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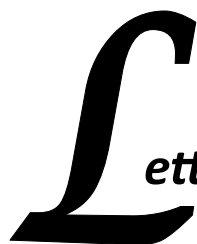
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## Letter from the President



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Over the 50-plus years I've been hunting game birds and waterfowl, I think I've seen and heard it all when it comes to failed etiquette. But just in case, here's a few pointers I thought I'd pass on.

- Show up on time, that's 10 minutes early.
- Leave your cell phone in your rig.
- Show up with all your gear and clothing needed. Waterfowling is not a summer pastime.
- Bring food for yourself, perhaps show up with some snacks or drink for your hosts.
- Don't even show up with someone that wasn't invited by the host.
- Mind your language around your host, kids, lady folk, and landowner.
- Ask where your host wants you in the blind(s).
- If you're invited to a honey hole, don't assume that it's yours to use thereafter. Be darn sure you don't take a third or fourth party there.
- When invited onto leased land, inquiring as to the financial details of the lease is out of bounds.
- Even at 10 degrees, there's no place for 'antifreeze' in the blind.
- Know and practice safe shooting techniques. Don't shoot the decoys, the host or his truck, or most importantly the host's dog.
- Don't mishandle the host's decoys. Good decoys aren't cheap.
- Calling(!) most people who think they sound like **Troy Taylor** or **Rob Strong...** DON'T. If your host says he'll cover the calling, **TAKE THE HINT!**
- Determine early who's calling the shots and take his lead unless relinquished.
- You may be a more talented waterfowler than most, your host doesn't need to hear it.
- If you don't shoot well, at least know your limitations.

**Attend the WA Sportsmen's Show in Puyallup January 24 - 29 Details on Page 2**

*(More Etiquette Tips from the President on page 5)*

Mission Statement  
To Preserve, Protect and Promote Waterfowl, Waterfowl Habitat, & Waterfowl Hunting in Washington state



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## News for the FLock

### Member Alert - Shillapoo Update

This past December, **WWA** took an unprecedented step in challenging the **Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW)** position on the breaching, flooding, and destruction of the **Shillapoo Wildlife area**. After conferring with some members of the State Legislature, **WWA** leadership made a direct appeal to **EVERY State Legislator in Washington** in a two-page letter seeking their intervention on behalf of sportsmen and sportswomen, birders, hikers, and outdoors enthusiasts to abandon their pursuit of this poorly conceived plan to turn back the calendar 150 years in the 'hope' their actions will re-create habitat for salmonid that has not been present since Moses was a pup.

It has been the position of **WWA** that for **WDFW** to sacrifice the habitat of dozens of species in the 'hope' that they might enhance the habitat for one is a very, very poor decision; especially when similar practices throughout Washington have failed at the expense of waterfowl and waterfowlers.

Further, it is the **WWA's** position that since **Pittman-Robinson (PR) funds** were used in part for the purchase and maintenance of **Shillapoo** (as well as many other wildlife areas in Washington), the **WDFW** is out of bounds in renegeing on the agreement with the **Department of the Interior** which dispensed those funds. One must realize, **Shillapoo** is just one of the areas created **PR** resources; thus all are in jeopardy.

**WWA** believes **WDFW's** enthusiasm for this pursuit is driven partially by the tens of millions of dollars they stand to gain from **Bonneville Power Administration (BPA)** as part of a mitigation decision made by the US Congress years ago.

In the three public and one private meetings held with **WDFW** over **Shillapoo**, **NOT ONE NON-WDFW PERSON IN ATTENDANCE AGREED WITH WDFW'S POSITION; THE PUBLIC WAS OVERWHELMINGLY OPPOSED.**

**You, the WWA Members, can be the difference; just write a brief letter or note to your state legislators expressing your opposition to WDFW's plans.**

**Chapter Chairmen, this can be as simple as bringing a tablet, stamps, and envelopes to your next meeting and taking a few minutes for attendees to express their write a few lines.**

**WWA leadership is working to hold a series of meeting with State Legislators in the near future. We do have support. It takes your notes and letters to convince those undecided legislators to convince the WDFW to change their course of action.**

The letter sent to the State Legislators is being sent to you in a separate mailing. **PLEASE read it** and consider it in the basis of your letter or note. I want to acknowledge **Bob Taylor's (LC)** great contribution in the creation of our letter to the Legislators.

