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## PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS

<b>Bryant, Terry</b>	1 Rolling Fork Court, Gaithersburg, MD 20882	301-414-0279	<b>Sponsor:</b> Bill Kelly
<b>Emmart, Earl</b>	3341 Kemptown Church Rd, Monrovia, MD 21770	301-607-6103	<b>Sponsor:</b> David Gold
<b>Fisher, Jr., George L.</b>	3818 Delano Street, Wheaton, MD 20902	301-946-7993	<b>Sponsor:</b> Bruce Barr
<b>Kirkpatrick, David S.</b>	17110 Fitzroy Way, Olney, MD 20832	301-570-4429	<b>Sponsor:</b> Paul Nangeron
<b>Parker, Christopher</b>	8100 Hawkins Creamer Rd, Laytonsville, MD 20882	301-253-3327	<b>Sponsor:</b> Joe Gick
<b>Rock, James</b>	19301 Richwood Court, Brookeville, MD 20833	301-570-4211	<b>Sponsor:</b> John Corbin
<b>Schwartz, Barry</b>	9809 Brassie Way, Gaithersburg, MD 20879	301-330-9891	<b>Sponsor:</b> Mark Lamb
<b>Watts, Sr., Christopher</b>	11 Ivy Oak Court, Gaithersburg, MD 20877	301-330-8576	<b>Sponsor:</b> Michael Merilloni



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# NEWS LETTER NOVEMBER 1994

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Condolence** - We are sad to report that **Art Cox**, one of our long-time Hunter Safety Instructors and Range Officers, died on October 27 after a long illness.
- **Gun & Sporting Equipment Show** (reminder) Saturday 11/5 from 9 to 5 and Sunday 11/6 from 9 to 3. Volunteers needed for door.
- **Sighting in Days for Rifles and Slug Shotguns** (reminder) will be Saturday 11/5 and Sunday 11/6 (10am - 4pm) on the rifle range. Donations of \$5.00 for first gun and \$3.00 for each additional gun. Targets will be provided.
- **Courses: Hunter Safety 1** on Friday 11/11, Hunter Safety 2 on Friday 11/18, Hunter Safety 3 on Saturday 11/19 (Ranges Closed Saturday 9am - 12) - call Mac McCollom at 410-988-9860 or 301-854-3707 for details.
- **Membership Meetings** are Wed 11/16 (Dinner Meeting) and Wed 12/21 (**Christmas Pot Luck Dinner** - bring a dish), 7:15 pm social, 8:00 dinner.
- **Range Orientation & cleanup** 11/27 at 10 am (volunteers call Phil Dean at 301 831-9325).
- **Board Meeting** for November was Wed 11/2 and for December is Wednesday 12/7 at 8:00 pm (members welcome).
- **Christmas Tree Sale** - Choose and cut your own at the Chapter starting December 3 - Price \$5.00.
- **Saturday, December 10** the Rifle Range will be accommodating a Boy Scout Troup on from 9-11 am. Rifle Range will be open following this event.
- **Shotshell Reloading Seminar** (informal) on January 14 & 15, 1995 from 12 noon to 5 pm in range house. Members bring their equipment and demonstrate their skill. Call Bill Rahn at 301-774-6234 for more info.

## OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CURRENT CHAPTER PROJECTS

- **Attention Bowhunters.** Those interested in helping on the **Archery Committee** please call John Walter, Committee Chairman at 301-371-7036. John has some great ideas on improving and expanding the Archery range.
- **Wood Cutting** on Nov 12 (Saturday) & 13 (Sunday) at 9 am - **Dave Anderson** (301-585-1053) needs volunteers to fell, cut, split and stack wood for the winter. Come with or without your chainsaw. Bring your own gloves, ear plugs, etc. Lunch provided.
- **Chaplain** - We still need a Chaplain for Chapter activities.
- **NewsLetter** - 1 or 2 volunteers needed each month to apply labels and group NewsLetters according to zip codes. This activity requires about 4 person hours per month. Call Howard Weeks, at 301-924-0400.

- **Facilities:** 1) Chapter copy machine needs repair.  
2) Barbeque Shed - needs new roof (metal) or the entire shed needs to be torn down and rebuilt. Carpenters and/or construction volunteers needed.

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## OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

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- **Range Cleanup** is held the last Sunday of every month except for December (12/18). The **range is closed all day** on Cleanup days except that volunteers will be allowed to shoot after cleanup activities have ceased.
- **Aluminum Recycling** - Bob Mabie requests that members please continue to recycle your aluminum cans at the IWLA Chapter - we make money on this recycling effort. Every little bit helps.
- **Rifle and Pistol Range users** are reminded that they **MUST sign in** prior to going to the ranges and **sign out** after leaving the ranges. Should your signature be illegible, then kindly print your name as well. **Display your range qualified membership card the entire time you are on the range**, even if you are the only one on the range. It is a long standing Chapter policy that the Rifle and Pistol ranges are closed on the Sunday of range orientation and cleanup. Only those who have successfully completed the range orientation that day and those who worked on the cleanup may go to the range on that day.

## RANGE OFFICERS - December 1994

(Skeet, Trap and 5 Stand)

Skeet/Trap phone 301-253-4779.

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| Sat 12/3    | Lee Slavin, Bob Cooley, Bob Woodward, Lauren Englehart   |
| Sun 12/4    | Ed Bennett, John Corbin, Bill Wright   |
| Sat 12/10   | Cornel Kittle, John Dyer, Les Blazey, Bill Blackstone  |
| Sun 12/11   | Dave Gold, Peter Currall, Bob Sadler   |
| Sun 12/17   | Tom Oullette, Tim Oullette, Nancy Humphries, Weldon Humphries  |
| Sun 12/18   | Bill Marnane, Marc Grimes, Rick Murphy, Mike Merollini   |
| Sat 12/24*  | *Note: No range officers are assigned this weekend:  |
| Sun 12/25*  | but any range officer can volunteer for this weekend, or any range officer who wants to use the range may do so. |
| Sat 12/31   | Jim Malone, Roy Griesler, Paul Hancock.  |
| Sun 1/1/95* | No range officers assigned this day (see note for weekend of 12/24 and 12/25).                                   |

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