



Wildlife Gazette

Wildlife Achievement Chapter Izaak Walton League of America September 2026

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CHAPTER NEWS AND EVENTS

“Happy September! The world shall now transform into Pumpkin Everything.” – Keith Wynn

I value the opinions of our members, and I am seeking suggestions regarding membership recruitment ideas. How can we encourage our members to sponsor a friend – a colleague – a neighbor to become a member of the IWLA Wildlife Achievement chapter?

Our members are our best source for recruitment. By working together to grow membership, we can strengthen our chapter. Many people in the surrounding community are still unaware of who we are and the benefits we offer. Let them know! Prospective members who apply between October and December will effectively receive free membership for the remainder of 2026. Their new membership is good through the following year.

Presidential Challenge! Promote WAC and sponsor a prospective member. Starting now through the end of December I am promoting the “Thank You Program.” For each sponsorship, receive a free meal at a membership meeting. Sponsor three new prospective members and receive a free Wild Game Dinner Ticket and recognition in our newsletter. Probation members can earn “work credit” by sponsoring a prospective member.

Wildlife Achievement held their annual election for our Board of Directors for the upcoming year. Congratulations to our incoming Board of Directors and Officers:

President – Rodger Moran,
1st Vice President – Joe Pauley, 2nd Vice President – Dean Elliot, 3rd Vice President – Kevin Wolf
Recording Secretary – John Hartwell, Corresponding Secretary – Jim Piateski,
Membership Secretary – Chuck Crooks
Treasurer – Paul Turska, Sergeant of Arms – John Porter
Chaplain – Adol Owen-Williams, Parliamentarian – Steve Lefevbre

2027 & 2028 Directors – Dave Lane, Barry Fleming, Nancye Shipe and Dave Andersen
2026 & 2027 Directors – Bill Bonk, Scott Payne and Forrest Neal

The swearing-in of the 2027 Board of Directors will be held during our membership meeting on Wednesday, December 16th.

Please check our WAC calendar for the many opportunities our chapter has available for our members.

If you missed the USCCA class last year, I am pleased to announce we will be offering “Protecting Houses of Worship” Friday, October 23rd 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. This class helps to “Prepare for & Prevent violent attacks on your House of Worship.”

WAC is also offering an additional USCAA class “Surviving the Dangers of the Holiday Season” Friday, November 6th 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Just a quick note – this class does not teach grandparents on how NOT to overspend on their grandchildren. That lesson you will have to learn on your own. The USCAA class awareness and preparation to avoid holiday fires, foodborne illness, safety tips for travel safety, and more. The goal is to safely enjoy a stress-free holiday.

Just a Reminder – we will be celebrating our 89th Anniversary on Saturday, September 26th 3:00pm – 7:00 pm. Bring your family. We will be serving roasted beef, pork, and chicken, hot dogs, a variety of side dishes, cookies, and drink. Join fellow members and the community for an afternoon of fellowship and fun. We are requesting a \$10 donation. We hope to see you there!

If you are available to help on Friday, September 25th, please let me know—we would greatly appreciate the assistance. We will also need volunteers to help with cleanup during and after the event.

Take Care – Hope to see you soon!
Cherie Aker

USAA LEVEL 1 ARCHERY CLASS: The Izaak Walton League - Wildlife Achievement Chapter (IWL-WAC) is offering the September Session of the 2026 Youth and Adult Basic Archery Training in three classes on consecutive Saturday mornings in September. This class is appropriate for new archers, as well as those who have had some basic level of training.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE: This training is open to club members and non-members. The IWL-WAC archery program has recently trained new archers ranging in age from 5 – 70+ years old. The key to participation will be whether the archer can physically draw a bow string and follow the safety rules. Others who do not plan on shooting archery are welcome to attend as spectators.

DATES/TIME: Saturdays, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

- September 12th
- September 19th
- September 26th

LOCATION: IWL-WAC Field Archery Range is located at 26430 Mullinix Mill Road, Mt. Airy, MD 21771. The range is on the right side immediately after turning onto the gravel entrance driveway. Park on the new

gravel driveway on the right immediately after turning onto the property. (This location is about 2.5 miles outside downtown Damascus.)

EQUIPMENT: The club will provide all equipment for trainees to use during session classes, to include a recurve or compound bow, arrows, arm guard, and finger tab. The club welcomes trainees to bring their own personal equipment; however, an instructor must inspect and approve the equipment prior to a student using it in class. (Archers must wear full covering shoes, e.g., no flip flops).

