



OCTOBER 2013 NEWSLETTER

The Bethesda-Chevy Chase Chapter of The Izaak Walton League of America

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President's Message

Do you feel the excitement?? I and I'm sure many of you do!!

I'm referring to **one** of the reasons many of us belong to the Izaak Walton League.

Deer Hunting Season!!!

It's here for the "bow people" and not far behind it's coming for firearms. Some non-IKES may say, "You claim to be a conservation organization but many of your members are avid hunters!"

The answer to those who pose this to you as an IKE, should be along the following lines; "Hunting and Conservation are not incompatible. In fact, hunters make a huge contribution to conservation efforts all over the United States."

As IKES, we can go on to explain how it is that this can be?

In 1937, two congressmen, Senator Key Pittman of Nevada and Representative Absalom Willis Robertson of Virginia sponsored a bill passed and signed into law by President Roosevelt. The Act created an excise tax that provides funds to each state to manage animals and their habitats. Prior to the Pittman–Robertson Act, many species of wildlife were driven to or near extinction by hunting pressure and/or habitat degradation. Some species that have come back in strong numbers since the implementation of this act include white-tailed deer, wild turkey, and wood ducks.

Now here is the connection to hunting.

The Pittman–Robertson Act took over a pre-existing 11% excise tax on firearms and ammunition and directed that instead of the money going into the U.S. Treasury as it had done in the past, the money must be kept separate and be distributed by the Secretary of the Interior to the States. The Secretary determines how much to give to each state based on a formula that takes into account both the area of the state and its number of licensed hunters.

States must fulfill certain requirements to use the money. None of the money from their hunting license sales may be used by anyone other than the State's fish and game department. The Secretary of the Interior must approve the planned use of the monies. Acceptable options include research, surveys, management of wildlife and/or habitat and acquisition or lease of land, among other things. Once a plan has been approved, the state must pay the full cost and is later reimbursed for up to 75% of that cost through P–R funds. The 25% of the cost that the State must pay comes from its hunting license sales. If any of the federal money does not get spent, after two years it is reallocated to the Migratory Bird Conservation Act.

Hunting, shooting and Conservation are inextricably linked!

If you're a hunter, **you** are a Conservationist.

If you are **not** a hunter, but **you** are a shooter, **you** are a Conservationist.

I encourage you all to visit www.bcciwla.org/ and click the link to the speech given by our Forestry Chairman, Butch Mezick at the IWLA convention last July. The title of the speech is "GUNS, CONSERVATION, AND LEADERSHIP." The speech is inspiring and brings clarity to understanding the compatibility among the League's Conservation and Recreational Activities.

Frank Parker

Board of Governors

Fiscal Year: September 1, 2013 – August 31, 2014

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* Indicates Officers and Board Members who were absent from the previous month's Board of Governors meeting.

The Izaak Walton League of America – a non-profit conservation organization – is recognized as a Section 501(c)(3) public charity under the Internal Revenue Code.

Address, phone and e-mail changes should be sent to the Membership Secretary at the above address.

Submissions to the *NEWSLETTER* should be sent to:

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Summary of the September 2013 Dinner Meeting and Board of Governors Meeting

R. Tucker Mostrom, Recording Secretary
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September 18 Dinner Meeting

- Chapter President Frank Parker called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
- Other chapter officers present were Joe Snider (1st VP), Scott Harmon (2nd VP), and Carol Efdimis (Membership Secretary). Board members present included Jim Hubbard, R. Tucker Mostrom, Warner Parks, Hope Rutley, and Jeff Schilling.
- The Membership Report, Treasurer's Report and Committee Reports were presented.
- President Frank Parker discussed the IWLA National Strategic Plan and the chapter's efforts to help implement it locally.
- The motions to accept the chapter's 2013-2014 annual operating budget was passed by a voice vote of the membership.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

