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**CHAPTER NEWS, EVENTS AND ARTICLES**

**Board of Directors Elections**

The slate for the upcoming elections is as follows:

President- Guy Wright  
First Vice-President- Paul Turska  
Second Vice-President- Jeff Deschamps  
Third Vice-President- Chuck Crooks  
Treasurer- Chuck Limparis  
Membership Secretary- Joe Gick  
Recording Secretary- Rick Sommer OR Judy Riley  
Corresponding Secretary- Jim Piatetski  
Parliamentarian- Mac McCollum  
Sergeant-at-Arms- Dick Smith OR Richard Fried  
Chaplain- John Leaman

There are also three Director Positions open for the 2010-2012 periods. The nominees are Ken Lefebvre\*, John Walter\*, Wendy Smith\*, Berle Cherney and Don Hunt. The asterisk indicates an incumbent.

There were no nominations from the floor  
The elections will be held on August 25<sup>th</sup> at the General Membership meeting. Please show your support for the candidates of your choice.

Thanks to Bob Cumberland and his committee for compiling the slate.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**CONSERVATION** (Meo Curtis)

August Conservation Events

Sunday August 29 is the Chapter Work Day. For conservation work credit, there will be an adopt-a-road clean up from 9 to 11 a.m.--8 volunteers needed. Contact Meo Curtis at [meosotis58@verizon.net](mailto:meosotis58@verizon.net) for details. Also For conservation work credit, from 10-noon, we will be doing maintenance on the chapter's conservation gardens.

Check out the web site of the national organization at [www.iwla.org](http://www.iwla.org). It's a great way to keep up with issues the League is working on. The shooting sports are generating renewed interest with many members. Type "shooting" in the search box to find out what the league is doing to promote these sports.

**ADULT AIRGUN PROGRAM** (Phil Dean)

The Adult Airgun program has been firing on the outdoor airgun range this summer. Beginning on Monday evening, Sept. 13, the program will move to the indoor airgun range in the downstairs area of the chapter house. The Monday night program provides the opportunity for adults to shoot air pistols and air rifles in an informal setting. Those wishing to do so can also participate in target competition on the indoor 10 meter range. Bring your own air pistols or air rifles or you can share those brought by other participants until you decide which airgun you might want to purchase for your own use.

We meet at 6:30 PM to set up the range and start firing at 7:00 PM. We generally finish about 8:30 PM and, after putting things away, those wishing to stay for a short period of friendly conversation do so.

Contact Phillip Dean (301-865-8202) with any questions or to get additional information.

**IWLA RANGE ROSTER 2010** (Bob Cooley)

**September 2010**

Wed 9/1 Berle Cherney, Carl McMahon, Jay Jeffrey, Ron Roberson

Sat 9/4 Tim Mulreaney, Gary Green, Bob Griffen

Sun 9/5 Mark Gay, Paul Turska, Mike Agnelli, Jake Turska

Wed 9/8 Brian Van Winkle, "Rip" Van Winkle, Bob Woodward

Sat 9/11 George Fichter, Dave Fichter, Paul Fisher

Sun 9/12 Seamus Webb, Mike Webb, Gerhard Bartsch, John Davis

Wed 9/15 Richard Maple, Conley Phipps, Frank Bis

Sat 9/18 Mike Bowen, Ira Wein, Robin Moore

Sun 9/19 Buddy Michael, Joel Gross, Murray Welsh

Wed 9/22 Debbi Perry, Bob Cooley

Sat 9/25 Bill Rahn, Charlie Weaver, Ed Grim

Sun 9/26 Peter Sittner, Dave Stevenson, Bob Poth

Wed 9/29 Heather Barber, Alan Palestine, Jeff Greenhut, Maj Tavakoli,

Substitutes

Jim Kelly, Jim Arnold, Jim Crowell, Judy Crowell, Jay DeVan

Reminders:

1. Please, lock money box in locker with KEY LOCK.
2. Please, make sure that the MASTER LIST kept to record tokens given to members that have taken the safety course is locked in the extra token box in the magazine.
3. Please, remember that hours are 12-5 Sat, Sun and 2-7 Weds. The range should be open during those hours. It is your discretion to close during heavy rain that looks like it may not stop, accumulating snow that makes the ranges dangerous, or when dangerous situations arise that cannot be resolved.
4. Please, look for members picking up hulls under the low-house window. This is very dangerous at all times when the machine is on. It is particularly dangerous when the thrower is in ones hand. All it takes is a short or an accidental button push and the person gets a bird in the ear.
5. Please, make sure that all the power is off upon closing. We want to minimize damage to the machines if lightening were to strike.
6. Please, remember your service is greatly appreciated. THANK YOU

**RIFLE/PISTOL** (Judy Riley)

**“THE TOM RILEY .22 FUN SHOOT”**



On Saturday July 31, 2010, we held the 2<sup>nd</sup> official “Tom Riley .22 Fun Shoot” at the Rifle Range. We had a great turn out (much better than Mother’s Day weekend.) Ed McNally tried out his new “toy” that received a lot of attention from other members. It was his first time at this event and said he had so much fun I’m certain he’ll be back.

