



President's Message

November is a time of thanks. I want to thank all our members who have volunteered their time to support the Chapter throughout the year. The Chapter would not be able to operate without their efforts.

Our Treasurer, Rich Wilkinson, has turned in his resignation. He has agreed to continue necessary Treasurer duties until we can find a replacement. This is a very important role that needs to be filled for the Chapter to operate. Experience with Quickbooks is beneficial, but not necessary. Please consider filling this position.

Also, a reminder that at the November 5th GM meeting the 2022 budget will be presented for review and approval. We will need a quorum to vote. If we do not have a quorum, it will be tabled and voted on by the members present at the December GM meeting.

The weather is cool, and the leaves are turning, get out and enjoy the Chapter. It is beautiful this time of year.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Susan Cassell

November Road Cleanup

Need to get in those volunteer hours before the end of the year? You can get 2 hours on Sunday, November 7th, from 1 – 3 pm, during the Waring Station Road cleanup. You don't need to bring anything. We have gloves, vests, garbage bags and grabbers. We even have plenty of trash for you to pick up. Maybe you will find the most unusual item! Let's meet in the Parking lot.

It's Renewal Time!

You should have received your annual membership information in the mail by now. You have until 12/31/2021 to complete your six hours of Chapter volunteer time. Your volunteer hours and dues must be postmarked by 12/31/2021 to avoid the late fee. So watch the Newsletter and the iwlar Google group emails now for volunteer opportunities.

Special thanks to Leslie Gollehon, Lauren Vaughan and Miles Greenbaum for their help with renewals!

If you haven't received your renewal information or have other questions, contact Judy Danish.

Hunting & Fishing Day Open House 2021

Thank you to everyone who was able to be a part of our Chapter's Open House, which was held on Saturday, September 25. After last year's hiatus, this year's event was a fantastic opportunity to get together to do what we do best (and earn volunteer hours *wink*). Throughout the day, we had more than 100 adult and youth volunteers who all pitched in to make the day a success. The majority of which were Chapter members, but we also had so much help from Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and members of Seneca Valley Trout Unlimited. I also want to point out that several logistics and activity leaders were either newer members or stepped up at the last minute, which speaks to the strong character of our Chapter's membership. We were fortunate to have beautiful weather on the day, which I suspect contributed to our great visitor turnout. Despite the ongoing pandemic, over 300 of our friends and neighbors, predominantly families with 2 or more small children, visited us to learn about our organization and try our recreational activities. At the upper level, they were able to try the muzzleloaders, BB shoot, archery, and arts & crafts and learn about our beekeeping.



While at the lake, they were able to try fishing, canoeing, and kayaking. A third of our visitors tried (and loved!) the paddle sports. We also had some great exhibit tables from members and invited companion groups, including our drone program and Save Our Streams. Judy Danish observed that the number of membership queries during the Open House was higher than past occasions which reflects the wonderful time had by our visitors. I am humbled by the patience and enthusiasm of everyone involved (you know who you are). I am equally grateful for all your help, participation, and jokes. Here's to a job well done! -Carla Morris



IWLA Annual Turkey Shoot Sunday, November 21, 1 - 4 PM

It's Back!! The 2021 Turkey Shoot is Sunday, November 21, from 1:00 - 4:00 PM at the shotgun range! Cook a hot dog and roast marshmallows over a fire, sip a hot chocolate, and enjoy good times while competing for prizes!

- \$1.00 per shot for chance to win \$10.00 cash prize (5 prizes total, 1 for each of the 5 best shots)
- \$5.00 per shot for chance to win \$50.00 grand prize
- \$5.00 per shot for chance to win a premium Turkey

Ammunition will be provided for all participants, 12 and 20 gauge shotguns will also be available or bring your own lucky 12 or 20-gauge shotgun. The grand prize winner will be announced at 3:30 PM. The lucky winner must be present to claim the \$50. Members and their guests are all welcome!

