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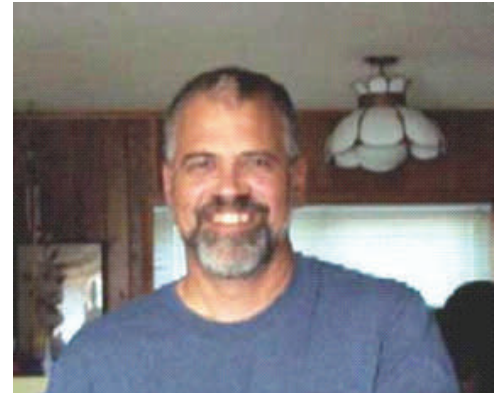
President's Column

Frank Powers

I am honored to be elected president of your Association but at the same time have mixed feelings. This year is critical for the future of the association. This year we had a one day conference in Jeff City. The turn out was not large but it was judged a success for our first time. Everyone seemed to enjoy it. We are currently trying to set up a two day conference in Columbia. Hopefully this works out.

Fundraising is the most critical topic we have this year. In order to continue funding must somehow be increased. One idea presented to me was a shoot at a range in KC. I am presenting this at the next board meeting. Can we do this statewide or a central location?

In many organizations I have belonged too, the responsibility to succeed is dropped into the hands of the Board. In order to be successful, the members must be involved. I have heard a lot of "I am waiting to see the direction and what the board does before I get Involved". I am



asking you, the members, to get involved. Let the Directors know your ideas and feelings. Do you have an idea for fundraising or thoughts on what you would like to see for the conference. Let a Director know or please come to a board meeting.

Yhec is coming up in June. I know the numbers of instructors assisting has steadily decreased over the last few years. It is an enjoyable time and we get to meet some really remarkable young people. If you can assist please contact Jan Morris.

Hope we all have a successful year.

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**MHEIA HALL Of FAME
 Honors Jan Morris**



Most of us have spoken to Jan at some time or another if we have done any volunteering for YHEC or taught in the St. Louis area or just attended an annual conference. It does not take long to notice his dedication to the promotion of Hunter Education. Jan had been nominated by many members of the association for the work he has done throughout his many years of involvement. It hasn't been just teaching, but for years of contributions to the youths of Missouri thru the Missouri Youth Hunter Education Challenge. Jan has also served MHEIA as a board member, the executive officer, the editor of the newsletter, and has work on or with many committees to make a tremendous difference in the hunter education program. He has inspired many people to continue sharing their time and resources to make it safe and enjoyable in the outdoors of Missouri.



Jan asked to share following comments and thank the many members who were unable to attend the workshop and awards luncheon.

"I want to express my sincere thank you to the Missouri Hunter Education Instructor's Association for my induction into the Missouri Hunter Education Hall of Fame. I admit it's nice to be thought of in the same company as the other names in the Hall of Fame. I've been active in hunter education since 1971. It's never been anything else than a labor of love all these years. Let's carry on, our work is not over yet."

Jan Morris

MHEIA PLUS MOE EQUALS MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR MISSOURI YOUTH

by Michael Ohlms Assistant Editor

As Hunter Ed Instructors we all know that one of our main goals is to educate hunters about the importance of becoming involved. That involvement can take many forms from something as simple as joining an organization that works to benefit wildlife and its habitat all the way up to actually recruiting and mentoring new hunters in the outdoor activities we all love so much. MDC as well as other State Wildlife Agencies know all too well the importance of recruitment and retention of new hunters. That task is a monumental one that will require so much more than any one agency can possibly accomplish alone. It will take a "grass root effort" by other organizations and individuals as well if we ever hope to be successful in this endeavor. Based upon the latest figures that have been published Missouri has the distinction of being one of the few, if not the only state, to actually increase their hunter numbers in the past decade. Obviously this is due in large part to the various Youth Hunt programs and permits that MDC has initiated over the years but more needs to be done. This is where an organization such as the Missouri Outdoors Experience will play such a vital role.

