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Hello everyone!

I am back in the saddle again as our chapter President. I want to thank our Board of Directors (BOD) members who selected me to take the reigns and lead our chapter for the next two years. I also want to thank Ralph Cagle for his leadership the previous two years as our President, he has been around for a while and did his usual good job.

Our treasurer, Kevin Mulkeran has finished putting our 2018 fundraiser numbers together and I am happy to announce we had another very successful fundraiser. This time I want to give my personal thanks to the entire fundraising team who put in countless hours and a lot of energy towards the success of this year's event! I would also like to thank our donors, chapter members and supporters who attended our fundraiser which allows us to finance our many fine sportsmen programs.

We have almost reached \$2,000,000 in donations towards protecting our hunting rights worldwide, educational projects here in Michigan, humanitarian efforts for our local communities and the SCI Political Action Committee which is our first line of defense against the Anti's. None of these actions could be possible without everyone's support and the dedication of our BOD and our chapter members.

As usual, we could use a few more BOD members, there are many of you who have the abilities and skills that we need to keep our chapter running smoothly. Don't be put off the age of the current BOD members we could use some younger guys too. Recently Robert Easterbrook Jr. and Robert Delaurier have joined our BOD and have made many important contributions already. We need people who care to become involved and donate some of their time to give back to our sport, that gives us so much pleasure spent in the outdoors.

Thank you,

Don Van De Steene

LEGENDS RANCH HUNT

DON VAN DE STEENE

At last year's fundraiser I was the high bidder for the hunt at the Legend's Ranch. I had heard a lot about the Legend's Ranch and wanted to experience it for myself, so the next week I called them to set up the dates for my hunt. I can't say enough about the staff at Legend's Ranch. They were great from my first call to the time I left the hunt.

Many people have a negative impression of high fence hunts. I think they are a lot of fun. Do I look at these trophies with same pride as a free-range hunt? No, but it's still a great time, just a different kind of hunt. Do I still get a rush hunting there? You bet I do. You see a lot bucks and getting a good clean shot at a buck in your size class is not always easy, especially with a bow.

The first night was a tough hunt weather wise, so we hunted from a tent. It was raining off and on and windy; not much was moving. Then right at

last light a nice buck came out of the woods 85 yards away. I took a closer look at him with my binoculars. I liked what I saw. I asked my guild what he thought. He said it was right in my 160" size class. I decided if he gives me a great shot, I'll take it. It took a while, but he finally came broadside at 30 yards. I started to draw when a 190" class buck walked in from behind the blind and stopped right in front of the buck I was trying to shoot. He moved, but then a doe was in my way. I was losing light fast.

I finally got my shot and came to a full draw. My guild then whispered, "You are going to hit the tent; stand up a little." That is not a comfortable position in which to shoot! I took aim, let the arrow go and made a great shot.

The buck took off the way he came. We saw

him go down just inside the woods. He then got right back up and took off. With the rain and knowing I hit him well we went after him right away. We found where he went down and picked up a good blood trail from there. I was amazed he went as far as he did. My buck ended up scoring 157.

At most camps once you shoot your animal they expect you to leave, Not at the Legend's! The ranch director Robert Sergi was fantastic. He insisted we stay for a wine tasting party the next night. Then on Wednesday morning he gave us a tour of his breeding facility. The staff at the Legends were very attentive asking, "Do you need anything? Can I get you something?" If you want a fantastic hunt, a great place to bring your wife along, you should consider the Legend's Ranch. The food, the people you meet from all over the country, and the staff are great. Plan on being the high bidder at our next fundraiser in March. You won't be sorry!

Don Van De Steene



SHAP Camp 2018

Our 24th year doing the **State Hunter Apprentice Program (SHAP)** was one of the nicest I can remember. The temperatures were in the mid 80's with blue skies. The youngsters from our three day camp graduated and earned their DNR Hunter Safety plus their IBEP Bowhunter Education certificates which will allow them to hunt worldwide with their choice of hunting equipment!

This was our 11th year at the Echo Grove Camp ran by our friends at the **Salvation Army**. As usual, the new staff at Echo Grove did everything they could to make our camp run smooth for us and the kids. **Tina Brockway and Alan Lake** were our assigned hosts and did a terrific job. The folks at the Salvation Army are the best people on earth!

