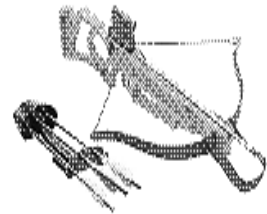
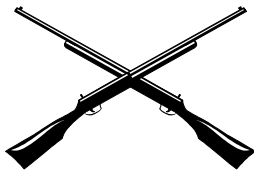


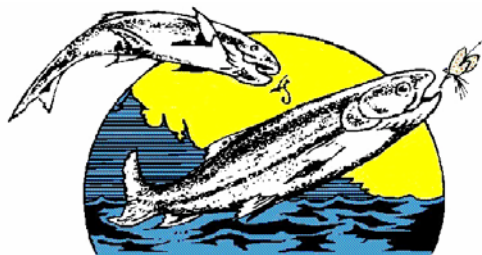
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of the Physically Challenged Sportsman”*

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NEEDS AND DESIRES OF THE PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED SPORTSPERSON**

Presidents Message

By: Mark Baehr

Summer's here and so is the heat and humidity! I really used to look forward to summers but not so much anymore. Since my spinal cord injury, C5-C6 level, I no longer have the ability to perspire and therefore can't regulate my body temperature like before the injury. I know that many of our members suffering from MS and other ailments have a similar take on summers now too. Just going outdoors in the heat and humidity is extremely uncomfortable and being physically active can be down right dangerous and over exerting one self can be life threatening. Did you know heat stroke kills more people every year than most natural disasters combined!! So my message to all our members this summer is to have a plan to keep yourself cool and hydrated when going outdoors in the heat. A simple plan like having a cooler full of ice and water and a towel to dip in the cold water and put around your neck or over your head if so inclined. A few companies have also designed cooling vests and hats that use a variety of re-useable ice packs to keep a person cool in hot weather. Most were designed for firefighters but work great for anyone else too. I won't give you a specific company to check out but if you type in cooling vest into a Google search you will have plenty of varieties to check out. These vests do qualify as adaptive equipment and you may be eligible for cost sharing. Keep cool this summer! Here's a little bit of news, new member Steve Pemberton spoke to a few stock car driver friends about putting a little info on CTO on their cars. And now thanks to his asking Kelly Brown #9, Chad Hummelmier #3H, and Chuck Hummelmier #53, have our logo, mission statement, and contact info painted on their cars. If you wish to go watch these guys race they compete in Beaver Dam and Oshkosh. You can also check out this website: www.wismotorsports.com to look at schedules for the tracks and info on the drivers standings. Thanks Steve! And last but not least, **Get out there and Challenge The Outdoors!!**

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SPECIAL DEER HUNT 2006

OCTOBER 7-15, 2006

BY: BILL MAYVILLE

It is time to start thinking about our CTO Special Deer Hunt that runs from October 7-15, 2006. All challenged CTO members with a Class A, B or C DNR permit are eligible to participate. Those who wish to hunt are to send their Name, Address, Telephone number and DNR Permit Number along with a description of their disability (wheelchair, heart problems, blind, etc). Do you have any special needs? Are you bringing a helper or do you need CTO to provide a helper for you?

The deadline to sign up for the CTO Special Hunt is August 25, 2006. Send the information to: Bill Mayville W3840 Maple Lane Pulaski, WI 54162.

Do you know of anyone who would like to help? We can use hunting assistants, transporters, food prep and serving help. We also need help to prepare blinds prior to the hunt. Join the fun, the more the merrier, a good time is had by all!! You may contact Bill Mayville at 715-758-8363.

