



APRIL 2014 NEWSLETTER

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

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President's Message

*Bodies at rest tend to stay at rest.
Bodies in motion tend to stay in motion.*

This principle of physics (Newton's first law of motion) that describes the behavior of physical objects doesn't seem to hold true for humans.

Did you ever sit down at a table to accomplish some task and after working for a while, get the urge suddenly say to yourself, "I've got to move!!" Even if we walk around in the house we need to get the "move" monkey off our back. I can't imagine how a caged animal must feel. That must be the reason when you go to the zoo you often see animals pacing back and forth incessantly.

The last weekend in March got a lot of people moving. The Scouts had a merit badge weekend but they didn't wait to get the "move urge." They planned months ahead of time to do some of the things that a lot of us IKEs profess to like doing. The merit badges they went after were archery, rifle, and shotgun.

The Committee Chairs and the Board of Governors are planning many events in the coming months that will give chapter IKEs the opportunity to get off their duff. There is always the opportunity to engage like the scouts in one of the shooting sports. If you're always at the rifle range, how about "changing it up" and visiting the shotgun or archery ranges. Do something different! We have so many things to sample at our chapter. Fishing, gardening, hiking, hunting, archeology treks, and the list goes on and on. This past weekend I spent a lot of time outdoors and was out of cell phone roaming range. The result was a complete reset of my state of being. I came back so much more at peace than when I left. Yes, I had things to do but left them all at home to try a "change up."

I'm sure most of us have had that kind of an experience. If you haven't done it for a while and you can't spare a whole weekend, why not try to come out and do something you haven't tried before at the farm. Call it your Spring Refresher!

By the way, one of those events I was talking about in this message is going to happen on April 19th. It's our annual Earth Day celebration! Come on out and enjoy yourself and bring friends or family. A draft agenda for the day is included in this newsletter.

On the other hand, if you want to come out to help put on the day, give me a call. We can always use volunteers. See you there!

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Summary of the March 2014 Dinner Meeting and Board of Governors Meeting

March 19 Dinner Meeting

E. Hope Rutley, Acting Recording Secretary
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- Chapter President Frank Parker called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.
- Other Chapter Officers present were Joe Snider (1st VP), Scott Harmon (2nd VP), Carol Efdimis (Membership Secretary), Bob Benson (Past President), Jim Hubbard (Corresponding Secretary), and E. Hope Rutley (Acting Recording Secretary).
- Other Board Members present included Warner Parks and E. Hope Rutley.
- 2nd VP's Report, Membership Report, Treasury's Report and Committee Reports were presented.
- Maryland Natural Resources Police Senior Officer, Gerry Bond, Corporal Dan Yankie and Cadet Andrew Shifflett spoke on Hunter Safety Regulations, Enforcement of Hunting Safety Laws and Deer Management Permits.
- Bob Chapman gave his National Report.
- The Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

March 26 Board of Governors Meeting

Jack Mandel, Recording Secretary
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- 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), Carol Efdimis (Membership Secretary), Jim Hubbard (Corresponding Secretary), Ron Marchessault (Treasurer) and Past President Bob Benson.
- Other Board members present included Kevin King, Warner Parks, Hope Rutley, Jeff Schilling and Jim Tate.
- The following members in good standing also attended: Butch Mezick, Don Perino, Jack Mandel, Bob Pavlick, John Karlick, Erin Smith, and George Coakley.
- The Membership Report, Treasurer's Report, and Committee Reports were presented.

NEW BUSINESS (Motions before the Board)

- A motion to accept three new membership applications passed.
- A motion to approve a field roller constructed by Pat Tarquinio and send him a tax donation letter passed.
- A motion to accept a donation of a John Deere 7000 planter in consideration of a tax letter for \$4,500.00 passed.
- A motion to approve Rachel Harris' Girl Scout Gold project passed.
- A motion to pay conference registration fees for a B-CC IWLA attendee to the Maryland Statewide Conservation Conference to be held April 3-4 in Clagett Center, Adamstown, MD passed.
- A motion to donate \$500.00 to Montgomery County Soil Conservation District passed.
- A motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 p.m. passed by acclamation.

