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CAMPBELL OUTDOOR RECREATION ASSOCIATION

Promoting Outdoor Recreation

### **From The President**

New Opportunities, New Challenges

By Lee Asbury

For outdoor recreation lovers, the year's most significant development may be the prospect of TWRA getting use and management agreements with Champion and Huber Corporation for the properties locally known as Francis Brother's property and Tennessee Land and Mining property (now owned by

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Family Foolishness Volunteer Firefighters Champion) and the American Association property (now owned by Huber Corporation), adjacent to Royal Blue.

In a best case scenario, TWRA would have over 200,000 acres stretching from near Middlesboro, Kentucky, westward to and beyond New River. Hunting, fishing and outdoor recreation possibilities would be unlimited.

It would present an unprecedented opportunity for TWRA to prove its capability in managing and overseeing private property, and for the public to prove that it could act responsibly and properly use this vast recreational opportunity.

CORA needs to continue its leadership role in opening multiple use areas and needs to have its membership lead by example in properly using and showing others how to use these great new opportunities.

Special thanks to Adlai Platt of Champion and Mike Paynter of Huber for attending meetings and sharing their thoughts with us.

By way of self congratulation, we have come a long way and accomplished a lot. It's plain to see that a lot remains to be done. Opportunities are out there for us if we work hard and do right.

See you at the meetings!

# **Cora Update**

The Campbell Outdoor Recreation Association (CORA) recently held its annual election of directors and officers. The general membership voted and elected the following Officers and Directors:

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Other discussions at the meeting included the purchase of the "donut hole" by the State of Tennessee. The purchase of this property not only adds valuable property, but also eases some enforcement issues.

It's that time again. CORA's annual membership drive is under way. Current membership cards expired on July 31, 1995. Annual membership fees are \$10.00

Renewing your annual membership is easy. Come to the next board and general membership meeting. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Campbell County Courthouse. You can also write or call to renew your membership. The address is: CORA, P.O. Box 66, Jacksboro, TN 37757; telephone (615) 562-5886 or (615) 562-4642.

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# **Royal Blue Wild Turkey Restoration Project**

By Doug Scott Wildlife Biologist, TWRA

A cooperative project was formulated in 1993 by the National Wild Turkey Federation, TVA and TWRA to increase the wild turkey population and improve turkey habitat on the Royal Blue WMA. The initial step was to release 50-60 birds on the area in a two year period. Part of these releases were to include Missouri train turkeys from TVA's Land Between the Lakes (LBL) in West Tennessee. Previous experience has shown this strain to be well adapted to Tennessee. In February of 1994 30 birds were released on the area, 20 of which were from LBL. This release was followed by releases in February and March of 1995 of 20 additional birds:

At the same time the releases were being made, work was begun on the habitat improvement phase of the project. Approximately \$40,000 was spent toward habitat enhancement. Costs of the improvements included bulldozer rental for rough preparation of fields and access roads to those fields, tractor work for field preparation for planting, seeding and fertilization. To date approximately 200 acres have been cleared and manipulated for wild turkey habitat. In addition four ponds have been constructed in areas where water is lacking and some gates have been installed to provide essential protection of the fields from damage.

Why the emphasis on seeded fields? The answer lies in the habitat requirements of the wild turkey. While the wild turkey is a bird of woodlands and

depends on forest cover for much of its annual habitat requirements, openings are quite important to turkeys. Gobblers often display in openings during the breeding season. Hens will often select a nesting site in grassy cover adjacent to openings. Openings are important to young turkey broads for the cover they provide, but their real value is in the insects and grass seeds that make up the majority of the diet of turkey poults in the spring and summer months.

The openings on Royal Blue are primarily seeded to perennial rather than annual crops. This provides a field which does not need to be reseeded every year and saves maintenance and manpower. Mowing is performed in late winter or early spring to avoid conflicting with the nesting and brood rearing seasons. Combinations of winter wheat, red and ladino clovers, orchard grass, partridge pea and native warm season grasses are being used. Bicolor lespedeza, a perennial shrub lespedeza, is often planted along borders of fields for cover and a transition zone form openings to the forest edge. These transitions zones with bicolor and native warm season grasses should be attractive to hen turkeys as nesting sites.

