STATE PARKS ANNOUNCE WATERFOWL BLIND DRAWINGS

Beaver Island State Park, West River Parkway, Strawberry and Motor Islands Included

The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation has announced that lottery drawings for the <u>first half</u> of Waterfowl Hunting Season at Beaver Island State Park have been scheduled.

Draws will be held every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday beginning Friday -October 21st. The doors will open at 6:00pm and the draws start at 6:30pm SHARP! New this is year is that the draws will take place in the basement of the Beaver Island Clubhouse. Please enter in the back door closest to the parking lot next to the Clubhouse.

Again this season, State Parks will also be including a DEC Universal Access Blind located on East River Road at Spicer Creek Wildlife Management Area (north of the cemetery). Waterfowl hunting is restricted to the wooden Universal Blind structure only.

To participate in the lottery drawings, hunters must be present and show a valid NYS Small Game Hunting license with a signed duck stamp, proof of completion of a Waterfowl ID course <u>and</u> proof of registration in the Harvest Information Program (HIP).

Also Canada Goose hunting will be permitted December 7-16. Blinds will be filled by calling 773-2010 from 9:00 - 12:00noon on the following days:

Thursday 12/1 for 12/7 - 12/8 (Weds. - Thurs.)

Tuesday 12/6 for 12/9 - 12/10 (Fri.)

Thursday 12/8 for 12/10 - 12/13 (Sat. - Tues.)

Tuesday 12/13 for 12/14 - 12/16 (Weds. - Fri.)

Permits must be picked up at the park office no later than 4:15pm weekdays prior to the day of the hunt.

You may contact the Park Office at (716)773-3271 on weekdays between 8:15am and 4:15pm for more information.