



OCTOBER 2014 NEWSLETTER

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

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President's Message

Autumn is here and the leaves are changing at the farm as nature would have it during this time of year. Hunting season has also begun which is an important part of conservation and wildlife management at our chapter. The air is cool and the nights are particularly clear.

On September 27 and 28 we had our Annual Family Campout and Family Day at the farm. It was a great success and I was pleased to be a small part of the event. We had a good turnout and everyone ate very well (I ate too much). In the evening one of our board members Carol (2nd V.P.) organized a kids project which involved taking the fluid from a glow stick, emptying it into a mason jar, pouring in a little glitter, closing the lid, shaking it up and creating a glowing/sparkling "Thingamajiggy" that the kids really loved. Some of the parents then had a hike with the kids down to the Big Pond with their glowing jars and it was a fun time for all. Watching the kids play and laugh and run around was such a great thing and it's part of the very essence of what we attempt to make available for families out at the chapter. Hopefully next year even more families will take part. Thank you to our tireless crew of volunteers without whose participation these types of events would not be possible.

There's also a bit of Archaeological activity happening out at the chapter these days with another class being offered (see Newsletter for details). Please remember that anything found on the chapter's property belongs to the chapter and should not be removed. Also, if you happen to find something of interest, please do not move the item. Instead, notify the Archaeology Committee so they can explore and survey the site. Please take exact notes and pictures (if possible) of the items position.

When you are out on the property, expect to see some fall crops going in care of our Farm Chair Pat Tarquinio. What he has been doing these past years is nothing short of amazing and has done so much for the wildlife on our property, as well as, the health and beauty of the chapter grounds.

Please, please, volunteer a little of your time to some of these efforts. It's very important to the ongoing health of the chapter and you will be glad you did. The friendships and camaraderie I've had from being involved are beyond words.

I hope to see you out at the chapter and I will be diligently working on keeping things running smoothly.

Sincerely,
Joe Snider

Board of Governors

Fiscal Year: September 1, 2014 – August 31, 2015

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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 2014 Dinner Meeting and Board of Governors Meeting

Jack Mandel, Recording Secretary

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September 17, 2014 Dinner Meeting

- The 946th consecutive dinner meeting was called to order by new President Joe Snider.
- Joe reported: the financial health of the organization is strong, donations to the land fund when paying our annual dues is encouraged, food handlers are needed at our many events, and we need volunteers to become certified.
- Ron Marchessault gave the Treasurer's report.
- Byron Ricketts gave the Membership report.
- Larry Anderson reminded us to: register online with the chapter to hunt on grounds, be aware of B-CC IWLA boundaries when hunting, and record tagged deer in the chapter log.
- Butch Mezick forwarded the Chapter a check from National for \$5,000.00 earmarked for our 3-ring book production resulting from Butch's presentation at the National Convention.
- Frank Parker spoke of plans to drain the small pond to rid it of unwanted plant material and his plan to get a monthly Sunday kids activity day in the works.
- John Lamb reported on bridgework on the trails by Troop 457 and on the success of the recent Hunter Safety course.
- Scott Harmon said he has called the county about repaving Izaak Walton Way and is hoping to get it on their schedule soon.
- Bill Gordon and Bob Chapman reported on Maryland and National upcoming meetings.

NEW BUSINESS (Motions before the Board)

- A motion to adopt the new budget passed.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

September 24, 2014 Board of Governors Meeting

- President Joe Snider called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
- Other chapter officers present were Scott Harmon (1st VP), Carol Efdimis (2nd VP), Byron Ricketts (Membership Secretary), Ron Marchessault (Treasurer), Jim Tate (Corresponding Secretary) and Jack Mandel (Recording Secretary).
- Other Board members present included Frank Parker, Hope Rutley, Aaron Smith, Warner Parks and Jeff Seaman.
- Other members present included Don Perino, Bill Gordon and Bob Pavlick.
- Joe is in search of suggestions for topics and/or speakers for upcoming dinner meetings and is greatly appreciative of Chip Dunn's move to the Monthly Dinner Staff Chair.
- Treasurer's, Membership, 1st VP, 2nd VP and Corresponding Secretary reports were presented.
- Bill Gordon reported on Maryland and National IWLA news.
- Don Perino presented the Board with a plaque honoring our acceptance as a monarch butterfly way station from the group, Monarch Watch.

