

#### President's Message

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as Chapter President for the past three years. I have been fortunate to work with a group of dedicated volunteers that selflessly give their time to make our Chapter a success. At the September GM meeting we will be recognizing all those volunteers. I hope you will join us to thank them.

I would like to welcome the new Board. I am confident that our new president, Noel Gollehon, with their support, will continue the success of the Chapter.

Thank you all.

Susan Cassell

### Jr. Air Rifle and Jr. BB Gun training starts in Sept.

The Jr. BB gun class is open to children ages 8 - 15. It meets most Tuesday evenings from 7 - 9 pm and continues until May. The orientation for **NEW** BB gun students will be Tuesday, Sept. 26 at 7:00 pm. The fee is \$45 for members and \$50 for non-members. The first regular practice will be on October 3rd.

The Jr. Air Rifle class is open to children ages 12 - 18. It meets most Saturday mornings from 9 - 11 am and continues until May. The orientation for **NEW** students will be Saturday, Sept.  $16^{th}$  at 9 am. The fee for members is \$50 and for non-members is \$55. The first regular practice will be on Sept. 30th.

For both classes, the Chapter provides all the equipment. Students need only bring eye protection (ear protection optional).

Group sizes will be limited. Priority will be for current participants, members and then non-members. Please contact Susan Cassell you are interested.

Susan is also looking for help with running practice and coaching. It's a great way to earn volunteer hours.

#### Road Clean Up Goes Quickly with Many Hands

The last event was held on August 6 in near 90-degree weather. 13 Ikes collected 11 bags and cleaned Waring Station Road in less than an hour.

#### **Snazzy Graphic for H&F Day 2023**



The Chapter is currently accepting exhibitors and volunteers (great opportunity to get your hours in!). We are still looking for a parking team lead and parking team members, breakdown leader and team, and trash and recycling volunteers. There are also plenty of spots on the kids fishing team and lunch prep. Also, it would be great if someone could volunteer their pickup truck for the day! For the full list of volunteer slots and to sign up, please visit: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/</u> 8050545afa62da6f94-iwlar2#/ OR email Catie Wright at iwlaropenhouse@gmail.com.

### 2024 Calendar Requests are OPEN

Updating the calendar is an ongoing task, but if you have activities that you want to get on the Chapter calendar for 2024, please send them to Susan Cassell (if there are a lot of events) or use the Calendar Request button on the website for just a few or single dates.

Go forth and do great things!



Chapter Scholarship winners James Phillips, Aaron Siegle, and Ethan Udler.

# MCPD 5<sup>th</sup> District Outreach program at the Lake

On August 8<sup>th</sup> a group of about 10 officers and 10 children spent some time fishing at the Lake for the 5<sup>th</sup> district summer outreach camp. Thank you to Pat Sands for coordinating with the 5<sup>th</sup> district, Tom Vegella and Noel Gollehon for getting the equipment ready, and to Bill Jackson for helping at the event and bringing dessert. By the smiles on their faces, it was they all had a good time.

## 2024 Budget Requests due Oct. 1st

For the budget to be assembled by the Finance Committee, reviewed by the Board, and then approved by the General Membership at the Nov. GM meeting (leaving the Dec. GM meeting if we do not have a quorum in November). Committee Chairs should send in their budgets for 2024 by Oct. 1st. Please email them to the Finance Committee Chair Rob McClelland and copy Noel Gollehon. Rob will also be separately emailing all the committee chairs for whom he has an address. If you do not submit anything, you should anticipate having the same budget as last year.

## **Range Officer Membership Renewals**

As communicated in the July 2023 Newsletter, revisions to the Chapter Range Rules were approved that included a requirement for Range Officers to complete their attestations and renew their membership by October 31.

The Range Rules state "To maintain Range Officer status, Range Officer qualified members must renew their membership by October 31 each year and maintain a current phone number and email address with the Membership Secretary, Range Officer Scheduler, and Range Coordinator at all times."

As the 2024 renewal season approaches, we ask that Range Officers remain cognizant of this requirement to ensure efficient Duty Range Officer scheduling throughout the winter months.

### ~ The Range Safety Committee ~

# Supporting 4H

The Rockville Chapter support for 4H at the Montgomery County Fair was another success. This year's winners are listed below. The prizes were presented on behalf of the Chapter.

Categories and prize winners: <u>Citizenship</u> Jayson Lee Sophia Chen Brett Korzeniewski <u>Nature Collections</u> Vinutha Madala <u>Nature Poster</u> Andres Guerra <u>Hunter Safety</u> Andres Guerra



Michael Parker, IWLAR Representative to 4H, Vinutha Madala, Prize Awardee for Nature Collections and Andres Guerra, Prize Awardee for Nature Poster and Hunter Safety. Not all awardees were available for pictures.



Ike volunteers pack up items from the Fair booth

A big thanks to Bill Leaman (in the center with sunglasses above) for his coordination of IWLA booth of the Fair. The Rockville Chapter is very appreciative of Bill's selfless dedication, not just this year but in years past as well.

### At September's Meeting We Honor Our Volunteers

Come to the September meeting and see members being recognized for their contributions of sweat equity to the betterment of the Rockville Chapter in 2022. The Rockville Chapter doesn't run itself. We want to honor those whose efforts enable us to be such a great Ike Chapter!

On **Friday September 8<sup>th</sup>**, the Chapter will hold an Awards Dinner during the GM meeting in lieu of a guest speaker and activity/committee reports. Once our new Board of Directors is installed, and our new members introduced, the meeting will then focus only on honoring those members who not only keep the Chapter running, but also make our Chapter one of the best in the nation! Awards will be handed out, some of which were brought back from the IWLA National Convention.

Dinner is free to members who use the Sign-Up Genius that was sent out in the Google groups email. Don't miss this opportunity to honor those who make the Rockville Chapter the Ike Chapter you are glad you joined.

### **New Members Recently Inducted**

Chris Cruden Mike Ferrara Mike & Beatrice Miller Chris Teich A warm welcome to all! Darnestown Rockville Silver Spring Germantown

### Ike's Want Ads

For Sale!

1. Smith & Wesson, .45ACP;1911-2011 Engraved Commem; wood case \$1,350

2. Smith & Wesson, .44 Magnum, 6.5"; target; 50th Anniv.; wood case \$1,350

3. Smith & Wesson; Model 40, Classic; case colored \$950

4. Ruger; .44 Magnum; Super Blackhawk (early); Leupold M8 scope: \$750

5. Ruger; MkIII; 22/45, with red dot, threaded barrel \$450

6. Colt, .45ACP; 1911, 5", 100th Anniversary of 1911; Custom Shop \$1,350

7. CZ Orange, 9mm target, LNIB \$1,600

8. Pardini .22lr, .32long; Target Pistols with many magazines & Xtras call for price

Call for information:	Email for photos:
Terry Popkin	Terry@popkinphoto.com
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