Alumni Homecoming Wild Game Dinner

The 5th Annual Wild Game Dinner will be Friday, October 18th during the Texas Tech Homecoming Weekend. It will be at the National Ranching Heritage Center (3121 4th St, Lubbock, TX 79409) at 6:30pm. This is The Wildlife Society at Texas Tech’s largest fundraising event. The money gathered from this event will help members attend the Texas Chapter of The Wildlife Society meeting in February 2020. During the dinner there will be a silent auction, raffle baskets, and plenty of wild game dishes for everyone who attends! A few of the items that will be auctioned off include paintings, handmade cedar side lamps, and a European Mount. The food that will be served at this dinner is made and donated by members of the chapter, faculty, and friends. Those who attend and are able to donate meat or side dishes will gain free entrance to the dinner. This is a social event, so please bring your family and friends. Entrance fees will be $7.00 for any paid member and $10.00 for any non-member. To RSVP or donate food, please email the Vice-President, Olivia Gray, at Olivia.Gray@ttu.edu!

The Semester So Far And What’s To Come

With the first and second general meeting completed with a great turn out, this has been a successful start to the Fall 2019 semester. In the first meeting Dr. Coldren, Dr. Conway, and Dr. Grisham spoke about the several opportunities TWS may bring members of the organization. This includes exposure into the process of wildlife captures in which the organization takes part of and the making connections with students, professors, and with the speakers that are brought every meeting. In the Second Meeting, Dr.Cunningham was able to share his knowledge on a variety of conservation methods with rhinos and his experiences with Green Hunts in Africa. This semester, there will be a TYHP Huntmaster Training which is two four hour sessions needed to safely and properly mentor the youth of our society who have limited experience hunting. Members may also attend a Mule Deer Capture which will be the last for this project. This semester still has three more opportunities to attend meetings and learn about the possibilities after graduation, so please join us!
The Wildlife Society would like to put in the limelight the accomplishments of not only exceptional members of the chapter, but extraordinary students of Texas Tech University. Hailey Wright and Sophie Morris have both had internships that will help them in their future endeavors and this is what they have to say about those experiences.

**Hailey Wright | Wildlife Biology | Class of ‘20**

Hi, my name is Hailey Wright. I am from Paducah, Texas, which is in the middle of nowhere. I grew up on Triangle Ranch that my dad works on hunting, fishing, and riding horses. I will be the third generation Wildlife Biologist following my mom and my grandpa. The past two summers, I worked as an Intern for Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. My first internship was at The Matador Wildlife Management Area and this summer I was at The Muse Wildlife Management Area. This summer I worked on the reintroduction of Texas Horned Lizards into this area. I tracked the lizards three times a day and take measurements as well. When I was not tracking lizards, I worked on habitat management such as reseeding grubbed areas and spraying chemicals. I loved every minute of my internship!

**Sophie Morris | Wildlife Biology | Class of ‘22**

Hi, I’m Sophie Morris, a sophomore Wildlife Biology major from Albuquerque New Mexico. This summer, I got the opportunity to work alongside U.S Fish and Wildlife service in Albuquerque assisting with research on urban Coopers Hawks specifically the ecology of the new and expanding population. In order to accomplish this, we would trap the hawks and fledglings using mist nets, band them with a colored band and a numbered aluminum band. Along with banding the hawks we took measurements, feather samples, and blood samples before releasing them back to their nests. This summer has provided me with so many new experiences and allowed me to see what potential careers are available in our field.