

**CHALLENGE CHAPTER
BOARD MEETING
September 1, 2004**

Attendance: Don Silsbe, Bill Thorsted, Russ Holmes, Wayne Glessner, and Tony Greening.

President's Report: Don Silsbe: George Fetherston is home recovering from surgery. He will give us an update on his condition at the general meeting. We all wish George a speedy recovery.

- Our Chapter display is in storage at Bill Harber's business.
- Summer discussions.
 - Anglers of the Au Sable donation of \$2000 has been sent to Rusty Gates.
 - Chapter meeting location will remain at Country Day Middle School. We have received the Insurance policy from TU Nation.
 - Outing locations for 2005 to be discussed and voted on at the September general meeting.

Don handed out a copy of the insurance policy for Country Day Middle School from TU National.

Treasurer's Report: Russ reported that we have \$15,345 in checking. We have paid \$3500 out to MCTU (\$1500) and Anglers of the Au Sable (\$2000). We have the following outstanding bills to be paid:

- Country Day Middle School for \$300.
- Cedars of the Au Sable for \$500.
- National TU Coldwater Conservation for \$500.

Our outing costs were as follows: May at Barothy's for \$1553. June at Pine Lodge for \$992.39 and July at Rayburn Lodge for \$377.61.

Fundraising Report: Martin will have a full lineup of meeting raffles this year. He is also going to contact local art galleries to help sell our Coaster Brook Trout original. We have not had any bids from our website.

Conservation Report: Wayne Glessner has the following dates for the 2005 outings:
May 14, 15, and 16 at Comins, MI sponsored by Julio Mazzoli.
June 17, 18, and 19 at Pine Lodge or Rayburn Lodge.
July 15, 16, and 17 at Pine Lodge or Rayburn Lodge.

The June and July outing locations to be discussed and voted on at the September general meeting.

We will continue to work with Susan Thiel in the Deward Recreational Area for all our outings in 2005. Examples of some of the projects are: Complete Fence work started at the July outing this year; Narrow entrance road; Replace directional signs to access

points; Install No Motorized Vehicle signs; Erosion site work; and Visual improvements to Wildlife Viewing Access Points.

We are also considering a fall (September Outing) to be discussed at the general meeting.

Education Report: Nothing to report.

Book Status:

PM Revision: Don said that he is almost finished with the new PM guidebook revision. He will bring the draft to the next meeting.

Emergence Schedule revision is moving forward. Bill Womack is the lead on this project and will give us an update at the October meeting.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business:

Review and signing of Facilities Use Agreement, Country Day Middle School. The board reviewed the agreement and advised Don to sign the agreement and submit it to the school.

Coverage for September Council Meeting. Don asked for volunteers to attend the Council meeting September 25th at the Southfield Municipal Library at 9 AM. Bill Thorsted and Wayne Glessner will be attending the meeting.

Next meeting will be on October 6, 2004 at Kerby's Restaurant at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Thorsted
Secretary