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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DATES

On July 10 the OTSCHODELA BOY SCOUT COUNCIL will hold a Clay Target Fund Raising Tournament from 9 am until 4 pm at the Crumhorn Rod and Gun Club. The tournament will include lunch, 50 trap targets and 50 Hunter Clay targets. Door prizes and plaques for the winners are included. Call Tom Wright daytime 607-432-6491 or Don Nickerson evenings 607-638-9258 for details. A *SCI Team* would be a nice way to show our support of scouting.

July Meeting / Cookout on July 15. There will be a cookout and picnic (5:30 pm) at Dick Hazards home. Call Dick for details and directions 315-826-3998. Bring a dish to pass. Address: Dick Hazard, 143 Mill Road, Poland, NY 13431

If anyone has an item to donate for the next SCI Banquet please call Larry to make arrangements. (607) 988-6334

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

Leatherstocking Friends of NRA will be having their fund raising banquet on **September 25** from 5:30 until it's over. The event is the sixteenth annual dinner, and will take place at the Holiday Inn in Oneonta. Call George Gollin 607-432-9063 for details.

There will NOT be an August Safari Club meeting.

The September SCI meeting will be September 16, 7 pm at Christopher's in Oneonta. Kyle Frey will give a talk, and hopefully a video presentation of his African hunts with an emphasis on elephants.

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. Deadline for all articles is the 18th of even months.

Save-the-Date: Annual Fund Raising Dinner: April 2, 2011 at the Holiday Inn in Oneonta, NY

Mexico Hunting Trip

by Frank Zitz

Hello Everyone,

I just returned from hunting oscillated turkey and brocket deer in the Yucatan Peninsula, Mexico. This was a great trip, inexpensive and very similar to being in Africa. We started out by flying into Campeche, Mexico. It is in the Yucatan Peninsula near Guatemala. It was a three hour drive to camp but we were in camp the same day. The jungle is a beautiful place, interesting trees and flowers. There are many types of birds and mammals like tapir, spider monkeys, pumas, coatimundi, peccary, brocket deer, and jaguar. Jaguars and Tapir are protected but as you can see by the track on photo 13, they are there. There are also many types of birds of prey including forest eagles. The accommodations were good. The food was great. They cooked steak, fresh fish and wild game. Arturo Malo our outfitter, is from Mexicali. I met him at SCI seven years ago. He's a great host. The guides and staff are all Mayan. They have such an amazing history. There are ruins throughout the jungle. They were there 1000 years B.C. Everyone saw or heard turkeys every day and every hunter in camp got one or two mature birds. Five out of six shot brocket deer, two of them will make the top 10 in the SCI record book. I also had a chance to shoot a greater curassow. They are a large iridescent black hen turkey size bird. I had to borrow this photo to show you one. When I saw the bird we were creeping up to a small water hole in the jungle. My guide said he had seen one earlier in the season. We quietly moved through the forest and walked right into the bird. I was surprised how large and brilliant their feathers were. I hesitated one or two seconds and it disappeared into the undergrowth. The guide turned around and looked at me in disbelief. I explained to him in Spanish that it was the first one I had seen and I needed to look at it for a few seconds. I explained to him it would be like seeing a beautiful woman out here in the middle of nowhere. He laughed. Unfortunately I did not get one. I photographed a beautiful five year old bird displaying for about fifteen minutes after I had already shot my birds. On the drive to the airport we stopped to visit a large site with famous Mayan ruins. This was once a large commercial city. It's incredible what these people did. On the way home we stopped at a nice hotel and had a great traditional dinner on the Gulf of Mexico. It was a great way to end the trip and we flew out the next morning. I was so pleased with the trip that I booked the camp for next year. If you are interested in going on this inexpensive hunt email me for information. The cost of the hunt is \$3000 which includes your first turkey.

