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Chapter**



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**Next Meeting : When : Saturday, April 18, 2009 at 5:00 PM
Where : Best Western Ramkota Hotel**

Presentation : Garth and Jason Carter, Carter's Hunter Services, will give a PowerPoint presentation on western big game hunting tactics. The presentation will be in conjunction with our Seventh Annual White Elephant Dinner and Fund Raiser.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 2, 2009. Considering the proximity of the first Thursday in April to our annual dinner event and fundraiser scheduled for April 5th, we will not hold a regular membership meeting in April.

Thursday, May 7, 2009. Speaker to be announced.

Thursday, June 4, 2009. Speaker to be announced.

2009 WHITE ELEPHANT BAR-B-QUE

The featured speakers for our seventh annual White Elephant Dinner event will be Garth and Jason Carter, father and son, of Carter's Hunter Services in Cedar City, Utah. Garth and Jason are avid western big game hunters, hunting over ten states and provinces annually.




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Both have hunted from the northern borders of Alaska, the Yukon and Northwest Territories, to the southern borders of Sonora, Mexico each year, not only for pleasure and fun but to stay abreast of western big game hunting as an information source to the subscribers of *The Huntin' Fool*.

As a team, they own and have directed Carter's Hunter Services for 14 years, which publishes the famed *The Huntin' Fool* magazine, and also operate a license application division, a booking agency, and a landowner tag sales division. We are truly fortunate that they have agreed to be our keynote speakers on April 18th and we can all look forward to an entertaining and informative presentation on western big game hunting tactics.

Tickets for our sixth annual dinner and auction scheduled for April 18, 2009 are now on sale and an Advance Ticket Reservation form is attached herewith for your convenience.

Attendance Open to Non Members

The evening dinner event will be open to anyone regardless of membership in SCI, so we would encourage you to invite your friends and neighbors to attend the event. While attendance is not restricted to members of SCI and their guests, we are encouraging folks to join SCI in conjunction with our fund-raising event. As an incentive, we will waive the \$20.00 Chapter membership fee for new members that join in conjunction with the event and their names will be placed in a special drawing for a Weatherby Vanguard rifle (270 Winchester) with a Leupold Vari-X II 3X9 scope. In order to be eligible for the special drawing, new membership applications must be processed directly through the Central Wyoming Chapter. In addition, the winner of the rifle must be over 18 years of age and legally eligible to own a firearm in accordance with existing federal firearms laws. Application forms are available at www.sciwyoming.com. Tickets for the event are \$50.00 per person (\$25 for children 12 and under) and will include a 12 oz prime rib dinner with baked potato, garden vegetable, dinner salad and dessert. Draft beer will be provided free of charge for our guests who are of legal age. We will also have a cash bar for those individuals who prefer bottled beer, wine or cocktails.

For those out-of-town members/guests traveling to Casper for the event, we have set aside a block of rooms at the Ramkota at a special rate of \$60.00 per night + tax. You will need to specify that you are attending the SCI Dinner Event (Banquet) at the time your reservation is made in order to receive the SCI discounted room rate.

Dinner Event

The doors will open at 5:00 PM and the evening will begin with "no-host" cocktails from 5:00 to 6:00 PM and free draft beer. The Silent Auction will commence once the doors open and the cocktail hour will allow our guests time to review the live and silent auction items that will be offered in conjunction with the fund raising portion of the event.

Tickets for the event can be obtained from members of the Board of Directors or can be ordered using the form attached herewith. Seating will be rounds of eight and we will reserve tables once again this year (on a first-come, first-served basis). A reserved table will cost \$50.00 and the table reservation **MUST** include payment for all eight seats – we will not accept reservations for partial tables as it was just too confusing last year. A Dinner Ticket Reservation form (copy attached) naming those individuals who you intend to seat at your table must be included. Additional information and the appropriate forms can be found on our website: www.sciwyoming.com under the Events Tab.

As usual, we would like to encourage our guests to bring your children to the event. We have reduced the price of the meal for children under the age of thirteen (twelve and under) to \$25.00. As usual, we will have a series of special gifts to hand out to those kids that attend our event.