As in all habitat enhancement work, plantings and manipulations do not only serve one species, but may benefit several. It is hoped bobwhite quail populations will respond to the habitat work as well as numerous game and non-game wildlife species.

The cooperative project at Royal Blue is paying dividends already if wild turkey harvests are any indicator. A total of 26 gobblers were harvested in 1993, 75 in 1994 and 120 in 1995. With the entire area open to hunting in 1996, who knows where the harvest will go? Also, annual broad surveys conducted by the area personnel indicate a healthy, thriving turkey population. Future plans are for finishing work on Braden Mountain, then going back to Caryville Mountain and then beginning work around the "donut" area. The NWTF and Quail Unlimited have outlined an ambitious plan to improve 1000 acres over the next five years. If only one half of that work is accomplished it should have a dramatic effect on the wildlife resources of Royal Blue WMA. Thanks to the combined efforts of several agencies the Royal Blue WMA may prove to be one of the top wild turkey areas in the state.

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# **Sound Off**

Two Cents Worth...If any of you are reading this newsletter for the first time then we are in the same boat. I have only been in C.O.R.A. for a short time, and thought it would be appropriate to add my "two cents worth" to this great little newsletter. I am a dirt bike enthusiast and even though I am now 50 years old, I still love this sport and enjoy the great outdoors very much. I love the fall colors, the new buds in the spring, and the views I have seen from mountain tops only available to hikers, bikers, equestrians, hunters, ATV er's and 4x4 enthusiasts. I guess a mountain stream and a big ole red apple is about as big a pleasure as a "body" could ever ask for in this section of the country. If Saddam Hussein or any of those power hungry freaks ever discovered what a paradise exists in East Tennessee, especially Campbell County, I would expect an invasion at any minute. But this is America, land of the free, and going to stay that way for my kids, your kids, and many generations to come. I am an active member in the Volunteer Riders Dirt Bike Club in Knoxville, Tennessee and a life long resident of Maryville.

Just a little response to the commentary on "TWRA...Are We Too Late?" written by Jack Ethridge, which was in the 9th edition, June CORA newsletter. I read where you feel user fees should be graduated on a scale of how much damage a particular type vehicle or animal does to the land. This sounds a little like the "ole days of the wild west" when the cattle ranchers and the sheep herders were disputing over which one ate the most grass! Come on Jack, you know, in our sport that all of our various types of vehicles will do damage to the land, if you push them hard enough. This is why we have a program known as "Tread Lightly." You even said in your analogy, that the 4-wheelers do minimal damage, and don't need their trails maintained, but then later on in paragraph 5 referring to the sand pits, you state "Most all the ATV enthusiasts had rather go to the sand pits then ride the flat BORING roads of Royal Blue on the East side." "ATV folks ride trails for the CHALLENGE and/or to get from one scenic view to another so as to be

sociable." Oh, and by the way I was wondering if you wear any protective gear (helmet) when you are enjoying that little..."challenge"?

So, now that I have gotten that off my chest I would like to say congratulations to you and Ernie for your election to the CORA board. Maybe we can start looking at this with an impartial opinion, and realize that it is very important to band together with as many different groups as possible, and try to work out some "fair rules" for the playing field.

This new area that may come to be with the land from the J. M. Huber Corp. could be the ticket for this. If we could get together and maybe layout some trails for 4x4's and some horse trails and ATV trails and maybe even some tight woods trails for the dirt bikes, then we could see first hand how each vehicle impacts their sections of trail. Sure this would be a gigantic project, but your club, my club, CORA and maybe even some equestrians and hunters could possibly meet this challenge head on, and hand in hand (figure of speech only, I don't want to actually hold your little paw), and who knows what could come of this. My goal would be a terrific trail system from Petros to Middlesboro! Submitted by Roy Fain.

I would like to respond to an article I read in a recent issue of the CORA newsletter by Jack Ethridge titled "TWRA...Are We Too Late?" First let me tell you a bit about who I am. I am a member and current Trail Boss for the Tennessee Valley Four Wheelers Inc., I suspect you are familiar with our organization since we have a yearly clean up in the Royal Blue area. I have been into 4 wheel drive vehicles for 10 years or more, but also had been into ATVs.