September 25 Board of Governors Meeting

- Chapter President Frank Parker called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
- Other chapter officers present were Joe Snider (1st VP), Scott Harmon (2nd VP), Ron Marchessault (Treasurer), Carol Efdimis (Membership Secretary), and Steven Swartz (Past President). Board members present included Jim Hubbard, R. Tucker Mostrom, Jim Tate, Warner Parks, Hope Rutley, Kevin King, and Jeff Schilling.
- Members in good standing in attendance included Butch Mezick, Bob Pavlick, John Lavelle, John Lamb, Larry Curtis, Ernie Smith, Kenny Northrup, Byron Ricketts, Mark Shanker, and Tom Walker.
- Jack and Joseph Contrera, guests from Scout Troop 457, presented an Eagle Scout Project proposal.
- The Membership Report, Treasurer's Report and any updates to Committee Reports from the membership meeting were presented

NEW BUSINESS (Motions before the Board)

- The motion passed to accept 11 applications for probationary membership.
- The motion passed to approve chapter house use for Troop 496 on October 27 and November 10 (10 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.).
- The motion passed to move replacement trap machine to top priority for capital funding.
- The motion to move pond aerator pumps up to 2nd priority for capital funding was postponed.
- The motion passed to accept Jack Contrera's Eagle Project proposal pending tech review and spring start date.
- The BOG meeting adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

B-CC IWLA Photography Group



The Chapter is seeking photographers to join with Gary Jones, Photography Chairman, in providing ongoing coverage of events, farm projects and scenery and people, to illustrate newsletters, guides and other media.

If you want to become eligible for these assignments and have photography and/or video interests and equipment, please email Larry Curtis at LHCurtis@MSN.com to get started.



Driving on Chapter Property

It has come to the attention of the Board of Governors that there is some misinformation floating around about driving on chapter property at one's own discretion, i.e. driving to the back pond. Due to this practice, we now have a "road" that is being created in a field where there previously was not one and where we did not want it.

Privately owned vehicles are to remain on the main Chapter roads at all times. They are NOT allowed to drive through the fields or park in open areas. This includes no vehicle traffic to the back pond or in the fields unless the vehicle is in use in conjunction with a project being overseen by a Chairman or Committee.

Skinny dipping to court a young lady?

Kathie Rogers

Imagine courting a young lady at the turn of the twentieth century. The difficulty being that you live in Maryland and she lives in Virginia. Now it's only a few miles as the crow flies, but there's a river in the way. You could take a boat, but you don't have one. So you could take off all your clothes and wade across the Potomac.

According to family history associated with the Homestead site in the Northeast Woods, that's how James R. Astlin (born 1889), courted his future wife Mary Belle Walters. Jim would go to the Potomac River near Edwards Ferry, undress, and wade across to Virginia carrying his clothes over his head. Upon reaching the other side he would dress and walk along Goose Creek to reach the farm where Mary lived.

That was just one of the many fascinating stories the Archaeology Committee was privileged to hear when we met with two grandchildren of James and Mary as well as some other descendents earlier this year. Some of the family who we were lucky to spend time with were Mary "Pat" Astlin-Spindle (Granddaughter of James), Pat's daughter Donna Spindle, Barbara Runion (Granddaughter of James) and her husband Frank Yator, Jr., and Joe Astlin. Today the ruined farm sits at the corner of the Izaak Walton property near Willard Road. Although the farm house burned in the early years of the twentieth century, it remained significant in the lives of the Astlin descendents. The farm was purchased in 1875 by Eliza Ann Hinton Astlin, wife of Richard, for \$1,367.50. Women owning property was not uncommon because it provided a source of income in times of difficulty. Eliza Ann purchased the property from Elizabeth Broome, Elizabeth's sister Sarah Warfield and Edwin Warfield, Sarah's husband. The land had been left to Elizabeth and Sarah by their mother, Susannah Darby, in 1846.