Live and Silent Auction Merchandise

As in the past, we will sponsor both a silent and live auction again this year, with the silent auction beginning when the doors open and continuing until approximately 7:30 PM. The live auction will begin immediately following our featured speaker and will be limited to approximately 35 items so that we can conclude the evening at a reasonable hour. Firearms to be offered in conjunction with our event will include the following:

- CZ-USA Woodcock over & under 20 gauge shotgun (3") with 26" barrels
- Glock Model 21 handgun, .45 ACP with three high capacity (13-round) magazines
- Henry "Golden Boy" Lever Action .22 Rifle
- Kimber Eclipse Pro II handgun, .45 ACP
- Parker Semi-Auto handgun, .45 ACP – manufactured by Wyoming Arms in Thermopolis
- Weatherby Mark V Deluxe rifle, .300 Weatherby Magnum
- Winchester Model 70 Featherweight rifle, .270 Win. w/Leupold Vari-X III 3.

Following is a partial list of the merchandise to be offered in conjunction with our live and silent auctions:

Live Auction

Oak African Shooting Sticks w/carrying case by Long Grass Outfitters

Pelican full size double rifle (2 scoped rifles) hard-sided travel case w/lifetime warranty

Two "classic" registrations to the 2010 SCI convention in Reno

Glock Model 21 handgun, .45 ACP with three high capacity (13-round) magazines

Kimber Eclipse Pro II handgun, .45 ACP

1. Oak African Shooting Sticks w/carrying case by Long Grass Outfitters
2. Pelican full size double rifle (2 scoped rifles) hard-sided travel case w/lifetime warranty
3. Nolen custom knife in a classic drop point design w/horn handle
4. Two "classic" registrations to the 2010 SCI convention in Reno
5. Glock Model 21 handgun, .45 ACP with three high capacity (13-round) magazines
6. A fully guided fifteen bird hunt with Cole Creek Outfitters for up to four hunters
7. "Black Gold" - 2007 SCIF limited edition conservation print by John Banovich
8. Ostrich egg scrimshawed with lion, leopard, caracal and serval by T. Gumbo; Bulawayo, Zimbabwe
9. Canon PowerShot SD890 IS digital elph camera, 10 megapixels, 5X optical zoom
10. CZ-USA Woodcock over & under 20 gauge shotgun (3") with 26" barrels

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11. Nikon Optics Package including 10X35 Monarch binoculars, Monarch Laser 800 rangefinder, and a \$100 Nikon Pro Gear gift card - proceeds to benefit SCI Political Action Committee
 12. 5 day 2X1 plains game hunt in S. Africa for 2 hunters in 2009 or 2010 with Kuvhima Safaris
 13. Traditional Zulu baskets - hand crafted in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa
 14. Diamond Blade Special Edition (1 of 1) Ram's Horn Friction Forged Knife
 15. Winchester Model 70 Featherweight rifle, .270 Win. w/Leupold Vari-X III 3.5-10 X 50 scope
 16. Swarovski SLC "Neu" 10 X 42 Binoculars
 17. 5 Night, 6 Day fully guided Alaskan salmon fishing trip for one in 2009
 18. Antler Art: shed moose horn carved by Dan Bridge
 19. "The Last Gladiator" - 2009 SCIF limited edition conservation print by Brian Jarvi
 20. Weatherby Mark V Deluxe rifle, .300 Weatherby Magnum
 21. "Old Warrior" cast reproduction of the original bronze by Fountain Creek Productions
 22. Sixty Inch Quilt (Lap Quilt or Wall Hanging) Created and Donated by Marcia Davis
 23. 5 day 2X1 plains game hunt in Namibia for 2 hunters in either 2009 or 2010 with Die Keiler
 24. Kimber Eclipse Pro II handgun, .45 ACP
 25. 3 day high volume dove hunt at Los Chanares Estancia in Argentina for 2 hunters in 2009 or 2010
 26. VanHoy custom stainless steel damascus knife with ram's horn scales and engraved bolsters
 27. Hand-carved elk horn belt buckle by Rick Bonander
 28. "Envelop© rifle (46") and shotgun (52") protective cases by Shield Technologies
 29. Parker Semi-Auto handgun, .45 ACP - manufactured by Wyoming Arms in Thermopolis
 30. Springbok 36" star rug
 31. Bowhunters Package with Matthews bow and Crooked Horn bowhunter's pack
 32. Leupold MX-221 modular flashlight, 80 lumen LED
- "Black Gold" by John Banovich - 2007 SCIF limited edition giclee conservation print;
 - Two classic registrations to the 2010 SCI Convention in Reno, Nevada;
 - Nolen custom knife;
 - Pelican double rifle case with a lifetime warranty;
 - Stamascus custom stainless steel damascus knife;
 - Swarovski SLC 10 X 42 "Neu" binoculars; and
 - two scrimshawed ostrich eggs from Taxidermy Enterprises in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe.
 - African Shooting Sticks crafted out of solid hickory by Long Grass Outfitters;
 - Custom woven horsehair rifle slings (2) by Colorado Horsehair
 - Diamond Blade limited edition chapter knife (1 of 1);
 - African Shooting Sticks crafted out of solid hickory by Long Grass Outfitters;
 - Glock 21 semi-auto handgun in .45 ACP with three 13-round magazines;
 - Kimber Eclipse Pro II semi-auto handgun in .45 ACP; and