As always, your op-ed feedback is encouraged.

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Jim Cortines**

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## News for the Flock

### EVENTS CALENDAR

#### 2018 Events

- Jan 24-28**      **Washington Sportsmen's Show** at Washington State Fair Event Center in Puyallup, WA
- Jan 25**      **Seattle Chapter Meeting** with trap and 5-stand shooting open all afternoon at the **Kenmore Gun Club**, followed by pizza and soda and meeting at 7pm.
- Jan 25**      **Lower Columbia Chapter Meeting** with trap shooting at 5:30 followed by dinner and meeting at 7pm.
- Feb 1**      **Grays Harbor Chapter Meeting** at **Evergreen Sportsmen's Club** at 7pm.
- Feb 6**      **Whatcom County Chapter Meeting** at **Tenant Lake Interpretive Center**. **Elections for new Chapter Chair.** Per Scott O'Day: "Hey all, No meeting for January. We will have one in February, Tuesday the 6th. **Remember this will be my last meeting as acting President, so if you would like to come to the meeting and be nominated to be our new Pres., please do so. If no one chooses to do this, we will be folding our chapter.** Thanks for the good run, Scott"
- Feb 7-11**      **Pacific Northwest Sportsmen's Show** at **Portland Expo Center** in Portland, OR
- Feb 13**      **NW Chapter Meeting** at **Conway Fire Station** at 7pm. Don't miss the gift certificate raffle at the end of the meeting.
- Feb 27**      **SW Chapter Meeting** at 6:30pm at the Education building at the **Tacoma Sportsmen's Club**.

Mar 1-4

**Central Oregon Sportsmen's Show** at Deschutes County Fair & Events Center in Redmond, OR

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# Letter from the President continued...

## Continued Tips from the President...

- Don't assume that your host invited your dog.
- Your host's dog brings all birds to his master. Don't intercede, don't interfere.
- Leave no trace, police the area for anything that wasn't there when you arrived.
- Help with the cleaning of the birds.
- Oh! Don't forget to say Thank You... even if no shots were fired.

Just a little Food for Thought.

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## Thanks to All of You:

All too often, I find myself forgetting to acknowledge not only efforts, but great results. So, in recognition of our members, chapter officers, corporate directors and officers who worked on behalf of preserving and promoting waterfowl and our waterfowling this past year in Washington. **Thank You Very Much!**

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## Talk to the President:

Send your thoughts on the future of **WWA**; on governmental policies affecting waterfowl and their habitat; or even send your thoughts on your favorite hunting grounds [without giving out the GPS coordinates, *LOL!*] The president, **Jim Cortines**, wants to hear from you! **Email him today at: [wawtrfwlr@comcast.net](mailto:wawtrfwlr@comcast.net).**

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## Report Cards Due:

It's almost time to rest the dog and submit those report cards to **WDFW** or get charged all kinds of extra cash next year when you purchase your new license.

Like everything else in this state we need to remember to report our harvest (**Sea Duck/Snow Geese/Brant**) by the **15<sup>th</sup> of February**. A number of ways you can do this one.

**1) Mail your cards in to: WDFW**, Waterfowl Section, 600 Capital Way N, Olympia, WA 98501

**2) Or go online to:** <https://fishhunt.dfw.wa.gov/#/login>  
This system has changed some this past year, and you will need to create an account to do it, but it is a little less painful than it used to be. Plus it will work for the other online reporting you do to.

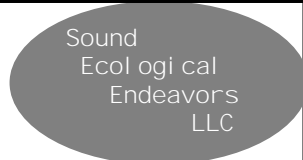
Also if you were picked to do any reporting for **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)** or the states bird harvest reports make sure you get them filled out and sent in too.