We were fortunate enough to have one of the MOE representatives attend the MHEIA Annual Workshop in March and he was able to provide quite a bit of information on what the MOE has accomplished this past year. They completed a very successful Youth Deer Clinic and Hunt along with setting up an annual 3-D shoot for the youngsters and providing their expertise at a well attended Youth Fishing Day. They also assisted with a couple of Youth Turkey Clinics and Hunts in 2007. They have already scheduled numerous events for 2008 starting with an MOE Youth Turkey Clinic and Hunt. All of this is quite an accomplishment when you realize that this group was not formed until late in 2006. Those activities certainly speak volumes for this group's dedication to their mission statement of "Leaving a Legacy of Outdoor Traditions". This group of concerned and dedicated outdoors enthusiasts has certainly embraced the idea of getting all youngsters involved in the outdoors in whatever way they possibly can. Currently they are conducting most of their events in central Missouri however they want to take this show "on the road" as it were and eventually spread out to all areas of Missouri. A lack of manpower, as is almost always the case, is the biggest stumbling block in that effort and hopefully the MHEIA along with the vast network of Hunter Education Instructors throughout all of the counties in this state will be able to provide some much needed assistance with MOE's quest.

I was quite surprised and very pleased at the number of instructors at the workshop who, upon hearing the presentation from MOE, were immediately questioning the representative on how to go about doing some of these youth events. The MOE has worked extensively with the MDC and the various agents in their area in an effort to fully utilize the resources that MDC has to offer. The knowledge they have gained in working with MDC and local landowners appeared to be a key point that many of the instructors wanted to get more information about. This interaction between our two organizations can only lead to bigger and better programs for the youth in Missouri and hopefully it will facilitate an expansion into all of the MDC Regions. This should truly be a win-win situation for the MOE, the MHEIA and the future outdoor enthusiasts of our state. With this goal in mind a motion was presented to provide space in the MHEIA newsletter for the MOE to publish their upcoming events and provide ongoing information to our membership as to what the MOE is trying to accomplish. Apparently everyone present at the meeting felt this was something the MHEIA needed to get behind as there was no problem in getting that motion approved.

The MOE does have a website which is www.missourioutdoorexperience.com and I would suggest you take the time to check it out for yourself. They have a really neat area that is just for the kids and there are some very interesting articles from some of these new hunters about their experiences. There are lots of pictures you can view from their various events that they participated in during 2007. One innovative segment of their website is the "Camoe 4 Kids" program where a person can donate their slightly used camo that youngsters seem to outgrow so quickly and then the MOE will pass that on to someone that needs it at no charge. They also host an MOE forum where a lot of the idea exchanges take place. This

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past fall they were able to create an entire coloring book dealing with various aspects of nature for each letter of the alphabet all via input from participants of the forum. Once they have funding in place they will be able to produce and distribute these MOE coloring books to our young future sportspersons. Just in my short time of using their forum I have found that they have an extremely interested, and sometimes very vocal, group of participants. There always seems to be a variety of discussions going on in that forum no matter what your interests are.

I hope you will take the time to check this worthwhile organization out and see what great things they are doing for the youth in Missouri and hopefully you can find the time to perhaps throw a little manpower their way if needed. They really put an emphasis on Hunter Safety with all of their hunts so that is one place we, as HE Instructors, could surely help out.

The Deputy's Corner

Here it is spring time already, I think! To look at the way the weather has been you couldn't tell it. Myself, I'm ready to see green instead of that white stuff.

Youth season for turkey just got over with and the weather didn't go along with it. Our local paper did have some pictures of kids that got their tom.

Regular turkey season opens soon and by the time you read this will be over with. I hope it warms up a little for it. You turkey hunters, I hope you all have a good time and luck.

I think our Conference went well for our first time on our own. We're already planning our next years Conference.