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- Two large Zulu baskets from Ilala Weavers in Kwa-Zulu Natal, South Africa.

Silent Auction

- Steiner 10 X 42 “Merlin” binoculars;

A complete list of the auction items will be posted to our website and will be included in the dinner program to be available on the night of the event.

Live and/or Silent Auction Out-of-State Hunting/Fishing Trips

Following is a complete list of the out-of-state hunting/fishing trips that will be offered in conjunction with our April 18, 2009 dinner event:

- **Live Auction: South African Plains Game Hunt with Andre Stewart/Kuvhima Safaris**

Five day plains game hunt for two hunters (2X1) and two non-hunters in the Limpopo Province of South Africa in either 2009 or 2010. Includes a \$2,000 trophy fee allowance to be shared between the two hunters. If the hunt is upgraded to a ten day hunt, and additional trophy fee allowance of \$1,000 will be shared between the two hunters. For additional information on Kuvhima Safaris, visit their website at www.kuvhima.com.

- **Live Auction: Namibian Plains Game Hunt with the Die Keiler Group**

Five day plains game hunt for two hunters (2X1) and two non-hunters in the Limpopo Province of South Africa in either 2009 or 2010. Includes a \$2,000 trophy fee allowance to be shared between the two hunters. If the hunt is upgraded to a ten day hunt, and additional trophy fee allowance of \$1,000 will be shared between the two hunters. For additional information on the Die Keiler Group, visit their website at www.africa-hunting.com.

- **Live Auction: Alaskan Salmon Fishing Trip**

Five night, six day fully guided Alaskan salmon fishing trip to McDougall Lodge (located on Lake Creek) or Talstar Lodge (located on the Talachulitna River) in Alaska for one person in 2008. The donation includes fully guided fishing, lodging, home-style meals, fishing tackle, and preparation of your catch. The package does not include the float plane flight to the lodge (approximately \$200/person), gratuities and alcoholic beverages. The trip may be upgraded to include additional fishing locations. For additional information on Alaska's Big Five Lodges, visit their website at www.mcdougalllodge.com.

- **Live Auction: High Volume Dove Hunting at the Estancia Los Chanares in Argentina**

Three full days (four nights) of ultra high volume dove shooting in either 2009 or 2010 at the Five Star Los Chanares Estancia in Cordoba, Argentina. For two hunters between 09/15/2009 to 01/10/2010 or 09/1/2010 to 01/10/2011. All hunts are conducted within five to twelve minutes on the lodge on a private 7,000 acre ranch. Lunch is always served at the lodge so you have time for a swim or to rest up for the afternoon shoot. The ranch offers forty different shooting areas of varying difficulty in multiple terrains so you never shoot the same area twice. Donated by Global Sporting Safaris. For additional information on Estancia Los Chanares, please contact Rick Kennerknecht at Global Sporting Safaris: 307-235-4650.

- **Silent Auction: South African Plains Game Hunt with Henk Brink/Kido Safaris**

Seven day 2X1 plains game hunt in the KwaZulu-Natal area of South Africa in either 2009 or 2010 for two hunters. A minimum of four antelope species must be taken per hunter and the hunt can be extended beyond seven days at the published daily rate. For additional information on Kido safaris, visit their website at www.kidosafaris.com.

- **Silent Auction: South African Plains Game Hunt with Abie Steyn/Steyn Caracal Safaris**

Ten day plains game hunt for four hunters in the northwestern province of South Africa for 2009. The hunt will be conducted in the vast North-western Province of South Africa and includes daily rate, licensed professional hunter, first class accommodations, meals, beverages, laundry, field preparation of trophies, trackers, skimmers, hunting team, support team, and transportation while in South Africa from Johannesburg International Airport before and after the hunt. The value of this donation is \$4,000.00 per hunter, for a total value of \$16,000.00. Hunters only pay trophy fees for the animals harvested during the hunt. For additional information on Steyn Caracal safaris, visit their website at www.scssafaris.com.

