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### Past President's Message...



I want to thank those persons who worked so diligently through out the year to get the foundation for the mentored hunt, family shooting day and safety advertising campaign into place. It was harder than we realized but we succeeded and now have a point to press forward from.

Rod O'Clair, Don Meyer, Dale Patrick, Leland Bratlie and Mark Walsh gave their time and thought to this process and have prepared guidelines and policies that are available for your and our use to operate events for this and coming years.

They do not have to be large gatherings; they can be as small as a mentor a student and their guardian. Starting small gets the program moving forward and that is what we need to do. I think most of us would agree that when you take the time to help others, they remember and the majority will turn around and extend a hand to assist someone else

### President Message for 2009

Our last meeting provided an opportunity for all of us to share ideas and concerns regarding the hunting heritage we all share today and how to pass that heritage on to the next generation. We currently are doing a number of things to preserve and share this heritage with the next generation of outdoor sportspersons. We do this by teaching, by example in what we do in our own lives, and by doing those things that are necessary to preserve this heritage.

While I see the NDHEA as one of the leaders in this endeavor, I see many challenges ahead. I am excited by these challenges and the opportunities they place in front of us. We need to continue to promote and enhance our Hunting Safety Awareness Promotions. We will begin to prowhen they are ready. We each share with one, continue the following year, they share with one it multiplies, the process grows and we have succeeded.

Thanks to all of you who continue to teach, thanks to all those District Representatives who have moved on and to those coming into replace them this year. We constantly change to meet our current work and home environment, this Association and its programs will also.

Please consider lending a day or two more to help those who will continue the sport hunting tradition. Most of us know the reward of that smile from the first successful harvest of your son, daughter or spouse. Help to provide that opportunity for some one else this year. We always have room for good memories.

Please enjoy the coming year and share a smile... Thank you again.

Terry Fasteen, 2008 President

mote and facilitate Family Shooting days across the state. These are exciting opportunities to introduce new shooters to the shooting sports. We will also place more effort to jump start the Mentored Hunts that you heard about.

Your Board of Directors will work tirelessly to promote and expand these opportunities so more North Dakotans can learn to appreciate and enjoy the outdoor shooting sports, but the Board of Directors <u>cannot</u> do this job alone. It is only with the help of each and every member that we will begin to make these things happen. I encourage, I ask each of you to please consider giving a call to your District Representative and offer just a few hours of

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your time during the year to help promote these goals in your local area. If you are called upon to do something extra, please say yes to giving a couple of hours of your time. If you could, please offer to serve as a committee member with your District Representative on one of the committees that we will need membership for. Service on these committees **does not** require that you travel great distances for meetings or devote a lot of hours. Those meetings can be held in your own district. Lastly, I wish to take this opportunity to say a special thanks to Ernie Trudeau for serving in the capacity of Treasurer for NDHEA. Ernie has resigned from this position due to personal illness.

Thanks to all who make these things happen and please consider volunteering to help out with some of the Board initiatives?

Dale Patrick, 2009 President

### Raffle A Success Story...

"I took my pronghorn northwest of Alexander. My cousin Jade and I went up there on Oct. 3rd, which was opening day. Jade knew some people there that he met in college. We talked to them and started looking, after about an hour we spotted a group of about 15. The buck I ended up taking bedded down about a half mile from the road, we stalked down an old fence line and got within 300 yards. The buck decided to get up and walk around, and that is when I took the shot. I ranged him just before the shot and he was at 306 yards, one shot from my .243 and he was down. He measured 12 3/4 inches tall, which is a little small, but I was more than happy with that. We spent the rest of the weekend trying to get Jade close enough for a shot at one with his bow, but had no luck.



I would like to thank everyone at the NDHEA that made this raffle possible. This was a very memorable hunt that I will not forget. This was the first time I've ever hunted pronghorn and for how fun it was, I hope to do it again soon.

The raffle in which I won the tag is something I will participate in as long as it is held. I think educating our youth on the safe and ethical way to hunt is a must in order to continue this sport that we all love so much. Keep up the good work and thank you again for the opportunity to go on this wonderful hunt."