On Saturday evening we enjoyed the fantastic **Birds of Prey** program presented by **Joe and Barb Rogers with Joann Williams** from the **Wildlife Recovery Association**. The kids and staff were treated to seeing and in some cases, touching the birds of prey as they were carried around the room by Barb, Joann and Joe.

Their **Birds of Prey** program is a fast-paced, extremely entertaining, first rate educational experience that can be brought into your kids' school at a very reasonable rate. Contact them to schedule their conservation friendly program for your school at:

www.wildliferecovery.org

If you look at the faces of the students who attended our SHAP course this year, you will see our next generation of sportsmen and women, new hunters who will carry the word of conservation and our hunting heritage into the future. The small game season opens **September 15th** state wide and is the perfect time and activity to

start a new hunter on their life long hunting journey. The Michigan DNR set aside the weekend of **Sept. 22-23** for special Firearm and the Liberty deer hunts. Take advantage of the opportunity(s) our DNR provides, you won't regret it!

Robert Easterbrook Sr. again, took over the Camp Directors job and everything went very smoothly under his astute leadership.

Bob Easterbrook Jr and Colleen did a great job again of setting up all

of the many details needed to run a three day class. Kevin Mulkeran did his usual outstanding job as the Camp Coordinator and I was able to relax and enjoy the camp. The Instructors of our Bowhunter Chapter and the Detroit Chapter who gave the extra effort to help ensure hunting's future are:

Mike Clemence
Bob Easterbrook Jr.
John Gornycz
Tammy LoGiudice
Kelly LoGiudice
Jim Martin
Bob McLean
Kelly McLean
Kevin Mulkeran
Chet Muraszewski
Shannon Richards
Troy Sanborn
James Wandrie
Gregg Wujcik

These SCI members donated three days of their lives so that 24 youngsters could receive their **MDNR Hunter and Bowhunter Education certificates**. Some people talk about how much they care about hunting, these gals & guys showed how much they care by giving of their time. On behalf of the kids and our chapter members I say **THANK YOU to all of them!!!**

Ralph Cagle
SCI- SHAP Co-Coordinator



**State
Hunter
Apprentice
Program**

**S.H.A.P.
YOUTH CAMP**



Hartland School Archery Team Part II

By Ralph Cagle

Our chapter BOD representatives, Rich DeLisle, James Wandrie and Ralph Cagle went out to the Hartland Schools National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) practice session on May 30, 2018. We were able to watch and chat with the senior archery team while they practiced their archery skills. Head coach Robert Jellison and assistant coaches Darin Loruss and Shelby Simonds run a fun and efficient archery practice after school. The results can

be seen by the number of wins that Hartland brings home every year and they do win and/or finish high in the NASP standings every year! Almost everyone of these youngsters came to us and thanked us for sponsoring their team. They were warm, smiling and happy kids who were enjoying shooting archery and supporting each other. As a parent and grandparent these are the kind of traits I wanted my kids and their kids to learn.

NASP is an activity that doesn't discriminate based on popularity, athletic skill, gender, size, or academic ability. It's a different kind of team sport. It's open to any student. Its biggest supporters are professional educators. Teams come together around one thing: archery.



Ralph Cagle, Jim Wandrie, Rich DeLisle, Robert Jellison, Darin Loruss and Shelby Simonds pose with the picture of their archery team



The Hartland NASP Champions practice hard for their place on the team as you can see by their concentration while on the shooting line!



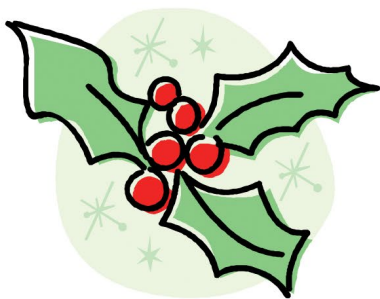
Hartland coaches: Head Coach Robert Jellison and Assistant coaches: Darin Loruss and Shelby Simonds

The National Archery in the Schools Program is an in-school program aimed at improving educational performance among students in grades 4th - 12th. And through it students are learning focus, self-control, discipline, patience, and the life lessons required to be successful in the classroom and in life.

Archery Equipment used in NASP® is highly standardized to be safe, durable, economical, and most importantly, universal fit for almost every student. In NASP® learning the "process" of shooting is stressed far more than arrow scores. The only bow used in NASP® is a "Genesis®" compound which has no let-off and is adjustable from 10-20 pounds in draw weight at any draw length.