Now for my reason for writing. Mr. Ethridge's idea of a "fair" fee system has a few "flaws" in it. To truly be fair, a fee system either has to be a flat fee, same for all, or a fee based on the level or misuse of the individual (which is obviously impossible). To say the fee should be based on the vehicle's level or potential "destruction" of trails is just foolish.

It seems to me that everyone seems to think that the type of vehicle they use is the safest or least damaging to the woods. I once heard an owner of a hybrid (basically a 4x4 truck frame and running gear with a small truck cab) tell me that that type of vehicle did the least damage since it was so light and had soft tires. The fact that many hybrids are driven like four wheel drive dragsters make me wonder how he figured that. It doesn't matter what type of vehicle some people use, their irresponsibility will lead them to tear up the woods or litter or make trails where none are meant to be or whatever!

As for the idea that four wheelers (AVTs) are safer than many other forms of travel (like horses) also is a mistake. This too is based on the "brains" of the operator. In the past four months I've seen two AVTs flip over backwards going up hills that my Bronco II crawled up. The danger wasn't in the fact that they flipped, but that neither rider had the "brains" to wear a helmet and almost left their brains on the rocks!!

As I said, no one sport or vehicle is better on the environment or safer. Mr. Ethridge needs to have some respect for the others of us who choose to enjoy the great outdoors in other forms of transportation. We need to work together to educate those in all forms of off roading the right and wrong ways, whether it be an ATV making his own trail up a hill that he's not supposed to be on, a buggy tearing up a grassy field, a Jeep ripping up a muddy trail in 2 wheel drive, or even just a hiker littering.

Oh, one personal note, Mr. Ethridge said something about trucks dumping trash. I will guarantee that my Bronco II contains more trash and old cans on the way out of the woods that it does when I head in. I wonder how much trash can be hauled out on an ATV? Maybe in March, Mr. Ethridge will do us the pleasure of coming to our annual clean up day in Royal Blue and help clean up the trash left by so many irresponsible users, of all types of vehicle. Maybe he

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### **CORA Minutes**

#### MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 2, 1995.

The Board meeting commenced at 7:25 p.m. at the Campbell County Court House, Jacksboro, TN with 11 Board members and 14 members.

Invocation: by Chairman Harry Burden.

Board roll call: Absent...Gene Hinds, Jim Rains.

Excused absence: Tom Connor, Reed May, Mike McAfee, Charles Vincent, and Fred Walker.

April 95 Minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer, Terry Lewis, reported for the General fund and the newsletter, both were approved as read.

#### Committee reports:

Newsletter: Terry Lewis requested that all articles for the June Newsletter be submitted as soon as possible. He also discussed account responsibility for collecting over-due receivables. Members acknowledging responsibility said they would report back with their results.

Trash P/U/ detail... It was agreed that our assigned highway P/U day would be 8 a.m. Saturday, May 13th. We are to meet at the Jacksboro, Hardees, for breakfast. CORA is to buy breakfast for all who attend. Jim Shetterly volunteered to direct this glorious gathering.

The following (11) members participated in the P/U and work detail:

Jim Shetterly, Fred Jordan, Perry Visant, Bob Burden (not to be confused with Harry Burden), Hubert Rollen, Greg Stokes, Donny Stukesbury, Ray Ivey and Frank LaGreca.

Ted Fields and Clarence Ward took care of erecting a fence on the Royal Blue property.

Ted Fields discussed gate installations across roads which are known dead ends, these roads were discussed at earlier meetings.

Robert Burden suggested we have our membership year go from July to July. After a brief discussion a motion was made and approved.

President Lee Asbury suggested we send a letter to all the Board members, prior to the June election, requesting that they think about their responsibility as a Board member. Can you devote the time to attend the meetings on a timely basis, is probably most important? Motion made and passed.

The letter was sent by the Secretary to the entire Board on May 19, 1995.

Terry Lewis announced that the Volunteer Fire Fighters will hold the previously cancelled orientation class at some future date.

#### **New Business:**

Hubert Rollen discussed the only Turkey fatality, to date, registered in the State

Lee Asbury, attended the TN Conservation League meeting in Careyville, TN.

He indicated TCL's concern that out of millions of Sportsmen in the State, they only have 18K members.

There were comments on much of CORA's work and how we've taken the lead in much of what is going on in our part of the State. It is hoped that, in the future, this kind of interest and direction will trickle down to other organizations and parts of Tennessee.

