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### **SEPT. 2018**

# LEGENDS RANCH HUNT WHERE WHERE WHERE WHERE WHERE COME TRUE

### DON VAN DE STEENE

At the 2018 Chapter fundraiser I was lucky enough to have the winning bid on the Legends Ranch Hunt for a whitetail management buck. My hunt was scheduled for September 2018 so, I called Robert Sergi right after the fundraiser and set up the plans for my hunt. I also asked Robert if I could stop by

LEGENDS tions easily with a

BANCH.

in August. Although, they were very busy with our Youth Hunt and Veteran Hunt, Robert agreed to a brief early visit. Robert met me at the gate and gave me a tour of the ranch and I got to look at some of the blinds so, I could get an idea of what type of shots I might get. To say I was impressed with the facilities of the Legends would be an understatement! The trip there only added to my excitement for the coming hunt.

I arrived at the Legends Ranch on Monday September 10 in time for a four-star lunch and met some of the other hunt-ers who were all nice, friendly people. I also met the rest of the Legends staff and was introduced to my guide Corey who lives on the ranch has been working there for several years, he made me feel right at home, he answered my many ques-

tions easily with a grin, my kind of guy. We drew our blind assignment and went out about 4pm with some coffee and snacks. I have never seen so my bucks in one evening of hunting in my life! Unfortunately, none of the bucks that we saw were what

### Corey liked.

I had brought my (new to me) Ruger 77 in .280 caliber that had a new Vortex scope 3-9x40 and I was using the Winchester 140 grain silvertip bullets that were holding under a 1" group, I was ready and confident. We had sighted it in again when I had arrived which is required before your hunt can begin. The Legends want you to have a successful hunt and they have rules in place to be sure that you do.

We went back to the ranch for dinner and OMG what a feast in fact, every meal I had there was a feast! The staff could not do enough to make my stay comfortable and enjoyable. They make you feel right at home during your entire hunt it's like visiting grandma's house but, grandma also has land with lots of deer. In between hunts Legends has events scheduled so that the

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# Greetings!

I hope you all had a great hunting season last year. Hunting season seems to go faster every year, at least for me it does. You need to get out every chance you can.

**President's Report** 

Here we are again in a new year already and fast approaching our 2019 fundraiser! March 22, & 23 are just around the corner. We have updated our website so, that you can now purchase your fundraiser tickets on line. Our website is SCI Bowhunters.Org and it has all of our fundraiser information. As always you may also phone Rich DeLisle at 517.545.4642 (hm) or 248.345.1986 (cell) to get personal service on tickets. Your support is always appreciated and needed to help us protect our hunting rights and support conservation.

We have revamped our website and we invite you to visit it soon and often and let us know what you like (or dislike) about it. We feel it is a nice step up from our old one.

We are very excited about our live auction items we have this year, they will be listed under the Fundraiser heading on our website, take a look! You just might find a hunt or a trip that you can share with a friend or family member which always makes them even more special. The memories will last a lifetime. You will not regret it. We hope to see you there March 22-23!

Sincerely,

# Don Van De Steene





# WHITETAIL DREAMS

guests can socialize and get to know each other and their wonderful staff.

Tuesday morning was slow with no interesting bucks sighted. Tuesday evening, I saw a buck that was perfect for me but, he went into the woods before I could get my shot. We were able to get the same on blind Wednesday morning but, true to my luck he got thru my shooting lane before I could shoot. Finally, on Wednesday evening we went back to our blind hoping he might show up. If he appeared again that night, all I wanted to hear from Corey was "that's him shoot' before he disappeared thru my shooting lane! We were expecting our shot to anywhere from 50 to 150 yards, however, ten minutes before the end of legal shooting time he came from behind our stand and

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stopped at 35 yards. I was quickly recalculating my shot when Corey said, "That's him shoot, now!"

My rifle barked, he took two steps and went straight down, I racked another round but, he didn't move, my hunt was over! We took the pictures I wanted and drove the back to the Legends for processing and measuring. My buck's green score was 175" and his dressed weight was 206#, by far, the best buck I have ever shot! I donated my meat to a local church who work with the Sportsmen Against hunger program near the ranch. Don't be surprised to see me bidding on this hunt again at the 2019 Fundraiser. The Legends Ranch is where all your whitetail hunting dreams can be fulfilled! You may contact the Legends Ranch at robert@legendsranch.

# Jordynn Bibb A Legend to Remember

I first met 9 year old Jordynn Bibb and her Dad at Toledo Beach Marina where our chapter sponsors our annual wish fishing trip for youngsters dealing with physical ailments are taken on a walleye charter put on by long time donor, over 20 years, Captain Myron Gilbert (M&M Charters 517-592-3376).

