



"Elk Country Chapter" – Annual KECA Banquet

Saturday, March 16th, 2019

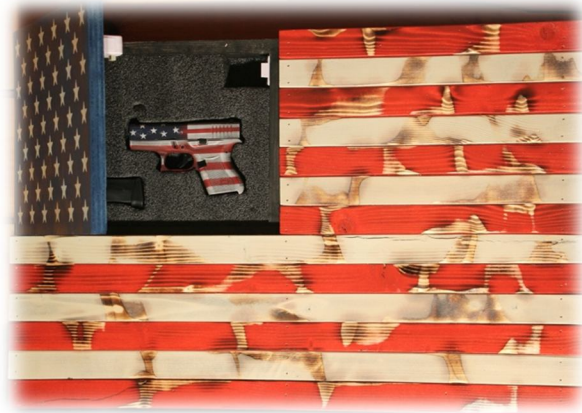
The Royal Inn, 17089 Boot Jack Road, Ridgway, PA 15853

Doors open at 3:00pm

Hello fellow elk enthusiasts and conservationists,

I hope this letter finds you well and eager to have a great time with the Elk Country Chapter at this year's Banquet! Our committee has been working very hard to ensure you have a very memorable evening and we would like to show you a "sneak peak" as to what we have been up to! We have some new raffles and high quality merchandise featured in our live and silent auctions and our various raffles that we are very proud of and hope that you will enjoy!

First off is the **KECA 2019 Collector's Banquet Rifle!** This is the **5th and final** in the series of five Henry rifles. The Alliance has teamed up with the folks at Henry Rifles and Baron's Engraving to bring to you this embellished **USA Made Henry Big Boy Brass Frame Lever Action .30-30 cal.!** This rifle highlights Martinichio Bull harvested by the recipient of the 2018 KECA Elk Tag Raffle and our very Elk Mountain Homestead on the opposite side plate.



New to the banquet is our **"Glock & Glory" Raffle!** You will have the opportunity to win a 9 MM USA Made & Flag Emblazoned Glock, with two clips, stored behind the magnetic locked stars of a wall-mounted distressed wooden United States Flag - the "Old Glory" Protection Plan. We are offering you the opportunity to purchase your **"Glock & Glory"** tickets, **1 for \$20** or **3 for \$50**, prior to the banquet with your application! Don't forget about our **Sponsor and Life Member Raffle!** All new sponsor and life members will be entered into a drawing for the choice of a **Kimber Micro 9, 1911 style stainless steel pistol w/ Crimson Trace laser grips** OR a **\$500 VISA Gift Card!**

Our live auction items are the finest we have to offer! We have too many great items to mention, but an opportunity for two to take part in the **Elk Calf Capture with PGC Elk Biologist Jeremy Banfield 06/01/2019** coupled with a two night stay, **05/31/2019 – 06/02/2019**, at a cabin style of your choice with **Wapiti Woods** donated by **Steve and Coleen Kronenwetter** is on the auction block. Back again this year, is the **"Pick of the Herd" Raffle.** The winner of this raffle has first pick of our **Live Auction items, excluding the Banquet Rifle.** We are offering you the opportunity to pre-purchase tickets, **1 for \$20** or **3 for \$50**, prior to the banquet.



Conservation education continues to be our #1 mission priority. In 2018, **25,253 students and visitors** took part in KECA's structured conservation programs. We welcomed **464,000 visitors** to the Elk Country Visitor Center; **the second highest attendance ever recorded.** Habitat enhancement is our second highest priority. In 2018, we improved **308 acres** of habitat for elk and a wide variety of other wildlife on both private and public lands in Pennsylvania's elk range. In April we will reveal our **new and revised 4-D story theater** completed by our friends at The Magic Lantern. We are excited to share with you the never before seen video footage in our **new 4-D story theater presentation.** Look for an announcement sometime later this winter!

The rest you're going to have to wait until banquet night to see! The Elk Country Chapter Committee and I are looking forward to spending a very memorable, enjoyable, and high energy evening supporting and celebrating all that we do for PA Elk Country. Thank you all for your support and we'll see you in Elk Country!

Yours in Conservation,

Cody Cogan and The Elk Country Chapter Committee