

KECA - Brokenstraw Chapter - Annual Fundraising Banquet



February 25, 2023

CROSS CREEK RESORT

3815 State Route 8

TITUSVILLE, PA

DOORS OPEN at 2:00 pm and Dinner at 5:30 pm

Hello Everyone!!

Welcome back to our annual fundraising banquet!! We had a great time at our last year's banquet & Thank you to all that attended & helped us as a new committee over achieve our expectations. We can't wait to see all of our old & hopefully new friends at Cross Creek Resort this year. Our merchandise committee has once again secured many unique items for our Live & Silent Auctions plus all our exciting raffles & games. You don't want to hear about it from your friends you'll want to experience it for yourself! We are offering our Early Bird Specials so you will want to return your application as soon as possible! Also you have a chance at receiving TRIPLE tickets with a "new recruit" & early registration. Please read this letter & your application carefully as we have added some new features. All proceeds from this banquet support the wildlife and habitat of the Pennsylvania Elk Region, so please support as generously as you can.

Live Auction: Some of our annual auction items & dates you will want to take note of are. The [Elk Mountain Homestead Rental for August 11th - 13th, 2023, which accommodates up to 10 people](#). You only need to bring your clothes & food for this incredible time. Be sure to check your calendar because these dates cannot be changed. We also have a [Horse-Drawn Wagon](#) ride for up to 22 people at the [Elk Country Visitor Center on October 1st, 2023 at 3:45 PM](#). This is a 1 hour ride through elk country. This is an extremely exclusive offer for a very highly requested date & time. We will also be offering our [2023 KECA Banquet Edition Rifle. This is a Remington 700 SPS .30-06 \(1 of only 17\)](#) with custom engraving on the stock featuring the elk harvested by Roy Moon the 2022 KECA bull elk tag winner. A very popular item the [Elk Calf Tagging Event](#), for 2 people to take place on [June 9th - 10th, 2023 Friday & Saturday](#). You will accompany Pennsylvania Game Commission Elk Biologist, Jeremy Banfield, on an excursion into elk country to capture & tag a newborn calf & assist in recording crucial data. This includes an optional social gathering & meal Friday evening & lunch on Saturday. A [6" by 6" KECA Paver](#), engraved with your desired message & placed in the walkway at the visitors center will be offered. Many other nice items in our Live Auction as well, come ready to bid, you can get some great items.

Silent Auction: We have an array of items up for grabs! Place your bids on the bid sheets at each item. Write your banquet number on the line of the amount you want to bid. Check back periodically to increase bids as you may get outbid throughout the afternoon. The highest bid will win that item at the bid price. A list of all item numbers & corresponding winning banquet numbers will be posted at the end of the banquet, after which, the winner will pay for & pick up their item(s).

Feathered Items: There will be 5 items in both the [Live Auction](#) and [Silent Auction](#). Purchase a feathered item & you'll have a 1 in 10 chance to win an exciting prize.

New Sponsor & Life Member: Win a [Kimber R7 Mako 9MM](#). *We must get 5 new Sponsor and/or Life Members to draw for the gun.* (For every 5 new Life and/or Sponsor members we get, we will add a gun or if you choose not to take a gun you have the [option of \\$500 in cash or Visa Gift Card.](#))

Progressive Raffle: For \$20 you will get a chance at a [KECA logo engraved Savage Axis II .308 with scope](#). The winner of this rifle at our banquet will be entered with 16 other rifle winners at other KECA banquets for a 1 in 17 chance to win a [guided Bull & Cow Elk hunt for 2 hunters](#) at the Fishtail Ranch in Chama, New Mexico! That's right, a Bull & Cow Elk hunt for 2 hunters!! ([Open to KECA Members or Banquet Attendees ONLY](#))

Games and Raffles- will be available throughout the afternoon but ends at **5 pm**, so come early! We have over **14** Firearms available to win & multitudes of other prizes as well.

