



## WWOA President Message December 2010

Dave Carlson, President



Time sure goes by fast. The 2010 WWOA Conference is now history. We had approximately 820 people attend the conference this year. I would like to thank Randy Thater for coordinating the technical program to include two pre-conference workshops, thirty five technical sessions and three tours. Randy and the technical program committee put together an outstanding program this year.

Kelly Zimmer did a great job coordinating local arrangements, the spouse/guest program, and the golf outing with assistance from Randy Herwig. Again we had a great turn out of fifty shooters at the sporting clays event coordinated by Jim Thalke. Kevin Freber is credited for his efforts coordinating the operator competition event. Hopefully next year the regions can have more teams competing. Everyone I have talked with, that has participated, says it's a worthwhile experience.

Everyone who helped out at the conference, thank you for all you do in making the WWOA a great organization.

I hope you were able to attend Brad Montgomery's keynote address. Brad made us laugh with his funny business of enjoying life. It sure is remarkable what humor can do for us.

Remember that the technical presentations of the conference will be on our website again this year; [www.wwoa.org](http://www.wwoa.org). There were so many excellent presentations to choose from, but not enough time to attend all of them. Here's your chance to look over those you may have missed.

In early December, the WWOA Board of Directors will meet for the first time to begin planning the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference to be held October 3-7, 2011 at the Radisson Hotel and La Crosse Center in La Crosse, Wisconsin. We look forward to provide another excellent conference next year. I welcome any input you may have to make the conference even better in 2011. Please email me or call me to discuss.

The fall is one of my favorite seasons of the year. I enjoy hunting grouse, woodcock, and pheasant like many of our members throughout the state. Deer hunting is just a few weeks away. Good luck and be safe!

I would like to wish everyone, "Happy Holidays" and the best in 2011.

Dave Carlson  
WWOA President