8th Annual Shawano Lake Fishery & Picnic

By: Mark Baehr

Great weather, great food, great camaraderie, and good fishing!! We had another great turn out for this popular event with approx. 75 participants including 31 physically challenged participants. About 8:30 a.m. we loaded up anglers on the 9 boats provided by our great group of volunteer boat owners. They spread out over the lake and did their best to catch fish. Most boats returned with a mixed bag of blue gills and sunfish and a few bass and crappies. The best catch went to Jeff Pagels, Jeff's brother in-law Jim, and Tommy Narmore who had an impressive haul of 72 nice pan fish for the whole day. On Mike Shulze boat it took the whole crew, Steve Pemberton, Jeff and Dillon Brown to land the musky Steven Lang caught without a net! It probably would have fallen through anyway seeing it was only a 10 incher. They did pretty well catching other fish as well. Another great story was that of Nick Frankow, a young member who came with his dad Stuart and fished with Cliff Pheifer and pontoon boat owner Dr. Daniel Zak. Nick loves to fish and used one of our electric fishing rod & reel combos. I think Nick would still be out on Shawano Lake if he had his choice. Everyone enjoyed another fantastic lunch consisting of brats, burgers, veggies, beans, fruit, chips, with fine desserts to top it all off. The afternoon fishing went well for most and that kept our fish cleaners busy filling bags for our participants to take home for some tasty fish fries.

This event would not have been possible without the support of the boat owners who so generously provided the use of their boats and time. We gratefully acknowledge: Mike Gruenke & his son, Mike Shulze, Dan Zak, Doug Hoppe, Arron Powless, Steve Zelinski, Jeff & Gail Denkins, Jeff Pagels and his brother in-law Jim, Bill Baehr and Gene Koehnke. We also acknowledge the many volunteers who helped make this event a success. They are; Bud Mayville, Bill Mayville, Gary Thyges, Karen Baehr, Dean Sprangers, Patrick Niewenhuis, Fred Giesler and his grandson Trevor, Larry and Matt Laehn, Rod Truttman, Steve Harvey, Mark Baehr, Ron Mischler, Laurel Staniforth, David Hackel, and Larry & EJ Zander. Thank you one and all and if I missed anyone I sincerely apologize. We're already looking forward to next years 9th Annual Fishery & Picnic and by implementing a few of the suggestions we received we expect it to be even better.

Until then tight lines to all!

Boating Season is Here!!

For this boating season CTO is again renting a slip on Shawano Lake in Cecil. Our slip rental runs from May till October, so there will be plenty of time for getting out on the lake for fishing and or sightseeing opportunities. **At our April Board of Directors meeting it was decided that CTO will pick-up the cost of gas for our members who use the boat as long as at least 1 physically challenged member is included in the party on board. Now that's an incentive to get some of our physically challenged people out fishing this year!! To provide these opportunities we will need your help.** While a few volunteers have stepped forward to be captains and first mates we can still use more. If you enjoy boating and or fishing this opportunity may be just what you've been looking for. By volunteering your time you will be providing a much needed service to our Physically Challenged members wanting to get out for a morning or afternoon fishing/sightseeing trip and get to make some new friends and catch some fish along the way. Gary Thyes has also volunteered to give hands on instructions on how to operate our pontoon boat and will make time for those wanting and needing to learn how. He will teach operational skills and basic maintenance of our boat so all our volunteer captains and first mates will be knowledgeable and confident in operating our boat safely. We are also requiring that all members wanting to captain our boat have prior boating skills and knowledge of how to operate it properly. A boating operational checklist has been developed and should help keep potential problems to a minimum. To reserve the pontoon boat or to volunteer your services please contact Gary Thyes at: (920) 737-6854 or (715) 758-6854. As captains/first mates inform us of the dates they are available we will be put those dates on our calendar and make the calendar available to our physically challenged members and their families. Or, if you are a member and have a date in mind that you would like to go fishing/ sightseeing please call the contact person to see if there are captains & first mates available to accommodate you. CTO and the Challenged Sportspersons we serve are looking forward to another great boating season and we hope you can and will take an active roll in making it an even greater success. **Tight Lines to All!**

Another Fishing Opportunity Brown County Chapter of the Izaak Walton League 2006 Summer Fishery Dates

Our friends and members of the Brown County Chapter of the Izaak Walton League, have invited CTO's challenged members to their Blue Gill Pond. They open the pond to nursing homes, child care, Syble Hopp School and others. They have informed me that there is always room for one to three more fisher persons on these selected dates and times:

