

February 8th, **2020** at





In 2010 a group from the High Point area discussed the difficulties experienced by young men and women returning from Operation Enduring Freedom, our current operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. Our Soldiers, Marines, Sailors and Airmen are engaged in the longest war in the history of the United States and the size of our fighting force is the smallest it has been in recent history.

As a result, our servicemen and women were experiencing multiple deployments; some as many as ten with three or four deployments during this time period being common. Many of these who've served multiple deployments are National Guard and Reserve, and not even full time soldiers. Thousands of first Little League games, dance recitals, births, and other milestone occasions in their lives and the lives of their families have been missed. As citizens who appreciate the sacrifices and efforts of these brave young men and women, the group formed Enduring Gratitude www.enduringgratitude.org, a 501c3 Charitable Non-profit Federal Tax ID # 27-4873506 with the express purpose of providing these, who have volunteered, served, and sacrificed with a memorable experience in the outdoors as an expression of our gratitude. We have recently changed our eligibility to include all those who have served in conflicts and put their lives on the line for our freedom

Unlike many similar organizations, there are no paid employees of Enduring Gratitude. Since our inception, we've hosted multiple events including bird hunts, deer hunts, turkey hunts, and waterfowl hunts for soldiers across our state. Some events were small with only a half dozen or so participants and some were quite large with almost 160 veterans at the 2019 Enduring Gratitude Pheasant Tower shoot and Sporting Clay shoot at Beaver Pond Sporting Club.

To make this happen, we need others like us who are grateful for the sacrifice of these men and women. Doing this requires money, and volunteers and we're counting on Americans like us to help make this happen. Please look into Enduring Gratitude and consider getting involved in thanking this new generation of heroes for their sacrifice. enduringgratitude.org **Proposed Schedule:** Details on the February 8th, 2020 Enduring Gratitude Event at Beaver Pond Sporting Club www.BeaverPondNC.com Snow Camp, NC Map to Beaver Pond

8:00 a.m. Veterans arrive for Coffee, Danish and registration.

- All Participants will meet in the Big Room behind the kitchen for a safety instructions by Craig Andrews and Todd Kennedy.
- Participants will be split into two groups.
 - The first group will go to the Sporting Clays course sporting clays.
 - The Second Group, wing shooting experience will go to the fields for the morning pheasant hunt.
 - Veterans who don't wish to hunt and/or shoot may fish the lake at Beaver Pond. All events are optional.

9:00 a.m. Group I (Groups 1-14) will head to the Sporting Clay Station on their Blue Name Badges and Group II (Groups 15-28) to the Pheasant Tower Field Station on their Blue Name Badges

11:30 a.m. Participants will rejoin in the lodge at Beaver Pond for a pig picking lunch

12:45 PM Michael Lerario (Lieutenant Colonel) will introduce, <u>TBA</u> our guest speaker this year,

Prizes will be raffles off after the speaker

1:00 p.m. Group I (Groups 1-14) to the Pheasant Tower Field Station on their Blue Name Badges *and* Group II (Groups 15-28) will head to the Sporting Clay Station on their Blue Name Badges and

During the hunts, dog handlers and their dogs will retrieve birds and volunteers (RED Name Badges) will round up the birds to be taken back to the cleaning shed where more volunteers (Red Name Badges) will clean and package them in coolers for the veterans to take home to their families.



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Sponsorship Levels:

To make all this happen, Enduring Gratitude needs sponsors. If desired, sponsors have priority for volunteer positions.

•	Sponsor an individual soldier	\$350		Sponsor	<u>r Levels</u>	
•	Safety Glasses and Ear Plugs(300)	\$500		D: 1	45.000.4	
•	Sporting Clay Course(Can split 2x @\$2500ea)	\$5000		Diamond Platinum	\$5,000 And Above \$3,000 - \$4,999	
•	Sporting Clay Course with signage:(14 Stations)	\$250		Gold	\$1,000 - \$2,999	
	Tower Stand(can Split 2x @\$2500 ea)	\$5000			\$500 - \$999	
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•	Breakfast	\$1000	-	r nenus or	Veteraris \$349-\$1	
•	Lunch (Can Split 2 ways)	\$4000				
•	Frank's Shed (Bird Cleaning Station)	\$1000				
•	Shot Shells (Can Split 3 ways@\$3000 ea.)	\$9000				
•	Sporting Clay Targets	\$3500				
•	Other Amount \$					
	Logo- Your Logo and Enduring Gratitude- orders must be in by 12/20/2019 ■ Donation for a "loaner" over/under 20 ga shotgun (Laser Engraved)\$600					
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•	Bags with your logo and Enduring Gratitude(250)\$600 Shirts (350) Can split the cost/\$1000 ea)\$5000					
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-	Coolers with your logo and Enduring Gratitude(150))\$2000				
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