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SUMMARY

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NEW BUSINESS (Motions before the Board)

- A motion to accept 10 new membership applications passed.
- A motion to transfer \$50,000.00 to Merrill Lynch under "The B-CC IWLA Mutual Fund" (\$30,000 from Management Reserve account and \$20,000 from Capital Expense account) passed.
- A motion to allot no more than \$1,500.00 for the replacement of one or both men's room urinals passed.
- A motion to permit a film crew to use the log cabin for the making of a historical program for PBS passed.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Archeology Class Now Enrolling!

**Want to learn more about archeology?
Interested in digging for artifacts?
If so, then come to this class!**

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The class is open to all members and their families. It's a hands-on field class where students will learn how to dig for artifacts. The teacher is Ronald Nunn, Archeology Professor, Montgomery College.

DATES:

Sundays, Oct. 19, Oct. 26, Nov. 2, and Nov. 9.

TIME:

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

WHERE:

West Woods well/mine site

TUITION:

\$75 for all four classes. Family discount: \$50 each for family members. Checks can be given directly to the professor at the first class.

OBJECTIVE:

There is a deep shaft in the West Woods. We're not sure if it's a mine shaft or a well. Evidence points toward it being a well. But what is it doing out in the West Woods? There are no indications of any homestead ever being in that area. Oral history tells that it's a well dug during the Civil War. This class will explore the area around the well. We'll survey with metal detectors. Also we'll layout a grid and do shovel tests to see if anything is there.

If you're interested, please email Don Perino, Archeology Committee Chair: dperino@verizon.net.

Interpretive Walk in the Woods Sunday, October 19, 2014 Starting at 9:00 a.m.

Byron "Butch" Mezick, Forestry Chairman

The B-CC IWLA has provided an Interpretive Walk in the Woods for the Poolesville Global Ecology Students for the last six years. Yes, your chapter has instructed over 500 students in the ability to SEE the woods in depth by sharpening their senses.

Now, it's your turn! The Forestry Committee working with the Conservation Committee will provide the Interpretive



Walk for our membership Sunday, October 19, 2014 starting at 9:00 a.m. and on the same day another hike starting at 1:00 p.m. Beginning at River Road we will inspect the prickly pear cactus growing in the shale outcrops above the road. Hiking up the access trail we will stop and catch our breath and discuss

soil and soil erosion. At the top of the hill our discussion will center on a trash pile and how long different types of trash take to decay. Further along the trail everyone will learn how to identify white, red and chestnut oaks by their bark and leaves. We have lots of wildlife treasures to be discovered including deer antlers, turkey feathers, snake skins and much more. Turkey calling will be demonstrated with a mouth call and a box call as we observe life like turkey decoys in the woods. Water, the carbon cycle, and photosynthesis will be discussed and contrasting development policies between Virginia and Maryland will be easily observed as we stand in a blue berry patch on top of a knoll. We will have a fun interactive event where everyone has their moment to share a bit of what they learned before we visit our "Gold Mine." The entire walk takes about 2.5 hours traversing a one mile distance ending at the chapter house. A simple lunch of hotdogs and cold drinks will be available to all. Bring your children, bring your friends.

Welcome to the B-CC IWLA Family

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

- Bill Campbell** 202-596-1149
Interests: Archery, Conservation & Education, Grants/Fundraising, Pond & Stream, Public Affairs, Chapter Activities, Rifle & Pistol, Shooting Sports, Wildlife Management
- Andrew Evans** 202-441-5775
Interests: Archery, Shooting Sports, Wildlife Management
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Interests: Farm, Forestry, Pond & Stream
- William Patterson** 910-574-4364
Interests: Archery, Rifle & Pistol
- Marvin Thomas** 301-871-1255
Interests: Conservation & Education, Hunter Safety, Rifle & Pistol

