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## WILDLIFE ACHIEVEMENT CHAPTER

# IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA

**SEPTEMBER 2006** 

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SEPTEMBER 2006 CALENDAR (Chuck Crooks)

Sat 16, Junior Rifle Practice 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Sat 16, Skeet & Trap 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Sat 16, Hunter Safety, Day 3, 9:00 AM (All ranges

**closed until 1:00 PM)** - Contact Geoff Hornseth 301-253-2384 choice 2

**Sat 16,** Blacksmith Committee Meeting 10:00 AM at the Pole Barn – Contact Dick Smith

Sun 17, Skeet & Trap 12:00 Noon to 5:00 PM

Mon 18, Adult Airgun 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Tue 19, Junior Rifle Practice 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Wed 20, Skeet & Trap Open 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

Wed 20, Junior Rifle Practice 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Thu 21, Junior Rifle Practice 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Fri 22, Membership Meeting & Installation of the 2006/2007 Officers 6:30 Social, Dinner at 7:30 PM

Fri 22, \*\*\* Cowboy Action Shoot Set Up 1:00 PM Rifle Pistol Ranges Closed - Contact Chuck Crooks 301-831-

9666 **Sat 23**, \*\*\* Cowboy Action Shoot 8:00 to 4:00 PM **(Tear** 

down approx 3:30 PM) Rifle Pistol Ranges Closed Contact Chuck Crooks 301-831-9666

Sat 23, Skeet & Trap 12:00 Noon to 5:00 PM

Sat 23, Junior Rifle Practice 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Sun 24, Skeet & Trap 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Sun 24, \*\*\* Rifle Pistol Range Clean Up 10:00 AM Ranges closed until 1:00 PM

Sun 24, \*\*\* Skeet/Trap Maintenance 10:00 AM until 1:00 PM

Sun 24, \*\*\* Christmas Tree Maintenance 10:00 AM - Contact John Leaman 301-972-1572

**Sun 24**, Club and Range Orientation 10:00 AM - Contact Ray Logan 301-946-2651or Barry Ephraim

Sun 24, \*\*\* Chapter Maintenance Day 10:00 AM @ Equipment Shed - Contact Tom Riley 301-774-7426

(Before 6:00 PM) **Mon 25**, Adult Airgun 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Tue 26, Junior Rifle Practice 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Wed 27, Skeet & Trap Open 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

Wed 27, Junior Rifle Practice 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Wed 27, \*\*\* ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND

**CONSERVATION WORKSHOP** 7:00PM to 9:00PM, held in cooperation with the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection. For more information contact

Meo Curtis meosotis@verizon.net.

**Thu 28**, Junior Rifle Practice 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM **Sat 30**, Skeet & Trap 12:00 Noon to 5:00 PM

Sat 30, Junior Rifle Practice 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

## OCTOBER 2006 CALENDAR

Sun 1, Skeet & Trap 12:00 Noon to 5:00 PM

Mon 2, Adult Airgun 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Tue 3, Junior Rifle Practice 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

**Tue 3,** The second phase of our range berm maintenance is scheduled for Tuesday, October 3, 2006. The current plan is to start and finish on that date, weather permitting. Please check the club calendar for updates. The **RIFLE** 

AND PISTOL RANGES WILL BE CLOSED DURING THE MAINTENANCE, that is expected to take all day. Wed 4, Board Of Directors Meeting 7:30 PM,

ATTENTION prospective Members, Please Meet at 7:00 PM

Wed 4, Conservation /SOS Committee Meeting 6:30

PM - Contact <u>Jeffrey Deschamps</u> 301-604-3736

Wed 4, Skeet & Trap Open 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Wed 4, Junior Rifle Practice 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Thu 5, Junior Rifle Practice 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Sat 7, Bowling Pin Shoot 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM (Uncovered pistol range closed during event)

Sat 7, Skeet & Trap 12:00 Noon to 5:00 PM

Sat 7, Junior Rifle Practice 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

**Sun 8, Skeet & Trap 12:00 Noon to 5:00 PM** 

**Sun 8, Primitive** Black Powder Fun Shoot 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM - Contact John Leaman 301-972-1572 ( **Rifle** 