Motion made and passed to pay our TCL dues for next year.

A suggestion was made that we compose a letter of CORA's intentions, as they become scheduled activities, and place it on parked cars on weekends...activities, such as cook-outs, coon dog demonstrations and archery were suggested. All were asked to think about a place to have such activities.

Hubert Rollen announced that the Wild Turkey Federation will hold its annual fund raising dinner at the Hyatt Regency on May 25th,...\$5K will be assigned to the ROYAL BLUE, WMA.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Frank LaGreca, Secretary

#### **MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 6,1 995**

The General membership meeting commenced at 7:15 p.m. at the Campbell Count Court House, Jacksboro, TN.

Invocation: by Chairman Harry Burden Board roll call: Absent...Robert Burden, Gene Hinds, Jim Rains, and Charles Vincent.

Excused Absence: Tom Connor and Reed May.

May Minutes were approved as read. Treasurer, Terry Lewis, reported for the General Fund and the Newsletter, both were approved as read.

Before commencing with our regular meeting, President Lee Asbury introduced special guest, Mike Paynter. Mr. Paynter is with the J. M. HUBER company of Kentucky and serves as their Eastern Woodlands manager.

Mr. Paynter addressed the membership with an opening statement saying "he was here to discuss the future use of approximately, 95K acres of Huber Co. property and needed some input."

He addressed a number of their concerns, needs and goals. Their primary goal said Mike, is to establish the property as a "multi-use" recreation area, and knowingly, having to carry a burden for this label.

Liability, control, safety, poaching, developmental and environmental impacting were their major concerns.

He indicated that his management would like to see the property supervised by the States wildlife resources agency, with a fee of \$11 per individual going to the Agency for services or wildlife management.

Fees collected would not go to the Company...the entire fee would go to the Agency for services rendered and wildlife needs.

ATV's were discussed at length and concern with management. He hoped, said Mike, that an area could be set aside for ATV's, so as not to disturb other users or be an environmental problem. Any decision or action on this particular issue must be taken up by HUBER management, first, he said.

Mike made it clear that the Company did not want the property to go unused.

They are having problems with vandalism, poaching and the growing of illegal plants. They feel that if people are actively using the property year round, some of this illegal activity would be discouraged. Presently, the property is also being used legitimately but without permission.

In closing, Mike suggested that initially, the rules for those wanting to use the property should be strict, then eased off gradually with time.

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# The Unhappy Camper

by Ernest Lester

I have camped, hunted, fished, rode motorbikes, drove 4 wheel drive trucks, and ATV's over Royal Blue area for about 15 or 20 years. But on August 19, 1995, I heard something I couldn't believe.

It all started out by going camping with my son and two friends. We went to the second gravel parking area which we have camped at for the past two months every weekend. We set up camp as usual, one tent and two trucks one with camper in back and one with a tent in back.

So we backed into the edge of the wood for the shade, because it was very hot, about 98 degrees. When we pulled up there was trash everywhere. We picked it up, two bags full at that. After that we rode up to Eagle Bluff to look at the lights. While riding back we ran into an ATV rider who had trouble, so I pulled him to Perkins restaurant where we went to get his truck at the water tank.

About the time we got his ATV loaded, Stan, the area manager of WMA pulled in and said, "You are not supposed to ride on the gravel road anymore because it is a city road." And even though I have permission to be at Perkins on my ATV, he said, I couldn't be there anymore. Now I will say that Stan was very nice. He didn't fuss or anything, but he told me I couldn't go back to camp by the gravel road and it was 9:30 at night. We went through the woods to camp which took about one hour, by gravel it takes 15

minutes, tops. So the next morning, we had planned on eating at Perkins as always, so we went through the woods, which took about one hour. After we ate, we went to the station and gassed up as we do every Saturday, and headed out on our ATV trip, about 60 miles. It was a wonderful trip as usual. On the way back we were about out of gas and we were above the station. We went down to get some. We bought gas and some cold drinks. We were very tired so we didn't go back through the woods as we should have after being told not to ride the gravel road the night before. But I said we can go slow and it will probably be alright. I was wrong about that because a mile down the road we met Stan. He followed us to camp, and told us that we couldn't ride toward Perkins past the first parking area. How we shouldn't park in the shade. And this time he asked if we had any guns in camp. Zane said he did, so Stan wrote him a ticket and took his gun. I know the gun was wrong, but as many crazy

