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**CHAPTER NEWS, EVENTS AND ARTICLES**

# **WILD GAME DINNER AND AUCTION**

**Saturday, January 26, 2013**

*Tickets are Limited to 150. Don't miss it!*

**TICKETS ARE \$20.00 AND WILL BE SOLD  
AT BOARD MEETINGS, MEMBERSHIP  
DINNER MEETINGS AND THE SHOTGUN  
RANGE HOUSE.**

One of the most popular items is vacation weeks at  
Port Largo Villas Resort in Key Largo, Florida.  
Additional information can be viewed online at  
their website, [www.PortLargoVillas.Org](http://www.PortLargoVillas.Org)

The 6 weeks available this year are:

Friday, 29 March 2013 - Friday, 5 April 2013  
Friday, 5 April 2013 - Friday, 12 April 2013  
Friday, 12 April 2013 - Friday, 19 April 2013  
Friday, 19 April 2013 - Friday, 26 April 2013  
Friday, 16 August 2013 - Friday, 23 August 2013

Friday, 23 August 2013 - Friday, 30 August  
2013

# Wild game and auction donations needed!

If you have Wild Game that you wish to donate for the dinner, please contact Ed McNally to check for suitability and proper storage specifications. [EdwardMcNally1@gmail.com](mailto:EdwardMcNally1@gmail.com)

If you have items you wish to donate for the auction, please leave them behind the bar area in the basement of the chapter house.

**Please identify your items with a sticker indicating your name and that the items is for the Wild Game Dinner Auction.**

Stickers are located on the clipboard hanging outside the office in the basement, or you can just mark the package.

**PLEASE: No Exercise Equipment or used Computers!**

**If you require a receipt for your donation, please bring a list of the items donated to any of the meetings, and give it to either Chuck Limparis, Treasurer or Berle Cherney, Wild Game Dinner Chairman,**

**or drop it off at the Shotgun Range House. Please include your name and address on the list of items and an email address if you are happy with an emailed receipt. A donation receipt will be sent to you shortly. You may also email your list of donated items to Chuck Limparis after they have been dropped off and a donation receipt will be mailed or emailed back.**  
**[cmlimparis@compuserve.com](mailto:cmlimparis@compuserve.com)**

Auction items can be viewed on the day of the event, from 3:00 PM.  
Silent auctions and a few early bird items start at 6:00PM.  
In addition to Wild Game, our chefs will prepare a Steamship Round of Beef.

Questions can be addressed to  
Berle Cherney—301-942-4949, [berle@berlecherney.com](mailto:berle@berlecherney.com)

#### **Scholarships available**

Letters are sent out every year to all high schools in Montgomery, Howard, Frederick and Carroll counties notifying them of available scholarships offered by the Wildlife Achievement Chapter of the Izaak Walton League of America. Response varies from year to year, This past year ,we had no qualifying applications. They were either incomplete or the intended course of study was outside the environmental/conservation related field necessary to qualify.

The Board of Directors puts money in the budget exclusively for this . These funds can go for no other purpose. The amounts awarded range from \$600.00 to \$1000.00 per semester depending on the number of scholarships awarded. This scholarship is awarded for the entire four years provided the student maintains a 3.0 average or better and continues in a conservation or an environmentally oriented course of study. Students preparing to graduate high school and considering an applicable course of study are encouraged to apply.

Complete requirements and an application are available on our website.

#### **Conservation** (Meo Curtis)

On Saturday November 17, there were 14 members and 2 non-member volunteers who worked from 9 to Noon at our long-term partnership project at WSSC's Pigtail Branch area in the

Triadelphia watershed. We have worked with WSSC for about 10 year to create an upland forest of native trees for habitat and food sources for wildlife there.

It was a beautiful sunny day to be in the great outdoors. We cut invasive vines from the trees along the forest edge, trying to keep those vines from moving into the forest and overgrowing more trees. We also pulled vines like honeysuckle and bittersweet out of the areas where there were trees that we had planted previously. Most of our work was to continue protecting those trees with metal cages. We remove those stiff plastic tubes commonly used to protect against deer and replace with wire mesh cages which do a much better job at preventing damage from deer rub and deer browse. Next spring, we'll be going back with Kim Knox of WSSC for another round of managing invasive vines and also planting another area in native trees.

