



President’s Message

At the May GM meeting I will be announcing our Nominating Committee. It is their responsibility to submit the names of candidates for each of the Chapter’s 7 Officers and 4 Directors in a report at the July GM meeting. Elections are held in August and then the new Board is installed in September. Officer’s terms are 1 year and Director’s terms are 3 years. The Board meets once per month. Meetings are held in-person or via ZOOM. The responsibilities of each officer and the directors are found in the by-laws, which are accessible from the website iwlar.org.

Please consider getting involved in a leadership role within the Chapter. The Chapter cannot run without these leaders. Although it is a time commitment, you will have the opportunity to learn about all the aspects of the Chapter and work with other members. I highly recommend getting involved.

Susan Cassell

Proposed National Resolutions

Every year at Convention, League members vote on policy resolutions that set the direction of the organization. At the May GMM, Rodger Moran, our Chapter's Caretaker and our National Director, will be presenting the resolutions that will be voted on at the National Convention in July.

This year's proposed resolutions include:

- Protecting Ephemeral Streams and Wetlands
- Funding for Rural Electric Cooperatives
- Protection of Native Non-game Fish
- Technologically Enhanced Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material
- Rural Electric Vehicle Charging Study

Awards

Deadlines for nominations for MD Division and IWLA National awards are coming soon in May. If there is a Chapter member that you would like to recognize for their efforts contact David Schwartzman.

Air Pistol League Champions!

The Air Pistol League season completed with the Hammerlis winning the Championship. Team members include George Stimak, Doug Smith, Ken Kee, Susan Cassell, Nicholai Butcher, Taylor Wardrick, James Zuback, (Not pictured: Bruce Curtis and Sue Stimak).



Trophies were also awarded for Season High Avg. (and Grand Senior High Avg.) of 264 to Pete Grahn, Senior High Avg. of 261 to Andrew Cooke, Women’s High Avg. of 256 to Susan Cassell, Junior High Avg. to Nicholai Butcher, and Most Improved Shooter to Madison Trevino.



Meeting Night Meals

A big "Thank You" to Erik Tavenner for providing a wonderful Caesar salad with chicken and baked ziti with bread at the April General Membership meeting.

Learn kayaking

An introductory kayak class is scheduled, rain or shine, for June 4 from 9 AM to 3 PM at our Chapter House and lake. All kayak equipment will be provided. This class consists of a classroom portion followed by kayaking on our lake. It is for those who have never kayaked and those with limited experience. The session will cover safety, parts of a kayak, entry and exit, and more.

Participation is for those age 8 through adult. For more information see the 2022 Water Sports Information at our website iwlar.org/water-sports/. To register send an email to watersports@iwlar.org with the number of adults and number of children and their ages. Chapter members are needed that day to assist with transporting equipment to and from the lake and to assist participants while on the water. This is a great way to earn your volunteer hours. Volunteers please send an email to the same address with your name and the hours you are available to help.

Orchard Gate Fixed!



Many thanks to Chris Holler

Cooks Needed!

Want to get your six volunteer hours in all at once!? Volunteer to cook and provide a meal for a general membership meeting. Meetings are the first Friday of each month. Meals should be ready and available for members to purchase starting at 7 o'clock prior to the membership meeting and again after the meeting when the bar opens. Volunteer cooks would need to prepare enough for about 25 servings. Members usually pay five dollars per plate and the cost of the ingredients will be reimbursed. Meals do not need to be fancy or complicated.

If you're interested and would like to choose a month to be our guest "chef" or have questions contact Jeri Crist.

SOS (Save our Streams) Water Testing, May 1, 2022

Identifying what is living in the water is one of the best ways to determine a stream's overall health. We'll collect samples from the Great Seneca Creek stream bottom near the Izaak Walton League lake. Then we use portable magnifiers to identify macro-organisms such as water bugs to learn about the water quality and condition of Seneca Creek.

The event is geared for ages over 10. Youth must be accompanied by a parent (no drop-offs). Dress according to the weather. Water shoes recommended. The event is 1-4 pm.



Limited to 30 participants. Registration required at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C48A9A6229-sossave2>

This event is FREE, open to the public, IWLA members and their guests. Students wanting to earn SSL hours should bring their SSL form.

Meet at the Izaak Walton League Lake located at 12057 Clopper Rd. Germantown, MD 20874. The lake entrance is on Clopper Rd., between Waring Station Rd. and the entrance to Seneca State Park.

Questions? Contact Phillip Mariscal.

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<https://www.facebook.com/iwlarockville/>

Izaak Walton League of America, Rockville Chapter
Defenders of Soil, Air, Woods, Water and Wildlife

The Rockville Email Group

The Rockville Chapter operates a members-only email list for announcements and discussions among members. The newsletter comes out once a month, so the email group is the only way to stay informed about important things that occur in between newsletters.

Individuals will be added to iwlar@googlegroups.com automatically when they become a member unless they request not to be added. Members can remove their address from the list anytime but we are hopeful that they will not do this because the list is the most effective way to receive short notice activity announcements and cancellations.

Fishing Rodeos Kick off for 2022 Season

Youth anglers of all ages are encouraged to hone their fishing skills at any of Maryland's nearly 50 youth fishing rodeos spread out across the state this year.

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is working with dozens of organizations in 14 counties crisscrossing the state to offer free and engaging fishing opportunities for thousands of youth. Many of the events are held on Maryland State Parks and other public lands.

While all are free and open to the public, there are space limitations at some venues, so attendees should call the contact number listed to register. Additionally, attendees should check the online rodeo schedule for any cancellations or rescheduling.

For more info, see
<https://news.maryland.gov/dnr/2022/03/31/fishing-rodeos-kick-off-for-2022-season/>

Chapter Newsletter Distribution

Going forward, electronic distribution of the IWLA-Rockville Chapter Newsletter will be the default. Chapter members may still receive a hard copy but will be required to "opt in" to do so. To receive a hard copy only, contact Judy Danish.

If you do not receive the Newsletter in your email and wish to do so, contact David Schwartzman.

New Members Recently Inducted

Russ Carr	Gaithersburg
Steve Lininger & Irene Articola	Bethesda
Warren & Apiradee Mayes	Chevy Chase
Pat Sands	Germantown
Yienche Tsai	Frederick

A warm welcome to all!

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