

Gun Show

Gun show date has been set for September 30 and October 1, 2016. It will be held at the Siskiwit hall on Pine Street(M-203) in Calumet next door to the Erickson, Crowley and Peterson Funeral Home. Will provide more details as they are available to the website.

In Memoriam

Gone but not forgotten—we remember club members that passed in 2015: Paul Moilanen, Louise Stipanovich, Sylvia Eix, Harold Tikkanen Henry Pellika, Veronica Stellberg, Charles Zanardi, Reuben Davey, Donald Gasparovich and John Caserio (Jan 2016).

Community Activities

CKSC treasurer, Greg Nakkula and his wife Katheryn waiting for the start of the June Pasty Fest parade in Calumet. The candy they handed out was donated by Mike Bausano from Calumet Mercantile. Sign in truck advertises the kids fishing derby date.



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The President's View

Two reasons for this message: The first is to thank those members that continue to be the glue in our club like Mike West our Chef along with his crew who prepare a great meal at every meeting. Also Secretary Mike Dudenas, Treasurer Greg Nakkula, Vice-President Bruce Harter along with our Board members. If you are reading this, I want you to know that you are the most important part of this club for you are the CORE, without you the club would not exist.

Second reason is to point out that the club is financially sound. However, if you look around, you will see each year we are losing more of the aging core members. We need to be replacing them with younger people who can bring in a new wave of ideas and energy. I would implore each of you to seek out and encourage those that you know to come and join your club.

Finally I would like to ask everyone to not be shy about suggesting possible changes for the club to entertain. Such as: events that are community

related, or fund raising or membership drives. All suggestions will be considered.

Sincerely

Jerry Fehrmann, Club President

Clubhouse News

The club has a new "Keweenaw County style" sign on Phoenix Farms Road at US41. In the background is the historic Phoenix church.

At the clubhouse this past summer, we replaced the water heater, purchased 2 new propane kitchen stoves and added a kitchen exhaust fan. This past spring, club members decided not to expand the clubhouse. To improve seating, a side room was cleared and tables added allowing more table flexibility and traffic flow. We also moved the speaker's location for better visibility and hearing. The club is looking at sound abatement for the main room and a speaker microphone to enhance presentations. Club meetings are at the clubhouse from May (weather permitting) through October on the third

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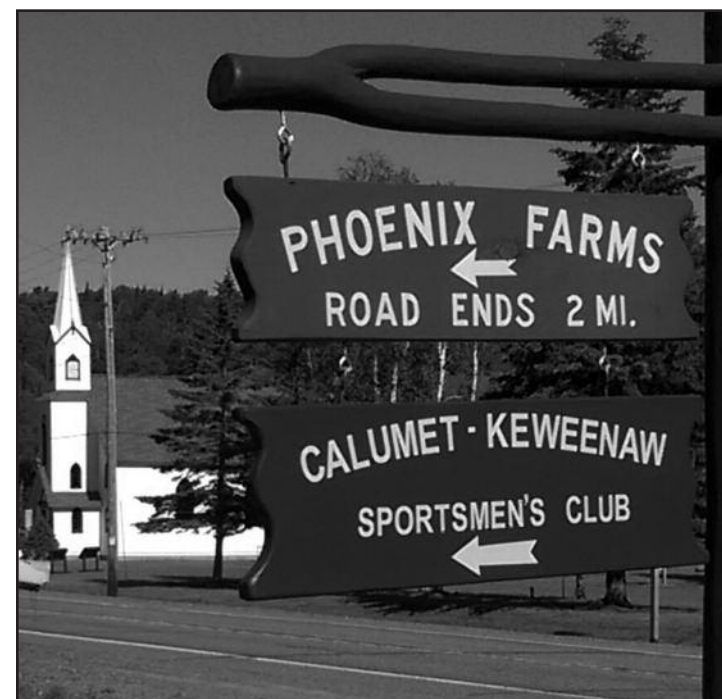
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SNew Keweenaw style sign on U.S. 41 at Phoenix.



Meeting sign posted.

Thursday of the month. If you don't live in the Keweenaw year round, stop by for a great meal and speaker of interest to all outdoor enthusiasts. The meeting sign will be displayed. Mike West. Our

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Executive chef asked that we mention his appreciation for the help with cooking, serving and cleanup from Tom Hall, Tom Kehoe, Dan Glinn, Richard Schaefer and Tom Talvensaari. Mike also thanks Bruce Harter for preparing his mother's fried chicken dinner at a club meeting and New Hewatchek for another tremendous fish boil.