With the focus on archery skills and life lessons of discipline,

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28th Annual S.E. MI. Bowhunters Christmas Party

Location: St. Basil Banquet Hall

4800 Metro Parkway (16 Mi), (W of Mound S side) Sterling Hts., MI 48310

Date: Friday, December 7, 2018

Doors Open 6:30 pm – Dinner 7 pm

Tickets: \$20 per Adult ● Ages 13 – 17 @ \$10 ● Kids 12 & Under FREE

A gift will be given to every child 12 and under from Santa!

Plus FREE gift drawings for adults!



Please bring an unwrapped gift valued at \$10+ and you'll receive \$10 off this evening's ticket cost. Or, bring canned goods valued at same for the program.

Sportsmen Against Hunger

Special Adult Door Prizes: (4) \$50 Gift Certificates.

YOU MUST RSVP by Nov. 26, 2018 so enough of Santa's gifts will be available for all the youngsters!

PLEASE CALL (586) 864.2461 ASAP - Thank you!



Lifetime Friend Marvin Lee Long Passes

April 14, 2018

By Ralph Cagle

Former BOD member and life time friend of our Chapter passed away after a long period of declining health. Marv was born August 28, 1938 in Blissfield, Michigan. As a young man Marv was a Boy Scout, served proudly in the U.S. Navy where he actually did see the world, as he traveled to the Mediterranean and the Arctic Circle! He retired from the Ford Motor Company as an electrician.

Marv was an archer, bowhunter and



Marvin Lee Long



5 BOD members L-R: Marv Long, Ralph Cagle, Mike Wills, Mark Austin, Kevin Mulkeran

avid fisherman who enjoyed being outdoors with his family. As a donor to our chapter he was both a member and served on our BOD for four years till he moved to Rose City where he manufactured his Taylormaid Archery strings and products. Marv was also a member of Michigan Bowhunters, a life member of Lincoln Bowmen and an active member of the Kiwanis Club.

I first met Marv at Lincoln Bowman where he had an archery shop in their building and he sold me the ugliest bow I have ever owned, it was one of the first Allen compound bows with an amazing 28% let off! To say it was ugly was being kind but, for \$90 what could you expect. Years later after working

with Marv at the Detroit News Hunter Safety Program where we would sometimes teach over 1000 youngsters to shoot bow on a weekend I worked for him at his Mar-Long archery shop in Fraser where I learned to tune bows and run his leagues. Marv was a good friend, an expert archer and as fine of a bowhunter as I have ever known.

We grew old together and enjoyed hunting together over the years. We who knew him will all miss his great sense of humor, his archery knowledge and one of the warmest smiles I have ever seen. So long old buddy, tell Fred Bear I said hello and that I will be joining you guys around the camp fire some years down the road.

Hartland School Archery Team Part II (Continued from pg. 5)

focus and patience it is no wonder that youngsters are going to archery classes offered in our school systems all across the country. The lessons passed on to these kids by coaches like Rob, Darin and Shelby will be with them their entire life and can not help but make them better people and

citizens! Our chapter is proud and happy to sponsor the NASP at the Hartland Schools they are a perfect example of what SCI and our chapter

is all about. If you or your organization want to support the NASP go to their website and see how you can get the NASP in your school system.



Senior Hartland Archery team with BOD members (old guys in front) James Wandrie, Ralph Cagle and Rich DeLisle, our chapter has sponsored them for the last few years and they are National NASP champs!

Calendar of Events



Important Dates:

November 15th
Firearm Season Opens State Wide

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December 1st
Muzzle Loader Season Opens State Wide
(In zones 1, 2, 3.)

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December 7th
Chapter Christmas Party at St. Basil
(See website for complete info.)

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February
Chapter Wild Game Dinner
(Watch for info on our website.)

— ● —
March 22nd-23rd
Chapter fund Raiser at Laurel Manor
Buy your tickets early (See website for info.)

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Call for Archery Info:

Detroit Archers	248.363.6049
Detroit Sportsmen	586.739.3500
Flint Bowmen	810.658.2798
Huron Pointe	810.598.8018
Land-O-Lakes	810.750.1636
Lincoln Bowmen	734.782.9293
MJC-Royal Oak	248.589.2480
MJC-Macomb	586.791.4600
MOR Archery	586.566.7991
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