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## News for the Flock

### Seattle Chapter News

By John Arrabito



Some of the participants in the Ben Welton Memorial Youth Shoot included WWA-Seattle junior members (from left), Ben Fisher and Jacob McGovern, in front of the WWA duck mount display.

### Next Meeting Wednesday, January 24th

We'll be kicking off the New Year offering a **FREE** round of trap or 5-stand for **ALL WWA** members of **ALL Chapters** at our monthly meeting at the **Kenmore Gun Range** in Bothell. Come out with your "smoke pole," bring your dues current, and enjoy a round on us. Shooting is open all afternoon, or shoot under the lights until 7 p.m., followed by pizza and soda and a brief business meeting.

### Youth Get The Benefit of Many Volunteers

With the help of the **Seattle Chapter**, the **Willapa National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) Youth Shoot** is steadily growing, if ever so slowly. The 3rd Annual — named in memory of local waterfowl hunting icon, **Ben Welton** who started the event— had double the number of Youth we had last year and quadruple the number we had the first year of this hunt when we abided by the **WDFW's** designated Youth-Only Hunt Weekend the 3rd weekend in September instead

of preparing for the best high tide for a Saturday in October. However that increase was still only eight (8) youth hunters — including two (2) young men, **Ben Fisher** and **Jacob McGovern** — who traveled down with their fathers from the Seattle Metro area.

However, the big story might have been the 15+ adults from various conservation organizations that gave up their Saturday to volunteer their time, efforts, and expertise to make this event a big success despite only two (2) geese being taken. My thanks to **WWA-Seattle Chapter** members who made the long trip to **Ilwaco** including **Philipp Kunze** to help out, and **David Hanson** and **Paul McGovern**, to mentor their sons. Thanks to other **WWA** members, **Dan Heasley (Pacific Co.)** and **Rick Spring (LC)**, who was doing double duty also representing the **Vancouver Wildlife League**, along with distributing their many raffle prizes.

Other co-sponsoring groups sending volunteers loaded down with prizes and free "swag" included **Ducks Unlimited**, the **Washington Brant Foundation**, and **Cabella's Tualatin** store.

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# News for the Flock

## (Seattle Chapter News from Page 6)

Volunteers from the **Friends of Willapa NWR** provided and served up all of the food and drink for both breakfast and lunch. Also many thanks **Willapa NWR Complex Manager Jackie Ferrier** and many of her **USFWS** staff who annually put this event together and give up part of their Saturday to make it happen.

While the organizers could plan for the best high tides that were conducive to a good hunt, the "blue bell" weather did not cooperate... at least as far as waterfowl hunting was concerned. By noon of Saturday's hunt it was 67 degrees and clear skies.

Our youth shooters from Seattle were guided out to the edge of the marsh by local **WWA** member **Dan Heasley**, where they saw hundreds of birds on the water, but unfortunately didn't even get to fire a shot. However they made out like bandits on the free swag from **WWA, DU**, and they each won one of the two top raffle prizes of a nice, camo hunting jacket donated by **Cabela's**, and procured by the **Vancouver Wildlife League**.



A lucky young raffle winner holds decoys hand painted by Ben Welton, who is seen in the framed picture. Joanne Keller of the Washington Brant Foundation and Garrett Coussens, E/SW WA Regional Director for Ducks Unlimited, were some of the many who donated their time, efforts and prizes for the Youth Shoot.



(At Left) Jordan and Morgan will have to grow into the camo jackets they won in the Youth-Only Raffle. Those young smiles are a big reason why so many WWA Chapters sponsor an annual Youth Hunt.



Willapa NWR Complex Manager Jackie Ferrier presents the raffle prize won by Jordon Rolland. Proud father, John Rolland, mentored his daughter on her Youth hunt.