I hope lightning does strike twice [for winning the raffle], but even if it doesn't, this is a cause that I would like to support, prize or no prize. Keep up the good work."

Levi Ketterling, 2008 NDHEA Raffle Winner

### 2009 Antelope Raffle!

The NDHEA Raffle is not just a great way to support our mission to "improve hunter ethics, teach hunting safety, promote landowner-hunter relations, encourage knowledge of laws and regulations, and learn about wildlife resources" it provides the opportunity for hunts of a lifetime.

Raffle tickets are NOW available for you to sell or purchase. Please contact: Dale Patrick 9440 Cedar Lane Bismarck, ND 58503 Phone: 701-250-2866 OR Email: <u>dale\_patrick1@hotmail.com</u>



## HUNTER EDUCATION **VOLUNTEERS RECOGNIZED**

Submitted by Jon Hanson Hunter Education & Range Grant Coordinator North Dakota Game & Fish Department

Volunteer instructors for North Dakota's hunter education program were recently recognized for their contributions of teaching students the importance of hunter safety and ethics. Years of service awards were presented at the annual hunter education workshop and awards banquet held in Bismarck.

# Grand Forks, Minn.

#### **30 YEARS**

James Balsdon, Osnabrock; Rodney Berg, Nortonville; Karl Broeren, Northwood; Melvin Bruhn, Elgin; John Buresh, Towner; Dick Cheatley, Parshall; Marlowe Grindler, Rogers; Chris Hansen, Napoleon; Colin Hoffart, Harvey; Orville Hoger, New Salem; Ronald Hunsberger, Larimore; Ronald Koenig, Elgin; Noel Podoll, Velva; Myron Schell, Underwood; Mike Voglewede, Northwood.

#### 25 YEARS

Dale Brewster, Stanley; Donald Brewster, Bowbells; Clyde Grosz, Hazen; Donald Meyer, Devils Lake; Mark Montgomery, Center; David Rensch, Garrison; Rick Suckut, Bowdon.

#### 20 YEARS

Norman Amundson, Harvey; Rene Arnold, Cavalier; Orrin Berg, Max; James Boley, Minot; Richard Brewster, Washburn; Douglas Crosby, Williston; Ralph Danuser, Marion; Keith Dome, Jamestown; Todd Foss, Fargo; James Hilden, Parshall; Myron Hanson, Souris; Richard Jorgenson, Devils Lake; Michael McEnroe, Bismarck; Todd Parkman, Hope; Kenneth Schwedt, Cavalier; Rodney Stark, Kennedy; Ronald Tulsan, Parshall.

Presented with 15 year service awards were Lynn Bayer, Fortville; Kevin Bishop, Kathryn; Glenn Brustad, Hillsboro; Terry Buechler, Dickinson; Wade Carter, Glen Ullin; Patsy Crooke, Mandan; Darwin Gebhardt, Oakes; Sidney Gross, Ashley; Garry Hillier, Thompson; Francis Miller, Mandan; Gregory Odden, Rugby; Rick Olson, Underwood; Rodney Parrill, Bottineau; Duane Reinisch, Valley City; Allen Schirado, Bismarck; John Schlieman, Grand Forks; Gene Van Eeckhout, Jamestown.

#### 10 YEARS

Adnan Aldayel, New Rockford; Paul Anderson, Hillsboro; Leland Bratlie, Drayton; Jack Carlson, Mandan; Randy Christensen, Hettinger; Paul Drechsel, Grand Forks; Mark Engen, Anamoose; Mark Entzi, Watford City; Vin-

cent Grant, Sr., Belcourt; Gary Grosz, Kulm; Gerry Henrik-**35 YEARS** cent Grant, Sr., Belcourt; Gary Grosz, Kulm; Gerry Henrik-**Ronald Klein from Stanley and Lyle Rose from East** sen, Hazen; Matthew Herman, Ashley; Leon Hiltner, Wales; Michael Hinrichs, Bismarck; Morris Hummel, Washburn; Brent Jacobson, Garrison; Steven Kilwein, Hettinger; Marvin Knell, Jamestown; Jeffrey Lemer, Anamoose; Barry McCleary, Napoleon; Curtis Miller, Tioga; Marvin Neumiller, Washburn; Loran Palmer, West Fargo; Mark Pfeifer, Lidgerwood; Craig Roe, Kindred; Mike Schreiner, West Fargo; Paul Speral, Fargo; Clayton Thompson, West Fargo; Gerald Walsh, Fargo.

