



Dear **DRUMMING LOG CHAPTER** Member:

We are at the crossroads for this RGS chapter. We have had a long time banquet chairman step down to other personal commitments. The local dinner has been successful due to the dedicated committee members and the attendees that have supported the banquet. This is where we need your help with this chapter. We need to have either existing committee members step up and take a leadership role or any RGS members join the committee that would help with the event.

There has been some exciting news since last year. It was announced at the DNR roundtable in January that they are hiring a Grouse biologist for the state of MN. This will be in a joint venture with the Ruffed Grouse Society. There are more grouse harvested in one year than ducks and pheasants combined. That is why the state of MN feels very strongly about this new position. They are in the process of interviewing the candidates now and should be on board by the time of your event.

More good news for the chapters, a new program called the "Drummer Fund" for each state. This has been in the magazine and posted on the website. A percent of the money raised at the banquets goes into the state fund. Minnesota with the most chapters and members will benefit greatly from this program.

We will be having a kick off meeting to get things set for the banquet time, date, etc. on **August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 at the Chap, 6:30PM**, at the Chap, 19624 Cty RD 3, Brainerd, MN 56401. There will be some refreshments served at this meeting.

Thank you and I look forward to seeing you or hearing from you soon!

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