Autumn Hike and Marshmallow Roast

Enjoy the beautiful autumn colors with a hike through the woods and around the IWLAR's private lake on Sunday, November 14 from 1 - 4 p.m. Look for animal tracks, birds, nests and wildlife. Enjoy roasting marshmallows over a campfire and apple cider. Wear comfortable shoes for hiking and dress for the chilly November weather. Limited to 30 participants. Questions? Contact Jeri Crist.



For more information and registration go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C48A9A6229-autumn1>

Mags for Vets

This is the 9th year we will be able to provide various types of media to our veterans at the Walter Reed National Medical Center.

Items to Donate:

1. Current magazines NOT more than three (3) months old including but not limited to hunting, fishing, and shooting sports: *Life, People, Atlantic, Gourmet, Forbes*, sports of all types, etc.
2. CDs: any and all types of music, including 'books on tape'
3. DVDs: action, documentary, comedy, sports, musicals, drama, etc.
4. Portable/personal CD/DVD players in good working order and all accessories like chargers, rechargeable battery packs that take and hold a charge.
5. Books (hardback/paperback)

Requirements for donation and delivery:

1. All magazines **must** be clean and current, not over three (3) months old. **NO** reading material that is dusty or musty, i.e. reading material stored in closets/basements.
2. All items **must** be tied securely with heavy twine/cord in bundles **NO MORE** than 20 lb. each – clean and dust free boxes/paper bags OK

Drop off your donations on or a few days before Sunday Nov 7, 2021 (10 AM at the latest) and put them just inside and to the left of the main front door of the Chapter house (in front of the windows)

Douglas Smith

National Policy Decisions

At the 2021 National Convention, delegates voted to adopt 4 new policy resolutions which have now been incorporated into the updated handbook. Each new resolution in the handbook is followed by "(Passed 7/21/2021)" and are found on the following pages:

- Ban on Use of Neonicotinoids (neonics) (p. 15)
- Taking an Ecosystem Approach (p.20)
- Mining Policy (p. 26)
- Support for banning sulfide-ore copper mining on public lands in the Boundary Waters watershed (p. 35)

https://www.iwla.org/docs/default-source/about-iwla/2021-policy-book-complete.pdf?sfvrsn=763c8d0d_4

2021 Watersports Ends with a Storm

Ten Chapter Ikes and family members braved a threat of rain to kayak the Potomac on October 16 for the Chapter's last watersports event for 2021.

Just like the passengers and crew of the *SS Minnow*, the trip lasted 3 hours and was hit by a storm, but fortunately, the Ikes didn't end up on a remote island! The group began at Fletchers Cove and ended at the Columbia Island Marina.



Initially, the weather was pleasant, but as the afternoon progressed, wind and waves increased quite a bit and the sky grew less friendly as a storm approached.



Photos courtesy of Paolo Amedeo

Fortunately, by the time a strong downpour started the group was nearing the landing. The last leg was, as participant April Marrone said, "Type 2 fun"

New Members Recently Inducted

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| Greg Bales | Webster, NY |
| Wei Ma | Bethesda |
| Steve Mace | Germantown |
| Erik Tavenner and James Tavenner | Rockville |
| Pete & Julia Vlantis | Rockville |

A warm welcome to all!

Ike's Want Ads

For Sale

- 12 gauge wads, 4 1/2 250 wad bags, \$20
- S&W Model 48 Masterpiece M.R.F. K22, 6 1/2 in barrel, has some cylinder face wear but barrel is clean. Comes with original box, owners manual and other manufacturer's papers, unused cleaning kit and manufacturer's brown wrapping paper. \$600
- Ruger Old Army stainless steel, new in box comes with owner's manual, product registration papers. Has never been loaded. \$600
- Box of 500 .38 146 grain lead, hollow base wad cutters. \$10
- Box of 500 .38 148 grain lead, hollow base wad cutters. \$10
- Box of 600 .38/.357 lead, semi-wad cutters. \$10

Text Dan at 410-688-3948

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