

OREGON HUNTERS ASSOCIATION

BEND CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

December 2019

NEXT CHAPTER MEETING

January 8th, 2020

Come join us for dinner and conversation at 6:00 pm for the next chapter meeting! The presentation starts at 7:00 pm. Meetings are now held at:

**Bend Golf & Country Club
61045 Country Club Dr
Bend Oregon 97702**

Just a heads up— The available no-host buffet is a great dinner and we encourage you all to join us as we support this option so that we may continue to hold our meetings here. Please pay John Bambe with cash or check for your meal (\$20) so he can keep track. You pay your own bar tab. It's a great place for us to meet, has everything we need for a great meeting and the view is beautiful! Please come experience the Bend OHA meetings!

Visit our website:

<https://oregonhunters.org/bend-chapter>

This month we had two speakers the first being **Julie Unfried, Sage grouse local implementation team coordinator.**

Local Implementation Teams (LITs) serve as one of the primary vehicles to facilitate the delivery of sage-grouse conservation at the local level in Oregon. The Oregon

Sage-Grouse Action Plan (Action Plan) and the Oregon Sage-Grouse Conservation Assessment and Strategy call for the formation of LITs. The role of the LITs is to establish collaborative venues consisting of representatives from all local interest groups to advance project implementation as outlined within the Action Plan.

When the Action Plan was published in 2005, five LITs were identified but four of the five groups stopped meeting due to a lack of coordination capacity. However, due to the significant role the Action Plan describes for these groups in achieving its objectives, Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife (ODFW) has partnered with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Intermountain West Joint Venture (IWJV), and Pheasants Forever to hire a dedicated coordinator for two of those four teams.

In April of 2019, I began my position as Coordinator for the Vale and Prineville LITs. As such, I am responsible for reaching out to those communities and recruiting representatives from each of the various local interest groups, which include state and federal agencies (e.g., ODFW, BLM, Natural Resources Conservation Service); cattle ranchers, tribes, Rangeland Fire Protection Associations, Soil and Water Conservation Districts; and NGOs within the conservation, sporting, and recreation communities (e.g., The Nature Conservancy, Oregon Hunters Association). Given the large number of diverse con-

stituents we hope to involve, the majority of my time has been spent meeting with folks one-on-one.

Over the last five months, I have met with more than 50 people across Oregon and in neighboring states with the following objectives: 1) recruit members for each LIT; 2) learn about local needs, interests, challenges, opportunities; 3) learn how Oregon state-level representatives can assist the local teams (financially, technical support, etc.); and, 4) learn from other, successful collaborative groups to understand how LITs can adopt similar strategies. Additionally, I have reached over 100 individuals by speaking at various local events, including the Oregon Rangeland Fire Protection Association's annual summit and a collaborative, volunteer work event called All-Hands-All-Brands. As a result of those outreach events, I recruited several new individuals and organizations that were previously unaware of the LITs.

Because the majority of sage-grouse habitat in Oregon occurs on BLM administered lands, LIT jurisdictions are based on BLM Districts. Within the Vale and Prineville Districts sage-grouse populations and their habitats face unique threats. In Vale, the primary threats to sage-grouse involve managing intense fire and invasive annual grass regimes, while the Prineville team will deal primarily with managing encroachment of western juniper. Both teams are interested to



December Speaker Julie Unfried (cont. from Page 1)



learn more about riparian and mesic habitat restoration as water is also a limiting resource in the arid landscapes of Oregon's sagebrush-steppe. The opportunity for collaboration is exponential here in Oregon. One project I especially look forward to pursuing includes implementing train-the-trainer workshops in mesic and riparian restoration techniques. Additionally, because capacity to get projects done is limited in Oregon, I also want to help the LITs identify creative opportunities to hire partner biologists who can implement projects identified in the LITs' strategic plans. I feel a great sense of responsibility to help communities across central and eastern Oregon establish value-added LITs. I also feel proud to have been given that responsibility.

If you'd like to get some first hand knowledge or get involved, the next meeting LIT meeting will be in Prineville at the Crook County Library on Jan 9th from 1—3PM. You can contact Julie for more info at

(541)- 668-1066 or email her at junfried@pheasantsforever.org.



Above: Sage grouse male on display in spring and male sage grouse blending into some grasses.