FEE: \$30.00 per participant includes all three classes of instruction and the use of equipment. We accept cash or checks. Make checks payable to "IWL-WAC."

REGISTRATION: Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis and is only by email.

To register, send an email to Phil Raum at pcrcop@comcast.net with "Archery – September Session" in the Subject line. Include the following information in the email:

- Your name
- Identify if you are an IWL-WAC member or not. (If you are a member, include membership number)
- The names of all persons you would like to register. (Include the age of all minors, e.g., all those under 18 yrs.)

REQUIRED WAIVER: Participants will need to complete a waiver of liability prior to shooting archery. The process will take 2 minutes and can be done online at home prior to the open house by using this link <https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/e/VrVyqvai8PWUGTEw7xTJNT/> Parents will need to complete the waiver for each participating child. (Note: Spectators do not need to complete a waiver.) In the past, a number of "spectators" decided to join in the archery experience after watching the fun others were having at the shooting line. Even if you plan on being a spectator, you may want to complete the waiver just in case you decide to join in the archery experience. (Note: You only need to complete this waiver for archery one time during the 2026 calendar year. If you do not complete the waiver, you will not be permitted on the archery shooting line.)

FAMILY EVENT: There is plenty of room for spectators to spread out and enjoy the event. Feel free to bring lawn chairs, food, and drink.

OTHER ARCHERY TRAINING DATES: There will be another archery training session in October 2026. After that, there will be not be any further monthly training sessions until May 2027

CONTACT PERSON: For additional information contact Phil Raum at pcrcop@comcast.net. Use "Archery Training" in the subject line of your email.

IWLA-WAC Open Shotgun Range Day Saturday, November 7th, 1-4 Pm



The Range Officers of the IWLA are inviting all members to attend an open range day on our clay's fields on November 7th from 1-4 pm. If you used to shoot clays or have never tried the sport, come out and bring your family. You do not have to be shotgun certified. Range officers will be on site to assist you in learning the new sport, show you how the clays fields work, and maybe a little advice on how to hit the targets. Skeet, trap and 5 stand will be open.

Don't have a gun for clays? No problem, we have loaners. Bring your own ammo (no shot larger than 7.5). If you don't know what you need, we have ammo for sale at the club. 12 and 20 gauges are \$10 a box of 25.

Children are welcome (actually encouraged) but shooters must be 12 or older. If anyone wants to just watch the shooters, you are certainly welcome to attend.

The cost is \$5 per person, payable in cash or check on November 7th. This will cover the cost of the clays. Ammo is not included. Please make sure you bring eye and ear protection.

If you plan on attending or have questions, please email Matt Brennan at mcbx2@comcast.net by November 1st. We hope to see you there.



<https://bcciwla.org/>

Recipient of the 2025 IWLA National Shooting Sports Award

**Sunday,
October 11, 2026
8:30 AM to 4 PM**

Sponsored by:

Bethesda-Chevy Chase (B-CC) Chapter of the Izaak Walton League of America (IWLA),

No refunds for cancellation within 14 days of the clinic. Register online at:

<https://www.nrainstructors.org/CourseDetails.aspx?Courseid=933217>



or scan the QR code. Once your registration is received, an e-mail with instructions and payment link will be forwarded.

For ladies only, ages 14 and over. Minor children, under the age of 18, must be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian at all times.

Clinic Events

Shooting Sessions:

- Rifle
- Pistol
- Shotgun

Enjoy shooting on our outdoor Rifle & Pistol and Shotgun Ranges!

Non-shooting Seminars:

- **Refuse To Be A Victim®** teaches the tips and techniques you need to be alerted to dangerous situations and to avoid criminal confrontation.
- **Home Firearm Safety** is a brief introduction on to how to properly handle a variety of guns and "make them safe" by unloading and properly storing them.
- **Buying and Caring for a Pistol** gives you the information you need to know before you go shopping and how to maintain them.
- **Firearms and the Law** gives you information on how to apply for a MD Handgun Qualification License and Handgun Permit and carrying a pistol for self-defense.

NRA Women On Target®
Instructional Shooting Clinics provide you with a safe and friendly environment for learning about shooting sports.

