



Invitation to Join The Old Duck Hunters Association

I am writing this letter to invite you to join the Old Duck Hunters Association Circle, a special category of membership in the Barnes Area Historical Association, Inc. This designation was created in honor of Barnes' own legendary outdoors sportswriter Gordon MacQuarrie and his mythical Old Duck Hunters Association, Inc. (ODHA, Inc. -"Inc." for incorrigible), of which his hunting and fishing partner, father-in-law, and mentor Al Peck, was "Hizzonor" and its President.

This special membership category, the Old Duck Hunters Association (ODHA) Circle Tier, conveys all benefits of the Museum including free access to the Museum and all of its exhibits, the ability to arrange special visits to the Museum outside normal operating hours and more. Membership also includes a "collectible" laminated ODHA Circle membership card, notices of upcoming MacQuarrie events and an annual ODHA magazine "*The Other Drivel*" (TOD). New members receive all back issues of the TOD. By joining you will help support the continuing expansion and maintenance of the Museum's MacQuarrie Exhibit. Lifetime Memberships include a Member's only shirt, an ODHA, Inc. hunting cap, and some other goodies.

The Barnes Area Historical Museum has a substantial exhibit featuring Gordon MacQuarrie, his history, writings, and historical personal artifacts. Located near MacQuarrie's beloved writing cabin on Middle Eau Claire Lake, where he hunted and fished, and the locations that served as settings for many of his published stories, the Museum is unique with its substantial exhibit, events and educational programs devoted to the MacQuarrie legacy. The exhibit, which continues to grow, contains his duck boat, decoys, typewriter, writings, pictures, medals, awards, and many other historic and personal items of interest.

The Museum annually sponsors a *Gordon MacQuarrie Pilgrimage and Canoe Trip Weekend* featuring an optional Sporting Clays Shoot, displays and exhibit tables, a Pine knot Campfire gathering, a guided Lake or Road Tour of local sites that served as settings for MacQuarrie's stories, and a Banquet with a program featuring along with other special presentations. There is an optional Brule River Canoe Trip on Sunday that visits many of MacQuarrie tales fishing sites where many of his stories originated. The Pilgrimage will be held Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of the last weekend in August.

We also offer four MacQuarrie books, *Right Off the Reel, Dogs; Drink and Other Drivel; and Found Stories of the Old Duck Hunters*, all compiled and edited by Dave Evenson. Dave has produced yet another new book, *MacQuarrie on Muskies* that includes magazine articles written by Gordon about the giant gamefish not previously published in book form. Go to the BAHA web site bahamuseum.org for information and order forms.

If interested in becoming a member of the ODHA, please complete the membership application on page two as soon as possible. BAHA is a 501 (3) (c) registered non-profit organization, and all donations are tax deductible. If you have any questions, please contact Museum board member Larry Bergman (larrybergman@yahoo.com) or me, Steve Lynch.

Thank you for your consideration,

Steve Lynch
President, Barnes Area Historical Association, Inc.

Special Invitation to Join at the Old Duck Hunters Association Circle

Membership in the ODHA Circle Tier includes ODHA Circle benefits, plus all Museum benefits including voting rights and being a member of the board or an officer of the Museum. New Museum memberships in the ODHA Circle registered after July 1st will not expire until December 31st of the following year. Regular annual memberships are valid for the entire calendar year January 1st to December 31st.

Please complete the information below and return it to the address provided, along with a check payable to BAHA for the category of membership you choose and any additional items or support. We now have the ability to process orders and memberships on our website (**bahamuseum.org**), accepting credit via our website. We also offer Lifetime memberships. Special and Designated Donations or Memorials are always welcomed and appreciated.

BAHA is a 501 (3) (c) registered non-profit organization and all donations are tax deductible.

OLD DUCK HUNTERS ASSOCIATION CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date: _____

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ + _____

Phone: (Please designate if Cell #) _____

Email address: _____

(We will send you Museum news, meeting notices, minutes, and any other information-for Museum use only.)

Please check selected membership category and donation levels:

New Membership (If referred by someone, please note name here _____)

_____ ODHA Circle Annual Single Membership..... \$ 25.00

_____ ODHA Circle Business or Corporate Annual membership..... \$ 50.00

_____ ODHA Circle Couple/Family Annual Membership..... \$ 35.00

_____ ODHA Circle Life Membership (Shirt size: S ___ M ___ L ___ XL ___ XXL ___ XXXL ___).....\$500.00

_____ Donation as a Memorial or Remembrance (Please enter name of person or persons to be memorialized or honored.)_____ \$ _____

_____ Donation to the BAHA Museum for the MacQuarrie program \$ _____

TOTAL PAYMENT..... \$ _____

Mail completed application and dues to:

**Lu Peet, BAHA/ ODHA Membership Coordinator
51580 State Highway 27
Barnes, WI 54873.**

If you have questions, contact Larry Bergman Phone-715-795-2442 (Email: larrybergman@yahoo.com) or Lu Peet at 715-795-3065 (Email: lupeet101343@gmail.com)