By-Laws Change

For several years, an Environmental Stewardship Committee has been conducting periodic stream monitoring of our farm's watershed in accordance with an environmental stewardship plan. Stream water entering the property and stream water leaving the property is collected by the committee and tested by an environmental lab for pollutants. Careful records are kept. This monitoring is important since our streams may be subject to inspection by governmental authorities.

Even though the committee has been functioning for a lengthy period of time, it has never been officially recognized as a permanent standing committee of our chapter. At its regular March meeting, your Board of Governors passed a motion to place an addition to our chapter by-laws before the membership making the existing Environmental Stewardship Committee a permanent standing committee of our chapter. The text of the by-laws amendment is as follows:

"The Environmental Stewardship Committee shall be chaired by a member appointed by the Chapter President. The Environmental Stewardship Committee will be primarily responsible for carrying out the Environmental Stewardship Management Plan, recommending updates as necessary, and providing an annual status report to the Chapter President and the Board of Governors. Additionally, the Committee will perform such related tasks and projects as requested by the Chapter President or Board of Governors."

A vote approving this by-laws change is planned for the membership meeting on April 16, 2014.

Chapter Appointment

Frank Parker, President
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Last month I asked for a volunteer to join the Board of Governors as the Recording Secretary to fill the absence of Tucker Mostrom who is now working in Philadelphia.

The Recording Secretary position is that of an Officer on the Board and has all the rights and responsibilities of a Board Member.

I'm pleased to announce that Mr. Jack Mandel has stepped up and volunteered for the position. Jack hit the ground running and began his new position at the March Board meeting. Thanks, Jack, for agreeing to serve.

Thanks also go to Hope Rutley, Board Member, who filled in during the interim.

DINNER MEETING

The 941st regular dinner meeting will be held on **Wednesday, April 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, Fried Chicken, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Dinner Rolls

Dessert: Cake

BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

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

Welcome to the B-CC IWLA Family

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

Jeff Cameron 301-668-0608
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James Adkins 301-407-0302
Interests: Archery, Nature Trail, Rifle & Pistol

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Interests: Shooting Sports

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Interests: Archery, Farm, Hunter Safety

Marc Rampulla 301-581-0919
Family: Laddie Joe, Dylan, Ryan
Interests: Archery, Chapter Activities, Recreational Activities, Rifle & Pistol

Adopt-A-Road Clean-Up

Interested members are invited to participate in the adopt-a-road program on any of the scheduled dates. The Chapter is planning at least five road clean-ups this year. Materials, such as bags and gloves, will be made available. Maps showing our zone of responsibility will be distributed.

2014 ADOPT A ROAD CLEAN-UP SCHEDULE

Date	Start time	Location
March 29	8:00 a.m.	Chapter House
April 5	8:00 a.m.	Chapter House
June 7	8:00 a.m.	Chapter House
September 13	8:00 a.m.	Chapter House
October 4	8:00 a.m.	Chapter House

Questions concerning the upcoming road clean-ups can be directed to John Robinson, 301-641-1188 or Ray Parker, 301-538-1232.

Nominating Committee Formed

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Every year around this time a nominating committee is appointed for the purpose of identifying candidates to be officers and members of the Board of Governors in the year beginning September 1. The committee's report is presented to the membership by newsletter and at a dinner meeting. At the dinner meeting nominations from the floor are also accepted and a vote is held based on all nominations.

If you have interest in serving on the Board of Governors or believe someone you know should be considered, please submit your name or a person you propose to Larry Anderson (andupton9@hotmail.com), Committee Chair of the Nominating Committee.