So far in the NE Region we've had several classes held. From what I've seen There has been a good turn out.

Be Safe In Your Hunts,
 Larry Harlan
 Deputy Director
 NE Region

MHEIA TREASURER'S REPORT

JAN. 1, 2008 to APRIL 12, 2008

BEGINNING BALANCE	12,245.67
MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$1,440.00
ADVANCE CONF. REGISTRATION	\$1,000.00
SILENT AUCTION	\$998.00
RAFFLE	\$359.00
MEMORABILIA	\$35.00
PETTY CASH	\$200.00
 TOTAL	 \$16,277.67
RAFFLE ITEMS	437.87
AWARDS	\$512.49
BUTLER INT.	\$1,137.80
IHEA (Annual Affiliation Fee)	\$100.00
FOOD CATERING	\$1,142.52
ATTORNEY FEES	\$218.75
CONF. SUPPLIES	\$551.83
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$6.66
MEMBER BENEFITS	\$768.98
BUS TRANSPORTATION	\$150.00
HALL RENTAL	\$800.00
WEB HOSTING	\$285.00
MEMBERS PINS	\$1,017.46
RETURN CHECK	\$102.00
RETURN CHECK FEE	\$7.00
PETTY CASH	\$200.00
 TOTAL EXPENSES	 \$7,438.36
 CURRENT BALANCE	 \$8,839.31

SUBMITTED BY:
 DONALD HARRIS,
 TREASURER
 DATE: APRIL 13, 2008



Message from the Conference Committee

As we recover from our 1st annual Hunter Ed Conference. I am already starting to work on next year's conference. I am looking at planning a 2-day conference in February or March.

As chairperson for next year's conference, I am asking you, the instructors, for input on what kind of program you would like to see. I have gotten some ideas already from other instructors, but I would like some more input from all of the instructors. Since this conference is for you, I want your ideas on topics to cover, or if you have any guest speakers you would like to hear from. Please feel free to call me or email me your thoughts and/or ideas. By us working together we can make this a successful conference.

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

California Pacific Coast Region Hunter Education Instructor Association
<http://www.cahuntereducation.org/>

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

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<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/>

REGIONAL REPORTS

Kansas City - Frank Powers

Hope everyone had a successful and safe turkey season this year. It has been a busy spring so far and doesn't look to slow down much as time goes on. There were several successful hunts held this year, with instructors assisting the Department. A pheasant hunt was held in March and the Burr Oak Turkey hunt was held in April--10 youth but only got one bird. A good time was had by the young people. Thanks to the instructors assisting in these hunts and also the turkey hunt at Smithville on May 10th.

Our instructor picnic/fun shoot will be held on June 6th. There is a fun-shoot at Lake City range starting at 9am with lunch and surprise festivities to be held starting around 12:30 at the shelter on Truman Road. Hope to see you all there.

There is an on-line class being held on Sept. 13th at MCC Longview. Instructors are needed to assist. If you are interested in assisting contact Dave Wyatt.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Emil Phipps who recently passed away. Also to the family of Scotty MacDonald who recently lost his father.

Our first conference was a judged a success by those attending. Please contact me with thoughts on how to improve. Don Sears has suggested a fundraiser by holding a shoot at Pioneer. Thoughts? Any other ideas? Let me know



REGIONAL REPORTS

St. Louis - Bob Mallery

On 03/14/08 I went to Troy and contacted Coordinator/ Chief Instructor Mike Ohlms in order to present William Robertson his Award for MHEA Instructor of the year. Bill was totally and completely surprised. What even made it better was that his son (John Robertson) was there as well. If this is not enough Mike's son (Eric Ohlms) was also there. Other Instructors in attendance were Terry Walton and Ken White. Congratulations Bill on a job well done.

In conclusion I would like to say I think it is neat to see these new instructors following in their fathers foot steps. I hope I am around to see them receive the MHEA instructor of the year award as there fathers have.

