

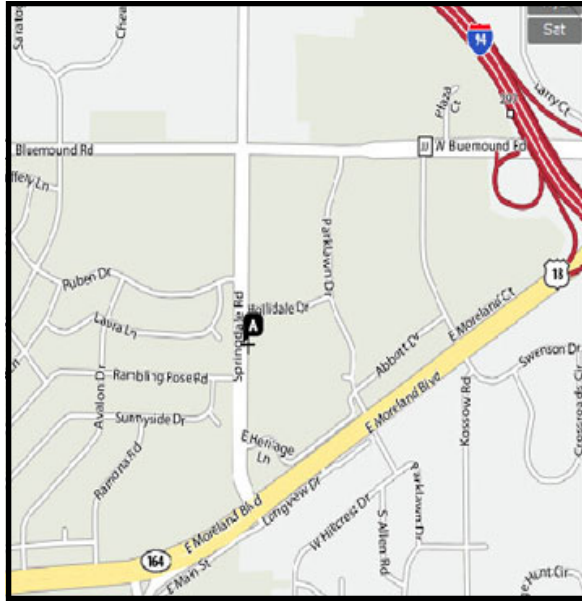


# NEWS CASTS

January 2009

**Join us at the new meeting location**  
**We will be here thru 2009—Great Speakers lined up!**

**Waukesha Elks Lodge #400**  
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Speaker for the January 27th meeting is **Scott Kieper**, who will present on "Wisconsin Monsters from Pressure Ponds". This was a well received presentation at the Chicago Tri-Esox show, so bring your note pad.

An additional presentation will be made by chapter member, **Bill Schwartz**, of Slammer Tackle. Bill will discuss his lures and the move to high intensity plastic from the prior wood based lures.

## About the Banquet, it is on for March 30th.

Well, here it is again; Time to raise money that will sustain our club for the meetings, speakers, outings, youth programs and other activities through 2009. Our Banquet is scheduled for Monday, March 30, 2009 at the Muskego Lakes Country Club. Yes, it's the same location as last year. We're printing the invitations and they will be mailed out by the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in January. As usual, we are in need of a few volunteers to call/write/visit some of our known donors and ask for donations or product discounts. We have all the necessary documents to assist anyone in this effort (form letters, flyers, etc.). This year it's even more important to get involved because the Banquet Director will not be picking up known donors without an assigned solicitor.

The Banquet Director has a list of Donors where we still need solicitors assigned. It will be at the General Meetings along with sample letters and flyers. So if you have an interest in keeping our club solvent and can spare just a little time, call or email the director or sign up at the General meeting. Also, if you know another business not on our list, by all means feel free to ask them for a donation. If one half of our members could arrange for a donation, we'd be in great shape!

Banquet Director:

Tom Arvoy Phone: 262-542-9997 email [tom.arvoy@att.net](mailto:tom.arvoy@att.net)

## **The Prez Says**

Happy New Year everyone and I sincerely hope 2009 brings you health, prosperity and of course great Muskie fishing. It's an honor to be chosen as President of the Chapter, and I promise to do my very best to continue our current goals while attempting to improve the club for its most important people - our membership. To that end, I need your involvement with ideas that will increase both general meeting and extra activity participation. Sometimes we forget this should be a fun organization where we meet new people, share fishing stories/tips in addition to the educational aspects of the Muskie environment. Trust me; while the Board members do an excellent job, they readily welcome your input for club activities, meeting items, News-cast articles and delivery method. Remember, this is your club - you can and should mold it to achieve the functionality that best supports your interest in remaining a member. You can call or email me anytime with suggestions. My phone and email are posted on our web site and also in our News Letters.

OK, some of you have attended our general meetings at the new Elks Club location. For those who have not and may be apprehensive about another move, I think it's one of the better places we've had in several years. It's a quiet surrounding atmosphere with sufficient room and a bar in the meeting area. We have contracted with them for all of 2009 and see no reason at this time to change in the future. So come to the next meeting January 27<sup>th</sup> and check it out.