## News for the Flock

### Southwest Chapter News

By: Bruce Burns

#### January Meeting & Sportmen's Show:

Well here we start a new year. Hope everyone had a good hunting and holiday season. There will be **no Southwest Chapter meeting in January** due to the Washington Sportsmen's Show January 24-28 where we will have a booth set up. Please come by and see us.

#### February Meeting:

There will be a meeting on February 27 at 6:30 pm at the **Education building at the Tacoma Sportsmen's Club**. Looking forward to seeing some of you at the Sportsmen's Show at the Puyallup Fairgrounds.



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### Grays Harbor Chapter News

By: Kurt Snyder

Hi all. Wow is it January already?? Seems like the hunting season just started, and here we are into the last couple weeks. I hope you all have had a great hunting season. Mine has been nothing short of excellent! I got to hunt with several people I never hunted with and even a few new hunters.

I feel privileged to have been a part of the **Cedarville Farms Waterfowl Club**. I have learned so much about waterfowling with them that I can't put it all out in one letter. The sea duck hunting was really slow for me this year, but that just made the few hunts we had very special. I have many people to thank for the support to me and the **Grays Harbor Chapter**.

We will be continuing on with another year to hopefully exceed last years goals. This year's **Cedarville Farms Hunt for Two** will again start in February. I have made a few changes to the raffle and will get an advertisement set up right after our next Chapter meeting.

Our **next meeting for the Grays Harbor Chapter** will be on the 1st of February, same place, the **Evergreen Sportsmen's Club** near Littlerock at 7:00 pm sharp. I have had several inquiries about the **WWA** so hopefully we will have some new members there! I will try and get out some good pictures of this season for the next issue!

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## News for the Flock

### Northwest Chapter News

By: Rick Billieu

Another season is nearly at a close. I hope all of your Hunting adventures went well and you captured new memories with family and friends. I was lucky enough to see my Grandson take his first duck and enjoyed the company of friends on several hunting trips. We had a short Brant Goose season this year due to low bird numbers. Perhaps you were able to get out there for one or two of these Bucket List Waterfowl. The **NW Chapter** is planning to stay busy this year with multiple events and activities. I'll send out emails for reminders, and if you have an idea for a chapter activity, just let me know.

#### Family/Youth Hunt:

The **NW Chapter** just completed their annual **Family/Youth Hunt** on January 6 and 7. The hunt took place at **The Nature Conservancy (TNC), Port Susan Restoration** site located south of Stanwood. A total of 21 moms, dads, guides and young hunters participated in this two day event. Everyone got in plenty of shooting and just about everyone went home with ducks and geese to clean. Snow geese, mallards, green wing teal, pintails and widgeon all proved to be challenging targets. A special "THANKS" goes out to **Amber Parmenter, Lizzie Welch and Randi Shaw** at TNC for making this hunt possible. Also, to the **NW WWA** member **Art Kendall** who contributed time and equipment for this event.

The **NW Chapter members and WWA** would also like to thank our **Youth Hunt Coordinator Rick Skiba** for coordinating this event!

#### January Chapter Meeting:

We were very honored to have **Dr. Vasiliy Baranyuk**, Research Biologist attend our January 9 meeting. For more than three decades, **Vasiliy** has studied snow geese in their breeding grounds on **Wrangel Island Nature Preserve** in the Russian Arctic. **Wrangel Island** is a World Heritage Site.

**Vasiliy** spoke about the increase in Snow Geese, **Wrangle Island** habitat and life cycles for these geese, including telemetry tracking of individual geese from **Wrangel** down the Pacific Coast. **Vasiliy's** work has been crucial in understanding this migratory bird species. **Vasiliy** is also an accomplished photographer.

