

# ***Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc.***

**Izaak Walton League of America**

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## **NEWSLETTER**

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### **Fort Belvoir Warrior Transition Battalion Thanks IWLA**

**M**embers of the Warrior Transition Battalion (WTB) at Fort Belvoir came to the IWLA Arlington-Fairfax Chapter to thank the Board for their support of the Fort Belvoir WTB Adaptive Air Rifle and Pistol Program. In 2013, Tom Ciarula and Bucky Sills trained three WTB coaches as part of the Fort Belvoir program start. Fort Belvoir began offering adaptive air rifle and air pistol activities in March of this year. This June three Fort Belvoir WTB members with the assistance of Tom Ciarula competed for selection for the Warrior Games to be held late this September in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The selected candidates will go to Colorado Springs in August for Army team building in preparation for the Warrior Games. We wish them the best of luck.



Shown above from left to right are Rick Atchison, Coach; SPC Jennifer Rivera, winner of one gold and two silver medals at West Point, , Tom Ciarula, Vice President of the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter and SPC Dave Harrell, who competed in air rifle and compound bow archery. Not shown is SPC Jason Blair who competed in air rifle, air pistol, and recumbent bicycle.

### **Election Results**

Vice President -	Tom Ciarulla
Treasurer -	Bob Crisman
Conservation -	John Seaberg
Education -	Bucky Sills
Skeet & Trap -	Bob Brino
Target Archery -	Roy Anderson
Director at Large -	David Cunningham
Director at Large -	Oscar Stars
Director at Large -	Art Twichell

Total ballots cast - 192

Volunteers are the heart of what makes this chapter an extraordinary organization. Staffing the polls was a great example of outstanding participation by club members.

Thanks to all the volunteers who participated: Carlton Allred, Dean Baines, David Connelly, Diane Crandall, Chuck Greene, Mike Halpeny, Bob Hamilton, Nikki LeCompte, Rich Mansfield, Rick Martin, James Nokham, Brad Olson, Jeff Pendry, Ken Reynolds, Michael Rodzianko, Steve Rumble, Tim Terrell, Jonathan Weih, Cheryl Zwierko, Rick Zwierko.

Special thanks to Scot Aldrich, Linda Armstrong and Pam Meara for their help in organizing the paperwork and helping with all aspects of the election process.

Benn Crandall Director-at-Large  
Election Chair for 2014

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### Chapter field house Office hours

**1st and 3rd Tues**.....**1:00pm to 9:00pm**

**All other Tues**.....**1:00pm to 4:00pm**

### Other times, call

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### Chapter Board of Directors Meeting

1st Tuesday of each month

7:30 pm @ Field House

All members welcome

### Attend your chapter meetings

#### Regular Membership Meeting

3rd Tuesday of each month

7:30 pm @ Field house

## Field house phone numbers

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Field Archery Field house....**703-631-4498**

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### Chapters Web-site

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## Crush'n Clays *Pulling Together for Kid's Sakes!*

Dan Piszker, bested all competitors in the main event, breaking of 46 out 50 targets. Congratulation to Dan for being the 2014 Crush'n Clays Champion.

A sold out crowd of 135 shooters participated in the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Crush'n Clays on June 14<sup>th</sup> 2014 at the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter of the IWLA in Centreville, Virginia. Over the last 15 years, Crush'n Clays has raised \$281,000 and after this event it is expected to add another \$16,000 - \$18,000 to that total. Crush'n Clays is the longest running shooting charity that supports the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, and it is the longest consecutive running shooting charity event in the entire United States.

Participants were provided with ammunition, event t-shirts and lunch. The trap shooting event consisted of 25 targets from the 16 yard line and 25 targets from the 22 yard-line. Both individuals and four person teams competed in the event. In the team competition, the best three scores on each squad counted for the team score. All participants were eligible for individual awards using a "Lewis" class system.

The festivities began with Bob Brino, Skeet/Trap Director of the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter of the IWLA, providing a shotgun clinic for novice competitors. As he has done in the past, Bob donated the targets for the event. IWLA extends a giant thank-you to Mr. Brino.

Suburban Electric stepped up again this year as a sponsor. Jim Hickerson, owner of Suburban Electric, is an Arlington-Fairfax IWLA member. You can catch him shooting in the winter shotgun league where he demonstrates his skill as an accomplished skeet shooter. A big IWLA shout out to Jim, one of our own, for his support of Crush'n Clays.