- **Silent Auction: High Volume Dove Hunting at the La Dormida Lodge in Argentina**

Three days (three nights) of dove shooting in either 2009 or 2010 at the La Dormida Lodge for eared dove in Cordoba, Argentina. The hunt includes all field guides, meals, rooms, transfers to and from the fields, beverages, alcoholic and non alcoholic. Not included in hunt are tips, transfer to and from the airport to the lodge (approximately \$350 round trip per person), licenses (approximately \$65 per person per day), gun rental (as appropriate) and shells (approximately \$12.50 box). Trip dates are on a first come, first served basis. Please visit www.daviddenes.com/la-dormida.php for additional information on the La Dormida Lodge.

Information on these hunting/fishing is also available on our website at www.sciwyoming.com.

MEMBERSHIP

Our membership as of February 18, 2009 stands at 151 active members, with an additional 48 members who have allowed their memberships to lapse. If you have any questions concerning the current status of your membership or would be interested in contacting any of these lapsed members in an effort to secure their renewal, please contact Bob Anderson at 307-473-1268.

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Any adult that joins SCI and the Central Wyoming Chapter will receive one entry in a drawing to be held for a brand new Weatherby Vanguard bolt action rifle in .270 Winchester, fitted with a Leupold Vari-X II 3X9 variable scope. The membership drive will conclude on April 18, 2009 and the winner of the rifle will be drawn in conjunction with the dinner event. The annual membership fee of the Central Wyoming Chapter has been waived for new members joining in conjunction with this membership drive, but all memberships must be processed directly through the Central Wyoming Chapter to be eligible for the drawing. In addition, the winner of the rifle must be over 18 years of age and legally eligible to own a

firearm in accordance with existing federal firearms laws. Application forms are available at www.sciwyoming.com.

There are two classes of membership that are not well advertised by SCI including the **Young Hunter** membership and the **Family** membership. The Young Hunter membership is available to youths under the age of 17 for an annual membership fee of \$15 - the Central Wyoming Chapter has waived our annual chapter dues for Young Hunter memberships in an attempt to encourage participation from our youth. Family memberships are available to families consisting of both spouses and any children under the age of 17 for an annual membership fee of \$95 (annual SCI dues are \$75 and the annual Chapter dues are \$20 for one adult family member). If you are interested in either of these memberships, please contact Bob Anderson at 307-473-1268.

WEBSITE

The new website is up and running and I hope that each of you will take some time to visit the site - I think that you will be impressed with the end product. We have already received comments from several individuals in the national organization to the effect that our new site is the best one that they have seen, so I think that you might want to take a look and see what we have done. The calendar will be a good place to visit on a regular basis to see what is going on and to remind you of important dates relative to SCI, the Central Wyoming Chapter, and hunting in general. As each new edition of the newsletter comes out, it will be posted to the website, along with information on the upcoming dinner event and other items of interest to both our readers and the interested public - so I would encourage you to visit the site monthly to keep abreast of what's happening.

As discussed last month, the site also includes a trophy room where we have posted pictures of selected trophies taken by our members. If you have digital photos of that special trophy that you would like to display on the new website, please forward your digital photographs to Bob Anderson along with some basic information concerning the species, date harvested, where taken, etc. and we will get your photos posted to the site. Please do not alter your photographs, send the original digital image with the information requested and we will take it from there.

Again, our website address will remain www.sciwyoming.com and we hope that the redesigned site will serve as a platform not only to disseminate information to the general public about our organization but also as an informational service to our members concerning upcoming events, matters of local and national importance, and information on our ongoing programs for conservation, education and humanitarian services. There will also be an opportunity for limited advertising on our site and if we have members who would like to advertise their goods and services on the site, you will need to give Bob Anderson a call at 307-473-1268.

GREAT ROCKIES SPORT SHOW

The first Great Rockies Sport Show was held the last weekend of January (January 30 - February 1) at the Casper Events Center and hopefully most of you made it up to the show - if you didn't, you missed a good event. There were a good number of exhibitors including a number of outfitters from southern Africa. For the first show, I thought that it was reasonably well represented by a cross-section of exhibitors and I also felt that we had a fairly good turnout from Casper and the surrounding area. In talking with several of the exhibitors, they expressed disappointment with the turnout, but I explained that this was the first event of this nature in Casper in quite some time and that we needed to give it some time. These comments point out how important community support for these events really is and that without the support of the community we will not be able to look forward to events of this nature in the future. It will remain to be seen if the event comes back to Casper next year - let's hope so, as I generally found the show to be quite good. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank those members who

helped with our booth on Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday. Your efforts resulted in the recruitment of nine new members for the Chapter and also supported our mission of informing the community about SCI and what we do to protect and preserve our hunting heritage. Your time and efforts in this regard are sincerely appreciated.

