



ROCKVILLE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Last July, when I attended the League's national convention in Sandusky, Ohio, I decided to drive out and am I glad I did. I came back with a stack of national awards that recognized outstanding programs of our Chapter and the stellar achievements of some individual Chapter members. Yeah, you could call it a "truckload" of accolades, all well-deserved and earned by individual and combined efforts that every member of the Rockville Chapter can take pride in.

Well, it's that time again. The League's 2018 national convention is on the horizon July 18-20 and we are now seeking award nominations that the Chapter can submit for activities conducted during 2017. But even closer, in time and distance, the Maryland Division annual meeting is Saturday June 9th and being hosted by your very own Rockville Chapter.

So how about it? Do you know a fellow Chapter member whose efforts deserve recognition at the national or state level? Please give this some thought and forward names to me at: president@iwlar.org

But don't get bogged down with the who-might-fit-where part of it. The Awards Committee, chaired by David Schwartzman, will sort that out. Just send us some names with a sentence or two that describe why they deserve recognition on the League's national and state stages.

I'm hoping to bring home to the Rockville another truckload of IWLA awards next July, this time from Fredericksburg, Virginia, and who knows, the Maryland Division could bring us some in June, too. So send me your suggestions and remember, don't be shy; you're eligible, too.

Ryck Lydecker

Are You Certifiable?

We would like to offer a Level 1 USA Archery instructor's course. This is an excellent one day course and will prepare you to teach archery. This course is open to members and non-members. Individuals must be at least 15 years old. There will be a nominal charge to cover the costs of materials. Depending on schedules, the course would be offered on a Saturday in late April or early May. Interested? Contact Lee Hays.

March Speaker Spotlight

Patrick Donlon is a trained mechanic and jack of all trades. He is a Montgomery County native. He is the current facilities manager of the Button Farm Living History Center. The Button Farm Living History Center is situated on 40-acres inside of Seneca Creek State Park in Germantown, MD, and operates under a long term lease with the State of Maryland Department of Natural Resources through the State Resident-Curatorship Program.



The mission of the farm is to allow visitors to experience 19th century slave plantation life and the heroic story of the Underground Railroad through the site's unique living history experiences.

****** All Range Cards Have Been Issued ******

All members with Chapter range privileges had a Range Card mailed to the address indicated on their renewal. Beginning March 1, Range Cards will be mandatory and must be prominently displayed at all times while using any chapter range. 2017 Chapter Membership Cards indicating range status will no longer be accepted as valid identification for range use as of March 1.

Range Cards (continued)

Per the October 3, 2017 Range Rules (available at www.iwlar.org, click on Forms and Documents), three types of Range Cards were issued:

Archery Approved: may use the Archery range unsupervised

Range Approved: has the privileges of Archery Approved and additionally may use the Rifle and Pistol ranges under the supervision of a Duty Range Officer

Range Officer: has the privileges of Archery Approved and Range Approved and additionally may use the Rifle and Pistol ranges unsupervised

If you *have* Chapter range privileges but have *not received* a Range Card, please contact Mike Wang immediately.

Duty Range Officers are reminded that Chapter Membership Cards no longer display range status and Range Cards are the acceptable form of identification for Chapter ranges. The *only exception* is for new members displaying a *Temporary Chapter Membership Card* with Archery or Range Approved stamped on the card while awaiting receipt of their Range Card. Distribution normally takes 30 days as member numbers must be received from national IWLA before Range Cards can be generated.

~ Duval Crist, Range Coordinator ~

Summer Archery: Registration Opens March 1

If you or your children ever wanted to learn the fundamentals of archery or improve your skills, IWLAR's Summer Archery is the program for you! You'll learn proper shooting form and fundamentals in a safe and family-friendly environment from our USAA-trained instructors.

Members can register their children ages 8-18 and member adults at \$50/person. The program runs on Sundays from June 3-August 19 and all equipment is provided. Participants **MUST** attend the mandatory safety training on June 3.

For more information and registration, go to: <http://iwlar.org/Recreation/Archery> and download the "2018 Summer Archery Flyer" and click on "Member Registration." If you have questions, please contact Martha Patterson.

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.

To sign up, send an email identifying yourself to iwlar-owner@yahoo.com. This is the most effective way to receive short notice activity announcements and cancelations. Don't get left out of the loop – sign-up for the email group now!

Meeting Night Meals

Volunteers are needed to cook throughout the year. Pick a month and get your six volunteer hours in one night. For more information contact Jeri Crist.

Another Great Mags for Vets Haul

The Rockville Chapter had a good turnout with their donated mags, books and DVDs in January.



The hospital appreciates our continued efforts to give the troops reading material while they rehab and recover. Thank you Rockville Chapter for a job well done.

~Douglas Smith~

First Ever Cabin Fever Party

The 1st annual Cabin Fever was super fun! Tons of food and laughter! If you missed it, don't worry we'll do it again next year!!!! Check out the IWLAR Face Book for more photos.



~Jeri Crist~

March 10 Range Officer Training Class

Space remains in the Range Officer Training Class scheduled for Saturday, March 10, to train new range officers and re-certify existing RO's. The class runs from 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM with lunch provided.

For new Range Officers, class prerequisites are that you must be Range Approved for at least six months, have a Range Officer Certification Card signed by three Duty Range Officers while using the pistol range on separate occasions before the class, and successfully complete a test on the Range Rules prior to the class. ****Upon class completion, new Range Officer candidates must successfully serve as the Duty Range Officer during the live fire portion of a Range Orientation Practical Training Class for new members held each month to receive their Range Officer credentials.****

Range Officers are granted the privilege of using the rifle and pistol ranges when a Duty Range Officer is not present on weekends. With the privilege of greater range access comes a responsibility – you must serve as a Duty Range Officer approximately twice each year.

For more information and to register for the class, contact Duval Crist.

~Duval Crist, Range Coordinator~

New Members Recently Inducted

Kate & Pascal Courville

Kevin Raghbir

Andrew Sorkin

Joshua Stachura

Abe & Kati Sabersky

A warm welcome to all!

Gaithersburg

Silver Spring

Brookeville

Poolesville

Rockville

Need to sell ammo from a friend's estate

12 gauge (00, 2, 4, 6, 7.5, 8 shot) - priced at 30% discount off internet prices. For more detail and if interested please contact Joe Ober.

For Sale by Sealed Bid

John Deere tractor, model 4300 with 1,465 hours. Purchased new in 2000. Maintained according to manufacturer schedule. Slight damage to hood. 4wd, hydrostatic drive. With front bucket, 3-pt hitch (swing arm needs repair). Minimum bid \$7,500. Cash sale, as is.

May be viewed and operated on the Chapter grounds by appointment. Bids must be received by COB March 16.



To Place a non-commercial ad, write to the Chapter's PO Box, or contact Todd Anderson. Ads must be submitted by third Friday of the month.