The Annie Oakley even drew a huge number of participants as it has in previous years. Many participants entered the event multiple times resulting in with well over 200 entries during the day.

The Annie Oakley event has tremendous spectator appeal, pitting the skills of one shooter against another. Half of the entry fees of the event are awarded to the eventual winner of each squad and



The individual class winners were:

Class A – Warren Guillet

Class B – Jeff Hunter

Class C – David Morris

Class D – Dan Pennel

Team competition results;

1st Place -Piedmont- Score 128

J.R. Wingfield

Bob Richey

Pam Braughm

Jack House

2nd place – Casciano Team – 125

Ernie Lyles

Wesley Chappell

Dennis Jensen

Stephen Clark

Dale Clark

3rd Place – Piszker Team – 120

Dan Piszker

Gregg Hanson

Brad Olson

Jay Dyer

the other half goes to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

Bill McNally, a longtime Arlington-Fairfax IWLA member, won the event an astonishing three times and has donated his winning back to the charity. Bill's generosity shows that heroes come in many forms.

Bucky Sills, and his crew from Arlington-Fairfax IWLA, provided his popular barbeque lunch of pork, chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs and assorted side dishes. Many claim that in itself is worth the price of admission.

Thanks go to our sponsors The National Rifle Association, Virginia Shooting Sports Association, Arlington-Fairfax Chapter of the Izaak Walton League of America, Suburban Electric Corporation, Dominick Casciano, Everfresh, Vienna Septic Services and all the volunteers whose tireless efforts made the event a great success.

## **CUB RUN BUCKBUSTERS 3-D SHOOT: SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 21st**

With the upcoming Fall Archery Deer Hunting Season you will not want to miss this VBA Shoot. There are 28 (3-D) animal targets throughout our wooded archery range. This is the right place to be, the right thing to be participating in during this time of year. Come on out and have some fun, bring the whole family and friends. Non IWLA members are welcome for this shoot. Cub Run will be serving sandwiches and snacks from our snack bar throughout this event. Registration 9:00am till 1:00pm.

## **ARCHERY UPDATE**

Cub Run Archers would like to extend a warm welcome and an invitation to all members of the IWLA to take advantage of the many facilities, training opportunities, archery equipment, events and great camaraderie that our club has to offer. Our state of the art indoor range is available for your use anytime a qualified Range Officer is on site. It is common knowledge that a good many regulars in the club are at the range house every morning from approximately 9:30am until noon. This is a great time to come down and introduce yourself and find out what Cub Run Archers is all about. If you are new to archery and need advice on anything from bow setup, arrow tuning to shooting technique, not only will you find literally, several hundred years of collective experience, but the equipment to perform those tasks. We especially would like to encourage youth participation and have a great many youth bows that young shooters may practice with to develop their skills. The cost to join Cub Run Archers is only \$15.00 per year, per family. Though you don't need to be a member of Cub Run Archers to use the facilities, we have a monthly newsletter and several dinners and picnics throughout the year and attendance at even one of these would easily be worth the annual membership.

If you are interested, please contact Robert D'Imperio, Secretary, Cub Run Archers, 13490 Edge Rock Ct. Chantilly, VA 20151. You may email Bob at [robbyrayd@yahoo.com](mailto:robbyrayd@yahoo.com) as well. The outdoor facilities are available to any member in good standing of the IWLA. We have practice range with target butts at 5, 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 50, and 60 yards. They are lighted for evening shooting. There is also a crossbow station with a movable bag target for field point shooting and a broadhead target for shooting broadheads. **Crossbows** are allowed **only** at the special crossbow station. A 28 point field archery course is also available for use to all IWLA members for daytime use only.

## **Shooting Reminder**

**Only shoot broadheads into a broadhead target butts!** If you shoot a broadhead into a field point target you may find yourself purchasing that target butt. If you do not know the difference between the two kinds of target butts on the range please ask someone at the range before you start shooting. These target butts cost IWLA members \$250 each. Help us get the most life out of each target butt as possible.

## **Deer Processing Station**

For all the IWLA deer hunters who would like to process their own deer, the deer processing station is twenty yards off the Field Archery Deck. The area is lighted with running water from a garden hose located by the deck entrance. You will need to bring trash bags with you for proper disposal of all parts of the carcass. **When finished be sure to wash the area down completely putting all remains in plastic bags before going into any dumpster. During cold weather when finished be sure to drain the hose of water to keep it from freezing.**

## **Archery 101 Session**

The next introduction to archery class is Sunday August 24th at 1:00pm in the indoor archery range. We have the bows and arrows. All you need to do is show up. To register email: Scott Motter at [smotter73@gmail.com](mailto:smotter73@gmail.com). Children's registration please include their age. Non IWLA members are welcome to attend the class. The class will be limited to 35, register early.



