**YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED**

**TO ATTEND OUR**

**SILVER ANNIVERSARY GALA**

**THE 25TH ANNUAL**

**KENTUCKIANA CHAPTER OF SCI**

**FUNDRAISING BANQUET**

**Saturday, February 22, 2020**

Fellow Outdoorsmen and Outdoorswomen:

I want to personally invite you, your family, and your friends to our upcoming 25th Annual Fundraising Banquet at the Audubon Country Club in Louisville, Kentucky on Saturday, February 22, 2020. You may dress for this year’s “Safari After Dark” theme to celebrate safaris days or dress like a modern day hunter or dress casual. Regardless, join your Kentuckiana friends and have a good time celebrating our banquet’s Silver Anniversary and our hunting heritage! Visit our Chapter’s new website, [www.kentuckianasci.com](http://www.kentuckianasci.com), to see this year’s live auction items, then complete the enclosed reservation form and mail it to Sherry Maddox, 211 Willoughby Court, Louisville, KY 40245-4130 or **register online at our new KYSCI website**. For more information, call Sherry at 502-253-9679.

Social Hour begins at 4:00 P.M. with dinner being served at 7 P.M. The silent auction opens at 4:00 P.M. and our live auction begins at 8 P.M. We have a wonderful variety of hunting trips up for auction this year plus many other items of interest. Dave Noem of Noem's Wildlife Artistry will have a fascinating display of trophy mounts from around the world and numerous outfitters/donors will have displays and be on hand to discuss their hunt donations.

As you know, our local Chapter members, in coordination with other SCI Chapters around the world, work diligently and without pay. SCI is relentless in its efforts to protect your 2nd Amendment Rights and opportunity to hunt for you, your children and grandchildren. Please join us and continue to be a part of protecting our 2nd Amendment Rights and our freedom to hunt. In this effort, we have launched a new legislative website, [www.kysci-lac.com](http://www.kysci-lac.com).

This fundraising banquet is our principal source of income for our youth and humanitarian services programs and we need your participation. Again, please join us for a wonderful, family friendly evening on February 22, 2020 and bring your family and friends. If it is not possible for you to attend, please support your local SCI Chapter by **renewing your membership** in SCI and Kentuckiana SCI and by **making a tax-deductible donation** to the ***Kentucky Hunters for the Hungry Program*** using the enclosed registration form.

Yours in protecting our **Right &** our **Freedom** to Hunt,

Larry

Larry Richards

Kentuckiana SCI

Chapter President & Fundraiser Chairman



 CHAPTER VISION & PROGRAMS

The Kentuckiana Chapter of SCI is run by ***volunteers*** who are dedicated to protecting our hunting heritage. SCI receives only 30% of the net funds raised by our Chapter fundraiser. Of that 30%, we can reclaim 15% through grants. The remaining 15% of the funds raised goes to SCI to help offset operating expenses, for conservation efforts, to preserve our right to hunt, and to protect our right to own firearms. Effectively, 85% of the funds raised by our Chapter at our fundraising banquet are retained by our Chapter & used for our local projects.

On the local level, our main focuses are educating our youth (who are the future of hunting) & humanitarian service. KYSCI funding is responsible for the following and ***much more***:

* **Youth & Apprentice Hunter Education Program -** Our all volunteer, firearm safety & responsibility training program helps youth & apprentice hunters obtain Hunter Safety Orange Cards & provides hands-on training in archery, shotguns, rifles, muzzleloaders, tree stand safety, blood trailing, anatomy, field care of meat, & more.
* **Kentucky Hunters for the Hungry (KHFH)** – Our Chapter created, helps fund, & appoints the Board that runs KHFH. This program pays for processing legally killed but unwanted deer. The processed meat is distributed by “Dare to Care” to food banks & homeless shelters & provides over 300,000 meals yearly.
* **Sam Monarch Memorial Youth Scholarship –** Each year an outstanding KYSCI affiliated student entering college shall be awarded a scholarship valued at $2500.
* **National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP)** - KYSCI helps establish programs, train coaches, & fund, in part, NASP in many local schools.
* **4-H Shooting Sports Program** – KYSCI provides funding to purchase equipment & supplies for children who would not otherwise have the opportunity to participate.
* Each year, our Chapter hosts a **Thank You Military Pheasant Hunt** for selected military personnel & KYSCI is a **KYNG Wounded Warrior** sponsor.
* KYSCI co-sponsors with Chapter members, the **SCI Humanitarian Services “Blue Bag”** project wherein member hunters hand deliver clothing, school supplies & medical supplies to needy children in depressed countries around the world.
* **AWLS –** Our Chapter sponsors educators to attend a week-long ***American Wilderness Leadership School*** where they learn about the environment, conservation, outdoor survival & safety tactics & firearm safety. Many become certified NASP instructors.
* **NWTF River Ridge Long Beards “Wheeling for Whitetails” Supporter** where disabled veterans enjoy guided crossbow hunting for whitetail, **and more**.

KYSCI promotes SCI’s Mission Statement that calls upon each of us to be "a leader in protecting the freedom to hunt & in promoting wildlife conservation". Please continue to be a member of SCI & KYSCI as we believe your goals and our goals are one in the same. Please continue to support our Chapter by being a member and attending our banquet. Go to [www.kentuckianasci.com](http://www.kentuckianasci.com) to register for our banquet and to see what is up for auction.

 KYSCI INTRODUCES

 LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

 THROUGH THE

 *LEGISLATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE*

 www.kysci-lac.com

As time has passed, it appears that the lack of clear communication from Kentucky’s sporting community to our Legislative bodies (including KDFWR) has led to the lack of direction for sportsmen’s and sportswomen’s interests, wildlife conservation and security of our sporting heritage. Accordingly, your KYSCI Board has decided it is time for KYSCI to move into that leadership void and fulfill our mission to be *First for Hunters.*  Visit [www.kysci-lac.com](http://www.kysci-lac.com) to learn what actions affecting sportsmen are in front of our lawmakers. Find contact info for Kentucky Legislators & KDFWR Commissioners.

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NEW WEBSITE

www.kentuckianasci.com

The Kentuckiana Chapter of SCI is proud to introduce our new Chapter website. If you have not had the opportunity to visit your new Chapter website, please take time to browse now and keep up to date with the latest Chapter events and happenings.

* **Membership** – Join to protect hunting & conserve wildlife around the world
* **Events** – Find information about upcoming events, dates & contact info
* **Fundraiser** – Follow hunts & other auction items & register to attend
* **Awards** – Highlights of KYSCI & members outstanding achievements
* **Newsletters** – Find copies of all newsletters from 2009 to date
* **Legal Briefs** – Highlights sportsmen’s issues related to KY & IN & National
* **Links** – Provides links to our Chapter sponsors and donors
* **Contact Info** – Gives contact information for the Chapter
* **Facebook Page** – Has a link to our Chapter Facebook page
* **Legislative Action Committee** – Provides a direct link to Legislative updates



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FACEBOOK PAGE

Keep up with the latest KYSCI happenings. Join Chapter members on Facebook!

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