

The January meeting of the WHC was called to order by Vice President, Bud Freeman, January 20, 2009 at 7:30 pm. The meeting was held at the Wadsworth Eagles Club. The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance. The November minutes were accepted as printed in the newsletter. There was no December meeting. There were 29 members and 1 visitor in attendance.

Officer reports

President– Mike Bailey was not present.

Vice President - Bud Freeman had nothing to report.

Treasurer- Jim Boziger gave the financial report.

Membership Secretary– Norm Tipton reported that dues are due (\$50.00) and to make checks payable to WHC.

Recording Secretary–Michelle

Lance had nothing to report.

Webmaster - Rich Sponsler reported that the 2009 application and range waiver is now on the website.

Committee reports

Conservation League– Bud Freeman reported that there will be an upcoming meeting. (It was held at the end of January)

Youth program - Bart Randolph was not present.

Range committee– Todd Figard reported that the range was snowed in– and if you go in your going in at your own risk.

Building Committee-Bud Freeman had nothing to report.

Pheasant Programs– Wade Bishop had nothing to report.

License Agent-Bill Liska reported the \$ amount of the most recent commissions from license sales and stated that he had the new fishing regs with him.

Charitable works-Zane Walker reported that we helped 4 families for Christmas but that he was now out of meat. Virgil read a thank you from Wadsworth FISH and asked for applause for Ron Putt who always does the shopping and delivery of presents to our adopted family.

Unfinished Business

The candy prices have dropped: We need your help in either buying some or signing some out to sell. The small tin of mints are \$ 2.00 each and the large tin of mints are \$ 3.00 each.

Bud Freeman said the winner of the BIG BUCK CONTEST will be announced at the next meeting and that only 3 had been checked in.

New Business

Board of Director terms were up for Ed Steele, Dick Fenton, and Jim Farnsworth.

Nominations were opened to fill these positions. Those nominated were: Jim Farnsworth, Dick Fenton and Zane Walker.

Conservation League Representatives terms were up for John Kachmar, Jim Birkbeck, Jack Mazur and Mike Wilson. Nominations were made for John Kachmar, Jim Birkbeck, Jack Mazur and Rich Sponsler.

Officer position terms are up for Mike Bailey, Bud Freeman, Michelle Lance, Norm Tipton, Jim Bozigar, and Rich Sponsler. Nominations were opened and those nominated were: Mike Bailey for President, Bud Freeman for Vice President, Michelle Lance for Recording secretary, (Michelle declined nomination but stated she would stay on until a replacement was found), Norm Tipton for Membership Secretary, Jim Bozigar for Treasurer and Rich Sponsler for Webmaster.

Board of Directors, Conservation League Reps and Officers will be voted on at the next meeting.

A motion was made and approved for the club to spend \$ 100.00 at the big Buehlers meat sale to replenish supplies for Charitable Works.

Announcements

-NRA- Did you know members can renew/join online, pay by credit card – and the Club automatically gets credit as the recruiter? We will now have the option of renewing/joining through the mail or online at a discounted rate and the Club gets credit as the recruiter (\$10/new member, \$5/renewal). Please consider renewing your NRA membership through The Wadsworth Hunt Club. You can do this through a link on our website:

<http://www.wadsworthhuntclub.org>

The Feb. meeting will be Feb. 17th at the Wadsworth Eagles Club. 7:30.

***Board of Directors and officers will be meeting at 7:00 before each monthly membership meeting**

Dues are Due!

Please mail your checks made payable to: WHC to: Norm Tipton-1228 Ledgestone Dr. Wadsworth, OH 44281 With a stamped returned addressed envelope.

Ducks Unlimited Banquet is tentatively scheduled for April 4th at The Galaxy in Wadsworth. Time and more information will follow.

Todd Figard reported that he attended the State Friends of NRA Grant Meeting and was encouraging our club to participate and request grants for events such as our youth camps.

Door Prize Winners

Mike Wilson, Gene Steele, Todd Figard, Dick Rathmell, Ed Steele, Steven Herchek, Norm Tipton, Bill Liska

50/50 winner

Paul Lorson

The Prez Sez.....

Friends,

Winter is in full swing and most everybody is stuck indoors. I have been in western New York enjoying all this snow on snowmobiles with my family. I hope you all can find a way to pass the time until it warms up outside.

We will be electing new officers in February so it is not too late to get your name in. Nominations will be taken at the meeting. We need some new faces serving our club in whatever capacity you are available.

Tickets will be available at the February meeting for the spring raffle, which will consist of a Marlin .17 HMR rifle as well as other great prizes. We need your support both buying and selling tickets. These raffles help fund the many worthwhile projects our club executes.

I have seen a lot of action at local Gun Shows lately; I think we may be able to get some interest from perspective members in a forum such as this. If you think this is a good idea, mention it to me at the meeting and we may be able to get something started.

See you at the next meeting,
Mike Bailey-
President