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Greetings one and all. I am Jim Robertson and am your newly elected Board President. I have served on this Board since 2003 and have served the past several years as Vice President. It is both an honor and privilege to now serve as your President. Please call me if you have something that you want to discuss. My number is listed in this newsletter.

MHEIA is on the move! Besides having new people on the Board of Directors and new officers in place, MHEIA is moving the Conference location. We are trying to save as much of your money as possible and to do that we have decided to move the annual Conference to Osage Beach. **The Inn At Grand Glaize made a very attractive offer and with costs going up we accepted that offer. MHEIA stands to save quite a bit on the cost of the Conference and got cheaper room rates for Conference attendees! They will only be \$65.00 plus tax for each night booked. Rates are good 2 days before to 2 days after the Conference dates. We also have had to change the dates of the Conference due to this move. The annual Conference dates for 2012 are now: February 24, 25, & 26, 2012!!! Please make note of this change.**

Your reservations should be made to The Inn At Grand Glaize preferably by January 25, 2012. Please call them @ : 1-800-348-4731 or 573-348-4731 or you can make reservations online @ www.innatgrandglaize.com. Please be sure to use code MHEIA12 to get our rate!

If you have an idea as to what kind of program(s) you would like please call me or your regional director so we can see if we can make it happen.

We are going to have our annual gun raffle again this year but with some changes. We will draw for these at the annual Conference instead of at Board meetings. Tickets will be for sale later this summer so look for details soon.

Be safe out there!

Jim

THE HUNTER EDUCATOR

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DUES

There is much confusion concerning dues. At the annual conference several years ago, it was voted to change the year to March 1st thru the end of Feb.. Dues are \$10 per year. Please join and urge others to join. We need your ideas to move into the future.

It has been Proposed and Voted for at the first Quarterly board meeting that we would **offer Membership at no cost for first time applicants.** We want our membership to grow and this is one method we hope will work. Renewal of any membership will still be \$10.00 per year and those receiving the one year gratis membership will still need to renew in March each year at a cost of \$10.00.

COMMUNICATING WELL

When teaching your students, remember that the best way to communicate is to LISTEN first. The key to effective communication is to LISTEN to your students. This helps you to understand what they know, and what they need to learn. It make them feel more comfortable in their interaction with you and their fellow classmates. This will also make them more interested in participating in hands on training. The more involved in the training, they better they will learn.

JAB

HUNTER EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR ASSOCIATIONS

Alabama Hunter Education Association

<http://www.huntereducation.net/>

Alberta Hunter Education Instructor's Association

<http://www.aheia.com/>

Arkansas Hunter Education Association

<http://hunteredu.8k.com/about.html>

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<http://www.cahuntereducation.org/>

Georgia Hunter Education Association, Inc.

<http://www.ghea.net/>

Indiana Hunter Education Association

<http://www.inhea.com/>

Kentucky Hunter Education Association

<http://www.khea.org/>

New York State Sportsman Education Program

<http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/dfwmr/sportsed/>

Pennsylvania Hunter Education Association

<http://www.geocities.com/pennhea/>

Washington Hunter Education Instructor's Association

<http://wdfw.wa.gov/enf/huntered/wheia.htm>

West Virginia Hunter Education Association

<http://www.wvhuntered.com/>

Wisconsin Hunter Education Instructor's Association

<http://www.itol.com/wheia/>

FUNDRAISER RAFFLE

We will be holding a raffle for 13 guns this year. Tickets will be available at the July 17th meeting. We need **everyone** to help sell tickets this year if we want to continue to have a conference. Tickets will be \$20 each.

All firearms will be drawn at our annual Conference. Please help sell tickets. You can get them from your Director or Deputy Director after July 17th. Thanks to all who help with the Raffle.

Firearms will be listed as soon as we get them.

MHEIA Meeting dates set for:
July 17, 2011;
October 16, 2011;
January 15, 2012.

