

WHISTLE A HAPPY TUNE

January 8, 2010 News Letter Connie Crane area captain

Thanks to all chapters who have sent me their area captain assessment check for \$15.00. Please remember the fee is due by January 31. This money will be used for our meetings, postage, copies etc.

As you already know, in addition to having spring and fall meetings, we will be having a meeting in the summer. Details concerning the summer meeting will be available soon.

I have made a change in our award periods for our meetings. This will help the weight recorder compiling awards for the spring meeting since they will no longer need to look at weight charts from last year and current year. This move in time will also enable us to have our meetings earlier in the year as to not conflict with SRD.

Our new award periods effective immediately are September 1--December 31 and January 1--August 31. This means our upcoming spring meetings will be held between late February and the end of March. Dates to be announced soon.

Please think about your chapter hosting a meeting in the near future. It is not a requirement to have the meetings in the recent locations we have used. If your chapter knows of a place that is available on Saturday morning, is inexpensive to use, and will seat 50-60 for the south and east meetings and 80-90 for the Indpls meeting we can absolutely move our meeting places around.

I do have chapters willing to host the south and Indpls meetings for spring but I do not have anyone for the east meeting yet. If you would be willing to host, it would be appreciated. Please contact me as soon as possible.

January is TOPS open house month. Have you made plans to have an open house? It is a wonderful way to get the word out about TOPS. It always amazes me, the number of people who have never heard of TOPS.

Remember my 2010 challenge is to be there for your fellow chapter members. Have you been calling or E mailing absent members. Sometimes that is all it takes to get them to come back to TOPS.

Until next month.....Whistle a Happy Tune
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