June 28	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon	August 2	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
July 5	10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	August 9	OPEN
July 11	Trout Boil	August 16	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
July 26	9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m.	August 23	OPEN
		August 30	OPEN

Volunteers and fisher persons are one to one. Remember there's only room for one to three more fisher persons at each outing. You could be turned down as the quota, volunteer to fisher person is full. **Contact Rod Truttman at: 920-863-6893.**

CHALLENGE THE OUTDOORS, INC
FOURTH ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP AND AWARDS BANQUET
SAT. JULY 22, 2006
RIVER RAIL – SHIOCTON

3:30 MEMBERSHIP MEETING

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU BE THERE!! CHALLENGE THE OUTDOORS, INC IS NOT A CLUB! IT IS A VERY SPECIAL CORPORATION OF WHICH YOU—THE MEMBERS—HAVE OWNERSHIP. IT IS UP TO YOU TO USE THIS OWNERSHIP. IT IS YOU WHO DECIDE WHO IS GOING TO ELECT THE PEOPLE WHO MAKE DECISIONS THAT HELP MAKE A STRONG CORPORATION—EVEN STRONGER. BE THERE!!

This year “you” will be electing 7 Directors, 5 for 3 years, 1 for 2 years and 1 for 1 year. If you are interested in serving as a director please call a member of our Nominating Committee: **Larry Zander (920) 525-1123, Dean Sprangers (920) 337-0588 or Pat Nieuwenhuis (920) 687-8707.**

Between the membership meeting and the banquet we will be meeting, greeting and getting to know each other better. Refreshments are available at the cash bar. I can’t say enough about the excellence of the food that CTO Life member Dick Wickesberg puts out. Never even a small disappointment. Come Hungry!!

6:30 DINNER

7:30 GUEST SPEAKER

8:00 AWARDS

8:30 RAFFLE PRIZES

COST? IT’S FREE to all members including family memberships. Bring a guest or guests for only \$10 per person. All members will receive a door prize. See you there!!

PLEASE RETURN THE REGISTRATION FORM BELOW BY JULY 15, 2006. WE HAVE TO KNOW HOW MANY TO SERVE. Any questions call 920-525-1123 or 920-525-5637.

CTO, INC 4TH ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP BANQUET

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Mail To: By July 15, 2006

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**CTO First Annual
“Sight in your gun day”
Saturday: September 23, 2006**

By: Toby Malchow

Where: Nicolet Rifle Club, Suamico WI. Time: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Map and directions will be in the September newsletter, posted to the CTO website, and also in the files section of our chat group (you can join the chat group by sending a blank e-mail to: cto-forme-subscribe@yahoogroups.com). Nicolet Rifle Club inc. has graciously offered Challenge The Outdoors Inc. exclusive use of their range for the entire day. NRC volunteers will run the sight in portion of the shoot and staff the range. The sight in is free of charge to any disabled hunter that has a class A, B, or C, disabled hunting permit. Shooters are required to provide their own firearm, ammunition, hearing and eye protection. Hearing and eye protection are mandatory to use the range (none will be provided). This sight in will be for firearms only (no bows) firing a single projectile (no fine shot or patterning). Bring your rifle, pistol, muzzleloader, or slug gun. You may bring more than one gun, but depending on how busy it is, may be asked to rotate to the rear of the line after each weapon is sighted in (to give others a chance to sight in too). Please bring any adaptive equipment you use for hunting along to display and share ideas with the other hunters. CTO will have an information tent on adaptive equipment set up. Food and beverages are being discussed. A CTO committee has been formed to oversee the event. The committee members are: **Toby Malchow, Bob Mayer, and Bob Bird. If you have any questions, ideas, or equipment you wish to display. Contact Toby at 920-434-1663, Bob Mayer at 920-469-2021 or Bob Bird at 920-740-3410.**

**NEW MEMBERS
MAY—JUNE, 2006
MIKE/JANE SHULZE
SHERRI THYES/BOB CARTER
DAVID WAGNER FAMILY
MIKE MEHLER FAMILY
LARRY FAOUST**

