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Union Sportsmen's Alliance Offers No-Cost Membership to Union Roofers

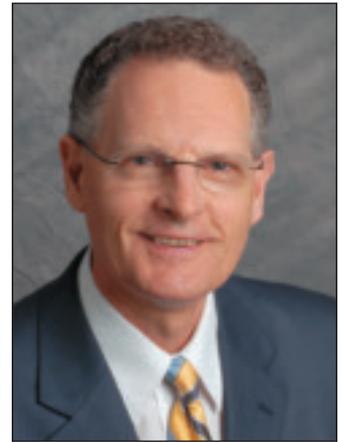
Unions are about a better quality of life for working men and women, not only in the workplace but in the outdoors, where millions of union members enjoy hunting, fishing and other recreational activities.

In an effort to unite union members and their love of the outdoors, AFL-CIO union leaders, several years ago, founded the Union Sportsmen's Alliance (USA) – an exclusive outdoor club solely for union members who hunt, fish and share a love for the outdoors. This was just one more way, union leaders believed, of extending member benefits beyond the workplace, of demonstrating to union members that their union appreciates and supports what they do in their off-work hours.

Our union was one of the first labor organizations to sign on as a Charter Union in the USA, opening the door for Roofers and Waterproofers to be part of this important new outdoor club. Over the past three years, thousands of union members became dues-paying members of the USA and began participating in its various shooting events and conservation activities. Now it is time for the USA to take another step forward.

I am proud to announce that beginning July 1, 2011, every member of the United Union of Roofers, Waterproofers and Allied Workers can join the USA for free. And those of you who are already members of the USA will continue as current members and will not have to pay dues to the USA as long as you are a member in good standing of our union. Once you become a member of USA, you will remain a member for life, as long as you maintain membership in the Roofers Union. Additionally, your spouse is entitled to a no-cost membership in the USA. Simply stated, USA membership is one of the many benefits of belonging to the United Union of Roofers, Waterproofers and Allied Workers.

Including our union, there are ten Charter Unions in the USA, and every member affiliated with those ten unions will have the opportunity for no-cost membership in the USA. Members of all other AFL-CIO unions will continue to pay annual dues to



belong to the USA. As a member of USA you will receive four issues of *The Union Sportsmen's Journal* each year, money-saving discounts on hunting and fishing gear and monthly e-newsletters with special offers and tips, and you will have chances to win exceptional prizes and sport-related trips. You will have an opportunity to participate in USA's "Boots on the Ground" conservation projects, which you will hear more about in future issues of the magazine, and you will enjoy our great new TV show, *Brotherhood Outdoors*, sponsored by unions and the USA.

These are all great benefits of belonging to the USA, but the USA's main purpose is to ensure all members, their children and grandchildren a place to hunt, fish and take recreation in the outdoors. The USA is an avenue for union members to band together—to harness the collective power of unions in order to protect the land, water and wildlife for future generations. If you are not already a member of USA, go to page 37 and follow the instructions to join online, or call 877-872-2211 or complete and mail in the membership application form provided.