2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date(s)	Activity	Time
APRIL		
Tuesday, April 1	Tuesday Sporting Clays	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 5	Spring Farm Clean-up Day	8:30 a.m.
Monday, April 7	Boy Scout Troop 496 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 8	Tuesday Sporting Clays	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 12	Chapter House Clean Up	9:00 a.m.
Monday, April 14	Boy Scout Troop 496 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 15	Tuesday Sporting Clays	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 16	Monthly Dinner Meeting	6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 17	Cub Scout Den 694 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 19	Earth Day Event	9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Monday, April 21	Boy Scout Troop 496 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 22	Tuesday Sporting Clays	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 23	Board of Governors Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 26	NAVHDA Handlers Clinic	7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 27	NAVHDA Handlers Clinic	7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Monday, April 28	Boy Scout Troop 496 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, April 29	Tuesday Sporting Clays	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
MAY		
Saturday, May 3	Hunter Safety Course	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 4	Hunter Safety Course	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 6	Tuesday Sporting Clays	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 7	Boy Scout Troop 496 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 10	Montgomery Bird Club Spring Bird Walk	7:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Monday, May 12	Boy Scout Troop 496 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 13	Tuesday Sporting Clays	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 15	Cub Scout Den 694 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 17	R&P Range Officer Class	9:00 a.m.
Saturday, May 17	Chapter House Clean Up	9:00 a.m.
Monday, May 19	Boy Scout Troop 496 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 20	Tuesday Sporting Clays	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 21	Monthly Dinner Meeting	6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Monday, May 26	Boy Scout Troop 496 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 27	Tuesday Sporting Clays	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 28	Board of Governor Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 29	Annual Past Presidents' Dinner	6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 31	Shotgun Range Officers Training Class	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
JUNE		
Monday, June 2	Boy Scout Troop 496 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 3	Tuesday Sporting Clays	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 7	Introduction to Hunting Seminar	8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Monday, June 9	Boy Scout Troop 496 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 10	Tuesday Sporting Clays	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 14	Chapter House Clean Up	9:00 a.m.
Monday, June 16	Boy Scout Troop 496 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 17	Boy Scout Troop 496 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 18	Monthly Dinner Meeting	6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, June 19	Cub Scout Troop 694 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Monday, June 23	Boy Scout Monthly Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 24	Tuesday Sporting Clays	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 25	Board of Governors Meeting	7:30 p.m.
Monday, June 30	Boy Scout Troop 496 Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Earth Day – Saturday, April 19, 2014

The Conservation and Education Committee is planning the Chapter's Annual Earth Day Celebration for April 19th. The Earth Day Celebration is one of the Chapter's outreach efforts to the general public. We solicit members and non-members to attend and learn about the outdoors and conservation. It is one of the activities that justifies retention of our 501c(3) tax status.

On arrival, guests and members are invited to sign in at the Chapter House, have a cup of coffee, and visit the tables that include handouts for children, various wildlife artifacts, City Wildlife/Lights Out DC and the Master Gardeners organization. There is also explanation and registration for Predator/Prey games that will be facilitated by a daughter of a member. Youth are invited to join in. Additionally, there will be a geo-caching event in which youth can get involved with the use of a cell phone. They would be given clues to find a hidden item using the map features of the phone.

At a scheduled time, there will be an informal **discussion** led by Jim Tate, Ornithologist, regarding the **Wildlife population on the Conservation Farm** that will last from 10 to 15 minutes. Following this will be another **discussion** led by Mountain Man Microbiologist Bob Benson describing **the loss of the American Chestnut trees** in the US and the effort by the Izaak Walton chapter to breed a stronger strain of Chestnut tree.

At any time the guests may **visit the historical log cabin** visible on entry to the farm that will contain archeological artifacts and displays related to the history of the farm and the surrounding area. Another event is a **Tractor-wagon ride** (weather permitting) to the big pond 2 times on Earth Day. People can get off and walk around with a volunteer accompanying them explaining the sights around the pond area, or, get off and hike a short distance to the pond with the same result. At the **pond**, there will also be a person explaining the purpose, enjoyment, art, and techniques of **fly-fishing** and encouraging youth to come back in the afternoon for the fishing derby. The return of the wagon takes approximately 15 -20 minutes.

Other activities include a chance for youth and adults to shoot a limited number of arrows using a bow. The wagon will drop off any wanting to participate in this activity and then return to the Chapter House.

In the afternoon, there will be a demonstration of a **Falcon** hunt in the field below the Chapter House. This will be followed by a **hunting dog demonstration** by the North American Versatile Hunting Dog Association (**NAVHDA**).

The final activity of the day will be a **"fishing derby"** with rods/reels provided for the event at the big pond.

Note all guides will be given a script in outline form so that they can be sure to provide a complete tour.

