

Wildlife Gazette

#### Wildlife Achievement Chapter Izaak Walton League of America

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## CHAPTER NEWS AND EVENTS

President's Corner- June 2019

June is the first full month of summer and one of my favorite months. I enjoy and appreciate warmer weather. Now that summer has finally arrived – I plan to take advantage of the many opportunities of events available at our club. Click on the following Web link to view upcoming club events - http://www.damascusiwla.org/calendar2019.html

On a Saturday morning, I stopped by to check out the Youth/Adult Archery class. I was delighted to see so many people enjoying themselves. If you haven't tried archery - you should. You might be surprised how enjoyable spending time with family while learning archery could be.



On May 18<sup>th</sup> – WAC hosted the 3<sup>rd</sup> Girls and Guns Having Fun event. Several women – with all levels of shooting expertise came together to enjoy time on the range. I want to thank all the ladies for attending – and a very special thank you to Kathy Gugulis for her part in promoting this event! The next Girls and Guns event is scheduled for September – Hope to see you there!



June  $1^{st}$  WAC celebrated their  $82^{nd}$  Anniversary. We were blessed with warm weather and a clear sky on the day of the picnic. I must admit I was a little worried since we have had quite a bit of rainy weather recently. Many of our members attended – as well as friends of the chapter and other IWLA chapters. I want to thank all the people that volunteered their time to make this event possible.

Another social is on the calendar for a Friday evening on June 14<sup>th</sup>. The Rifle and Pistol Committee will be hosting the event. If you are available – Come and enjoy. It would be a great opportunity to meet fellow members – and enjoy a movie.

As I always do in each of my President's Corner articles – I encourage you to enjoy all this club has to offer. There are many fun events and learning opportunities – such as the many NRA classes. If you are interested in conservation – and want to help Save our Streams, lend a helping hand with tree maintenance, or built your own rain barrel – these are just a few of the conservation opportunities available at WAC.

We also need your help in maintaining our ranges and property. The last Sunday of the month – we can certainly use your help. If you able to help with maintenance – please report to the green shed at 9 a.m.

Last – but certainly not least – I want to wish all the dads a very Happy Father's Day. Cherie Aker

## Conservation ( Meo Curtis)



Small but effective group at Pigtail work day. We planted 8 new trees and removed vines and grasses from dozens more.

Upcoming Conservation events

6/14 **Adopt a Road** 9:00 AM to Noon 8 to 16 volunteers needed, pre- register with Contact <u>Judy Riley</u> Leave your name, membership number and phone number.

6/14 **Garden Maintenance** Meet at 8:30 AM. to 11:00 AM at the Green Maintenance Shed. Contact <u>Meo Curtis</u>

6/30 Christmas Tree Maintenance 9:00 AM - Contact Lee Cascio

### Shotgun Range Schedule (Steve Olsen)

## July, 2019

Wed 7/3	Ed Shifflett, Alfred Cross
Sat 7/6	Tim Mulreany, Erik Hill

Sun	7/7	Steve Meyers, Gerhard Bartsch
Wed	7/10	Ron Roberson, Frank Bis
Sat	7/13	Phil Butler, Neil Berkinshaw
Sun	7/14	Hank Williams, Jeremy Dvorak
Wed	7/17	Jay Jeffrey, Larry Buck
Sat	7/20	Bob Shelley, Jim Shay
Sun	7/21	Paul Turska, Jake Turska
Wed	7/24	Charlie Mello, Joel Gross
Sat	7/27	Murray Welsh, Doug Chapman
Sun	7/28	Dave Stevenson
Wed	7/31	Debbi Perry

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

UPCOMING CLASSES;

**6/15** NRA RSO Class Open to WAC members. Preregistration required. 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM Upstairs Hall - Contact John Porter

# THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

If you joined the chapter on or before **June 2017** and you have not seen your name listed in any issue of the newsletter as being graduated to full member status, you are <u>still on probation</u>. If you are not sure as to your status, email Nick at <u>nicolasgiu@yahoo.com</u> 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 their probation. And are now graduated to Full Member status.

John-Luke Espinas Anthony C. Teems Steve Zobel Stephen E. Meyer Damon Sui Shotgun Maintenance 4/28/2019 Members: Arden Young and Bill Murphy Probationary Member: (Regular Credit) Al Cross Save our Streams 4/28/2019 Member: John Hartwell Probation Member: Stephen Meyer (Conservation Credit)

#### **Gardens Maintenance**

5/3/2019
Members, Family, and Nonmembers: Meo Curtis and Karl Krchma
Probationary Members: (Regular Credit)
Ralph Bally, Samuel Jones and John Cataliotti

## **Pigtail Tree Maintenance**

# 5/19/2019

Members:

Jim Piateski, Jeff Deschamps, Craig Stark and Meo Curtis

**Probationary Member** (Conservation Credit) Luke Kordell

#### Save our Streams

5/19/2019

**Members:** Jeff Deschamps, Rodger Moran and Meo Curtis

**Probationary Members:** (Conservation Credit) Stephen Meyer and Anita Stonebreaker

## <u>Chapter maintenance Day</u> (All Range work) 5/19/2019

**Members:** Chuck Crooks, Guy Wright, Joe Pauley, Dean Elliott, Dale Buschling, Kim Buynak and Bob Shelley, John Hartwell and Karl Plitt **Probationary Member:** (Regular Credit) Jennifer Smith, Walter and Jeremy Matthews

## <u>Cowboy Set Up or Tear Down</u> 5/23/2019

Members, Family, and Nonmembers:

Chuck Crooks, Barb Crooks, Paul Bluteau, George Hughes, Phil and Riley Rafferty **Probationary Member:** (Regular Credit) Marc O'Connor and Jennifer Smith

## Picnic Set Up 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 5/31/2019

Members, Family, and Nonmembers:

Chuck Crooks, Art Paholski and Scott Shane **Probationary Member:** (Regular Credit) Len Rizzi and John-Luke Espinas

### NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS (Jim Piateski jimpiateski@verizon.net)

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If anyone has an article, picture or topic, which they wish to have included in future newsletters, send to Jim Piateski at <u>jimpiateski@verizon.net</u> 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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