Range Closed During Event )

Mon 9, Adult Airgun 6:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Tue 10, Junior Rifle Practice 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Wed 11, Skeet & Trap Open 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Wed 11, Junior Rifle Practice 6:00 PM to 10:00

Thu 12, Junior Rifle Practice 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Fri 13, Hunter Safety, Day 1, 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM -

Contact Geoff Hornseth 301-253-2384 choice 2

Sat 14, Junior Rifle Practice 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Sat 14, Skeet & Trap CLOSED for PIG ROAST

Sat 14, Airgun Field Target Fun Shoot

**Sun 15**, Skeet & Trap 12:00 Noon to 5:00 PM

NOTE: \*\*\* Counts toward NEW MEMBER REQUIRED PROJECT PARTICIPATION

#### CALENDAR EVENT PoC's:

.22 Fun Shoot: Tom Riley 301-774-7426

Air Rifle Field Target: Joe McDaniel 301-865-8257

Adult Airgun: Phil Dean 301-865-8202

Astronomy Club: Patrick Ramsey 301-593-4544

Blacksmith: Dick Smith 301-309-2289

rsmith@lofstrand.com

**Bowling Pin Shoot & Practical Defense Match:** Jesse

Lim 301-540-0860

Boy Scouts, Order of the Arrow

Joe Pauley 301-426-0216, joemp3@verizon.net

Christmas Tree: John Leaman 301-972-1572

Conservation Committee: Jim Piateski 301-253-4486 or

Jeffrey Deschamps 301-604-3736

Cowboy Shoot: Chuck Crooks 301-831-9666

Fall Clean-up and Adopt A-Road: Michelle Chesnut

301-831-0237 smc\_geek@msn.com

Hunter Safety: Geoff Hornseth 301-253-2384 ext.2 Junior Airgun: Tom Malarkey 240-246-6941

tmalarkey@adelphia.net ,John Watson 301-929-3583 Maintenance Day Co-ordinator: Tom Riley 301-518-

0973

Membership: Joe Gick 301-774-9399

Military Shoot: Jose Tassara 301-431-2799

Jose Tassara@comcast.net

Range Orientation: Ray Logan 301-946-2651, nagolyar@starpower.net, or Barry Ephraim,

eyebear@aol.com

Rifle Pistol Range: Guy Wright 301-253-4604

Seneca Valley Rifle Match: Mike Gugulis 301-417-0987

**Skeet & Trap**: Paul Turska 301-253-2059

S&T Range Officers Schedule: Bill Rahn 301-774-6234

#### SKEET & TRAP RANGE OFFICERS LIST (Bill Rahn)

#### **SEPTEMBER 2006**

Sat 9/2 Bob Cooley, Ryan Cooley, Tim Mulreany

Sun 9/3 Ronnie Gravitt, Steve Hunt, Jake Turska, Paul Turska

Sat 9/9 "The Fichter Gang", Mike Webb

Sun 9/10 Randy & Evan Stewart, Joel Gross

Sat 9/16 Ira Wein, Dave Gold, Peter Currall

Sun 9/17 Robert Case, Jim & Judy Crowell

Sat 9/23 Red Gambrell, Tony Evans, Richard Zabell.