The next Board Meeting will be April 17th, 2011 at Bass Pro in Columbia.

If you have any upcoming events that you would like to have published in our Newsletter, please send them to me: jabryant@kcp.com

CHECK OUT THIS WEBSITE FOR INFORMATION ON HSUS:

(//MOFARMERSCARE.COM/MEDIA.PHP)

A SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE SILENT AUCTION. YOU HELPED MAKE IT A SUCCESS

Central Region: Kenny Claspille

SEE PAGE 9

Let's help Ken & Stan

Sign up to work the State Fair!!!

Southwest Region: Don Harris

Hunter Education Classes are in full swing. The new on line registration seems to be going very good so far. It sure makes the instructor's job a lot easier, and gives us more time to teach in the classroom, rather than completing those bubble forms.

Remember to remind your students they can take their temporary certificate to Andy Dalton Range and get a free hour of shooting. This is a great opportunity for hunters to pattern their shotguns. Andy Dalton also has a new program called, "SHOOT ONE ON US". Shooters will be given a card to be stamped each time they use the range. When the card is full (10 Visits) it is then good for one free hour of range use or one free round of trap or skeet. Andy Dalton Range and Education Center has some great programs for all ages. If you have not visited them lately go see what is going on at the range.

Hunt Safely, Don Harris

Northeast Region: Jim Robertson

Greetings to all. Another Conference has come and gone and what a good one it was.

I think everyone who attended had a good time and took away some good information.

MHEIA thanks all of the speakers that presented programs and to MDC for all of their

support, participation and the program on Sunday.

A big Thank You goes out too, to all of you who attended and made this Conference a good one,

as well as Bass Pro Shop for making the name tags and for extending a 10% discount to our Conference goers for that weekend!!!

Our luncheon was well attended along with our Awards presentation.

Congratulations go out to all of our MHEIA award recipients! They are listed as:

Regional Instructor of the Year

Kansas City; Tim Moore , Northeast; David Bryant, Central; Delmer Croka,

St. Louis; James McBride, Southeast; Linda Valleroy, Southwest; William (Stan) O'Daniel.

There were no recipients for Ozark and Northwest regions.

Ken Andersen Award; James Burnett , St Louis Region

Friends of MHEIA; Bass Pro Shop, Columbia store.

Our raffles and silent auction went well. A big Thank You to all of those who donated items

for the silent auction, participating in the raffles and making our Conference such a success!!!!

We are looking forward to next year and are starting the planning process so if anyone has any ideas

as to what kind of programs to have please let me or your Director know so we can see if we can

make it happen. After all this is your Conference so let your voice be heard.

Be Safe Out There,

Jim Robertson
M.H.E.I.A. President
Northeast Region Director

Southeast Region: Rick Presnell

Greetings Instructors,

Another conference is over and it was very informative. For those of us who attended, the best part was seeing old friends and sharing new ideas with them on better ways to teach hunter safety through hunter education. We had some very good speakers and demonstrations given on training aids. One in particular was from Dan Atkinson on laser shot systems. Dan traveled all the way from Montana to be at our conference. Laser Shot has really dedicated themselves to be leaders in training and safety for our instructors to pass on to all.

The gun raffle this year did not do as well as anticipated, so at our next quarterly meeting we will have to discuss how we can raise money for our association to survive, and to have our conferences. Growth in our membership is also essential. A lot of our members have expressed concerns about the newsletters and the lack of communication from the association. Hopefully, this problem will soon be resolved. My hope is that those concerned will not give up on us because we haven't given up on them, the instructors.

The Instructor of the year award for the Southeast Region was presented to Linda Valleroy. Linda does more for hunter education in our region than most can imagine. With all of the changes in training, registration and testing, Linda has proven to go above and beyond the challenges set forth in the hunter education program. She is always there from start to finish. I am very proud and thankful for what she does. Again, thanks, Linda.

