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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Everyone:

As winter begins to prepare for its exit we find ourselves making plans for spring. Vaccinations, fawning, and spring repairs will be at the top of the list along with our Associations Spring meeting and Benefit Auction. Our Spring Meeting and Benefit Auction is scheduled for Saturday, May 7, 2005 and will be hosted by Levi Esh and Sons. It will be held at their Blue Mountain Deer Farm off Exit 15 of the PA Turnpike in Newburg, PA. It will be a great day planned with speakers from the PA Department of Agriculture and Dr. Dennis Gourley along with exhibitors and a lunch to remember. Don't forget this is our major fund raiser for the Association. Please consider donating something to the Benefit Auction for the good of the Association. Semen, animals, services, furniture, equipment, crafts are just a few suggestions. Our auction chairperson this year is George Hazard of Real Scent Deer Farm. If you have items to donate or have any questions you can reach George at 717-436-8637 or email him at deer@realscent.com. There is additional information about the Spring Meeting and Benefit Auction in this newsletter.

The PAC Fund (Political Action Fund) Committee headed by Harry Strawser is getting ready to kick off another super gun raffle. The raffle also has another Trophy White Tail Hunt as the top prize. The tickets will once again be @ \$10.00 and should be in circulation soon. Please show your support to our legislative efforts by selling these tickets to benefit the PAC Fund. All the monies raised will go to

support legislators that support our industry.

We continue to work with our lobbying firm Milliron and Associates and legislators to gain support of our legislation. Anyone interested in knowing more about this legislation should contact Jim Mann of Milliron and Associates at 717-232-5322.

The PDFA Board of Directors has selected the Association Management firm of SCS Management headed by Bev Gruber, New Tripoli, PA for a final interview to be held at our February Board meeting. After the interview the Board will decide whether to contract with SCS Management for the upcoming year. As I mentioned in the last newsletter this step, if taken, will position the Association to better serve its membership and help grow the cervid industry here in PA.

Many deer auctions have taken place across the country since our PA Fall Sale in September 2004. All of these sales showed tremendous increases signaling that our industry is very much in a growth pattern. The future looks very good, but let's keep in mind that the special interest groups continue to study ways to negatively impact our industry. That is why we need to continue to work hard together to strengthen our Association and protect its growth.

I will look forward to seeing everyone at the Levi Esh Farm on May 7, 2005. Thanks for your continued support of the Association.

Enjoy the rest of Old Man Winter,
Dave Griffith
President

To: All state association members

Re: Washington, D.C. trip

Whitetails of Wisconsin and NADeFA would like to invite you and other members of your state association to join us in a legislative trip to Washington, D.C. This trip is planned for Sunday, April 10 through Wednesday, April 13, 2005.

For Whitetails of Wisconsin, this will be our 3rd visit to meet with our federal legislators. WOW and NADeFA are extending this invitation to other state associations in an effort to get other state leaders to Washington, D.C. to meet with their own legislators and to rally support for our industry.

We will be working on a number of important federal issues, meeting with USDA and conducting a briefing session for the Congressional staff. We will be representing the concerns and hopes of our industry to our members of Congress.

Whitetails of Wisconsin is fortunate to have an experienced lobbyist, Gary Goyke, to help us with the planning of this event. He has graciously offered his assistance to other state associations to help them through the planning stages. Some of the events will be joint meetings for all attendees and other times you will be meeting with your own legislators.

If you are interested in attending, it is imperative that you contact Gary Goyke so that he can help you and your association plan this trip. You can contact him by calling 608-255-1166 or email at gnregoyke@mailbag.com. There will be no fee charged to any state association for Gary's assistance. He is paid a yearly salary by Whitetails of Wisconsin and he is donating his time to help plan this event.

This is a perfect opportunity for your state association to take a trip to Washington, D.C., with an experienced guide. You won't be disappointed in the knowledge you will gain and the ideas you will take home knowing that you are making a difference. If you personally cannot attend this event, please make sure this information is passed on to other members of your association. We would like to see at least two members of every state association attend this event.

On behalf of WOW and NADeFA,
Laurie Prasnicky

Following is a list of All TB tested cervid herds in PA that are either accredited, qualified or monitored. There is only one that is not CWD monitored as well. Please make a note in your newsletters that Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture will be at your annual meeting and will have updated information that is available at that time.

Mary Martin
PA Department of Agriculture
717-705-2106

List Date 2/18/05

WHITETAILS

Accredited

Ron & Donna Boy	Boyers	724-794-2131
Dave & Rick Griffith	Huntingdon	814-643-7181
Robert/Linda Lieberum	Marble	814-782-3292
Steven Martin	Woodbury	814-766-3857
Rodney/Dianne Miller	Knox	814-797-1230
Margaret Streams	Lederach	610-287-1546
William Swarey	Belleville	717-483-6556
Jim Swetter (NOT CWD MONITORED)	Uniondale	
Russ Walk	Tyrone	814-684-2174

Qualified 2 Yr.

Randy Aikens	Boalsburg	814-466-9299
David Byler	Reedsville	717-667-6157
Glenn Dice Jr.	Chambersburg	717-264-3332
Jeff Huston	Harrisonville	717-485-5488
Gary Landis	Mercersburg	717-328-9446
Harry Strawser	Hummelstown	717-566-4555

WHITETAILS CONTINUED

Qualified 1 Yr.

