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WISCONSIN CHAPTER REPORT

by Monte Whiteaker, Chapter President

The leaves are just starting to change, the air is crisp, the nights are cool, and bow season is here. As the old song goes, "it's the most wonderful time of the year." Thank you to Captain Mike of Fowl Dawgs for sharing his stories and information on duck hunting, fishing on Lake Michigan and training hunting dogs. It was great to hear about the incredible experiences that some of our member have had right here in Wisconsin. Thank you also to Wern Valley for hosting the past few months of meetings. Always an enjoyable location.

Our last meeting of 2026 is coming up soon on Thursday, October 15th. Reminder that space is limited for this one! Past president and current board member Harry Mattox is graciously hosting this event in his new trophy room on his property in Waukesha. He will be joined by Jeff Belongia, Bob Neu and myself to share some gripping tales from our recent hunting trip to Manitoba. And if that isn't enough to entice you, I can share that we will be sampling the 50th Annua Grand Banquet special and very limited-edition bourbon & vodka which we've partnered with Driftless Glen to create. Then if you're up for some holiday fun, Charmaine has already been working hard on our annual Christmas Party, which will take place Friday, December 4th at the Ingleside Hotel. We will have information out soon to register for that event. It is always a festive night with incredible raffles! And last but certainly not least, I will continue to encourage everyone to get the 50th Annual Grand Banquet event on their calendars. It takes place on Friday, March 5th & Saturday, March 6th, 2027, and we are anticipating a sell-out event. The purchase of a table of 10 will get you $100 in raffle tickets and a chance of winning the table captain's gun! Even better, if you want a part in planning this milestone banquet, please reach out to us at office@sciwi.org. There's a lot to attend, but many ways to stay involved with the Wisconsin Chapter. I hope to see each and every one of you at one of these incredible events soon! More importantly, enjoy the outdoors this fall and safe hunting!

-Monte

Calling all Veterans!

We are excited to offer a Free Veteran Aoudad Hunt Giveaway! Each chapter will have the opportunity to nominate one veteran to be entered into a drawing to win an all-expenses-paid Aoudad hunt in Roswell, New Mexico, in March or April 2027. To be eligible for nomination, veterans must be present at our October meeting. The selected veteran's trip will include round-trip airfare to Roswell, local transportation, meals, lodging, hunting licenses and fees, field preparation of the trophy, and meat packaging. An observer may accompany the hunter at their own travel expense; however, local meals, lodging, and transportation for the observer will be provided. Don't miss this opportunity to honor one of our veterans with an unforgettable hunting experience!

SAVE THE DATE

for our annual
Christmas Party
Friday, December 4th
The Ingleside Hotel
Great raffles! Live entertainment!
Registration open soon at
https://sciwi.org/event/2026-christmas-party/

REGISTER FOR OUR LAST MEETING OF 2026:

Thursday, October 15th
Mattox property
(State Rd 164, Waukesha)
www.sciwi.org/event/october-membership-meeting-5/

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