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the 18th of the month.
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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DATES

Our chapter is now in charge of our own website. The hope is that being under our own control will make our website more current, dynamic, interesting, and reflective of our members. Check it out and let us know what you think and what you think can make it better. If it doesn't improve we have only ourselves to blame. The new site is www.adirondackcatskillsci.com. The old site was .org. Please make the change.

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

The March 17 Chapter meeting will be held at the American Legion Cold Brook. Daryl Labarron will be the speaker talking about his bear hunts in New Brunswick.

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

The Big East Camping and Outdoor Show will be April 1, 2 & 3 at the Turning Stone Resort & Casino in Verona. Friday is from 2-8 and Sunday is from 10-4. Saturday's times won't be listed because you had better be at our banquet at the Holiday Inn in Oneonta.

SCI Youth Day will be held at the Rockdale Rod & Gun Club April 9 starting at 9 am. Free admission, lunch included. Call Ron at 607-373-3009 or E-mail at ronandkathy@roadrunner.com

The April 21 Chapter meeting will be held at **Christopher's** in Oneonta. David Dye will talk about his Black Bear hunt in British Columbia.

May , 19 Regular meeting: To Be Announced

June 16 Regular meeting will be held at **Christopher's** in Oneonta, Kyle Fry will talk about another great elephant hunt in Botswana.

July 21 meeting will be at 6pm, **use Dons direction and a dish to pass...The July ACSCI meeting will be at the new home of Don and Laura DuBois at 981 Preston Hill Road, Earlville. The "meeting" will start about 6:00. Bring a dish to pass and your own drink if you don't like soda. To get there from the North country, get on Route 12B South out of Hamilton. At the South end of Hamilton you'll see the hospital on the right. Turn left on Preston Hill Road at that point and proceed three miles. Our house is on the right. We'll have a sign out by the road. If you're traveling from the South , etc. get on Route 12 in Sherburne. At the North end of Sherburne the road splits. You'll want to bear left on 12B. In the village of Earlville turn right at the one and only traffic light. Just out of town you'll go over a little bridge and then turn left on Earlville Road. After about a mile and a half or so you'll turn left on Preston Hill Road. When you get to the top of the hill you'll see the sign on the left indicating that you've made it.**

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**

In an effort to save money, postage, and paper SCI is changing the distribution of the *Safari Times* to the internet. If you would rather still receive a hard copy through the mail, or if after receiving it on line you don't like it, you need to call the membership department at 520-620-1220.

PH Killed By Poachers in Tanzania

Professional Hunter Andre de Kock has been killed in Tanzania by poachers. The incident occurred this morning, Friday, February 18, 2011, in the Maswa Game Reserve area in Masailand. One of the senior PH's for Robin Hurt Safaris, de Kock was guiding clients when the incident occurred.

According to information provided to *The Hunting Report* by Robin Hurt Safaris, the hunting party surprised a group of poachers who fired upon the safari vehicle without warning or provocation. de Kock was killed instantly. The clients, we are told, emerged uninjured, but two trackers and a game scout were wounded and are in a hospital in stable condition at this writing.

Government officials and anti-poaching teams returning to the scene discovered ammunition for AK47s and several pairs of elephant tusks, apparently abandoned by the poachers. Two aircraft have flown over the area in search of the perpetrators, but have been unsuccessful in finding them. The incident is particularly unusual because poachers in Tanzania usually avoid hunting parties and any confrontations with them. We'll have more details in the next issue of *The Hunting Report*.

It is too early to pass on information regarding memorial arrangements. de Kock's family and the entire Robin Hurt Safaris organization are still in shock and trying to make sense of the events. Anyone wishing to contact the family may send an e-mail to de Kock's son-in-law, Jonathan Howells, at jonathan.howells@robinhurt.co.tz.

On behalf of the entire *The Hunting Report* staff, our deepest condolences to the de Kock family and all of Andre's co-workers and colleagues at Robin Hurt Safaris.

- Barbara Crown, Editor & Publisher

A Call For Zambia Elephant Import Applications

You may have heard that US Fish & Wildlife has decided to allow the importation of elephant trophies from Zambia this hunting season. Technically, that is not exactly the case. US Fish & Wildlife has not yet made a positive enhancement or a non-detriment finding for the sport hunting of elephant in Zambia. What they have agreed to do is consider any 2011 elephant applications they may receive.

