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CHAPTER NEWS, EVENTS AND ARTICLES

THE BULLROAST IS HERE (Steve Lefebvre 301 482-1898)

The event you have all been waiting for is here. Saturday, May 12, 2007 from 11:00 until 2:00 pm we will have the Bull Roast Fun Skeet & Trap Shoot all other activities start at 2:00 pm. There will be plenty of outdoor activities including crafts demonstrations and other exhibitors, a clown and games for the kids, open pit barbecue food and beverages, and live entertainment. Tickets are available at the Bull Roast. For more information, contact Steve Lefebvre at (301) 482-1898.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

Please notify Joe Gick our Membership Secretary of all changes of address, phone number, or e-mail. If you move and don't tell us, your forwarding order will probably expire and you will not get a renewal bill. Please keep your record up to date. Send a message to <u>Joe.Gick@Verizon.net</u> or Joe Gick, 16601 Cavalry Dr, Rockville MD 20853.

Recently, the club grounds were closed to all entry for over a week. We sent an e-mail notice to all of the members that we had on file. If you did <u>not</u> get this message, then we do not have your e-mail address. In fact, we don't have about this information for over 400 members. Please send it today to <u>Joe.Gick@Verizon.net</u>. We promise to protect it and never sell or distribute it. We will only use it to inform you of what is happening that is of general interest.

YOUTH CONSERVATION PROGRAM SPONSORS

NEEDED (Guy Wright guywright@verizon.net)

Some have suggested that for the second largest IWLA chapter in America we have a dearth of conservation related youth activities. Or simply, "Where will the next generation of Ike's come from?"

In order to promote youth involvement in IWLA, we need to identify individuals from our rather large membership base that are willing to volunteer, formulate and sponsor new youth programs at the Wildlife Achievement Chapter (WAC) that have a Conservation rather than a Shooting Sport focus.

Many new members profess their intent to instill our conservation values in their children but we have few youth related conservation programs available for their participation.

There are unlimited possibilities for conservation related youth activities that need only a sponsor with the time and willingness to develop and lead new programs. The Internet provides a cornucopia of ideas in this area.

So if you are that person, and have an idea for a new and interesting conservation program for the youth of our membership, please contact either of the Conservation Committee Co-Chairs Meo Curtis and Bill Ladd or Third Vice President Guy Wright for information on how to proceed.

CONGRATULATIONS STEVEN CARR

Steven Carr recently received a letter of congratulations from the IWLA National Office on his achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Steven is responsible for the construction and installation of the many bluebird nest boxes on the property. He will also be monitoring their use. The Wildlife Achievement Chapter members extend their congratulations to Steven on a job well done!

SKEET AND TRAP PARKING (Chuck Crooks)

We do not permit the parking of motor vehicles beyond the fence area or on the range.

The only vehicles that we permit beyond the skeet range fence are maintenance vehicles. No parking is allowed in the range area. Vehicles with a state issued handicap tag or mirror card are permitted to park in the designated areas up to the fence at skeet field one and five only. They are not permitted beyond the fence. Other vehicles must park in the parking lot by the skeet building.

The placement of designated handicap parking spaces will take place over the next month. Violators are subject to a state fine.

The BOD and the trap and skeet chair will handle all violations of the parking restrictions.

CONSUMPTION AND CONSERVATION (Jim Piateski)

We usually think of conservation in terms of recycling. (According to a not-so-scientific survey that Michelle Chesnut conducted at a dinner meeting, the membership at WAC does recycle.) Conservation also includes reuse of goods and reducing waste. With the recent increase in gasoline, many of us are combining trips to run our errands. At \$3.00 a gallon, this makes both economic sense and environmental sense. What you may not think of is the hidden energy and environmental costs behind the goods you consume

Every product we buy has a cycle of events. First is the manufacture or production of the product. This can be an energy intensive process. Even farming uses oil to fuel equipment and in manufacturing fertilizer. Then there is the packaging, shipping, purchase, use and disposal. As consumers, we have the power to choose those products that create the least energy burden.

