



Presidents Message:

Dear Members,

Wow, what a busy couple of months! In August we had our first annual Jakes Day at Lyman Park with 62 kids attending. The day was a huge success thanks to all the volunteers who took time out of their busy lives to make sure our local children had a chance to experience the outdoors. Thank you to those volunteers; Lyle Galloway, Mike and Cindy Perry, Kim and Mark Kitchen, Donnie and Elisha Lewis and Hans Hurlbutt.

On Sept. 26th my wife, Amanda and I attended the State Chapter meeting and were elected to the Board Of Directors. Amanda was also elected as the State Secretary and Hans Hurlbutt from our local chapter was elected as a BOD member also. This gives our local chapter a big voice at our state meetings. We are able to attend and bring any questions, concerns and suggestions to the board.

I would like to also welcome the members of the Whatcom County and Snohomish County Chapters, you are now part of the North Sound Gobblers. That means you have new officers and committee members, so please keep the contact info from this newsletter and feel free to contact me or Amanda anytime for questions or concerns.

Our banquet date has been set, see the next page for the info, and our merchandise has been ordered. All we are in need of now is more committee members. It doesn't take a lot of time to be on the committee and make a big impact. We also give incentives, a committee only gun raffle and committee only merchandise which this year will be determined upon the number of presold tickets. If this year is any better than last year the committee members will be eligible for a very nice gun raffle and merchandise. So if you are interested please let us know. We will be having meetings in different locations to accommodate those members who live or work in Whatcom and Snohomish Counties, page 3 has upcoming meeting dates and we will be posting more on our website as they are scheduled.

For those of you with Jakes please watch your mail box later this year for coloring contest info. We will announce the winner at our banquet! New this year at our banquet will be a brag board. Start gathering your pictures now of your turkey harvests to share with your fellow members.

Our chapter Vice President position is vacant. We are looking for a candidate that is interested in organizing outreach events and our annual banquet. If interested please contact me.

One of the easiest ways for us to keep you in the loop is with email. If you haven't received an email from us lately it means you aren't on our distribution list. If you would like to be included send me an email at northsoundgobblers@live.com.

Make sure and read through this newsletter carefully. There is a lot going on and we want you all to be able to participate in the outreach opportunities!

The new chapter website was also launched last month. Check it out,

northsoundgobblers.com

We will be posting all meeting, events and other important information there.

Best Wishes, Jim Lee

Save The Date!
Hunter Heritage Banquet
February 27, 2010
Cotton Tree Inn
Mt. Vernon
Doors open @ 5:00 p.m.
Games, Raffles, Silent Auction
Dinner @ 6:00 p.m.
Live Auction & Jakes Prizes

Singles \$60 Couples \$90 Jakes \$20
Order forms will be sent out later this year!

Twice as many BIGGER and BETTER items as last year!



Education is the Key to our Future!

The NWTF believes education is the key to cultivating future stewards and support for the conservation of the wild turkey, our natural resources and the outdoor heritage we treasure. The NWTF has a scholarship program for graduating seniors. All students receiving local scholarships for \$500 will have the opportunity to compete for a state chapter funded \$1,000 scholarship. State chapter winners will compete for a \$10,000 national scholarship.

If you know a senior who you think might be interested,

Applications can be found on the national website, NWTF.ORG under the Outreach tab.

Applications are due to the North Sound Gobblers by

Jan. 1, 2010

The NWTF also partners with Future Farmers of America to provide scholarships: The NWTF provides a \$5,000 scholarship to a student pursuing a wildlife management or agriculture degree. The scholarship fund is administered through the National Future Farmers of America Foundation. For more information, see your FFA advisor.



Turkey Hunters Care is about brightening the holidays for others. We provide frozen domestic turkeys to less fortunate families in our community. This year we are teaming up with the Lyman Food Bank for Thanksgiving turkeys and The Sedro-Woolley School District Bus Garage for Christmas turkeys. It is our goal to purchase 65 turkeys this year.

We need your help to do that..You can make things a little easier this year for a local family by donating either an actual frozen turkey, 12-15 pounds, or by sending a check for \$15.00. If you have a turkey for us to pick up please send us an email or give us a call. Without your help we can't make this happen. So please donate!

Do you know a local artist? We would like to find artist from the area to donate to our banquet. We are looking for anything from paintings to wood carvings. If you know someone or have any ideas on items please let us know.

Want to stay up to date on the State Chapter? Join the Washington State Chapter of the NWTF group on Face Book.

Have something to share? This is your newsletter. Email us what you would like to include and we will get it in the next newsletter.



We are looking for Committee Members-

Its time to pull together our committee for not only our banquet but also Turkey Hunters Care and the Scholarship Board. Upcoming meetings are below:

Tuesday November 17, 2009 @ 6:30

Wednesday December 9, 2009 @6:30

320 E. Fairhaven Ave. Suite 209 Burlington, WA (upstairs in the Knutzen Building).

If you need directions please call 360.333.0341

Because this is an office building, with businesses still working in the evening, these meetings won't allow for small children.

North Sound Gobblers Officers

President -Jim Lee (360)333-8094

Vice President-Vacant

Secretary/ Treasurer-Amanda Lee (360)333-0341

Committee Members

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