One of the summer activities we enjoyed in past years was our involvement with youth fishing. We had associations (and still have so far) with a few youth groups that we'd schedule outings either on pontoons or on our own volunteer boats. Unfortunately, our Youth Director resigned and we are in urgent need of a replacement. If anyone has an interest to work with these groups and continue this program, please call or email me ASAP. Let's not lose this program.

We've been thinking about increasing the Chapter outings from once a month to twice a month on different days or maybe even once a week. Nothing set in concrete - just brainstorming at this point. Please provide comments from those who may participate.

Anyway I'm looking to an exciting year for the club. While planned activities like bringing in great speakers, our Banquet in March, the Classic in May, converting the Delafield pond and developing the new pond will keep us fairly busy, I hope we can introduce some new and interesting items for both the general meetings and other club events.

Again, I hope you'll have a great 2009 and I do wish you'll contact me or even other friends on the board with constructive comments that will help improve our club.

Thanks  
Tom Arvoy - President

## **The new officers of the chapter are.....**

President - Tom Arvoy      262-542-9997 email [tom.arvoy@att.net](mailto:tom.arvoy@att.net)

Vice President - Pat Kilps      262-628-1293

Treasurer - Nancy Hinkforth      262-781-4963

RVP - Bob Petzke      262-442-6660

Secretary - Nicole Moskaluk      262-646-2762

## Other Chapter News

### Changes at the Delafield Pond

We received a call from the Delafield Parks Department about the condition of our sign at the pond. The years of grass trimming and age had brought the condition of the sign to a state where it was a danger to those around it. Basically it was ready to topple onto who ever or whatever was near it. It was taken down and will be destroyed.

This sign issue does not really cause us alarm, as the use of the pond is going to change. It was discussed at the November Board meeting with Ben Heussner, our local DNR Fish Manager, who was present to discuss a few items. It was decided that this pond would be best to serve as a 'Public Fishing Hole' for the youth and handicapped of the region. This concept has been discussed by the Board and with the DNR's approval further discussion with the City of Delafield will be taking place. Consideration of installing a pier for better access is one of the subjects to be considered. This would take place in 2010 as with all projects, time and resources are to be aligned. The DNR will assist with the signage as this will be classified as an 'urban fishery' and will receive stocking from them in the early summer of each year their program exists.

The second half of this is the standard question of what about raising muskies? We have done that for almost 20 years? Well, the DNR has offered a really viable solution. They have a spring fed pond in the SE Kettle Moraine, called the Amely Pond. We will be working with them to bring this up to the standards necessary for our normal short term 'fattening-up' cycle.

The motion to proceed with this plan was passed at the November meeting.

### Additional Merchandise has arrived.

We have ordered additional items with the chapter logo on them. This batch includes caps, shirts (male and female) and the green windbreaker jackets. All will be available at the Jan. meeting. Please come early and purchase so that Rong does not have to carry them back and forth to the meetings.

### We are looking for members to share their knowledge of lakes.

Being good stewards of the money we raise, and really caring about the quality of our meetings, we are again resurrecting our old time stand-by program of "Favorite Lakes" and/or "The trip I can't forget". If you would like to do a 10 or 15 minute presentation at one of our meetings, that would be great. We can support presentations with a lot of different media, such as a projector hooked up to a DVD or a laptop, and the old standby of the overhead projector to show transparencies. We have a 35mm projector, which works, but most guys these days use digital cameras. We would make copies of any material that you would wish to hand out, or assist with the creation of the program if help was necessary.

Call Crain Niermann to coordinate a date. 414-406-2105

## Going to need some help at the Musky Expo

Dates for the show are Feb 13th, Noon to 9:00pm; Feb14th, 9:00am to 6:00pm; Feb15th, 9:00am to 4:00pm

Admission fee is \$10.00 per day or \$20.00 for the show, children under 12 are free—parking is \$5.00

We will reimburse your entrance fees if you desire. The schedule asks for a 3 hour commitment. That will give you the other 6 hours to tour the show and/or go to seminars. More info at [www.muskieexpo.com](http://www.muskieexpo.com)

We are having a NEW MEMBER PUSH again. The incentive is that new members will get a chance to win a rod and reel at the Banquet drawing. You will be actively flagging them down and telling them about our chapter and its accomplishments, also handing out the invitations to the March 30th Banquet and the 25th annual Pewaukee Classic.

