



Wildlife Achievement Chapter
Izaak Walton League of America
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CHAPTER NEWS AND EVENTS

President's Corner

Our 2019 WAC elections were held during our August General Membership Meeting. I would like to extend congratulations to our returning Directors, Billy Ramos and Tom Ouellette and to our new incoming Director, Joe Pauley. I also wanted to say thank you to Berle Cherney for his service as Director. Judy Riley will be returning as Recording Secretary – replacing Meo Curtis. Meo has been absolutely great in her position as Recording Secretary. I can always count on Meo to ensure that I follow the correct procedure for conducting a meeting according to Robert's Rules of Order. Trust me when I say that is no easy task. Judy Riley is a very dear friend of mine – and I have no doubt she will do an outstanding job in her role as Recording Secretary.

Chuck Limparis – after over a decade of service as WAC Treasurer will be vacating his position at the end of the year. During each Board of Directors' meeting – we would go around the table and each Board member would introduce themselves to those applying for membership. Without fail – after Chuck Limparis introduced himself – you would hear “For Life” echoed by all the other board members. The treasurer position is no easy task – and he did it without complaint. He is meticulous and devoted a lot of his time and energy as treasurer. Thank you very much Chuck for everything you have done for the Wildlife Achievement Chapter!

Our second Girls and Guns Having Fun event was held September 8th. Jesse Lim provided the attendees with a brief overview of ranges rules and safety protocol. Several Range Safety Officers were on-hand to provide guidance to each shooter on the firing line. Charlie Mello was also there – generously sharing his many different firearms with the ladies. We were lucky in regards to the weather. The rain held off until after the event concluded. I was a little worried when I saw the weather forecast ... Did you know that the WAC chapter has a Facebook Account? Check it out - Izaak Walton League Wildlife Achievement Chapter of Damascus, MD.

WAC is offering a variety of classes and events. There is something for everyone. Take a look at the WAC calendar for information on upcoming events and classes. The next General Membership meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 26th. Come meet other members – enjoy a meal – and be involved! What makes WAC so great – is our members. Come share your thoughts and ideas!

The next club and range maintenance day is scheduled for Sunday, September 30th starting at 9:00 a.m. As always – I encourage you to come and provide your assistance with maintaining all our ranges – as well as house/grounds and Xmas Tree Maintenance. Don't forget – all ranges are closed until noon.

Hope to see you soon! Until then, take care!
Cherie Aker

CHARLES WILES JR.



Born on November 7, 1928, in Frederick he was the son of the late Charles I. Wiles, Sr. and Gladys Beachley Wiles. He is survived by wife, Leila M. Wiles, daughter, Nancy Wiles, brother Bernard Wiles of Frederick, sister Charlotte Tyeryer of Yorktown, Va. and predeceased by brother Earl Wiles and sister Joyce Cramer. He was raised in Frederick on a farm on West Patrick St., now known as The Golden Mile. The family also farmed the land where Francis Scott Key Mall is now located. Charlie attended Frederick High School where he lettered in baseball all three years. After high school, he was offered a tryout with the then Brooklyn Dodgers and later turned down a contract to play for them. Charlie met Leila while he was at University of Maryland and she was at George Washington University through their association with the Lutheran Student Association. Charlie went on to graduate from the University of Maryland, and he and Leila were married on October 27, 1950 in St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Washington, D. C. He became a Montgomery County school [teacher](#) and, later, administrator. During his time as an educator he earned a Master's degree and Ph. D and ended his career in education as Director of Montgomery County's Project Head Start. Charlie was an avid member of the Izaak Walton League of America (IWLA) joining the Wildlife Achievement Chapter in 1957 at age 28 when it was located in Silver Spring. When that area changed from farm land to subdivisions, he played an instrumental role in moving the chapter to its present location near Damascus. When the IWLA national office decided to leave its rental space in Arlington, Va. he took charge of building the new national headquarters on Muddy Branch Rd. in Gaithersburg in 1994 where he maintained an office as Operations Manager. Charlie served in many capacities in the IWLA local and state organizations. He also served a term in 1991 as president of IWLA national organization. Due to that position and his many conservation and fund raising efforts he was well known nationally. Charlie was an avid hunter, fisherman and conservationist. Other organizations he belonged to are the NRA and Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation. Charlie never lost his interest in farming or working with machine tools. He raised enough beef cattle to share with family and friends for more than 30 years on his place in Clarksburg. He built a machine shop between the barn and house filled with band saws, table saws, drill presses, etc. probably as a reminder to himself of his days as a wood shop teacher at Montgomery Blair High School in the early days of his teaching career as well as to work on projects as needed. Charlie died on June 19, 2018 after a short illness.