**CTO Night Out at Timber
Rattlers Ball Game**

This year we've picked Friday August 25th, 2006 for our outing to the Timber Rattlers baseball game at Fox Cities Stadium located at: 2400 N Casaloma, Appleton, WI. Their phone number is (920) 733-4152 and website address is: www.timberrattlers.com Like last year we've decided to purchase tickets that include an all you can eat picnic that will be served starting at 5:30 p.m. and runs until the start time of the game at 7 p.m. The meal includes hamburgers, brats, hot dogs, beans, dessert, and 2 beverages. CTO will be picking up the cost of the tickets but the \$3 parking fee is your responsibility. This event is open and free to all members. Guests are welcome but will be responsible for purchasing their own tickets. As a group we'll get a few other benefits as well: Group recognition, Opportunity to throw out the first pitch, No waiting in lines, Discounted souvenir items, and reduced ticket prices if we have more than 20 people in our group. To reserve a ticket(s) contact Mark Baehr at: (920) 766-9218 or by E-mail at: baehrm@sbcglobal.net We'll have a sign-up sheet at the Membership Banquet on July rd. **We must have a final head count by August 3rd so don't hesitate, reserve your ticket(s) ASAP or you may miss out on a great outing.** We'll be meeting outside the ballpark before the game at 5 p.m. We hope to see you there for a fun-filled evening.

**YOUTH AND LADIES DAY
J&H GAME FARM SEPT 9, 2006**

This is the second year CTO is sponsoring the trout pond at this wonderful event. Not just another CTO outing but, an opportunity to show others we too, serve. We hope this year to set up a station where you can shoot your (or our) crossbow. So bring your equipment and get in a practice session.

The fish cleaners, baggers and netters did a super job last year. I hope we can count on you again. Lot's and lot's of things to do and learn. Bring the whole family and remember: Men are welcome. All volunteers will eat free and the cost for men is \$2.00.

The fish (trout) that are left over will be transported to the CTO Trout Pond. See you out there!! Larry

Cost Sharing Program for Adaptive Equipment Catching on!

When we created our cost-sharing program, in Dec. of 2004, we weren't sure what kind of response we would get. A year and one-half later we're glad to report that we've had several members take advantage of the program purchasing crossbows, hand cranks, and an adaptive thumbhole gunstock. We are still waiting for our 1st adaptive fishing equipment request. For those unfamiliar with our cost sharing program here's how it works. **CTO will help our physically challenged members purchase adaptive hunting or fishing equipment by picking up to ½, but not to exceed \$100.00, for the cost of the piece(s) of equipment 1 time per year.** For example, say Jane purchases a crank for her crossbow and it cost \$150.00. CTO would reimburse Jane \$75.00. To receive reimbursement for a piece of adaptive equipment you are considering purchasing or to see if a piece of equipment you've purchased qualifies please **contact Jean or Harland Chapman at: (920) 525-1123. *Note, keep your receipt and get a duplicate copy of the original because we will need a copy for our records. And if you return the item please reimburse CTO.** There are many sellers of adaptive equipment so shop around and check our website out for links to sellers and suppliers and as always **please show patronage to the many businesses that have been so good to us over the years by giving them your and our business.** For a list of these businesses contact Larry Zander at: (920) 525-5637. **Thank you.**

CTO LOAN CLOSET IS ALWAYS OPEN!!

We currently have the following pieces of gear available: 20 camouflaged hunting blinds, 4 crossbows (with case, quiver, arrows, and broad heads), 2 Archery target bags, 2 electric fishing rod & reel combos, several small tackle boxes with terminal fishing tackle (hooks, jigs, sinkers & bobbers), 3 shooting chairs, several gun/bow rests, 4 Ice fishing shelters (Donated by The Wingettes of the WOW), an adaptive bowling ball, and a complete set of adaptive golf clubs (Donated by CTO member Pete Jensma). To check a piece of equipment out or donate contact either Larry Zander at: (920) 525-5637, or Mark Baehr at (920) 766-9218. If you have a suggestion on a piece of equipment that you think our members would find useful please forward the idea to one of the directors for action.

