

Ohio is hosting the International Wildlife Crimestoppers (IWC) annual conference this summer July 21<sup>st</sup> -25<sup>th</sup>. We plan to kick things off on July 21st with Ohio Turn In a Poacher hosting the IWC sporting clays fundraiser at Elkhorn Lake Hunt Club (ElkhornLakeHuntClub.com) near Bucyrus, Ohio. This will be a great opportunity to network with other agency personnel, have a little fun busting birds, and raise some funds for IWC! Look for the flyer to find more information on cost, teams, directions etc.

The conference itself will be held on the shores of Lake Erie, at Sawmill Creek Resort ([www.sawmillcreekresort.com](http://www.sawmillcreekresort.com)) July 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>. Located in Huron, Ohio, Sawmill Creek is only minutes from Cedar Point and ferries to South Bass, Kelley's, and Pelee (Canada) Islands. The resort has plenty of amenities including two pools, a beautiful sandy beach, Tom Fazio designed golf course, and marina should you want to drag a boat along, or take a chartered fishing trip. The Lake Erie shoreline is known for its wineries, stunning views and world class fishing!

For those bringing the family, Cedar Point is a must! Advertised as the “World’s Best Amusement Park”, there are sixteen major rollercoasters along with other great rides, entertainment, and activities for all ages. There are also three major waterparks in close proximity of the resort. The Lake Erie Islands are loaded with history including glacial grooves, Perry’s Victory, and International Peace Memorial, America’s third tallest National Monument. The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame is just an hour away along with Amish Country. All this on Lake Erie which offers watersports, fishing, and beaches. For adult fun there are winery tours, great dining experiences and maybe an evening of dancing at Put In Bay.



Sawmill Creek Resort is located at 400 Sawmill Creek Drive Huron, OH 44839. The room rates are \$109.00 for a single, \$119.00 for a double, \$139.00 for a triple and \$179.00 for a quad. Make room reservations online using the directions below, or call Sawmill Creek at (800) 729-6455 using the group ID **5006** and Password **1085007807**. This is a busy time of year coined “Vacationland USA”, so I recommend getting your reservations early!

- Go to [www.sawmillcreekresort.com](http://www.sawmillcreekresort.com)
- On the Right side of the screen – click on the link that says “Book Now”
- At the Top of the next screen – Click on “**Group Rates**”
- Next type in the following information:
- Group ID: **5006** Password: **1085007807**

- Click – “**LOG IN**”
- In the next screen – under **Group Options**, Click - **Make Reservation** and fill in the required fields.

For those who wish to come to the sporting clays fundraiser, I suggest you stay a little closer to the venue which is about an hour away from the conference hotel. The two hotels in the area are the Holiday Inn in Bucyrus ((419)562-5664) who is providing the government rate of \$93 a night. The Sleep Inn in Galion ((419)777-7515) has given a rate of \$116 a night. Both are approximately ten minutes from Elkhorn Lake Hunt Club.

I hope to see everyone at the conference! We are excited to host you here in the heartland!

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