Charlie Weaver

Sun 9/24 Rob Van Tassel, Frank Saenz, Robert Jeffrey

Sat 9/30 Scott Wood, Paul Fisher, Martin Cherry

#### **OCTOBER 2006**

Sun 10/1 Steve Hunt, Ronnie Gravitt, Paul Turska, Jake Turska

Sat 10/7 Ryan Cooley, Tim Mulreany, Paul Fisher,

Scott Wood

Sun 10/8 Randy & Evan Stewart, Joel Gross

Sat 10/14 "The Fichter Gang", Mike Bowen

Sun 10/15 Jim & Judy Crowell, Robert Case

Sat 10/21 Peter Currall, Ira Wein, Dave Gold

Sun 10/22 Robert Jeffery, Peter Sittner, Mike Webb

Sat 10/28 Richard Zabell, Red Gambrell, Tony Evans

Sun 10/29 Rob Van Tassell, Frank Saenz

### WEDNESDAY RANGE ROSTER (Conley Phipps) **SEPTEMBER 2006**

6 September - Frank Bis, Milton "Rip" Van Winkle, Ron Roberson

13 September - Mike Fleisher, Jeff Waters, Tom Moore, **Bob Woodward** 

20 September - Mike McNally, Jeff Greenhut, Conley

27 September - Milton "Rip" Van Winkle, Bill Douwes, Scott Wood

## **OCTOBER 2006**

4 October - Mike Fleisher, Jeff Waters, Bill Wright 11 October - Mike McNally, Tom Moore, Jeff Greenhut

18 October - Milton "Rip" Van Winkle, Scott Wood 25 October - Bob Woodward, Bill Douwes, Conley Phipps

If you would like to become an RO please contact either Paul Turska at 301-253-2059 or Bill Rahn at 301-774-6234. Many thanks Paul and Bill!

## CHAPTER NEWS, EVENTS AND ARTICLES

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** If anyone has any items they wish to include in future newsletters, send them to Michell Chesnut at smc geek@msn.com. Include contact info in case additional clarification is necessary.

**THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS:** Probationary members are required to help in two chapter events during their first year of WAC membership. At least one of those events must be a conservation activity. If you are a probationary member, and don't see your name in the newsletter after helping out in an event, it would be prudent to contact the person who ran the event and find out why. Following are the names from the sign-up sheets for several recent events. Thanks to all.

ADOPT-A-ROAD (August 19): Joe Carinci, Ron David, Chris Deigan, Peter Gracyalny, David Jacobson, J P Lacombe, Sara Lacombe, Ray Ladbury, Robert McCary, Jim Piateski, Jose Scoseria, Nancy Thrush and Rod Tompkins.

CAS SETUP (August 25): Paul Bluteau, Chuck Crooks, John Lehman, Chuck Limparis, Nick Limparis, Alex Limparis and Mike Sage.

**MEMBERSHIP MEETING (August 25): Duane Gray,** Saul Honigsberg, Mac McCollum, Bryan Payne, Bob Poth, Carole Poth, Chris Reposa, Michael Rinkus, Rob Hallin, Steve Lefebvre and Tom Oellette.

CAS TEAR DOWN (August 26): Paul Bluteau, Doug Hutchison, Chuck Limparis and Frank Wood.

RANGE ORIENTATION (August 27): Bud Bell and Bruce Roth.

**RANGE MAINTENANCE (August 27): James** Heckman, Dennis Hubbard, Alan Pressman and Ray Shaver.

CONSERVATION TASKS (August 27): Ben Avara, Tim Avara, John Bradbury, Meo Curtis, Jeff Deschamps, John W. Diehl, Bill Gunther, Stephen Meyer and Adam Sharp.

**GRADUATES TO FULL-MEMBER STATUS: The** following probationary members completed their second required activity during the past month and are now fullfledged members of the WAC. Congratulations to: Tim Avara, Chris Deigan, Stephen Meyer and Rod Tompkins.

**NEXT SITE MAINTENANCE:** The next monthly maintenance of WAC ranges, Christmas trees, house and grounds will be done from 9:30 AM until 1 PM on Sunday, September 24. Please report to the

maintenance coordinator at the green equipment shed for an assignment.

#### FRIENDS of the NRA

Friends of the NRA will host a lunch/dinner on Sunday 22 October, at the Gaithersburg Holiday Inn, from 2 PM till 5 PM. Tickets are \$30.00, \$125.00 for Benefits package and \$270.00 for Sponsor package. For additional information contact Mike Anderson at 301-216-2966.

<u>WANTED:</u> Interest has been expressed by many young people about having a youth archery program similar to the junior rifle program in our chapter. If you would like to be a part of such a program or become a co-ordinator, coach or teacher, please call Georgia Townsend at 301-588-8335 or <a href="mailto:gtownsend@rcn.com">gtownsend@rcn.com</a>

WILDGAME DINNER and AUCTION IS JANUARY 27<sup>th</sup>. It's time to begin thinking about your donation of auction items and marking your calendar for the event.