In an interesting irony, as we were leaving we met a bow-hunter who had taken a small buck from farther back on the WSSC property. Many of you may know that the WSSC property, and much of the other parkland areas in Montgomery County, have more deer than can reasonably be sustained on that acreage. That is why we find so many deer in our yards and, if you are really unfortunate, in collision with your vehicle. The managed hunts are an important tool in attempting to reduce the deer population towards a better balance with the food and habitat available.







**Christmas Tree Committee Update** ( By Wade Dayberry and Wendy Smith )

This is a reminder that we will not be holding Christmas Tree sales at the league this year except on December maintenance day, Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup> from 9AM to NOON for WAC members, friends and family to come out and purchase a tree if you wish. We look forward to planting more trees on March maintenance day, 2013. Happy Holidays, enjoy and be safe!

**Skeet and Trap** (Bob Cooley)

Folks:

I would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you the most wonderful holiday season. I would also like to thank each of you for your service and consistent support of the Isaac Walton League, Wildlife Achievement Chapter and Shotgun Range in particular. Hope to see you at the Club.

Bob

## IWLA SHOTGUN RANGE ROSTER 2013

### January 2013

Sat 1/5 Tim Mulreany, Gary Green  
Sun 1/6 Paul Turska, Jake Turska, Steve Rowcroft  
Sat 1/12 Paul Fisher (for Jim Arnold), Kieth Kosian  
Sun 1/13 Hank Williams, Mike Webb  
Sat 1/19 Mike Bowen, Roman Drew  
Sun 1/20 Joel Gross, John Davis  
Sat 1/26 Robin Dixon, Glenn Hubert  
Sun 1/27 Bob Poth, Dave Stevenson

#### Substitutes:

Mash Esfanaji, Mary Esfanaji, Frank Bis, Tony Hess, Mark Gay, Greg Meyer, Ron Roberson, George King, Gary Giambalvo, Bob Cooley, Jay Jeffrey, Carl McMahon, Ira Wein, Ron Roberson, Jim Crowell, Maj Tavakoli, Murray Welsh, Steve Olsen, Bill Rahn, Charlie Weaver, Jay DeVan, Gerhard Bartsch, Nunzio Litterio, Berle Cherney, Debbi Perry, Brian Van Winkle, Bob Woodward

### **Rifle and Pistol** (Jesse Lim/Wendy Smith/Judy Riley)

#### RSO Committee update –Ladies/Daughters/Teens NRA Basic Pistol Class – by Wendy Smith

On November 11<sup>th</sup>, we held our last class of the year, the Fourth Annual Ladies, Daughters and Teens class. It was a HUGE success and we have received very positive feedback from the students. One of the students went out of her way in sending a hand-written letter thanking the instructors for all of their excellent work. We are very proud of our instructors and thank them for their dedication to our program.





We would like to extend a very special thank you and acknowledgement to John Mullaney, one of our WAC RSOs and NRA certified trainers. Not only does John have a full time job with Montgomery County Police, he has a young family, AND proudly serves in the Army National Guard! He graciously sacrifices what little personal time is left to WAC and to the NRA training program we've developed. Thank you, John!



The Tom Riley .22 Fun Shoot was held on December 8, 2012

Article by Judy Riley

Photography: Jesse Lim, Jean Aker & Judy Riley



It was a beautiful day on the Fred Johnson Rifle Range Saturday. We had a really great turnout! Some folks patiently waited for tables when we were a bit crowded, at one point. Temperatures were in the mid 60's and the sunshine provided great jean-jacket weather. Judy Riley provided donuts, hot chocolate and coffee in the morning. Jesse Lim fired up the grill and served us a terrific BBQ feast of burgers and wings for lunch...YUM! Everyone seemed to be having a great time! Some photos of the day...







### **A Reminder To Our Probationary Members**

It's time to think about where you are on completing your required work. With summer almost half over conservation work will soon be minimal and conservation work is mandatory.

Reminders of the work requirements that must be completed are:

First year you must complete one conservation and one general work activity or two conservation.

Second year is the same as the first with one conservation and one general work activity or two conservation to be completed.

