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### ***VISION STATEMENT:***

*A proactive, informed group of ND volunteers who dedicate themselves to promoting quality education, who are recognized as leaders in enriching our hunting heritage with respect to safety, integrity and conservation.*



### **MEET SOME OF YOUR BOARD MEMBERS**

**Members pictured above left to right:** Larry Kaul, Dist. 11; Curt Walen, Dist. 7; Lynda Miller, Dist. 10; Scott Fasteen, Dist. 6. **#263 you're a winner.**

**Members pictured below left to right:** Rod O'Clair, Pres.; Dale Kilwein, Dist. 9; Mark Walsh, Sec.; Clayton Thompson, Dist. 12.



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## PRESIDENT'S NOTES

I was extremely pleased with the good attendance at your summer Board of Directors meeting in Bismarck, July 16<sup>th</sup>. Several important pieces of business were addressed at this meeting.

I had declared the Secretary position vacant in late May or early June when Terry Fasteen moved on to greener pastures in Minnesota and felt he needed to resign the position. Mark Walsh volunteered to be nominated to fill the unexpired term and even had a replacement in line for the District One representative position. By vote of the Board members present, Mark is the Secretary and Ron Swenson is the District One Director.

The Vision Statement was adopted as printed at the top of your last newsletter. It mistakenly and confusingly said it was the Mission statement. Part of that is because I had wanted the Mission Statement developed before the Vision Statement. Anyway, a new Mission Statement has now been drafted and is printed in this newsletter. If there is no dissention, it will be voted on to adopt officially at the October meeting.

NDHEA has received a request to provide part of the program at the annual meeting. The Officers would like you to submit some instructional item you use to effectively get the message across to your students. It can be a visual aid, a method, a program or something that other instructors can adopt in their classes. Please contact your District Director and share your successful presentation. The Board will review all of the submissions and choose those that will fill the time we have available. The instructor will hopefully attend the annual meeting and make the presentation two times before the other instructors. As many techniques as possible will be chosen. Please don't be bashful; there are many newer instructors and some of us old buggers that have good things to learn. I can vouch that I have picked up good ideas working with different instructors and these new ideas get adopted by me because they are effective with the students.

I will give you a simple example. When students cross a fence, the gun must lay on the ground for a brief period. For me to get across that the gun should be checked for obstruction in the barrel after picking it back up, I stress they should tap the barrel lightly while pointed down to get the mouse out of it. I explain that tall grass around fence lines is where mice hide and a person moving around it may scare one out and the perfect hiding place is that small dark hole we call the muzzle. I know this works because most of the students will from then on pick up the gun, tap it and state they are shaking the mouse out. It helps them remember because it is simple foolishness. But it works!

It is also time for the District Directors to think about instructors that should be nominated for some of our association awards. The nomination can be brief.

Neva was quite disappointed that no one contacted her to claim a prize from the last newsletter game. Look for your **membership number** in this newsletter and give her a call or send an email. Your membership card is that lime green card the Titus family provided when you gave them \$10.00 last Feb at the annual conference or sent to you in the mail. It is the size of a calling card.

Rodney O'Clair, President

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### From Your Editor-Neva Walsh

The following people **did not claim** their prize in the last newsletter:

#138-Lauren Thronveit-Dist. 1

#257-Richard Sauer-Dist. 2

#288 -Leon Hiltner-Dist. 4

#213- Wayne Evans-Dist. 1

Sorry guys!!

Be sure and look for your membership numbers hidden in each newsletter. Since we had no winners, eight numbers will be included in this newsletter. **Contact Neva Walsh at 572-4891** or E-mail: **mnwalsh@wil.midco.net** if you find your number. If you don't know your number give me a call and I'll look it up. #298 you win!! "GOOD LUCK"

# DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE'S NEWS

## District 1-Mark Walsh

This will be the last time I will report in as the District One rep. as I have offered and been voted in by the Board for the balance of the year to fill the vacant secretarial position formerly held by Terry Fasteen. Terry has moved out of state. "Good luck to him in his future endeavors". Ronald Swenson from Williston was appointed by the Board to fill the Dist. One rep. position and he has graciously accepted the challenge. When I asked Ron to be the new Dist One rep. if I was appointed the new secretarial position he said yes, because he wanted to get more involved as an instructor and with the association and now he has a chance to do just that. Thanks Ron and "Good Luck". Feel free to contact Ron if you have any questions or needs at 572-8377 or e-mail Ron at : taxcollector@iwon.com . I want to thank you for trusting in me to be your past Dist. One rep. It was a position that I enjoyed and will be here to assist Ron whenever I can help. Just a reminder for all association members, that we need a new secretary each year and it will be voted on at the annual meeting in Bismarck. Just contact your Dist. rep. or President Rod if you are interested in being considered for the position.