Conservation (Meo Curtis/Judy Riley)

UPCOMING CONSERVATION WORK EVENTS

See club calendar for upcoming events

Shotgun Range Schedule (Steve Olsen)

October, 2018

Wed 10/3	Berle Cherney, Ed Shifflett
Sat 10/6	Mash Esfanaji, Mary Esfanaji
Sun 10/7	Mark Gay, Dan Ciambora
Wed 10/10	Ron Roberson, Frank Bis
Sat 10/13	Arden Young, Phil Butler
Sun 10/14	George King, Gary Giambalvo
Wed 10/17	Jay Jeffrey, Larry Buck
Sat 10/20	Jeff Tokar, Mike Aaby,
Sun 10/21	Maj Tavakoli, Mike Webb
Wed 10/24	Charlie Mello
Sat 10/27	Adam & Kim Buynak
Sun 10/28	Dave Stevenson, Bob Poth
Wed 10/31	Debbi Perry

Election Results

Your new board of directors is listed below

President - Cherie Aker

1st President - Roger Moran

2nd President - John Porter

3rd President - Susan Bortniak

Nomination for Recording Secretary - Judy Riley

Corresponding Secretary - Jim Piatetski

Membership Secretary - Tim Garrity

Nomination for Treasurer - NONE

Sergeant At Arms - Richard Fried

Parliamentarian - Steve Lefebvre

Chaplain - Chuck Crooks

Director - Tom Ouellette

Director - Billy Ramos

Director - Joe Pauley

2018-2019 Directors (Carry over) Jean Aker, David Goldberg, Jesse Lim, John Walter

WAC Range Safety Officer Committee, Rifle and Pistol October Update – (John Porter)

Saturday September 22. Practical Defense Match 9:00 - 2:00 on the Uncovered Pistol Range.

Saturday September 29. NRA Basic Rifle Certification Class 8:00 - 12:00 Upstairs Chapter Hall.
Pre-registration is required, contact John Porter porter253@aol.com.

Sunday October 7. NRA Basic Rifle Day Two, 12:00 - 4:00 Uncovered Pistol Range.

Saturday October 13. Bowling Pin Shoot 9:00 - 2:00 Uncovered Pistol Range.

Saturday October 13. Practical Defense Holster Clinic 2:00 - 3:00 Upstairs Chapter Hall with
Jesse Lim

Saturday October 13. NRA Basic Pistol Certification Class Day One. 8:00 - 12:00 Upstairs
Chapter Hall

Pre-registration required. Contact John Porter porter253@aol.com
This class will qualify for Maryland HQL license.

Saturday October 20 NRA Basic Pistol Day Two 12:00 - 4:00 Uncovered Pistol Range

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

If you joined the chapter on or before September

2016 and you have not seen your name listed in any issue of the newsletter as being graduated to full member status, you are **still on probation.**

If you are not sure as to your status, email Nick at nicolasgiu@yahoo.com and you will receive an email of your work history on record.

CONGRATULATIONS
TO OUR NEW FULL MEMBERS

The following probationary members have
Successfully completed probation and are
now graduated to Full Member status.

Daniel M. Cimbora
Edward Joseph Maloney

Cowboy Tear Down

4/28/2018

Probationary Member (Regular Credit)

Damon Sui

Montgomery County Fair

8/10 through 8/18

First, we would like to give a big thanks to:

Don and Mary Hunt for Coordinating WAC's

members involvement, Bill Leaman for scheduling WAC's members scheduling times to man the Booth, Jeff Deschamps for setting up the IWLA booth and, lastly, Jim Piateski for the tear down.

Members, Family, and Nonmembers:

Terry Powell, Anita Stonebraker, Paul Hudes and Cherie Aker

Probationary Members: (Conservation Credit)

Ed Maloney (worked two days), Jim Rolfes and Ian Rolfes

Gardens Maintenance

8/24/2018

Member: Meo Curtis

Probationary Members: (Conservation Credit)

Mark Brandsdorfer, Ralph Bally, Barbara Bally, and Anthony Teems

Adopt-A-Road

8/24/2018

Members, Family, and Nonmembers:

Judy Riley, Karl Krchma, Russell McGuire, Wandelene Everhart, Sid Everhart, and Trans Earles

Probationary Member: (Conservation Credit)

Jeffrey Raines

Cowboy Set-up

8/24/2018

Members, Family, and Nonmembers:

Chuck Limparis, Paul Bluteau, Carlos Pena, Wandelene S. Everhart, Sid Everhart, Marilyn Pena and Tom Preston

Probationary Member (Regular Credit)

Scott Aronoff

Chapter Grounds and Range Maintenance Day

8/26/2018

Members, Family, and Nonmembers:

Tom Ouellette, Hans Varmer, Candy Varmer, Joe Pauley, Guy Wright, Carl Coakley, Sydney Coakley, John McCarraher, Lee Cascio, Kim Buynak, Adam Buynak, Paul Quattrociocchi, John Hartwell, Donald Koss and Chuck Crooks

Probationary Members: (Regular Credit)

Rob McLaren, Jams M. Greco and Andrew Vekeman

Probationary Member: (Conservation Credit)
Christmas tree Maintenance, Craig Aronoff

A Note to our new members.

When you work a Chapter Maintenance Day, it is considered a one Regular Credit Activity. This means that no matter how many different ranges or other activities you work on you earn one Regular Credit for the day (which usually means about four hours).

The only exception to the above is if one of the activities is conservation i.e. Christmas Tree maintenance, Gardens Maintenance or any other activity that you were told is conservation in nature.

In that case the credit for the day would be a conservation credit.

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS (Jim Piateski jimpiateski@verizon.net)

Thanks to Nicolas Giuliano for mailing the printed version of the newsletter every month and tracking volunteer hours. Thanks to Steve Olsen, Meo Curtis, Cherie Aker and John Porter for their contributions to this newsletter. 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 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.

If you would like to receive a printed newsletter, write to:

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