On a final note, a lot of our instructors are veterans, and if you did not know, some businesses give veterans a 10% discount. The stores we know about are Lowes, Home Depot, Bass Pro, and Hardees. There might be more stores that honor our veterans, you just need to ask.

In closing, I want to remind you to always keep your muzzle pointed in a safe direction. Always positively identify your target, and what is beyond, before you shoot and have fun, be safe and take care.

Rick Presnell, Southeast Region Director

Ron Valleroy, Deputy Director

Mike Mason, Deputy Director

Thanks to Hunter
Education, Hunting is Safe
and Getting Safer!

Northwest Region: John Bernal

John is newly appointed Regional Director for the Northwest Region. This spot has been vacant for a long time. Lets welcome John to the organization. John will be officially appointed Director at the April Board of Directors Meeting. John should be supplying info from his area in future issues of this publication.

Attention all Members

As a method of reducing costs, we want to offer our NEWSLETTER electronically instead of Snail Mail. So if you would like the Newsletter sent via EMAIL please send your preference via email to our Editor at jabryant@kcp.com or jerrybryant@att.net. Also, if you have multiple members at the same address and you would like only one copy, indicate this as well with the names of all members that want to combine.

Thanks

St. Louis Region: Bill Morton

We have a lot going on in the St. Louis region. In Mid January we had the St. Louis Region Hunter Ed. Banquet. Many awards were handed out, not the least of which was Hunter Ed. Instructor of the year for the St. Louis Region received by Barry Cagle. Mr. Cagle received his 900 hour and 1000 hour awards that same night. Later in the evening Mr. Tony Legg rose and took the podium to announce that Mr. Cagle would also receive the Hunter Ed. Instructor of the year for the State, which was presented just a few weeks later at the M.D.C. meeting in Jefferson City.

Conrad Malody trained six new instructors for the St. Louis region on Feb. 26th , 2011. One for Crawford County and five for St. Charles County. Let's all welcome these new instructors. They were offered complimentary memberships in the M.H.E.I.A.. They were happy to hear about an organization that will enhance instruction throughout the State.

We in St. Louis are puzzled, as are most of the other Directors, as to why membership in our organization is so low. We will be encouraging everyone to join and participate in the M.H.E.I.A..

There was an on-line field day held on March 10th with 25 participates going through. The next one is on April 2nd at Powder Valley. Hunter Ed. Classes are going on throughout the region. Monthly classes are held at Bush C.A. , St Charles police station and St. Charles Community College. Other classes are held in St. Louis City and County. One or more classes can be found throughout the region weekly, with class sizes varying between 15 and 70.

Kansas City Region: Tim Moore

First I would like to thank everybody who helped put on the 2011 MHEIA Annual member Conference. Also thanks goes to all who donated items for the Silent Auctions. For those of you who could not attend, this was a time of learning and renewing friendship with fellow instructors across the state. A special thanks to our own Frank Powers who was the spearhead for the last three conferences. Due to Frank's current job workload, Frank has decided to step down as KC Director and President of the Association. Frank's leadership will be missed. Now we have to move forward and even though it seems that the Conference has just ended, it is now time to start thinking about the 2012 MHEIA Conference. This past conference we had programs on the Atlatl, TMA (Tree Stand Manufacturer), Mo. Bow Hunters, Teaching with Technology from Laser Shot, Teaching techniques and skills by Regina and Hunter Incident review by different Agents around Missouri. The Teaching Techniques and Hunting Incidents happened because we had several requests from members that they would like to see this at the conference. The rest of the programs were decided by the Board. The Association Conference is designed to benefit the Members and the Members need to have a say as to what they desire to have presented at the Conference. But when we do not get input from the Members, the Board has to chose what they believe will be appropriate to the membership. I believe we did accomplish this but we do need your input as we are running out of ideas.

Give us your ideas as to what we can offer to encourage your attendance to the 2012 MHEIA Conference.



