

Arizona Wildlife Federation 86th Annual Meeting Notice



Come one, Come all

The Arizona Wildlife Federation announces its 86th Annual Meeting and Awards Event, June 12-14, 2009. Affiliates it's time to start thinking about delegates, getting your membership records up to date, and whether you have any resolutions you'd like to present or candidates for office you'd like to nominate. Information and instructions on requirements and activities will be arriving in your mailboxes soon.

This year's activities will be a "Back to Nature Camp Meeting" in Northern Arizona so bring your camping gear and join in on the camaraderie of a weekend camping in the cool pines. Watch for further communiqués from this office that will include directions and a map, an agenda, and other information relating to our Annual Meeting. The general location is in close proximity to Kendrick Park, is easily reached by 2 wheel drive vehicles, and is a short, pleasant drive from Flagstaff.

The usual business meeting will be taking place, including AWF elections and a post-Annual Meeting board of directors meeting. Beyond that we plan to have enjoyable speakers, such as Craig Mullen of the Arizona Game & Fish Dept. about the North American Conservation Model in Arizona, and a variety of other special activities for your enjoyment that will support our "Back to Nature" theme. We encourage you all to bring your families to enjoy the camping and beautiful area we will be staying in. If we get some youngsters attending, we will plan some activities for them as well.

Our Awards Event will be the only meal that will be prepared for you and the cost will be included in your registration fees. This does mean you will need to bring your own supplies for other meals and your own food preparation equipment. Do not plan on cooking over campfires as the forest is frequently closed to open fires in this period of time. Propane stoves are the best bet for your own cooking requirements. We plan to supply portable toilets for your convenience.

We encourage you all to join us starting Friday afternoon or evening. Our Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, as will the Awards Banquet. On Sunday morning, we have a small project lined up that will benefit Antelope directly, and we hope everyone will pitch in to help with that. You can start our new year knowing you have put your best foot forward to help wildlife and habitat from the very first day. That is what we are all about and we plan for this weekend to be a reminder to us all of what a difference our work does make.

I hope to see you all there!

Sincerely, Ryna Rock, President, Arizona Wildlife Federation