Best regards,
Frank



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Chenango County club's Youth Day continues to grow

By Jeff Murray
Contributing Writer

Upton, N.Y. — It started out 10 years ago with 35 kids, but on April 10, members of the Rockdale Rod and Gun Club in the Chenango County community of Upton treated 86 youth to a taste of the outdoors.

And it was all free.

Youth Day at the club was originally sponsored by the National Wild Turkey Federation, along with support from the National Rifle Association, Trout Unlimited, New York Bowhunters, 4-H shooting sports and other groups.

These days, the Adirondack-Catskills chapter of Safari Club International sponsors the event, but the purpose has always been the same — to get kids interested and excited about fishing, hunting and other outdoor pursuits.

"It's to introduce kids into our gun club, and introduce them to what's available," said coordinator Ron Meek. "We shoot air guns, do archery, fishing, taxidermy, turkey calling. One of the best things I get out of it (is the feedback). We had a lady and her husband and five kids. They shot pellet guns. She said 'This is great. They can't do this at home.' It adds to it."

The food and activities are free for the youth, thanks to the support of the Rockdale Rod and Gun Club and the other groups that support the event, Meek said.

This year, organizers raffled off a lifetime sportsman license — a \$765 value — for one of the lucky participants. Tickets for the raffle were \$10 apiece and they sold 250 tickets, Meek said. Proceeds from the raffle help pay for the youth day, he said.

Every year, organizers like to start off the youth day with a demonstration of working dogs, and this year, participants got to watch Labrador retrievers in action, Meek said.

Youth of all ages enjoyed the day.

"My granddaughter was here, and she's four months old. The oldest were probably 16 or 17. It runs the gamut," Meek said. "One family was there for the first time. They brought their granddaughter. They said, 'If it doesn't work out, we'll go for ice cream.' They were the last ones to leave."

Once Safari Club International took over sponsorship of the event, organizers were able to obtain a \$2,000 grant from the National Rifle Association to purchase air guns, archery equipment and other needed items, Meek said.

Putting on the event is a lot of hard work, but at the end of the day, it's worth the time and effort, he said.

"It's just a great effort. We just have a great time with it," Meek said. "The kids thank you when they're done. It's just a great time."

A youngster takes his turn at the air rifle station at the Rockdale Rod and Gun Club's Youth Day event. Photo provided

Fly-tying was one of the many activities available at the Rockdale Rod and Gun Club's annual Youth Day event. Photo provided

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2010 Banquet Memories



Greg Dye...

During the winter of 2009, ACSCI member Terry Horan met a young man who changed his life. Terry is an avid bow hunter who manages to keep his shooting skills honed during the winter months by shooting in an indoor archery league sponsored by Straight Arrow Archery Shop of Chadwicks, NY. As good a shot as Terry is, he was never able to beat Greg Dye. Greg has been the leagues high scratch shooter and "Shooter of the Year" for 4 years running.

Although Greg is blessed with outstanding archery skills, he was dealt a bad hand of cards. Greg is suffering from the long term effects of radiation poisoning resulting from treatments received from an earlier bout with cancer. Although Greg is now cancer free, it is the radiation treatments he received at the age of 16 that will end his life.

Greg is now 40 years old and is an avid hunter. He has never had an opportunity to hunt Elk with a bow, and with only a few seasons left, it was doubtful he would ever live to fulfill that dream. That is until he met Terry.

Terry is a member of the Adirondack-Catskill Chapter of S.C.I.

Terry is a masonry contractor and also a licensed guide in New Mexico. Archery elk hunting is his passion. Terry had an idea, and he approached the Board of Directors of ACSCI with a proposal to donate 10 days of his guide services to Greg if the chapter would raise the funds to send him to New Mexico.

ACSCI President Larry Steiner and the rest of the board approved the idea and Larry quickly got the word out to the SCI family.

The ACSCI was going to send Greg Dye on a New Mexico Archery elk hunt of a lifetime under it's first "Safari Wish Project".