Where possible, buy goods produced locally or at least domestically. (Another benefit of consumption of domestic goods is that it keeps jobs in the USA.) The USA makes good beer, wine, cheese, bottled water and other consumables. Buy products with little or no packaging. When you find a product that has too much packaging, consider writing to the company that makes the product and letting them know you want less packaging. Less packaging is less wasteful.

The next time you shop, think about the entire life cycle of the products you buy. Purchase products made from recycled materials. These generally have a lower energy cost than products made from all new resources.

Oh, and buy reusable canvas bags. They will save oil from producing and transporting the bags. Reusable bags cut down on waste that often ends up in trees. Recycling the plastic bags is good, but using canvas bags is better.

WATERSHED CLEAN-UP (Meo Curtis)



Figure 1 - Judy Riley, roving command center captain, caught in a "flurry" of activity. (Photo by Meo Curtis)

Our annual 'spring' clean up on April 2007 began in a flurry of snowflakes and accompanying winter-like temperatures. Nevertheless, 62 hardy souls came out and collected about 25 cubic yards of trash. Once again, our perennial partners of Trout Unlimited and DNR helped us out, as did the Montgomery County Division of Solid Waste Services who dropped off the empty roll-off container and came back to pick it up after we filled it.



Figure 2- Two volunteers dragging a very old mattress out from Long Corner RD

Of the volunteers, 20 are Chapter members, and one, DNR volunteer ranger Suha Peng, is a member of the Rockville Chapter. A large contingent of students from Montgomery Community College, another contingent of students from Johns Hopkins University, and members of 2 Boy Scout troops also helped.

The 'trash' included many, many bottles and cans, but also much larger debris such as doors, a yard mower, a dishwasher, microwave, part of a pick up truck, and a lift-gate from some bigger truck. We found many of the larger items, along with a bunch of 5-gallon grease buckets, at Brown's Church Road. We found the 10 or so tires in assorted places along the roads crossing the river from Gue Rd down to Howard Chapel Rd near Unity.



Figure 3 -Chef Scoseria

Thanks to all who helped with the logistics and with their own vehicles including Bill Ladd, Jim Piateski, Judy Riley (mobile command center), Michelle Chesnut (photographer and rover), and of course to our excellent chef, Jose Scoseria. Thanks also to Paul Turska for letting us use his stake body truck.

NEW "SHOTGUN RANGE" SIGN-IN BOX (Conley Phipps)

The WAC BOD has implemented a NEW policy for members using the Shotgun Ranges during the week, for activities such as walking/working dogs, taking a stroll through the lower meadow just to enjoy the wildflowers, maintaining the Apiary, Beehives or for Shotgun Range Officers non-open day shooting. The POLICY is: You must sign-in at the Sign-in Box located on the Range side of the Shotgun Range House.

If someone is signed in and is down range NO member is permitted to engage in a shotgun shooting activity until that person comes back up range and signs out. Anyone on the Range for any purpose other than mowing operations MUST WEAR THEIR MEMBERSHIP ID BADGE, as are the requirements for ALL RANGES! When mowing is taking place, a sign will be posted notifying members that the RANGES ARE CLOSED.

Violators will be asked to attend the next BOD meeting to explain their actions.



Figure 4-A walk through the woods. (Photo by Nick Limparis) BREAKIN' CLAY TO SAVE THE BAY Bob Cumberland

(bob.cumberland@verizon.net)

Yes, we will be Breakin' Clay to Save the Bay! No, it's not the same day as the Bull Roast! This year we will hold the Chapter fund-raiser to benefit the Chesapeake Bay Foundation's *Save the Bay* program on Saturday, May 19, 2007, one week after the Bull Roast.

The event is open to members, guests, and shooters of all skill levels. This will be the fourth year for the event, and we are hopeful that even more of our members will participate. The \$25 entry fee includes two rounds of skeet and /or trap, lunch, an event t-shirt, not to mention the good time and support for a very important cause. All proceeds from the event will go to the *Save the Bay* program.