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December speaker #2

Mark Labhart, is one of seven ODFW Commissioner and he serves as the East of the Cascades position, effective July 1, 2019. Mark Lives in Sisters, OR. He acknowledged that OHA is a major voice in the state of Oregon and encouraged us to continue to raise our voice and make our concerns, solutions and feedback known to the commission and our local ODFW representatives.

Mark asked us to tell him what we think he needs to know and what we want him to know. A healthy discussion ensued. Here's a little more about Mark:

Mark Labhart is a former Tillamook County Commissioner where he served for 12 years. Prior to that he worked for the Oregon Department of Forestry for 34 years with 20 years as the Manager of a majority of the Tillamook State Forest. He was an Incident Commander on one of Oregon Fire Teams for 11 years. He has served terms on the Fish Restoration & Enhancement Board, the STEP Advisory Committee, the Oregon Hatchery Research Center and the ODF&W External Budget Advisory Committee. He chaired the Legislative Task force to find alternate funding sources for ODF&W. Labhart sits on the OSU Sea Grant Advisory Committee as well as the OSU Extension Statewide Advisory Committee. He was a founding member of the Salmon Super Highway Project that looks to restore salmon access to tributaries in Tillamook County. He was chosen as Tillamook County's Citizen of the Year and volunteer of the year previously and Forester of the Year for Oregon by the Society of American Foresters. His passion is fly fishing in the central Oregon lakes and deer and elk hunting. He and his wife moved to Sisters to be closer to children and especially their grandchildren.



CALENDAR

Don't forget your 2020 hunting and fishing license

1/8/20	January Chapter Meeting
1/15/20	MDC Planning mtg—Pappy's Pizza
1/16/20	2nd period closes for NW Goose Season
1/24/20	2nd white and white fronted goose season opens in SE counties
1/26/20	Zone 1 duck season, SW and Eastern Goose zones close, Canada Goose closes in SE Counties
1/29/20	MDC Planning mtg—Pappy's Pizza
1/31/20	Most upland bird seasons close

The **Bend Chapter** would like to announce that we currently have 559 members, up 22 from 537 last month.

Welcome new members!

We currently have 5 delinquent members so please remember to renew your memberships!
You don't want to miss out!

The chapter would encourage you to attend the monthly chapter meetings and the many chapter activities.

Get active in OHA and benefit from all that OHA is doing to help
Preserve and Improve Hunting in Oregon!

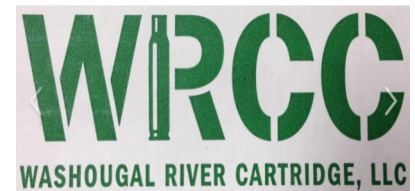
- * Be sure to check the **2020 hunting regulation changes** before you go out to hunt! There are new regulations
- * Be sure to report your 2019 hunt results before Jan 31st.
- * Come to the monthly meetings to hear about the changes, ask questions, and give your feedback.



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Member of the Year Nominations

Nov and December mark the months when members recognize and nominate others for member of the year. This year's nominees are:


- Eric Brown
- Doug Stout
- John Bambe
- Wendy Jordon Dixon
- Bob Dixon

We will vote on a winner at the January meeting. The winner will be announced at the Mule Deer Classic Banquet.




Chapter Business Summary:

- Josh Newton, treasurer of the new Youth board was present and introduced to the general membership.
- Charlie Cookson gave us an update on our active member recruitment
- Eric B and Fred N attended the Ochoco Chapter meeting where the Forest Service was speaking about the Sunflower Project. This looks like a good project in our future.
- Eric B provide a summary list of chapter projects from 2019
- The board approved the purchase of a new banner for the All Hands All Brands project (\$100). It was on display at the meeting and will help advertise and attract other organizations to the events.
- The board set aside \$1000 to seed the youth board activities
- The board received several requests for funding and those that the board supported were presented to the membership at the meeting for a vote by the members. The following were included:
 - Mt View high school Clay Target Club: \$2500 for ammunition and \$75 for an OHA support banner. Rex Parks made the motion. Bill L. 2nd. Motion passed. The club not only agreed to fly a banner if we provide it but also agreed to have an OHA patch sewn on their shooting vests.
 - Heart of Oregon requested \$6500 to fund an Ochoco crew with our same conditions as last year and an opportunity to speak in person to their youth. Carolyn J. made the motion and Don Clark 2nd. The motion passed.
 - The Deschutes National Forest requested \$5000 for phase 3 of their mahogany planting project SE of Bend. Renata T made the motion and John B 2nd. The motion passed.
- There was discussion about the chapter providing a parting "gift" to members who serve on the chapter board or make a significant contribution to the OHA mission. A discussion was had about the need for some clarity of rules around the award prior to voting. A knife and plaque were suggested and a dollar amount limit. Stay tuned.