Chapter members soon organized a fundraising bar-b-que on Greg's behalf with the profits used to fund Greg's trip. Soon donations were coming in. The Flint Chapter of SCI was quick to lend a hand with a \$500.00 donation, as was Eva Wilson with SCI Humanitarian Services.

SCI member Mark Audino, owner of Henley & Delamere, donated the airfare for both Greg and his nephew Matt, who went along to help Greg and to film the event.

Larry Steiner, ACSCI President, donated the chicken, potatoes and coleslaw for the fundraiser and with help of the chapter and Greg's many friends, ACSCI was able to host a successful fundraiser on August 8th, 2009. By the end of the day, ACSCI raised over \$9,000.00. Greg was not lucky enough to draw a New Mexico elk tag, so ACSCI had to purchase a landowner tag at a cost of \$3,900.00.

The hunt was scheduled for September 1st thru 10th. Greg and his nephew Matt left the Albany NY airport and flew into El Paso Texas, where they were met by Terry who had driven out a week earlier to set up camp and scout the area. They then quickly drove to the hunt area located approximately 130 miles north of El Paso, near the town of

Weed, New Mexico, in area 34.

Greg and Terry hunted the Sacramento Mountains south of the Mescalero Indian Reservation for 10 days. Although Greg finally got a 45 yard shot at a nice bull, his arrow was deflected from its target by an unseen twig. Greg did not harvest an elk, but he was fortunate enough to take a young mule deer buck and had a great time.

Greg is extremely thankful to Terry and his friends from the Adirondack-Catskill Chapter of Safari Club International for giving him the opportunity to enjoy the hunting experience of a lifetime and to fulfill a life's dream.

A list of major donors follows:

*Taxidermy on Greg's mule deer donated by Keith Kanclerz of Keith's Taxidermy Studio, Route 28, Forestport, NY

A special thanks to Greg's friends in S.H.O.T.S. and Fred Delmedico of Straight Arrow Archery Shop

Flint Chapter S.C.I. \$500.00

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Shootout On the Moose River Plains by G. Gollin

No, there wasn't a real shootout on the Moose River Plain, that was just a journalistic trick to make you read the article, however, Marty Baker let attendees of the May SCI meeting know that trouble was brewing on the plains. It seems, according to The Weekly Adirondack, May 13 edition that the state DEC had closed the gates to the access roads at the Inlet and Cedar River entrances to the Moose River Plains Wild Forest. This land is one of the largest primitive recreation areas in the state used by campers, fisherman, bird watchers, mountain bikers, hikers, hunters, and recently moose watchers. The economic benefits to the two nearby communities of Indian Lake and Inlet has been huge over the years due to the ecotourism and outdoorsman's dollars the Moose River Plains draws.

The state, as we all know is in a financial pickle and so has no money for road and land maintenance. The May 28 edition of The New York Outdoor News said the costs to maintain the area include roadside mowing, gravel placement, grading, culvert replacement and removal of road hazards such as downed trees, but unfortunately one of the biggest maintenance issues centers around trash collection and removal left behind by party groups. The article went on to say that these activities decline after Labor Day and the DEC expects the roads to be opened again for hunting season. The DEC also said they will provide reasonable access accommodations to individuals with disabilities upon request.

So this was looking pretty bad for New Yorks Outdoors enthusiasts until, according to the June 11 edition of the NY Outdoor News, the DEC and local officials worked out a deal to keep the roads open to traffic this summer through a creative state-local partnership. The state worked out a deal with the towns of Inlet and Indian Lake along with Hamilton County to cover the costs of maintenance for the season. Under the agreement, the towns and county would assist by providing gasoline, material, trucks, and law enforcement to help cover operational needs. This all came about just before the New York State Conservation Council was to announce a Memorial Day Rally to protest the closing of the access roads. State Senator Betty Little said, " This is a great example of local and state officials coming together, working cooperatively and achieving a positive result. It's the kind of teamwork that is so important during this time of fiscal crisis. Losing the economic activity generated by the thousands of hikers, campers, sportsmen, mountain bikers, and other tourists who visit the Moose River Plains would have delt a severe financial blow to our Hamilton County communities."