To sign up, contact Ron Groeschl at 262-789-1255 or [rgroeschl@wi.rr.com](mailto:rgroeschl@wi.rr.com)

# The Milwaukee Chapter Member Only Contest

From the Chapter Lunge Log and beyond. - Mike Phelps

As many with a current e-mail address know, a request from chapter President Tom Arvoy was sent out with a request for your pictures on my behalf. It's the time of year where the Members Only Fishing Contest chair tabulates final results from Lunge Log registrations, combines member photos, and generates the MOFC booklet. I'll also be ordering awards for division places and "lunker of the month" for months the muskie season is open in Wisconsin. I'm still accepting photos through e-mail and by mail (2012 Fieldcrest Lane, Waukesha, WI 53186), but please let me know they are on the way. I'm looking to complete the document for print by January 31<sup>st</sup> if not before.

With the reorganization of the International, the International Spring meeting has been replaced with regional meetings. As a result, International Lunge Log Administrator Jim Bunch has informed chapters that those who placed for awards at the International level will be distributed to the respective chapters for presentation.

Last year, the chapter had a guest speaker in addition to Awards Night. This year, March's meeting will be focused on delivering awards, but more importantly sharing stories of the season in review. We recognize that some do not wish to register their releases into the Lunge Log, but we still welcome you to share your memories. For those who aren't familiar registering releases but wish to do so, I can be reached by e-mail ([mphelps@wi.rr.com](mailto:mphelps@wi.rr.com)) or my mobile phone @ 414-807-3659. If you'd like to share your story or stories, please let me know that too!

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## Feb 24th Meeting

One of our favorite 'friends from the 'Up-North', Ken Jackson of St. Germain, is coming back for a presentation on the "ARC of a Lake". It is best explained as a review of the components of a lake which aid in creating a quality fishery. There is more than just water quality, just a good weed base, just a good forage, it takes a lot, so let's learn. [www.jacksonslakeside.com/resorthistory.shtml](http://www.jacksonslakeside.com/resorthistory.shtml) will provide a great look at this excellent family resort.

## How about a Canadian vacation?

Canada does sound like a great trip. Some of us are lucky enough to have experienced it, and of course we relish the opportunity to go back and get the BIG ONES and/or have that walleye outing of a lifetime. One of our annual sponsors and friends, Bryant and Kathleen Rheault are in their 20th year of owning and operating the Bayview Lodge of Minaki, Ontario. (check it out at <http://www.minaki-bayviewlodge.com>).

They are offering a discount if we can fill a cabin of 10 during the week of July 18th thru the 25th. There is a new moon that week, should be great. It is not only muskies, there are Northerns, small mouth, walleyes by the bucketful, scenery and wild life along with sunsets to last you forever. (How about 188 walleyes in 3 hours in two boats, each with 2 rookie fishermen in them.)

If you get a chance, go to the All-Canada show and check it out. Bryan is on the circuit and will be glad to share a map and explain ALL of the various fishing options. Of course if you want the big buck of a lifetime, he will be glad to show that option also. There is a marina, various gas options, bait shops and food stores.

Here is some contact info for you.

Info on the fishing trip—Ron Groeschl 262-789-1255 or [rgroeschl@wi.rr.com](mailto:rgroeschl@wi.rr.com)

About the arrangements/facility, Bryan, Kathleen, and Jennifer run the lodge

The web site is above, 800-844-7907, email [bayviewlodge@bellnet.ca](mailto:bayviewlodge@bellnet.ca)

Bayview Lodge

Box 21

Minaki, Ontario, Canada

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Rate info based on 10 members could be as follows:

Housekeeping with your own boat (they have great ones to rent) about \$392.00 Canadian includes taxes, Conversion rate would be \$321.00 USD

Options are available example: Breakfast only \$76.00 Canadian = \$62.00 USD

There are multiple bathrooms and multiple refrigerators, grills etc, full cabins.