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Mule Deer Classic 2020

The Bend chapter of the **Oregon Hunters Association** announces its

“28th Annual Mule Deer Classic” banquet & fundraiser

**The event will be held at the
Bend Riverhouse Convention Center
March 14, 2020**

This is the main fundraiser for the year and it enables us to fund chapter habitat projects, scholarships, youth programs and more.

You can help make it a success with a donation or by volunteering at the banquet!
Planning meetings are underway and scheduled to be held at

Pappy's Pizzeria—20265 Meyer Dr. Bend

On December 18, January 2, 15 and 29, February 19 and 26, and March 3.

6:00 pm with pizza and soft drinks provided.

If you have been looking to get involved in chapter activities, this is a fun and meaningful way to contribute!

Please bring donations to the meetings so we can get them entered in the database, or give them to a banquet committee member.

If you have any questions about the banquet, please contact

**Susan Myers at
susanmmyers@sbcglobal.net**

Or call **541-639-5024**

We appreciate your help and look forward to seeing you there!

Oregon Hunter Association

Bend Chapter



MULE DEER CLASSIC BANQUET

MARCH 14TH, 2020

At The Riverhouse Convention Center
Bend, OR



Doors Open at
4:00 PM

Dinner served at
5:30 PM

Live Auction starts at
7:30 PM

Join us Saturday, March 14th at The Riverhouse Convention Center for the 28th annual Bend chapter Oregon Hunters Associations Mule Deer Classic Banquet and Fundraiser. Come at 4:00 for the social hour, where you will enjoy games, enter raffles, preview the live auction, bid on silent auction items, and swap hunting stories with fellow hunters. Enjoy the buffet dinner, enter raffles for more than 30 firearms and other prizes, including hunting and camping gear, trips, artwork, golf, and more. Reserve your dinner and raffle ticket packages on the enclosed order form.

2020 OHA Mule Deer Classic Banquet Registration and Order Form

Name: _____ Guest Name: _____
 Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____

If your registration is postmarked or received by **February 14th 2020**, you will be entered into the **Early-Bird** drawing. In addition, if you purchase a **package** you will receive an Early-Bird bonus which includes an additional 10 general raffle tickets per person (a minimum \$50 value). **Banquet will be held March 14th, 2020, at The Riverhouse Convention Center, Bend, Oregon. Doors open at 4:00 p.m.**

PACKAGES ¹	INCLUDES	PRICES	QTY	TOTAL
Dinner Only	1 dinner and 1 MDC event ticket \$55 value	\$55		
Single Package	1 dinner, 1 drink ticket, 1 MDC event ticket, 20 general raffle tickets \$160 value	\$95		
Single Bonus Package	1 dinner, 2 drink tickets, 1 MDC Event ticket, 2 Special Raffle tickets, 30 General raffle tickets \$235 value	\$135		
Couple Package	2 dinners, 2 drink tickets, 2 MDC Event tickets, 40 General raffle tickets \$320 value	\$190		
Couple Bonus Package	2 dinners, 4 drink tickets, 2 MDC Event tickets, 4 Special Raffle tickets, 60 General raffle tickets \$470 value	\$270		
Hunting Party of 10	5 Couple Bonus Packages, plus 50 add'l general raffle tickets and a reserved table (write all names on back) \$2600 value	\$1150		
Spike Dinner (ages 6 thru 11)	Kids dinner, 1 drink ticket, 1 MDC Spike Event ticket (please provide names & ages) \$26 value	\$20		
Yearling Dinner (age 0 - 5)	Kids dinner, 1 drink ticket, 1 MDC Yearling Event ticket, (Please include names & ages) \$26 value	N/C		N/C
Registration only	1 MDC event ticket and bidder number (no general raffle tickets, no dinner)	N/C		N/C
OHA Membership³	One year membership/renewal: Raffle ticket in new member/renewal drawing, six magazine issues & OHA calendar. Individual \$35, family \$45, life member \$800	\$35/\$45/\$800		