The Astlin family began their association with the farm with the 1875 purchase. Richard's name can be seen on the 1878 map published by G. W. Hopkins. Members of the family lived in the old farmhouse until it burned, possibly around 1914. The family still owned the land however and used to visit. Pat Astlin-Spindle shared how she used to go berry pick-

ing at the site of the old homestead when she was a young girl in the early 1940's. Only the foundation of the house was visible then, and the well, and she was warned to take care not to fall into it by her Aunt Pearl. Although the foundation is still visible the well may have collapsed into the sink hole at the site.

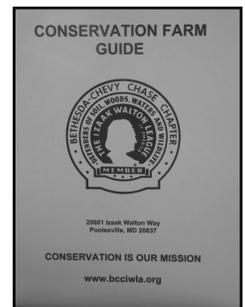
The farm site can be significant to Izaak Walton members too, which is why the Archaeology Committee is looking to study and preserve this element of Montgomery County History. We plan to conduct some archaeological investigations at a future date to learn more about life on a small farm in the 19th century. Since the farmhouse burned and has not been occupied since, the site is like a time capsule and has the potential to yield interesting clues to everyday life. By properly recording the locations of artifacts found archaeologists may reconstruct life on a farm and help us learn more about this cultural resource on our property.

B-CC IWLA Conservation Farm Guide

The B-CC IWLA is very pleased to present to our members our recently completed and printed book entitled *B-CC IWLA CONSERVATION FARM GUIDE* containing 94 pages with hundreds of color photos and our chapter's Trail Guide. The first section welcomes everyone and provides a brief statement of our goals. The first tab entitled History provides a bit of history about Izaak Walton and the League and then a detailed history of our chapter and its core values and beliefs. The next section separated by a tab called Facilities – Activities acquaints the reader with the many activities and facilities of our farm. The Trails section of the book is next with a table of contents listing six different trails. Each trail has a narrative that shares with the reader the finer points and observations to be encountered during a hike on the trails. Habitat is presented next with a description of habitat in general and then the three major habitats of our farm woodlands, ponds and streams, and open spaces and fields. Wildlife divided into sub sections called managed game species, predators, amphibians and birds comprise the book's wildlife section. Wildflowers both common and uncommon are followed by a subsection called invasive plants. The very last tab opens to a section called Organization detailing our farm's governing body and the committees that manage our farm. Our chapter's communication tools, its web site and newsletter, are presented and followed by a list of conservation organizations that often work with our chapter.

The entire book is available via the chapter's home page of its web site, bcciwla.org, and will work well with your home computer or iPhone. We have also provided a tab to download the Trail Guide. New members will receive a free copy of the Conservation Farm Book and all other members may purchase one at cost. The approximate cost of each book with a trail guide included is \$30.00. To request a hard cover book send your e-mail address via the link provided after you navigate to the book section of the our web site. When we have enough requests to generate a printing order, you will be notified to mail the purchase price to a provided address and your book will be available for you after the chapter's dinner meetings.

New members that have joined the chapter recently and did not receive a book entitled *B-CC IWLA West Woods Guidebook* may request the new book. For members in this category, you may receive your book after the dinner meetings by providing your name and date of membership.



