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Attract Over 4,500 At '69 Fish Fries

Eight fish fries attracted over 4,500 persons during the year 1969, according to the annual resume of the Pine Lake Wildlife Club.

Secretary C. O. Rubow notes that fish fries grossed \$7,169.93. Total receipts for the year amounted to \$10,066.71 with expenses of \$9,597.18, leaving a general fund balance of \$469.53.

Following is a portion of this year's resume, as prepared by Rubow:

"Our 31st year as an independent conservation club was not particularly outstanding in 1969. Perhaps the rest period following an active and hectic 1968 is responsible, but we did accomplish several things that should certainly be credited to our able president, Jerry Knight, Martin Kasischke as vice president, myself as secretary-treasurer and Ed Frerichs as chairman of the board of directors consisting of Joe King, Chuck McCarty, Richard Crosser and Herbert Ruhnke, together with help from members of the several committees and the assistance of the 346 paid members for 1969 and the regular five year members.

"The net profit (from the fish fries) which added to our membership receipts, allowed us to make several real good club

house and ground improvements, to-wit:

"A new furnace was installed in the main meeting room and we now heat the entire premises with gas.

"A new addition was built on the east side of the building which is a beautiful and useful addition. It provides indoor toilets, additional storage area, and an additional meeting room as well as waiting room area.

"Equipment and kitchen were updated and our thanks goes to Joe Cervetti and Harold Luiken who paid for the new formica tops on the work tables and service area in the kitchen.

"The club cooperated with the Hardin County Soil Conservation District and we heartily endorse the job they are doing in the county with their good conservation practices.

"Membership was down this year but we hope to remedy this next year and have our goal set for 500 members in 1970.

"The Gun Club Committee was very active, and our thanks to Dick Ritter, the chairman of this group, for a renewed interest was shown and several shoots were held during the year, including a summer trap shoot league which was very successful."