservancy

MARK MCMASTER - WEBSITE AND MAYFLYER

Mayflyer: Deadline for the February issue is Tuesday, January 28. Reminder that this will be the last issue to promote the Banquet on March 29. We had a total of 200-292 downloads of the December issue to date (count varying between reported and calculated figures). There have been 38 dl’s of back issues of the Mayflyer to date in January, 222 in December.

Website: Usage holds steady, but worth mentioning that over 50% of new users are using mobile. Mobile consists of 20% of usage at present. Development of the revised site continues. A sampling has been posted for comments from the Board. The sample site is shallow, with only pages directly accessible from the menu available, along with samples of the slideshow & watershed maps, both using the Conowingo pages. I am working on resolving issues found, but would appreciate feedback from board members with iPhones, tablets (including iPads & Kindle) and recent versions of Android (there is a known issue with Android 2.x). The new code requires much more hand-coding on my part, especially with the slideshow pages, so progress is slower than hoped.

FRAN McELHINNEY – MEMBERSHIP

Fran reported that he is working on a new members packet. He should have a sample for the Board to review at its next meeting.

WAYNE BOGGS

Wayne reported that there are currently 655 members of the Donegal Chapter and 7 Youth members.

GREG WILSON – CONSERVATION

Greg reported that the Keystone Coldwater Conference will be held at the Ramada Inn and Conference Center in State College, PA on February 21 and 22, 2014. Greg encouraged everyone to attend and learn the latest information about Conservation. He and Bob Kutz plan to attend and would welcome other Board members to carpool with them.

GARY LONGENECKER—NURSERY

My report is the nursery is in hibernation. I have ordered trees for this spring and have gotten the word out to move the winterized tree stock.

I plan to set a planting schedule for old and new stock.

DAN BRANDT - BANQUET

Dan reported that the Banquet Committee held its first meeting on Tuesday, January 7. He was pleased with the progress that is being made. He is planning to hold two or three additional meetings. He is looking for volunteers to join his Committee.

PAUL ZEGLEY – PROGRAMS

Paul stated that the Programs for the next several months are set. He is working on several programs for the second half of the year. Bob Kutz suggested that we hold our annual picnic at the site of one of our conservation projects in the Conowingo Watershed. The board thought that was an excellent idea.

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Mark McMaster reported that the weather interfered with a planned meeting about the Intermediate FF course, so no progress to report.

Jim Wellendorf asked the Board members to actively look for candidates to the 2014 Rivers Youth Camp. Details about Camp are listed on the Calendar of Events and the website. At Dan Brandt’s suggestion, Jim will send the Board members an article he wrote about the Rivers Camp for the next edition of the Mayflyer to help them recruit students for this year’s Camp.

Jim also asked the Board members to fill out the Volunteer Activities List if they have not done so and to send updates to him as they occur.

There was considerable discussion about the status of access to fishing on Donegal Creek. Tom Hall will following up with Kurt Enck, President of Donegal Fish and Conservation Association, and the homeowner.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Submitted by Bill Henry and Jim Wellendorf
Fish & Golf Tourney

- Who: Anyone who likes to golf and fish
- When: Monday, June 16, 2014
- Where: Foxchase Golf Course
- Time: 5:30-7:30 AM fishing on Golf Course
- Tee off (Shotgun Start) to follow fishing
- Cost: $120 for team of 2 to fish & golf
  (Includes greens fee, cart, picnic lunch and prizes)
- Maximum 72 golfers

This tournament will begin with fishing in 2 ponds located on Foxchase Golf Course. Ponds contain stripers, smallmouth and largemouth bass and catfish. Golfers will fish forty five minutes in each pond. Tackle may be fly rods or spin cast rods with artificial lures only. Barbs on hooks must be pinched and all fish must be released. Each team of 2 players may deduct ½ stroke per fish caught by the team (panfish do not count).

At 7:30 AM all golfers will tee off in a shotgun start. This will be a 2-person scramble.

Golf Rules for team of 2 players:
- Play ball from the best lie on the fairway and on the green
- If 2 balls are in the rough, ball may not be moved to fairway
- If 2 balls are in a sand trap, ball may not be moved out of a sand trap

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To paraphrase a very famous politician, the answer to the question “Ask not what Donegal Trout Unlimited can do for cold water conservation but what you can do for cold water conservation” was answered at the Chapter’s January 15, 2014 Membership Meeting by Matt Koforth, Watershed Coordinator for the Lancaster Conservation District. Matt did an excellent job of explaining the history of water conservation or the lack thereof, the nature of the issues facing everyone and actions we can all take to help preserve this precious and finite resource.

