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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DATES

2014 SCI Fundraiser will be April 5 at the Holiday Inn. Save the date!!

November 21 meeting at 7 pm at Christopher's Restaurant in Oneonta. Speaker TBA

December 19 meeting at 7 pm in Cold Brook. Speaker will be David Hartman talking about antler restrictions "yearling buck protection". This will also be our **yearly Big Buck Contest**. See rules in this issue.

The meeting schedule is posted on our website.

Vinny Migliori is taking orders for SCI hats and Shirts. Hats are \$15 and shirts are \$40 deposit and a balance to be determined. Contact Vinny at ih1486@gmail.com for info or orders.

The Chapter is looking for next years Young Hunter and a teacher to send to AWLS. Keep your eyes peeled for the next qualified candidate. Please contact Jim Digristina's at (315) 735-1775 or e-mail jjdigristina@yahoo.com

As we move forward with our **Hunt for Warriors** program we are always searching for interested men and women who have been injured serving our country. We also need donations to keep the program viable. Please contact Larry to make a donation or suggest a candidate (607) 988-6334.

We are always looking for speakers for our regular meetings. If you have an experience to share please call Larry at 607-988-6334 to get on our schedule.

If you have an event that would interest outdoorsmen and women in you area, contact George Gollin at 607-432-9063 or acscinews@yahoo.com and we will include it in the next newsletter.

Looking for a hunting partner for a 10 day Edmonton, Alberta deer/moose hunt.

Will drive and share expenses. Third week of November, 2013.

Call James Tomaski for details 518-798-1919.



Youth Waterfowl Hunt 2013

by Bill Mayer

During the weekend of September 28 and 29, we had a successful duck hunt with three young hunters – Eoin Brady, Owen McGivney and Neil McGovern, ACSCI member. The boys harvested 10 ducks and had a great time. The young hunters were accompanied by Bill Mayer and Richard Mayer, ACSCI members and Eoin Brady’s father, John.

Left to Right: Eoin Brady, Neil McGovern, Eoin Brady and Owen McGivney, Bill Mayer and Owen McGivney



Elk Hunt @ Wild West Trophy Hunts

by Bill Mayer

On September 30, ACSCI members, Tim Edwards, Richard Mayer and Bill Mayer traveled to West Edmeston with friends Russell Marlow, Bruce Clapper, and Brad Matice, to hunt cow Elk and Stag – we were on a Meat Hunt. Wild West Trophy Hunts is a family run preserve located in West Edmeston, NY. The preserve has many animals – Buffalo, Elk, Stag, Rams, Fallow Deer, and Whitetail. In addition to Elk and Stag, we also harvested a Mouflon Ram and Ewe. WWTH owners, Cody and Cindy Mikalunas, went out of their way to make sure we had a great time and successful hunt. Hopefully, Wild West Trophy Hunts will be an exhibitor at our banquet in April. For more information, contact Cody and Cindy at 607-847-6658 or visit their website at wildwesttrophyhunts.com.

Top, Left to Right, Down: Wild West Trophy Hunts sign, Bill Mayer w/Elk cow, Richard Mayer w/Stag cow,



ACSCI Chapter members Larry Steiner, Kurt Carman, Erwin and Margaret Smith present Ron Martini of (CANY) conservation alliance of New York a sponsorship check for \$200 to assist in their venison donation program.



October 5, 2013

On behalf of the Conservation Alliance of New York Venison Donation Program of Otsego and Delaware counties, we would like to sincerely thank you for your contributions and support for our thirteenth annual Venison Donation Banquet. We had 310 people in attendance, with 85 silver (\$200) sponsors, 2 gold (\$500) sponsors, and 4 platinum (\$1000+) sponsors. We additionally had the support of 25 donors who came through with various amounts of money and items for our raffles. Through your generosity, and people like you, we were able to net over \$27,000. In addition, this past year we held our second annual golf tournament in June at Ouleout Creek Golf Course in Franklin. With 24 (\$100) hole sponsors, and 80 golfers, we were able to net over \$3000, bringing our grand total for 2013 to over \$30,000! We cannot even begin to express how very thankful we are to you.