Happy Hunting-Mark Walsh

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## District 5-Lori Schweigert

Hello from District 5. I didn't make it to the quarterly meeting as I had a family commitment on that day so I asked Clyde Grosz to proxy for me. He went and did a great job. Thanks so much Clyde. One thing I learned was that Terry Fasteen was transferred. Many of us will miss his input and talents. I wish him and his family the best and thank him for all he has done for the association. #240 you're a winner. Welcome to Mark Walsh as our new secretary.

It was a lot of fun helping out at the Pathway to Hunting this year. That is a great way to meet people from throughout the state as well as other instructors. The smiles from novice shooters says it all. Jim does a great job with this project.

There are two items I would like some input from you. One is: Is there an instructor that you would like to nominate for the president's award for this past year, someone who does a better than great job in the classroom and helps out with other projects for this association? And the other is: Do you have any ideas on some budget items you would like our district to work on, either as a one-time project or as an ongoing project? Let me know as I would like to present this to the board at the next meeting. Your ideas are valuable to me and to the district. Thanks.

Our next event is the Zap shoot. # 223 you win. We are gearing up for it. Hopefully the weather will not be a negative factor and we will have had many come to enjoy the day. The next Understanding the Midwest statement is: "No, there's no "Vegetarian Special" on the menu. Order steak. Order it rare. Or, you can order the Chef's Salad and pick off the two pounds of ham and turkey."

Have a good fall and safe hunting. Lori.

District 8-Al Klatt

Al said his bad news was that they were teaching class in one end of a stifling hockey arena in 85 degree heat and his good news is that the class was 50% females. # 233 You are a winner!! That is incredible!

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District 12-Clayton Thompson

Hope you are tolerating the heat. A couple of things, the first Ing Person Memorial Class will be held Aug. 6 & 7 at the Playmakers Pavillion. The event is headed by Lorne Sterner of Casselton. Contact number is 347-4716. The organizational meeting will be in the upstairs room@ Playmaker Pavillion @ 6 pm -Aug 2nd. Come and join our group and help out on this class.

We are looking for instructors to bring me teaching techniques, and or visuals that could be shown by you at our annual meeting workshop. They are looking for inovative ideas to get the core curriculum of class across to the students effectively. Please contact me with your ideas so I can present them at our Oct. 15 2005 meeting.

Hope you received the type of deer license you requested.

Keep in touch. Clayton Thompson **bowshack@aol.com**

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**REQUEST FOR PRESENTATION**

**When:** Saturday, February 4, 2006.

**Where:** Bismarck Ramkota Hotel.

**What:** Two identical presentations on the best hunter education teaching techniques or methods that the NDHEA chooses from amongst its members to share with the nearly 250 instructor at the upcoming annual workshop.

The time frame will begin shortly after 1:00PM and extend until 3:00PM. This will be followed by a 30 minute break and then the several teaching techniques will be repeated for the second instructor group until 5:00PM.

Each teaching technique would be presented and discussed amongst the attendees for approximately 20-30 minutes. Four or five best teaching techniques or tips can be selected. The presentation team will provide audiovisual operation and handout dissemination also.

**Cost:** The NDHEA will be reimbursed upon submission of an invoice for any associated presentation costs to be discussed ahead of time.

**Note:** The presentation may be preceded by a short expose on the history, mission and structure of the NDHEA.

**THANKS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION!!**

Please know that this is simply a request and can be adjusted. Thank You, Jim Carter

**NDHEA BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**July 16, 2005**  
**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 1:00 P.M.**  
**BY PRESIDENT ROD O'CLAIR**

Present: Mark Walsh-District 1  
Proxy Clyde Grosz-Dist. 5  
Scott Fasteen-Dist. 6  
Curt Walen-District 7  
Dale Kilwein-District 9  
Lynda Miller-Dist. 10  
Larry Kaul-District 11  
Clayton Thompson-District 12  
Neva Walsh- Newsletter Editor  
Jim Carter-NDG&F-HE Director  
Rod O'Clair-President  
Don Meyer-Vice President

Absent: Dave Cox-Treasurer  
Mike Kroh-Dist. 2  
Lynn Lawler-District 3  
Leland Bratlie-Dist. 4  
Al Klatt-District 8  
Titus Family-Membership Chairmen  
#142 you win

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Rod O'Clair.