2014 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date(s)	Activity	Time
OCTOBER		
Saturday, October 4	Fall Clean Up	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 4	Adopt-A-Road Clean Up	8:00 a.m.
Monday, October 6	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Friday, October 10	Rural Republican Womens' Dinner – Set-up	3:00 p.m. til Close
Saturday, October 11	Rural Republican Womens' Meeting and Dinner	8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 12	Chapter House Clean Up	9:00 a.m.
Monday, October 13	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 15	Monthly Dinner Meeting	6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 16	Cub Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 18	R&P Range Closed – Muzzleloader Season	All Day
Sunday, October 19	Interpretive Walk in the Woods	9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
Monday, October 20	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 22	Board of Governors Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 26	Winter Sporting Clays League	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (Final Sign up 1:00 p.m.)
Monday, October 27	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
NOVEMBER		
Monday, November 3	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 8	R&P Range Closed – Youth Hunt Day	All Day
Monday, November 10	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Sunday, November 16	Chapter House Clean Up	9:00 a.m.
Monday, November 17	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, November 19	Monthly Dinner Meeting	6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, November 19	Board of Governors Meeting	after Dinner Meeting
Thursday, November 20	Cub Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Sunday, November 23	Winter Sporting Clays League	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (Final Sign up 1:00 p.m.)
Monday, November 24	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 29	R&P Range Closed – Firearm Season	All Day
Sunday, November 30	R&P Range Closed – Firearm Season	All Day
DECEMBER		
Monday, December 1	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Monday, December 8	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, December 13	Chapter Christmas Party	TBD
Sunday, December 14	Chapter House Clean Up	9:00 a.m.
Sunday, December 14	Adopt-A-Road Clean Up	9:00 a.m.
Monday, December 15	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 17	Monthly Dinner Meeting	6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 17	Board of Governors Meeting	after Dinner Meeting
Sunday, December 21	Winter Sporting Clays League	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (Final Sign up 1:00 p.m.)
Monday, December 22	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Monday, December 29	Boy Scout Troop Meeting	7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**The Campground is closed during all black powder and firearms deer season.
Check the online www.bcciwa.org electronic calendar for current and updated scheduled times of events.**

Wildlife Report

Larry Anderson, Wildlife Committee Chair
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Fall is here and deer season is about to get into full swing. Early reports from our archery hunters is that this is shaping up to be a good year: a couple of nice bucks have already been taken. New this year is our hunter registration program, designed to be sure that all our hunters know our rules and know property boundaries. The registration can be found on our website (bcciwla.org) under the activities menu item for hunting. Please read through this entire section of rules and fill out the information requested on the Annual Registration page. Members must be registered by the start of deer firearms season (November 29th) to be eligible to hunt on our farm. As a safety precaution, it is suggested that some hunter's orange be worn in the woods even if not hunting, during the firearms portion of deer season.

Our farm is in good shape. The buffer strips around the fields have been recently mowed and the grasses are re-sprouting. The main Ag fields have soybeans growing, somewhat on small side, but the beans are there. Almost all of the other fields have cover crops planted in them, usually a mixture of clover and wheat. In the woods, this looks to be a better year than last year for acorns production. Last year, with the meager mast crop, many hunters noticed different patterns in deer movements as the deer searched out alternate food supplies. This year, the patterns may be different again. The deer have a few more choices among our acorns, our abundant clover, and our other cover crops.

As managers of wildlife, we again ask hunters that deer harvested on our farm be logged in, either in the logbook outside the chapter house door or by email including the member's name, the date, the gender of the deer, and optionally the general location of harvest. Last year we had a reported harvest of 41 deer on our 623 acres. Something new this year: in conjunction with the tick watch project, when hunters log in their deer we are also asking them to report the number of ticks present (attached) on both ears of their deer. The hypothesis is that this year's tick burden may be low, due to a poor mast crop last year resulting in fewer mice, voles and other warm-blooded hosts. With this year's good mast crop, will there be a measurable increase in the tick burden on deer next year? We need data to make the correlation and our hunters can be quite a resource in providing this data.

Good luck and be safe!

24 Hours a Day

Natural Resources Emergency or Assistance Telephone:
1-800-628-9944 or 410-260-8888

You can also use these phone numbers to report natural resources violations or ask questions on wildlife regulations. All NRP regional offices are open Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Adopt A Road Clean-Up

The last Adopt A Road clean-up for 2014 is scheduled for December 14. Interested members are invited to participate. We will meet at the Chapter house at 9:00 a.m. The Chapter is planning to do at least six clean-ups in 2015. Materials, such as bags and gloves will be made available.