## More Chapter News

### Cops and Bobbers Program begins in June.

The end of the school year begins the Youth Fishing Season. The Pewaukee Police are again scheduling the 10 weeks of youth fishing on Tuesday mornings. We are looking for help on the pontoons this year. Each of the 3 pontoon boats gets a driver and a helper. They are the volunteers from this chapter and wherever. They are assisted by an officer and usually a teenager from the Pewaukee High School. Other students handle the cooking as there are hot dogs, brats, and Italians for the kids and helpers.

If you become a boat driver, your day starts at Smokey's East where you pick up the bait and the boat about 9:00am and return it about Noon. Else you would meet the boat and kids at Smokey's West at about 9:20–9:30. We are back at Smokey's West at about 11:30 and then go to lunch.

If you think that you could be available for some, (it is not necessary to be there for all of the events) give a call with your availability before the season starts to Ron Groeschl at 262-789-1255 or [rgroeschl@wi.rr.com](mailto:rgroeschl@wi.rr.com).

There will be a few other outings in May, so keep your eyes and ears posted for those events also.

### The Pewaukee Classic can also use some help for registration and at the end of the day.

Registration on May 9th begins 6:30am at Netteshiem Park for about an hour and then again to set up for the dinner from 1:30 for that, and again more help at 3:30 for about an hour of raffle ticket selling.

The details are always handled by Bryan Blanke who can be reached at (262) 703-0399 or [bblankefish@yahoo.com](mailto:bblankefish@yahoo.com)

# Fish Stocking in 2008

On November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008, the Milwaukee Chapter completed its agreement with MuskieFIRST to stock as many Wisconsin strain muskies into Okauchee as the money they raised for a fallen member of their online community would fund. Minnesota Muskie Farm delivered 750 fish, about 12 to 14 inches long to the Golden Mast. New state requirements caused a few delays and short notice on the request to help distribute fish, but Gene Daul, Larry Price, Bob Petzke, and Mike Phelps were able to assist that afternoon.



## More about our sponsors and friends

**Steve Miljat** has been a chapter member for many years. His passion for fishing has resulted in his career being changed. He is now a full time guide, and wildlife artist who gives the most informative seminars on the circuit. He is available for not only the best musky guiding trips in southeast Wisconsin including the usual Pewaukee and Oconomowoc and Okauchee, but also knows the secrets of **Fowler, Lac La Belle, North Lake, and Pine Lake**. They all are connected by the Oconomowoc River or feeder creeks, and also support fishable musky populations. Steve also has 'mucho' success with magnificent walleye trips. You might want to try Little Bay De Noc in the fall. He also handles trips to Vermillion MN. So call if you would want to try that 'large lake' of 'large fish'. His site is [www.miljat.com](http://www.miljat.com)

Call Steve - 414-791-9496 or Email - [miljat@earthlink.net](mailto:miljat@earthlink.net)

I was always taught to respect my elders.  
Now I don't have anyone to respect.



[www.pmcaregivers.com/Humor.htm](http://www.pmcaregivers.com/Humor.htm)