We had several families and friends who attended, like two Lefebvre family members as well as The Johnson family (who also attended the previous event) and brought a friend.



Carol, Sarah & presence.



Cherie made a



Multiple other club members like José, Gary and five RSO's attended. A special thank you to Jesse Lim for his good organization of this event and to the many who assisted in target set-up and take-down (those babies aren't light!) It's all worth it though...the next scheduled .22 Fun Shoot event will be even better. The scheduled date is Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup> (10:00am—2:00pm.) Hot dogs and burgers will be provided for our noshing pleasure in December. Perhaps some balloon targets would also be in order...those are always a challenge! Looking forward to seeing you then - Have fun and be safe!

### **Range Orientation** (Barry Ephraim)

Range Orientation for July was held on a really hot Sunday but all new members persevered and did really well at understanding the course information and on their written exam with over half achieving 100%.

The course was presented by Tom Cauffiel and Barry Ephraim.

New range certified WAC Range officers are:

Nathan Rowell, Mary Esfanaji, Mash Esfanaji, Donald Veals, Paul Turska Sr., Paul Turska, Jr., Mitchell Opticam, Jay Hannam, Peter Szydlo, Roberta Szydlo, and Clark Mueller.

Looking forward to next class at end of August on the 29<sup>th</sup>.

### **THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS** (Nick Giuliano)

#### **Thunder Valley Days**

June 24

Rip Van Winkle, Bill Gazdik, Joe Carinci, Star Mitchell, Mary Hunt, Conley Phipps, Ed McNally and O S McCollum.

#### **June 25**

Bill Gazdik, Rip Van Winkle, Phil Dean, Mary Hunt, Ed Loyd, Phillip Dean, Joe Carinci, Conley Phipps, Ed McNally, Greg Talamini, Steve Lefebvre and John Walter.

#### **June 26**

Bill Gazdik, Joe Carinci, Rip Van Winkle, Star Mitchell, Georgia Townsend, Ed McCollum and Alex Limparis. The above information was sent in via Pony Express, unfortunately the horse died on the way.

#### **Board of Directors Meeting**

July 7

During the break, chef Ed McNally and Alex Limparis provided pizza with a heavy balanced selection of toppings.

#### **Airgun Range Maintenance**

July, no date on sheet.

Bill Gazdik and Phillip Dean.

#### **Cowboy Shoot Set-Up**

July 23

**Don Hunt, John Leaman and Paul Bluteau.**

**Due to being wanted by Wives, Girlfriends or the Law; Aliases are used, Snake-eye, Lefty Rhodes, Most Wanted, Two-Gun Tuco and Angle.**

#### **Chapter Maintenance Day**

July 25

**Pistol and Rifle**

Al Goldschmidts, Don Hunt and Mike Fitzgerald.

### **Skeet / Trap and Shotgun Ranges**

Steve Garland, Thomas Garland, Mark McKeivitt, Steve McCaskill, Wade Dayberry, Peter Sittner, John H. Davis, Berle Cherney, G. Bartsch, William Burns, John Leaman ,Guy Wright, Bill Wright, Richard Young and Sam Young.

### **General Grounds Maintenance**

#### **Weeding**

Juliette Brooks and Timothy Brooks.

### **Kitchen Duties**

The King and Queen of Pots and Pans  
Don Hunt and Mary Hunt.

### **Membership Dinner Meeting**

July 28

The evenings Heavy Balanced Meal was provide by Mac McCollum and Ed McNally assisted by Jay Hannam.

Congratulations to the following probationary member who has graduated to Full Member.

Michael C. Bouyea

### **Volunteers**

If your name does not appear in this issue of the newsletter and you have volunteered and signed an activity sheet, please send an email with your information to

[nicolasgiu@yahoo.com](mailto:nicolasgiu@yahoo.com)

### **NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS** (Jim Piateski at [jimpiateski@verizon.net](mailto:jimpiateski@verizon.net) )

Thanks to Nicolas Giuliano for mailing the printed version of the newsletter every month. Thanks to Meo Curtis, Phil Dean, Nick Giuliano, Judy Riley, Barry Ephraim and Bob Cooley for their contributions to this newsletter. Thanks to Chuck Crooks for posting the newsletter on the web in such a timely fashion.

If anyone has an article, picture or topic, which they wish to have included in future newsletters, send

To Jim Piateski at [jimpiateski@verizon.net](mailto:jimpiateski@verizon.net) and include some contact info in case there are questions. If you have photographs of chapter events that you would like to share with the membership in the on-line newsletter, please send them to Jim Piateski at the above email address. Please include the names of those pictured as well as the date and name of the event.

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