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

New Membership Secretary and 2015 Membership Renewals

Carol Efdimis, Membership Secretary
301-407-0025 e-mail: glock.22@verizon.net

As of September 1, there is a new Membership Secretary in office. Mr. Byron Ricketts has taken over the position. While he is the Membership Committee chairperson, I will be staying on as his committee person who will be training a new secretary that will be taking over in September 2015. This means that all questions and paperwork should still come to me.

Membership renewals were sent out by mid-September. Your dues must be received no later than December 31, 2014 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 via email or the post office. 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 2014 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 a \$50 work fee that is added to your dues.

These hours can be sent to me via email at glock.22@verizon.net or via the post office at the address below.

Our mailing address is:

B-CC IWLA
P.O. Box 542
Poolesville, MD 20837

DINNER MEETING

The 947th regular dinner meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 15** 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.

Appetizers will be available before dinner. Dinner this month will include **Salad, Baked Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Corn, Rolls, and Dessert.**

BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

The October Board of Governors meeting will be held at the Chapter house on **Wednesday, October 22.** **Board Members are expected to attend.**

Shotgun Range Report

Warner Parks, Chairman
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I would like to thank Dave Meyers, Gary Melvin, Douglas Craig, Marvin Thomas, Chris Peirce, Mark Shanker, Bob Carlstron, Art Duffy, David Roseman, Tod Goetsch, and Mike Noble for giving up some of their time to help unload targets. I would also like to thank Andy Latos for replacing the roofs on the Trap & Skeet houses.

The Fall/Winter Sporting Clays Shoots are scheduled for Sunday, October 26, Sunday, November 23 and Sunday, December 21. No trap or skeet shooting from 9:00 a.m. to around 2:00 p.m. The range will be open for normal operations after last squad has shot until 5:00 p.m. Anyone who comes out to shoot on those days are welcome to participate in the Sporting Clays shoot.

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.

Please refill the skeet houses with targets when you finish shooting. Additional targets are stored in the new storage container next to the parking lot and the empty low skeet house on the left side of the range.

Please pick up your empty shotgun shells and trash when finished shooting. Spent shotgun shells are not appreciated by our excellent lawn service. 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

RANGE OFFICER SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 5	John T. Wilson, Larry Camper
Sunday, October 12	John Novack, Shannon Novack
Sunday, October 19	Hal Krause
Sunday, October 26	Mike Noble, Roy Hull (Fall League)

Sunday, November 2	Ted Whitehouse
Sunday, November 9	Ed Stewart, Collin Vrgo
Sunday, November 16	Andy Latos
Sunday, November 23	Pat Dady, David Roseman (Fall League)
Sunday, November 30	Ken Forti

2014 SPORTING CLAYS FALL/WINTER FUN LEAGUE

50 Targets — Entry Fee: \$15.00
Optional LEWIS for each event \$5.00
Shooting starts at 9:00 a.m.
Final sign up 1:00 p.m.
League Awards by Lewis Class

For more information

Warner Parks	240-620-6942	B-CC IWLA
John Ortaldo	301-695-8322	FCFGPA

SHOOT DETAILS

Where	Shoot Dates
FCFGPA	September 7; October 12;
Camp Kanawha	November 9; December 7
Poolersville	September 28; October 26;
B-CC IWLA	November 23; December 21

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.

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 _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

_____ \$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, Poolersville, MD 20837

Rifle & Pistol Range Committee Report

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Chris Efdimis, Chief Range Officer
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OCTOBER

- Saturday, Oct. 4 **Elkins, B.**, Murray, J., Yu, Z., Bissett, R., Herr, R.
- Sunday, Oct. 5 **Boynton, D.**, Mense, M., McUlsky, A., Reilly, J., Abbott, R.
- Saturday, Oct. 11 **Yu, Z.**, King, B., Sheehy, J., McUlsky, A., Hill, D.
- Sunday, Oct. 12 **Plummer, F.**, Antolli, P., Kelly, P., Nichols, W., Zoulis, A.
- Saturday, Oct. 18 **RANGE CLOSED – Herr, R.**, Kiser, R.
- Sunday, Oct. 19 **Terry J.**, Smelson, D., Jones, R., Williams, B.
- Saturday, Oct. 25 **Kipfer, J.**, Gautereaux, J., Beal, A., Beal, B., Small, S.
- Sunday, Oct. 26 **Shallow, T.**, Kipfer, J., Beal, A., Beal, B., Small, S.

