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**At our last meeting:** President Brian Grote brought the meeting to order. Rick then talked about our Angler's Night banquet. Ticket sales were down slightly, but we still managed to meet our financial goal. Brian mentioned that we have money to fund a few projects, so if you have any ideas, pass them on to a member of our Board.

This year we will again hold our Awards Night banquet at the West Fargo VFW, and the date is set for April 11<sup>th</sup>. The doors open at 6:30pm. The meal will be Prime Rib or Shrimp, and is always great. Come show your support for our members who had an extraordinary fishing season. I have not yet heard if we'll have some type of entertainment, but we usually do. You also will need to call Brian Grote with your meal choice and the number attending of your group.

The annual F-M Chapter Sturgeon trip will be held April 18-20<sup>th</sup>. A sign-up sheet was passed around at the February meeting, but we still may have room for more of our members. If you'd like to attend, you'll need to contact Brett as soon as you can. More information is also listed at the top of the next page.

We had a great time hosting the NWTf Women in the Outdoors group last year, and we decided to do it again. This year's event will be held August 16<sup>th</sup>, and we'll need as many of our members to volunteer their guide service and boats as we can get. We'll be expanding the event a bit to include Lake Sallie, Pelican, Beers, and Detroit Lake. We'll be fishing from 8 am to 1 pm, then possibly meeting at the Shorewood Pub for lunch afterwards. The Pub is currently for sale, so we may need to meet at another location. We'll have more updates on this event as it gets closer. Please mark your calendars though, as we really could use the help.

The 2008 Chapter Challenge will be held in the Bemidji area of Minnesota. The lakes included are Big, Bemidji, Cass, Pike Bay, Plantagenet, and Andrusia. The Challenge will take place September 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>. We have 1 cabin on Cass Lake reserved for this year's Chapter Challenge, but we may be able to get another one if we have enough F-M members interested in fishing the event. The cost will be \$25.00 per person for each night you stay, and at least two meals will be provided. A sign-up sheet was passed around at the February meeting. Please contact John Skarie or Brian Grote for more information.

## Sturgeon Trip Information

From Vice President Brett Waldera

I have 10 rooms blocked off at the Baudette Motel for the April 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> for our annual Sturgeon trip. They are listed under FM Muskies Inc. I would like **each boat captain to take care of the rooms needed for his group.** The number to the Baudette Motel is 218-634-2600. Many of us are leaving Fargo early Friday morning if people want to follow in line on the drive up there.

We'd like to post a monthly photo in the newsletter of anything Muskie fishing related. The photo can be of a person with a fish, a sunset, or similar subjects. E-mail the photo to [bradwaldera@yahoo.com](mailto:bradwaldera@yahoo.com), or bring it to the next meeting. Photos of our Junior members with their catches are strongly encouraged. Thanks.

**Brad Waldera**- Editor/Publisher

## At The Next Meeting

Be sure to attend the March meeting as Mille Lacs guide Lee Tauchen will be our guest speaker. He puts a lot of big fish in the boat, and I'm sure he'll have good information to share.

## Membership Renewal Reminder

If your name is listed here, your membership to Muskies Inc. is due to expire within the next 30 days. Disregard this notice if you've already renewed. Thanks.

**Jared Bernstrom**

**Loren Petersen**

**Jim Wolters**

**Dave and Bernice LaPash**

**Darell and Karen Byram**

## Upcoming Events

**March 24** - Regular meeting at the West Fargo VFW at 7 pm. Guest speaker will be Lee Tauchen, so don't miss this one.

**April 5** - Muskies Inc. Spring Board meeting in Green Bay

**April 11** - Annual Awards Night banquet - 6:30 pm at the West Fargo VFW

**April 18-20** - F-M Chapter Sturgeon trip

**April 28** - Regular meeting at the West Fargo VFW at 7pm

**August 16** - NWTf Women in the Outdoors outing

**September 24-26**- Chapter Challenge in Bemidji area

**I decided to start a Fargo-Moorhead Chapter website. You can access it by the link listed below.**

[www.freewebs.com/fmmuskiesinc/](http://www.freewebs.com/fmmuskiesinc/)

**You can find new Muskies Inc. clothing here:**

<http://muskies.promoshop.com/>

**Don't forget to check out the Muskies Inc. myspace page at:**

<http://www.myspace.com/muskiesinc>

# 2007 Awards Night

Our annual Chapter Awards Night banquet will be held on April 11<sup>th</sup> at the West Fargo VFW at 6:30pm. If you're planning on attending, you must contact Brian Grote with your choice of Prime Rib or Shrimp for dinner. The meal has always been very good. I believe it still costs \$15.00 per person, and you can pay Rick at the door. We'll also have a raffle with some very nice prizes that we received from Dr. Byron Danielsen and John Baird. Come out and show your support for the members of our Chapter who had an extraordinary season last year. You'll be glad you did.

## 2007 Award Winners

Here are all of the people who will be receiving awards at our banquet.

Men's Division winners - Jason Benson, Brian Penfield and Loren Crawford

Men's Master's Division winners - Joe Hardy, Jerry Sondag and Brett Waldera

Professional Master's Division winner - Will Hardy

Women's Division winners - Kathy Sloan, DeAnn Grote, and Kathy Crawford

Women's Master's Division winner - Ruth Anderson

Junior's Division winners - Brady Crawford, Evan Twa, Ryan Sailer and Katie Crawford

### Lunker Of The Month winners-

March - Jerry Sondag with a 35

April - Will Hardy with a 42

May - Jerry Sondag with a 38

June - Jerry Sondag with a 56

July - Brian Penfield with a 52

August - Brady Crawford with a 53

September - Jerry Sondag with a 54.25

October - Jason Benson with a 54

November - Tie between Brett Waldera and Ruth Anderson, both with 52.5 inch fish.