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NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING will be **Friday, September 20**, at 7:00 p. m. This will be the Annual Awards and Installation Dinner. Please note the change in schedule. This is our Fall highlight. There will be a short business meeting. The "NO SMOKING" sign will be up.

NEXT BOARD MEETING will be on Wednesday, October 9, at 8:00 p.m. New Board Members, please note.

THE OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING, on October 23, will be the first of the Fall and Winter dinner meetings, and will have as our speaker Dr. Margaret Snow, who will talk about the Damascus By-Pass and its impact on Little Bennett Creek.

THE RECYCLING EFFORT at the Club, under the Chairmanship of Bob Maybe, has paid off to the extent of \$169.75 over the last four months. All the glass that had been collected has been removed for recycling. Please continue to bring all your scrap aluminum - pie pans, roofing, gutters, etc, and particularly your aluminum cans. A can crusher is being installed at the collection shed for your convenience. Take all glass and newspapers to the nearest local depository - in Damascus to the County Building on the second Saturday of every month.

THE ANNUAL CHICKEN-CORN BARBEQUE will have been held (9/08/91) by the time you receive this News Letter. Chairman Gary Gruenwald has been working hard to prepare for it; the weather promises to be nice; we hope you attended and enjoyed the day.

WE WILL SEE LESS but hear more of our Dr. Charles Wiles, since he was elected National President at the Convention in July at Rapid City, SD.

## O C T O B E R   R A N G E   O F F I C E R S

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|-------|--------------|----------|-----------------|----------|---|
| 10/ 5 | Bill Rahn    | 774-6234 | Alan Newcomer   | 831-0426 | SEPTEMBER 25 is the last <b>Wednesday</b> |
| 10/ 6 | Ed Bennett   | 963-7328 | Paul Zito       | 848-1987 | night the <b>Skeet &amp; Trap ranges</b>  |
| 10/12 | John Fortado | 774-9603 | Art Cox         | 831-7538 | will be open <b>TURKEY SHOOTS</b>         |
| 10/13 | Chuck Crooks | 831-9666 | Dave Gold       | 992-9226 | for the fall and winter season            |
| 10/19 | Don Beyer    | 229-9446 | Bill Blackstone | 493-6733 | will begin on Saturday, September         |
| 10/20 | Bill Marnane | 869-7792 | Bob Sadler      | 253-3501 | 15. Target railings have been             |
| 10/26 | Rick Egarter | 384-6436 | Ron Newman      | 972-6022 | repaired by Ed Bennett and                |
| 10/27 | Paul Hancock | 774-5669 | Roy Greisler    | 489-7188 | new targets are on hand.                  |

THE NEXT Range Orientation and Clean-up will be Sunday, September 29, at 10:00 a.m. Effective that day the Rifle and Ranges will remain **closed** all day on scheduled Clean-up days, except to those members participating in the clean-up.

THE SECOND HUNTER SAFETY CLASS begins at 7:00 p.m. October 4. Call Charley Schlager at 253-2384 or Mac McCollum at 854-3707 to register. State law requires this course to be completed and passed before anyone can purchase his first hunting license..

THE DAMASCUS FAIR will be held Friday, September 27, from 12 noon to 9:00 p.m., and Saturday, September 28, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Rick Sommer is preparing to have a booth representing our Chapter. Anyone who has a few spare hours to help man the booth can call Rick at 253-6380 to volunteer. This is a great opportunity to inform the local public about our aims and accomplishments. Rick hopes to develop an on-going program for future such events with special emphasis in developing interest in conservation programs in children and young folks.

THE INDOOR AIRGUN PROGRAM will get off with the first meet on September 10. The cleverly

designed backstops are in place; they can be folded up compactly for storage when the space is needed for other purposes. See your August News Letter for more details, or call Phillip Dean at 831-9325. This program should provide a lot of clean, inexpensive fun for both youngsters and adults, as well as teach gun safety and develop competitive opportunities.

THE CHESAPEAKE BAY FOUNDATION has alerted us to the proposed changes in the Federal Wetlands Manual, currently being revised by the Environmental Protection Agency. These proposed changes have been drafted by politicians rather than by scientific experts from various federal agencies, as originally intended. As proposed, the changes would eliminate millions of acres of functioning wetlands from regulation, increase the cost and reduce the accuracy of wetlands identification.

A second point for consideration is the arbitrary definitions of wetlands rule violation by agents of the Wetlands and Aquatic Resources Regulatory Branch, which have resulted in prosecution of unwitting victims and, in many cases, have violated the "takings clause" of the Fifth Amendment, which states that "private property (shall not) be taken for public use without just compensation".

A very interesting discussion of these matters can be found, beginning on Page 104 of the September 2, 1991, issue of FORBES magazine.

To express your comments, write to: Mr. Gregory Peck, Chief,  
Wetlands and Aquatic Resources Regulatory Branch  
Mail Code (A-104F), U. S. EPA  
401 M Street SW  
Washington, DC 20460.

You can also contact your Senators and Representative. This is a serious matter, affecting everyone's right to hold and keep property.

| 09-04-91 | NEW MEMBERS  |                           | 1        |
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| Albright | John C. 849 Azalea Dr.<br>SPONSOR[ Leaman, John                      | Rockville<br>251-2827     | MD 20850 |
| Clark    | Kevin B. 4200 Roop Rd.<br>SPONSOR[ Kubus, Dave / Davis, Billy        | Mt. Airy<br>635-2605      | MD 21771 |
| Crowley  | Jim 2713 East West Hwy.<br>SPONSOR[ Anderson, Dave                   | Chevy Chase<br>585-4787   | MD 20815 |
| Fowler   | Wayne I. 6902 Runkles Rd.<br>SPONSOR[ Schlager, Charles              | Mt. Airy<br>831-7150      | MD 21771 |
| Hans     | Steven 1221 Edgevale Rd.<br>SPONSOR[ McCollum, O.S.                  | Silver Spring<br>588-1812 | MD 20910 |
| Kelly    | Bill 24100 Doreen Dr.<br>SPONSOR[ Dean, Phillip                      | Gaithersburg<br>253-5009  | MD 20882 |
| Norton   | Pamela L. 13509 Cleveland Dr.<br>SPONSOR[ Kubus, Dave / Davis, Billy | Rockville<br>340-9822     | MD 20850 |
| Weiss    | Len 11801 Rockville Pike 202<br>SPONSOR[ Schneider, Steve            | Rockville<br>231-7658     | MD 20852 |