In documentation acquired by *The Hunting Report*, US Fish & Wildlife states that they have not finalized the 2011 enhancement finding for Zambia elephant, nor completed a non-detriment finding. Both are required in order for the agency to actually allow the importation of elephant trophies.

Although US Fish & Wildlife officials delivered a letter to Zambian authorities at last month's SCI convention in Reno stating they would be able to authorize the importation of any 2011 elephant applications they receive, the agency has not completed the requirements to do so because they have yet to receive import applications. US hunters who wish to hunt elephant in Zambia this season are encouraged to get their import applications in right away. For assistance, contact John J. Jackson, III, of Conservation Force at 504-837-1233 or by e-mail at jjw-no@att.net. Once the agency receives import applications, it will have to move forward with the non-detriment finding to complete the process. The sooner they have applications, the sooner they will get started.

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

Adirondack - Catskill Chapter of Safari Club International Banquet and Fundraiser

Holiday Inn, Rte. 23 Oneonta, NY - Saturday, April 2, 2011

\$40 per person includes dinner, live auction and all events

Registration - 12:00 pm Vendors & Displays - 12:00 pm – 6:00pm Live Auction - 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

DINNER – 6:00pm Choice of Chicken Parmesan or Prime Rib, indicate choice on form below

EARLY BIRD BONUS SPECIAL #1

BUY 10 RAFFLE TICKETS AT \$10 each (\$100) RECEIVE 10 ADDITIONAL TICKETS

EARLY BIRD BONUS SPECIAL #2

BUY 15 RAFFLE TICKETS AT \$10 each (\$150) RECEIVE 20 ADDITIONAL TICKETS

Both BONUS SPECIALS

(Good for Whitetail, Predator, Big Bore, Ladies and Youth Table Raffles ONLY)

SEND MONEY WITH RESERVATION - PICKUP TICKETS AT THE DOOR!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

LARRY STEINER 607-988-6334

EMAIL - STEINERSCI@STNY.RR.COM

OR

RICHARD HAZARD 315-798-4103

For Hunt Auction Items, check out our website at www.adirondackcatskillsci.com

For Room Reservations call Holiday Inn, Oneonta, NY at 607-433-2250

Mention SCI first when calling for a special room rate

*Please fill in the name, address and phone number of yourself and all your guests below. This information is needed for the auction and your account. **Return the bottom portion with your payment by March 21st, 2011 to qualify for the Early Bird Specials.***

Please add additional guests on a separate sheet of paper

Pre-Registration required - NO Tickets will be available at the door

Banquet Reservations _____ @ \$40.00 \$ _____

Early Bird Ticket Pack #1 _____ @ \$100.00 \$ _____

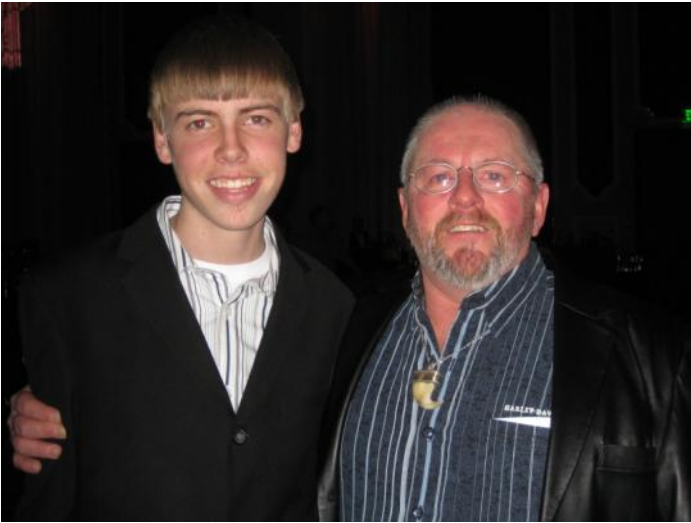
Early Bird Ticket Pack #2 _____ @ \$150.00 \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Name _____	Name _____	Name _____
Address _____	Address _____	Address _____
City _____	City _____	City _____
State _____ Zip _____	State _____ Zip _____	State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____	Phone _____	Phone _____

_____ Early Bird Packs #1	_____ Early Bird Packs #1	_____ Early Bird Packs #1
_____ Early Bird Packs #2	_____ Early Bird Packs #2	_____ Early Bird Packs #2
_____ Chicken or _____ Beef	_____ Chicken or _____ Beef	_____ Chicken or _____ Beef

Adirondack-Catskill Chapter of SCI Member Receives Young Hunter of the Year Award in Reno, Nevada



Mitch Hooker (left) who received the National Young Hunter of the Year Award and Larry Steiner at the annual convention in Reno.