AGENDA APPROVAL: President O'Clair asked for a motion to approve his agenda. Motion made by Don, second by Clyde Grosz. Motion carried.

SECRETARIES REPORT: President O'Clair asked Neva to take minutes of the meeting since no secretary was present. Rod read the secretaries report from the last meeting. Corrections needed to be made. Rod stated that the draft mission statement and vision statements were turned around and that they needed to be changed. Don made a motion to approve the minutes as read with a second by Curt. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None given as Dave was absent from the meeting. Lynda was contacted by Dave per phone call and was asked to relay to the Board that all bills have been paid and all deposits made. He also said he needs ink cartridges and stamps. The IRS tax forms have been filed and were prepared at no charge for us. Rod will request that Dave download the Treasurer's Report and e-mail to all Board members.

OLD BUSINESS: Mark asked about updating of the NDHEA website and about getting access to password. Could someone else get on and get newsletter and updates on the website since it has not been done to date? Rod stated that he didn't know who has the password and access to the site.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP: Membership Chairmen were absent but relayed through President O'Clair that we have 150 members to date. There were no changes since the last meeting.

CAPS: Cap Chairman was not present at the meeting, therefore no report was given.

NEWSLETTER: Neva commented that no one reported finding their membership number in the newsletter incentive game. She will include the four unclaimed plus add an additional 4 more in the next newsletter. She stated that if they no longer have their card with their number that they can either contact her or the membership committee for their number. The following four people missed finding their name in the newsletter ; Lauren Throntveit-Dist. 1, Richard Sauer-Dist. 2, Leon Hiltner-Dist. 4 and Wayne Evans-Dist. 1 missed their numbers. Comments were made about the deer photos in the last newsletter. All enjoyed them.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: President O'Clair stated that we lost out legislative representative due to a move out of state and that we will have to find a replacement. He asked the Board to let him know of anyone willing to replace that committee representative.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE: No report given.

AUDIT AND FINANCE: Mark stated this is usually done at the annual workshop. Rod asked if there were any concerns and none were stated by Mark.

HISTORIAN: No report given as Dave was absent from meeting.

WEBSITE: Lynda mentioned that Dave would like to see music set to the website. He is currently checking on this.

GUEST REPORTS: Jim Carter stated he would like the District's to contact him with class date information. He also stated that he has had some requests for classes in the Grand Forks and Dickinson areas. Jim wanted to thank all who have worked and accepted changes with the new materials. They give a better understanding to students. There has been some decline in numbers for a variety of reasons. He also received a 22 Henry rifle donated which he will bring to the annual meeting. He has made a request for two presentations at the annual meeting on Instructor training techniques. He stated he will pay for all costs associated with the presentations. Jim also discussed the planning sessions. He stated they work but he is not getting the small communities to participate. Less than 50% of all classes held go through Jim's office in a timely manner. This needs to change. He needs class dates well in advance of the classes. Jim is offering incentives to Instructors of intent to teach if Jim is contacted or receives the Instructors forms prior to 12/31. He'll be offering 7" folding Gerber knives. He states that it's amazing how far students will travel to attend a class. The website is a very powerful tool. He is canceling future planning meetings. Information will follow in his September newsletter. # 246 you win.

#### DISTRICT REPORTS:

District 1-Will have a class in August and in the future there are 2-3 classes planned before the end of the year.  
District 2-None  
District 3-None  
District 4-None  
District 5-The Zap Shoot is on 8/6 from 1-5 pm CST or 12-4 MT. We had a great time last year. We'd like to see everyone come out Contact: Lori at 873-2234. We play games-have all sorts of fun and it will be shot-guns only for this shoot. Clyde also mentioned that Lori has been talking with Mike Peterson who has had a shoot for the disabled vets in the past. She'd like to get hunter ed involved and have a shoot sometime in October. I'm sure Lori will include information in the newsletter about it. Mike has a shoot every year. It's a good cause.  
District 6-Terry left-was rep. and secretary. We need a new secretary to replace him. He moved to Detroit Lakes, MN.  
District 7-None  
District 8-None  
District 9-Dale stated classes are scheduled for this fall with one being internet and the other a regular class.

He hasn't had much time to check with Instructors. Everyone has been doing ok. May get together this fall.

District 10-Lynda stated that they have a class at the end of July. No one has said that they need anything. District 11-Larry said that on 8/24 they have a class scheduled at the school. Also another one planned for downtown with no date set. Antelope Valley Shoot still being worked on by Kulm.

