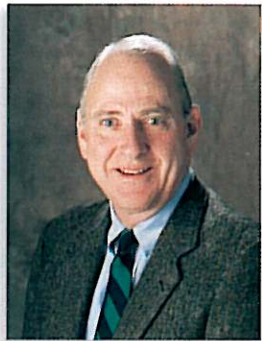


THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Still at the Forefront of "Conservation"



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Earlier this summer, the Annual Meeting of the Boone and Crockett Club was held on Long Island, New York, within the environs of Sagamore Hill, the home Theodore Roosevelt built to raise his family. I'm sharing this with our Boone and Crockett Associates because it's here that this Club was started by Roosevelt and a group of his influential friends. Remember, our beginnings date back to 1887, which makes us 109 years old.

To mention a few of the initiatives that came from the Club's early history and members, we re-

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call the National Conservation Movement, the National Park Service, the National Refuge System, and the National Forest Service. What a legacy they gave us for our use and to share with future generations. As I walked through the Roosevelt home, I was moved by the fact that almost every room in this beautifully maintained old home, including the dining room, bedrooms, and sitting rooms, had animal

heads on the walls, animal rugs on the floors, and paintings of wild animals and frontier settlements, and Indians and mountains with streams and rivers. Teddy Roosevelt was really a true outdoorsman and sportsman and he shared his love of them with his family and friends.

One of our guest speakers was Mr. Roger G. Kennedy, Director of the Park Service. His presence gave even more special meaning to our presentation of the Sagamore Hill Award to Dr. Philip L. Wright, Professor Emeritus of the University of Montana and

frequent contributor to this publication. The Sagamore Hill Award is the highest award given by the Boone and Crockett Club for exemplary service to our organization.

Director of the Park Service, Roger G. Kennedy, signed a Memorandum of Cooperation and Understanding with the Boone and Crockett Club during our Sagamore Hill meeting. This recalls a signing of a similar document by Dale Robertson, the former Chief of the U.S. Forest Service in 1992.

Dr. Valerius Geist addressed our Club Members at the historic Campfire Club located just a few miles north of New York City. The Campfire Club was founded 99 years ago by some of the same individuals who founded the Boone and



THE MISSION

It is the policy of the Boone and Crockett Club to promote the guardianship and provident management of big game and associated wildlife in North America and to maintain the highest standards of fair chase and sportsmanship in all aspects of big game hunting, in order that this resource of all the people may survive and prosper in its natural habitats. Consistent with this objective, the Club supports the use and enjoyment of our wildlife heritage to the fullest extent by this and future generations of mankind.



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Crockett Club, including Teddy Roosevelt. Dr. Geist is the world's leading authority on wild sheep and has written several books on this singular subject as well as books on many other species of wild animals.

History has it that George Bird Grinnell first used the word "conservation" in 1884 in the framework of how it is used today. Just after the turn of the century, Gifford Pinchot, the first Chief of the U.S. Forest Service, used "conservation" as a compromise or middle ground word between protection and preservation.

As we were at the time of our founding, we are today, at the forefront of "conservation." Let's keep the trust that we were charged with 109 years ago.