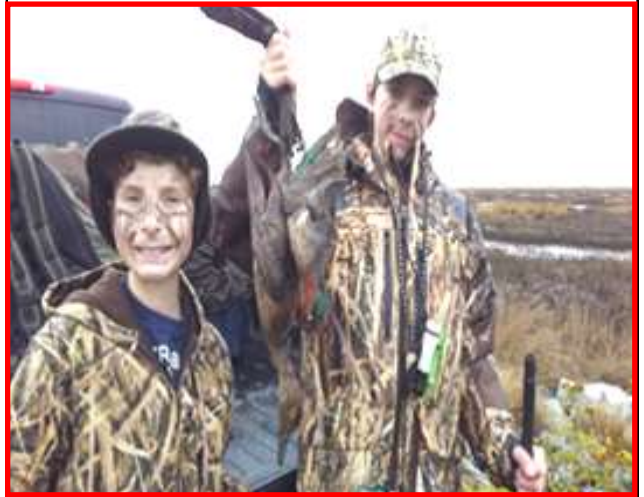
#### Chapter Calendar:

The Chapter has a full calendar of Activities and Events planned for the year. At our December meeting we solidified our list and will continue to add more. A few upcoming activities include Wood Duck Box build/deploy. Wood Duck numbers continue to grow in the state so we'll continue to help them flourish. We will also spend a couple days after the season at the **Skagit Farmed Island** unit for cleanup and a blind maintenance assessment.

The **Northwest Chapter** meets on the second Tuesday each month. Our next meeting will be held on Feb. 13th, at the **Conway Fire Station** starting at 7 pm. Gift Certificate Raffle at the end of each meeting. See you there and bring a friend.

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– get involved**

Rick Billieu  
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**Two of the happy youth from the annual Family/ Youth Hunt on January 6-7, 2018. Thanks to everyone who made this a great event.**

## News for the Flock

### Lower Columbia Chapter News

By: Doug Hargin

#### November Ridgefield NWR Youth Hunt:

Another successful youth hunt at the **Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge (NWR)** was held on November 4<sup>th</sup>. We had 13 young hunters pick up free duck calls/lanyards, a box of shot shells and wader belts as they headed out to hunt. Thanks to **Gerry Piazza** and **Rick Erickson** for greeting the kids and handing out the goodies. Lunch was also provided for all. The hungry young hunters enjoyed hamburgers, hotdogs and chili to refuel for the day. Thanks to **Arlan Hackett** for rounding up all the good food and **Chris Stalcup** for grilling duties. Thanks to **Rick Scott** for hauling out the trailer for the event. Thanks also to **Dion Hess**, **David Chavez**, **Dino Mastri** and **Doug Hargin** for lending a hand. We appreciate **Dave Lescalleet** and his wife **Cindy** working the check station for this event.

#### December Party and Food Drive:

Approximately 40 people attended our gathering on December 14<sup>th</sup> to share a few stories, games and great food. **Ted Blade** organized the shrink wrap game for the kids and a challenging duck ID test for the adults. If you don't know what the shrink wrap game is you will have to attend next year! Thanks to **Rick Scott** for offering up his business office and shop for the event. The main course consisted of **Rib City BBQ** ribs, chicken and pulled pork delivered up by **Arlan Hackett**.

Thanks to all who brought side dishes and desserts for a truly memorable epicurean delight!

Thanks to everyone who brought food donations. We filled up two big boxes of food which **Arlan** delivered to **Share House**.

#### Next Meeting January 25<sup>th</sup>:

Join us for our first meeting of the New Year on Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at the **Vancouver Trap Club**. Trap shooting at starts at 5:30 followed by dinner and the meeting starts at 7:00 pm.



**Cindy Lescalleet inspects a successful mornings hunt.**



**The young hunters prepare to hit the marsh at the November Youth Hunt.**

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By: Ellen Satre

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## News for the Flock

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**WWA Youth Fund — \$2,565**

**Monthly Recurring Donation — Jim Goldsmith, Nov 2017 thru Jan 2018 — \$15**

**WWA Legal Fund — \$17,942**

**WWA Habitat Fund — \$895**

**Linda J. Thorstand — \$75**

**Brett Schwemmer — \$25**

**Roman Schauer — \$10**

**WWA Heritage Lands Fund — \$10,957**

**WWA General Fund — \$154**

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Corporate Checking (BAC)	\$ 6,722.40
Corporate Checking (Banner)	\$ 16,018.95
Duck Stamp Account (As of 11/8/17)	\$ 8,724.28
Merchandise Account (As of 1/5/17)	\$ 2,415.15
Corporate C.D.	<u>\$ 17,638.31</u>
Corporate Total	\$ 52,089.09