RESERVED RAFFLE TICKETS ²	PRICE	QTY	TOTAL
Varmint Raffle Tickets	\$20ea, 3/\$50		
Elk Camp Raffle Tickets	\$20ea		
Safe of Guns Raffle Tickets	Ticket only \$45ea		
	Package includes \$60 of general raffle tickets \$50ea		
Coastal Farm & Ranch Raffle	\$20ea, 3/\$50, 7/\$100		
Centerfire Gunworks Raffle - Choose your caliber & Build your Custom Rifle	\$50ea		
Youth Upland Hunt Raffle	\$20ea, 3/\$50		
Beckley Scholarship Raffle	\$20ea, 3/\$50		

Total all packages and raffle ticket choices: \$ _____

Visa _____ MC _____ Card # _____ CVC# _____ Expiration _____

Name on Card _____ Signature _____

¹All dinner/ticket packages will be given out at the door. Check Number: _____

² Raffle tickets may be purchased even if you are unable to attend and you need not be present to win.

³ You must be an OHA member to attend or a guest of an OHA member per OHA policy.

Please mail this form with payment to **Bend OHA, PO Box 6618, Bend, OR 97708.**

For more information or special accommodations call, 541-480-9848, or 541-420-1318

Please invite your friends. You can get more info at our website -- www.oregonhunters.org/bend-chapter

2020 MDC Raffle Options

Complete the registration form to reserve your dinner & ticket packages for the **2020 Bend OHA Mule Deer Classic**. Space will be limited to 400 so make your reservation early to guarantee a spot. Send your registration in by February 14, 2020 to receive an entry in the Early Bird Drawing. Everyone attending the banquet (over 16 years old) will receive a ticket for the Mule Deer Classic Event Drawing. All youth, ages 6-16, attending the banquet will receive a ticket for the MDC Spike Drawing with a chance to win a Savage .22LR Semiauto Rifle. Youth, five years and younger, will receive a ticket for the MDC Yearling Drawing. Join or renew your OHA membership at the banquet or show that you are a life member or pledged life member and be entered in the New Member Drawing or Life Member Drawing.

The following raffles tickets are available for advance purchase. Each raffle has a limited number of tickets available. Any tickets not reserved in advance will be available for purchase at the banquet.

