

# Sponsorship Invitation

**Texas Chapter of The Wildlife  
Society 52<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting  
San Antonio, Texas  
February 18 – 20, 2016**

## **Sponsorship Invitation:**

The Finance Committee of the Texas Chapter of The Wildlife Society (TCTWS) 52<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting would like to extend an invitation to companies, agencies, organizations and individuals interested in sponsoring the TCTWS annual meeting in San Antonio, Texas in February 2016.

The TCTWS was formed in the mid 1960's and strives to be the acknowledged source of scientific information and expertise concerning wildlife biology and management in Texas. The TCTWS is the largest Chapter in the United States and for the 51<sup>th</sup> meeting we entertained our largest crowd ever with over 800 people in downtown Austin. For our 52<sup>st</sup> meeting and beyond, we anticipate that attendance will continue to climb. We know that our ability to put on a high quality meeting at a reasonable cost is dependent on contributions from our supporters; therefore we have established several mechanisms to demonstrate our appreciation for the generosity of our sponsors.

The theme of the 2016 plenary session is "Chronic Wasting Disease in Texas Whitetails...Now What?" This session will feature researchers, managers, and landowners with expertise in the topic, a topic that is becoming increasingly important in Texas and beyond.

## **How Sponsorships Benefit TCTWS:**

Our goal and commitment is to provide an affordable, high quality annual meeting based on our belief that a well-priced meeting with an outstanding program will increase attendance and thus, scientific and professional exchange between a diverse group of professionals and students involved in wildlife conservation and management. Your sponsorship and donations will help us to achieve our goals.

Items that are donated will be used during our onsite raffle and silent auction that will last the duration of the meeting. No item is too large or too small and all donations are greatly appreciated.

## **How to Sponsor TCTWS:**

If you wish to make a monetary donation there are different levels of sponsorship listed below. Complete the Sponsor Commitment Form illustrating your sponsorship level.

If you wish to donate an item to be used in the raffle or silent auction, please complete the Auction Gift Donation Form also found below.

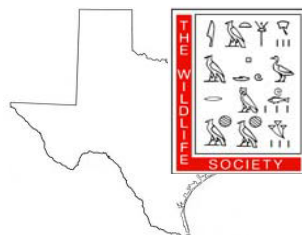
For a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization, your sponsorship contribution to the TCTWS 52<sup>st</sup> annual meeting is *tax deductible*.

## **Sponsorship Opportunities and Needs:**

As we continue to plan and finalize the technical, social, and business events of the TCTWS 52<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting, we will revise and add more information at the meeting website [www.tctws.org/annual-meeting](http://www.tctws.org/annual-meeting). We hope the following list of potential sponsorship opportunities and needs helps you make your decision to be a part of this event.

- General Meeting Support
- Morning and afternoon Breaks
- President's Reception
- Pre-Banquet Cocktail Hour
- Awards Banquet
- Poster Sessions
- Student-Mentor Mixer
- Student Breakfast
- Past President Luncheon
- Quiz Bowl, Plant Id and Photo Contests
- Plenary Session
- Workshop & training sessions
- Audio Visual Support
- Website & Outreach Support
- Raffle and Silent Auction

For More Information please contact a finance committee chair: *Andy James*  
[Andy.James@tamu.edu](mailto:Andy.James@tamu.edu) (254) 223-3056.



## Auction Gift Donation Form

### Texas Chapter of The Wildlife Society

Thank you for your support of the TCTWS annual auction to raise funds and support the Chapter's professional activities for wildlife conservation in Texas. For more information on the Texas Chapter's activities, please go to <http://www.tctws.org>. Please return this form by January 15, 2016 to have your company name included in the listing of donors printed in the conference program. Donated items may be shipped to Andy James, Committee Chair – TCTWS Finance Committee, 2005 East Main #124, Gatesville, Texas 76528, no later than January 15, 2016. Feel free to call Andy James at (254) 223-3056 if you have any questions.

Name:
Address:
City:

State:
Zip Code:
Phone:

Individual or Company to be listed as the donor in program:
Auction Item:
Description of Item:
Restrictions:
Expires:
Contact Number and Name:
Retail Value \$

Please check one of the following:

- Auction item is with this form.
- Auction item will be shipped to Texas Chapter on \_\_\_\_\_
- Auction item is gift certificate and Texas Chapter should create the gift certificate

CASH DONATION: (To support or underwrite an auction item in your name or company's name.) Check Enclosed in the amount of: (Make check payable to Texas Chapter of The Wildlife Society)

- \$100
- \$500
- \$1000
- \$2500
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

If there is someone you know who would like to hear about or donate to our program, please pass this letter and auction sheet along, or include their information below.

