



NEWS CASTS

October 2008

New Meeting Location

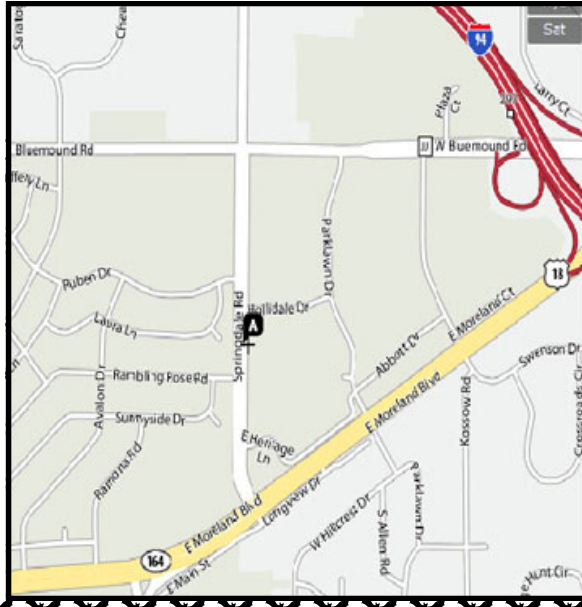
Best location since the times at the Hyw 100 Steak House

Waukesha Elks Lodge #400 —

2301 Springdale Rd

Waukesha, WI 53186 —

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Once you find the Elks Club, drive around to the Back and enter through the double doors. There is ample parking. However, no food or beverage is permitted to be carried in the building. There is a Bar in the meeting room where refreshments can be purchased.

Come on and give it a try. We are committed for the October 28th and November 18th meetings.

Speaker for the October meeting is Adam Oberfoell, and topic will be "Fall Muskies Tactics".

More about Adam at his web site

www.getthenetmuskyguide.com

We must find a Banquet coordinator and officers for 2009

You all know that the Banquet is our major Fund Raiser and we have come to rely on it as our major funding tool.. We are in need of a coordinator for the 2009 event.

This person will function as the hub of the activities., Numerous members with experience in this area are available and willing to help. For example, Tom Arvoy, Ron Groeschl, Darrell Mack, Craig Niermann, Don Jahncke, plus others.

The major issue is that due to circumstances, ranging from planned surgery, to vacations, to job responsibilities, non of the above can assume the leadership/coordination of this project. There will be help in the development of the project as Tom could do the brochure and other computer related activities, Ron can help with inventory, the letters and inventory programs are tried and ready to go again. We even have some inventory being accumulated.

It would be best that the person have time during the day to facilitate the various items on the list. Their main role would

be to find the location, (we had a good one last year), store the inventory, coordinate the solicitation of items, and lead the planning for the event.

This is a most important event, without it, our chapter would not be able to provide the things we do for the community.

The good thing is that there is a lot of experienced help available to develop the program.

If interested in finding out more about this project, contact Tom Arvoy, acting president at (262) 542-9997 or tom.arvoy@att.net.

2009 Commemorative lures will be for sale at the next meeting

Elections for 2009

The election of chapter officers is an annual event, guided by Muskie Inc. procedures and guidelines. The October meeting begins the election process with members being put into nomination from the floor at the meeting. Everyone in the chapter is eligible for this process. We are beginning a slate of officers, and will accept nominations for all positions. The members who have expressed interest to-date are:

President—Tom Arvoy

Vice-President—

Treasurer—

Secretary—Nicole Moskalk

MOFC— Mike Phelps

Youth Fishing Outings—

Membership—

Rep to International—Bob Petzke

Research—

Merchandise Director—Ron Groeschl

Any other interest is also appreciated.

If you want to know more in-depth about these positions, and the responsibilities of them, contact our Election Committee Head, Darrell Mack at 262-542-5845 or dwmack@sbcglobal.net or the president, Tom Arvoy at (262) 542-9997 or tom.arvoy@att.net.

About the Members Only fishing Contest To-Date

Mike Phelps has had fun with the information which our chapter has created this year! Some very nice fish have been registered to-day, and the fall season is just approaching. Some of the highlights from his wonderful Excel program show that we have 7 fish 50 and over!