2013 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date(s)	Activity	Time
OCTOBER		
Saturday, October 5	Fall Work Day	8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Monday, October 7	Boy Scout Troop 496	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 9	Conservation & Education Committee	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Friday, October 11	Rural Republican Womens Dinner – Set-up	3:00 p.m. till Close
Saturday, October 12	Rural Republican Womens Meeting and Dinner	8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 13	Chapter House Clean-up	9:00 a.m.
Sunday, October 13	Archeology Outing – “Hike to Mine Shaft”	12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m.
Monday, October 14	Boy Scout Troop 496	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 16	Monthly Dinner Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Thursday, October 17	Cub Scout Den 694	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 20	Sporting Clays Fall/Winter League Shoot	9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 20	Wagon Ride Around Farm	1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Monday, October 21	Boy Scout Troop 496	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 23	Board of Governors Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, October 27	Archeology Outing – “Piney Hill Farm”	12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 27	Boy Scout Troop 496 Court of Honor	10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Monday, October 28	Boy Scout Troop 496	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
NOVEMBER		
Saturday, November 2	Black Powder Class / Match	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Monday, November 4	Boy Scout Troop 496	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 9	Girl Scouts – Chapter house	9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, November 10	Boy Scout Troop 496 – Chapter house	10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Monday, November 11	Boy Scout Troop 496	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, November 13	Conservation & Education Committee	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 16	Chapter House Clean-up	9:00 a.m.
Saturday, November 16	Tree Planting	8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Sunday, November 17	Sporting Clays Fall/Winter League Shoot	9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Monday, November 18	Boy Scout Troop 496	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, November 20	Monthly Dinner Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, November 20	Board of Governors Meeting	9:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 21	Cub Scout Den 694	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 23	Shotgun Range Officers Training Class	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Monday, November 25	Boy Scout Troop 496	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 30	Christmas Decorating	TBD
DECEMBER		
Monday, December 2	Boy Scout Troop 496	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Monday, December 9	Boy Scout Troop 496	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 11	Conservation & Education Committee	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, December 14	Chapter House Clean-up	9:00 a.m.
Sunday, December 15	Sporting Clays Fall/Winter League Shoot	9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Monday, December 16	Boy Scout Troop 496	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 18	Monthly Dinner Meeting	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 18	Board of Governors Meeting	9:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 19	Cub Scout Den 694	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Monday, December 23	Boy Scout Troop 496	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Monday, December 30	Boy Scout Troop 496	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Black Powder Match

We are holding a black powder match on November 2 at 9:00 a.m. The details are being worked out and if you have an interest in participating, contact Mark Gochour at mgdonutman@gmail.com or Dan Hess at big_d_hess@hotmail.com so they can send you the match information. There will be a morning sight-in/instructional time (patch, ball and powder combos will be tested) from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, special lunch (12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.) with a shooting match with prizes from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Up to two guests will be permitted and normal shooting range charges will apply. We are asking for \$10 to cover the cost of lunch and prizes. We still have to charge normal range fees but they can both be paid that day. If you are experienced shooter of black powder and you would like to help others to shoot better or can assist in the running of this special event, please contact us. Even if you cannot make this event, we are trying to compile a list of people interested in shooting – inline, percussion or flintlock guns so that we can keep you informed about any muzzleloading shooting activities in the future.

2013 SPORTING CLAYS FALL/WINTER LEAGUE

50 Targets — Entry Fee: \$15.00

Optional LEWIS for each event \$5.00

Shooting starts at 9:00 a.m.

Last entry at 2:00 p.m.

League Awards by Lewis Class

For more information

(301) 620-1535 Bill Thelemann Poolesville
(301) 695-8322 John Ortaldo FCFGPA

SHOOT DETAILS

What	Where	Shoot Dates
Clays	FCFGPA Camp Kanawha	Sept. 8; Oct 6; Nov. 3; Dec. 1
Clays	Poolesville B-CC IWLA	Sept. 15; Oct. 20; Nov. 17; Dec. 15

League will consist of 8 shoots held at 2 different clubs. To be eligible for League Awards each shooter must shoot 6 of 8 shoots. Best 6 scores will be used by Lewis Class for awards. Load Limit is 12 Gauge 1 1/8 oz. – 3 Dram Equiv. 7 1/2. Optional Lewis (\$5) Purse (2 places/60-40%) will be available.

Shotgun Range Report

Bill Thelemann

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The 2014 Range Officers sign-up sheet will be posted at the Range House in November. Please check your schedules and start thinking about signing up. We need all RO's to serve two Sundays in 2014!

The Fall Sporting Clays League has started. See the flyer for details and dates.

The Top Gun Shotgun match will be scheduled soon – probably in December. Keep an eye on the next newsletters.

Many thanks to all who helped with the clay target delivery on September 21. All went well – thanks for all the help.

There will be a Shotgun Range Officers training class on Saturday, November 23. No sign-up required – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon + at the shotgun range pavilion.