AGENDA – INDOOR

- 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Wildlife artifacts Touch and Examine (Don't Take Them!)
- 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Log Cabin Open House
Historical and Archeological displays/discussions
- 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Master Gardener Table – Counseling Available
Montgomery Bird Club Table
City Wildlife/Lights Out DC Table
- 10:30 a.m. Wildlife Counts presentation 15-20 min max
- 11:00 a.m. American Chestnut Tree Recovery Project presentation

OUTDOOR EVENTS (all day – see times below)

Archery – Visit the archery targets (road to bottom of hill) and shoot 5 arrows (max)

Guided Walking Tours – Assemble on Chapter House Porch at appointed Hour below

- Cathedral of the Pines, Big Pond/Shotgun Range,
- Little Pond/Rifle & Pistol Range/Bee Hives/Wild Flowers

Wagon Rides (weather permitting) will be available from **9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** and make a circuit with 2/3 stops. Ten (10) people per ride at a minimum is required. **Assemble in Barn area! NOTE!** When disembarking at one of two available stops, guides will accompany visitors.

Predator-Prey Game (Ages 13 and up) – Youth assume the role of "predator" and must locate appropriate prey items that have been placed in an area. Predators include: bobcat, hawk, alligator, bullfrog, king-snake, and praying mantis. Prey species include snakes, frogs, mice, fish, insects, and rabbits. Students will "stalk," "kill," and "eat" as many prey as they can in five minutes.

Geo-Cache Event – Locate an item using your phone (Ages 12-14, Youth under 12 must be with a person **14 or older or an adult.**) **Assemble on the Chapter House Porch**

Fly Fishing Demonstration – A fisherman will demonstrate techniques of fishing with fly rod at the **big pond**.

SCHEDULED EVENTS

- 9:30 – 11:45 a.m. Wagon Ride (Minimum Limit of 10 riders, Max of 14)
- 9:30 – 11:45 a.m. Fly Fishing Demo at Big Pond (**take wagon to pond**)
- 9:30 – 11:45 a.m. Geo-Cache Event & Predator Prey Game – **Assemble on the Chapter House Porch**
Walking Tours – **Assemble on the Chapter House Porch**
- 1) Cathedral of the Pines, Big Pond/ Shotgun Range
 - 2) Little Pond/Rifle & Pistol Range/Bee Hives/Wild Flowers
- 10:30 a.m. Wildlife Counts presentation 15-20 min max (**Chapter House**)
- 11:00 a.m. American Chestnut Tree Recovery presentation (**Chapter House**)
- 12:00 p.m. LUNCH – BARBEQUE PIT**
- 1:00 p.m. North American Versatile Hunting Dog Demonstration
- 1:30 p.m. Geo-Cache Event & Predator Prey Game – **Assemble on the Chapter House Porch**
- 2:00 p.m. Falconry Demonstration
- 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. Fishing Derby (Ages 10 to 13) Prefer adult accompaniment – **Take Wagon to the Large Pond**

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please submit all articles for the **May** newsletter to jhubb00@verizon.net and janet@spectrumprinting.com no later than **Friday, April 25**.

Shotgun Range Report

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

The WET season is here. Please don't park or drive off the gravel area. **DO NOT drive over to the trailer.** The range is very muddy right now. **WEAR BOOTS!!!**

Please use caution when turning on all electric traps. Stand off to the side when cocking all arms. The TRAP MACHINE needs a few minutes to warm up before you cock the throwing arm.

There will be a shotgun Range Officers training class on Saturday, May 31. No charge or sign-up – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon+.

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 p.m.	Trap and Skeet
Tuesdays	3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Sporting Clays

RANGE OFFICER SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 13	Lawrence Kotchek
Sunday, April 20	Paul Shields
Sunday, April 27	Warner Parks
Sunday, May 4	Larry Camper
Sunday, May 11	WE NEED A RO
Sunday, May 18	Dave Myers and Gary Melvin
Sunday, May 25	Dave Myers and Gary Melvin
Sunday, June 1	Paul Shields
Sunday, June 8	WE NEED A RO
Sunday, June 15	WE NEED A RO
Sunday, June 22	Paul Shields

Hunter Safety

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The B-CC IWLA Spring Hunter Safety Course will be held on the weekend of May 3-4 at 8:00 a.m. inside the chapter house. Anyone wishing to take up hunting for the first time is required to satisfy a state certification course. All participants for the B-CC IWLA Hunter Safety Course must be pre-registered with Allan Smith to attend. Please send him an e-mail at huntersafety13@gmail.com or contact him at 240-224-7298.