people as there are out there, a man needs some way to protect himself. Anyway the thing that gets me most is the fact when Windrock ATV puts on it's October and April ride we can't ride the gravel road, and we can't eat at Perkins and we can't get gas at the station even though we have permission from both the station and Perkins. What is this world coming to. Everything is you "Can't." You can pay TAX OUT YOUR TAIL, but you can't ride on gravel, Perkins restaurant looks forward to us ATV riders to eat there. I eat there every Saturday. Seems that we as hunters, fishermen, 4wheelers and ATV riders need to talk a lot louder on these things. Just this year I have paid \$15,000 in taxes. I should have a voice on how it is spent. More ATV trails and less rules and bull----.

This is just how I feel and many more are just like me. We can PAY but we can't PLAY. What does AMERICA stand for FREEDOM or not. THE RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS.

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He invited CORA to help. He asked that we accept an active roll in helping to implement a "multi-user" and policing program for their property, similar to ROYAL BLUE.

Mike asked for audience input and Ted Fields commented on his strict initial approach. He said that, in his opinion, to severely restrict the users would only encourage friction, dissent and create more criminal activity.

Lee Asbury asked that he comment further on their concern regarding liability.

Mike said...

- presently, no permission is given...it's just used.
- we believe, if the Agency's police it, there would be less liability concerns.
- issuing permits with a waiver might ilso help.
- should ATV training be a requirement before being allowed to use the property?
- (ATV's) should age, without permission, be a restriction?
- since logging and logging trails will be an on-going program, should there be any trespassing restrictions?
  - if CORA is given authorized permission to use the property, would the increased activity help the situation?

In closing, he clearly stated that the HUBER Co. philosophy is that in order to make this work, as a recreation area, the community must be involved in its process of organization. Inviting CORA to assist in suggesting and developing viable programs, is a good head-start.

Mike indicated that he would get back to us to discuss any action under consideration and the we be certain to stay in touch.

The General Meeting was gaveled into action and a motion was made to hold our annual election.

A motion was made to elect all "willing" existing officers and Board members for another year, as a body. Motion seconded and passed.

Board (only) vacancies:

J. C. Carden, Gene Hinds, Reed May, Jim Rains and Tom West.

The vacancies were filled via paper ballot and unanimously decided. The Board members elected are: Leonard Hooks, Ernie Lester, Jack Ethridge, Fred Jordan and Ted Fields. Jim Shetterly accepted the official position as CORA Chaplain, vacated by Tom West. Jim will be responsible for the Invocation at the start of every meeting.

President Asbury was very enthused and expressed his feelings regarding the availability of the HUBER property to CORA and the public. He asked that we really take a look and feel the pride of public respect that CORA has acquired by our unselfish actions and direction. Here, again, we are being asked to get involved...to help make it work.

Mr. Paynter, by the authority of the HUBER COMPANY, has asked for our immediate and direct involvement because of our past experiences...this could be our greatest achievement for 1995.

Everyone here this evening, after listening to Mike and what he was asked to accomplish, should think this through. Let's give it our best shot to insure that it gets off to a good start right from the beginning, said Asbury.

#### Committee reports:

Publicity: Mike McAfee felt that with all that is happening, there will be a great deal to report in the near future...he will ensure that the word gets out at the proper time.

Activities: Bill Bruce suggested we have some kind of outing to advertise or kick-off our new programs. Lee suggested he come up with something at the next meeting.

Newsletter: A letter of resignation from co-editors Frank LaGreca and Terry Lewis was read by LaGreca. The letter expressed their need to resign from their co-editing duties because of increasing personal work responsibilities.

President Asbury, having talked with Frank and Terry prior to the meeting, expressed his thoughts to the membership on the need of having the Newsletter. He asked both men if they would continue with the Newsletter if "others" would take on total responsibility for obtaining and collecting for advertising...both agreed they would.

Lee asked the membership to show hands if they felt they wanted to continue with the Newsletter...it was unanimous that they did. However, Harry Burden wanted to go on record that he thought we should discontinue the publication because of insufficient support.