#### 5 YEARS

Peter Bair, Larimore; Donn Beck, Cando; Craig Bjur, Fargo; Karl Blake, Park River; Karl Helland, Kathryn; Kelly Johnson, Kindred; Terry Kassian, Wilton; Brian Kietzman, Edgeley; Dennis Knudson, Hankinson; Curtis Konkler, Fargo; Steven Kukowski, Minot; Arlen Kurtti, Hazen; Dustin Neva, Hatton; Terry O'Brien, Dickinson; Charles Oien, Elgin; Heidi Robinson, Minot; Travis Rodenhizer, Stanley; Allen Rusch, Fargo; Laurie Skibicki, Fortville; Scott Thorson, Towner; Daniel Vollmer, Rolla.

#### **2 YEAR ACTIVE INSTRUCTORS**

Dorian Anderson, Drake; David Azure, Jamestown; Wayne Bauer, Wishek; Sean Benzmiller, Burlington; Kimberly Blake, Park River; David Blocker, Mohall; John Butz, Northwood; Brett Crotty, Pembina; Dennis Crotty, Pembina; Waylon Deaver, Berthold; Lowell Dusek, Jr., Anamoose; Matthew Fairfield, Valley City; Paul Goldade, Hague; Steve Goroski, Bismarck; Becky Hansen, Bowman; Scott Hansen, Bowman; Stephen Hunt, Reynolds; Amanda Johnson, Minnewaukan; Nadine Kassian, Wilton; Wesley Kluting, Jr., Montpelier; Sherry Lillis, Lincoln; Martin Marchello, Bismarck; Casey Martin, Bismarck; Deb Michels, Elgin; Timothy Nelson, Harvey; Michael Ness, Carrington; Brent Nettleton, Burlington; Lyle Olson, Lisbon; Todd Olson, Mohall; David Phillips, Bismarck; Nicholas Phillips, Mandan; Courtney Poland, Bismarck; John Pretzer, Scranton; Scott Ralston, Devils Lake; Damon Reitz, Scranton; Chad Symington, Grand Forks; Samual Theurer, Mandan; Todd Uhlir, Minto; Torrie Vader, Williston; Chad Vander Laan, Mohall; Adam Westphal, Munich; Than Young, Napoleon. 3

### DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE'S NEWS

#### DISTRICT #3

My name is Darwin Bucholz and I am your new Dist. 3 director. Lynn Lawler handed over the reins to me after several years of representing dist. 3.

This is actually round two for me. I have served as Dist. 3 director previously and am a past president of the NDHE.

Darwin

#### DISTRICT #4

Hello Dist 4!! Hope the cold weather and wind hasn't kept you inside this winter. If any one out there has any NDHEA firearms or equipment, let me know so it can be inventoried. We are again raffling off the Antelope hunt, so let's sell as many tickets as we can, and get our mentoring project and family fun shoots going around the State. I've been approached by several people who would enjoy a family fun shoot in their area, so let's pool our resources and get as many "hooked on the shooting sports" as possible, and hopefully keep our hunter recruitment up. Keep an eye on the legislative bills as they move through the House and let your area Representatives know how you feel about the bills as they come up. As always, if you need any help or materials to put on a class. let me know and I'll do what I can to set you up. I would take this time to say THANKS to Terry Fasteen for the great job he did in leading our association this past year, and WELCOME to President Dale Patrick. Curt Whalen is our new Secretary, and will move through the ranks and become President in a few years. Thanks Curt for your dedication and commitment in helping to keep our organization moving forward. Thanks to Jon for a great training session in Bismarck. I've heard LOTS of positive feed back from these sessions. I hope to see all of the Dist 4 members at the Work Shop on 28 Feb at Spirit Lake. If you haven't already done so, make sure you join our association this year, and be a part of the NDHEA and all it stands for!! See you at Spirit Lake!!