I would like to welcome aboard and thank Paul Mayer in accepting the position of Deputy Director for our region. This will give me two Deputies for our region. I am in hopes that this will give me a better idea of the wants and needs of our instructors. If any one has any ideas or concerns please feel free to pass them along to Paul Mayer, Doug Wagganer or R. A. Mallery; also if anyone has a article they would like to put in the news letter please contact one of us.

We are thinking of having a Flea Market and would like to have your input. This event would be held at the Flea Market in Wentzville. Please contact Paul, Doug or My self for any items you might have to donate.

Remember: 2008/2009 Dues are due please Remit ASAP Thanks.

SOUTHWEST - Don Harris

Southwest The annual conference was very successful. If you missed it this year, plan to attend next year. The date is temporarily set for the first weekend in March, same as this year. The silent auction was the best bargains of the day with many items going below the regular store price.

Congratulations to the Hunter Education Instructor of the year from Southwest, **Dale Garner** received the award. If you know Dale you know how many activities he is involved in other than teaching.

Congratulations Dale!

Many of our instructors are involved in the activities at Andy Dalton Range. The big one coming up is Day at the Range on Saturday June 21st. On this day the range

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dedicates the entire day to those individuals who are physical challenged. They have the opportunity to use all the range facilities at no charge. Complete with fishing from the pond. Lunch is served for all participants and volunteers. If you want to spend a day volunteering and leave with a special feeling of accomplishment call **Mike Brooks** at 417 742-4361 and put your name on the list of helpers. I promise you will be glad you did. Beginner trap and skeet shooting are the two following Saturdays June 28 & July 12. Call Dalton Range 742-4361 to attend these events.

Hunt safely and Hunt often.
Don Harris, Director SW region

**PASS ON A TRADITION
TAKE A YOUTH HUNTING**

Central - Dennis Desmond

I would like to introduce myself to the members of the Central Region. A bit of information for those of you who do not know me, my wife, Elsie, and I have 3 children Dennis Jr, Sean, and Jacque. Our children have blessed us with 7 grandchildren, Kylar, Rylan, Kate, Christopher, Cole, Kameron, and Madeline.

I retired after teaching for 30 years in 2001, and I continue to operate the family farm

I will be working with you and making calls along with emails to you in order to provide you information and updates. I also will be promoting the Association to other instructors who are not members.

Please send your updated addresses, phone numbers and emails to desmondj@yahoo.com or call 660-886-5258 (H): 660-815-7742 (C).

I will be trying to update the Central Region Data so please do not hesitate to send me info if you do not have an email at: RR #1, Box 206N, Marshall, MO 65340

I look forward to hearing from you and working with you.

Sincerely,
Dennis Desmond

Northeast -Jim Robertson

I am sure all of you are ready for spring after such a winter. The turkeys are gobbling and it promises to be a good harvest if the weather will just cooperate. Don't forget that you can hunt for morels too while turkey hunting and you do not need a hunting permit or a shotgun for those!

Classes are winding down in the region. We've had a good turnout for spring classes. They are usually smaller in size but not this spring.

Our first Conference went well for our first time. A good time was had by all that attended and the food was superb! We had some excellent help in setting this thing up and they deserve a BIG "Thank You" for all of the hard work!!!!

We are in the planning stages for next year. If you didn't get to come this year please plan on coming next year. Remember, this is your Association and your input and involvement is needed if we are to survive!

Congratulations go out to those who received awards at the Conference. Award recipients were:
Instructor of the year:

NE Thomas Yunick;

NW Dave Rapson;

KC Phil Philips;

Central Don Munford;

St. Louis Bill Robertson;

SW Dale Garner;

Ozark David Grossman;

SE Kevin Hoggard.

Friend of MHEIA Robin Brandenburg

Ken Anderson Award Terry McCarty

MHEIA Hall of Fame Jan Morris

The MDC NE Region Instructor of the Year was Leo Hovar.