Name:
Address:
Phone:

**Levels of Meeting Sponsorship:** The following table lists the various levels of sponsorship available for the TCTWS 52<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting. Sponsorship funds can be targeted toward a specific event (e.g., Plenary, poster session, Banquet, evening social, etc.) or can be designated for general meeting support. All event sponsors will be recognized for their role in the support of the event.

<b>Sponsorship Levels</b>	<b>Meeting acknowledgements</b>	<b>Website acknowledgements</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>Copper</b> \$300-\$999	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognized in meeting Program</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognized on meeting website</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 complementary registration</li> </ul>
<b>Bronze</b> \$1,000-\$2,499	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognized in the meeting Program at this contribution level</li> <li>Recognized on sponsorship signs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognized on meeting website</li> <li>Meeting website hotlink</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 complementary registration</li> <li>1 additional complimentary ticket for the President's Reception</li> </ul>
<b>Silver</b> \$2,500-\$4,999	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognized in the meeting Program</li> <li>Recognized on sponsorship signs</li> <li>Complimentary quarter page ad* in Program</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognized on meeting website</li> <li>Meeting website hotlink with logo and/or a 25 word description of the organization</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 complementary registration</li> <li>1 additional complimentary ticket for the President's Reception</li> <li>1 additional complimentary ticket for the Awards Banquet</li> </ul>
<b>Gold</b> \$5,000-\$9,999	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognized in the meeting program</li> <li>Recognized on sponsorship signs</li> <li>Recognition at the Plenary Session and Awards Banquet</li> <li>Complimentary half page ad* in Program</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognized on meeting website</li> <li>Meeting website hotlink with logo and/or a 25 word description of the organization</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2 complementary registrations</li> <li>Complimentary vendor/exhibition space</li> <li>2 additional complimentary tickets for the President's Reception</li> <li>2 additional complimentary tickets for the Awards Banquet</li> </ul>
<b>Platinum</b> ≥\$10,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognized in the meeting program</li> <li>Recognized on sponsorship signs</li> <li>Complimentary full page ad* in Program</li> <li>Recognition at the Plenary Session and Awards Banquet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognized on meeting website</li> <li>Meeting website hotlink with logo and 3X5 ad* on meeting website</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3 complimentary registrations</li> <li>Complimentary vendor/exhibition space</li> <li>3 additional complimentary tickets for the President's Reception</li> <li>Reserved table with 3 additional complimentary tickets for the Awards Banquet</li> </ul>

\*Ad is to be provided by sponsor

# Sponsor Commitment Form

Texas Chapter of The Wildlife Society 52<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting  
Hyatt Hotel, San Antonio, February 18-20, 2016

Agency/Org/Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(As it should appear on all material)

Point of Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ All Telephone #'s: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Addresses: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsorship Level: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

When can the Sponsorship committee expect to receive sponsorship funds?

*NOTE: Funds must be received before the printing of the meeting program for sponsors to be noted in the program booklet. (January 15, 2016):*

How should your sponsorship be used? ""

General Meeting Support

- Morning and afternoon Breaks
- President's Reception
- Awards Banquet

- Poster Sessions
- Student-Mentor Mixer
- Student Breakfast

- Quiz Bowl, Plant Id and Photo Contests

- Plenary Session
- Workshop & training sessions

What mechanism will be needed to complete the transaction (invoice, P.O., letter, contract)? \_\_\_\_\_

Website address: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor 25 words Description for Website (if applicable):

If applicable, will you be providing a logo? Yes"" No

Logo can be provided in the appropriate format any time after the sponsorship commitment is made to be added to the meeting website; or before January 15, 2016 to appear in the program.

If applicable, will you be submitting an ad for the meeting website? Yes"" No

Web ad can be provided in the appropriate format any time after the sponsorship commitment is made to be added to the meeting website

If applicable, will you be submitting an ad for the Conference Program? Yes"" No

Program ad must be received by January 15, 2016 and in an appropriate format.

If applicable will you be taking advantage of your complementary registrations? Yes"" No

How many?

If applicable, will you be taking advantage of the complementary tickets to the Presidents Reception? Yes"" No

How many?

If applicable, will you be taking advantage of the complementary tickets to the Awards Banquet? Yes"" No

How many?

Please submit your registration form to the Sponsorship committee to receive your complimentary registration. All complementary registrations must be received by the final registration deadline.

**Return sponsorship commitment and registration forms to:**

Andy James, TCTWS 2016 Finance Chairman, Institute of Renewable Natural Resources, 2005 East Main  
#124, Gatesville, Texas 76528, (254) 223-3056; Andy.James@tamu.edu