WILDLIFE ACHIEVEMENT CLUB CHAPTER The Izaak Walton League of America, Inc. P.O. Box 116, Damascus, Md. 20750

JUNE NEWSLETTER

Next Membership Meeting June 26, 1974 - Next Board Meeting July 10, 1974

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Article III, Section 3, provides (in part): "*** The slate of candidates proposed by the Nominating Committee shall be published and mailed *** with the notice of the June meeting. Other nominations than those recommended by the Nominating Committee may be made by any member from the floor at the June meeting, all nominations to close with the adjournment of that meeting".

THE SECOND WESTERN DANCE left something to be desired participation-wise. The Chapter did not lose money on the project. Attendance at the first Party and comments from those present led one to believe that the second effort would be an outstanding success. How naive can one be? The response from the membership was even less than it is to Bingo, the Shooting Ranges and other Chapter sponsored events. The apathy displayed by the membership was the subject of considerable discussion at the June Board Meeting. It was agreed to hold a special meeting on June 19th to see if conditions can be improved to the point where the Chapter's projects will bring in revenue sufficient to discharge all operating costs, including mortgage payments. One thing is certain: no fault can be found with anything that Chairman Bill Flanagan did not do.

LES KENNEY HAD SIMILAR EXPERIENCES in running his First Annual Jack Rabbit Sheot. The turnout was probably the best that we have had for any Range Event; but it was far short of expectations. There were members present who had not been here for a long time and an almost equal number who promised to be here did not show. The effort did make money. Les had valuable help from the following members: Jim Reid, Jr., Pat Reid, Bill Myers, Dave Anderson, Paul Jackson, Joe Carinci, Bill Flanagan and George Johnson. Nonmembers Carl Stauber, Gary Meier and Rose Johnson, George's Good Wife, also contributed much appreciated help. It is hoped that this shoot will spur the membership into action.

KARATE CLASSES ARE HELD every Monday and Thursday at 3:00 p.m. It is not too late to enter. Several new students have enrolled this month. If you or acquaintances are interested - join the group. The price is right and the instructor is outstanding in his field.

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BINGO IS STILL OPERATING IN THE BLACK: but Chairman Dave Anderson is reluctantly considering terminating the operation until Fall. The problem is not lack of participation. It is the help situation. The same few have been here week after week. New blood is needed. Bingo at the Potomac Chapter has been suspended until September 9th for the same reason - shortage of help. Lisbon has closed down for the time being so it seems that we could draw from players who supported the two mentioned above. The Big Jack Pot is right around the \$700.00 figure - well worth winning. Bingo is the one activity that has operated in the black and has turned substantial funds into the Chapter's general fund. With a little more help there would be no question of suspending operation while we are showing a prefit. How about giving this matter some consideration and coming out as a player or as much-needed volunteer help?

DID YOU MARK OCTOBER 5TH on your calendar? You should do so. That is the night for the Annual Installation Banquet and Dance. The ladies in the Mullinix Chapter will be installed in a separate ceremony at the affair. This is our first big event open only to members and their guests. Don't miss it.

THE AMNUAL CHICKEN BARBEQUE is set for August 11th. This is our big fundraising event of the year. The Committee is counting on the usual support from the membership. Have you volunteered your services? Check with Chairman George Tolson on 770-4217. We have lots to do in less than two months.

PROGRAM AND ENTERTAINMENT CHAIRMAN JOE HAMILTON will present Dr. Grant Ash as the speaker at our June meeting. Dr. Ash is with the Corps of Engineers, Environmental Resource Branch, Planning Division in Civil Works. He will speak on "Dam Building". Please not that the first word of his subject does not end with "n".

HAVE YOU SEEN THE AIRIAL PHOTO CARD of the Chapter Home? They are in black and white and very good. They sell for ten cents each each and may be obtained from Mrs. Marie Briggs. Get a supply and let your friends and Waltonians in other areas see what we have.

ENCLOSED WITH THIS NEWSLETTER is a questionnaire prepared by Joe Carinci. The purpose of the insert is obvious. Attendance at meetings has dropped to the point where, at times, there is concern that we will have a quorum. Through Joe, the Chapter is trying to find out what is wrong. Please complete the form and bring, or mail it, to the Chapter. No signature is required.

"Twenty-six students successfully passed the NRA/Maryland State Hunter Safety Course given by our Chapter on May 31, June 7, June 8. Chapter instructors who conducted the course were: Dick Backe, Bill Brooks, Jean Caffiaux, Joe Carinci, Steve Davis, Paul Hancock, Jack Hough, Bob Lilly, Jim Mentges, Ed Peterson, Bill Shearn and Boyd Shoemaker. In addition to the regular lectures and rifle, shotgun and archery demonstrations, Paul Hancock put on a dog obedience demonstration and Boyd Shoemaker demonstrated muzzle-loader shooting.

THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION FOR membership will be acted upon at the June meeting:

Roland Eugene Burdette, 719 Grandin Ave., Rockville, Md. Proposed by George Bransom.

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