Kansas City Region: Tim Moore– Continued

If you have any upcoming events that you would like to have published in our Newsletter, please send them to me for publication. You can send them to me at either tmoores@ditmco.com or tim0151@yahoo.com. I check both emails on a daily basis so please feel free to use either. You might put MHEIA Newsletter in the subject matter. On August 5,6, and 7th, MDC will be sponsoring an outdoor event for students from Fulton School of the Deaf and their families. This is held at the H.Roe Bartle boy scout camp.

This is spearheaded by the Missouri Agents association and OSS. Any and all help will be greatly appreciated. Let your OSS know if you would like to help.

We held our annual fishing get together at La Bennett Park in Sugar Creek on May 13,14, and 15th. We had several instructors attending this event. The fish we caught went towards our annual HE Instructor and Family Fish Fry and Picnic in KC on June 4. Again like last year, Jerry Bryant had the line in the water with his name on it that caught the biggest fish. This was a small 82 lbs Blue cat. Other than being cold we all had a great time. Poor Greg was caught without his token and had to supply drinks for everybody. The Association needs volunteers who would like to help with the HED Booth at the State Fair. Contact Stan at stan077@centurytel.net to offer your time. The dates for this year's State Fair are Aug, 12- Aug 21.

If you know of any fellow Instructor who is not currently a member of MHEIA, recruit them to join. Cost is only \$10.00 per year and membership runs from March-March. Life time Membership is \$200.00



MHEIA ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT

(JANUARY 1, 2011 TO APRIL 17, 2011)

		GENERAL FUND	S. B. Y. F.	NOTES
BEGINNING BALANCE	1/1/2011	\$11,193.12	\$475.00	
DUES		\$890.00	\$1,008.00	AUCTION
MEMORABILA		\$39.00	\$100.00	DONATIONS
SILENT AUCTION		\$1,258.00		
PETTY CASH		\$200.00		
GUN RAFFLE		\$950		
CONFERENCE REGISTRATION		\$1,635.00		
TOTAL INCOME		\$5,010.00	\$1,108.00	
BANK CHARGES		\$7.00		
NEWSLETTER		\$2,591.75		
POSTAGE		\$4.40		
OFFICE SUPPLIES & COPIES		\$168.04		
PETTY CASH		\$200.00		
CFM REPRESENTIVE TRAVEL		\$438.86		
WEBSITE		\$285.00		
AWARDS		\$354.55		
CONFERENCE EXPENSE		\$7,719.00		
AFFLIATION MEMBERSHIPS		\$100.00		
GUNS FOR RAFFLE		\$399.94		
STATE & FERDERAL FEES		\$10.00		
MHEIA 2011 & 2012 PINS		\$1,050.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$13,343.54	\$51.93	YOUTH HUNT
FUND BALANCES		\$2,821.58	1531.07	
BANK BALANCE		\$4,352.65		
DATE OF SUMITTAL 4-17-2011	DON HARRIS, MHEIA TREASURER			

The MHEIA hunter safety booth needs a few more volunteers. Work 3 hours and enjoy the rest of the day. The State Fair starts August 11th and ends 21st. Parking is free, admission is \$2.00 to \$8.00, depending on the day. Check the state fair web site (www.mostatefair.com/admissions-parking.php). If you would like to volunteer please call, Kenneth Claspille at 1-573-684-2851 home or 1-573-864-1803 cell or e-mail fritobandito529@yahoo.com. You can also call Stan O'Daniel at 1-417-453-6701. All help is very much appreciated.

This is the schedule for each day so far. If you can work any of the blank times, please sign up. It would be nice to have at least two people on each time slot, more is even better.

