



President’s Message

November is here! Fall is moving on to winter and it is time you were moving on to enjoy your Izaak Walton League Rockville facilities. The lake was stocked with trout in late October. The trails are waiting, including the new start to the Emma King trail behind the Chapter House. (If you have not checked it out you should, a much better start to the trail thanks to the Eagle Scout project of Andrew Milam and the supervision of Keith Angerman).

As I write this, construction on the project to reduce the sediment inflow to the lake has made significant progress and will be completed soon. However, the area around the lake is, for now, still a construction zone, be very aware of equipment and trucks. I hope you make your way to the lake in November to try your luck at fishing for the trout (take limit 3). If you are a stream fisher, we also stocked a few trout in Great Seneca Creek close to the IWLAR lake. However, if you fish great Seneca Creek, you must have a valid Maryland fishing license and trout stamp. That is public water patrolled by the DNR police.

If you have not tried your hand at indoor air pistol, stop by the Chapter House on a Tuesday between 3:00 and 6:30 p.m. The Chapter has everything you need to give it a try (bring your own safety glasses). It is a lot of fun and serves up a big helping of humility!

Our November General Membership Meeting on November 1st is everyone’s favorite meeting. It is budget night! While no one likes to watch the details of running the organization, for IWLAR to work we need a dedicated group of volunteers and a budget to plan spending. This is your opportunity to examine the budget and offer your recommendations on the 2025 or future budgets. Please join us, in person or via Zoom.

Get out and enjoy IWLAR!

Tight Lines
Noel Gollehon

November Speaker Focus

Walter Houser is a Volunteer for the Montgomery County Department of Police and will give an overview of the Department’s Financial Crimes Section.



Walter created and implemented a cybercrime prevention program. He prepared program descriptions, presentations, and supplemental materials. He also wrote the content, HTML, and CSS code for over three dozen web pages on the various cybercrime prevention and online frauds and scams facing county residents.

Scenes from October Game Night



IWLA: let the
holidays begin GN

It’s Renewal Time! Renewals were mailed on September 16. Your mailed dues and reported volunteer hours (or \$75 in lieu of those hours) must be postmarked by 12/31/2024 in order to avoid the late fee. If you didn't receive your renewal envelope or have any questions, contact Judy Danish

H&F Day Recap

The Chapter's Annual Hunting & Fishing Day event took place as planned on September 28. Steady rain in the days leading up to the event lead some to fear we'd see a repeat of last year's rain out. However, the rain authorities cut us some slack on the day of the event. Most of the photos below are courtesy of Rocky Rakshit.



Fishing down at the Lake



Brian Gruber canoeing with kids



Kent Shaw giving a drone demonstration

H&F Day Recap (continued)

Here are some key metrics from the event: We had 14 external exhibitors, 26 total events and exhibitors (including IWLAR activities), over 130 volunteers (including youth SSL volunteers and Boy Scouts) and over 150 visitors.



Bill Leaman aids a shooter



Norma Kawecki advertising the Chapter's honey

Most people noted that they heard about the event from the MoCo Fair (THANK YOU BILL LEAMAN!), as well as our road sign, and friends of members, so thank you all for spreading the word! And, of course, a big thanks goes to Catie Wright (shown below) for coordinating the event!



Stop the Bleed

Uncontrolled bleeding is a major cause of preventative deaths. Approximately 40% of trauma-related deaths worldwide are due to bleeding or its consequences, establishing hemorrhage as the most common cause of preventable death in trauma.

- Average time to bleed out - 3-5 minutes
- Average time for 1st responders to arrive - 7-10 minutes
- Trauma-related deaths worldwide due to bleeding 40%



STOP THE BLEED® is a national campaign to encourage bystanders to become trained, equipped, and empowered to help in a bleeding emergency before professional help arrives. It is a public/private partnership led by the Department of Defense (DoD) and many other stakeholders. The DoD's STOP THE BLEED (STB) Program is designed to train and equip the public to be able to treat traumatic injuries involving severe bleeding until the first responders arrive. STB is a public health initiative with support across public and private sector organizations and individuals committed to saving lives.

Member David Schwartzman, a licensed STB instructor, worked with the STB Coalition in order to get IWLAR approved as an Educational Licensee and will be in charge of the program. This course, which combines an online lesson with hands-on training will be held at the Chapter House starting in early 2025. Watch the Newsletter for updated information.

Jr Youth Conservation Family Event

Join the IWLAR Rockville Chapter Jr. Youth on November 10 from 1-4PM for an autumn trail hike through the woods from our private lake. We will be turning over logs and rocks to see what is living under them and looking for animal tracks and birds in the trees.

Enjoy some apple cider while roasting marshmallows over a campfire. Meet Franklin the Hissing Cockroach and learn about a few other natural surprises!

This event is free and targeted for children 6-13, but all ages are welcome. SSL hours are available for MCPS students. You DO NOT need to be a member of the Izaak Walton League to attend. The event is limited to 30 participants. Wear comfortable shoes for hiking and dress for the weather.

The Rockville Chapter's Lake entrance is at 12057 Clopper Road – on the opposite side and downhill from the State Park entrance. Look for the large yellow painted rock on the righthand roadside. The gate will be open.

This event will be canceled in case of rain. Go the link below to register!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C48A9A6229-52297803-autumn>

New Members Recently Inducted

Adam Cline	Gaithersburg
Rick & Sara Ducey	Bethesda
Scott Goldschein	Gaithersburg
Akeem Jones	Olney
Kyle Kressman	Gaithersburg
Tina McKendree	Rockville
Rony Mollinedo	Montgomery Village

A warm welcome to all!