Respectively submitted,

Don Meyer

#### DISTRICT #5

As time goes on I believe our organization is taking positive directions and becoming more proactive. Are there places in our district where we could take a first time hunter out hunting? Are any of you instructors willing to take one out and be the mentor? We do need help getting this program off the ground more. It does take some of your time but expenses will be covered by the association. To watch a new hunter gain experience and enjoy this sport is a memory that can't be bought.

Another project is to have family shoots. I'm working with Buffalo Valley Archery with their kid's shoot and would like to see if we could hold a shoot at the Zap Gun Club. Is there any other towns who want to do either of these projects locally? Call me and we'll get the paper work going and see what other assistance is needed and

help you.

Did you get the opportunity to look at the new banner. I really like it. We did suggest to move the Vision Statement up to be located at the bottom of the deer picture. We are also contemplating on purchasing another one and/or some that are about half the size to set them on top of a table. This will enable the different districts to have easier access to the banner and not have to send one all over the state. Or we do like now and hardly use it because it is not easy to get it from place to place. What are your thoughts on these purchases?

It looks like a busy year. I hope you stay warm, not have to shovel much snow, and enjoy the outdoors.

Lori

#### DISTRICT #7

Greetings, my name is Keith Domke and I'm the new District 7 Representative. I've been teaching Hunter Ed for about 20 years in Jamestown. I have a 9 year old son and an 11 year old daughter. I love to waterfowl and deer hunt but I also like to chase pheasants whenever I can. The NDHEA is trying to inventory all of the NDHEA and NDG&F equipment that we have so if district 7 instructors would please email me with your equipment lists I would appreciate it. Since I'm new at the position I don't know much about what's going on so please feel free to drop me an email or give me a call on my cell phone (320-6983) and let me know about activities in your part of the district.

Keith Domke

#### DISTRICT #11

I'm happy to be serving as the new NDHEA district 11 rep. Please help me get to know the instructors of my District by sending a e-mail or regular mail to my pony express address at 8851 97th ST SE, Ellendale, ND 58436.

Thanks!

Jerry Rekow

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### **Communication Changes**

Starting this month, Noel Ison will be managing the website and Lisa Jackson will be assembling the newsletter. Ison is a staff software developer at DST Systems, Inc. of Kansas City, MO. Noel has worked in the Information Technologies field for 11 years. Prior to his current position, Noel was a unit manager over the Mail Center at DST and 35 associates.

Noel currently provides IT solutions for 10 clients in his off-time from DST. These clients range from law firms, a steel hardening company, a machined screw product company to a dental office. The services he provides range from websites, network, database and IT desktop and server solutions.

Jackson is a North Dakota native and part owner in GivingPoint, a fundraising company which works with nonprofits, organizations, and individuals to achieve their philanthropic goals. In addition to her fundraising expertise Jackson enjoys writing and design for various groups.

### Hospitality Room Report

Just a quick note to say thanks to all who brought food and drink for the hospitality room and to fellowship.

Special thanks to Jon for room arrangements and to Bill Titus for the great scotch-a-roos.

We did have more people come and stay and hopefully this will grow as word gets out. There were kids who came and enjoyed themselves and I hope to see more come.

### 2008 Zap Shoot

Last August we held our 6th annual Zap Instructor's shoot. Although there were less participants those who came had a lot of fun shooting and competing. Dick Cheatley won the International Trap Competition for the second year in a row.

The two popular games, Back your Buddy and Annie Oakley, were played. In Back your Buddy Don Meyer and Dick Cheatley placed first and Ken Rahling and Tyler Schweigert shot second for the first round. The second round first place winners were Dick and Ken with Don and Dave Schweigert as second. Annie Oakley had two rounds also with Ken and Dick placing tirst and second respectively. Round two ended with Ken first and Tyler second.

We once again ended a beautiful summer day with a steak supper that was frilled to perfection. During this time door prizes were given out. Thanks to Jon for providing these and the shells for the shoot. Also thanks to the members of the Zap Gun Club for hosting this shoot.