Clinic Includes:

- Pastries, fruit, and coffee in the morning
- Lunch
- Eye and hearing protection
- T-shirt
- Loaner guns and ammunition
- Instruction by nationally recognized NRA Trainers and volunteers
- **All for only \$100!**

For more information contact Clinic Director,
Rich Clement at: rclem97@yahoo.com

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Adopt-A-Road – Friday, September 11th 8:30 – 11:30 am. Volunteers must pre-register

Air Rifle – Junior Air Rifle Fundraiser @ Howard County Fair was very successful. Thank you to our volunteers for making this event successful!

Archery – Youth/Adult Archery Class series started Saturday, September 12 at archery range 9-11am

Chapter & Range Orientation – Sunday, September 27th 8:30 pm pre-registration required. Current members are encouraged to attend to learn of range rules and policies updates.

Conservation –

- o Green House is installed on chapter grounds.
- o Fall Watershed Clean Up Saturday, October 17th – Register to participate – POC on Calendar.

House & Grounds – Chapter & Grounds Maintenance scheduled Sunday, September 27th 8:30 am.

- Estimate to replace chapter house heat pumps pending. Final Cost will be introduced to membership for approval.

Membership – Membership Growth Plan – Phase One September to end of December. Sponsorship Program offered to members who promote WAC and bring in new prospective members. Chapter's Goal is 50 new members by year-end. Incentive ideas requested from membership to encourage sponsorship. Let us know your ideas at our next Membership meeting Wednesday, September 23rd.

Rifle & Pistol – Please see WAC calendar for class schedule and shooting events.

- o Girls and Guns – Sunday, October 4th Noon to 2pm. RSVP cherie.aker@gmail.com.
- o MD Wear and Carry Class – October 3rd 8am to Noon classroom; Range Noon to 4pm (\$). Prerequisite Basic Pistol Class within
- o Rifle Pistol Range Maintenance & Clean Up Sunday, September 27th 8:30 am
- o DNR Maryland Hunter Qualification Day Sunday, September 27th Noon to 2pm. Check Calendar for more information or to register.
- o USCAA Class Protecting Houses of Worship – Upstairs Hall 6-8 pm Friday, October 23rd
- o WAC Rifle and Shotgun Sighting Day (\$) Sunday, October 18th 10 am to Noon. Check Calendar for more information or to register.

Save Our Streams – Sunday, September 20th Noon to 4pm – Mullinix Mill Monitoring site.

Skeet & Trap – Maintenance Sunday, August 30th, 9am. Sign-in at green maintenance shed.

- Skeet/Trap will host an Open House – Saturday, November 7th. Introducing members to the Clay Shooting Sport. Families invited. Age Restriction for youth – 12 years or older. Loader guns will be available. \$5 Clay purchase for all shooters participating. More information will be provided closer to date of Open House.

Thanks to our Volunteers

If you joined the chapter on or before August 2024 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 Forrest at fpnthree@gmail.com and you will receive an email of your work history on record.

The following probationary members have completed their required volunteer projects and will become a full member after their two year anniversary date.

Dave Johansen, Jacob Deffibaugh, Dustin Kirby, Kevin Zynn

Congratulations to our new Full Members

The following probationary members have successfully completed their probationary period and have now graduated to Full Member status.

None

Welcome Aboard

The following individuals were sworn in at the August Membership Meeting and are now considered probationary members until they have passed their 2 year anniversary and have completed the required 4 work credits.

Nicholos Brennan, Richard Candell Jr., Jermaine Douglas, Robert Cregg

IWLA Booth at Montgomery Cty Fair.

8/14-22/2026 (Chair) Bill Leaman

Members and Nonmembers:

Terry Popkin, Cherie Aker, Odol Owen-Williams, John Zarou, Phillip Lowe, Jay Copsey, Kung Chang

Probationary Members: (Conservation Credit)

Jamal Zarou,

Chapter Maintenance

8/22/2026 (Chair) Nancye Shipe

Members and Nonmembers:

Barry Fleming

Probationary Members: (Conservation Credit)

Jacob Deffibaugh, David Hayes, Dave Johansen

Stream Monitoring

8/23/2026 (Chair) John Hartwell

Members and Nonmembers:

None

Probationary Members: (Conservation Credit)

Kevin Zynn, David Hayes, Dustin Kirby

Rifle/Pistol Range Clean Up

8/30/2026 (Chair) Al Goldschmidts

Members and Nonmembers:

