

Partners in Conservation,

Though the pandemic has hit the region hard; the Keystone Elk Country Alliance (KECA) continues to conserve and enhance Pennsylvania's Elk Country; the Endless Mountains Chapter has planned its Annual Conservation Banquet; at the **Shadowbrook Resort** in Tunkhannock, Pennsylvania on **Saturday, May 14th, 2022**. The evening with be filled with fun games, raffles, silent and live auctions as well as, many other exciting things to experience! This chapter is celebrating its third year in the Northern Tier! We look forward to sharing the evening with you and all that Elk Country has to offer.

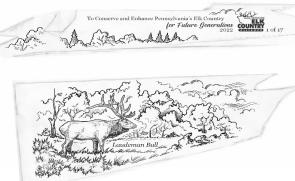
We have many exciting items on our **Live Auction**. This year's <u>banquet rifle</u> is a **Ruger Hawkeye Hunter Rifle 300 Win Mag.** This rifle is individually numbered as part of the series and will feature an engraved stock with scenery of the 2021 KECA Bull harvested by Gary Laudeman.

Our Live Auction will also feature an Elk Country favorite; <u>The Elk Mountain Homestead Stay</u>; nestled in the heart of the Elk Country Visitor's Center property. This rental is a two story, three-bedroom home, that sleeps up to 12! It is complete with a full kitchen, bath, fireplace, and modern amenities. The Elk Mountain Homestead will be available the **weekend of September 29**th **through Oct 2**nd, **2022**. This is a <u>RUT SEASON</u> stay! This stay will delight you and your guests with many elk viewing opportunities from our famous Silo viewing area overlooking the meadows.

<u>The Elk Country Wagon Ride</u> is always a popular Live Auction feature! This private, horse drawn wagon ride for up to 22 people at the Elk Country Visitors' Center will be on **Saturday, September 3rd, 2022 @6:45pm**. This is approximately a 45-minute ride through the heart of Elk Country Visitor's Center property. This wagon ride is sure to be a once in a lifetime experience, full of excitement and education about the elk herd. Make sure to bring your camera!

The Elk Calf Round-up is something you don't want to miss! This once in a lifetime experience will take place on Saturday, June 4th, 2022. The winner along with one guest will participate with PGC Elk Biologist, Jeremy Banfield. This experience includes a social gathering and meal; on Friday evening June 3rd, 2022, before this exciting adventure through Elk Country!







Dave (L) & Jonathan (R) Bowman (2021)

<u>LIFE AND SPONSOR MEMBERS</u>Don't miss out on the Sponsor and Life Member drawing for a **Kimber 1911 Shadow Ghost 45 ACP with custom KECA Wicked Grips** featuring a Bull Elk in a frosty setting. This is a great piece, for anyone's collection! We will draw 1 for every 5 Sponsor or Life Memberships. For more information on how to become a Sponsor or Life member, please see your application.

The evening will also feature **several raffles and games** of chance, **Silent auction**, and our **tiered General Raffle**. Don't worry ladies....we didn't for about you! Our **Ladies Raffle** is a crowd pleaser, with several opportunities to take home a prize! Our **youth** are always welcome; they are our future generation of conservation and education. There will be a special prize for any youth in attendance. As a **Bonus**, everyone who purchases an **Early Bird Special** is also entered in to *win a firearm the night of banquet*! Please see your application, for more details.

Early Bird Raffle tickets: this raffle will give you \$200 in general raffle tickets for every \$100 in general raffle tickets purchased (2-for-1). **PLUS.** you will receive (1) *special* Early Bird Gun raffle ticket; for every \$100 early bird purchased. Get your applications in early and take advantage of this opportunity.

ALL EARLY BIRD APPLICATIONS MUST BE postmarked by April 30th, 2022, to

qualify for this awesome deal and a chance at the Early Bid Firearm Raffle Drawing!

PROGRESSIVE RAFFLE

This \$20.00 ticket will get you a chance at a custom Mossberg Patriot Predator 6.5 Creedmoor with a Bronze Cerokote. This rifle will include an exclusive Cerokoted KECA logo and a Vortex Sonora 4-12X44 Scope package.

The winner of the rifle will be entered with 17 other rifle winners from previous 2022 banquets, for a chance to win a guided, companion elk hunt (1 bull and 1 cow) at the Fishtail Ranch in Chama, New Mexico. The final Progressive raffle winner will be drawn, at the final banquet of the year!! You wouldn't want to miss all the excitement of this raffle and winning the hunt of a lifetime!



The meal will be a delicious, buffet style; compliments for the Shadowbrook Resort & Six West Restaurant. We will also offer a cash bar, including soda and water. We are taking every precaution into account and will provide many safety stations throughout the event. Our goal is to have a great time and remain safe!

Newly Renovated; Hotel Accommodations are available on the grounds of Shadowbrook Resort but are limited.

For Accommodations, call 1-800-955-0295. Mention "Keystone Elk Country Alliance" for a discounted rate. Shadowbrook Resort also offers a full 18- hole golf course on the grounds for those who are looking for a weekend getaway!

Please join us for an exciting, enjoyable evening, celebrating, supporting, and protecting Pennsylvania's Elk Country for future generations!

Your partners in conservation,

Mike and Erin Yost and the entire Endless Mountains Chapter

All applications are due by May 6th, 2022.