Please use caution when turning on all electric traps. The trap machine needs a few minutes to warm up before you cock the throwing arm.

Please re-fill and restock the skeet houses with targets when you are finished shooting. Additional targets are stored in the trailer under the tower or the empty low skeet house on the left side of the range.

Please pick up your empty shotgun shells and trash when finished shooting. We need all the empty shotgun shells/hulls picked up after shooting. Please keep the range clean and restocked for the next shooters. All shotgun Range equipment is to be used by pre-qualified Shotgun Range Officers ONLY. If any equipment is malfunctioning, please let Joel or me know ASAP.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Sundays	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Sporting Clays
Sundays	12:00 noon – 5:00 pm	Trap and Skeet

RANGE OFFICER SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 6	Dave Myers / Gary Melvin
Sunday, October 13	Randy Benson / Mort Taubman
Sunday, October 20	Pete Carroccio – Fall Sporting Clays League _ Bill Thelemann
Sunday, October 27	Doug Craig
Sunday, November 3	T.C. Whitehouse
Sunday, November 10	John Novak
Sunday, November 17	Fall Sporting Clays League – Bill Thelemann
Sunday, November 24	Gil Knight
Sunday, December 1	Mike Noble
Sunday, December 8	WE NEED A RO
Sunday, December 15	Fall Sporting Clays League – Bill Thelemann
Sunday, Dcember 22	WE NEED A RO
Sunday, December 29	WE NEED A RO

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please submit all articles for the November 2013 newsletter to jhubb00@verizon.net and janet@spectrumprinting.com no later than Friday, October 25.

Membership Renewals and Dues Increase

Carol Efdimis, Membership Secretary
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At the May dinner meeting, it was voted to increase chapter dues by \$25 which will take effect for 2014 dues and will be noted on your renewal statement when I send them out in September. Each membership dues amount is based on a fraction of the Individual chapter dues so the increase to your dues will be the appropriate fraction of \$25. If there are any questions, please call Carol Efdimis at 301-407-0025 or email glock22@comcast.net.

Membership renewals will be sent out by mid-September. Your dues must be received no later than December 31, 2013 or a late fee of ¼ of your annual Chapter dues payment will be added to your annual dues (see Article VIII, section 4(a) of the Chapter By-Laws). An information form will be included for you to fill out with updated information and needs to be returned with your payment.

For probationary members: If you have completed your 16 work hours, please send your paperwork to me. If you are unsure of when your probationary period ends or how many hours you have accumulated, contact me. Any probationary member whose probationary period ended in 2012 that has not completed their work hours will be dropped from the membership. If you would like to reapply for membership, you will need to go through the acceptance process again (see Article III, section 2.b of the Chapter By-Laws).

For regular members: If you have completed your 6 work hours, send in your paperwork to me when you send in your dues. If you have not completed your 6 work hours by December 31, you are subject to the \$50 work fee that is added to your dues.

These hours can be sent to me via email at glock22@comcast.net or via the post office at the address below.

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Rifle & Pistol Range Committee Report

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RANGE CLOSURES

The range will be **closed** on the following days for hunting season:

Saturday, October 19	Muzzleloader Season
Saturday, November 16	Youth Hunt Day
Saturday, November 30	Firearm Season
Sunday, December 1	Firearm Season

RANGE OFFICER SCHEDULE

OCTOBER

Saturday, Oct. 5	Reilly, J., Yu, Z., Kipfer, J., Gautereaux, J.
Sunday, Oct. 6	Tome, M., Kavanagh, E., Carroccio, P., Kipfer, J., Brower, P.
Saturday, Oct. 12	Mullis, A., Beal, A., Beal, B., Johnson, G., Smith, A.
Sunday, Oct. 13	Smith, A., Nichols, W., Beal, A., Beal, B., Novak, J.
Saturday, Oct. 19	RANGE CLOSED – Winter, H., Herr, R.
Sunday, Oct. 20	Brower, P., Jones, R., Davis, W., Longo, R., Guille, E.
Saturday, Oct. 26	Murray, J., Greenberg, R., Elkins, B., Shanker, M., Sheehy, J., Guille, E.