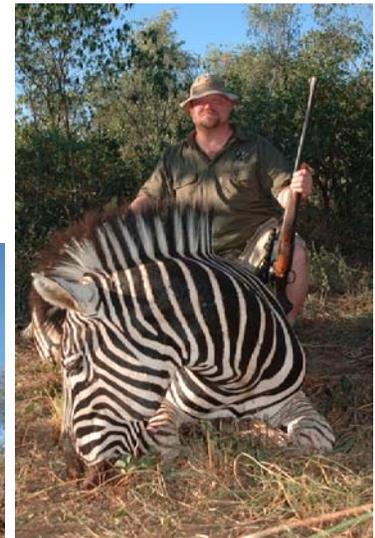
Thanks to the efforts of the thousands of people like Marty Baker getting the word out about what was happening with one of New Yorks great wilderness treasures we have all benefitted by keeping our open spaces accessible to all. Let's get out and enjoy this victory and this wilderness and don't take it for granted. If you have any questions or concerns over the status of the Moose River Plains please contact: NYSDEC Lands and Forests, Forest Preserve Mgmt; 625 Broadway FL5; Albany, NY 12233. Phone 518-473-9518 or NYSDEC Region 5; PO Box 296; 1115 NYS Route 86; Ray Brook, NY 12977. Phone 518-897-1310

Recent Safari by Kyle Frey

I recently returned from a 21 day safari in Botswana . I was hosted by my PH and old friend Mike Murray of Bottlepan Safaris. His concession is in the Chobe district, the far northwestern corner of Botswana , on approximately 500,000 acres (CH 12 for those familiar w/ Botswana). This is true wilderness, untouched Africa yet due to 15 year government leases the camps are semi-permanent and quite comfortable: wall tents on teak decks, en suite private baths with running water, box spring and mattress beds, chef, etc. The terrain is largely flat, as is the entire country, with a 50 foot hill considered a mountain. There are no rivers or streams, the water supply being pans which fill up during the rainy season (October through March) and must sustain life during the dry season. Vegetation is a mix of mopane forest, young teak forest, and terminalia belts with plenty of camel thorn and other acacia trees mixed in, as well as a section plentiful with Mgongo trees.

Hunting consists of slow-driving the roads/paths as the trackers look for fresh spoor from the top of the Land Cruiser. Once spotted, tracks are examined to determine if they are a mature male, and if so you then set out on foot following the track. Being relatively fit is a must as frequent and lengthy walks are involved to catch up to the quarry. This is especially so for elephant which on average will take 3 hours or so to catch up to, then often resulting in a one-tusker or simply tusks that are too small. Twelve to fifteen kilometer walks are not unusual. Mike's bushmen trackers, Latota and Kaielo, are superb almost to the point of being surreal. In three safaris with them, covering 12 weeks in total, they have only lost a track on a few occasions.

The primary quarry this trip was two elephant (one of which charged from 20 yards in thick cover!) and a cape buffalo, though the bag also consisted of kudu, zebra, impala and warthog. I'm already looking forward to my next safari. I couldn't recommend Mike highly enough. His website is <http://africanfieldsports.co.za/page/botswana>.



Wounded Warrior Project

Adirondack Catskill Chapter and the Tri States Chapter are working together on a Wounded Warrior Project to send **Steve Valyou** (his story below) on a hunt to South Africa. Scott Van Zyl of SS PRO SAFARIS, has generously donated a 7 day all inclusive African safari including the trophy fees for 5 animals in August or September this year. Steve's wife will be going along to assist him. We are asking for donations to cover these expenses and send Steve on his way. Please make checks out to ACSCI and send them to, Larry Steiner, PO BOX 466 Otego, NY, 13825, Credit cards are also accepted.

