



## News



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# Kandi & Rick Nagel Serving as Presenting Sponsors of 2nd Annual SWOSU Charitable Hunt





The Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU) Foundation, Inc., is hosting its 2<sup>nd</sup> annual charitable hunt on September 17 in Devol (OK), and the SWOSU Foundation is delighted to announce that longtime SWOSU benefactors Kandi and Rick Nagel of Norman are serving as the event's Presenting Sponsor and major underwriters.

This is the second consecutive year in which the Nagels have provided key financial backing for the event.

Kandi (Sullivan) Nagel is a 1998 SWOSU alumnae and past president of the SWOSU Alumni Association. Kandi is founder and president of Cherokee Cap Creations, Inc., a nimble and adaptive design and distribution firm with a focus on the promotional product business.

Rick Nagel is currently managing partner of Acorn Growth Companies, a middle market private equity firm focused exclusively on aerospace, defense and intelligence. Rick serves or has served on the boards of the Aerospace Industries Association, U. S. Air Force Association, State Chamber of Oklahoma and the Oklahoma Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs. Rick is a Regent of the University of Oklahoma.

"Longtime, generous SWOSU benefactors Kandi and Rick Nagel continue to provide invaluable support to our students," said SWOSU President Dr. Diane R. Lovell. "The Nagels' Presenting Sponsorship of our Charitable Hunt for the second consecutive year will enable us to meaningfully leverage SWOSU's endowment to enhance student learning and faculty development."

The proceeds from the hunt will be allocated to the Dr. Ken Rose Memorial Fund, which exists to help SWOSU produce the next generation of conservationists, sportsmen and sportswomen, wildlife law enforcement officials, park rangers and many others.

This unique fundraising activity will be facilitated by BlackOak Farms, a full-service hunting operation that is integrated with traditional agriculture practices of farming and ranching.

The event will involve a sporting clay competition followed by a late afternoon/early evening dove hunt. Participants will be treated to a cocktail reception, dinner, and live auction and entertainment following the hunt.

Host and co-host opportunities offering substantial sponsor benefits remain but will close soon, and only a few individual hunter slots remain. Cocktail hour and dinner-only registration is also available for non-hunters who want to fellowship with SWOSU alumni and friends. For information on sponsorships, to register to hunt, and to see the entire event schedule, please visit [www.HuntWithSWOSU.com](http://www.HuntWithSWOSU.com) and contact SWOSU Associate Director for Institutional Advancement Clarke Hale at [Clarke.hale@swosu.edu](mailto:Clarke.hale@swosu.edu) or 817-707-6795.

The SWOSU Charitable Hunt is being organized by the SWOSU Foundation, Inc., which was established in 1977 to promote philanthropy and distribute funds to support the activities and programs of SWOSU. Located on the Weatherford campus in the historic Burton House, the Foundation currently stewards nearly \$31 million in assets for the benefit of SWOSU. For more information on the Foundation, please call 580-774-3267 or visit [www.SWOSUFoundation.com](http://www.SWOSUFoundation.com).