Sunday, Oct 27 Pedersen, P., Plumley, C., Boynton, D., Finn, K., Novak, J.

NOVEMBER

Saturday, Nov. 2	Carey, L., Morgan, R., March, G., Holt, M., Sheehy, J., O'Rear, G.
Sunday, Nov. 3	Benson, R., March, G., Wildman, M., West, K.
Saturday, Nov. 9	Donovan, P., Jones, G., Sigalas, G., Suleman, S., Pare, M.
Sunday, Nov. 10	Bryan, K., Thorne, T., Jones, G., Sigalas, G., Pare, M.
Saturday, Nov. 16	RANGE CLOSED – Glass-Royal, M., Plumley, C.
Sunday, Nov. 17	Thorne, T., Glass-Royal, M., Longo, R., Barnett, J., Bonatti, C.
Saturday, Nov. 23	Moynihan, D., Solis, J., Newsom, D., Epstein, G.
Sunday, Nov. 24	Hess, L., Newsom, D., Calderwood Sr., J., Calderwood Jr. J.

PARKING AT THE RANGE

The handicap parking at the range is **only** for those who have a handicap placard, license plate or a sticker on their vehicle. No other parking is allowed in this area on either side of the road leading down to the range. You may pull your car up to the yellow gate to unload or load but then it must be immediately moved.

Archeology Report

Don Perino, Archeology Committee Chair
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This fall the Archeology Committee has organized several hikes to explore the Chapter's property.

Members are invited to help search our woods for things like lost roads and abandoned foundations.

All Field Trips will run from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. – weather permitting. Send me your email address in case the hike is cancelled.

To join us meet at the Chapter House parking lot at noon.

SCHEDULE

Sunday, Oct. 6	Explore Northeast Woods and vicinity. There's an abandoned farm and possibly an old church site.
Sunday, Oct. 13	Hike to the mine shaft in the West Woods.
Sunday, Oct. 27	Piney Hill Farm: Explore and map the woods south of the small pond as well as the area around the log cabin.

DINNER MEETING

The 935th regular dinner meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 16** at the Chapter house. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. **Board members are expected to attend.** All members and guests are invited.

MENU

Appetizers: Assorted

Entrée: Salad, Roast Beef, Green Beans, Baked Potatoes, Rolls

Dessert: Cake

BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

The October Board of Governors meeting will be held at the Chapter house on **Wednesday, October 23.** **Board Members are expected to attend.**

Welcome to the B-CC IWLA Family

The following new members were inducted at the September Dinner Meeting.

Ryan Bissett 301-518-4382

Family: Tara, Aidan

Interests: Chapter House & Furnishings, Rifle & Pistol, Shooting Sports

Geoffrey Duncklee 301-365-8687

Interests: Hunter Safety, Scout Camp Area, Youth Activities/Scouting

Raymond Fenton 561-756-6957

Interests: Farm, Scout Camp, Wildlife Management

Ann Gallagher 301-320-3182

Family: James, Abigail, Ciara

Interests: Archery, Conservation Education, Forestry, Nature Trail, Ponds & Streams, Rifle & Pistol, Wildlife Management, Youth Activities

Kevin Kittka 301-469-8453

Interests: Photography, Rifle & Pistol, Shooting Sports

Cassie Nanan 301-624-0064

Interests: Building & Facility, Family Picnic, Photography

Richard Riccio 301-916-7971

Family: Judith, Zachary, Donna

Interests: Archery, Rifle & Pistol, Shooting Sports

Ted Taylor 301-299-8523

Family: Lisa, Regan, Grant, Spencer, Pierce

Interests: Archery, Family Picnic, Legislative, Rifle & Pistol, Shooting Sports

Bryan Thrush 407-257-3473

Interests: Archery, Rifle & Pistol, Shooting Sports, Wildlife Management

Wildlife Report

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Deer firearms seasons start on October 18 with the early muzzleloader season. We ask that all hunters be safe and courteous, read and follow our rules and respect all property lines. The chapter website has the updated rules, and in addition all members intending to hunt must acknowledge that they have read our rules and understand where our property lines are.