## Memorial Day Open Skeet Shoot at IWLA

By Ashly L. Palles—The Memorial Day Open Skeet tournament was held at Arlington Fairfax IWLA on May 24-25. We hosted 18 shooters on Saturday. The weather could not have been better – sunny, blue skies and moderate temperatures. The 12g event was first. We welcomed five first time tournament shooters, including new club member, Brad Olson. Brad ran his very first 25 straight during that event finishing with an impressive first time score of 87. Congratulations Brad!

Jeff Bond won 12g Champion with a 97. Club member, Jim Hickerson (96) took A-1. Fred Wood (96) captured B-1. D Piszker (91) won C-1. Club members Brad Olson and Carl Josefson competed in a shoot-off to settle their tie scores of 87. Carl's experience won out for the D-1 title. Club member and the only lady shooter, Ashly Palles, posted a 90 for the E-1 place.

Everyone enjoyed the weather, the competition and the camaraderie. All the new shooter promised to join us again at the next shoot. Thank you for supporting the club! We look forward to seeing them and more new shooters in future events. I would like to extend a personal invitation to all club members especially winter league shooters to join us at the next tournament, Autumn Leaves Open on Sept. 6-7, 2014. A free one year National Skeet Shooting Association (NSSA) membership is available to all first time competitors. I guarantee you'll have a good time and meet some very amiable fellow shooters!!

Seven shooters competed in the 20g event Saturday afternoon. Jeff Bond showed great consistency with another score of 97 to win the 20g event. Other scores as follows. (\* denotes Arl-Ffx member)

Shooter	Score	Place
Jeff Bond	97	Champion
Jim Hickerson*	91	A-1
Fred Wood	90	A-2
Ashly Palles*	92	C-1
Carl Josefson*	90	C-2
Matt Kurtz	79	D-1
Sam Stewart*	77	D-2

The 28g event was held Sunday morning with 9 shooters. Jim Hickerson took 28g Champion with a 97. Other 28g finishes are listed below.

Shooter	Score	Place
Jim Hickerson*	97	Champion
Jeff Bond	96	AA-1
Buddy Baker	94	A-1
Fred Wood	94	B-1
Jeff Key	95	C-1
Carl Josefson*	93	C-2
Devin Wood	83	C-3
Sam Stewart*	86	D-1
Ashly Palles*	81	D-2

Ten shooters participated in the last and most challenging event, .410, on Sunday afternoon. Again, club member, Jim Hickerson, was Champion with a score of 91. Fred Wood bested Jeff Bond in a shoot-off to settle their tie scores of 88. Other scores listed below.

Shooter	Score	Place
Jim Hickerson*	91	Champion
Fred Wood	88	B-1
Jeff Bond	88	B-2
Jeff Key	85	B-3
Buddy Baker	79	A-1
Devin Wood	88	C-1
Carl Josefson*	78	C-2
Ashly Palles*	82	D-1
Sam Stewart*	70	D-2
Tom Wycoff*	53	D-3

## REPLACEMENT RANGE BADGE NOTIFICATION

The chapter will be replacing all of the existing round metal range badges with new badges starting in mid to late August. The new badges will be exchanged for the old badges at the Rifle Pistol Range, Trap & Skeet Range, Archery field house, and Chapter field house.

This will be a one for one replacement and verification of membership. You must turn in your current round metal range badge to receive the new replacement, there are no exceptions. You will retain your current 2014 range insert to be placed in the new range badge.

