



# Vice-President's Message



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Another summer has come and gone and with that cooler weather is not far behind. The long, hot days on boat patrol

will be replaced with cool mornings listening for squirrel hunters and nights awaiting the beam of a spotlight and the crackle of a rifle shot.

In the life of a game warden this is the time of the year that we all look forward to. As everyone knows, we are usually the first contact that the public has with the LDWF. We get the same questions over and over like "where are the fish biting" to "how is the duck population" to serious law enforcement concerns. My point

being, spend an extra few minutes with the public when possible, when you make an appearance at a deer camp. Tell them about yourself and the job that you do. Not only will you make a positive impression on that person, he will tell his friends down at the coffee shop.

We as LWAA members must promote our Association as well. Our magazine is doing well but everyone needs to do their part in maintaining the goals and the positive image that we proj-

ect. As evident at our summer convention, there were so many new faces that I did not know. With these new faces bring new ideas. I encourage you to bring these new ideas forward and be an active voice within the Association.

In closing I would like to thank the membership for their vote of confidence in electing me as Vice President. I will strive to represent the best interest of the LWAA.

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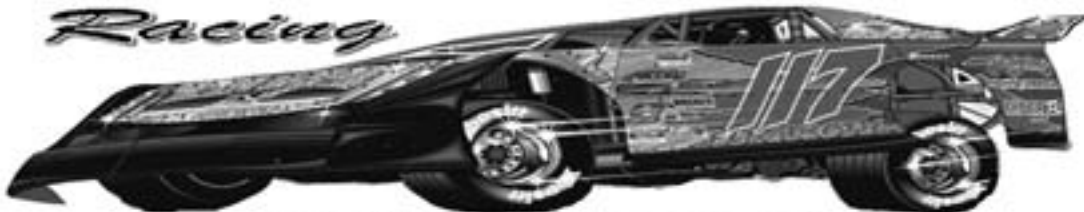
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