There will be prizes for high score and three Lewis classes. Lewis class provides shooters of all skill levels an opportunity to win. Registration will begin at 9:30 am in the Range House, and shooting will start 10:00 am. For more information on the CBF program, visit http://CBF.org For information regarding the fun shoot, email <u>bob.cumberland@verizon.net</u> or call 301-253-1348.

THUNDER VALLEY DAYS (Chuck Crooks)

The SASS Maryland State Championship of cowboy action shooting is our chapter's biggest single fundraiser. It requires a lot of help in many areas. Please review the list below and contact the person responsible for that portion of the event. All volunteers will get chapter work credit while having fun and a unique look at our American West.

Match set up is on Wednesday, June 20 at 10:00 AM for most of the day. Contact <u>Chuck Crooks</u> (WildlifeRangers@aol.com)

301-831-9666.

Vendor Set Up Contact <u>Dave Gold</u> (ddgold@frontiernet.net) 304-876-2484. Wednesday, most of the day and for a couple of hours on Thursday (21st) morning.

Kitchen and Food preparation help for lunch on 21, 22, 23 and a late afternoon BBQ on the 22nd. Contact <u>Mac McCollum</u> (osngmc@erols.com) 301-854-3707.

Parking on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd mostly in the AM between 7:00 AM and 9:30 AM. Visitor parking help need throughout the day on the 22nd & 23rd. Contact <u>Tom Riley</u> (vze3h59t@verizon.net) 301-774-7426.

Target swap on the 22nd at approximately 4:00 PM for about 1 1/2 hours. Contact <u>Chuck Crooks</u> (WildlifeRangers@aol.com) 301-831-9666.

Shuttle Drivers on the 21st, 22nd, 23rd. Help needed throughout the day, starting at 10:00 AM on the 21st, 7:00 AM on the 22nd and 23rd, finished at 5:00 PM.. Contact <u>Rich Fried</u> (tanricfried@aol.com) 301-253-2789.

First Aid Station on 22nd & 23rd. Contact <u>Chuck Crooks</u> (WildlifeRangers@aol.com) 301-831-9666.

Water Jugs on 21st, 22nd, 23rd. Set up in AM, get ice and replenish each morning. Contact John Leaman 301-972-1572.

Roaming Safety Officer (for visitors checking for ear and eye protection). Help is need for all day Friday and Saturday. Contact Contact <u>Chuck Crooks</u> (WildlifeRangers@aol.com) 301-831-9666

Match tear down on the 23rd. Approximately 3:30 PM for less than 2 hours. Contact Mike Webb "<u>Macho Mike</u>" (mwebb1234a@aol.com) 703-314-9022 to volunteer

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE (Meo Curtis)

April was a busy month for the Conservation Committee. It began with the Annual Watershed Clean-up on April 7, featured elsewhere in this newsletter.

April 14. The American Chesnut test planting is done—look for the markers in the field to the right of the entrance road. This is a prelude to the final planting expected next year. Special thanks to David Jacobson for the outstanding job in coordinating with the American Chesnut foundation and taking care of all the details for our nursery.

April 20 and 21. Jeff Deschamps and Meo Curtis represented the Izaak Walton League at two separate Earth Day events in Montgomery County, the Marriott Corporation Green Fair and Whole Foods Kentlands Earth Day. Most people had never heard of the League. Some people recognized the name 'Izaak Walton League' from signs at the entrances to various Chapters around the County, but didn't know what the League was. May 12. Come out to the Bull Roast for a really good time and learn more about Conservation Committee activities. Jim Piateski will talk about the beehives, Michelle Chesnut will have a display about the League's Save Our Streams program, Sandy Burk will show you the Nature Trail, and more.

June 5. Tuesday. 7-8:30 p.m. at the Chapter House. Timothy Warman, National Wildlife Federation, Director of the Global Warming Program will talk about climate change and impacts on wildlife. With the documented increase in average air and water temperatures, Tim will present research on the likely changes in wildlife distribution across the globe.