Thursday August 11th	9:00AM to 12:00PM 12 to 3:00PM 3 to 6:00PM 6 to 9:00PM	Jim McBride Roger See Stan O'Daniel
Friday August 12th	9:00AM to 12:00PM 12 to 3:00 PM 3 to 6:00PM 6 to 9:00PM	Jim McBride Roger See Stan O'Daniel & Ken Claspille
Saturday August 13th	9:00AM to 12:00PM 12 to 3:00PM 3 to 6:00PM 6 to 9:00PM	Stan Moore Roger See Delmer Croka & Laura Pummill & Ken Claspille
Sunday August 14th	All Day 6 to 9:00PM	Sandy Hedges & Mike Mansell & Karen Mansell Ken Claspille & Stan O'Daniel
Monday August 15th	9 to 12:00PM 12 to 3:00PM 3 to 6:00PM 6 to 9:00PM	Marilyn Overkamp & Tim & Priscilla Moore Ken Claspille Stan O'Daniel
Tuesday August 16th	9 to 12:00PM 12 to 3:00PM 3 to 6:00PM 6 to 9:00PM	Tim & Priscilla Moore Stan O'Daniel
Wednesday August 17th	9 to 12:00PM 12 to 3:00PM 3 to 6:00PM 6 to 9:00PM	 Stan O'Daniel
Thursday August 18th	All Day 6 to 9:00PM	Joe Grooms & Jerry Bryant & Ken Swails & Dwayne Holtzclaw Stan O'Daniel & Ken Claspille
Friday August 19th	9 to 12:00PM 12 to 3:00PM 3 to 6:00PM 6 to 9:00PM	Mike & Jan Moran Ken Claspille
Saturday August 20th	9 to 12:00PM 12 to 3:00PM 3 to 6:00PM 6 to 9:00PM	 Delmer Croka & Dennis Desmond & Laura Pummill & Ken Claspille
Sunday August 21st	9 to 12:00PM 12 to 3:00PM 3 to 6:00PM	 Ken Claspille

Thanks again, and I hope to see you at the Mo. State Fair, Kenneth Claspille

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

MHEIA BOARD MEETING MINUTES
10:30AM APRIL 17, 2011
Meeting held at Bass Pro Shop, Columbia, MO

Director's present: Jim Robertson, NE Region; Rick Presnell, SE Region; Bob Mallery, St. Louis Region; Don Harris, SW Region.

Deputy Director's: Tim Moore & Jerry Bryant, KC Region; Kenneth Claspille, Central Region; Ron Valleroy, SE Region; Bill Morton & Paul Mayer, St. Louis Region.

Guest(s) present: Tony Legg, MDC.

Meeting called to order by Vice President/ Acting President Jim Robertson.

Welcome extended to guest(s).

Agenda approved by unanimous vote.

Meeting minutes from Board Meeting of January 16, 2011 were tabled in the absence of the Board Secretary and copies of the minutes.

Don Harris reported that we only had 67 members at the Conference.

Treasurer's Report was given by Don Harris, Treasurer.

General Fund balance was \$2821.50. Smittybear Fund balance was \$1531.07.

Voted on and approved by unanimous vote.

Jim Robertson presented a proposal from The Inn At Grand Glaize in Osage Beach for our annual Conference. Discussion followed. The Association as well as attendees can save quite a bit of money if we move the Conference out of Columbia to Osage Beach.

Bob Mallery made motion for Jim Robertson to pursue this option and the authority to sign a contract with The Inn At Grand Glaize. Tim Moore made the second.

Motion voted on and approved by unanimous vote.

Don Harris gave Membership Report. The Association has 282 current members.

Newsletter presentation was give by Jerry Bryant & Tim Moore. Discussion followed about costs of Newsletter and its mailing. A May 17, 2011 deadline was set articles to be in, so they could be put into the Newsletter and get it mailed before the next Board Meeting in July, 2011.

Awards were discussed.

The Annual Gun Raffle with several options and changes was discussed.

Jim Robertson made motion that Ron Valleroy head up the Gun Raffle again and that the drawing(s) should be held at the Annual Conference.

Rick Presnell made second.