District 12-Clayton stated that meetings are in the works with Cass County Wildlife. They have a class scheduled the first week of August. They have been signing up on website. They have had a couple meetings and discussion. Clayton pushed hard about filling out postcards and using the website signup. They worked with conservation template-stressed that. It's tough for kids to comprehend.

Rod O'Clair commented regarding the classes that they handed out materials and told kids test answers were on certain pages. They found that grades went up considerably when they discovered what the objectives and goals were. Instructors need to get this out to the kids.

NEW BUSINESS: Rod declared the secretarial position open. Don nominated Mark Walsh. Second by Clayton. No other nominations were made. Clyde made the motion to cease nominations. Lynda stated that Dave had passed on to her his concern to leave the secretary's position open until the annual meeting. The Board felt the present nomination should be accepted and that we need a secretary now so we are ready for annual meeting. A unanimous ballot was cast for Mark Walsh. Motion carried that Mark Walsh be the new NDHEA Secretary. Mark mentioned that in the event he was voted in as secretary that he had a replacement and that Instructor Ronald Swenson would accept the District 1 rep. position. The Board commented that Ron would make a good rep. for District 1.

Dale asked if anyone has seen the IHEA ten commandment patches. Mark stated that he has 6 of the 10 patches and that they are very nice. They sell for \$10 per patch and that each patch has one commandment. Mark has had his sewn on his orange hunter's ed vest and wears that to the classes.

Rod would like to urge all District's to do a budget. It will help us know future costs and incomes and help us to decide if we can give more sponsorships out or help with travel expenses to take kids to shoots.

MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVES: Dale suggested taking \$10 out of each District to give out for membership incentives. He suggested we could do this at the annual meetings. Tabled for future discussion.

ANNUAL MEETING PRESENTATIONS: Jim said he is looking at doing something a little different at the annual meeting. He would like to see some different teaching techniques presented by various Instructors to include 20-30 discussions, effective teaching techniques, handouts and handgun & archery demos. He would need to see by October and then 4-6 of the best presentations would be selected to be observed at the annual workshop. All costs incurred would be paid for by Jim. This would help improve everyone's teaching ability. Mark explained as an example what District 1 has done in the past. Doug Crosby started out with a great idea and it works. The instructors demonstrate different carries, zone of fires, etc. and then have all students in a line and the first goes through all the same techniques and then the student becomes the teacher for the next student down the line and this goes on through the complete line of students so in this way, each student does all as shown by the Instructors at the beginning of the line. Rod O'Clair asked that if any instructors are willing to accept this challenge as presented by Jim Carter to please e-mail him. There was a show of hands by the Board and all agreed. Again, if there are any costs incurred for the presentation, let the Board or Jim know.

MISSION STATEMENT DISCUSSION: General discussion took place about the Mission Statement. Lori through her proxy, Clyde Grosz, sent in two ideas for the mission statement. She felt her first choice would be worded as follows: Instructors Teaching Tomorrow's Hunters. Her second choice was: Instructing the Hunters of Tomorrow. General discussion was had regarding the mission statement. The Board liked Lori's # 1 choice and also discussed the statement that is on our website: To improve hunter ethics, teach hunting safety, promote landowner-hunter relations, encourage knowledge of laws & regulations, and learn about wildlife resources. Rod suggested the core mission could be left on the bottom and use the top one as our mission statement. This was tabled and will be brought up at the October meeting to vote on. Anyone opposing please contact Rod O'Clair or any Board member. Motion was made to table and have put in newsletter and adopt in October with changes. Motion by Don, second by Clyde. Motion carried by unani-

mous vote.

REQUESTS: Lori requests that we show signed minutes in each newsletter showing /s/ and secretaries name. #180 you've won. The Board agreed.

BOARD AND PRESIDENT'S AWARDS: Rod asked that we start thinking about the Board and President's Awards from your District for the next meeting.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn at 3:00 pm was made by Al Klatt with a second by Don Meyer. Unanimous vote to adjourn and meeting was adjourned. Rod asked all Board members to turn in their vouchers to him and he will forward to Dave for payment. Next meeting is scheduled on October 15th at 1:00 pm.

/s/ Neva Walsh

Leadership should be borne out of the understanding of those who would be affected by it.  
Marian Anderson, Opera Singer 1897-1993

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No person was ever honored for what they received. Honor has been the reward for what they gave.

Calvin Coolidge, Former US President  
1872-1933

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Leadership is much more an art, a belief, a condition of the heart, than a set of things to do.  
Max Depree, Contemporary US Author  
And Business Leader

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Now is not the time to think of what you do not have. Think of what you can do with what there is.

Ernest Hemingway, US Author \* Journalist  
1899-1961

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