RAFFLE FOR 2009 WYOMING COMMISSIONER'S LICENSE

The Central Wyoming Chapter, Safari Club International is raffling a complimentary big game license for the 2009 Wyoming big game hunting season generously provide by Commission President and Chapter Member Jerry Galles. The license will be valid for one specific species (either antelope, deer or elk) and for one specific region or hunt area to be designated by the raffle winner or his/her designee. The license can be transferred to anyone of your choice PRIOR to issuance but can not be sold for more than \$20 (price of one raffle ticket). Holders of complimentary licenses are exempt from the provisions of Wyoming State Law limiting the number of licenses an individual can possess in any one calendar year. Please note that complimentary elk licenses are not valid for elk hunt areas 75, 76 and 79 which are located within Grand Teton National Park. The winner will be responsible for applicable license fees.

Tickets for the license are priced at \$20 each, six (6) tickets for \$100, or thirteen (13) tickets for \$200 (best deal) and a copy of the application form is attached to the electronic version of this newsletter and can also be downloaded from our website at www.sciwyoming.com.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE RENO CONVENTION

I have included a copy of a report titled "Update on Litigation and Regulatory Matters" that was included in our package of materials handed out at the January SCI Board of Directors meeting held in Reno, Nevada on Thursday morning, January 22, 2009. This report contains a synopsis of SCI's current and on-going efforts to preserve our hunting heritage - I trust that you will find the attachment informational - I have included this information in an attempt to keep you informed of SCI's activities on your behalf.

I have also enclosed an electronic copy of a certificate that was presented to the Central Wyoming Chapter by the U.S. Army during the convention in Reno. Each chapter was presented with a "Certificate of Appreciation" from the U.S. Army for SCI's continued support of our troops. There was a formal presentation and is the certificate is their way of saying "Thank You" to all of our members who have and continue to support our troops both overseas and here at home.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS

A cash bar will be open and available during the evening for refreshments. For those of you who would like to come early and have dinner, you may order from either the bar menu (lighter fare) or from the regular dinner menu at your discretion - cash or check please for non-club members. Spouses are always welcome - be sure to bring your better half and introduce them to our chapter, some fantastic presentations, and the adventure of the great outdoors! Likewise, children are also welcome and are the future of hunting both in North America and elsewhere. We encourage you to bring your kids, introduce them to SCI and the Central Wyoming Chapter and promote our sport. As the SCI bumper sticker says: "Hunt with your kids, not for them". We encourage you to bring a friend, introduce them to Safari Club International, and help our new club continue to grow.

Annual Safari Club International dues are \$55.00 and annual Chapter Dues are \$20.00 for individual memberships. Come join us to promote hunting, a great time and some tall tales! Bring your hunting friends - they need to be members of SCI. Pursuant to our bylaws and the bylaws of SCI, you MUST be a member in good standing of Safari Club International in order to be a member of the Central Wyoming

Chapter. Any questions regarding the current status of your membership, please contact Bob Anderson at 473-1268.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have questions or require information regarding SCI, the Central Wyoming Chapter, or the contents of this newsletter, please feel free to contact one of the officers listed below:

Name	Title	Telephone
Bob Anderson	President	307-473-1268
Roger Green	Vice-President	307-473-1112
Elaine King	Secretary	307-262-3220
Gail Zimmerman	Treasurer	307-235-1173

NOTICE

If you have news or announcements that you would like included in future issues of the newsletter or if you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Bob Anderson at 307-473-1268 or send an email to: biologist@prodigy.net.

Finally, if any of our members have experience with Desktop Publishing and would like to take a swing at upgrading our newsletter, we would be grateful for the help. The Central Wyoming Chapter has a real chance to win a major award from SCI in 2009 if we can take our chapter activities to the next step, so we would appreciate any help from our membership to enhance the newsletter or become more involved in SCI and SCIF programs to promote the mission of SCI locally and on a state-wide basis. So, if you have an interest in helping us to be all that we can be, please contact Bob to discuss these possibilities.

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