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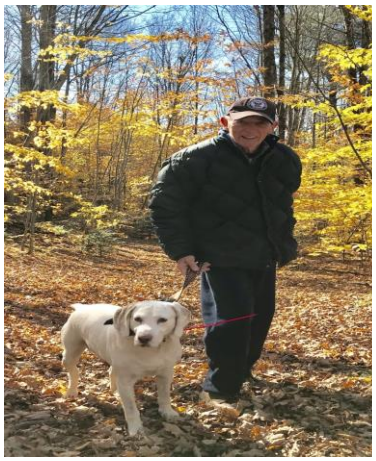
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A Word about Legacy Scholarships:

Over the past few years, three legacy scholarships have been established by survivors and fellow hunters to honor the memory of those for whom they are named. Each Scholarship is randomly drawn and awards $500.00 to active members, the children or grandchildren of active members who are currently enrolled in a school of higher education or trade school.

The initial scholarship honors former president **Richard (Dick) Ross**, who along with Roy Rosenbaum, led the transfer of the Association from its former seat in Fawn Grove, Pennsylvania to the Northeast. Founded in 2019, Mike Wallstich was the first winner, followed by Karlee Keane, Leah Flynt, Spencer Kishbaugh, Caroline Klinkewicz and **most recently Anthony Cegelis** (a grandson of Dick).

In 2021 **the Roy R. Rosenbaum Scholarship** was established upon his passing. It was Roy, who as President, set the vision for the Pennsylvania State Fox & Coyote Hunter's Association, recognizing the

need to redirect all energy and resources to advocacy for the rights of houndsmen, so that we may continue our sport. Among his numerous achievements, Roy chaired the Sporting Dog Owner's Meeting with the Game Commission for many years, and secured the legalization of tracking collars in Pennsylvania in 2006. He also resumed the PA State Field Trial, organized Field Trial Judges Training and initiated the Family Day event.

The initial winner of the **R. R. Rosenbaum Scholarship** was Sean Sears, followed by Allison Stuart, Brianna Sears, Elijah Peifer and **most recently, Ava DeMichele**. The scholarship is fully funded by Antoinette (Toni) Cisowski.

The **George Hobbs Scholarship** was established in 2023, following his sudden premature passing. It is fully funded by a well- organized, dynamic group of fellow Wayne County coyote hunters centered around Honesdale, Prompton, Pleasant Mount and vicinity. Past winners were Austin Hartman, Alexis Spickler and **most recently Hallie Brown**.

In the event that you may at some point contemplate establishing a scholarship on behalf of a fellow hunter, feel free to contact any of the officers or directors named on the letterhead.

From The Presidents Pen…

As we enter the traditional running period, we wish an enjoyable and safe season for yourself and your hounds.

By now, you should have received information regarding our gun raffle and the reasons which brought about the need to launch this effort. Our thanks to so many of you who have already made returns and requested significant numbers of additional tickets.

The efforts to protect our sport were expensive and arduous yet worthwhile. After two difficult years, the final versions of the Sunday Hunting Bill ultimately passed, exclusive of the problematic hound/trespassing provisions which were steadfastly proposed. Much credit must go to the Sportsman's Alliance and all members who contacted their legislators on our behalf.

Pennsylvania State Fox & Coyote Hunter's to Hold Coyote Tournament in 2026

Once again, the PA State Fox & Coyote Hunter's Assn. will conduct a 2026 season long, members only, trophy only, Coyote Tournament. The competition will be conducted under an "Honor" system, merely requiring registered hunters to provide the certified weight, along with a suitable picture. Since we have members from six states and Canada, the contest will be open to all states and Canadian provinces, wherever legal. The Tournament will run from January 1 through March 31.

Our substantial 'Challenge Trophy" will be awarded for the "State Champion" heaviest coyote, which will be replaced by a replica after one year. Trophies will also be awarded to nine other individual hunters. Entry fees will be $10.00 for the event. Multiple entries may be submitted. We will accept all entries but only 1 award per member for their heaviest coyote. Entry forms will accompany 2026 membership billings which will be sent at year-end.

