

Hill Country Friends of NRA to Hold Banquet

The 20th annual Hill Country Friends of NRA banquet will be Friday, June 13, 2014, at the YO Resort and Conference Center.

Doors will open at 5:00 PM, the program will begin approximately 7:00 PM. The committee has 30 guns for the event, including rifles, handguns, and shotguns, as well as the NRA Wall of Guns. This year there is a pre-event raffle featuring a 1 in 200 chance to win a KelTec KSG, which is a 12 gauge shotgun that holds more than a dozen rounds.

Tickets may be purchased at Gibson's Discount Center, from committee members, and online at http://www.friendsofnra.org/. For more information or to purchase tickets contact Larry Arnold, 830 459-5419, larry@talonsite.com, or Bobby Pickins, 830 370-1923, panthercivilprocess@gmail.com or visit http://www.talonsite.com.

Tickets are \$50, or \$500 for a table of eight. National Sponsorships available.

Friends of NRA is a key grassroots event that supports thousands of community service projects related to firearm education, hunter safety, wildlife conservation, range improvements, youth marksmanship, and law enforcement.

Working with NRA field representatives, the members and volunteers organize banquets in their communities, complete with auctions, special drawings, and fellowship. Much of the merchandise at the banquets is donated or provided at reduced cost by hundreds of participating vendors.

The banquet will feature a steak dinner, live auctions, games, and bucket drawings.

Half of the money raised by Hill Country Friends of NRA banquet will be awarded in grants in South Texas. State Fund Committees made up of volunteers from each event review grant applications from local organizations and make recommendations to The NRA Foundation.

Over the past 19 years Kerr County FoNRA grants have benefitted the Buck and Bull Club, the Hill Country Shooting Sports Center, local Hunter Education and Bowhunter Education instructor teams, 4-H Shooting Sports organizations, Kerrville Women on Target programs, and many others. Just in 2013 four grants to Kerr County 4-H, Fredericksburg Navy ROTC, Bandera 4-H, and Medina Clay Target Shooters totaled \$40,662.53.

The other half of the funds raised supports qualifying national-level programs like the Eddie Eagle GunSafe Program, Women on Target, and other educational and safety services.

Established in 1990, The NRA Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization that raises tax-deductible contributions in support of a wide range of firearm-related public interest activities of the National Rifle Association of America and other organizations that defend and foster the Second Amendment rights of all law-abiding Americans.

These activities are designed to promote firearm and hunting safety, to enhance marksmanship skills of those participating in the shootings sports, and to educate the general public about firearms in their historic, technological, and artistic context.

More information about The NRA Foundation can be found online at http://www.nrafoundation.org, or by calling (800) 423-6894.