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Menus and Programs

November 1, 2016: Shrimp Basket

Ticket Sellers: Joe Gavin and Mike O'Deay

November 8, 2016: Beef Tenderloin Medallions

Ticket Sellers: Mike Sheridan and Bill Gay

November 10, 2016: Clean-up Day 12 p.m.

Monday November 14, 2016: Board Meeting at 6 p.m. All are welcome!

November 15, 2016: Bacon Wrapped Filet

Ticket Sellers: Craig Rogers and Mel Hrubetz

November 22, 2016: Fried Chicken

Ticket Sellers: Bud Hartley and Bill Gay

November 29, 2016: Variety Night

Ticket Sellers: Joe Gavin and Mel Hrubetz

December 6, 2016: Prime Rib - **Christmas Decorations at 10 a.m.**

Ticket Sellers: Kerry Petersen and Bill Gay

December 13, 2016: Pork Rib Eye

Ticket Sellers: Mike Sheridan and Roger Lively

There are alternatives to the main entrée available such as Chef Salad, a fish entrée, and usually one other entrée. Dinner is served from 5:45 to 7:00 pm and the program starts at 7:30 p.m.

Kitchen Volunteers Needed

Kitchen volunteers are needed for Tuesdays and Saturdays. Including cleaning, making salads, dishwashing and other great opportunities to help out the club. To volunteer see Carolyn or call her at (515) 244-3773.

A Note from the Conservation Committee

As part of our work to protect our natural heritage Mike Roland, our Conservation Committee Chairman asks for your suggestions for events in 2016.

Upcoming events are posted in the chapter house by the ticket seller's booth, and you can reach Mike at 515-266-0261.

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DES MOINES CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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Thank You Snapshot Volunteers!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time October 4 to help complete the Fall 2016 Polk County Water Snapshot! 24 volunteers sampled 57 sites in Polk County and eastern Dallas County. The weather cooperated and it was a lovely day to be outside.

From most reports the water quality looked pretty good. The water at most locations was very clear and the field tests at most sites had low nitrates, phosphate and chloride and high dissolved oxygen – which is good. The Des Moines Water Works lab has the samples collected for lab analysis and will provide lab test results on the chemistry as well as bacteria.

Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation Trust Fund

In 2010, 63 percent of Iowans voted for a constitutional amendment to create the Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation Trust Fund, a permanent and constitutionally protected funding source dedicated to clean water, productive agricultural soils and thriving wildlife habitats. Six years later, the Trust Fund sits empty because it requires a sales tax increase of 3/8ths of a cent for funding.

Future generations of Iowans are counting on us to urge Iowa's political leaders to include the increase in any legislative solution aimed at addressing water quality and conservation moving forward.

Now is the time to ask candidates running for office this fall if they will support Iowa's natural resources, outdoor recreation, and water quality improvements by coming together to fund the Trust in 2017.

Tips for a Safe Hunt from Iowa DNR

- Iowa law requires hunters to wear at least one of the following articles of visible, external apparel with at least 50 percent of its surface area solid blaze orange: hat, cap, vest, coat, jacket, sweatshirt, shirt or coveralls.
- Hunters should stay in communication with each other and to stay in a straight line while pushing a field.
- Discuss the hunting plan that spells out how the hunt will take place, each person's role in the hunt and where each person will be at all times.
- Know exactly where standers will be located, especially when hunting standing corn or tall switch grass to avoid having the standers get shot by the pushers as they near the end of the field and the birds begin to flush.
- Make sure to unload the gun when crossing a fence or other obstacle to avoid it accidentally discharging.
- Properly identify the target and what is beyond it especially if hunting in fields that still have standing corn.
- If hunting with a dog, never lay a loaded gun against a fence. Hunting dogs are usually excited to be in the field and could knock the gun over causing it to discharge.
- Share the hunt. Take someone new along to help keep Iowa's great hunting tradition alive.

Tuesday Night Programs are Back!

We had two great programs in October!

Tuesday October 18 Pete Englund, Foreman for the Iowa DNR's AmeriCorps Trail Crew, presented a program on Sustainable Trails. A lot of engineering goes into creating a trail and Pete delivered an informative program!

Tuesday October 25, Dustin Eighmy from the Iowa DNR presented a program on the Pheasant Opener. With the season opening the 29th it was a timely and interesting program!

If you have suggestions and ideas please reach out to Mike O'Deay or any board member.

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