Below is a list of actions Matt suggested we can all take to conserve water:

- Turn water off when brushing your teeth
- Keep showers to under 5 minutes
- Check for leaky faucets and toilets
- Do not rinse dishes before putting them in a dishwasher
- Water lawns in the morning and the evening
- Do not cut grass shorter than 3 inches
- Plant native trees, shrubs and flowers
- Install a rain barrel
- Minimize fertilizers and pesticides
- Recycle – paper, plastic
- Minimize trash going to landfills
- Use Lancaster Solid Waste Facility – paints and electronics
- Be proactive in your community

While this list is by no means complete, it does outline steps we can all take to help conserve water and reduce water pollution. Donegal Trout Unlimited’s mission is cold water conservation. Won’t you join us and do your part?

Jim Wellendorf

Committee Reports, continued

hand to explain our initial design concepts to DEP. They were very pleased with his work and the designs are proceeding. Once finished, the designs will be presented to the landowners for final approval or modification as needed. Rettew will then acquire the proper permits and construction can start next summer.

Water Sampling: In order to establish a baseline in water quality, Dennis Blevens has been taking monthly water samples at 2 sites on the Conowingo for several years. Site 1 is at Scotland Rd. and site 2 is at Wakefield. I will not bore you with the measurements but will say that the Nitrate levels, at both sites, are well within the drinking water standards at 7 parts per million. Anything above 10 ppm is considered impaired and not a healthy situation. We are glad to see that streambank fencing and growing riparian buffers has a healthy effect.

We are looking at some more sites for possible stream work but the weather has kept us bundled up at home. I can, however, report that all 3 DTU projects completed last September are working just fine.

Camp Snyder Project: The Camp Snyder Project is in the design and permitting stage as of now. The US Fish & Wildlife Service will be doing the pre-construction work this spring and will manage the final construction.

Bob Kutz
CONSERVATION COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Volunteers

We will be needing members to help at several upcoming events.

Lititz Run Cleanup Day is Saturday, March 15. DTU members will be working on Wetlands Farm (the Banta property). Meet there or at Millport if you’d like to help. Bring boots/waders and gloves.

Our Banquet on March 29 will need many willing hands for everything from setting up the event to selling tickets during it.

LCCTC Fly On The Run will be held May 14 & 15. We will need members to act as Stream Guides on Thursday, the 15th. This is always fun and comes complete with free breakfast & lunch in return for your help. LCCTC will stock the stream prior to the event, probably Monday or Tuesday the 12th or 13th. Watch our website for details if you’d like to help.

Faye Haering
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR
same logic to the October issue for example raises the number of dl’s for that issue from 126 to 198. We still get a small number of users looking for pages or files on the “old” site, meaning they must be using very old bookmarks. Internet Explorer continues to be the most-used browser on the site, as expected, followed by Firefox, Chrome & Safari. More importantly, as I continue work on a new version of the site, IE versions 5-7 represent only 1.4% of users. The new site, using HTML5 will no longer support those old browsers fully (although the site will be usable). Which brings me to the final point, that I’m continuing to work on restructuring the site to make it friendlier to mobile users, which this month represented 7% of users (tablets were another 9%). I’ve switched to a newer system, which requires a lot of hand-coding, but offers some really nice structure and features. Hopefully some sample pages will be available to the board before the holidays, unless of course winter continues to intervene.

**Tom’s Comments:**

Tom noted we finally got a thank you letter for our contribution to Casting-For-Recovery from the banquet. This is due to Faye’s following up with this organization to make sure they got our check.

**Roundtable:**

Jim notes that we should find a way to recognize organizations or people such as Flyway and Rettew. Discussion followed that a special certificate could be framed and presented at the banquet. Mark will work up a proposal for the certificate.

Fran suggested that a good idea for a fundraiser is a 3-minute shopping spree, maybe at Stauffer’s or some of the other Family-owned Markets. All thought it may be a good idea. Keep in mind for future.

Dan also suggested that if we go ahead with the boot washing station for FOTR that perhaps we could make several sets of parts for assembly in the future. It would probably make them all less expensive. Hold for future action.

Gary suggests that everyone could look for a potential successor to his or her position and begin working with them early so that the work is spread a little and a replacement is ready when the time comes. Everyone thought the idea has merit and that every one should do what they each think is appropriate for them.

Gary also mentioned Mindy Fee as a possible program — to get her views on why she supports politicizing Fish & Game and environmental issues. Gary was asked to get that info to Paul.

Faye noted that we still are looking for one tyer [fly not rubber] for the Wild Sheep Expo Feb. 15 at the convention center.

Bill thanked all those who forwarded info on their presentations. It will be a big help in preparing the minutes.

With no other business a motion to adjourn was passed.

Respectfully submitted by Bill Henry, Secretary