Even though there is stiff competition going on this is a family event and we want you and your family to come. I would like to encourage any and all of you to practice shooting and to come out this August 8<sup>th</sup> to join us for a day of shooting, food, and fellowship.

Lori

Lori

### **Vision Statement**

A proactive, informed group of ND volunteers who dedicate themselves to promoting quality education, who are recognized as leaders in enriching our hunting heritage with respect to safety, integrity and conservation.



#### Making warm weather travel plans?

Visit the International Hunter Education Association website at www.ihea.com. Booking your plans here helps support the IHEA.



### Reorganizational Board Meeting January 25, 2009

President Dale Patrick called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM at the RamKota Hotel, Bismarck.

President Patrick welcomed new members to the Board. Introductions were made and a register was circulated for those District Directors and Officers present. They included: Dale Patrick Sr., Rodney O'Clair, Curt Walen, Clint Baxter, Terry Fasteen, Charles Vasicek, Darwin Bucholz, Don Meyer, Lori Schweigert, Scott Fasteen, Keith Dome, Al Klatt, Jerry Rekow.

District Directors absent: Ron Swenson, Dale Kilwein, Linda Miller, Clayton Thompson.

President Patrick commented that District budgets need to be submitted as soon as possible. Dale's email address is <u>dale\_patrick1@hotmail.com</u>.

President Patrick made the following committee assignments:.

Legislative – Rodney O'Clair and Dale Patrick Grievance – Terry Fasteen Website – Terry Fasteen Audit/Finance – Lori Schweigert, Linda Miller and Clint Baxter Raffle – Terry Fasteen and Dale Patrick Mentorship – Rodney O'Clair and Don Meyer Family Shooting Sports Events – Don Meyer, Rodney O'Clair, Charles Vasicek (Chuck expounded on what Missouri Valley does and how they could help with other events throughout the state) Caps – Rodney O'Clair Historian – Terry Fasteen Membership – Charles Vasicek Newsletter – Rodney O'Clair (Vice President)

With the naming of Clint Baxter as Treasurer, several issues were addressed. Clint gave his address for submission of bills and receipts. A copy of the Board minutes authorizing access changes needs to be presented to Gate City Bank. A motion naming the new executive committee to the accounts was made by Lori Schweigert, second by Jerry Rekow. Motion carried. Clint Baxter's info is as follows:

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Submissions of reports for the next newsletter need to be sent to Terry Fasteen within 10 days from this date. Terry's email address is <a href="mailto:terry.fasteen@kljeng.com">terry.fasteen@kljeng.com</a>. We all need to be reminded that Neva Walsh doesn't wish to be contacted any longer with association questions and newsletter inquiries. The newsletter chair will be the acting Vice President, Rodney O'Clair. Rodney will also take care of sending several Thank You cards related to the General Membership Meeting.

The NonProfit Corporation Annual Report form needs to be updated with new officers & addresses. To be done following this meeting. Secretary Curt Walen will return the form to the ND Secretary of State.

Quarterly Board Meetings for 2009 will be held at the Game and Fish headquarters building starting at 12 Noon on the following dates: April 18<sup>th</sup>, July 11<sup>th</sup> and October 17<sup>th</sup>. The July 11<sup>th</sup> date was selected because the Association's 2009 Raffle drawing will be held on Sunday, the 12<sup>th</sup>; Board members are encouraged to stay over and help sell tickets at Scheels before the 3:00 PM drawing time.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 AM. MSC Don Meyer, Darwin Bucholz. (MSC=Moved, Second, Carried)

Respectfully submitted, Curt Walen, Secretary

### General Membership Meeting January 25, 2009

President Terry Fasteen called the meeting to order at 8:40 AM at the RamKota Hotel.

President Fasteen had a sign in register circulated and called for any door prize donations to be brought to the front of the room. He pointed out several silent auction bid items for the membership to bid on.

Call for approval of the Agenda. Bill Titus, Tom Reiten; Moved, Second, Carried (MSC)

District Directors present: Clint Baxter, Lynn Lawler, Al Klatt, Lori Schweigert, Larry Kaul, Dale Kilwein, Scott Fasteen. Missing: Treasurer Trudeau, Lynda Miller, Clayton Thompson, Ron Swenson.

