

BCC-IWLA ORGANIZATION

Board of Governors

As with any community of our size, organization and leadership is paramount in keeping our chapter functional and progressive. Our chapter is run and managed solely with volunteer efforts from our membership. The Board of Governors (BOG) manages the business aspects of our chapter. Members of the BOG are elected annually during the monthly dinner meeting in June. Any chapter member in good standing can become a BOG member, as long as the proper nominating process is followed according to our bylaws. The BOG consists of 13 members:

- President
- 1st Vice President
- 2nd Vice President
- Membership Secretary
- Treasurer
- Corresponding Secretary
- Recording Secretary
- 5 At-large Board Members
- Immediate Past President

The BOG meets at least monthly on the 4th Wednesday of each month at the chapterhouse.

Committees

Our Chapter offers many opportunities to our members for getting involved in activities. Committees of chapter volunteers organize these opportunities and associated activities under the direction of the BOG. The chapter's committees are organized into 4 broad categories depending on function and are facilitated by an officer of the BOG.

Operations & Conservation

1st Vice President

- Chapter House Maintenance
- Chapter House Cleanup
- Security
- Food - Dinner Committee
- Special Event Dinners
- Farm
- Wildlife Management
- Wildlife Counts
- Ponds and Streams
- Save Our Streams

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Forestry
Trails
Wildflower Meadows
Grounds and Roads
Vegetable Gardens
Christmas Trees

Recreation Activities

2nd Vice President

Shotgun Range
Rifle & Pistol Range
Archery Range
Summer Biathlon
Campgrounds
Christmas Party
Family Campout
Family Picnics
Family Picnic Auction
Wild Game Dinner

Public Relations

Corresponding Secretary

Conservation and Education
Media Outreach
Global Ecology Program PHS
Firearms Safety & Education
Hunter Safety
Junior Rifle Team
Legislative Affairs
Public Relations
Scout Liaison
Scout Projects
Dinner Meeting Speakers
State Division IWLA
National IWLA
Memorials

Ad Hoc Committees

President

Preside at all meetings
Ex-officio member of all other standing committees
Chair the Advanced Planning and Finance Committee
Chapter Awards
Environmental Stewardship

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Water Quality Monitoring
Land Acquisition & Fund Raising
Log Cabin Restoration
Website Management
Volunteer Opportunities
Service Members Days
Conservation Farm Book Revision Group
Communication Committee
Volunteer Hours Coordinator
Archaeology
Photography and Video

The current list of chairpeople for each committee along with their contact information is listed on our website at www.bcciwla.org. Additionally, the committee list with chairpersons is published in the newsletter once a year. As projects and events come up during the year, the committee chairs will announce the projects and events through both the newsletter and website. Again, our chapter functions solely on volunteerism, and relies on our members to get involved.

State and National IWLA

Our B-CC chapter is one of 20 IWLA chapters in the State of Maryland, and one of 400 IWLA chapters in the United States. Nation-wide there are approximately 40,000 members of IWLA. Our chapter typically has members that serve as directors on both the state and national levels. Our chapter is well represented with delegates attending state division meetings as well as the annual nation convention. We are active participants in and adhere to policies set forth by both the state and national divisions.

Website: www.bcciwla.org

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

The leadership of the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Chapter communicates with our membership through our website at www.bcciwla.org, our newsletter which is published monthly, and blast emails which are sent on an occasional basis when a topic is time sensitive. Please be sure that our membership secretary has your current email address and please visit our website on a regular basis to keep up with events on our conservation farm.

The Bethesda-Chevy Chapter is one of many organizations dedicated to the conservation and proper use of our land and its resources. We collaborate on a regular basis with several other groups to coordinate our conservation activities, and thus benefit not only our chapter, but also our neighbors and the county and state. Some of these other organizations and their websites are listed below.

Maryland Department of Natural Resources:

<http://www.dnr.state.md.us>

Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection

<http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Izaak Walton League of America

<http://www.iwla.org>

Montgomery County Soil Conservation District

<http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/govtmpl.asp?url=/content/DED/AgServices/agsoilconservation.asp>

Potomac Conservancy

<http://www.potomac.org/site>

Potomac River Keepers

<http://www.potomacriverkeeper.org>

Maryland Native Plant Society

<http://mdflora.org>

Maryland Ornithological Society

<http://www.mdbirds.org>

Mid-Potomac Chapter Archeology Society of Maryland

<http://www.asmmidpotomac.org>

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Maryland National Capitol Park and Planning Commission

http://www.mncppc.org/commission_home.html

National Park Service

<http://www.nps.gov/index.htm>

Appalachian Trail Conservancy

<http://www.appalachiantrail.org/>

Ruffed Grouse Society

<http://www.ruffedgrousesociety.org/>

Trout Unlimited

<http://www.tu.org/>

Chesapeake Bay Foundation

<http://www.cbf.org/>

Sugarloaf Countryside Conservancy

<http://WWW.privatelandownernetnetwork.org/yellowpages/resource.aspx?id=1440>

Maryland Environmental Trust

<http://www.dnr.state.md.us>

Poolesville High School Global Ecology Program

<http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/poolesvillehs/magnet/globalecology/>