## Supporting our Sponsors and Friends

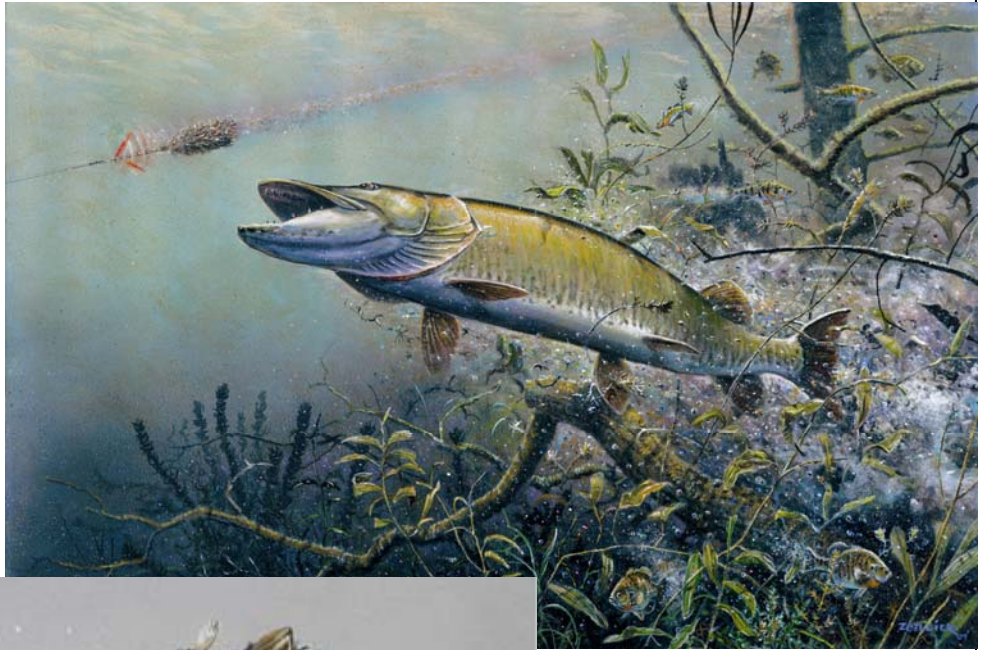
We do have a great bunch of friends and sponsors. Our chapter would not be what it is today, nor could it have the track record of things we do without our Sponsors and Friends. I know that asking you all to go out and buy a new Harley Davidson Cycle would not change their fortunes, (of course it couldn't hurt!) but if and when we get a chance to support our sponsors, we should take that extra effort to do it. I've taken the liberty here to talk about a few of our long-time generous friends.

**Scott Zoellick** has been a member 'forever'.

His pictures are a wonder to behold and a joy to own. He has a new muskie print out that is really wonderful, of course this black and white image does not tell the tale. Go to his web site at [www.thunderart.com](http://www.thunderart.com) and see it and his many other products in their 'Technicolor' beauty.

*Fatal attraction on the right ->*

*"The Snag That Moved" below*



We know that **John Laimon**, i.e. "Smokeys" has been an outstanding citizen and supporter of fishing, environmental issues, and youth development. Don't forget his radio show. every Saturday morning, between the hours of 6AM to 8AM cst, You can tune in to "The Cutting Edge Outdoors". It's the only LIVE hunting and fishing show in the state and it's available at 1250AM-WSSP and it's also streamed live at

<http://sportsradio1250.com/CUTTING-EDGE-OUTDOORS/1115758> You can get to John's web site at [www.smokeysmuskieshop.com](http://www.smokeysmuskieshop.com)

### More about the Banquet–Volunteering

We do need about 40 members to assist with the Banquet, the day of it. You will get a free admittance to the event, which will include the dinner. It is possible that at other times we may need a 'runner' to pick-up a donation or assist with some such activities. FYI The Banquet Director will be having surgery prior to the event and therefore will be limited in his mobility. Give Tom a call if you can offer any help.

## Calendar of things

Don't forget to look at the [www.muskiesinc.org](http://www.muskiesinc.org) site—menu item "Calendar & Tournaments" for more info

January 23—25th All Canada Show

January 27—Meeting

February 13—15th Milwaukee Musky Expo

February 24—Meeting

March 24 —Meeting Member Fishing Contest Awards Night

March 30th Banquet

April 28 — Meeting

May 9th—The 25th Pewaukee Musky Classic

May 26 — Meeting

June Cops and Bobbers Youth Fishing Begins

September 22 — Meeting

October 27 — Meeting

November 17 — Meeting



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