Jordynn was in a wheel chair due to her having spina bifida, she was dressed all in camo. I told her she looked like she was ready to go hunting. She said she and her dad watch a lot of hunting shows and someday she would really like to go deer hunting. I told her I would see what I could do about that.

I contacted Robert Sergi Manager of Legends ranch about his upcoming youth hunt to see if he could add Jordynn. Every year SCI Southeast Michigan Bowhunters Chapter makes a donation to Legends Ranch (2022 W. 14 Mile Rd., Bitely, Mi. 49309) for their youth or purple heart hunt. Robert said yes he had an opening and he was looking forward to meeting Jordynn and the rest of the Bibb family.

The youth hunt usually runs from Tuesday thru Friday, the whole family gets to visit the breeding pens where they get to see all the newborn fawns and even feed them peanuts. They go fishing and play games. The families were treated to the latest Addition to Legends is a Magnificent museum that was just opened, it has 28,000 square feet with over 2,000 mounted animals from all over the world. Even a pair of white lions, white elk, and white deer it has to be the best in Michigan if not North America. It truly was a hunters dream come true.

When I arrived on Thursday morning, I asked Jordynn if she gotten her deer yet She said that she missed it by 2 inches. Knowing that the miss resulted from the recoil of the .308 her father had the guides take Jordynn down the range with a .17cal. rifle and had her shoot until she could repeatedly hit the bullseye. On that nights hunt the ranch loaned Jordynn a .243 which she used to shoot a beautiful buck with

one shot. I happened to be out in a blind with one of the guides about 400 yards from Jordynn and her guide were when the shot rang out. We waited about 1/2 hour and radioed them to see how she did, they said come on over. When we arrived, there was Jordynn with an ear to ear smile with a beautiful buck.

The Friday morning ceremony with all 4 of the youth hunters and their beautiful bucks always brings tears to my eyes. Robert Sergi and his staff

once again show that they are the best that there is at showing the love and caring for these young hunters as they will have memories forever about the Legends of Legends Ranch. Thank you to our Chapter for allowing me to represent SCI Southeast Michigan Bowhunt-



ers Chapter at the youth, Purple Heart Hunts at Legends it is truly an Honor.

# Rich DeLisle

P.S. If you are ever looking for a hunt with the greatest people I know look up Legend Ranch. www.legendsranch.com

# SERVING THOSE THAT HAVE SERVED US

For years our chapter has supported Tails-A-Waggin Acres (childrenscharters@gmail.com - 231 743 6483) on what started out as a weekend Disabled Veteran Pheasant Hunt. That Hunt has grown to 4-days and now includes Law

Enforcement Officers and 1st Responders as well as our Disabled Veterans. Chuck Connell and his Wife Joan (Owners of Tails-A-Waggin) have the biggest Hearts I have ever seen. They go the extra mile to make sure everyone has a great time with no stress.



ant Hunt is included from Great

Dogs, Handlers, Guns (if needed) and

great food and of course Pheasants.

To watch these men and women totally relax and get rid of stress that they endure on a daily basis as the serve and protect us is truly amazing. This is all made possible because of you our chapter members that support our chapter in coming to our fundraiser and also volun-

teering.

Thank You All, God Bless.

— Rich DeLisle



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# ANNUAL WILD GAME DINNER

•••• SAME GREAT LOCATION •••••

# WHITETAIL BIG BUCK CONTEST

1 Winner for Bow and Gun for each category containing entries (Free ranging 2018 season ONLY)

- Best Michigan
- Best Michigan Youth (Under 18)
  - Best Non-Michigan

Winner's will receive Gift card PRIZE!

# Meet at St. Basil Banquet Hall

4800 Metropolitan Parkway, Sterling Hgts. MI 48310

# Thursday, February 21, 2019

Doors Open @ 6:00 Dinner @ 7:00 PM

**RSVP 248-379-6878** 

# Only \$10.00 or FREE (see below)

### **Activities:**

# Member swap and sale:

Bring in good stuff that you would like to trade or sell to your fellow hunters

# **Trophy photo contest:**

Bring your best pictures of you and your trophy from the 2018 season

# Door prizes (Gift certificates) & 50/50 Raffle

### FREE admission for:

ALL KIDS (14 and Under)
Anyone Who Joins SCI
ANY Member who brings in entry for (Whitetail)
Big buck contest (MI & Other)

# **Southeast Michigan Bowhunters Chapter - SCI**28th Annual



# Fund Raiser Banquet

& Outfitter's Party

Saturday, March 23, 2019



OVER 700 ATTENDEES + SERVED DINNER + OPEN BAR

30+ OUTFITTER & EXHIBITOR BOOTHS

\$250,000 LIVE AUCTION + SILENT AUCTIONS + HUGE RAFFLES

80+ HUNTING & FISHING TRIPS + WILDLIFE ART

GUNS & BOWS + HUNTING GEAR + TAXIDERMY& MORE!!!

