LWCCG general meeting minutes for July 31,2024

Meeting Called to Order.

Guest: Gene Hebert introduced Travis Colombel (soon to be) Vice President of South Louisiana Wildfowl Carvers. Travis invited LWCCG members to the SLWC show in September 2024. He soon plans to join LWCCG. Emile thanked Travis and members for coming tonight.

Pledge or Allegiance was held.

Members Health/not in attendance.

Emile's wife Sandra is recovering well from back surgery. A.J. and Kim Berkeley are not at the meeting because his wife was taken to the hospital.

Newsletter:

More members now receiving the newsletter. Still working on a few issues with the members list and St. Charles Printing.

June Meeting:

Emile thanked Gene Hebert for managing the June meeting and accepting our new "Membership Chair Person Team" Sue and Bob Armand. Thank you Bob and Sue your time and talents are much appreciated..

Charles and Jean Frank Lifetime Achievement Award:
A flyer was created to announce the three 2024 recipients, The recipients will be honored at the Festival Dinner, October 26th.
The flyer will be emailed out to all members, look for the "dinner registration form" on the back of the flyer. Please register early to allow for proper preparation and an accurate head count Note the form is also in the Rules Book

Volunteer:

Gene Hebert (Show Chairman) is requesting an assistant to help with this year's competition coordination. This is a great opportunity, Gene will be there to guide and consul throughout the show. If you are interested please contact Gene or Emile.

Advertising:

Contacts for advertising of the Festival have been made; Don Dubuc (live radio), Decoy Magazine, Competition Magazine, Raften Lefort's website/magazine. They will be advertising and spreading the word about the Festival.

Auction:

Plans need to be made ready for the day of the auction. Volunteers needed. Auction Flyers have been made with photos and cataloging of some of the collectable decoys to be available for the Sunday Auction.

Festival Dinner:

Food for the Festival Dinner and the concessions will be done by Bonnanos Catering. A motion (to have beer and wine at the festival and at the dinner) was discussed and voted, yes. Dickey and Emile to work on details with the Castine Center and the Caterer.

Kids Activities:

Thanks to Kimberly and A.J. and several members; they are preparing for a new kids activity at the festival. Kits for Kids "Butterfly Pins" are being prepared, (cutouts, pins & paint & supplies to finish) at an activity table during the Festival.

Storage/Photography:

A Truck and Volunteers are needed to help load, deliver and unload and set up the equipment, table tags and supplies from storage. Richard will check out his photography equipment to be sure it is ready for October. A volunteer is needed to capture human-interest photo's during the Festival.

Front Desk: The Volunteers from last year should be contacted to see if they can work Saturday and Sunday welcoming Patrons, entrance fees, taking questions. Signing up for the dinner, directing folks, etc.

Friday Set-up and Friday Evening Registration: Volunteers needed for both of these activities. Food will be provided for Friday evening volunteers.

LWCCG Website: The Website has been rebuilt and is up and running. Thank you Matthew. Please take some time to go on and look around. Your feed back is helpful.

Vendor Tables: No update. Cal was not in attendance Show & Tell: See front page. Meeting Adjourned.