Keweenaw Wildlife

The UP DNR wildlife supervisor noted in a recent town hall meeting with other DNR officers, our State Representative, a staff member of our State Senator's office and Natural Resource Commission UP members that severe winters have severely impacted UP deer populations. He said "the best we can tell, the last three years our numbers have gone down 50 to 60 per cent...we had vast areas where we weren't seeing anything." Lack of deer was certainly evident in the Keweenaw. Hunters



Deer hiding behind the brush.

also reported seeing more wolves than ever before. An individual wolf kills more deer than any other individual predator. However, coyotes and other predators, because of their numbers, kill more deer. For more on this, check the website . . . www.fwrc.msstate.edu/carnivore/predatorprey/study-design.asp and click on Reports and then click other reports. Our club will continue its supplemental feeding program to insure that deer getting to feeding station will survive the typical Keweenaw winter. A very grateful thank you to Gene Arntsen for "topping off" the deer feed fund insuring our ability to get a truckload of feed. After purchasing this year's truckload of feed in early January our deer feed fund will be depleted and we need to

start fund raising for next year. Please consider a deer feed donation when renewing your membership. Club general funds and membership dues are not used for deer feed—only donations specified for deer feed are used to purchase feed.

Officers & Directors

At the annual meeting on January 21, 2016, the following nominations for Officers and Directors were approved by the membership: President—Jerry Fehrmann, Vice President—Bruce Harter, Treasurer—Greg Nakkula, Secretary—Mike Dudenas and Director through 2016, Phil Barry and Directors through 2018—Greg Nakkula, Tom Kehoe, Trevor Hodges, and Cliff Perreault. Mike Dudenas, Roy Keranen, Tom Hall and Jerry Fehrmann were previously approved as Directors through 2016 and Mike West, Bruce Harter, Vince Niemela and Bob Rinne as Directors through 2017.

Major Raffle

The major raffle drawing was conducted at the annual meeting.

- 1st Prize:** Weatherby .308 Win (Donated by Margaret Crawley)—Ron Oja
- 2nd Prize:** Jonsered Chainsaw—Wanda Erkkila
- 3rd Prize:** \$200 Gift Certificate (From ACE Hardware Calumet)—Mary Sohlden
- 4th Prize:** Adirondack Chair (Donated by John Hill-Timberidge)—Craig Bastian
- 5th Prize:** Cordless Skill Saw (From McGann Building Supply)—Toby Kinnari
- 6th Prize:** Knife and \$50 Cash (Knife Donated by Ron Anderson)—Mike Dudenas
- 7th Prize:** Rolling Cooler (Donated by Paul Malnar)—Krista Carlson

Thank you to everyone purchasing raffle tickets to support the club's activities. Ticket chairperson, Bruce Harter, also expresses his appreciation to the ticket sellers that again made the raffle a successful project for the club.

A new raffle license application has been requested with a drawing date of December 15, 2016. This is the club's major fund raiser. Please ask for tickets to purchase and sell to friends.

Kids Fishing Derby

Another very successful kids fishing derby was held on July 25, 2015 at the Swedetown pond with support from Calumet Township and Paul Lehto and the Copper Country Elks Lodge and Dave Sladek. A complete list of all those donating prizes was printed in a thank you letter to the Mining Gazette. This signature club event is scheduled for July 9, 2016 and all members are invited to come and enjoy a fun day with the kids.



One happy little girl and her new bike.



Some of the youth at the fishing derby sporting their Calumet-Keweenaw Sportsmen's Club t-shirts.

Website

Please check the website for meeting information—What's for dinner, business items to be discussed and the featured speaker. We thank Mr Larry Evers for maintaining and updating the club's website—www.keweenawsportsmen.org. Larry also maintains the Keweenaw Island Coalition website. Check that out for some great photos and videos—www.keweenawislandcoalition.com

And a Thank You to April Barry for the club's facebook page.



Please renew your 2016 membership promptly. Complete and mail the renewal form with your check or money order to:

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Please check preferred annual membership category:

- Individual or Gift \$ 15
- Student/Senior (65+) 10
- Family (Husband & Wife) 25
- Deer Feeding Friend (Includes Membership & Club T-shirt) 40
- Habitat Helper (Includes Membership & Cap) 75
- Conservationist (Includes Membership & Golf Shirt) 100

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