Brokenstraw Bucks! Didn't bring enough cash? We have you covered. Simply go to our cashier, have them swipe your debit/credit card & receive Brokenstraw Bucks in \$20 increments to use on [KECA PURCHASES ONLY](#) (games, tickets, auctions). Not for food, drinks, or room purchases, [Valid 2/25/23 only](#).

Punch Card: For every \$20 you spend on games & raffles (excluding General Raffle), receive 1 punch on your card. Get five punches & redeem that card for one Top Shelf strip of tickets. Fill as many cards as you wish. There are 6 games/raffles to choose from.

Game Fees run \$10, \$20, \$40 a game on our 6 exciting Games/Raffle:

Hat/Safe Raffle, Goofy Golf, Shell Shot, Muffin Tin Toss, Plinko, Elk Country Squares.

General Raffle: For \$20, get a strip of four general tickets & one [Bonus Raffle](#) ticket. For every \$100 of General Raffle tickets you purchase, you will receive one strip of [Top Shelf Raffle](#) (3 tickets per strip). An Exceptional group of prizes are here to choose from. To try & win your favorite prizes place the correct ticket, (General, Bonus, Top Shelf), with your banquet number on it into the correct bin for those desired items.

*[**All of these prizes will be draw for after the dinner.**](#)*

Early Bird Specials: We will [DOUBLE](#) the [PRE-BANQUET](#) General Raffle Tickets that you purchase when you return your application on or before [FEBRUARY 17, 2023](#). Plus for every \$100 in General Raffle Tickets purchased you will receive 1 strip of Top Shelf Tickets. *For Example:* \$100 General Raffle purchased prior to 2/17/23 = \$200 General Raffle tickets & 2 strips of Top Shelf Tickets.

Recruit a New Member!! If you are a current member, attend this year's banquet & bring a new member (has not had a prior membership) who will be attending this year's banquet, we will [TRIPLE](#) your [PRE-BANQUET](#) General Raffle Tickets. We must receive your application on or before the [FEBRUARY 17, 2022](#) deadline. ****Limited to one new membership per current member.**** Please list the new member's name in "New Member Attending" section on your banquet application & have them fill out their own banquet application to be mailed with yours. Feel free to copy the application or contact us if you need more.

Bonus Early Bird: Purchase [5 Progressive Raffle](#) tickets by [February 17, 2023](#) get [1 free!](#)
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Are you a Veteran? If you, your guest or both are veterans, please mark that spot on your application & note who is the veteran. **We thank you for your service!**

Are you interested in spending the night after the banquet to avoid that drive home?

Cross Creek Resort is offering a very limited number of rooms for KECA Brokenstraw Chapter Banquet Attendees. If you want to stay, call early!! **814-827-9611**

KECA & The Brokenstraw Chapter WANTS YOU !!!

The Keystone Elk Country Alliance is always looking for volunteers to help at the Vistor's Center & Special Events held at the Center in Benezette PA.

The Brokenstraw Chapter is also looking for more & new committee personal plus added volunteer help for the Friday and Saturday on banquet weekend. [Contact us if you are interested.](#)

KECA has experienced phenomenal growth & support since opening in 2010. We have welcomed millions of people to the Elk Country Visitor Center, & thousands of students & visitors have attended KECA educational programs via weekend programs, outdoor programs, distance learning and on-site school field trips, enhancing our main mission to support conservation education. KECA has also enhanced thousands of acres for wildlife habitat throughout these years. None of these things could be accomplished without the support of members & volunteers like you. We truly appreciate each & everyone of you. THANK YOU for your kind & generous support. Please complete your application & return it to us by [FEBRUARY 17, 2023](#) to take advantage of the early bird specials. Limited seating available, apply now! We look forward to seeing you on February 25, 2023!

Any Questions contact us by email at [***gampasae@hotmail.com***](mailto:gampasae@hotmail.com)

Your Friends in Conservation; The Brokenstraw Chapter Committee.