Tom Tobey  
Membership Chairman

## Rifle and Pistol News

### Drawing and Shooting at the Rifle-Pistol Range

Some chapter members have asked why they cannot draw and fire handguns while standing close to the 100-yard line at the Rifle-Pistol Range. They cite the fact that the Personal Protection Outside the Home (PPOTH) classes do it – why can't they do the same thing? The answer is safety, **SAFETY, SAFETY!**

The PPOTH classes do use the Rifle-Pistol range **after** regular shooting times to train at drawing and firing handguns at the 100-yard line. They do it there to be as close to the berm as possible so that poorly aimed rounds will safely impact into the berm. The range is locked during these classes – no one may do anything else on the range while the classes are in training. For **SAFETY** reasons they have a certified instructor standing behind **EACH AND EVERY STUDENT** to ensure that a shooting accident does not occur. They have EXTRA INSTRUCTORS watching all aspects of the training to guarantee that each student is handling their gun in a safe manner. We DO NOT have enough Range Safety Officers to watch and monitor each person wanting to draw and shoot at the 100-yard line. Each person doing this drawing and shooting exercise would need their own personal Range Safety Officer to guarantee the same level of safety as the PPOTH classes.

At commercial indoor ranges where you can draw and shoot they have polycarbonate plastic bullet resistant shields between each person on the firing line. They have steel-reinforced concrete floors and walls. They have bullet resistance roofs to trap miss aimed rounds. They have steel bullet traps to capture aimed rounds. We have none of these features at our Rifle-Pistol Range.

The PPOTH class requires that each student has a safe firearm and they inspect every handgun. They reject any handgun that is

not modern and fully functional. The firearms are checked to see that all safety mechanisms are in good operating order. Handguns with triggers that are too sensitive to trigger pull (less than four pounds) are banned. They inspect all ammunition which must be modern, commercial types. (No handloads allowed.) **ONLY strong-side on the belt holsters are allowed.** No shoulder holsters. No cross-draw holsters. No inside-the-waistband holsters. No small-of-the-back holsters are allowed. All these banned holsters mean that the shooter would “sweep” over other people on the range as the shooter draws the firearm. We cannot allow “sweeping” across people on the chapter Rifle-Pistol Range for obvious safety reasons.

If we do allow chapter members and their guests to draw and fire handguns anywhere on the range **HOW DO WE INSURE THAT THEY HAVE SUFFICIENT FIREARMS SAFETY TRAINING** to draw and fire without endangering other persons using the range? We cannot take their “good words” and “sincere intentions” that they are safe and prudent and reasonable. This is a SAFETY ISSUE and my goal is to operate a safe firearms range. The Range Safety Officers are not there to train members and guests. They are there to operate and manage the Rifle-Pistol Range in a SAFE MANNER. We can not allow firing practices that can easily become unsafe conditions.

### Recycling at Rifle-Pistol Range

The chapter recycles various metals at the Rifle-Pistol Range. The most common recycled material is aluminum cans. Our soda machines dispense beverages in aluminum cans. We expect all people (members and their guests) to recycle the soda cans rather than just dropping the cans in the trash. Raw aluminum is extracted from its ore (bauxite) by an electrochemical process which is inherently polluting. By recycling aluminum metal we can save approximately 90% of the energy required compared to the production of new raw aluminum ingots. Aluminum trash is unsightly and attracts stinging insects. We have a can crusher at the entrance to the firing line at the Rifle-Pistol Range and a white plastic drum to store the crushed cans. When our storage drums are full we take the aluminum

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cans to a metal cycling plant. The money from this recycling is used to help operate the range. **Do your part in this effort by always crushing your aluminum cans.** If you see that someone else has thrown an aluminum can in trash, go the extra step and crush the can yourself. It is part of our obligation as IWLA members to help protect the environment and this is a very easy part in that process.

We also recycle brass cartridge cases. The cases from fired .22 caliber rimfire rounds and from Berdan primed centerfire rounds are useful sources of brass that can be recycled. The rimfire and Berdan primed brass are often discarded as trash. **Instead that brass should ALWAYS be placed in the green metal boxes that are located at the entrance to the Rifle-Pistol Range firing line.** Every shooter at the range is RESPONSIBLE for collecting his fired brass and properly disposing of the fired brass. A lot of the shooters at the range seem to think that fired rimfire brass is invisible trash or acceptable ornaments on the range floor. **NOT SO!** As with aluminum cans recycled brass can be reused in metal remanufacturing and saves energy as compared the newly extracted metals. Also recycling fired brass is another obligation that is part of your use of the Rifle-Pistol Range and being a responsible IWLA member.

Steel cartridge cases should be properly disposed in the trash barrels placed at frequent intervals on the firing line. Aluminum cartridge cases should also be disposed in the trash cans (the aluminum cases have steel internal components which interfere with ordinary recycling procedures – do not put the aluminum cases in the soda can barrel.)

