

From the Vice President

Tim Kvidera, April, 2020

We had a successful show season last year with nice attendance and entries at the three major shows – The National Young Bird Show in Louisville, Pigeons on the Prairie Show in Des Moines and the National Pigeon Association National in Amarillo. Thanks to all who made these events possible, and congratulations to the winners and all exhibitors who displayed high quality Archangels for all fanciers in attendance to see what we are about. Let's hope that the COVID19 situation will get resolved enough for us to build on last season's successes.

By now you may have heard that there has been a change in management of the American Archangel Club. Brad Stuckey has turned over the secretary/treasurer position to Mike Tempel. Thanks Brad for all you have done to resurrect the organization. And welcome to Mike. Let's all do what we can to make Mike's job easier.

I did not get my birds paired up until late March, and a few of them have figured out what they are supposed to be doing in the breeding pens, but weather here in Minnesota has not been conducive to raising young birds. We got 8.5 inches of snow on Easter. I am breeding from three pair each of copper blackwings, gold blackwings and dilute blackwings (that I call pyrite dunwings) and two pair of extreme dilute blackwings (that I call ivory butterscotchwings). At this time, mid-April, I have a few hatched, but nothing banded as of yet.

Our AAC standard has been in place since 1996. A committee has been set up to review the document and potentially update it as needed. If you have areas of concern please contact Brad Stuckey, Perry Mueller or Tim Kvidera in the near future. Although no deadline has been set, it would be nice to get it all wrapped up by the upcoming show season.

Best wishes to all for a successful season. May we all get through the COVID19 event with minimal challenges.