



Hello Members,

I think for everyone it means a little something different. When I think about conservation, I am reminded of possibly the leading conservationist Shane Mahoney, who is considered one of the leading international authorities on wildlife conservation. He is a rare combination of scientist, historian and philosopher who has a unique perspective to wildlife issues that has motivated and inspired audiences around the world. For longtime Lake Superior members, you may recall when Mr. Mahoney attended and participated in our Annual Banquet & Fundraiser, some years back.

When I am reflective of the number of years I have participated in the Lake Superior Annual Event, I often think back to the keynote address that Mr. Mahoney gave in his unique booming voice; he spoke of the great conservation success stories in human history. I feel honored to have had the opportunity to listen to his message of conservation. Theodore Roosevelt, perhaps the greatest conservationist and hunter said many, many years ago, “Wildlife cannot speak for themselves, so we will!”

Yes, we will, this spring as we all gather at respective banquets and fundraisers much of what we hope to achieve is done in with conservation in mind.

The Lake Superior Chapter’s 18th Annual Banquet & Fundraiser is just around the corner. We are honored to have J. Alain Smith as our Keynote Speaker both Friday and Saturday Night. J. Alain Smith is a writer and hunter whose success has allowed him to venture to all points of the globe in search of hunting adventures. An author of six books he continues actively pursuing adventure anywhere he can find it. Alain believes that we as hunters all need to give something back to our sport, through volunteering our time, investing our money and being proactive in making sure our rights as hunters are protected and that our children and grandchildren will be able to enjoy hunting as well.

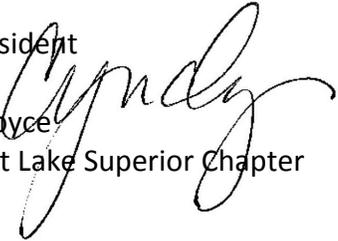
If you have not yet registered, I encourage you to access the online registration site found on our website: [www.sci-lakesuperior.org](http://www.sci-lakesuperior.org). This new online registration process will allow you to purchase event tickets and register for our Top Gun Shoot on Friday morning from 8:00 – 12:00 or the Wine, Women and Cheese Event on Saturday from 11:00 – 1:00. New this year is a 3-Day Pass, allowing you the opportunity to get participate in our Vendor Appreciation Dinner, giving you up close contact with our fabulous vendors to perhaps, book a trip? Of course the traditional options are also available – Friday, Saturday or the very popular Combination Night Event Pass. With nearly 100 firearms and bows to be given away during our 2-night event, there will be no shortage of action! Both evening auctions will offer some unique and exciting opportunities for all levels of hunter and fisherman and women. Our event will be the First

Showing of the Hunting Legacy Interviews that have been completed. At our three video opportunities, we had individuals from all ages and experience, sharing their Hunting Legacy Stories. Many of these stories were emotional and will provide for a wonderful backdrop, as we all gather together, to perhaps start the first page in a new chapter of our own stories.

Steve Jobs once said, "The ones who are crazy enough to think they can change the world, are the ones that do." Perhaps I am one of the crazy ones, but I believe we can all change the world, one step and one story at a time. I can't wait to see all of you in April and until then – keep sharing your story.

Your President

Cyndy Boyce  
President Lake Superior Chapter

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Cyndy", written over the printed name "Cyndy Boyce". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.