President Fasteen introduced the current Board and committee members.

Past President – Mark Walsh President – Terry Fasteen Vice President – Dale Patrick Secretary – Rodney O'Clair Treasurer – Clint Baxter – filling the unexpired term of Ernie Trudeau The district representatives introduced themselves Membership – Charles Vasicek Hunter Education Coordinator – Jon Hanson, North Dakota Game and Fish Department

#### Secretary Report

Secretary O'Clair called attention to the minutes of the previous meeting as published in the first Issue of the 2008 newsletter and asked for a motion to approve them as published. Dale Kilwein, Mark Walsh; MSC

#### Treasury Report

The Treasury report is delayed due to illness and will be delivered via email or printed in the newsletter. President Fasteen announced Treasurer Trudeau has submitted his resignation due to health issues and that he had appointed Clint Baxter to complete the unexpired term. The Board of Directors confirmed the appointment. The action can be found in the minutes of the 1-24-09 board minutes.

President Fasteen called for a Cap committee report. Chairman O'Clair reported 676 caps sold and two landowner thermos' presented. Cap profits were \$1684.08.

President Fasteen called for members to check personal archives for old newsletters they could provide to the historian. In the legislative report, co-chairman O'Clair announced there were several bills that pertained to hunter education and more bills of general interest. Websites to view bills and to read blogs can be found at <u>www.nodakoutdoors.com</u>, <u>www.gf.nd.gov</u>, and <u>www.northlandoutdoors.com</u>. There are other groups that also list bills including the North Dakota Legislative Council at <u>www.legis.nd.gov/information/bills</u>. Members should monitor bills they have an interest in and contact legislators or testify as they see fit. NDHEA does not lobby for or against bills and encourages all members to be heard individually.

Charles Vasicek, membership committee chairman, reported 161 paid 2009 memberships including 8 life members.

President Fasteen informed the membership of the changes in the website management and newsletter preparation. The changes were brought about due to the resignation of Neva Walsh. Lisa Jackson, Fargo, will prepare the newsletter for \$100 per issue. Newsletter submissions should be sent to Terry. Noel Ison, Kansas City, Mo., has been hired to manage the website. The vice president position will be the point of contact for the website manager.

Lori Schweigert address the membership on the ZAP fun shoot event and promoted it's activities. She announced the 2009 date was set for August 8.

Mark and Terry reported on the successful 2008 antelope tag raffle. O'Clair reported on the tickets sold and gross receipts.

The Audit committee was missing material to provide a complete audit but found no issues in the materials that were provided. The audit will be completed at a later date. Acceptance of the audit will need to be approved at the 2010 general membership meeting. The meeting was recessed for awarding of door prizes.

President Fasteen reconvened the meeting and discussed the purchase of a new NDHEA banner and displayed it to the membership.

It was announced the NDHEA is meeting the probationary requirements toward receiving a full determination of tax exemption and charitable contribution status by the IRS.

#### New Business

Nominations for the position of Secretary were opened. The nominating committee placed Curt Walen name on the ballot. Sensing no further nominations, there was a motion to close nominations and a unanimous ballot be cast for Curt Walen as Secretary. MSC; Darwin Bucholz, Charles Vasicek.

With advancement of the executive committee, the 2010 officers are;

President	Dale Patrick Sr., Bismarck
Vice President	Rodney O'Clair, Jamestown
Secretary	Curt Walen, Carrington
Treasurer	Clint Baxter, Minot

President Fasteen announced the Board Award recipient for 2008 is Neva Walsh for her outstanding service to NDHEA with the newsletter, website and raffle. She received a standing ovation.

The meeting recessed for all Districts to hold caucuses and odd numbered districts to hold elections. District 2 will also hold elections as Clint Baxter has been appointed Treasurer.

President Fasteen reconvened the meeting and called on Districts for reports. District 1 will retain Ron Swenson as director. District 2 did not elect a new director. District 3 has elected Darwin Bucholz as director. District 4 retains Don Meyer as director. He is filling the unexpired term of Leland Bratlie. District 5 retains Lori Schweigert as director. District 6 retains Scott Fasteen as director. District 7 has elected Keith Domke as director. District 8 has retained Al Klatt as director. District 9 has reelected Dale Kilwein as director. District 10 has retained Lynda Miller. District 11 has elected Jerry Rekow as director. Clayton Thompson remains the Director of District 12. New directors were congratulated.