We do not have permission to hunt on any of our neighbor's properties. Please use the Chapter's Trail Guide and Web Page to familiarize yourself with the trails and the boundaries of our Conservation Farm. In the event that you wound an animal and it expires on the property owned by Joe Morin located to the north and west of our farm on several different boundaries or the property owned by Vikki Van Winkle located north of the NE Woods, you may enter their property only after calling them and asking permission. You must not enter their properties with a weapon of any kind. Joe Morin (301-674-5397); Vikki Van Winkle (301-379-356).

Our farm is considered private property, so your current valid membership card is used as the written permission to hunt as required by MD DNR and must be carried along with your valid hunting license. Also, be sure to have a current B-CC IWLA chapter vehicle decal visible in all vehicles on the farm. We ask that deer and turkeys taken on our farm be recorded either in our game logbook, located outside the chapter house main door, or by sending an email to andupton9@hotmail.com. We do this recording as part of our management program, last year 42 deer were reported taken on our farm.

Catch a Poacher 24-Hour Hotline 1-800-635-6124

Citizens who supply Maryland Natural Resources Police with information leading to the arrest and conviction of a poaching violator are eligible to receive cash rewards. Give names, addresses, vehicle descriptions, and as much information as possible. The anonymity of the caller is guaranteed.

2014 Land Fund

As a member of the B-CC IWLA, I want to do my part and contribute the following amount to the B-CC IWLA Land Fund Campaign. Your contribution is tax deductible.

Name _____

Address _____

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_____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ \$200 _____ \$500 _____ \$1000 _____ OTHER

Please mail contribution form and check (written out to B-CC IWLA) to Carol Efdimis, B-CC IWLA, PO Box 542, Poolesville, MD 20837



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Another Way to Achieve our Goals

Frank Parker, President

At the September Board of Governor's meeting, a team was designated to help Committee Chairs and members find and apply for grants to support projects or events of our committees. Grants are non-repayable funds given by a grant maker – often a government department, corporation, foundation or trust, to a recipient, usually a nonprofit entity like B-CC IWLA. In order to receive a grant, some form of "Grant Writing" is usually required.

One example of a grant received by BCC is Steven Swartz' grant received from IWLA National Endowment for the solar aerators. I believe it was for about \$4,500. That is money we didn't have to spend out of our membership income. The aerators have helped keep the ponds healthy year around as evidenced by the nice bass population in the Big Pond.

The process is:

- Members with suggestions for projects or events suitable for outside funding should take their ideas to their committee chair with documentation on paper for review and discussion.
- Committee chairs are asked to contact Board of Governors member **Jim Tate (202 841-2056, jim@tate-tate.us)** for help in finding and applying for appropriate grants.
- The committee chair and the member are responsible for providing completed proposals to the Board of Governors prior to submittal to the chosen granting entity.

- The committee chair and member should be prepared to stick with and participate fully in the grant process until it is approved or rejected by the body to which it is submitted and to follow through with the terms of the grant to project completion.

I hope you will put on your thinking cap, present your ideas to your BOG, and contribute to our Conservation Farm. Good Luck!! It will be one more way we can achieve our goals.

Tree Planting November 16, 2013

Byron 'Butch' Mezick, Forestry Chairman
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Everyone is invited to come out and help the B-CC IWLA plant 500 replacement trees Saturday morning, November 16 starting at 8:30 a.m. We will divide ourselves into three different groups that will work independently in three different fields. This tree planting is required to replace the trees that died after the original planting. Replacement planting is normal and our tree project is doing very well. Dress for the day and expect to enjoy lunch provided by the chapter when we complete the planting, 12:30 to 1:00 p.m. Work hours will be credited for all categories of members. This is most definitely a family activity so please bring the children, they will leave proud and happy.

