

SUPPORTING SHOOTING SPORTS and PUBLIC HUNTING:

- Made donation to assist Indoor Gun Range
- Made donation to assist Mitchell Trap Club
- Shared in purchases of two public hunting areas: one in Miner County and one in Davison County
- Pheasant Country volunteers organize and participate in a youth pheasant hunt donated by Rooster Roost Ranch
- Purchased ammunition for 4-H Shooting Sports

PHEASANT HUNTING IS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Pheasant Country serves nine area counties: Davison, Aurora, Jerauld, Hanson, Miner, Sanborn, Douglas, Hutchinson and McCook. According to the State Game Fish & Parks website pheasant hunters in 2005 made a \$25.1 million impact to these counties. This is 16% of the state total of \$153 million. We need to strive to do more!!

- ✓ Lots of habitat means lots of pheasants
- ✓ Lots of pheasants means lots of hunters
- ✓ Lots of hunters mean lots of money spent at businesses in town
- ✓ Does your business benefit from pheasant hunters coming to town each year?
- ✓ How much can we put you down for today?

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21st Annual Pheasant Country

FUNDRAISER AUCTION/BANQUET

Friday, October 20th

Doors Open at 5:00 p.m.
Corn Palace
Mitchell, South Dakota

Pheasant Country LTD volunteers are planning their 21st Annual Fundraiser Banquet to be held October 20th in the World's Only Corn Palace. This is a premiere event held annually the Friday night before the wild pheasant hunting season opens. It is a major fall event in Mitchell.

Every year, we welcome over 600 people to the fundraiser, and everyone enjoys a sit-down roast pheasant dinner along with an exciting evening of many raffles and a live auction. This year we will have over 20 guns to be raffled off along with many other unique items. See tear off section for a chance to win the "Big Gun".

Thanks to the generosity of the Mitchell business community and our primary sponsors - Cabela's, Miller Brewing Company and Federal Shells, we are able to raise substantial dollars to put back into habitat for wildlife and other beneficial programs related to pheasant hunting and shooting sports. Volunteer representatives will be calling on individual businesses again in the next few weeks to ask for your support. We have included a mail-in form if you would like to send in your response with your donation.



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Facts

LANDOWNER PARTICIPATION:

- Today have over 285 landowners/PCL contract holders who set aside at least 10 acres of wildlife food plots each within a 35-mile radius of Mitchell.
- Landowners are given a major portion of the Banquet proceeds to help offset costs of putting food plots in. They are also given a banquet ticket as well.
- Since 1985, have paid landowners \$637,000 in participating food plot contracts.
- Hold annual Seed Give-Away when volunteers obtain over 3,000 bags of donated seed which is distributed to participating PCL landowners. Big Green donates storage space and use of their facilities.
- Hold annual PCL Landowner Appreciation Steak Fry with over 200 in attendance.
- Purchased expensive grass drilling equipment to seed cover.
- Pay participating landowners a two-year payback amount for putting in shelterbelts.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

- Started in 1985 by Mitchell businessmen with 18 landowners participating the first year.
- Hold Annual Pheasant Country Banquet in World's Only Corn Palace
- 501 C-3 Non-profit organization
- All volunteer involvement – 50 active members
- Funds stay local
- Donations are made annually to the Mitchell Trap Club to sponsor the State Youth 4-H Trap Shoot – over 200 attend
- Contact one of our members if you would like to volunteer