There will be no Conservation Committee meeting in May. Next meeting will be on Wednesday June 6th at 6:30 p.m.

WAC AIR PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH (Phil Dean)

The Adult Airgun club held the annual WAC-IWLA Air Pistol Match on April 9 and 16, 2007. This was a 600 point match (12 targets of five shots each) fired on the indoor 10-meter airgun range. First place in the women's category was Michelle Chesnut with a score of 493. Jim Piateski was the high scorer in the men's category with a score of 531; Hiem Trang was second with 526; and Paolo Amedeo was third with a score of 521. Others participating were: Karl Krchma, Rick Blatchford, Jose Scoseria, Tim Avara, Phillip Dean, Georgia Townsend, and Carole Poth

The adult airgun group meets on Monday evenings with target set-up beginning at 6:30 PM. You may fire air pistols and air rifles in the indoor range. During the summer with the weather permitting, we fire on the outdoor airgun range. Contact Phillip Dean (pd10x@comcast.net) for additional information.

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS (Conley Phipps)

Probationary members are now required to help with four chapter events during their first two years of WAC membership. At least one project MUST be in support of Chapter Conservation efforts. If you are a probationary member, and don't see your name in the newsletter after helping out with an event, it would be prudent to contact the person who ran the event and find out why your name has not reached me. Additionally be sure to have that activity person notify me of this fact. Following are the names from the sign-up sheets for several recent events. Thanks to all. The following probationary members graduated to full membership status as having completed their required projects: Kevin E. Young, Sean Holt, Alexei B. Ivanov, Cyril St. Martin and Bryan Payne.

APRIL General Membership Meeting Kitchen Staff and

KP's: Chef Kai Lee of Lee's Kitchen, in Layhill Shopping Center provided a wonderful Chinese Dinner; Servers were Charley Weaver and Saul Honigsberg. Rob Hallin and Ken Lefebvre manned the Refreshment area.

Chapter maintenance: APRIL 27th, 2007

Tom Gay, Paul Turska, Jake Turska, Conley Phipps, Mark Gay, Henry Gay, Chris Reposa, Jim Arnold and Conley Phipps.

Chapter maintenance: APRIL 29th, 2007

Ezzat Grant, Josh Jones, Alan Pressman, Chris Reposa, Al Goldschmidts, Pete Doubroff, Sean St. Martin, Carl Bastianc, Cyril St. Martin, Carl McMahon, Dave Stevenson, Conley Phipps, John Leaman, Tom Cauffier and Guy Wright. Also thanks to Judy Riley for mowing around the Chestnut restoration project.

Cowboy Set Up/Tear Down: MARCH 31st, 2007 Chuck Crooks, David Blair, H. L. Powell, Ron Peddiorc, Jerry Bazensky, Bonnie Bazensky, Salty Cal, Judge Colt, J. D. Dillon, Bad Norseman, Humpty Hank, Renegade Lee, Garrett Carson, Buffalo Joe, Tug Hill, Mud McCoy, Michigan Bar, Dave Argyle, Marshall Stubbs, Lonesome Me, River Banks.

Cowboy Set Up: APRIL 28th , 2007 Chuck Crooks, Doug Greenfield, J. D. Dillon, John Kerr, Larry Emswiler, Minor Appleman, Thomas Bragg, Tony Evans, Rich Rankin, Mary Pat Donals, Paul Bluteau.

Cowboy Tear Down: APRIL 29th, 2007 Sagebrush Kid, Mike Webb, Whistlin Whiplash, Renegade Lee, Tug Hill, Highland Ranger, Doc Dave, Maud Dib.