Everyone needs to look at the front page to see who the Directors are and who the officers are for 2008. If we can be of assistance please let us know!

Be safe and good hunting,
Jim Robertson Director NE Region

SOUTHEAST - Dave Hoff

It was both an honor and a privilege to serve as the president of this association last year. I hope I did not disappoint anyone. There are still many things that need to be done to keep this association strong.

I can not continue as the director for the remaining portion of my term, and I apologize for that. My health will prevent me from giving you the time and attention that should be given to this position. There are many good people in our region and I have spoken to a few who may be able to and are willing to devote some of their time to represent this region as it needs to be. I will continue to assist them as long as they want or need me too. I know that they are going to need your support, your ideas, and your complaints as well.

Please do not hesitate to check with them or myself for upcoming activities. As you may have read in a previous article, MHEIA has offered to support MOE (Missouri Outdoor Experience) in whatever way we can. This could be anything from assisting with a youth hunt, putting together a shooting clinic, or just helping with a class they need to have taught. They have some pretty impressive projects they have done so far, and we all share the same goals, getting more people safely involved in outdoor shooting sports.

If you want to set up a youth hunt, offer a shooting class, or even serve as a deputy director for our region, I want to hear from you. This association has come along way, please stay active, get involved and share your knowledge with others in the outdoors.

Dave Hoff

Wanted Old Hunting Gear

Anything that you would like to donate to MHEIA can be used in the auctions at the workshop or could be sold at the Wentzville flea market.

Check your closet for those pants that don't fit anymore, the decoys you upgraded from, the deer stand you don't use.

Check with your regional director

CFM REPORT

Don Harris

CFM's annual spring conference was held Feb. 22, 23 & 24 at the Lodge of Four Seasons in Lake Ozark. Friday evening was the Annual Awards Ceremony. Saturday was devoted to various committee reports and framing of resolutions to be presented to the various state agencies in support of new regulations.

I attended the committee on deer and Turkey. The 2007 deer season was down about 7%. Total deer harvested was 300,915 compared to 324,425 in 2006. The changes in deer hunting regulations are still under consideration. Being considered are, changes in the regular gun, black powder and antlerless seasons and/or expanding the four point restriction to state wide.

The 2007 spring turkey harvest was down about 10% total harvest was 48,500 birds. The fall harvest was about 10,000. Changes in the turkey regulations for this year are, all day hunting during the youth season. Missouri is no longer number one in turkey hunting, but still ranks in the top percentages of harvested birds.

Two resolutions were presented from this committee.

1. To extend the Missouri Spring Turkey Season Hours until the end of shooting light in order to promote youth participation.
2. Establish a Share the Harvest Endowment Fund to help in funding the Share the Harvest program.

During 2007 Operation Game Thief answered 1,031 calls, resulting in 348 total convictions. The total rewards paid were \$12,350.

CFM is encouraging all members of their affiliates to become CFM members. This is one way we as Hunter Education Instructors can have a voice in the legislative process involving issues which concern us.

The CFM fall conference is Sept. 12-14 at Camp Clover Point, Lake Ozark.

**MHEIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
APRIL 13, 2008 Session 1
HOLIDAY INN SELECT COLUMBIA, MO**

Board Members present were; Dave Hoff SE Region Director; Bob Mallery St Louis Region Director; Doug Waggener St Louis Region Deputy; Dennis Desmond Central Region Deputy Director; Jim Robertson NE Region Director; Larry Harlan NE Region Deputy Director; Don Harris SW Region Director; and Dan Evans NW Region Director. There were no guests present.

Board meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Board President Dave Hoff.

A motion was made by Dave Hoff for Jim Robertson to act as secretary for this meeting in the absence of the Board secretary and was seconded by Don Harris. A vote was taken and motion was approved unanimously.

Board President Dave Hoff presented opening remarks.