We are in the process of making a complete inventory of all equipment owned by Challenge the Outdoors, Inc. and where it is located. If you have borrowed any CTO equipment and it is still in your possession please contact Lisa Narmore at: (920) 759-4925 or Mark Baehr at: (920) 766-9218. Thank You.

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE

In 2006 CTO will again be accepting requests from our physically challenged members for grants or sponsorships that will allow them to attend outdoor recreational events sponsored by other organizations. In the past members have received grants and sponsorships to attend events sponsored by; Fishing Has No Boundaries, Inc., Twist of Fate, Inc., and Ski For Light, Inc. For members to be considered for the grant or sponsorship we are requiring that they be active and in good standing with our organization. Being active could mean; helping with our fundraisers, putting up fliers, handing out brochures at an informational booth, serving on a committee, etc. Requests will be considered on a case by case and a first come first served basis. To be considered for a grant or sponsorship and to learn of volunteer opportunities please **contact; Bob Mayer (920) 469-2021 or by email: crossbowkids@sbcglobal.net or contact Mark Baehr (920) 766-9218 or by email: baehr68@aol.com**

GOOSE HUNT OPPORTUNITY SEPTEMBER 24, 2006

HONK, HONK, HONK let's go goose hunting!!

CTO has rented prime farmland for a one-day goose hunt on September 24th. The land is just outside Waupun and is in the Horicon Marsh Goose Hunting Zone. **August 1, 2006 is the deadline to have your goose hunting permits in to the DNR.** The land is open to 14 hunters. Preference will be given to physically challenged individuals and then filled by non-challenged hunters. Non-hunters, i.e. volunteers/helpers don't count towards the 14 hunters limit. Hunting blinds are set up on the edge of the marsh. No decoys needed, calling the birds can be done but also not needed. The birds are leaving the marsh, heading to feed in the fields. This will be a hunt to remember. Interested people should **contact, Dean Sprangers at: 920-337-0588 or Mark Baehr, 920-766-9218.** We can help you fill out your goose hunting permits. Call us soon! The deadline is August 1, 2006. **Our thanks go to Steven Lang for helping coordinate this hunt.**

CTO SUMMER CONCERT

Wednesday June 28, 2006 has been designated as Challenge the Outdoors night for the Seymour Summer Concert Series. The concerts are held downtown near the Museum on Depot Street. The featured band for the evening is "Starwood". The concert starts at 6:30 and lasts approximately one hour. There are picnic tables available but we would suggest you bring lawn chairs for comfort. Come early, bring a picnic supper and enjoy the evening. Let's all get out and show our thanks and appreciation for the thoughtfulness of our friends and supporters.

Directions: Take Hwy 54 to Seymour and turn north on Main Street (Hwy 55) to Depot Street, 1/2 block North of the M&I Bank. There is a Memorial on the corner, turn east 1/2 block. In case of rain the concert will be held at Wally's Seymour Bowl—continue north to the edge of Seymour and you will see it on the west side of Main Street.

Our thanks to John and Lynn Koenigs (friends of CTO and Special Hunt landowners) for making this evening possible.

Fishing Has No Boundaries 2006 Schedule

Madison July 8-9	(608) 576-7527
Chippewa Valley Aug 19-20	(715) 233-1070
Fond du Lac Aug 26-27	(800) 937-9123
Milwaukee Sept 30	(800) 243-3462

PLEASE COME!!

Our Challenge the Outdoors, Inc. Board of Directors meeting are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. We welcome your presence and input.

July 18, 2006—Muehl Public Library, Seymour
6:30 p.m.

Aug 22, 2006—Muehl Public Library, Seymour
6:30 P.M.

COMPUTER HELP AVAILABLE

CTO member Toby Malchow has offered to help CTO members and their families with any computer help they may need. This would include such things as adding memory, installing software, adding drives, sound cards, modems, networking cards, general troubleshooting, etc. **If you need help call Toby at (920) 434-1663** anytime after 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m.

Communication is Still Key!! So, Let's try this again!