Dinner: Filet Mignon . Boneless Breast of Chicken . Potato . Vegetable . Salad . Dessert . & More

### ON-LINE LIVE AUCTION AVAILABE AT WWW.MYHUNTINGAUCTIONS.COM

(See Chapter Website for Auction Details after February 15<sup>th</sup>)

All proceeds go to further SCI's wildlife conservation, education, humanitarian and governmental affairs programs to ensure the future of North America's great wildlife management system and proud hunting heritage. SCI is on guard to battle animal-rights extremists whenever they threaten our sport. Your support helps us build a solid future for sportsmen and wildlife. If you enjoy our outdoor lifestyle as much as we do, we welcome you to attend this gala event and to join in protecting our "Right To Hunt".

Mail Order Form to: Rich DeLisle / SCI-Tickets, 4810 N. Fleming Rd., Fowlerville, MI 48836 Email: 3839rich@gmail.com, Phone: (517) 545-4642, Cell (248) 345-1986

After February 4th tickets may be purchased on line at www.scibowhunters.org.

### 2019 BANQUET TICKET PURCHASING INFORMATION

Tickets are \$85 in advance, \$90 at the door and include admission to both the Friday evening Outfitter's Cocktail Party and the Saturday evening Fund Raiser Banquet. Advance ticket pricing is available until March 15th. After this date tickets are only available at the door, may be reserved by phone or email, and are non-refundable. Tickets are for assigned table seating only. If you wish to be seated in a group, please purchase tickets as a group. To purchase tickets, please complete the Ticket Order Form, cut & return; or order by phone or email as instructed below. Banquet & Outfitters Party tickets will be mailed at least one week in advance. A sellout crowd of over 700 sportsmen are expected again this year, so act fast!!! VISA, MC and Discover will be accepted for tickets and for other Banquet purchases.

- ♦ For Ticket Info mail to Rich DeLisle/SCI-Tickets, 4810 N. Fleming Rd., Fowlerville, MI 48836 Phone: (517) 545-4642 or Cell (248) 345-1986 Email: 3839rich@gmail.com
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Tickets for the Fund Raiser Banquet also include admission to the....



Laurel Manor

Friday, March 22, 2019 • 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Deluxe Pizza Buffet Dinner & Cash Bar

The Southeast Michigan Bowhunters Chapter of S.C.I. cordially invites you to personally meet the Outfitters, Guides, Charter Captains and Merchants who are this year's Fund Raiser Banquet donors. This is exclusive to Chapter Members and Banquet Ticket-Holders. Get a sneak preview of the donations and the people behind them. If you have any interest in purchasing a hunt or trip at the Banquet, this is an excellent opportunity to talk one-one with the donors.

There will be about a dozen Hunting & Fishing Trips on auction this evening, plus a small Silent Auction and 50/50 Drawing. So, come join the fun and double your chances on a quality trip by attending both evenings!

# For tickets call Rich DeLisle: cell (248)345-1986 or email:3839rich@gmail.com

# **Helping all Deer Hunters**



From Left to right; Rich DeLisle, Brian Ballinger [from DeWitt, MI, Age 65, Carbon Express Crossbow]. Russ Mason, Allen Lee [from Chesterfield, MI, Age 61, 30-06 Ruger], and Bob Taylor.

For many years our D.N.R. sends out Deer surveys after Deer season is over to all people that have purchased a Deer hunting License. The information they receive back is used to help the D.N.R., State Biologists, and the N.R.C. make decisions on the following years Deer Hunting. The D.N.R. picks out two names and sends them to Michigan Involvement Committee we in turn call them to tell them they have won a Rifle that they can choose the caliber of and then we call the second person and tell them they have won a Crossbow which is supplied by Southeast MI Bowhunters Chapter of SCI.

It has been my honor for the last 12 years to represent Southeast Michigan Bowhunters Chapter and present the bow at an N.R.C. meeting which was held on October-11-18.

Thank you to all of you who filled out Deer Hunter Survey. It helps all hunters who hunt our great State of Michigan to become more successful.

Rich DeLisle

# **Calendar of Events**



# **Important Dates:**

## February 21st Chapter Wild Game Dinner

At St. Basil on S. side16 Mile between Ryan and Mound See our chapter website for the full details RSVP at 248.379.6878

March 22<sup>nd</sup>- 23<sup>rd</sup>
Our Chapter Fund Raiser
at Laurel Manor

Buy your tickets early on our website and view the many hunts and items we have to offer! Support hunting and conservation!

June 1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup>
Great Lakes Bowfishing Championship
For Info call 248.583.4863

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