Board Meeting minutes from January 11, 2008 meeting were presented to the Board. A motion to accept minutes as amended was made by Jim Robertson and seconded by Bob Mallery. A vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

The Association minutes from the annual business meeting held on March 08, 2008 were presented and amendments were made. A reprint will be presented at the next Board meeting and upon approval will be ready to be presented to membership at next annual business meeting.

There was a consensus among the Board that individual invitations be made directly to all MDC Commissioners for our next annual meeting.

New life members of the Association are; Lorna Domke, Mike Palazzolo, and Paul Meyer.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer Don Harris. Bass Pro made a donation of \$1000.00 for silent auction items for annual conference. A returned check was discussed and attempts to recover these funds will be made. There was an ending balance of \$8,839.31 in the Association Budget.

A motion to accept Treasurer's report was made by Don Harris and was seconded by Dan Evans. A vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

Discussion then ensued as to setting up the annual conference for 2009.

Jennifer Glenn from Holiday Inn Select of Columbia gave a presentation for Board consideration as to

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Hunting is Safe
and Getting Safer!**

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holding our next annual conference there. A tentative date of March 06 & 07, 2009 has been set. Conference Committee Chair and President will do follow up to finalize things.

The YHEC Safety Trail Sponsorship was discussed. A formal request was for \$450.00 and was presented to the Board by Dave Hoff. A motion to approve sponsoring the YHEC Safety Trail for \$450.00 was made by Bob Mallery and was seconded by Don Harris. A vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

Dave Hoff reported to the Board that due to medical reasons, he will be resigning as Director of the SE Region. His deputy director is unable to serve as well. Dave agrees to stay on as deputy director to give advice. Possible replacements were discussed.

A motion was made by Don Harris SW Regional Director for his deputy director to be Sara Smith. No second was needed. A vote was taken and motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Dennis Desmond Central Director for his deputy to be Earl Williamson. No second was needed. A vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

The Ozark Region's representation was discussed. Since the Director has been out of state for over a year and the deputy director is unable to attend Board meetings, a director at large was discussed for appointment so that the Ozark Region would have representation on the Board until such time that a director could be found and elected. A motion to appoint Sara Smith as Director at Large for the Ozark Region was made by Jim Robertson and was seconded by Dan Evans. A vote was taken and motion passed unanimously. The Director at Large will be responsible for finding someone who will serve as Director for the Ozark Region.

Election of Board officers was held.
President – Frank Powers
Vice President – Jim Robertson
Secretary – Dennis Desmond
Treasurer - Don Harris

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bob Mallery and was seconded by Don Harris. Vote was taken and motion to adjourn was passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted by acting Secretary,
Jim Robertson

Board members present were: Dave Hoff, Director SE Region; Bob Mallery, Director St Louis Region; Doug Wagganer, Deputy Director St Louis Region; Dennis Desmond, Director Central Region; Jim Robertson, Director NE Region; Larry Harlan, Deputy Director NE Region; Don Harris, Director SW Region; Dan Evans, Director NW Region.

There were no guests or other members present.

Meeting was called to order by Vice President Jim Robertson in the absence of the President. Brief opening remarks were given by Vice President Jim Robertson.

Committee assignments were given by Vice President Jim Robertson and are as follows:
Conference, Frank Powers and Sara Smith.
Membership, Don Harris
Newsletter, Dave Hoff
Website, Dennis Desmond
By-Laws, Bob Mallery
Funding, Dan Evans & Dennis Desmond
Awards, Jim Robertson & Bob Mallery
CFM, Don Harris
Historical, Doug Wagganer, Jim Robertson, & Frank Powers
Member Benefits, Frank Powers
Budget Proposal-Projections Don Harris & Committee Chairs

Don Harris gave report on membership and that a lot of renewals need to be made because of the March 01 renewal date. Directors are to call those members who have not renewed in their respective regions. Doug Wagganer made a request that each deputy director get a list region members at the next meeting so they too could make necessary contact as well. MHEIA needs to maintain 250 members to have a seat on the CFM Board.