Joe Pauley, Kevin Wolf, Pat Dorr, John Yeager, Dean Elliott

Probationary Members: (Regular Credit)

Matt McGuire, Omar Arias, Cristian Silva, David Thompson

Skeet/Trap Maintenance

8/30/2026 (Chair) Bob Shelley

Members and Nonmembers:

Michael Brol, S. Meyers, G. Bartsch, Jeu, C. Atkins, David Anderson, Matt Brennan

Probationary Members: (Regular Credit)

Bryan Atkins

DNR Maryland Hunter Qualification Day

8/30/2026 (Chair) Dean Elliott

Members and Nonmembers

None

Probationary Members: (Regular Credit)

None

FOR SALE/WANTED GUIDELINES

Any updates to the guidelines will be highlighted in yellow for the current month.

Please submit your for sale items, in the format below with a 12pt Arial font, with black letters only. Include condition, price, brand, your contact information (on each item) and a description of the item for sale. For firearms, include the barrel length, caliber, finish, condition and model number. Do not underline or make any text bold or in color. Please limit the number of ads to 6 per member. We are not responsible for pricing errors or seller's content. Ads will only be listed in the online version of the newsletter since there is not a space limitation and will be listed as received (copy and pasted) without any edits.

Items must be your personal property and not for business purposes. We do not post commercial sales. Use upper and lower case letters, do not use all caps. Do not send spreadsheets or formatted columns. Please do not send the ad as a file, send it in the text of a regular Email. Do not use bold text except for the brand. Each ad should be written individually. Include your name, membership number and contact information **after each ad**. Items must be firearm, archery, fishing, boating or shooting sports related.

"Want ads" will need to have contact information and adhere to formatting requirements, but the content can be as general or specific as needed depending on the item that you are looking to acquire.

Deadline is by the End of Day on the last Monday of the month. Ads will be listed in the order received.

For additional information, please contact the seller directly.

Items that are over 6 months old will be deleted unless you send a renewal of the ad. Please advise Forrest if the item has been sold or is no longer for sale. Ads will be removed, after the date (that I populate) at the end of each ad based on the date it was added to the newsletter. All transactions are between the seller and buyer and Federal and State Laws must be followed for all firearm transfers.

Handgun and now long gun transfers in Maryland require that the transfer be made by a licensed dealer or through the Maryland State Police. All firearms purchased from out of state or through the Internet must also go through a Federal Firearms dealer within your state. The FFL must be at the recipients (buyers) end, not the shipping end. It is often difficult to find a dealer that is willing to take on sales that were not originated by them. We have two of our members Alex Rozental and Rick Lopez that own Damascus Outdoors (formerly AM Shooting) located here in Damascus at 9861 Main St., across from the old Druid Theater. They will do transfers and are offering \$10.00 off for IWLA-WAC members as well as other discounts on firearms and ammo. They can be reached at www.damascusoutdoors.net or 240-366-5628.

All ads and any questions are to be emailed to Forrest at fpnthree@gmail.com.

You must have links activated in order to use the Email hyperlinks included in each ad.

Formatting Example

Stoeger SXS shotgun 12 GA 20" barrel, blue finish, upgraded stock with rubber butt plate. Very good condition. Comes with a double pouch 38" waist shell belt. \$475 Pictures available on request. Jim Daniels (193602), 410-555-1212 or shotgunguru@hotmail.com (8/25)

For Sale

Accessories

BSA SWEET .17 SP 3-12×40 Rifle Scope. Green and Blue illuminated reticle. Comes with box, 3" sunshade, lens caps, and manual. \$50.00 Karey Kimmel (295765) kjkimmel@comcast.net (301) 873-9222 (11/26)

Ammunition

Remington Commemorative Dale Earnhardt Jr. Hi-Speed 8's - Hi-Speed Game Loads. 12 ga, 2-3/4 inch, 1, 390 FPS, 7/8 oz, 8 shot. New in box. 2-25 shell boxes. \$15 each. Karey Kimmel (295765) kjkimmel@comcast.net (301) 873-9222 (11/26)

Winchester 357 Sig: 125gr FMJ. 2 boxes, 50 rds each. \$30.00 per box Forrest Neal (15470) fpnthree@gmail.com (301) 520-3675. (1/27)

