



Happy Valley Chapter

Annual Conservation Banquet

Saturday April 23rd, 2022

Mountain View Country Club
310 Elks Club Rd, Boalsburg, PA
Doors open at 1:30PM
Meal served at 4:30PM

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

It's that time of year again as we get ready for our annual Conservation Banquet. We have been working very hard this year to host a banquet that will make lots of memories and express our passion for Elk Country as we celebrate the Keystone Elk Country Alliance and their mission of Conservation and Education. There will be games, raffles, live and silent auction, and live entertainment as well as plenty of good food and drinks. We have a wide variety of prizes to be raffled off: firearms, fine jewelry, outdoor gear, and household items just to name a few. We also include prizes for the kids in attendance, pay honor to our veterans and we have a pretty competitive Live Auction.

We urge you to get your applications in early so that you can double your chances of winning with our **Early Bird Ticket Special: PURCHASE YOUR GENERAL RAFFLE TICKETS BY April 12th AND WE WILL DOUBLE YOUR TICKETS.** That's right 2 for 1! Please keep in mind that this option is not available at the door and it is not available on any applications that are postmarked after April 12th. Wait, there is more... for every \$200 of general raffle tickets purchased, not only do you get



\$400 worth of general raffle tickets, but you are automatically entered into a special drawing for a **J.P. Sauer & Sohn Sauer 100 .300 Win Mag. Rifle.** This is a pre-banquet offer only and will not be available the night of the event.

We will be offering a **Gold Table Sponsor** opportunity again this year! The Gold Table Sponsor includes 10 meals and 10 KECA memberships as well as some great bonuses like **\$1000 in General Raffle Tickets, 50 Bonus tickets, and 30 Top Shelf tickets** AND a raffle drawing at each table for those attending the banquet! Someone seated at each Gold Table Sponsor table will win a \$500 VISA gift card! As a thank you to all Gold Table Sponsors, we will pay special recognition to them throughout the night as well as in our program.

LIFE AND SPONSOR MEMBERS - We will draw one winner for every FIVE new Life or Sponsor Memberships. All names will be put into a single drawing and winners will be drawn from all cumulative names. Each winner will have their choice of our 2022 Life and Sponsor Member special handgun, a **Kimber 1911 Shadow Ghost 45 ACP** with 2022 custom designed Wicked grips or a custom KECA edition 75QT Bison Cooler.

PROGRESSIVE RAFFLE - Again, we will have the very popular Progressive Raffle with a tremendous grand prize! For just \$20, you will get a chance to win a **Mossberg Patriot Predator Strata Camo w/Bronze Cerokote 6.5 creedmoor Rifle** with custom KECA Cerokote and Vortex Sonora 4-12 x 44 Scope the night of the banquet. Then the winner of the rifle will be entered, along with the other rifle winners from our other 16 Chapter events, for a chance to win a free range, fully guided Companion Elk hunt for two (1 bull and 1 cow) at Fishtail Ranch in Chama, New Mexico! That's a "ONE IN SEVENTEEN" chance to win the hunt. The winner of the hunt will be drawn at the final Chapter fundraising event of the year.



LIVE AUCTION

Another popular event during the evening is the Live Auction. Here is a sample of just some of the items that will be auctioned off to the highest bidder:

- **2022 Banquet Rifle** – Ruger Hawkeye Hunter Rifle 300 win mag with a full scenery engraving featuring the 2021 KECA Bull harvested by Gary Laudeman. Rifle is one of 17 only available at KECA events.

- **Elk Mountain Homestead Rental** - Weekend of July 29th – 31th (Friday- Sunday) Stay with up to 10 guests, at the original homestead property that sits adjacent to the ECVC meadow. This stay also includes access to the overlook Silo that allows viewing on the entire Elk Country Visitor Center property.
- **Elk Calf Round-Up Experience** - Friday June 3rd to 4th This is a chance to assist the PGC elk biologist, Jeremy Banfield, on a field trip to hopefully capture and tag a newborn elk calf in the PA Wilds, along with a guest of your choice. The experience will also include a Friday night dinner (June 3rd) and presentation on PA Elk by Jeremy and a luncheon will follow your elk calf capture adventures on Saturday.
- **Private Elk Country Horse-drawn Wagon Ride** – Opportunity for up to 24 people at the Elk Country Visitor Center on Saturday August 27th at 6:45PM. This is a 45-minute ride through elk country. This is a very exclusive offer for a very highly demanded wagon ride date and time.
- and many more great items too!



DINNER, DRINKS and LODGING

Attendees will enjoy a full course dinner with dessert as full-service buffet, and a cash bar will be available during the evening. The Wyndham Garden connected to the Mountain View Country Club is offering a discounted overnight rate for our banquet attendees. Call (814) 466-7231 or 1 (877) 999-3223 to make your reservation. Be sure to call by **March 23rd** to guarantee your room at the discounted rate. If you call after March 23rd and there are still rooms available, you will also get the discounted rate. The code for the Discounted Room Block is **042322KEY**.

KECA’s overall mission and priorities to support Conservation Education has grown into a Distance Learning program that has helped thousands of students experience Elk Country in classrooms across the state and our country. In addition, tens of thousands of visitors and students are experiencing educational programs at the Elk Country Visitor Center. And all thanks to our generous supporters like you, in 2021, KECA was able to fundraise more than ever before! That’s more money right back on the ground in Pennsylvania’s Elk Country!

We hope you will join us for a fun and relaxing evening to continue raising money for these amazing projects and help us continue to grow. And we look forward to sharing our passion for Elk Country with you!

Please complete a separate application (included) for each single, couple, or Gold Sponsor table applicant and if you have a group sitting together, please make that notation when returning your application. *Don't forget the Early Bird 2-for-1 on the General Raffle tickets, applications need to be postmarked no later than April 12th! **The final reservation deadline is April 16th, 2022.***

Yours in Conservation,

Barry Gummo
Chapter Chair

If you are looking for another great way to support the Happy Valley Chapter, please consider visiting our NEW Pop-Up Shop where you can get EXCLUSIVE Happy Valley Chapter KECA apparel! Each item purchased helps support the Happy Valley Chapter’s fundraising efforts. For more information and to purchase your Happy Valley Chapter apparel, visit <http://happyvalleyclothes.com/KECA> . Pre-Banquet Ordering open March 1st and will close on March 13th so don't wait! All Pre-Banquet orders will also ship directly to YOU!