# CONSTITUTION and BY-LAWS PROPOSED AMMENDMENTS:

# Constitution Article III Membership

#### Current Reading

**Section 3.** Members may be elected at any meeting, provided that the Board of Directors shall have previously approved each application, and that the name of the applicant shall have appeared in at least one general notice to the membership.

#### Proposed Revision

Section 3. Before being presented for election to membership at a general membership meeting, an applicant for membership must first obtain the approval of the Board of Directors by a majority vote of the Board members present at a regularly scheduled Board meeting with a quorum, and notice of same must be distributed to the general membership. If requested by a Board member, the chairman of the Board meeting must suspend the meeting for the purpose of meeting in executive session before returning to regular session and the vote for approval of any membership application by the Board. Any applicant for membership who fails to obtain approval of the Board of Directors may reapply for membership only after the expiration of six months from the date of the Board meeting at which such applicant failed to obtain such approval.

# Constitution Article III Membership

#### Current Reading

**Section 4.** The casting of three or more negative votes of the members in good standing, present at any meeting will reject an applicant for membership. Those applicants who have been rejected may again apply for membership after expiration of six months from the date of the meeting at which their applications were rejected.

#### Proposed Revision

**Section 4.** An applicant for membership shall be elected to membership only upon the vote of at least a 2/3 majority of the members in good standing present at any general membership meeting with a quorum, as defined in Article VIII. Any applicant who fails to be elected to membership may reapply for membership only after the expiration of six months from the date of the general membership meeting at which such applicant failed to be elected to membership.

#### By-laws Article II - Meetings

#### Current Reading

**Section 4.** The Corresponding Secretary shall mail notice of both regular and special meetings to each member in good standing, not less than four days prior to the date of the meeting.

#### Proposed Revision

**Section 4.** The Corresponding Secretary shall distribute notice of both regular and special meetings to each member in good standing, not less than four days prior to the date of the meeting.

#### By-laws Article III - Elections

#### Current Reading

**Section 2.** The Nominating Committee shall present a slate at the June meeting consisting of at least one candidate for each of the elective offices, and for each Delegate provided by Article VI thereof. The slate of candidates proposed by the Nominating Committee shall be published and mailed by the Corresponding Secretary to each member with the notice of the July meeting.

#### Proposed Revision

**Section 2.** The Nominating Committee shall present a slate at the June meeting consisting of at least one candidate for each of the elective offices, and for each Delegate provided by Article VI thereof. The slate of candidates proposed by the Nominating Committee shall be distributed by the Corresponding Secretary to each member with the notice of the July meeting.

New Article for the purpose of defining the term "Distributed" used in all references to correspondence.

# ARTICLE XVI - DELIVERY OF NOTICES AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

Any notice, or other correspondence, to be distributed pursuant to the provisions of these Bylaws, may be delivered by any of the following methods: U.S. mail, E-mail, publishing in the official Newsletter either delivered by U.S. mail or as posted on the club's official website.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### 2006 NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Election results from **FRIDAY** the 25<sup>th</sup> of August Dinner Meeting. Your new officers for the coming year are:

President: Rich Fried

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Steve Lefebvre 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Bill Ladd 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President: Guy Wright Treasurer: Chuck Limparis

Recording Secretary: Red Skillings Membership Secretary: Joe Gick Corresponding Secretary: Vacant

Sgt-At-Arms: Rob Hallin Parliamentarian: Mac McCollum

Chaplain: John Leaman Director: Ken Lefebvre Director: John Walter Director: Michelle Chesnut

Director: Chuck Crooks - Term Continues Director: Meo Curtis - Term Continues Director: Tom Ouellette - Term Continues Director: Pete Doubroff - Term Continues Immediate Past President: Jim Piateski

