

## Director, Neal Feazel.

I was born and raised in Central Illinois on a farm with seven siblings. As most farm kids do, I began trapping and hunting at an early age. This not only made me appreciate the outdoors but also provided meat for our table.

I have hunted extensively throughout my life in the United States (including Hawaii) and Canada. In the early 1990's is when I began hunting internationally, with my first African safari in Namibia. Since then, I have been fortunate to have hunted over a dozen times on the continent of Africa; from the equator down to Port Elizabeth in South Africa. Other continents I have hunted large game on includes Germany, Romania, Kazakhstan, and Argentina.



I became a Gateway Area SCI Board member as my way to help promote conservation and hunting, and to increase public awareness of their benefits to society. I am a strong believer in encouraging youth to begin participating in outdoor sports at an early age.

I enjoy my work with SCI in helping to provide opportunities to others to experience and learn the enjoyment hunting and outdoor sports brings. I

am available if anyone would like to contact me to discuss potential hunting opportunities or ask question regarding my experiences.

My wife (Rhonda) and I became active members of the Verein Deutsch Drahthaar, Group of North America, in 1990. The VDD-GNA organization is a German-based, versatile hunting dog breeding club. We are both international field and breed show judges.