

Jefferson County Kings of

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The Jefferson County Kings of Spring Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf), held its annual banquet at Willow Pond, Saturday, March 9. Members and guests were served a delicious barbecue buffet meal.

The doors opened at 5 p.m. for all those who wanted to come early and browse through the many items on the silent auction table. The raffle booths were also open to the attendees ready to buy a chance on one of the many guns that were being given away during the night. Live auction items were also out on display for early viewing.

After the dinner blessing and the Pledge of Allegiance,

dinner was served. All attendees partook in potato salad, cole slaw, barbecue chicken, pulled pork, beans and drinks.

Following supper, the annual Youth Turkey Hunt winners were announced and presented their awards. First place went to Makayla Kelly (12-gauge shotgun) and second place went to Isabella Ward (.22 long rifle).

Next was the live auction; always a big highlight of the evening. Items ranging from framed prints, homemade turkey calls, knives, duffel bags and hunting trips/excursions were auctioned off during the evening.

Immediately following the live auction, the most anticipated business matter was then at hand; the winning tickets were drawn from all the

raffle games and the winning numbers were called out. The lucky winners came forward and were presented with their winning guns and other gifts.

The Jefferson County Kings of Spring Board of Directors include: President – DJ Swilley; Treasurer – Hillary Hodges; and Secretary – Mallory Liford.

Each county group of The National Wild Turkey Federation (such as Jefferson's) is made up of four departments: Regular members, Women and Outdoors; Wheelin' Sportsmen; and JAKES (Juniors Acquiring Knowledge, Ethics and Sportsmanship.)

The NWTf is the largest Conservation group in the United States. There are over 600,000 members nationwide and 90 percent of every dollar

spent at the Jefferson County banquet goes back into the Conservation Development.

For more information on the Jefferson County Kings of

Spring National Wild Turkey Federation, readers may call Hillary Hodges at (850) 556-6811 or log on to kingsofspring.org.



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Brooke Kemper (left) assisted John Griffin (right) as he tried his luck at the Klinko game, hoping he would be the lucky winner of a new .410 shotgun.



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Leslie Dayton (left) is pictured as she picks her tag after paying to play the "Turkey Tag Draw" game. One tag won you a chance to win three different firearms. Mallory Liford (right) was one of the many Jefferson County Kings of Spring Chapter volunteers that were on hand to help the many guests.



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Tyler Everett is pictured as he pulled a knife out of the "hog" raffle game. A \$20 bill won the choice of one knife and one ticket to be entered into a raffle for a rifle. Kendra Muncie, (left), Jefferson County Kings of Spring Chapter volunteer, was there to help.



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Kenny Barker and his son Warren were pictured as they dropped their raffle tickets into the many buckets that were set up. Each bucket's winning ticket winner won a large number of donated items.



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No local banquet could be the success it is without the volunteers. Volunteers are the backbone to every successful event. On hand during the recent NWTf banquet was Hillary Hodges (left), Jefferson County Kings of Spring Treasurer, and Baylee Hodges (right). The two ladies helped greet guests, sign them in and answer any questions.



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Bobby Kennedy and Michell Milligan, of Baby Grey, performed for hours during the recent NWTf Banquet.



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Brad Hodges and Katie Young served as the night's bartenders for all the Kings of Spring turkey banquet attendees.



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Peggy Jordan is pictured holding her brand-new Savage 6.5 Creedmoor that she won during Saturday night's Turkey Federation banquet.



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Eddie Hatch proudly shows off the camp blind and many gifts he won during the annual Jefferson County NWTf banquet.



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Edwin Kinsey is pictured holding his brand-new Thompson Center 30-06 that he won during Saturday night's Turkey Federation banquet.

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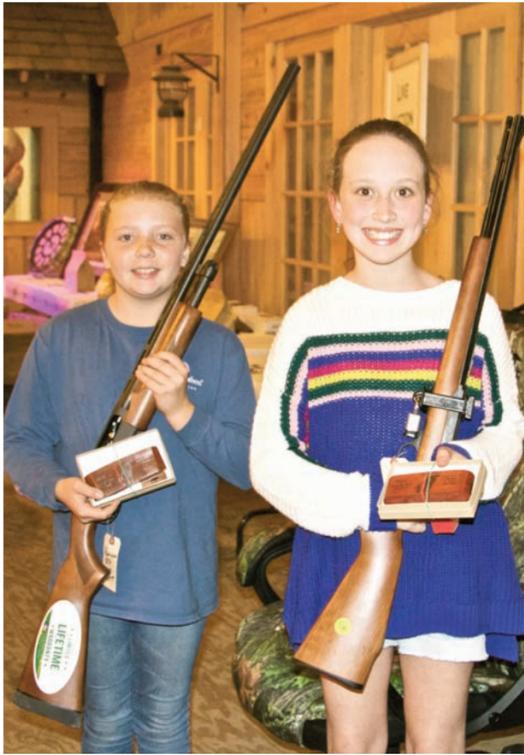
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Charles Ward was the proud winner of a brand-new Vulcan steel climber stand during last weekend's Jefferson County NWTF banquet.



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The Jefferson County Kings of Spring Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF) held their annual Youth Turkey Hunt in conjunction with their annual banquet. The winners of the hunt, pictured left to right, were: first place, Makayla Kelly, winner of a 12-gauge shotgun; and second place, Isabella Ward, winner of a .22 long rifle.



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Philip Riley was the proud winner of the "hunting seat combo" which featured a new camouflage hunting chair, scent cloud and decoy. Philip won the gifts by having the winning ticket in one of the many "buckets" that were set up around the turkey banquet event.



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Brooke Kinsey is pictured holding her new ice pack bag and cup that she won with one of her many raffle tickets.



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Tyler Everett (left) was the proud winner of a brand-new Weatherby 12-gauge shotgun, he won by playing the "knife pull" game. He was presented his rifle by James Hodges (right)



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Ryan Daniels (left) won this brand-new Weatherby 12-gauge shotgun, during Jefferson County's Turkey Federation banquet. He was presented his rifle by James Hodges (right).



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Elicia Goodson is pictured holding her brand new "fishing pole and package" that she won during Saturday night's Turkey Federation banquet.



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A brand-new Kimber .45 pistol was one of the many firearms that were being raffled off during the recent NWTF Banquet. The new winners, pictured left to right, are: Eddie Hatch, Reid Fleming and Troy Fleming.



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Donnie Cain (left) won this AR-15 Omni Hybrid rifle during the Jefferson County Kings of Spring turkey banquet. James Hodges (right) is pictured presenting it to him.

Congratulations on a successful NWTF banquet!

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