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Hi,

Just wanted to throw in my two cents worth regarding Frank Felbaum, a native of Latrobe here in Westmoreland Co. Prior to his appointment as ED of the WRCF, Frank was the very first Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs. I have known and worked with Frank for 25+ years, and can certainly testify to his dedication to conservation. It was my pleasure, as V-P of the PFSC, to call then-DER Sec. Nick DeBenedictis and heartily recommend Frank for the position with the Wild Resource Conservation Fund. He's never disappointed me regarding that recommendation. If at all possible, I hope to see him, and many of you, at his tribute banquet.

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From: "Scott Weidensaul" <sweidnsl@INFIONLINE.NET>
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I hope I'll be forgiven for moving off topic a bit, but the cause is a good one. On Saturday, April 3, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania's conservation community will be honoring Frank Felbaum, who for almost 20 years was the executive director of the Wild Resource Conservation Fund, and who has done more than almost any other single individual in this state on behalf of wildlife and native plants. All are invited to attend; a copy of the invitation is below, but since we cannot post attachments to the list, if you're interested in a registration package, please email Jerry Hassinger at jdhass@pa.net and he'll email you one. The registration deadline is March 15. Anyone who has thrilled to nesting ospreys, otters in a Northern Tier river, or the thought of fishers roaming Penn's Woods -- as well as uncountable other projects that he spearheaded in his time at WRCF -- owes Frank a big thank you. I hope you can join us. Apologies for cross-posting -- we didn't want to miss any of Frank's friends.

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Help us salute Frank Felbaum's two decades of service to conservation. To recognize his extraordinary service with the Wild Resource Conservation Fund, and his long association with many other conservation organizations, the friends of Frank Felbaum invite you to join us in a tribute banquet in Frank's honor on Saturday, April 3, 2004, at the Four Points by Sheraton in Harrisburg, Pa. Frank Felbaum was the director of the Wild Resource Conservation Fund almost from its inception in 1982. Under his two decades of guidance, and energized by his commitment to conservation, the WRCF funded hundreds of pioneering projects, from the restoration of river otters, ospreys and fishers, to crucial inventory work and a myriad of educational programs. Frank also has been a tireless volunteer, including his service as past president of the state chapter of the Wildlife Society and the Ned Smith Center for Nature and Art, and as longtime member of the Pennsylvania Biological Survey steering committee. Pennsylvania is a better, wilder, biologically richer state because of Frank's work. Join us as we honor this remarkable legacy. For further information contact:

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