Each year is independent of each other: you cannot do four activities the first year and consider your obligation to be met.

If you have been keeping track of your progress ,great! Not sure of your work status or have questions? Email me at [nicolasgiu@yahoo.com](mailto:nicolasgiu@yahoo.com). Please reference IWLA in the Subject Line.

### **THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS**

#### **Congratulations**

The following probationary member has successfully completed his probation and is now graduated to Full Member status.

Robert P. McDermott

### **Reddy Branch Tree Maintenance**

October 13

Meo Curtis, Jeff Deschamps, Bob McDermott, Nathan Pratt, Tyler Pratt, Ira Krowitz, Jon May, Chris Hyre, Dan Crumpler, Jim Bourdon, Jim Piatetski, Kevin Dukes, Jenny Dukes, Zachary Kelly, Tim Garrity and Kim Knox.

### **Damascus Air Rifle Club**

November 7 and 15

Assisted with Coaching:

Brian Griggs.

### **Chapter Maintenance Day**

November 18

#### **Range Maintenance (Pistol/Rifle)**

Al Goldschmidts, Liam Kelly, Wayne Berkebile and Bill Kelly.

#### **Conservation Activities** (Tree maintenance)

Wendy Smith, Joseph Smith, Hank Williams, Ryan McGarity, Sean Taylor, Kevin Meekins, Jim Scott, Aleks Goldschmidts, Ronald Brooks, Juliette Brooks, Dirk Wiersma, Jacob Wiersma, Mark Mowrey and Linda Sampson.

#### **Shotgun Range Maintenance**

Jim Strachan, Dave Stamper, Carmen Stamper, \*\*\*ddie Stamper, James Conrad, Rudy Werner, Hank Williams, Jacob Brodsky, Jay De Van, Dirk Wiersma, Richard Young, Sam Young, Steve Olsen and Matthew Booth.

### **Cowboy Shoot Setup**

November 23

Guy Wright, Chuck Crooks, Barb Crooks, Ray Dorn, James Bourdon, Frank D. Early, Chuck Limparis and Spotted Horse.

### **Kitchen Work** (in support of the Cowboy Shoot)

November 23/24

Ed McNally, Cherie Aker and Marshall Bell.

### **Chapter Membership Dinner**

November 28

Charly Culbertson, Cherie Aker (Sous Chef), Linda Sampson (Prep Chef), Stephen Lefebvre Jr. (Kitchen Help) and Steve Peck (Kitchen Help).

Dining Room Setup: Will Carbone and Steve Peck.

### **A reminder to our Probationary Members**

If you would like an up-date of your work status, send an email to [nicolasgiu@yahoo.com](mailto:nicolasgiu@yahoo.com).

Just enter IWLA STATUS in the subject line; and your name in the message area, no need for anything else.

If you volunteered for an activity in the past month or so and your name does not appear in this issue of the newsletter or you are incorrectly listed, please send an email with your information to: [nicolasgiu@yahoo.com](mailto:nicolasgiu@yahoo.com)

Due to the poor legibility of a number of names, I am forced to guesstimate these names. This Thank You list of volunteers is made up of Full Members, Probationary Members and Non-members; so, my guess could be wrong.

If you are working towards getting credit please give me a legible name.

*Editor's note: It will make my life much simpler if future submissions are in 12 point New Times Roman font and in Word format.*

*I thank you for your consideration.*

**NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS** (Jim Piateski [jimpiateski@verizon.net](mailto:jimpiateski@verizon.net))

Thanks to Nicolas Giuliano for mailing the printed version of the newsletter every month. Thanks to Meo Curtis , Judy Riley, Wendy Smith, Jesse Lim, Berle Cherney, Wade Dayberry and Bob Cooley for their contributions to this newsletter. Thanks to Chuck Crooks for posting the newsletter on the web in such a timely fashion.

If anyone has an article, picture or topic, which they wish to have included in future newsletters, send to Jim Piateski at [jimpiateski@verizon.net](mailto:jimpiateski@verizon.net) and include some contact info in case there are questions. If you have photographs of chapter events that you would like to share with the membership in the on-line newsletter, please send them to Jim Piateski at the above email address. Please include the names of those pictured as well as the date and name of the event.

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