#### NEW MEMBERS AUGUST 2006 (Joe Gick)

Richard Alan Bendt, Columbia, MD., SPONSOR: Chuck Crooks

**Richard A. Brennan,** Clarksburg, MD., SPONSOR: Bill Schneider

**Ignacio Lulli,** Rockville, MD., SPONSOR: Joe Gick **Jerry P. Spring,** Gaithersburg, MD., SPONSOR: Joe Gick

#### **CONSERVATION COMMITTEE** (Jeff Deschamps)

This year our chapter received the James Lawton Childs Award for the Best Conservation Program in the league NATIONALLY! I would like to thank the members of the conservation committee that helped make this possible, as well as the many chapter members that have supported our chapter's conservation efforts over the last year. During the past year we continued our Watershed Clean Up, ran workshops on nestboxes and rain barrels, planted trees in the Northwest Branch watershed with help from the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection (MC-DEP) and Northwood High School Environmental Academy, and funding from the National Tree Trust, and recruited many of the exhibitors at our chapter's open house. All of this was in addition to the chapter's Christmas tree farm, recycling program, Adopt-A-Road, and American Elm Restoration Project.

Our chapter has a long history in conservation (see "History of the Wildlife Achievement Club Chapter, Izaak Walton League of America, 1937-1997" by Wayne E. Berkebile). In the 1940s through the early 1960s our chapter sponsored roadside cleanups. These were the predecessors to our annual Watershed Clean Up. In 1955, 350 scouts cleaned up over 50 miles of roads! In addition to the cleanups we sponsored Conservation Field Days. The 1965 563 Boy Scouts from 50 different troops met at our chapter's Briggs Chaney property. They attended classes in conservation, felling a tree, firearms safety, skeet shooting, archery, fishing, game management, forest management, and forest fire fighting.

We have a large chapter, which means we have both the membership base and the financial base to support an active conservation program. We can and SHOULD be contenders for the Childs award almost every year, but that can only happen if members get involved and stay involved with conservation projects.

#### FALL CLEAN-UP ( Michelle Chesnut)

Get a Free t-shirt and lunch at the fall watershed clean-up on Sunday October 22, 2006 at 8:30 AM. Join other chapter and community members for fun, food and a cleaner environment. Wear comfortable cloths and shoes. In addition to FREE T-shirts and lunch we will provide bags, gloves and water. Meet at the "green" maintenance shed. Contact Michelle Chesnut at <a href="mailto:smc\_geek@msn.com">smc\_geek@msn.com</a>, 301-831-0237.

#### **BUDGET COMMITTEE** (Rich Fried)

Committee chairs need to begin drafting their proposed budgets for the coming year, NOW.

#### **BLACKSMITH COMMITTEE** (Dick Smith)

The regular meeting of the Blacksmith Committee will take place on Saturday, September 16, 2006 from 10 A.M. until 4 P.M. in the pole barn. There will be an open forge in the morning and a business meeting after a pot luck lunch. During the business meeting we will discuss preparing a budget for 2007 and sponsoring a hammer-in and beef roast in the Spring. All interested WAC members are encouraged to attend this first meeting of the Blacksmith Committee. Dick Smith, Chairman

#### SKEET & TRAP RANGE REPORT (Conley Phipps)

The past two years have been great and presented a wonderful learning experience. Our Chapter is blessed to have so many folks willing to give so much of their time to make our ranges available to the general membership. Many of you have served as Range Officers in the past. so you know what I'm saying but for those of you that don't know the process here's how it goes. We have 45 range officers for Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday range duty. Each of those persons serve on average 12 days per year for your shooting pleasure. Many arrange schedules for family vacations around their duty days. Many serve more than once a month, many come out on range maintenance day to restock clay birds and clean the ranges, hunting buddies, family range officers and husband wife combinations make all this possible for you. The next time you are at the range take a moment and thank the Range Officers. It doesn't take much time and sure makes them feel that they are appreciated. In the coming year your NEW Range Committee Chairman, Paul Turska will need your support and kind words as it isn't an easy task. Paul has already hit the ground running and has several changes in process and several more to follow. As the former Chairman I stand ready to assist Paul where help is needed. I think I can speak for the Committee and all the Range Officers in saying they will also. In the next newsletter we'll introduce the Skeet & Trap Committee members to you. Thanks to all for your help and support these past two years. Conley

#### RIFLE and PISTOL RANGE REPORT (Guy Wright)

**Information**: For more information about any rifle or pistol range activities mentioned in this article, contact Guy Wright, by e-mail, at <a href="mailto:guywright@verizon.net">guywright@verizon.net</a> or telephone 301-253-4604(home) or 301-775-3741(cell).