Motion voted on and approved by unanimous vote.

Resolution for the Smittybear Fund was discussed. Tim Moore made motion to table this item until the July 2011 Board meeting. Second was made by Bob Mallery.

Motion voted on and approved by unanimous vote.

A presentation was given on the State Fair by Kenneth Claspille.

Don Harris made motion to reimburse for camper parking at State Fair for Kenneth Claspille of up to \$300.00. Tim Moore made second. Motion voted on and approved by unanimous vote.

Dates for YHEC are June 10, 11, & 12, 2011 at United Sportsman Club in Jefferson City, MO.

Don Harris made motion to donate \$450.00 to YHEC for sponsorship of the Safety Trail event.

Rick Presnell made second. Motion voted on and approved by unanimous vote.

The MHEIA Board of Directors by unanimous vote, appointed John Bernal as Director for the Northwest Region.

The MHEIA Board of Directors by unanimous vote, appointed Tim Moore as Director for the Kansas City Region.

The MHEIA Board of Directors by unanimous vote, appointed Jerry Bryant as Director for the Ozark Region.

The MHEIA Board of Directors by unanimous vote seated newly elected Directors Kenneth Claspille for the Central Region and Don Harris for the Southwest Region.

Election for MHEIA Board Officers was held.

Tim Moore made nomination for Jim Robertson, Board President.

Rick Presnell made second. Bob Mallery made motion for nominations to cease.

Rick Presnell made second.

Vote was taken for nominations to cease. Approved 6-0-1 vote. Jim Robertson abstained from vote. Nomination for President was voted on and approved 6-0-1 vote. Jim Robertson abstained from vote.

Rick Presnell made nomination of Tim Moore for Vice President. Bob Mallery made second. Rick Presnell made motion for nominations to cease. Bob Mallery made second. Motion for nominations to cease was voted on. Vote approved 6-0-1. Tim Moore abstained from vote.

Tim Moore made motion for Jerry Bryant for Secretary. Bob Mallery made second.

Bob Mallery made motion for nominations to cease. Tim Moore made second.

Motion for nominations to cease was voted on. Vote was approved 6-0-1. Jerry Bryant abstained from vote.

Nomination for Secretary was voted on. Vote was approved 6-0-1. Jerry Bryant abstained from vote.

Tim Moore made motion for Don Harris for Treasurer. Rick Presnell made second.

Bob Mallery made motion for nominations to cease. Jerry Bryant made second.

Motion for nomination to cease was voted on. Vote approved 6-0-1. Don Harris abstained from vote. Nomination for Treasurer was voted on. Vote approved 6-0-1. Don Harris abstained from vote.

Next meeting date will be July 17, 2011 at 10:30 AM at Bass Pro Shop, Columbia, MO.

Don Harris made motion to adjourn meeting. Rick Presnell made second.

Motion to adjourn was voted on and approved by unanimous vote.

Subject to amendment and Board approval

Respectfully Submitted By:

Jim Robertson, Board President

Ozark Region: Jerry Bryant

Let me first congratulate the fine instructors in Pulaski County who dedicated themselves to start and hold a raffle in order to purchase the new firearms training kit from Remington firearms to use in their classes in Pulaski County . They raised \$2,300.00 and not only gave away a Browning BPS .410 shotgun, but raised enough to pay for the .410 and add 2 bonus firearms. What a great effort!

Larry Lindeman, the OSS for the Ozark region would like every instructor in the region to send him their E-mail address. This will help him to keep in better contact with you.

After being appointed to the board to represent the Ozark region, I sat back and thought of how I could best represent the region.

First, I want to contact Larry and get the names of every instructor in the region and get an E-mail address for them.

Second, I want to be **your** voice on the board.

Third, I would like to see and meet as many instructors as possible at our annual conference. I would like each of you to join the M.H.E.I.A. Remember that we represent you at the State level.