Lester Byler	Punxsutawney	814-427-2452
Brian Cahill (Sika deer)	Lakewood	570-448-9171
Douglas Dresch	Lebanon	717-865-0695
Brian Dyke	Bellefonte	814-353-1415
Jacob Glick	Quarryville	717-786-9101
Jeff Graham	Greencastle	717-328-9955
Jere Hissong	Greencastle	717-597-2594
James Hoffman	Harrisville	814-385-6492
Richard Huff III	Camp Hill	717-737-9136
Amos Kauffman	Honeybrook	610-273-7656
David Lapp Jr.	Kinzers	717-442-4386
Greg Lucas	Howard	814-355-1337
Wilmer Martin/Eugene Brubacker	Stevens	717-335-2809/717-333-4881
Tim Orton	Emlenton	724-867-1827
Melvin Petersheim	Christiana	610-593-6577
Omer Petersheim	Christiana	717-278-9061
Vince Piancone	Stroudsburg	570-992-5798
Mark Rimmey/Bob Mothersbaugh	Centre Hall	814-364-2076
Mark Sipes	McConnellsburg	717-987-3737
Jeff Snyder	Tyrone	814-684-5165
Steven Stem	Bellefonte	814-355-5011
Amos Stoltzfus	Narvon	717-768-7198
Daniel/Amos Stoltzfus	Strasburg	717-687-6788
Vernon Troyer	Mifflintown	717-535-5478
Chris/Gary Wills	Artemas	717-294-6755

ELK & RED DEER

Accredited

Paul Braddock	Holbrook	724-499-5744
James Brown	Stoneboro	814-786-7806
Hugh/Josh Brown	Kempton	610-756-4207
Roger & Jackie Dilling	Roaring Spring	814-224-4288
Bill Duncan	Saxonburg	724-352-4515
Chris Grove	Mifflinburg	570-966-3799
Ron Guenot	Warriors Mark	814-692-1067
Joe Herr	New Galilee	724-336-1111
John Junkin/Daryl Fehnlee	Fannetsburg	717-349-2781
Christopher Kaclik	Mars	724-625-3292
Patrick Maier	Wellsboro	570-376-5069
Ron Murphy	Spring Mills	814-364-2326
Curtis Olson	Ridgway	814-772-6810
Clair/Bonnie Rhodes	Hopewell	814-928-5850
Delmont Sunderland	Portage	814-696-3285
Tom Smith	Meadville	814-337-6985

Monitored

John Behrman (Red Deer)	Dallastown	717-428-2774
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REINDEER

Accredited

Brian Adelhardt	Whiteford, MD	410-836-1140
Evelyn Bookhammer	Alexandria	814-832-3430
John Deets/Jessica Snyder	Titusville	814-676-1097
Bryan Freehling	Cabot	724-353-1813
John Roba	Dalton	570-563-2904

- NOTICE: 2005/2006 Membership Dues can be paid anytime by sending in the application in the back of the newsletter. Official notification will be sent out in April.
- Support your Association by donating items to the Benefit Auction May 7, 2005. Remember the meeting is FREE, speakers are FREE, Amish lunch is FREE and displays are FREE. Plan to attend.
- The Pennsylvania Deer Farmers Association has purchased a booth at the North American Deer Farmers Association's Annual Conference in Aurora, Ohio, March 16-19, 2005. Any PDFFA member that would like to have their literature or brochures displayed at no cost, contact Dave Griffith or Dianne Miller.
- Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture is looking for fresh deer heads to use in their brain stem and lymph nodes demonstration at our spring meeting May 7th. Contact Mary Martin (717) 705-2106.
- This complimentary copy of the PDFFA newsletter is being sent to all propagators and individuals supportive of the deer industry in

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Whitetail Deer Farmers of Ohio

Spring Meeting & Benefit Auction
Benton, Ohio
March 5, 2005
(330) 866-5421

2005 NADeFA Conference

Bertram Inn Conference Center
Aurora, Ohio
March 16, 17, 18, 19, 2005
(920) 734-0934

PDFFA Directors Meeting

Penn State Co-op Extension Office
6:30 pm - Huntington, PA
Thursday, March 24, 2005

PDFFA Directors Meeting

Penn State Co-op Extension Office
6:30 pm - Huntington, PA
Friday, April 22, 2005

PDFFA Spring Meeting & Benefit Auction

Levi Esh & Sons - Blue Mountain Deer Farm
Newburg, PA (Exit 15 of PA Turnpike)
Doors open 7 am for registration
Saturday, May 7, 2005

PDFFA Fall Sale

Jaffa Mosque, Altoona, PA
September 16, 17, 2005

PENNSYLVANIA DEER FARMERS ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Please check one) New Renewal - Member # _____

Membership Name: _____ Date: _____

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Farm Name: _____

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Address: _____

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Home Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____

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Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

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Active PA Propagator (voting privileges) - \$50.00

Life Membership (voting privileges) - \$500.00

Associate Member (non-voting) - \$25.00

I hereby make application to the Pennsylvania Deer Farmers Association, Inc. and certify that the information I have provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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*Please mail application with payment to:
PA Deer Farmers Association
PO Box 5
New Tripoli, PA 18066
(610) 767-5026*

I would like to support the cervid industry by donating the following items to the PDFA Spring Auction May 7, 2005 at the Levi Esh & Sons Blue Mountain Deer Farm, Newburg, PA (Exit 13 off the Pennsylvania Turnpike)

Items: _____ Name: _____

Address: _____

DON'T FORGET
TO CHECK OUT
OUR WEBSITE
AT www.padfa.com

Support the
PA Deer Farmers
Association,
So We Can Support
You
and the
Deer Industry!

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MEMBERSHIP
NOW

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