Wayne Lappiere of NRA cutting the ribbon with Dr. Larry Rudolph, President of SCI, opening the SCI National Convention in Reno in January.

Richfield Springs, N.Y. – 18 year-old Mitchell Hooker of Richfield Springs, New York, and a senior at Mount Markham High School, recently returned from Reno, Nevada where he was awarded Safari Club International's Young Hunter of the Year Award at the organization's annual convention, attended by over 22,000 people. Hooker is a member of the Adirondack-Catskill Chapter of Safari Club International (SCI) and was the chapter's 2008 Young Hunter of the Year Award winner.

The chapter nominated Mitch for the national award and he went on to win the award based on a number of different criteria including school performance, conservation work, community service and his activities as a role model for hunting.

James Digristina, education director for the Adirondack-Catskill Chapter of SCI, says, "Mitchell is truly an impressive young man. He has a love for the outdoors and is involved in its conservation as a member not only of SCI, but also Ducks Unlimited and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation. The chapter's efforts to support youth are rewarded when we witness the successes of young people like Mitch."

The Adirondack-Catskill Chapter of SCI sent Hooker to the American Wilderness Leadership School in Jackson Hole, Wyoming in 2009. This fall Hooker will attend Paul Smith's College in the heart of New York's

Adirondack Mountains to major in Environmental Science.

Chapter president Larry Steiner, who was in Reno to see Hooker receive his award, notes "Preserving our outdoor heritage begins with supporting the future generation and encouraging an interest in, respect for and love of the outdoors. Mitch's acceptance speech included a quote from conservationist and hunter Fred Bear that encourages all of us to 'go afield with a good attitude, with respect for the wildlife you hunt and the forests and fields in which you walk. Immerse yourself in the outdoor experience. It will cleanse your soul and make you a better person.' That says a great deal about this young man."

Hooker is the Adirondack-Catskill Chapter's fifth recipient of Safari Club International's Young Hunter of the Year Award and the second to go on to receive the national award. In 2006, Cody Dye of Richfield Springs was also named the chapter's winner and went on to win the national award. Other winners of the chapter's award were Cierra Gorman in 2009, Colton Dye in 2007 and Heather Grower in 2005.

To learn how to become a member of the Adirondack-Catskill Chapter of Safari Club International and to find out more about the chapter's young hunter programs please visit www.adirondackcatskillsci.com.

Hi Everyone,

I recently returned from a trip to the King Ranch in South Texas as a guest of Dave and Ginny Hanna. I spent a week hunting deer, javalina, wild pigs and Rio Grand turkey. The trip was a great way to relax after the past couple of months leading up the **SCI Convention in Reno**. I've attached some photos from my trip.

Frank



SAFARI BANQUET GAMES April 2, 2011

WALL OF GUNS: Each card in a deck of cards will sell for \$20. You get half of the card, the other half goes into the pot for a drawing. As soon as the whole deck is sold, a half-card is drawn from the pot. If your half-card matches the one drawn, you get to choose one of the guns on the Wall of Guns. If all cards in a deck are not sold, half of the proceeds for that part -deck will be awarded in cash.

50/50 RAFFLE: Tickets are \$1 each; 3 for \$2; 5 for \$3; or ARMLENGTH for \$5. Winning ticket will be drawn at the end of the evening.

MUG RAFFLE: Buy a MUG for \$20. Each MUG contains Raffle Tickets ranging in value from \$40 up to \$100 (to be used on ANY of the TABLE RAFFLES). No MUG contains LESS than \$40 in Raffle Tickets. **YOU CAN'T LOSE!! Hurry before they're all gone!**

MYSTERY GUN: Special tickets sell for only \$10 each or an ARMLENGTH of tickets for \$30. Winning ticket will be drawn at the end of the evening.