Wattershed Clean-Up: April 7th, 2007 Patrice Torres, Kris Boroherding, Alison Martha, Cindy Fuertes, Tim Lloyd, Zach Lloyd, Judy Riley, Bellyveth Raquel Munoz, David Asher, Kate Reid, Brian Mute, Steve Myers, Jon Fricke, David Fricke, Syed Jammial Hassan, Jon and Bonita Baker-Dean, Hazel Strahorn, Cameron Horst, Larry Emswiler, Grace Clark, Brent Lendeen, Josh Logan, Bruce Eberte, Mick Weber, John Berggren, Aaron Myers, Jake Seagull, Paul Stegull, Suha Peng, Bill Kelly, Kevin Young, Jim Arnold, Jay Pickens, Corey Arnold, Lucas Wiedes, Michael Smith, Dave Anderson Jr., Erik Anderson, Bill Pavan, Beckey Reaz, Jim Wimbish, Sean Kallungal, Simon Kallungal, Robert Permishon, Daniel Saregrese, Craig Falk, John Falk, Jim Piateski, Fran Hann, Yvonne Hu-Cotto, Nicole Jennings-Jones, Jeff Deschamps, Donald Sengstack, David Jacobson, Michelle Chesnut, Blake Beaudoin, Bryan Payne, Mosha and Sasha Bortell.

A hardy and special thanks to all listed above. THANKS!

If I have failed to credit anyone for a required work project or misspelled a name (I'm currently enrolled in a new interpretive writing course titled "Chicken Scratch") please contact Conley Phipps @ 301-460-8528 or phippscd@hotmail.com.

NEW MEMBERS (Joe Gick)

Michael D. Swaine and Daymieon Rivera sponsored by Bill Schneider Richard Sacks and Miles Benson sponsored by Bob Schneider Paul H. Tardif sponsored by Carl Newcomer Chris Wright sponsored by Jeffery Wright John Bourke, Eric A. Rice Edward Grim and Dana Bourke sponsored by Joe Gick Charles Minear sponsored by Mike Gugulis John C. Gonce sponsored by Red Gambrell

BLACKSMITH COMMITTEE Dick Smith

(<u>dsmith@lofstrand.com</u>) The **Blacksmith Committee** is expanding its operations in the pole barn to provide a total of five work stations. Each station will include a forge, anvil, post vise and set of tools. This Saturday (April 28), we will begin making a full set of accessory tools for each workstation. This set will include a coal shovel, poker, water can and coal rake. This work will continue until each station has a complete set of tolls and accessories. We are also clearing out the adjacent bay of the pole barn to provide additional space for our operations. With the coming of warmer weather, we hope that more WAC members will come out and experience the joy and satisfaction of seeing steel move under their hammers. You need no prior experience because we have members who are willing and able to pass on their skills in this ancient art to all interested members. For those who may not be interested in actually forging, membership is open to nonsmithing Ikes as well. Once again, we will be set up with all of our operations to participate in the annual Bull Roast May 12 and Thunder Valley Days June 22-24.

Rifle and Pistol Range Report

INFORMATION: For more information about any rifle or pistol range activities mentioned in this article, contact Guy Wright, by e-mail, at **guywright@verizon.net** 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 May 2007, 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).

My thanks to Josh Jonas, Al Goldschmidts, and Alan Pressman for their help with range maintenance on Chapter Maintenance Day.

REMINDERS

Advance Notice on Range Closures: On May 12, 2007, the Chapter will hold its Annual Bull Roast beginning at 2:00 pm. The Bull Roast will include a Fun Skeet & Trap Shoot from 11:00 to 2:00 so we will close the trap and skeet range at that time to other shooters. All Ranges will close at 2:00 pm for this event. Thunder Valley Days are coming June 20 thru 23rd, which will close all ranges.

Plywood Donations: Thanks to Al Goldschmidts, Alan Pressman, John Leaman and other anonymous donors for the plywood. Our inventories are back in the comfortable zone.

Your donations of plywood for use as target backers on the rifle and pistol ranges are always welcome. For backers, the plywood should be 1/2 inch or thicker and either pre-cut or capable of being cut into pieces 2'x2' (pistol range) or 2'x4' (rifle range). Please help keep the WAC looking good by dropping off your donations by the sliding door on the back side of the green equipment shed; that is, at the side nearest the chapter house. Thanks

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 May 5, 2007 from 8:30AM to 2:00PM. Rifle Range is closed.