Dave Hoff gave report about the upcoming Newsletter and set a deadline for the next several issues. They are 04-18-08; 07-15-08; 10-15-08; & 01-15-09

Website was discussed. Dennis Desmond will contact webmaster Rob Brandenburg.

By-Laws were discussed and has had a legal review. Funding was discussed and there are no new ideas as of yet.

CFM, Don Harris gave report. CFM conference was held in February A motion was made by Dave Hoff to again approve a \$500.00 expense account for the CFM representative and was seconded by Dennis Desmond. A vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

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The State Fair was discussed with Dave Hoff giving an outline. MHEIA paid for one meal last year for those who worked the MDC Booth.

A motion was made by Dennis Desmond to strike the State Fair and YHEC reports from the MHEIA Meeting Agenda and was seconded by Don Harris. A vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

Doug Wagganer gave report about Historical and will continue to work on this to get things completed.

Under unfinished business Doug Wagganer is able to print out all Awards certificates and will do so when sent to him for our next years Conference.

There is to be discussion at next Board meeting as to how best to conduct Regional elections.

There was discussion concerning MHEIA owned equipment. The trap thrower that is to be in the Central Region is in the KC Region right now. Frank Powers also has possession of the two folding tables and two tablecloths belonging to MHEIA.

Under new business the Missouri Outdoor Experience (MOE) was discussed. This Organization promotes and conducts youth hunts throughout the state. A motion was made to support MOE and to give them a spot in our newsletter and a link on our website. A vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

Don Harris reported that our NRA dues have not yet been paid. Our dues to IHEA are paid.

Don Harris read a letter from the Missouri Youth Shooting Sports Alliance. Jan Morris is the executive officer and is asking for MHEIA's endorsement. A motion to endorse and support the Missouri Youth Shooting Sports Alliance excluding any financial support. A vote was taken and motion passed unanimously. Jim Robertson Vice President will fill out paper work and send it in.

Bob Mallery presented an appointment for a second deputy director for the St Louis Region with Paul Meyer being the appointee. A motion was made to accept Paul Mayer as second deputy director for the St Louis Region . A vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

Dennis Desmond presented an appointment for deputy director for the Central Region with the appointee being Earl Williamson. Jim Robertson made a motion to accept Earl Williamson as deputy director for the Central Region. A vote was taken and motion passed unanimously.

Jim Robertson gave a presentation on the proposed Awards criteria revision and was critiqued. Will be presented at next Board meeting for the Board's consideration.

The next Board meeting was scheduled for May 18, 2008 10:30 AM and will held at Bass Pro in Columbia MO.

Meeting was adjourned by Vice President Jim Robertson at 3:05 PM

Are you willing
to offer a guided youth hunt ?
Do you have a location?
If you said YES
Check with your regional director
on how to get something
going in your region
IT IS TIME TO GET INVOLVED

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Our current membership is 273. All members were due to renew on March 1st. Many have not mailed their renewals at this time. We encourage you to so soon as possible. Mail to the Association's PO Box Address. A membership renewal form is in the last page of the newsletter.

Mike Palazzolo, Paul Mayer from St. Louis and **Lorna Domke** with MDC are all new life members. "Thanks **Mike, Paul and Lorna**".

We also have several members who are sustaining Members. These members are paying \$25.00 per year, rather than the regular \$10.00.

Also some members are sending their regular or sustaining dues with an additional amount designated for the general fund.

Our dues have not increased since the Association was organized. So we very much appreciate those members who have chosen to make an additional commitment to support the association over and above the regular membership dues.

From one Hunter Education Instructor to another we want to thank each and every member for doing what they can to keep our Association alive and well, financially.

Thank you,
Membership Committee

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___ Regular Instructor Sustaining (voting) \$25

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___ Associate Sustaining (non-voting) \$25

___ **Associate Life (non-voting) \$200**

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