HEADS OR TAILS: **Buy a "Heads or Tails" ticket for \$10. Just before the Live Auction we** will play this fun game together. Everyone who has a Heads or Tails ticket will stand by their table. The Auctioneer will prepare to flip a coin and will ask each ticket holder to decide if it will be Heads or Tails. If you believe it will be Heads, you place your hands on your head. If you believe it will be Tails, you place your hands on your butt. The coin is flipped, the losers sit down. The process is repeated with those standing guessing either heads or tails, the coin is flipped and, again, the losers sit down. The game continues until there are only a few remaining. Those few will be called to the front and will play the game until only one person remains. That person wins \$250 CASH!!

FAST BINGO, NO LOSERS: Buy a Bingo card for \$20. Immediately following the Heads or Tails game, we will play this fast game in which you have the opportunity of winning either a Kimber Pro CDPII model 1911 .45 caliber Pistol (Retail Value \$1,500) or \$600 CASH!! Only 100 cards sold! This is a Bingo Game but one in which you DO NOT want the number that is being called. If the number called is on your card, you turn in your card for \$20 worth of Raffle Tickets. Your game is over, but YOU CANNOT LOSE. \$20 FOR \$20 WORTH OF RAFFLE TICKETS! As long as the numbers being called are NOT on your card, you are still in the game. THE LAST PERSON WITH NO CALLED NUMBER ON HIS/HER CARD WILL BE THE WINNER!!

VIP TABLE: As we sit down for dinner, there will be a security envelope in front of each place setting. Each envelope will have a table number. That number will correspond with the table number (in the center of your table). There will be one envelope per place setting, thus 8 per table. Now, you have a choice. You can put \$20 (twenty dollars) in your envelope or you can put \$0 (nothing) in your envelope. Every envelope will be collected prior to serving dinner and put in a big box. We will draw an envelope from the box. If upon opening the envelope, there is \$20 in it, the ENTIRE table will come forward and sit at the VIP Table, enjoy the special menu dinner, take home all the prizes, and use the raffle tickets on ANY of the TABLE RAFFLES. If upon opening the envelope it contains less than \$20 your table loses and another envelope is drawn until there is a winner. There is a possibility your table will be drawn again but that's the chance you take. **The odds are best if ALL place a \$20 bill in their envelope. Don't risk causing your table to lose. One envelope per attendee. One \$20 bill per envelope.** Good Luck. Dick Hazard will go over the rules prior to the game. For any questions before then, see Dick.

A/C SCI-YOUTH DAY at
ROCKDALE Rod & Gun Club
312 Rockdale Rd., Mt. Upton, NY
Co-Sponsored
ADIRONDACK-CATSKILL CHAPTER
Safari Club International

April 9 9:00 AM - 2 PM
Ages: 17 and under

Cost: *FREE! FREE! FREE!*

Events:

Laser Shot
Air-Guns
Archery
FISHING
K-9's
Game calls
Fun and FOOD!

Included in *FREE!*

- Door Prizes
- Lunch

Pre-Registration is Suggested! Event FILLS FAST!

CONTACT:

Ron Meek- (607) 373-3009
Email: ronandkathy@roadrunner.com

LUNCH PROVIDED FOR ALL!

This year we are again providing seed corn for food plots for a donation of \$5 per bag. In addition, we will take pre-orders for anyone wanting to plant soy beans again at a donation of \$5 for a fifty pound bag. Please call Larry to order your corn or soy beans.



This picture is from last years youth day on the air rifle range.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
Adirondack-Catskill Chapter — Safari Club International

New Member Renewal Membership # _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Sponsor Name: _____

Membership #: _____

SCI Dues National \$55.00 Chapter \$20.00 Total \$75.00

Adirondack-Catskill Chapter only \$20.00
 (Life or Current National Members only)

"Special" for 2010 \$30.00
 (For new members only – includes both National and Chapter dues)

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

Credit Card: VISA MC AMEX

Card #: _____ Expiration date: _____

Name on Card: _____

Signature: _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____ US Dollars

Mail Form To: Clifford Barker, Membership Director
 26 Medallion Drive
 Otego, NY 13825

Revised 3/16/10

Wanted: New Members

We encourage existing members to bring potential new members to our meetings and events. New members can join for the first year at \$30. This is normally a \$75 membership. Our goal is 20 new members before January 1, 2011..

Together we can make it happen.

Welcome to:

Keith Beck — Worcester, NY
 Jeff Trojan — Scotia, NY



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