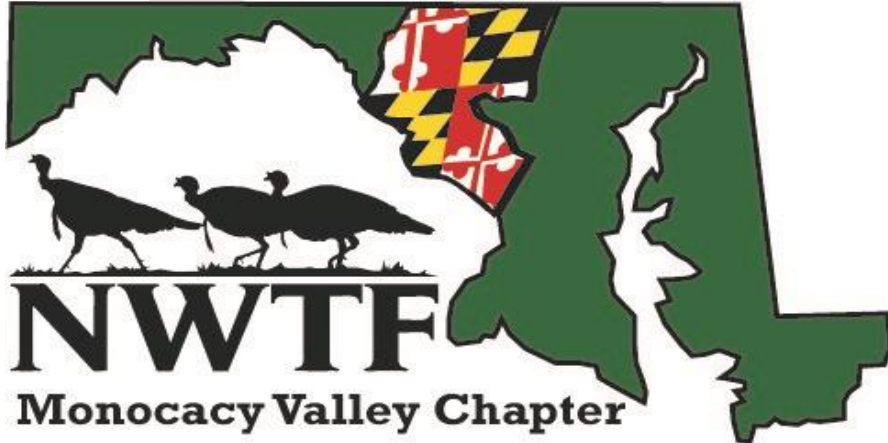


# Talkin' Turkey!



## A Message from President Russ.....

Hope everyone is doing well and getting the time to get out and enjoy the great outdoors, when the weather cooperates anyway. We are pleased to report that our committee continues to grow and are excited about the energy and ideas that our new volunteers will bring to the chapter. Please remember that even if you can't make it to meetings we want to hear from you about any thoughts or ideas that you may have. After hosting our Jakes Event last month, we are already at work on our next event. The Family Field Day is something we have never tried before but we are very excited about the potential for this event. The schedule is not completely set at this time, but we are planning to have opportunities for clay target shooting, archery, rifle and handgun shooting. Everyone is welcome so please try to join us on July 29th for what promises to be a great day for the entire family. It is also time to be thinking about our banquet on September 8th. We have already received a few awesome new items as donations and are planning to have some really nice guns available to win. I know I'm partial but if you have never attended our banquet please consider coming this year for what is always a fun and exciting evening. Hope to see everyone soon.

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## Upcoming Events:

7/29 Family  
Field/Fun Day

9/8 Annual Banquet

WIN a Yeti Cooler!



PLEASE JOIN US  
2018 Hunting Heritage  
BANQUET  
September 8, 2018  
Lewistown Fire Hall  
4:30 p.m.

## **SAVE THE DATE – FAMILY, FOOD, FUN AND FELLOWSHIP – and it's FREE!**

Plans are underway for an afternoon of family, food, fun, fellowship and more. There will be no cost and ALL are invited – we simply ask that you let us know you are coming so that an appropriate amount of food can be prepared. The event will be held on Sunday afternoon, July 29 at the Thurmont Conservation and Sportsman's Club near Thurmont, MD. More info will be forthcoming – please MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW TO ATTEND.

## **JUNIORS ACQUIRING KNOWLEDGE, ETHICS AND SPORTSMANSHIP (JAKES) FIELD DAY**

As you may recall from our last newsletter, we planned our 2018 JAKES Field Day (RAIN or shine) for March 24 – of course, no one expected 10" of SNOW on March 20 and 21. For the safety of all, we re-scheduled the event to April 7 and were sorry that several of our youth had to cancel due to other commitments for that day. By April 7, the snow was gone but it was still very brisk. The youth, parents and staff (approximately 40 of each for a total crowd of 125) had a wonderful day. Our "THANKS" to all who participated and helped make the day so much fun – our 'workers' always seem to have at least as much, if not more, fun than the kids. Special "THANKS" go to the folks at Mayberry Game Protective Association for allowing us to use their facility.