## CHAPTER FINANCES

GH Checking (As of 8-2-2017)	\$ 3,461.36
LC Checking	\$ 27,666.05
ML Checking	\$ 25,498.82
NW Checking	\$ 26,965.90
SEA Checking	\$ 18,571.27
SEA CD Amount	\$ 9,755.21
SEA Robert Hickok Fund	<u>\$ 1,317.39</u>
SEA Total	\$ 29,643.87
SW Checking	\$ 6,139.73
Tri-Cities Checking (Original Seed Money)	\$ 100.00
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**While We're On the Subject of Hunter Ethics...**

January 6, 2018

**This Makes Us All Look Bad — Report It If You See It**

Lots of dumped ducks at **English Boom Park** on **Camano Island** last week. Who shoots a dozen ducks and just leaves them in a no shooting zone?

**WDFW** was alerted and hopefully they catch the perps. Sounds like guys boat in from somewhere and shoot in the park. They also knocked down a series of no hunting signs... so it's pretty obvious these guys they knew where they were... what a waste.

Same thing happened in **Olympia** the week before in the news. In the **Olympia** situation the birds were in a trash bag, so it might be they could have fallen out of Something, and that this was not intentional wastage.

Up here on **Camano** it was just plain killing for sport in a nature park! Pretty sickening... It's a relatively small community up here. It seems like people could figure out who did it pretty quickly. Again if you have any info or leads, please report it to **WDFW**.

**WWA Classifieds:**

**WWA is dedicating a page in the newsletter for WWA members to sell hunting related items to their fellow members.** No business ads please. That extra shotgun, waders, decoys or boat could get you some cash or trade for something another member has on hand.

**Rules are simple:**

- 25 words or less.
- Members only may advertise.
- For sale items only, not for business ads. (Businesses are welcome to purchase business ads from us.)
- Submit your classified ad each month (we have no way of knowing if you sold/purchased your item or not).
- Be sure to include your contact info. Phone and/or email.
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# 2017 Washington Migratory Bird Stamp Print Order Form

The **Washington Waterfowl Association** is pleased to present the 2017 Washington State Migratory Bird Stamp and Limited-Edition Print created by **Ms. Dee Dee Murry** of Centralia, WA. Revenue received through this program will be used by the **WWA** and the **WDFW** to improve habitat for waterfowl and other migratory birds in Washington.

Please send me:

1 2 3 4 (circle one) or more \_\_\_\_\_: unframed print(s)



1 2 3 4 (circle one) or more \_\_\_\_\_: unframed print(s) and stamp(s)



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If available, the edition number(s) I would like are: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mail a check for the total amount to:

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Auburn WA 98071-2131

**Orders must be received by March 31, 2018 for fulfillment by WWA**

Stamp Sales Description

Type A = Single Stamps

Type B = Corner Block of 2 Stamps

Type C = Corner Block of 4 Stamps

Type D = Corner Block of 6 Stamps

Type E = Corner Block of 9 Stamps

Type F = Full Sheet of 30 Stamps

Note:

All Stamps are in full color



**TYPE G Mini-sheet**

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TYPE B STAMPS	_____	X \$30.00	=	\$ _____
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TYPE C STAMPS	_____	X \$60.00	=	\$ _____
Corner block of 4	No. of blocks			Total
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- Non-profit 501(c)(3) organization
- 10 chapters throughout Washington
- *We spend all of our resources within Washington State*

**Our projects include:**

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- Administration of the WA Migratory Bird Stamp and Print Program
- Hosting and sponsoring the Washington State Duck Calling Championships
- Wood Duck Nest Box & Mallard Nest Tube, Goose Nest Pot & platform construction, installation, & maintenance
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