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LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

At our January 2011 board meeting the board passed a motion creating a lifetime membership. The cost is $100. If anyone is interested in signing up for this, use the regular membership form and cross off the membership date on the form and write “Lifetime Membership” across the top of the form. This is an inexpensive way to take care of your dues to Adaptive Sportsmen and we hope you take advantage of this deal! Don’t forget to include your payment with the membership form, and enjoy the many events we have to offer.

Lifetime Members
We would like to introduce you to the people that took advantage of our life membership. They are: Joe Bilansky, Dolores, Greg & Diane Borgwardt, Jim Dekay, Monica Kamal, Wayne Krueger, John Martinson, Andy Mehrens, John Mitchell, Al Neu, Richard Patton, Cliff Pheifer, Mark Seeley, Lloyd Soter, and Larry Wilkinson. Thank you,

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Corrections about the Accessible Blinds listed on our web page

The listing for "DNR - Pike Lake Park (Four Blinds)" is not correct and should be deleted from the Accessible Waterfowl Blinds list. The "Four Blinds" are actually turkey hunting blinds obtained many years ago through the WWAs's carpentry apprentice program and modified for use as wheelchair accessible turkey hunting blinds on the Loew Lake Unit of the Kettle Moraine State Forest, in southern Washington County. The blinds are still there and used by spring turkey hunters, but not waterfowl hunters.

The Loew Lake Unit is one of the state's disabled-only spring turkey zones (Zone 2B). Class A/C disabled hunters can apply through the regular spring turkey permit drawing process to hunt there. Three spring turkey permits per time period are issued, and the four blinds are available to those hunters on a first come first served basis.

Please add the following site information for two goose hunting blinds on the Rick Steger property in Dodge County, near Theresa Marsh. They've been on the property for many years: Rick Steger, W1783 West Bend Road, Theresa, WI 53091. PH: 920 488-2033

Antelope Hunt in Douglas Wyoming

HellaVu Hunt holds an annual October hunting event in Wyoming for handicapped and chair-bound hunters. This event is totally funded, the only cost to the hunter and one guest is for their transportation to and from the Douglas, Wyoming area. All meat processing from the hunt is free and there are free mounts available as raffle prizes.

Applications for participation in the HellaVu Hunt are accepted all year long. Fifteen hunters are chosen in February to participate in the October Antelope hunt that year. The accepted applicants are immediately notified and licenses are applied for. Each hunter receives at least two volunteers to assist in their kill at the event.

Check out this web page for information or to get an application at www.wildlifestudio.com/hellaVu-hunt

Kramer Endries Bear

Kramer Endries called to say he shot this bear with the crossbow he got through the Dutton equipment grant fund of Adaptive Sportsmen. He took it within two hours on stand. It is about a 250 lbs bear with long legs and big paws shot at Holinshead Lake Resort Ontario, Canada.

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Life Hunts is a wish-granting service for children and young adults with critical illnesses and diseases. The program was officially founded in 1998 to grant hunting wishes and has served hundreds of children and young adults to date. The website link is www.buckmasters.com/resources/kid/disabled-hunters.aspx

General Donor Organizations

We have sponsors that contribute items for most of our events; they are recognized at the event and in the story about the event. We also want to thank our general sponsors whose help allows us to continue our mission of Outdoor Recreation for Physically Challenged People. They are: United Way, Windhover Foundation, Fishing Expo, American Packaging, Independence First, Safari Club, International, Badgerland Sables, Whiteshale Unlimited, Aliant Energy Foundation and several anonymous donors. We also want to give special thanks to those that contributed in memory of Luke Koch.

Montello Trap Shoot

Thanks again to the Montello Rod and Gun Club for sponsoring another physically challenged sporting clay shoot! We had eight members try their skills of shooting a shotgun at the clay birds flying at all kinds of angles along with the illusive bouncing rabbit, which I found the most challenging target to hit.

We had a lot of fun and it was a beautiful day with great people from the club just south of Montello on Hwy. 22. Hope we will have the opportunity next year and new members are always welcome.

John Martinson

Editor's note: This is a wonderful and fun event and I would encourage more of our members to plan on attending. We will post next year's date on the web when it is scheduled and put it in the next newsletter. Come on out!

Concealed Carry Hunting Information

Answers to questions about Wisconsin's new concealed carry law are available from the DNR at http://dnr.wi.gov/org/dfw/law-enforcement/concealed-carry_qa.htm

All long guns, such as rifles, shotguns and muzzleloaders must still be unloaded and completely enclosed within a case before they may be placed, possessed or transported in or on a vehicle (including trailers, wagons, snowmobiles or All-Terrain vehicles). The new change made under concealed carry legislation was the elimination of the requirement to unload or case a handgun before it is placed, possessed or transported in or on a vehicle, boat, snowmobile or ATV.

Applications for a license to carry a concealed weapon must be obtain from the Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ). Licenses will not be available until November 1, 2011.

For more information about laws related to carrying a concealed weapon, or about getting and submitting an application for a CCW License check out the web at: http://www.doj.state.wi.us/dles/club/Concealed/CarryConcealedCarry.asp

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Summer Picnic

We had a beautiful summer day at Schultz's Rod and Gun Club. We shot rifles, shotguns, and pistols under the canopies at distances from 15 to 100 yards. We had a pattern board to check shotgun chokes. Many people used compound bows and crossbows in the woods on 3D targets and there was a target built for broadhead practice. Thanks to those people that brought deserts to top off our lunch and congratulations to the winners of the bucket raffle.

Note: If you left an alien wrench at the rifle range or a glass baking pan in the clubhouse please call Mary Mitchell at 414-916-2298. By the way the desert bars were delicious. John Mitchell

Just wanted to thank you and all those involved for a wonderful picnic. Tyler has not been that happy since his accident, and for that we are forever indebted.

May God Bless all of you for what you are doing! Kim

I met Adaptive Sportsmen members for the first time at the shooting picnic by Schultz's Rod & Gun Club. I would like to start off first by saying in regards to the picnic that was the first time since I was pronounced "Paralyzed" other than Dr appointments that I had been away from the security of my home in Franklin. Wow did that day make me truly feel great meeting your members. It was better than I could've ever expected and it released something inside of me that had once existed but had gone away, "life & appreciation"

I brought along with me my 14yr old cousin Hunter (the kid that wouldn't leave the trap range as well as my girlfriend and her father. That day will go down in the history of my life as one of the best days ever and I pray the beginning of an awesome club as well as friends that I will be with till the end.

The one thing I took away from that day will be the young man in the wheelchair who was shooting a shotgun. As I watched from afar as 2-3 volunteers worked with him I found myself silently rooting for him and I was reminded that what I was witnessing was the good stuff in life. Our group all, especially Hunter had a great time. In fact once we all got back to my house Hunter's shoulder was so bruised he kept seeing us and looking at it as if it was a trophy. I was so proud of him (he's usually very reserved and doesn't show hardly any emotion but he made sure he thanked & hugged each of us). So solely based on that I was happier than I've been in awhile. Shortly after Hunter was picked up and at home he called to thank me again to ask me if there was anyway if he got good grades he could become a member of our club.

To say "thank you" for that day, doesn't even do it justice the way I feel I am honored to be a member of our club and will do everything in my power to help in any anyway I can for it. In closing I want you to know that I am honored to be apart of this and July 30th was life changing in a positive way.

Steve Starz