## **Mentored Youth Hunt**

The chapter was very pleased to be able to take five young people turkey hunting on Youth Day, April 14<sup>th</sup>. Almost all of the kids heard and saw birds and we did have a couple missed opportunities but that is part of the learning process. Many thanks to our mentors, Lee Jernigan, Bobby Dutrow, Bruce Chaney, Dave Hohman and Russ Leith for doing their part in passing on our wonderful tradition that is turkey hunting. Congratulations to our successful hunter, Kami Harrison, for putting a tag on a nice gobbler, shortly before sundown after hunting all day! We are very proud of her!



## **Hunt of a Lifetime!**



The chapter is so very happy for our Jakes member, Dylan Turner, for the awesome hunt he had with his Dad on Maryland's eastern shore. Dylan was picked for the Jakes Hunt of a Lifetime that the Maryland state chapter sponsors at Schraders Outdoors in Kent county. Dylan and his Dad, Seth, were so happy with the guides, lodging and food at Schraders they have already booked a hunt for next year's youth day.

## **FIRST SHOT – First of Its Kind**



The weekend of April 21 & 22 was a very exciting one for 14 new hunters. The Maryland State Chapter in partnership with Maryland's DNR and US Fish & Wildlife Service sponsored a mentored hunt at Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge. All of our hunters were chosen by random lottery from a pool of applicants, the only requirement being that they had never hunted before or could no longer hunt without assistance. Thanks to all the mentors and other volunteers that contributed so much to make the event such a great success. Special thanks to Muddy Marsh, Whistling Creek and Tudor Farms/Young Life that generously offered their time and expertise to be a part of the hunt as well. Congratulations to our four hunters that were blessed to tag a bird! President Russ (Save the Hunt Coordinator) played a huge part in planning and carrying out this special event. Russ and Bobby Dutrow served as mentors and Dan Neuland served as photographer/reporter.

### **“Congratulations!” to Former JAKES Member -- Nathaniel Neuland**

In Nathaniel's first semester he earned a 4.0 GPA and scored highest in his class on the final exams for Chemistry, Biology and his final writing project in the First Year Seminar. Nathaniel is also a key member of the Trap & Skeet Team. In the 2018 ACUI Collegiate Clay Target National Championships (80 colleges and universities represented by over 800 shooting athletes) he tied with two other competitors with a score of 97 for 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Class B. He went on to win 2<sup>nd</sup> place by running all targets in the shoot-off against the two other competitors. This was Nathaniel's top win as an individual in a national shooting event and his score helped the Washington College team to place 9<sup>th</sup> out of 34 teams – the school's first top ten ranking. Nathaniel has already interviewed for internship opportunities during the summer.

### **National Archery in Schools Program (NASP)**

The 2018 MD NASP 3D Challenge and the MD NASP Bullseye Tournament were held on March 17, 2018 at the Carroll County Agricultural Center, Westminster, MD. Students from three (Tuscarora High, New Midway Elementary and Windsor Knolls Middle) of our five NASP schools participated. New Midway students are shown below, proudly displaying their Elementary Division 2<sup>nd</sup> Place ribbons and trophy. Four students from Tuscarora High and seven students from New Midway Elementary qualified for the nationals held in Louisville, KY on May 10-12.



### **Scholarship To Be Awarded**

Haven Brandenburg, a senior at Middletown High School, has been selected as the recipient of our 2018 scholarship. Haven ranks 33<sup>rd</sup> in her class of 292 and her unweighted GPA is 3.93 (weighted GPA is 4.56). Since the school year of 2015, she has missed only a half-day of school. She is very involved in her church and community and has received many athletic awards. Haven is involved in hockey, basketball, lacrosse and track/field. She is a member of the Science National Honor Society, Math National Honor Society and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She will be enrolling at Messiah College, Mechanicsburg, PA in the fall, majoring in Applied Health Science – Pre-Physical Therapy. Haven is proud to be a farmer's daughter and has hunted with her father for many years. She and her family plan to join us at our Family Field/Fun Day on July 29.

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