- **Safe of Guns Raffle:** Liberty Freedom 36 gun, electronic , 40 minute fire rated safe or the choice of one of the following firearms; Kimber .300 WSM Montana Rifle S/S with carbon fiber stock, Tikka T3x Superlite S/S .270 w/fluted brl, Browning A-Bolt III .300win mag , Ruger American 30-06 Go Wild camo stock/bronze ceracote , Thompson Center Compass 6.5 Creedmore with Burris 3-9x40 illuminated scope ,Howa Legacy .300 win mag, sub moa with Hogue stock, Pointer 12 ga Deluxe Semi auto shotgun, Ruger American RT 5.56/.223w/10rnd mag , or a Springfield Armory XDM 10mm. semi auto Only 200 tickets are available at \$45ea or a ticket package at \$50ea, which includes \$60 worth of general raffle tickets.
- **Elk Camp Raffle:** This is a card raffle for a 14x16 wall tent (made by Davis Tent and Awning) with an internal frame, steel wood-burning stove by Cylinder Stoves of Utah, table, chairs, cot, and other camp items. Only 156 tickets (cards) available for \$20 each. (Valued over \$1800.)
- **Coastal Farm & Ranch Raffle:** Nosler Custom Model 48 Liberty .300 win mag Cerakoted with, Aramid composite stock, sub MOA accuracy. A total of 300 tickets will be sold at \$20ea, 3/\$50, 7/\$100. (\$1935 value)
- **Varmint Raffle: 2 guns/ 2 winners- 1st winner gets choice :** a Sako A7 Coyote 22-250 with 24" fluted barrel , Ceramic coated and a Zeiss Terra 4-12x42 RZ8 scope or a Howa Yote .223 sub MOA, full camo with 4-16x44 AO scope/Talley 1pc ring/mts. A maximum of 300 tickets will be sold for \$20 each or 3 for \$50. Sponsored by We Cut Concrete. (Value \$2800.)
- **Centerfire Gunworks Custom Rifle Build:** In this raffle the winner chooses the caliber and type of rifle; hunting, varmint, long range ,or target. With McMillan stock, Hart, Bartlein, or Brux custom barrel (fluted barrel extra) , Defiant action, Timney trigger, SMR muzzlebrake, 4-16X 42 Huskamaw Blue Diamond LR scope from The Best of the West with Talley rings (range compensating turrets available) Ceracoted by **Leavitt Works Gunsmithing**. Built by **Centerfire Gunworks** Tickets \$50 ea –which includes \$60 worth of general raffle tickets 200 maximum sold. (Value \$4999)
- **Beckley Scholarship Raffle: 2 guns/2 winners-1st winner gets choice:** This raffle raises funds for college scholarships in honor of Charles Beckley, who passed away in 2004. a Sako A7 Long Range .300 win mag w/ Roughtech stock and Vortex Strike Eagle 4-24x50 LR scope w/ EBR4 moa reticle or a Howa Legacy S/S sub MOA .300 win mag with a 3.5-10x44 Nikko Stirling scope,Hogue stock .A maximum number of 250 tickets will be available for \$20 each or 3/\$50 (\$2900 value).
- **Youth Upland Hunt Raffle:** Howa Patriot 6.5 Creedmore ,hvy barrell w/muzzle brake, 2stage match trigger, adj. AR butt stock, 6-9" adj. bipod, 30mm 4-16x50 LR scope, all cerakoted, w/ lockable hardcase. Sponsored by Bend Family Dentistry. A maximum of 250 tickets will be sold at \$20 each or 3/\$50. (Value \$1600)

Other Raffle opportunities that will be available at the banquet include the following:

- **Special Raffle:** Tickets for the Special Raffle, a Winchester XPR 30-06 are included in the bonus dinner packages. Add'l tickets can be purchased at the banquet for \$10 each. Maximum 600 tickets available (\$595 value).
- **Les Schwab Raffle:** TBD. Tickets are \$10 each, 3 for \$25 or 7 for \$50. (Value \$)
- **Sportsman's Warehouse Raffle:** A Howa 1500 .308 with Nikko Stirling 4-16x44 scope and pillar bedded Hogue stock, 2 stage match trigger, adj. Bipod all in Kryptek Highlander Camo will be offered in this raffle. Sponsored by Sportsman's Warehouse. A total of 250 tickets will be sold for \$10 each or 3/\$25 (\$913 value).
- **5-Minute Raffle:** Raffle tickets will be sold for 5 minutes for a chance to win a Springfield Armory S/S 1911 A1 .45ACP Range Officer semiauto pistol. A maximum of 350 tickets will be sold for \$10 each (\$945 value)

Monthly Door Prize

The November door prize winner was **Dave Jarschke**.
Dave won a \$25 Gift Certificate to Sportsman's Warehouse.

Come to the meeting and win!
Seriously, Good Stuff!

January Speaker

1/8/20

Our speaker this next meeting will be: Carl Shaver, the Youth Hunter Education Challenge Director in Central Oregon

TIP awards for cash & preference points

Cash Rewards:

- ***\$1,000 Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat, Moose***
- ***\$500 Elk, Deer, & Antelope***
- ***\$300 Bear, Cougar & Wolf***
- ***\$300 Habitat Destruction***
- ***\$100 Gamefish & Shell fish***
- ***\$100 Upland Birds & Waterfowl***
- ***\$100 Furbearers***

The TIP program also offers the option of ODFW preference point rewards instead of cash rewards or information leading to an arrest or issuance of a citation for the unlawful take/possession or waste of big game mammals.

- ***5 points for reporting a case involving Bighorn Sheep, Mountain Goat, Moose or Wolf.***
- ***4 points for reporting a case involving Elk, Deer, Antelope, Bear or Cougar***

December Membership Raffle

The name drawn for \$350.00 worth of Sporting equipment was **David Ratzlaff** of Bend.

David was not present and therefore did not win. :(

YOU HAVE TO BE AT THE MEETING TO WIN!