Veterans Appreciation Day on Saturday May 12, 2007 from 10:00AM to 2:00PM. Rifle Range Closed

Practical Defense Match on Saturday May 19, 2007 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).

Cowboy Action Setup on Friday May 25, 2007. Rifle and Pistol Ranges will be closed beginning at 1:00PM.

Cowboy Action Shoot on Saturday May 26, 2007 from 8:00AM to 3:30PM. Rifle and Pistol Ranges will be closed during this time.

Seneca Valley HP Match on Saturday June 2, 2007 from 8:30AM to 2:00PM. Rifle Range is closed.

Bowling Pin Shoot on Saturday June 16, 2007 from 1:00PM to 5:00PM on Pistol Range 1. 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).

Thunder Valley Days Cowboy Action Setup on Wednesday June 20, 2007. Skeet & Trap, Rifle and Pistol Ranges will be closed.

Thunder Valley Days Cowboy Action Shoot From Thursday June 21 thru Saturday June 23. Skeet & Trap, Rifle and Pistol Ranges will be closed during this time.

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.

RANGE ORIENTATION INSTRUCTORS

Bud Bell and Bruce Roth are teaching this month's range orientation class on May 27. Please say thank you to the people who run these classes. They volunteer many hours during the year to help us keep the ranges safe and fun places to be.

JUNIOR AIR REPORT (Chuck Limparis)

On 14 April 2007, our club hosted the NRA State Championship match that was also the Maryland State Championship and the MSRPA (Maryland State Rifle & Pistol Association) was our co-host. We held the match at Seneca Valley High School with the help of the NJROTC team there. This allowed us to put 23 shooters on the line at a time and we were able to complete the match in a single day.

Our kids had a very successful match with three of our precision shooters, Ian Duncan, Zach Keyser, and Phil Tepper and two of our sporter shooters Kris Goldberg and Kimi Goldberg, qualifying to attend the NRA National Championship to be held in Akron, Ohio in July. Kris Goldberg placed second in the state and his sister Kimi Goldberg placed third in the state.

In addition, we also have a precision team that will be traveling to Bowling Green, Kentucky, to compete in the USAS Junior Olympic National Match in July. This year, the gold medal Precision Team consisted of Aleem Sheikh, Azeem Sheikh, David Carr, Andy Carr, and James Devereaux.

Our season officially ends on 19 May 2007 when we will host our annual cookout and awards banquet at the Chapter House. However, practice will continue for all of our shooters who will be attending National Matches in July.

Congratulations to All of Our Shooters for another great season!

IWLA RANGE ROSTER MAY 2007 (Bill Rahn)

Wed	5/2	Mike McNally, Jacob Lambert, Bob Woodward
Sat	5/5	Tim Mulreany, Ryan Cooley, Bob Cooley, Scott
Wood		
Sun	5/6	Bob Case, Mark Gay, Paul Turska, Jake Turska
Wed	5/9	Jef Greenhutt, Tom Moore, Bill Dowes
Sat	5/12	Ron Robeson, Paul Fisher, Dave Fichter, George
Fichter		
Sun	5/13	Chris Reposa, Mike webb, Randy Stewart, Evan
Stewart		
Wed	5/16	Frank Biss, Ron Roberson, Scott Wood
Sat	5/19	Dave Gold, Peter Currall, Ira Wein, Tom Moore
Sun	5/20	Jim & Judy Crowell, Jason Ledney, Brandon
Kinikin		
Wed	5/23	Michael Fleisher, Jeff Waters, Tom Moore
Sat	5/26	Charles Weaver, Richard Zabell. Red Gambrell,
Bill Rahn		
Sun	5/27	Frank Saenz, Ron Van Tassell, Peter Sittner
Wed	5/30	Scott Wood, Jeff Greenhut, Jacob Lambert

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If anyone has any contributions for future newsletters, send them to Michelle Chesnut at the above email address and include some contact info in case there are questions. If possible, please send them in an attached Word document.