Registration began after March 1. If you decide to attend this course, we encourage you to bring a lunch because it will be an all day event for both days.

We also need volunteer members willing to work off their required services hours to the chapter. If you are a member and are interested in assisting us, please contact John Lamb at jpatricklamb@aol.com.

Rifle & Pistol Range Committee Report

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NEW RANGE OFFICERS

If you want to become a Range Officer you will need to attend the RO training session scheduled for Saturday, May 17, starting at 9:00 a.m. and lasting until about 2:00 p.m. At this time you will be briefed on range rules and procedures and at the conclusion take a test, on which you must score at least 80 in order to become a Range Officer. **If you plan on attending this session, please bring the following: your current 2014 Chapter membership card, exact cash or check for the fee, a pen and paper to take notes.**

Your RO dues are based on your Chapter membership type. If you have an Individual membership to the Chapter, you are eligible for Individual RO dues at \$35/year. If you have a Family membership, you are eligible for Family at \$50/year or an Individual.

APRIL

Saturday, April 5	Hoover, J., Poppo, J., Kerr, A., Hernandez, B., Ryba, J.
Sunday, April 6	Ryba, J., Hernandez, B., Bingley M., Shanley, P., Saiz, J.
Saturday, April 12	Latimer, Jr. R., Hoover, J., Poppo, J., Kerr, A., Bruno, F.
Sunday, April 13	Shanley, P., Latimer, Jr., R., Liptak, M., Bingley, M.,
Saturday, April 19	Moisan, G.
Sunday, April 20	Snider, J., Evans, R., Greenberg, B., Summers, D.
Saturday, April 26	Murray, J., Elkins, B., Myers, D., Saiz, J.
Sunday, April 27	Terry, J., Williams, B., Summers, D., McGrath, J.

MAY

Saturday, May 3	Kosogof, J., Hess, D., Canali, L., Newsom, D.
Sunday, May 4	Hess, L., McGrath, J., Liptak, M., Miler, B.
Saturday, May 10	Pickett, M., Myers, D., Miller, B., Moffat, A.
Sunday, May 11	Hamilton, R., Grove, D., Pickett, M.
Saturday, May 17	Burns, M., Guille, E., Hamilton, R., Calderwood, Jr., J.
Sunday, May 18	Tarquino, P., Richards, M., Evans, R., Burns, M.
Saturday, May 24	Fiol, C., Eschholz, S., Guille, E., Strosnider, M., Bruno, F.
Sunday, May 25	Keenan, J., Terrell, J., Rejevich, B., Yetter, B.
Monday, May 26	Yetter, B., Chen, G., Panashchenko, O., Kang, J.

Wild Game Dinner

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The wild game dinner "Celebrate the Hunt" event was a smashing success. It was well attended with 80+ people bringing a cornucopia of delicious dishes ranging from wild pheasant to deer liver pate. Happy hour served up sweet wine and Belgian chocolate. Many thanks to all those that shared their pictures for the slide show featured during happy hour. It was so well liked by one of our members, the president of MBS Maryland Central Chapter, that he incorporated the slide show into the MBS banquet just held this spring. Our guest speaker Lynn Marsh spoke to us on how to buy a bow and fielded many questions on the subject. Much Kudos goes out to John and Speed for their herculean efforts in pulling off a great event. Job well done guys!

Annual Muzzleloading Class and Match – March 22, 2014

We had twelve participants in the morning orientation class with a father and son showing up at the range just to sight in their percussion rifle. Mark assisted them and John Novak and Tim Jorgensen, to get their shared rifle sighted in on the pistol side along with pistol shooter, Jerry Manolatos all who were having trouble getting decent groups. Dave Draley's grandson Kyle Smith joined us to shoot his inline and Jack Kang shot his modern rifles for a while but shifted to his scoped inline in the afternoon for the shooting match.

After the lunch provided by Carol Efdimis for us as well as the barn and tree workers we had seven shooters for the shooting match. That is just about the right number for working through the targets.

As he has done in the past, Dave Draley was our ERO for the day and he was ably assisted by Bill Miller. We appreciate their oversight for our safety. Since most of us are Range Officers we are well aware of everyone's safety but it is always good to have someone who is not shooting to monitor what is going on and communicating to Mark when someone needed direct help in solving a problem with their firearm.