As you know, this money will help us process any venison donated during the 2013 hunting season, and purchase ground beef if we do not get enough venison from our area hunters. This year we teamed up with Hannaford Supermarkets in Oneonta to purchase \$5000 in non-perishable food items. We also cannot thank our banquet attendees enough who brought dry and canned food goods to the banquet, filling half a dozen boxes! Together we have served almost 300,000 meals in Otsego and Delaware counties in just 12 years. And with the money raised this year, we can serve approximately 6 tons more!

A project like our venison program is very gratifying for all of us who are working to make it a reality, and when our friends like you respond with your marvelous generosity, then the emotional rewards we all receive are immeasurable. We cannot thank you enough from our neediest neighbors.

Again, a big thank you from all of us at the Conservation Alliance of New York Venison Donation Program of Otsego and Delaware Counties for all you have done. We hope you will continue to support all of our less fortunate friends. Our 2014 golf tournament will again be held at Ouleout Creek Golf Course in the early part of June, followed by our annual banquet at The Holiday Inn at the end of September. We look forward to seeing you then.

Very Respectfully,

Committee Members
CANY, Venison Donation Program

The Billings Scorecard

By George Franke

My hunt with Tom Williams of Billings, Montana at our ACSCI fundraiser. I drew a tag, then my mom got cancer, so I cancelled the trip. Three times more I tried to draw tags but was unsuccessful. Last year Tom asked if I could pass up on coming out as he had other commitments. I did. This year I was lucky enough to draw a doe and buck tag. So on October 12th I flew out.

Here's how things worked out:

Antelope 2, George 0.

I missed on a doe and hit a buck in the lower leg...he ran 3 miles before we gave up on him. The antelope population south and east of Billings has been devastated by blue tongue disease, drought and harsh winters. We seen a total of 50 speed goats, only 2 had horns. We did a lot of walking, stalking and bellycrawling to get near these skiddish critters. Tom stopped me once from stepping into the path of a rattlesnake. Good thing or you wouldn't be reading this.

Pheasant 6, George 1

I didn't swing around fast enough on one rooster but on the second rooster the dogs had him pointed and I dropped him with one shot from an Ithaca 37 in 16 bore. It was terribly rainy the day we went after pheasant and I suppose the weather had something to do with the dogs lack of picking up scent. The promise of 20+ cockbirds turned out to be 2 boys and 4 off-limits girls

Sharptails 0, George 0

Spent a day looking for sharptails and didn't see a-one after covering about 1200 acres. Private land blocks are 640 acres in a square...we slipped through several of those blocks. Came up with only a porcupine. Winds were 15-25 mph and I suppose this hampered the dogs too.

TSA was very good with the guns in Binghamton and Billings. I did get scrutinized in Binghamton as my duffle had 6 quarts of Brooks BBQ Sauce in it. I guess the TSA thought it some kind of strange liquid. Gas in Billings was \$3.35. Cabelas in Billings had NO .22 ammo. Airfare was only \$500 r/t but I did get to see Pittsburgh and Denver on the way out of Binghamton, and Denver, Charlotte and Philadelphia on the way back. Highlight of the trip, I sat next to a beautiful young lady who was a representative for MagPul on the way from Denver to Charlotte...gave her my card and a wink!

Tom and Darlene Williams were great hosts. I had the run of the house as long as I shared the bed with Willie, a German Wire-haired Pointer, Judy Chews, a Lewellen Setter who enjoyed several of my socks, Kate, another setter and three cats...We took in quite a few good restaurants, several good pubs, and I met a lot of nice people. Celebrated Canadian Thanksgiving at the Williams neighbors house (Darlene is from Canada) and even went to the NILE Rodeo to watch some bronc busting and bull riding. Every ranch we stopped at gave us permission to hunt without blinking an eye.

The Hunter Access Enhancement Program gives back money to ranchers who allow hunters on their land. I signed up for the program for \$10, well worth the fee. I spent 8 days out there and enjoyed every minute of it. I'd like to thank Tom and Darlene for their hospitality and their generosity in supporting ACSCI through this hunt donation.



Patrick Lewis

SCENES FROM OTEGO YOUTH DAY 2013



Otego Youth Day-2013

The morning started off early as the volunteers arrived to start setting up the different activities that we were going to offer to the attendees. We were anticipating nice weather and a great turnout. Once all the booths and tables were setup, it seemed that the kids started showing up. It was slow at first but as the morning wore on, more kids started to arrive, and we ended up having a total of 34 kids attend. We later found out that we were competing against soccer and football as they were having the school games that day too.