At this point, Ernie Lester accepted full responsibility but only with the help of the following volunteering members: Jim Shetterly, Harry Burden and Leonard Hooks.

Meeting was quickly adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

#### MEETING MINUTES OF AUG. 1, 1995.

The board meeting commenced at 7:15 p.m. at the Campbell County Court House, Jacksboro, TN.

Invocation: by Jim Shetterly Board Roll Call: Excused absence: Lee Asbury, Ray Ivey and Mike McAfee.

June minutes were approved as read. Treasurer, Terry Lewis, reported for the General Fund and the Newsletter, both were approved as read.

Terry reported that the Newsletter fund needed money to pay its bills, however, the past due advertising funds brought in after the meeting were enough to cover the bills.

Activities Chairman, Tom Conner & Bill Bruce, suggested a hog roast be held on September 23rd. The cost per head was set at \$5.00, children under 12 free.

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right all the way back to the pavilion.

Frank LaGreca will find out what it will cost to rent tables and chairs for 75 people and Terry Lewis agreed to handle the advertising in the local newspaper and also put it in the August newsletter.

Tom Conner and Bill Bruce will purchase the hog and handle the cooking detail...volunteers and any hot or cold dishes are always welcome.

Terry asked that all articles for the Newsletter need to be in his hands by August 15—please cooperate.

Newsletter Advertising Chairman, Ernie Lester, said that most advertisers had paid and some dropped out...will have an accurate account to Terry by August 15.

The County road clean-up program is history. Since it was always a problem getting volunteers to get the job done, a motion was made that we give it up. The

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can help us stop people from making illegal trails too.

I think it's time we all work together to keep the areas we enjoy open and stop pointing the blame. Each one of us needs to take responsibility for our own actions and our own groups actions. If we do this then we can all enjoy our own choice of vehicles, share the trails safely, and have fun doing it.

One last thing, I enjoyed the reprinted article on snakes in that same issue of your newsletter (I don't recall the author's name). It gave me a bit of info that I perhaps should know since I ride in their habitat so much.

Thanks for letting me share my opinion and TREAD LIGHTLY.

Submitted by Blake E. Avery, Trail Boss, Tennessee Valley Four Wheelers, Inc.

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motion was unanimously passed.

The planting program also bit the dust. Since all of the planting is being handled by TWRA and volunteer groups or individuals, it was unanimously decided that the committee was no longer needed. Motion made and passed to delete the function as a committee.

Roads and Fields. Ted Fields reported that the "3 poles" gate was locked. Those getting a closer look said, all you had to do to open it, was to pick it up and move it.

The next gate slated for installation is farther up Chestnut Ridge. This will allow easier access to those wanting to camp or hunt.

All were reminded that our annual membership dues of \$10 is due in August for '96.

Membership Chairman, Robert Burden said he would look into a membership drive program. Terry Lewis suggested a membership drive with an incentive, perhaps a \$100 gift certificate to the member bringing in the most new members. Tabled for further discussion, along with Burdens program, at the September meeting.

#### **New Business:**

Terry Lewis reported on the Volunteer fire fighting program. He said he received a call from Rick Walker who heads the group. Rick asked that we get the program going again and hopefully, get everyone trained by Fall. Terry asked anyone interested to sign up and he would be in touch with them. The Newsletter will also carry a call for volunteers for the program.

Board business concluded...meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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#### POSTMASTER:

**Address Correction Requested** 

FIRST CLASS MAIL

# C.O.R.A. Annual Pig Roast

When: September 23, 1995

Where: Coal Town-

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Time to Eat: 1:00 P.M.

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# Family Foolishness

By Carter L. Perkins

The proud father brought home a backyard swing set for his children and immediately started to assemble it with all the neighborhood children anxiously waiting to play on it. After several hours of reading the directions, attempting to fit bolt A into slot B, and etc., he finally gave up and called upon an old handyman working in the neighboring yard.

The old timer came over, threw the directions away, and in a short while had the set completely assembled.

"It's beyond me," said the father, "how you got it together without even reading the instructions."

"To tell you the truth," replied the old timer, "I can't read, and when you can't read, you've got to think."

#### Volunteer Firefighters August 1, 1995

Terry Lewis
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C.O.R.A. Meeting Sept. 5, 1995, 7:00 P.M. Regular meetings are 1st Tuesday of each month