We are now looking into methods by which we can reclaim the lead from fired rounds that impact the rear berm. Some recent testing indicates that each square of the rear berm surface contains approximately ½ pound of lead mixed with fragmented, torn

copper jackets and gilding alloy. The whole rear berm totals approximately 5 tons of mangled lead bullets and copper jackets. The first problem is separating this lead material from the dirt in the rear berm. That is a large exercise in digging and mechanically processing the berm dirt.

The high velocity impact means that the resulting lead material is intimately mixed with dirt and small stone fragments. If we can somehow process the berm dirt in an economical manner, it is our intention to let chapter members recycle the lead mixture into new projectiles for reloading purposes. (We do not intend to smelt the lead material into pure metal ingots—the lead material would be provided free on an as-is basis IF we can figure out how to separate it economically from the berm dirt.)

IWLA is a conservation organization – **DO YOUR PART!**

### Guests at the Rifle-Pistol Range

There is some confusion about bringing guests to the Rifle-Pistol Range. From the Rifle-Pistol Range Rules.

**Range Qualified Chapter members are authorized to bring guests to the Rifle-Pistol Range.** This does not mean that your son who is NOT a chapter member can bring his buddies to the range for an afternoon of shooting fun.

**However, no guest will be allowed on the range unless accompanied and supervised by a Range Qualified Chapter member.** This means that if you (the chapter member) bring two guests with you, you are NOT getting two or three shooting positions. Since you have to supervise your guests you CANNOT shoot when they are shooting. You get one shooting position. You put only one firearm down on the position table at the firing line. You put only ammunition for that firearm on the table at the firing line. One person (you or a guest) shoots the firearm at a time. **YOU MUST MAINTAIN COMPLETE CONTROL OVER THE ACTIVITIES OF YOU AND YOUR GUESTS AT ALL TIMES.**

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**Members are responsible for the conduct and actions of their guests.** If your guest is shooting in an unsafe manner the duty Range Officer will tell you to correct the unsafe action(s). If you ignore this or if the unsafe shooting action(s) continue you and your guests will be required to leave the range. We cannot and will not accept unsafe shooting practices by members or their guests.

**The number of times that any one guest may be allowed to use the range is subject to the Chapter rule (three times in one year.)** So you cannot bring your neighbor or co-worker to the range every weekend. This rule was created when some members would split a membership fee between themselves and a friend or two. And the member brought the other guys out as many times as they wanted.

**Members may bring dependents and spouses to the range without regard to this limit on the number of uses, but the member must remain in close proximity and immediate supervision of such family members at all times and members are responsible for the conduct and actions of their family members.** The chapter member must have immediate supervision over family members at all times. You cannot supervise your child if you are shooting at another bench. We have seen instances where the adult parks the kid and a firearm on a firing line table along with a box of ammunition. Then the adult goes to another table to get some shooting done. (Now occasionally the kid shoots better than the adult and the kid should be supervising daddy's shooting!) To keep the range safe for all participants and to prevent accidents that could lead to the county shutting down the range we must make the chapter member supervise his/her family members.

Dr Ed, CRO

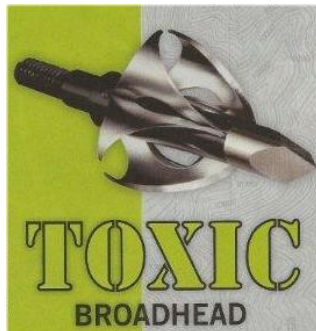
## Archery News

### Core Drilling Broadheads Are Not To Be Used On The Field Archery Ranges At Any Time.

Core drilling broadheads like the Toxic and the Cyclone and any others that may appear on the market for hunting purposes may not be shot at any target butts at the field archery range. While this broadhead may prove to be highly effective for hunting, it is not to be used on the Field Archery Range due to the damage it inflicts on target butts.

A local archery shop reported after approximately 25 shots with this broadhead, a brand new target butt was rendered useless. These targets cost upwards of \$150 each. There is no way IWLA can afford to replace target butts that normally last months to a year on a daily or weekly basis, to support the use of this broadhead.

This restriction is being implemented to protect the facilities property and maintain a safe and functional facility for all members to enjoy.



As you can see in the third picture these broadheads do massive damage to targets with each shot.