We all have a nice evening at the meeting.. Come and meet other chapter members and start having some fun by getting involved. (and bring your friends!)

You can win raffles and get some new gear!)

2019 Annual Raffle for \$350 worth of sporting equipment

This years winner was Dennis Hungerford. Congrats Dennis!

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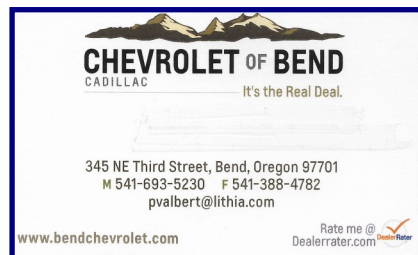
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Treasurer's Report

John Bambe was pleased to report that the current Bend Chapter's OHA checking account balance was \$46,620 as of December 11th, 2019. Come to the meetings and hear what OHA is doing. Consider getting involved !

It really is gratifying and helps OHA
do **the Right Things** for
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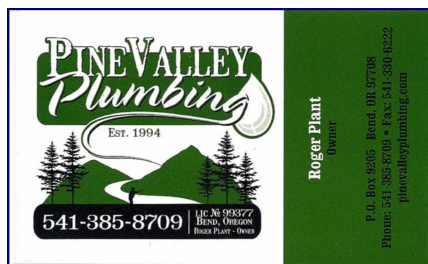
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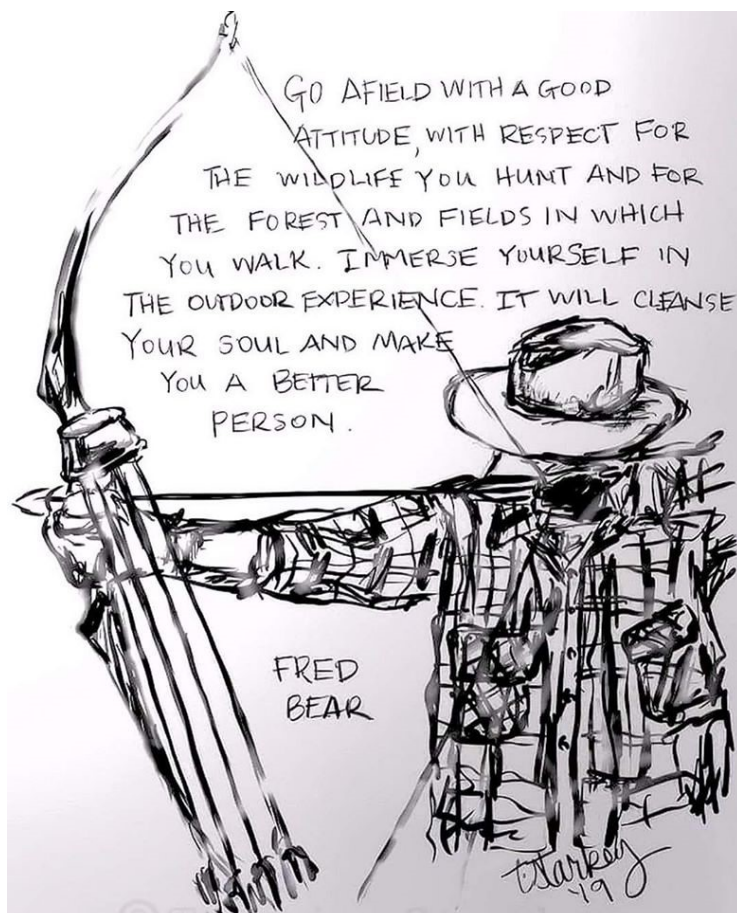
The new banner created in conjunction with our partners for the All Hands, All Brands for our Public Lands event. We thought you might want to see a copy of it.



Scott Conrad's Wyoming bull taken during rifle season this fall with a Wyoming outfitter.



A blast from the past. Hopefully you know of Fred Bear and can appreciate his perspective and advice.



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Donation to "Family Kitchen"

For several years now, the chapter members have voted to donate their November and December raffle proceeds to a local soup kitchen to help feed the hunger at this time of year. This year we raised \$230 and delivered the funds to "Family Kitchen" in Bend so they could purchase the food they need to feed the hungry.

We want to thank those of you who contributed to our dedicated raffle funds for this community service opportunity.