NOVEMBER

- Saturday, Nov. 1 **Pedersen, P.**, Mostrom, T., Glass-Royal, M., Kelly, P.
- Sunday, Nov. 2 **Glass-Royal, M.**, Mostorm, T., Urgo, C., Bryan, K.
- Saturday, Nov. 8 **RANGE CLOSED – Pare, M.**, Behrend, D.
- Sunday, Nov. 9 **Finn, K.**, Pare, M., Smelson, D., Jones, R.
- Saturday, Nov. 15 **Brown, G.**, Sigalas, G., Jones, G., White, D., Sanfuentes, J.
- Sunday, Nov. 16 **Keller, A.**, Sigalas, G., Jones, G., Brown, G.
- Saturday, Nov. 22 **Solis, J.**, Appleton, B., Antoli, P., Lan, K., Neilly, J.
- Sunday, Nov. 23 **Carey, L.**, Kuhnsman, K., Epstein, G., Lowe, C., Curtis, L.
- Saturday, Nov. 29 **RANGE CLOSED – Winter, H.**, Johns, P.
- Sunday, Nov. 30 **RANGE CLOSED – Johns, P.**, White, D.

2014 RANGE CLOSURES

- Saturday, October 18 Muzzleloader Season
- Saturday, November 8 Youth Hunt Day
- Saturday, November 29 Firearm Season
- Sunday, November 30 Firearm Season

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please submit all articles for the November newsletter to jim@tate-tate.us and janet@spectrumprinting.com no later than Friday, October 24.

FAMILY ADVENTURES IN NATURE CLUB

The Izaak Walton League invites you to join the Family Adventures in Nature (FAN) Club. Each month, we will explore natural areas throughout Montgomery County. These family-focused adventures will include hands-on education, conservation activities – and fun! Best of all, our FAN Club events are FREE. Join us for one of our upcoming FAN Club adventures!

Sunday, October 19, 2014 – 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Join your neighbors to explore the Muddy Branch Trail and discuss how families can add nature to their outdoor play time. We will meet at the playground area at Teaneck Terrace off DuFief Mill Road in Gaithersburg and hike for one mile.

Sunday, November 2, 2014 – 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Join us for a hike around the Rockville Chapter's property to see the beautiful fall colors of the changing leaves. We will have a bonfire and roast marshmallows and share songs and stories before we hike out.

Sunday, December 7, 2014

Save the date! We'll kick off winter with a brisk outdoor adventure. More details to come.

Space is limited and pre-registration is required.

Visit www.iwla.org/fanclub for more information and to register for events.

TINY IKES (T'IKES) PROGRAM

This program has been designed specially for children ages 2-5. Children must be accompanied by an adult for each program – it's an experience you'll treasure together. Classes are \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members. Classes are held at the Izaak Walton League of America National Conservation Center, 707 Conservation Drive, Gaithersburg, MD 20878.

October 29, 2014 (Wednesday):

Annual Halloween Spooktacular

5:30-7:00 p.m.

Wear your costume and bring a flashlight for our (non-scary) night exploration to learn about the things that go bump in the night. It will be a hoot to discover animals that wake up when it is time for us to go to bed.

November 13, 2014 (Thursday):

Getting Ready for Winter

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Learn how animals prepare for the coming cold weather and make a treat to share with the animals and help keep their bellies full.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Rebecca Wadler at the Izaak Walton League:
rwadler@iwla.org or 301-548-0150 x243.



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Member Larry Harris setting up the bird feeding station last year at the Chapter House on the Conservation Farm. The feeders are set up now for the 2014 - 15 winter season. Contact Jim Tate (202-841-2056, jim@tate-tate.us) if you want to participate in the citizen science project to record the birds at our feeder.