



# God's Country Muskie's Inc.



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## KICK OFF THE NEW YEAR WITH TOM GELB SEMINAR

Plan to attend our January meeting this Tuesday, the 26th, and take in a seminar by Wisconsin fishing legend Tom Gelb.

Tom has been fishing since 1949, been a contributing writer for Musky Hunter since its inception, and an avid MI member since 1970. He will be giving us a seminar on the art of open water fishing.

We'll have a short membership meeting, at the Legion, beginning at 6:00 pm with Tom's seminar starting at 7:00 pm. He will answer questions and will wrap up at about 9:00.

The seminar is open to the public, so feel free to bring anyone you think might be interested in hearing Tom's presentation.

Agenda items to

cover are; getting volunteers for the Lake Associations fishing derby, banquet preparation issues, donation requests, and selling raffle tickets for the Musky clubs Alliance Ranger boat. Our club receives 75% of our ticket sales without having to buy anything. Happy New Year, and see you on the 26th!

## NEW YEAR'S NEWSBITS

Enclosed please find your 2010 refer magnet, ticket application for the upcoming banquet, trophy sponsorship information, and business cards.

We will be offering an incentive for early bird entries and will finalize that at the January meeting.

If you would like to solicit for some

banquet donations, donor letters will be at the meetings, or can be sent to you directly.

We'll be setting up another banquet prep meeting shortly after our January membership meeting. Feel free to join in and make your voice heard.

Special Thanks to

all who contributed to our club in 2009. Also, again to Dean Hart who again put on an outstanding meal for us at our Xmas party. 2010 is looking like a great year. Plan to be a part of it!

We'll be hosting this years Kleebea Challenge on the Holcombe Flowage. Mark your calendars for June 18.

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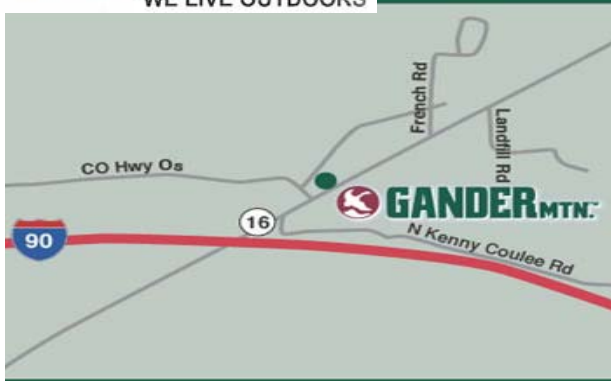
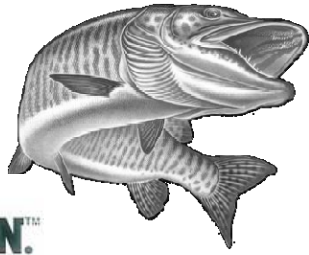
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## CHAPTER NEWSBITS

It was decided at the October/ November meetings, that the club would donate to the following causes with our budgeted monies;

\$1000 -Building an informational kiosk, and erecting signage at the Neshonoc launches. This money coming from the Skeeter Ride-N-Drive promo income.

\$500 -Forage food for fingerling muskies.

\$500 -General expense money for the Spooner fish hatchery.

\$500 -Donation of rifle/scope to Neshonoc Lake Association banquet to better our ties with that organization.

\$500 -Fish crib construction materials for added Neshonoc structure.

Thanks to those providing input on these issues.

We'll be hosting the Kleeba challenge in 2010. Mark your calendars for June 18-20!

Please remember to get your releases into Dean ASAP. If they aren't into the Int'l within 60 days, they'll be disqualified. The Int'l isn't providing slack any more.

The 2010 Gil Hamm Chapter challenge will be held August 21st through the 28th on Lake Vermilion. The fishing contest will be the 25th -28th. Entry cost is \$25 per 6 man team. We can have as many teams as we can get. Lodging and more details to follow. Let's see if we can get a few teams to go and represent God's Country!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### XMAS PARTY AND ELECTIONS

Tuesday, December 8th

6:00 pm

Legion Hall

## MORE CHAPTER NEWSBITS

We had 2 representative speak to us about possibly becoming a yearly sponsor for the new Myrick Hixon Eco-park. We'll need to make a decision on that when we get more information on the aquarium/ aquatic part of the park.

Our condolences go out to long-time members, Kory and Tanya Keppel, who are dealing with the passing of Kory's father. The chapter has sent a memorial floral arrangement on behalf of the club.

We'll again be assisting the Lake Association with their annual fishing contest fundraiser. We'll be selling beer, checking tents, and selling tip boards. I believe the date is January 30th. I'll confirm and get you the info soon.

Donor letters are done for this years banquet. Pick a few up if you can get a few donations over the holidays.

Trouble with gift shopping? How about a membership to Muskies, Inc. !



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**XMAS PARTY THIS TUESDAY THE 8TH**