With our newsletters coming out every other month there are times when we have time sensitive information on dates and events that we know our members and friends want and need. The quickest and most efficient way to get the info out to most folks is by E-mail but we can't get it to you if you're not signed up to our Information/chat-group e-mail list. It's really simple and easy to get signed up! Send a blank e-mail, with nothing in the message area, to: ctoforme-subscribe@yahoogroups.com You will get a confirmation e-mail back asking you to join. Even if you don't have email get a family member or friend to sign-up and ask them to keep you informed. Just to let you know that this is a chat group where members are free to post anything they feel others may be interested. **Thanks.**

MAY 13th & 14th WILD TURKEY HUNT RECAP

This year's hunt marked our 1st with the Autumn Long Beards (the new Clintonville Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation). We planned for 17 hunters this year, and in the end 15 were able to make it. Bob Mayer came down with an untimely case of stomach flu and had to withdraw from the hunt and Gerry Schick came down with a bad cold. The hunters that made it were; Kayley Wockenfus, Tommy Narmore, Harland Chapman, Joe Brown Sr., Jeff Brown, Steve Harvey, Mark Baehr, Phil Bird, Larry Laehn, Cliff Pfeifer, Mike Palet, Brian Desrosiers, Bill Floor, Dave Yanda, and Emily Olsen. Many of the hunters and some of their family and friends took advantage of the lodging we arranged for at Christus Memorial Church Camp just outside Clintonville.

Weather conditions were again a major issue with an untimely cold front that also brought a lot of rain and wind that lasted right through the weekend. It was tough going with the gobblers being extremely quiet and decoy shy but the mentors were still confident and optimistic that they could coax a Tom into range. Saturday morning Dave Strebe guided Dave Yanda (1st time turkey hunter) and they connected on a very nice 20 lb. gobbler. On Sunday Rory Clark guided Jeff Brown to success when Jeff got a nice Jake. Others that got shooting but unfortunately didn't quite connect were; Joe Brown Sr., who was guided by Mike Koepke and Dale Breaker, Bill Floor who was guided by Brad Kohel and Brian Ewald and Kayley Wockenfus who was guided by Mike Tuss. Most of the other hunters at least got to see toms but couldn't get them into range. Like the saying goes *"It's the thrill of the chase not the kill"* that keeps hunters coming back for more. While it was tough hunting everyone involved had a great time and enjoyed sharing in the camaraderie of the hunt. One thing that was most definitely not in short supply was great food! Everyone involved in the hunt was treated to a smorgasbord including; chicken, pizza, roast beef, turkey, scalloped potatoes, ham, desserts, sausage & eggs, fruit, cookies, and more. With so much to choose from if you went away hungry you weren't there. Our thanks to Karen Baehr, Mike & Shirl Tischauser, Lori Palet, Lisa Gildernick, Winnie Babino, Jenny Persha, and Delores Laedtke for helping prepare and serve all the great food.

And now to thank all of the people who made this hunt a reality. Hunt coordinators were Rory Clark, Tom Mijal and Mark Baehr. Thanks for a job well done guys. Thanks to all the mentors who took the time out of their busy schedules to take our hunters out. They are; Ed Babino, Dale Breaker, Jason Buckowski, Rory Clark, Brian Ewald, Mike Koepke, Brad Kohel, Kim Meyer, Mike Mijal, Ryan Mijal, Tom Mijal, Tim Neabling, Kord Persha, Jason Peterson, Kasey Schweitzer, Dave Strebe, Mike Tuss, Dave Zachow. Also we thank William Baehr, Dean Sprangers, Dillon Brown, and Christus Memorial Church. Also a big Thank You to all the landowners who allowed us to hunt on their property. If I missed anyone I sincerely apologize. As a gesture of our appreciation CTO made the mentors from the Autumn Long Beards honorable members of CTO. Our hunters will be receiving sponsored memberships to the Autumn Long Beards for 1 year through the NWTF's Wheelin' Sportsman Program. Keep an eye on our upcoming Newsletters for news on next springs Wild Turkey hunt.