Assorted Ammo Remington 308 match Sierra 168gr HPBT, includes FAT 50 ammo can, 14 boxes @ \$10.00ea; American Eagle 9mm 123gr FMJ 9 boxes at \$12.00 ea; American Eagle 357 158gr SP jacketed bullet 14 boxes @ \$18.00ea with 50 cal ammo can included; Federal 357 158gr semi wadcutter 6 boxes @ \$16.00ea; PMC X-Tac 5.56 55gr FMJ-BT 34 boxes @ \$6.00ea; Remington bucket O'bullets 22 cal 36gr. Hi velocity \$70.00; Sellier & Bellot 12ga 2 3/4 00 buck 6 boxes of 25 per box \$5.00 ea John Parker (13385) ejohnparkerjr@icloud.com (240) 750-4150 (1/27)

Archery

Boating

1996 Renken Seamaster 2388. 24 ft. Walkaround Cuddy Cabin with Trailer in fair to good condition; inboard/outboard 5.7 liter engine; bimini top; sink; icebox; porta-potty; aerated live-well/bait-well; newish dual batteries; trim tabs; and electronics including navigation and depth finder/fish finder. Comes with boat cover and Shoreland'r double axle trailer. Engine had a freeze crack many years ago, professionally repaired and has been used regularly since with no problems. Priced accordingly. Boat is currently winterized. Outdrive needs a trim pump installed which I have but have not gotten around to installing. Clean title. Asking \$8,500.00. Reasonable offers considered. Contact Daryl (286606) at 301-237-7595 or dwprice@hotmail.com. (1/27)

1984 Cimarron, tri-hull fiberglass boat Length: 15'-6" / beam: 72". Grey with white bottom. 50 HP Evinrude 2 stroke outboard motor. Motor Guide 71 LB. Thrust electric foot-controlled trolling motor. E-Z loader galvanized trlr. w/ good tires. Two pedestal seats and 2 main seats, LiveWell, bilge pump, navigation lights. Boat was completely refurbished around 2010 and I have only used the boat approx. 50 hours since then. Boat, motor and trailer are in great condition. I run it once a year to winterize the motor & clean the boat up. The boat has been well maintained. You may contact me for pictures. \$4,800.00 or best offer. Contact Paul Shutta (21536) at 301-407-7333 or pjshutta@gmail.com. (10/26)

Miscellaneous

Pistols

Reloading

Hornady Custom Grade Reloading Dies: 30 M1 Carbine, Series II, 3 Die set, Full Length. Plus a LEE 30 M-1 Factory Crimp Die and a Wilson Case Length gauge. Used but in excellent condition. \$60.00 Karey Kimmel (295765) kjkimmel@comcast.net (301) 873-9222 (11/26)

Brass, Assorted types: Starline 9mm new, 2,000 pieces \$265.00; 223/5.56 mixed head stamps once fired, 3,000 pieces-\$125.00 per 1,000; Midway 45 ACP LC once fired, 3,000 pieces-\$140.00 per 1,000; Midway 7.62x51 LC once fired, 3,000 pieces-\$170 per 1,000; Brass Locker .45 ACP LC once fired, 3 boxes of 1000-\$120.00 per box; 223 primed brass 1,000 pieces \$125.00. John Parker (13385) ejohnparkerjr@icloud.com (240) 750-4150 (12/26)

Bullets, Assorted types: Armscor 62gr .224 FMJBT, 1,000 pieces-\$130.00; Sierra Match King 168gr HPBT .308, 700 pieces-\$20.00 per 100, 1,500 pieces-\$100.00 per 500; Hornady A-Max 168gr HPBT .308 #305026, 2 boxes of 250-\$60.00 each; Midway Match factory seconds 155gr .308 HPBT, 6 boxes of 100-\$25.00 each; Hornaday 30 cal 150 gr FMJ/ with canelure box of 500 @ \$65.00 John Parker (13385) ejohnparkerjr@icloud.com (240) 750-4150 (12/26)

Powder, Assorted types: Hodgdon H4895 8lbs, 2 containers-\$225.00 each; Vita Vhori 310 4lbs, 1 at \$170.00; John Parker (13385) ejohnparkerjr@icloud.com (240) 750-4150 (12/26)

Shotguns

WANTED

8mm (7.92x57) ammo, Mil surplus or commercial. Forrest Neal (15470) fpnthree@gmail.com (301) 520-3675. (1/27)