My name is Stephen Valyou. I was born in Sharon, CT and raised in Dutchess and Columbia Counties of New York State. I grew up on an Estate that my father was the caretaker for so I was introduced to hunting and fishing at an early age. I played sports during high school and always took the first day of deer and fishing seasons off regardless. I never had the chance to land a monster or take a wall hanger but I have been rather successful nonetheless. I met my wife in 2000 and I accepted defeat in 2001 and we were married. She is one of the greatest things to happen to me. I was working for NYSDOT at the time that September 11th happened. I never had the opportunity to go down and help out first hand but it really bothered me that I felt I needed to do something to help. I just didn't know what that was exactly. Over the next couple of months things started to calm down and regain some sort of normalcy, but I was still burning to do something. It really pissed me off. I didn't know anyone personally that lost their life that day but I was a volunteer firefighter and it hit too close to home for me. Early on in 2002 I decided what I was to do. I was going to join the military and fight the War on Terrorism.

My wife was not too happy at first but began to understand why I wanted to do such a thing and finally came to support me. So, at 27 years old I enlisted in the US Army. I left for training at the end of the year and came down with orders to FT Drum in upstate NY. My wife and I arrived there in May 2003 and I left for Afghanistan 6 weeks later. I was assigned to 1st Brigade of the 10th Mountain Division as a Combat Engineer. My Unit was stationed at a remote FOB bordering Pakistan. We had a number of different missions and responsibilities but the most exciting was working with EOD blowing stuff up!! This is when I decided I wanted to become an EOD (Explosive Ordnance Disposal) Technician. Soon after my return back to the States I volunteered and dropped my paperwork to go to EOD School. Once again my wife thought I was crazy for wanting to play with UXO's and IED's. Just before we left for EOD School my son was born (one of the other greatest things to happen). EOD School is almost a year long altogether. I graduated in February 2006 and came back down on orders to Ft. Drum once again. My wife loved this. Not!!!! I didn't see much of either my wife or son due to training and other obligations related to the job. We were set to deploy to Iraq in December of 2006. We deployed in the beginning of the month for a 15month deployment. I found myself becoming a Team Leader and having my own team members under me. My Team and another were sent to a FOB 40Km from Iran on the major suspected supply route between the two countries. As an EOD Team Leader I responded to approximately 500 different IED's and UXO's. I have been in numerous explosions both in and out of a vehicle. Injuries sustained were mainly minor and treated by medics. On 27Mar 2007 I responded to a suspected IED in a location know to harbor insurgents. Upon arrival I discovered there was indeed multiple IED's at this location. I rendered safe the IED's and secured the area. We were in the middle of 36 hour duration due to lack of



other EOD assets. I returned to the same area two other times within the next 48 hours in addition to a response from the other team also. This was starting to be our hottest area. On 29Mar2007 we had just finished clearing an IED in the southern tier of our AO (area of operation) when we were called to the same area as in the previous two days. "There was Intel that an IED was being placed on a bridge junction approximately 1000 meters from the other IED locations. Once we arrived I did what I needed to move our element along. I was clearing an IED the consisted of three 122MM projectiles placed on top of a 155MM projectile with a command wire initiation when I was shot by a sniper. I can't remember



all of what happened next but I do recall bits and pieces. I remember spinning around and falling to the ground. I can't remember hitting the ground but do recall a loud piercing sound in my head. I later found out that was when the round went through my spinal cord.

The next thing I remember was looking at the sky wonder what the hell just happened. My first thought was a secondary IED went off. I tried to get up but the body didn't work. I could move my arms but that was about it. I thought my legs had been blown off but I was able to lean up and see them still there. That's when it hit me and I knew I had been shot. About this time my team members got to me and drug me to a BFV and began first aid. I remember bleeding a lot and I was going in and out of consciousness. I remember hearing the medivac helicopter trying to land but they were taking SAF so it took longer for them to find an LZ. I remember the flight Medic coming to get me and loading me up. The next thing I remember is land in Balad, Iraq and being brought to a surgical tent.