Shooting Hours: Permitted rifle and pistol range shooting hours are posted on the box, which contains the range sign-in register, as well as above the range entry card reader. For September 2006, starting time is 10:00 AM daily and ending time is 7:30 PM, unless some activity has preempted the range (see "Upcoming Events Affecting Range Availability" below).

#### Reminders:

Rifle and Pistol Range Rules: The rules governing Rifle and Pistol Range safety, conduct, permissible firearms, and violation policy are posted at the covered pistol range, the covered rifle range, the notice board between the pistol ranges, the notice board at the path leading to the covered rifle range, on the chapter WEB site (damascusiwla.org) and in MS Word format from me via email, when requested. Sometimes questions come up. Though our bylaws indicate that you can call any Board of Directors member about these rules, you will be better served to start with the folks closest to them, i.e., range orientation instructors or the committee chairman.

#### **Up-Coming Events Affecting Range Availability:**

**Seneca Valley HP Match** on Saturday September 9, 2006 from 8:30AM to 2:00PM. Rifle Range is closed.

Practical Defense Match on Saturday September 9, 2006 from 9:00AM to 2:00PM on Pistol Range 1. (Please note that participants will meet at 9:30 AM in the Rathskeller for registration; don't go directly to the range). Pistol Range 1 will be closed during this time. For additional information, you can contact Jesse Lim via e-mail at jlim@phillips.com or telephone 301-540-0860 (evenings only please).

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Primitive Black Powder Fun Shoot on Sunday October 8, 2006 from 10:00AM to 2:00PM. Rifle Range is closed. Hunter Safety Class 3 on Saturday October 21, 2006 from 9:00AM to 1:00PM. Rifle and Pistol ranges will be closed.

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If anyone has any topics or items they wish to include in future newsletters, send them to me at my above email address and include some contact info in case I have questions.

## **DARC Rifle Raffle** (Chuck Limparis)

To offset some of the travel costs to competitions, we are again raffling a rifle with all proceeds directly benefiting the Junior Air Rifle Program. Many of the coaches donate not only their time, but also most of their travel costs to these matches and this still leaves these kids with costs of up to \$1,200,00 per shooter to attend these National matches. The Grand Prize is a new Marlin 1894 Lever Action Cowboy Rifle in either .45 Colt, 38Spcl/357Mag, or 44Spcl/44Mag, winners choice. As an alternate, the winner can elect to receive \$500.00 cash. All proceeds from this raffle directly benefit the Junior Air Rifle program, specifically helping to defray the cost of travel to these national matches. The tickets went on sale at the Bull Roast and will be on sale at general membership meetings and Cowboy Shoots. They cost \$5.00 each or you can get 5 tickets for \$20.00. Only 750 tickets will be sold and about 575 are already gone so. DON'T DELAY, show your support and purchase your tickets today! Less than 175 tickets remain and will be on sale at the Installation Dinner 22 September. The drawing will also be held that evening. Like they say "you gotta play to win"!

#### **EDITORS NOTE**

Thanks for giving me the opportunity to be your Newsletter Editor for the past four years. Your trust in my fulfilling the position is and was not taken lightly. The "membership" comes first in being informed, I hope I've managed that in some measure. Please support Michelle Chesnut as she takes over the Newsletter. Thanks for reading it. Conley

#### THOUGHT FOR TODAY

The small courtesies sweeten life; the greater, ennoble it. Bovee

Conley Phipps – Newsletter Editor Richard Phelan – Asst. Newsletter Editor

## **CHAPTER PIG ROAST**

A special Chapter Pig Roast for Members/Membership Fmilies will be held on Saturday, October 14, 2006. All ranges will be closed except for special activities specifically scheduled for that event. Tickets for the event are \$15.00. As the title sounds "pork" will be the feature food. More details will be provided via flyers, emails and website postings. Keep the event in mind and mark it on your calendar as a must attend!

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