Rick "Persistent" Wyrwas has a 54".

Ron "Nothing Smaller" Heidenreich has a 53" and a 50".

Brian "Reliable" Fons has a 50".

Mary "Me to Guys" Pokora has a 52".

Steve "Funky Chicken" Berg has a 52".

Steven "The Up & Comer" Reigstad has a 51".

To add more to the Chapter BIG Picture by Division/Grouping

Men's Division, 20 guys registered a total of 141 fish, 47 are over 40"

Men's Masters (formerly winners of Men's Division: 7 guys registered a total of 136 fish, 28 over 40"

Women's Division, 3 ladies registered 9 fish, 3 over 40".

Women's Master Division, 4 ladies registered 25 fish, 8 over 40".

Junior Division, 2 youth registered 4 fish.

Grand total or 87 fish over 40" so far this year.

Remember to register your catches, there is not time limit to enter, other then 30 days after the end of the year.

Other Chapter News

- We do reflect on the loss of Ralph Anderson this past month. His family has presented gifts from his service to both Muskies Inc., Youth Fund and the Cops and Bobbers program in Pewaukee, each gift was very generous and well received from those programs. The chapter is working on a special long time memorial in Ralph's name. More will be told when it is approved and initiated.
- Another loss was Libby Praedel. Wife of Mike Praedel, they own the Consumer Beverage Mart in Hales Corners and have been extremely generous to the community and organization such as ours and The Muskellunge Club of Wisconsin, An avid musky fishing family, with an interest in youth fishing, a donation was made in Libby's name from the Chapter to the Cops and Bobbers program.
- The Chapter Board has a special meeting this past week to discuss the new Muskies Inc. Bylaws and Chapter Charter information which was provided by the International president, Dan Narsete. Bob Petzke will represent the chapter at the meeting in Kentucky on October 25th. It is a hard document to handle as it revolves around the new organization with the Regional Concept and how to populate that structure with representatives, and then extract the officers to manage and run the organization. It will have some fine tuning during the meeting because as it now stands, your board does not understand exactly how it will function. We know that there will be one annual spring meeting with representation, and a regional meeting in the fall, the cost of which will be shared by the Regional Chapters. But how motions are handled, forwarded to other regions and the board, and other such items have to be defined. This is a time for patience.

Observations from someone who is concerned about the chapter

This upcoming election and the past year of activities has cause me concern. I guess that I was brought up in a different time. It may have been a time of giving, a time of caring, a time of concern for others. Maybe old school. I know that times have changed. There is more to do. The kids are involved in more then ever, school activities for both boys and girls, hobbies, interests which never existed, such as web and computer games. Change is constant.

There used to be a time when we taught the " 5 R's". Reading, 'Riting, 'Richmetic, Respect, and Responsibility. Those last 2 are what I miss the most. Think about how many times a day, you see the lack of those, both at work and outside.

Your Chapter is going through a time of need. The need is for members to step up and participate. As they say in the religious communities, "Time and Talents". Our chapter will have to severely change its direction of assisting if we do not get help with our drive for members to participate in our programs. No Banquet means: no fish stocking, not being able to pay our insurance fee to Muskies Inc., no youth program, no outings for the MS group, no participation in the community programs we support, no participation in the International etc. The result is we might just become another fishing club. Why, lack of participation to keep the Chapter dream going.

Lets hope that the call for volunteers is heard. This chapter has a history of being one of the best and looked at with respect from the other 50, but we are close to losing it. Ron Groeschl

Calendar of things

October 28—Meeting at the Elk's Club

November 18—Meeting at the Elk's Club

January 23—25th All Canada Show

January 27—Meeting

February 13—15th

February 24—Meeting



March— 24 Meeting



April— 28 Meeting

May 9th—The 25th Pewaukee Musky Classic





Notice to Members,

 One of the items that the Chapter Board is addressing is How many meetings should be hold, and also what is the budget for these meetings? 

 Those who do attend have enjoyed the speakers and programs. But attendance has become an issues. We would appreciate any input to the topics of: 

1—number of Meetings and when

 2—types of programs. 



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