Kayaking/Resort Week at Pine Forest Lodge

August 26 to September 1, Pine Forest Lodge is hosting a week for people with disabilities and family / friends at their resort on Spider Lake in Mercer. The focus of the week is to give people with disabilities opportunities to go on a variety of sea kayak trips in beautiful northern Wisconsin. Opportunities will include trips on our Turtle River Chain and the nearby Manitowish River Chain, the Turtle Flambeau Flowage and even to Lake Superior and the Apostle Islands, weather permitting. Cabin rentals at Pine Forest Lodge are discounted 50% for the 6 days of activities which will also include fishing, boating, swimming, wheelchair sports, bonfires and just hanging out. Come for the day or for the whole 6 days.

Pine Forest Lodge, 2060 W Pine Forest Rd., Mercer, WI 54547 Phone 715-476-2241. John & Cheri Stratte, owners. Co-sponsored by Adaptive Sportsmen, Inc.

CTO Sponsors Fishing Outing & Picnic for Seymour Kids At Larry Zanders

By: Dean Sprangers and Mark Baehr

What a wonderful day to go fishing. On May 19, 2006, 24 special kids of all ages from the Seymour Community School District adaptive physical education classes along with several parents, teachers, and chaperones, took a much-anticipated field trip to the Larry & EJ Zander's residence, home of the CTO stocked trout pond. The group arrived about 9:15 A.M. and after introductions they started fishing. It didn't take but a few seconds after the first bobber hit the water for a hungry rainbow trout to take the bait and set off a feeding frenzy that in turn set off squeals of joy, and hoops and hollers from the excited young anglers as they proceeded to catch the fish. All totaled 60 fish were kept with the largest being a beautiful 15 incher. They planned on cooking the trout up at an end of the school year cook out. How Yummy! About 11:30 CTO served lunch; hamburgers, hotdogs, brat patties, chips, milk, beans and desert. CTO also supplied several helpers, fishing equipment, bait, & fish cleaning. The group then sat and relaxed around the fire pit and watched as Larry fed the fish until it was time to head back to school. All in all, the outing was a huge success! We received many thanks from the kids and their parents as well as the teachers. A big Thank You goes out to all of our CTO members and friends that helped; Larry Z, Bill P, Ron M, David Y, Dean S, James J, Jeff P, Gary T, Mark B, Pat N, Harland C, Bill M, Mike S. We would also like to thank the parents, teachers, friends and bus driver, for all their work that helped to make this a very special day for everyone involved. And last but not least our thanks goes out to all the kids for showing and reminding us all what it is like to be young and full of energy.

Fishing Has no Boundaries Event May 20-21 2006

By: Ivan Craig, JR

As Lisa put it " A Bad Day of Fishing is Better Than a Good Day at Work !!!! "

What a wonderful Event. The University of Oshkosh Students, the helpers, Captain Lisa Narmore, Captain Ron Mischler, Captain Dean Sprangers, and 3 members from CTO (Tommy Narmore, Ivan Craig, and Shannon Nighbor) took part in a fantastic weekend. We fished, we ate, we laughed, we cried, we had a great time. The weather Saturday was super, a little wind and lots of sun, till the rain came. Sunday was different, cold and windy. But we still fished. Captain Ron took us to the secret spot. The only thing is the fish didn't know it was the secret spot. So they went somewhere else. We then went into the Fox River and then things picked up. Captain Ron had several nice fish hooked but they were smart enough to elude the net. Then the rain came and we just made it back to the tent and we all stayed dry.

On Sunday, we went back to the same spot to fish and guess what, we caught fish!!!! The highlight was when Shannon Nighbor got a trophy for the 3rd largest perch. Was he happy! Everyone that participated got a medal and a goody bag.

I want to thank CTO for allowing me to attend this event!!! I wish everyone could see how much Lisa, Ron and Dean worked to make this a great Weekend. Challenge The Outdoors should be proud of the Ambassadors that represent our fine group. People from every walk of life are at this event. Every form of Challenges in life is represented here. And to have people go out of their way to make mine and all the rest of the wonderful people have a weekend they won't forget for a long time is priceless. Dean just remember the movie Grumpy Old Men. God Bless you all. **Again Thank you Lisa and Ron for a great, and I mean great time. God has a special place for people like you!!!! And the devil is looking for Dean.**

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