Continuing the tradition from previous years, we shot off of cross-sticks at a buffalo target approximately 90 yards away. The new targets included turkey head targets attached to balloons – 50 yards from a benched/sandbagged rest, water bottles with a plastic golf ball on top at 20 yards, and at marshmallows on skewers – 15 yards and we shot at sideways playing cards at about 12 feet.

Mark's reliable flintlock rifle started acting up so he used his smoothbore 20 gauge. He was able along with Kyle and Jack to split cards. Jack Kang with his scoped inline rifle was the only one to hit the buffalo. Even Jerry Keathley's faithful rifle had problems but he was still able to hit three targets. We discovered by accident that it does not take much powder to fire a ball out of a gun, when Tom Pickerel's powder measure was only loading about 10 grains of powder. Blaine Elkins discovered with Dan Hess' help that the Minie balls recommended for his rifle were the wrong size. Other participants included Josh Maisel and Bill Rogers.

There was no "Top Shot" standout shooter this year. In fact, we had a four way tie when we were finished shooting at the five targets. So there was shoot off/tie breaker and no

one hit any of the targets picked so we agreed to draw cards, with highest card choosing the prizes. Even then we had ties when matching cards were drawn so it got to be hilarious. Ultimately, Kyle Smith won the Track of the Wolf French Trade knife, Jerry Keathley chose the metal bench rod, Jack Kang was excited to win .50 sabots, and the .490 balls were won by Tom Pickre.

BOYS AND GIRLS — WANT TO LEARN RIFLE MARKSMANSHIP FROM THE EXPERTS?

HERE'S HOW . . .

JOIN THE B-CC IWLA EAGLES JUNIOR RIFLE CLUB . . .

We shoot .22 rifles at the Landon School Range in Bethesda every Monday night between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. from October to May.



QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must be at least 11 years old
- Must be enthusiastic about learning to shoot
- No prior experience required
- No special equipment needed

All rifles, ammo and equipment plus awards and expert instruction provided at nominal cost

Want more information?

Contact Rex Gori, NRA Certified Instructor at
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If you are a new member, please contact Rex Gori before attending a session at Landon School.

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Archery Report

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March was a busy month for B-CC IWLA Archery. Thanks to all that helped set up the 3D archery range. Our first shoot is April 13. The last weekend of March brought us a wet and soggy Scouts Archery Merit Badge event. Scouts learned to make an arrow from a bare shaft, tie and serve a bow string, and shoot proficiently for score. This is a monumental task as some of the scouts had not shot a bow before. The archery instructors consisting of Bill, Fred, Deborah, Walt, and Evan remain perfect in our efforts to make sure all Scouts earn their merit badge. Much thanks to these instructors for their monumental commitment and effort. All 8 scouts earned their merit badges. If you are interested in youth archery or archery in general, please come out to our next archery event and get plugged in. In order to continue to grow and produce quality events, we need more people to get involved.

APRIL

Sunday, April 13 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 27 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

MAY

Sunday, May 11 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 24 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Memorial Day Camp Out

Sunday, May 25 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Introduction to Hunting Seminar

The Bethesda-Chevy Chase Izaak Walton League of America will be sponsoring an "Introduction to Hunting Seminar" on June 7. If you have never been hunting before, know someone who would be interested, or had a disappointing experience yourself, you are encouraged to attend.

Course will include instruction and discussions about conservation and ethical behavior, the five W's and How of hunting, what is hunting success, preparing to go hunting, techniques and skills for being in the woods, trailing game, animal habitats and habits, safety and first aid, being skunked, what to do if you wound an animal and what can you learn if you miss, advantages and disadvantages of hunting companions and more. There will be time for questions.

This seminar does not replace the required Hunter Safety Education course but is to supplement that training and to expand one's hunting knowledge. The instructors have had many years of experience and what they will share is intended to help participants have a more enjoyable time hunting.

The seminar will be held at the Chapter House located off West Willard Road in Poolesville, MD. The address is 20601 Izaak Walton Way. It is currently scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The cost is \$10 to cover materials. Bring your own lunch and boots and clothing for walking outdoors. Class size is limited to 60, so registering early is recommended. Deadline is May 31.

*Interested individuals must register at
hunting.seminar.bcciwla@gmail.com.
Any questions about the seminar should be sent
to this same email address.*