Fourth, I would like to share successes in the M.H.E.I.A. Newsletter.

If you have something to share, please contact me at : jabryant@kcp.com

Congratulations to SOUND OF FREEDOM USA in Ozark for achieving a FIVE STAR certification from the NSSF. This indoor shooting range and retail business has demonstrated a forward-thinking approach to recruitment and retention.

The M.H.E.I.A. annual conference will be held at The Inn At Grand Glaize in Osage Beach in 2012. The cost will be much lower for rooms. We hope to see many of you there. **They will only be \$65.00 plus tax for each night booked. Rates are good 2 days before to 2 days after the Conference dates. We also have had to change the dates of the Conference due to this move. The annual Conference dates for 2012 are now: February 24, 25, & 26, 2012!!! Please make note of this change.**

I would remind everyone that the Ozark region is now home to the newest residents of Missouri.

WELCOME BACK ELK!

The Ozark region is one of the most scenic regions in the State.

It is home to Caney Mountain Conservation Area, Peck Ranch, Bull Shoals Lake, Northfork Lake, Drury-Mincy CA, Maramac Springs, George O. White nursery, ElevenPoint, Bryant Creek, Jacks Fork, Current, Big Piney, LittlePiney, and Gasconade Rivers. If you have not visited this region, get with the program and join the fun.

As we transition into the next phase of our Hunter Education Program, be sure to get any training that you may need. Larry Lindeman will be happy to assist you. New updates to the manual are on the way and should be to you by July.

Keep it SAFE out there!

Jerry Bryant



MISSOURI STATE HS/JH & FFA TRAP SHOOT

On Saturday April 30th, several HED Instructor Volunteers helped with the State HS/JH and FFA Trap Shoot held at the Missouri Trap Association in Linn Creek, MO. There were a total of over 190 teams competing for Top Shot. For a change, the weather cooperated and we had a great time. The best part was watching the shoot offs after the main competition to determine the overall 1st through 4th places. A young girl from the St. Louis area named Samantha, ended up having to shoot 3 additional shoot offs of 25 birds each to finally besting the rest to win top honors. During regular competition she shot 99/100, missing her last bird. During the shoot off she went 75/75. And to top it all off, Samantha as just recently turned 12 years old. Congratulations to all the shooters who participated. On a side note, some of the kids take trap shooting very serious and put a very high importance on their sport. We saw one young lady shooting trap in her Prom dress with her date shooting in his Tux. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped with this event.

I think we need a caption contest for this shot.

You might be a REDNECK if ????????

Send your response to the editor. Who knows, besides recognition, we might find something else at the conference.

Tim Moore

FELLOW MEMBERS OF M.H.E.I.A.

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Jerry Bryant

SUMMER'S HOT TOPIC

A lot of changes came about at May's Conservation Commission meeting.

There are several changes to the Deer and Turkey seasons.

The one that caught my attention was:

Approved regulation changes to take effect during the **2012-2013** Deer and Turkey hunting seasons. These include approving the use of Atlatls during the Archery Deer and Turkey hunting seasons and **Allowing** the use of Archery methods, crossbows, atlatls, handguns and air-powered guns during the **Muzzleloader** portion of the firearms deer season.

Let me know what you think about this and I will publish in next issue.

Are you for or against.

MISSOURI HUNTER EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR'S ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Sandy Hedges suffered a stroke just a week after the conference. She is now home and doing a little better. Please keep her in your prayers!

Priscilla Moore spent several days in the hospital the same week as her blood sugar went way up. Her med's have been adjusted, but still not feeling on top of the world yet. It was good to see her helping with Tim's class on March 26th.

Peggy Ragland had Surgery on her knee In April.

We are saddened to learn that Linda Smart passed away in early May. Please keep Jack in your prayers.

If you have news about your fellow instructors , and ETC. Let us know, so we may share with all instructors in the state. Just send to Membership news— jabryant@kcp.com

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