Our 2025 winner was Jack Sorber with a 52.5 lb. specimen.

Remember to Nominate Your Youngsters for Awards

Again this year we will be promoting our award program to include "First Turkey" or "First Coyote/Bobcat" in addition to the "First Deer" or "First Bear" awards. The PA Game Commission will provide certificates for youngsters who take a deer, bear or turkey, while the Association will present our own "First Coyote/Bobcat" Certificate. Members are requested to notify Dick Bednarczyk about the successful hunters and provide a digital photo if one is available.

Welcome New Members!

Recruiting efforts for 2025 concludes with 24 hunters joining the Association. Since our last newsletter, T.J. Jackson, Josh Korb and Claire Turner have come on board. Welcome hunters!

Gun Raffle Returns starting to roll in.

As we have pointed out, the success of our 'First Ever" Gun Raffle will be critical to ensure that your Association has the resources in hand to fight for our rights to hunt with hounds in the Commonwealth. Threats to do so have become so severe within the past two years, that the on-site presence of the Sportsman's Alliance has been essential. To ensure their continued support, our goal is to do everything we can to contribute toward partially covering their expenses as they represent us. ***(Please note that they never invoice us for their travel expenses to Harrisburg – it is only responsible and appropriate to do so).***

To ensure that the Pennsylvania State Fox & Coyote Hunter's Assn. can sustain the 'Hard Fight' on behalf of Coyote Hunters, Beaglers, Coon Hunters and all other sporting breeds, we ask that you continue your support of the gun raffle, and send in any sizeable returns you may have already gathered.

We are more than pleased by the support of so many members who have requested such significant amounts of additional tickets. Your encouragement means so much! Thank You!!

Greg Reed and Director Mike Murnin held fund Gun Raffle

Our thanks to Member Greg Reed of L.H.Reed & Sons Inc, Mechanical Contractors, Honesdale, PA., for his sponsorship by covering the printing of our gun raffle tickets and fellow hunter, Director Mike Murnin, who provided for the gaming permit.

Legislative Monitoring – Pennsylvania

HB 1075, introduced by Rep. Mandy Steele (D), District 33, would lift the current $400.00/per acre cap which limits the Game Commission's ability to purchase additional State Game Lands. The bill was referred to the Game & Fisheries Committee on March 31, 2025.

HB 1937, introduced by Rep. David Rowe (R), District 85 would provide that voter registration applications be made available any time that Hunting or Fishing Licenses are applied for.

Need "Stocking Stuffers " ?

Consider our wide variety of embroidered caps, T-shirts, hoodies, beanies and sweat shirts as you plan your Christmas gift purchases for the upcoming holiday season. Our full selection can be found on pages 5 and 6.

Meet Your Directors:

According to the Association by-laws, the President may appoint any number of directors to a one-year term of office. Upon the suggestion of membership, we will begin to feature our Directors, without any particular order.

These individuals deserve much credit for the work they do on your behalf: --recruiting, monitoring legislation, maintaining contact with their representatives, actively participating at business meetings and a host of other activities to further the defense of our sport.

To wit:

Mike Miele has established a local office in the SE Region and has successfully increased our membership within the local mounted hunt community and area houndsmen. Mike quickly established links with area legislators, as well.

Chris Meeker has proven to be one of our "go to" guys when it comes to rapidly alerting the Association to emerging legislation and follows a number of forums and other sources in order to do so.

Mike Murnin has proven to be another major contributor – following legislation, maintaining close contact with his representatives and aggressively interacting with area hunters. Mike also is the driving force behind our inaugural gun raffle, by virtue of his experience with such initiatives for area causes.

Whenever you might encounter these guys, we encourage you to extend your thanks and appreciation for their volunteer efforts. **They, along with their fellow directors, are our "Worker Bees" !!**



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