Everyone that attended seemed to have a great time; the food was great (which was provided by the Steiner Packing Company), and there were many activities. The activities included fly tying via Trout Unlimited, a taxidermist to show how animal mounts are made, as well as laser shoot, crossbow shooting, compound bow shooting, fishing, air rifle shooting and other games. There was a wonderful demonstration put on by the NYS Police with their K-9 dogs. There were door prizes and the 5.00 raffle. Robin Jerauld won the gun in the 5.00 raffle which she donated back. We drew another name from the kids tickets, so a second youth received a gun as well as the lucky door prize winner. All children received nice door prizes.

It was a great success and a good time was had by the children and their parents. Next year we will try to have it in August to beat the school activities and hopefully we will have an even better turn-out.

I would like to thank all of the volunteers who helped make this a success, as without you, we couldn't make it happen. Between the donations we received from the Conservation Officers Fund, the Sables, and proceeds from the raffle tickets and other various donations, it really was a very inexpensive way to be able to offer these kind of activities to the area youths to get them involved in the great outdoors, they are our future.

Kurt Carman motoxdad5@stny.rr.com
Have gun and fishpole, will travel
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**Adirondack - Catskill Chapter of Safari Club International
Membership Application**

New Member Renewal for Membership # _____

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

If this is a new member application, please enter the name and membership number of the sponsor.

The Cabela's Membership Drive Campaign begins July 1, 2013:

- A current member will be awarded a \$25 Cabela's Gift Certificate for sponsoring a new member.
- For any new 3 year membership purchased, the new member will receive a \$50 Cabela's Gift Certificate.

Sponsor's Name _____

Sponsor's Membership Number _____

SCI Dues

- 1 Year Membership: \$85.00 (includes \$65.00 National 1yr & \$20.00 Chapter 1 yr)
- 3 Year Membership: \$210.00 (includes \$150 National 3yr & \$60.00 Chapter 3yr)
- 1 year Chapter Dues for National Members Only: \$20.00
- Chapter Life Membership for National Life Members Only: \$200.00

Payment Method

Check Enclosed (Make check payable to: Adirondack-Catskill SCI)

Credit Card VISA MC AMEX

Card #: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Name on Card: _____

Signature: _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____ US Dollars

Mail completed form with payment to: **Vincent Migliori, Membership Director**
10076 Beartown Road N.
Ava, NY 13303-2104

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WANTED:

New Members

We encourage existing members to bring potential new members to our meetings and events.

See Membership Form to the left, it is also online.

ADIRONDACK-CATSKILL CHAPTER SCI BIG BUCK CONTEST RULES

1. The deer entered in the contest must be taken in New York State.
2. The deer must be legally taken and tagged.
3. The tag must remain with the antlers.
4. To enter your deer, you must be an Adirondack-Catskill SCI member prior to the hunting season.
5. Existing members must have their dues paid in full prior to hunting season.
6. The contest ends at the December meeting. Deer taken after that date are not eligible for the contest.
7. The highest score, using SCI scoring rules, will determine the winner.
8. **The winner of the Big Buck Contest, gets a shoulder mount of the deer by one of the taxidermists who belongs to ACSCI**



Adirondack-Catskill SCI Member Trophy Awards Form (Deadline for Submission is December 1)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ip: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Type of Animal: _____

Where Taken: _____

Who was the Outfitter/Guide: _____

Method of Hunt: _____

Trophy taken with: ___ Rifle ___ Pistol ___ Bow ___ Muzzle Loader

Does this trophy complete a SCI Grand Slam? ___ No ___ Yes (If it completes a SCI Grand Slam, which one: _____)

Rate the hunt: ___ Best of My Life ___ Top 5 Hunts ___ Top 10 Hunts

Describe the hunt for this species: _____

Rules for 2013 ACSCI Member Trophy Awards

1. Any animal taken legally worldwide.
2. Photograph must be included.
3. All entries must be completed and received by December 1, 2013*.

Trophy Awards Categories:

Best of North America (First, Second, Third) / **Best of the World** (except North America) (First, Second, Third) / **Grand Slams**

Judging Criteria: Animal Taken Type of Hunt Method of Hunt Completion of a Goal

**Please send pictures and this completed form to:*

James Digristina, 11369 Cosby Manor Road, Utica NY, 13502-7703