Shawn Sharoen was the winner of the drawing for the muzzle loader combo pack. Scott Fasteen was the winner of the hunting vest.

President Fasteen discussed the purchase of theft insurance versus the purchase of gun safes for NDHEA equipment. Jon Hanson will also check on the purchase of gun cabinets if needed. Much discussion followed with the decision made to complete an equipment inventory and further investigate gun cabinet/safe/insurance needs. Inventory with model and serial number of firearms is to be sent to Terry or the director ASAP.

President Fasteen reminded District Directors to submit budgets to the Secretary or Treasurer.

Dale Patrick promoted the antelope tag fund raising raffle and announced the availability of tickets from him. It is also noted 5,000 tickets have been printed and there is an omission on the prize list which should state the gift certificates have a \$50 value.

President Fasteen discussed the mentored hunting and shooting program and some of the results. He introduced the foldable brochures available to advertise the program and solicit recruitment. He appealed to the membership to be more active in this effort. Jon Hanson also encouraged members to visit the National Shooting Sports Foundation website for information on hunter recruitment and mentoring. Rodney O'Clair outlined the mentor efforts from 2008, the successes and short comings and gave a financial overview. Good discussion was heard from the members.

President Fasteen presented the presidents award to Al Klatt for his efforts in fund raising and presenting a \$5000 award he received from him employer to NDHEA. Al also received a gag gift and a standing ovation.

President Fasteen concluded his comments and stepped down as president, turning the gavel over to incoming President Dale Patrick Sr. Dale presented Terry with a past president pin and thanked him for his service to the applause of the members.

Dale outlined some of his goals, missions and dreams for NDHEA in 2009. He emphasized increased membership, expansion of family shooting events, mentored hunts and increased member participation.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am. MSC Don Meyer, Bill Titus

Respectfully submitted, Rodney O'Clair, Secretary

Note to the membership; The Executive Board held an email meeting. There was a motion to approve an effort by Dale Kilwein to solicit donations to replace stolen guns and to submit receipts of funds to the treasurer. The funds would be available to Dale from the treasurer to make purchases and 10% of the donations usually placed in the general fund would not be deducted. MSC; O'Clair, Trudeau Copies of the emails are filed in the secretaries binder.

### 2009 FEBRUARY MEETING



NDHEA President Fasteen awards the 2009 Presidents Award to Al Klatt for his grant donation and fund raising efforts for the mentorship



President Fasteen awards Neva Walsh with the 2009 NDHEA Board award for all of her effort in developing the NDHEA Newsletter, and work associated with the Association forms and assistance with the yearly raffle



President Fasteen awards the Grand Prize in the membership drawing to Shawn Sharoen at the 2009 annual meeting in Bismarck



Scott Fasteen shows off his membership raffle upland vest donated by Scheels All Sports from Bismarck



District 6 members left to right Chuck Vasicek, Bill Titus and Scott Fasteen



NDHEA members make the motion and second to adjourn 2009 annual meeting



NDHEA membership listens in at the 2009 annual meeting at the Ramkota Hotel in Bismarck





### THANK YOU!

Thank you to those who participate, sponsor, and volunteer for the NDHEA.

### **Upcoming Events**

#### • 2009 Quarterly Board Meetings

April 18—12 Noon @ Game & Fish Building, Bismarck, ND

April 23-25-2009 IHEA Annual Conference, Mississauga, Ontario

July 11—12 Noon @ Game & Fish Building

July 12-Raffle Drawing! 3:00 p.m. Scheels

August 8-Zap Shoot

October 17-12 Noon @ Game & Fish Building

#### • 2009 Legislation Watch

Websites to view bills and to read blogs:

www.nodakoutdoors.com

www.gf.nd.gov

www.northlandoutdoors.com.

North Dakota Legislative Council: www.legis.nd.gov/information/bills.

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