



## CORTLAND LIMBHANGERS 2003 NEWSLETTER

### CHAPTER OF NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION



## ***CORN SEED AND SUNFLOWER SEED***

The corn seed and sunflower seed have arrived.

Contact Bret Eccleston if you are interested. (607) 842-6260

## ***TURKEY CALLING SEMINAR***

Date: April 10, 2003

Time: Doors Open at 6:00 PM, Seminar Starts at 7:00 PM

Place: Cortland Country Music Park, Rt. 13, Cortland, NY 13045

Former New York State Champion Caller – Jim Montanaro of Imperial Game Calls will be the guest speaker. Mounted turkeys will be on display. There will be door prizes and raffles. The drawing for the gun raffle will immediately follow the seminar. Refreshments are available. Admission: Adults \$3.00. Boys & girls under 14 are FREE. Bring a friend.

## ***2003 SCHOLARSHIP NEWS***

In addition to the \$250 Super Fund Scholarship that is available to each local NWTF Chapter in the state, the Cortland Limbhangers are going to match the state scholarship amount. A scholarship totaling \$500 will be awarded to Homer High School student, Morgan Dubois. This will be made possible from the gun raffle drawn at the Turkey Calling Seminar.

## ***PORTER WAGONER / JAKES® CONSERVATION FIELD DAYS***

**JAKES® (Juniors Acquiring Knowledge, Ethics and Sportsmanship)**

Date: June 8, 2003

Time: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Place: Cortland Country Music Park, Rt. 13, Cortland, NY 13045

This event is educational as well as fun for JAKES (boys and girls age 17 and under). Be sure to sign up your friends, neighbors and relatives for an exciting day of activities. This event is held Rain or Shine. The first 50 JAKES to register are FREE. After the first 50, the registration fee is \$5.00 each. Registration fee includes JAKES lunch, one year JAKES membership to the NWTF and the JAKES magazine. Refreshments are available for adults.

### **Activities include:**

Air Rifles – 4H Shooting Program

Archery – Legends of Fall Outfitters

Gun Awareness Cortland – County Sheriff's Department

Fishing Derby and Prizes – Cortland Limbhangers

Turkey Hunting and Safety – Cortland Limbhangers

Assembling Bird Houses – Cortland Limbhangers (Wood donated by Oran Milling Company - Custom Cut Lumber)

## ***WHEELIN SPORTSMEN EVENT***

Working on details for reaching out and sharing the experience of outdoor activities with disabled individuals. More details to follow. Contact Lee Joyner (607) 753-8420

## ***6TH ANNUAL SUPERFUND MEMBERSHIP BANQUET***

Date: August 2, 2003

Time: Doors Open – 6:00 PM, Steak Dinner – 7:30 PM, Live Auction – Approx. 8:30 PM

Place: Pompey Rod & Gun Club, Swift Road, Pompey, NY 13138

Once again we have some tremendous items to be auctioned: fine artwork, guns, collectibles, sculptures, outdoor equipment, jewelry, raffles, and more. **Be sure to arrive early to view all these superb items.** The NWTF “2003 Gun of the Year” is the Collector’s Edition Winchester 94-10 Lever Action .410 shotgun. The 2003 NWTF “JAKES Gun of the Year” is a Henry Lever Action .22 caliber rifle. There are several other guns and hunting equipment to be raffled off. There are many quality donations to be offered in the silent auction and as door prizes. The Chapter is offering special **“Early Bird”** packages for banquet tickets and Sponsor members. All new members have a chance at a box call signed by Dick Kirby.

## ***NWTF WILD TURKEY WOODLANDS (WTW) PROGRAM FIELD DAY***

(Co-hosted by Mid York Yelpers Chapter of NWTF and Cortland Limbhangars Chapter of NWTF)

Date: Saturday, August 23, 2003

Time: All Day Event – Held Rain or Shine.

Place: Michael Welshko's property, 7780 South Hamilton Rd., Earlville, NY (Madison County)

The WTW program is intended for people who want to improve habitat for turkey and other wildlife. The field day will offer an opportunity to hear more about the program and to attend seminars on habitat improvement by experts in the areas of: Forestry, Food Plots, Food Plot Preparation, Trees & Shrubs, and Government Cost Sharing programs. The detailed list of speakers and topics is not complete, at this time, but will be posted on the NWTF NYS Chapter NWTF Website and will also be posted in the NYS Chapter summer newsletter.

A Second Field Day event will be held in Wyoming County on September 6, 2003.

Once details are complete advance registration will be required. Anyone that would like to get on a notification list or register in advance may contact Larry Becker @ [lgbecker@rochester.rr.com](mailto:lgbecker@rochester.rr.com) or (585) 787-3311.

## ***3RD ANNUAL WOMEN IN THE OUTDOORS EVENT***

Date: September 20, 2003

Time: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Place: Cortland Country Music Park, Rt. 13, Cortland, NY 13045

The NWTF Women in the Outdoors program is proving to be a very successful event. This past year there have been events offered at different locations throughout New York State. Each location offered exciting agendas for their own specific landscape/environment. More and more women are finding this a very enjoyable and exciting outdoors program. More information will follow on the agenda offered this year in Cortland. Contact: Lee Joyner (607) 753-8420

Call Bret for information on the programs listed above or stop in at the first event “The Turkey Calling Seminar”.

Sincerely,  
Bret Eccleston  
President - Cortland Limbhangars