I woke up two days later in Germany. I spoke to my wife for the first time for about 20 seconds. I was so weak and tired. I was then transported to Walter Reed Army Medical Center. I was reunited with my wife on 02Apr2007 there. It was here I learned the extent of my injuries. The snipers round had penetrated my body armor passing through both of my lungs, my liver, and heart finally severing my spinal cord and spine at the T-11, T-12 location. The round was found on the outside of the rear plate of body armor and the vest that I was wearing. We spend 3 weeks there before being transported to the Spinal Cord Acute Rehabilitation Center at the Tampa VA Hospital. I underwent back surgery and some other surgical procedures while in Tampa being discharged in June of 2007. I was awarded a Combat Action Badge, a Purple Heart, and a Bronze Star for my service in Iraq. Many people have come up to

me and thanked me and even called me a "Hero". I did what I had to do because it was my duty and obligation. To me that does not make me a Hero. To me the real Hero in this situation was my Team member that came to my aid and drug me from the line of fire. I am the type of person that does not desire special recognition and exposure. I did what I needed to do...

My wife, son and myself returned back to NYS October of 2007 after undergoing outpatient physical therapy. I didn't make bow season but I was out in the woods on the opening of firearm season. I was able to get a small buck late in the season. Hunting from a wheelchair was new to me and presented itself with many challenges. As the next season approached I was presented with a mobile hunting shed on a trailer. This was given to me by an awesome guy I didn't even know. We had mutual friends only. That season I was able to harvest an 8pt buck from this shed on opening weekend. It was by no means a record book buck but to me it was the biggest I ever harvested. That buck hangs on my living room wall now. I had the buck mounted by a guy I consider a good friend now, Frank Zitz. I returned to the woods this past season but was not as successful though.

I have come to realize that you as a person control what you can and can't do in life. I have learned that I can do just about anything I could before my injury. I'll be the first to tell you it's a hell of a lot more difficult and different though. I plan on trying to get back into fishing this year with my son. He is still a bit young for hunting but has joined me on a few occasions. Hunting from a wheelchair with a bow or firearm is both challenging and rewarding. I plan to continue to pursue both hunting and fishing in the years to come and even look forward to trying new hunting adventures.

Adirondack Catskill SCI would like nothing more than to help this soldier and so many more like him out in this tiny way to say thanks for the HUGE sacrifices all our fighting men and women have made to keep our country a beacon of hope, freedom, and prosperity. While we go through our daily lives it's all too easy to forget that some folks, who we don't know and will never meet, have gone through hell to maintain our freedom. Therefore, we would like to support this noble cause, but we are currently looking for funding support and an affordable way to put a hunt together.

If anyone can help us out this can stop being a nice story and start becoming a great reality.

Please call Larry 607-988-6334 to see how you can make a difference.

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Thank you all for your generous support, and let's make this list grow.





Adirondack-Catskill SCI Member Trophy Awards Form

(Deadline for Submission is December 1, 2010)

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 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 2010 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, 2010*.

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

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION Adirondack-Catskill Chapter — Safari Club International

New Member Renewal Membership # _____

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Phone: _____

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Membership #: _____

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Results from the New FNRA Chapter Dinner

George Franke somehow found 34 minutes in his 2010 schedule with nothing to do so he decided to begin and chair a new FNRA Chapter based in Chenango County called the Trailblazers. On May 21 the new group had their first annual fund raising banquet at Taylor's Country House. George's hard work, drive and determination must have paid off because they outgrew their banquet hall in about three hours. Although space was a bit tight, the event was both fun and profitable bringing in a gross of \$23,940 and a net of \$7302. In a sluggish economy, the event raised more money than ever before for an event of this kind, and area kids and outdoors clubs will benefit greatly. George is already planning how to outdo himself next year. Nice work George.