# ***Bender Shima Shooting Clinic***

## **Customized Skeet Instruction for You!**

***Absolutely the best skeet instruction, anywhere***

- **Individually tailored gun fit**
- **Foot Position**
- **Hold Points**
- **Body Mechanics**
- **Discussion & application of skeet fundamentals**
- **Station by station analysis**
- **Mental Preparation**
- **Doubles insight & shooting**
- **Continuing contact for problem assessment**
- **Self-analysis specializing in “seeing the target”!**

This clinic is for skeet enthusiasts, league and club shooters, waterfowl and upland game hunters, and everyone else that likes to have fun with a shotgun.

### Biographies:

Todd Bender and John Shima have each taught for more than 30 years and together have won more than 25 World Championship titles. They focus on all aspects of skeet shooting along with wing shooting and sporting clays. Todd and John were recognized as the first Master Instructors for the National Skeet Shooting Association. They have both been elected to the National Skeet Shooting Association Hall of Fame.

**The day you spend with John or Todd may be the most instructive and absolutely the most fun, any shooter can have.**

**Arlington-Fairfax IWLA, Centreville, VA**

**22 – 26 October 2014**

**Reservations are required**

**For specific dates and reservations, please contact:  
Tom Wyckoff at [twyckoff7@cox.net](mailto:twyckoff7@cox.net) or (703) 244-3256**

# ***Bender Shima Shooting Clinic***

## **Other Information:**

Shooters are responsible for club target fees and ammunition

No Rain Dates (unless dangerous conditions exist, e.g., lightning)

Shooters should expect to shoot 10 to 15 rounds!

Clinic begins at 0830 daily and ends between 1630 and 1730.

Shooters should bring their lunch and any desired snacks. Sodas are available in the club house.

Deposits are refundable up to 31 days prior to the clinic

Todd Bender and John Shima are personable, intuitive, and exceptionally professional instructors. Many of their students repeat the clinic each year because each time they attend they discover more about themselves and increase their appreciation of the sport.

Participation is limited to five shooters per day per instructor (10 total per day), and will cost \$495 for one full day of instruction. A deposit of \$200.00 is required when registering, with the balance due on the day of the clinic.

MAIL DEPOSIT TO: Tom Wyckoff, 8006 Middlewood Pl., Springfield, VA 22153.

Make deposit checks out to: BSSC

Participants will need to furnish their own shells and are responsible for the club fees for targets.

Cash and personal checks will be accepted.

**This is a unique opportunity for all skill levels to learn from the two finest instructors teaching clay target shooting.**

**For reservations please call or e-mail:**

**Tom Wyckoff at [twyckoff7@cox.net](mailto:twyckoff7@cox.net) or (703) 244-3256**

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**Great gift for Birthdays, Anniversaries, Christmas, etc.**

## SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

In 1993, the Board of Directors of the Arlington-Fairfax Chapter of the Izaak Walton League of America established its environmental sciences scholarship as a means of demonstrating the Chapter's concern for the environment and for the young people of the tri-county (Arlington, Fairfax and Prince William) area. The scholarship is for a total of 4 years at a value of \$3,000 per year paid directly to the applicant's institution of higher learning in support of their degree in Environmental Sciences or a related field. The scholarship committee of the Chapter reviews the applications submitted each April and makes its recommendation to the Board of Directors on the basis of the applicant's academic achievement, financial need, environmental activities and achievements and the individual character of the applicant. The 2014 Environmental Sciences scholarship has been awarded to James Green, who recently graduated from Yorktown High School. James will be majoring in Environmental Sciences and will be attending the University of Virginia in the fall. Scholarship committee chairman David Dobbins said that James' academic credentials, maturity and high level of activity in local and regional environmental programs makes him a most deserving recipient of the scholarship.

### **From Liana Epstein, 2010 Scholarship Winner**

I sit here one year since my last letter. First and foremost I wish to thank the chapter for the generous scholarship that has allowed me to have an incredible experience here at Yale. I usually prefer to stay away from clichés, but these years have genuinely flown by. Every year I wonder how Yale could get better: how could my senior year possibly top the previous three? I am delighted to say that this year has been my favorite, though certainly the most challenging. In my final year, I find not that I have grown tired of the familiar environment, as one might expect. Rather, that I have found new ways to explore Yale. I continue to discover enriching academic opportunities, I develop relationships with new students and faculty regularly, and I am able to take full advantage of these and develop both as a student and holistically as a person.

I had a highly demanding course load this year as I finished my environmental studies major. The largest component of this is a project I completed: my senior essay. My essay was entitled, "Saving Our Ocean, Saving Ourselves: What Previous Mass Extinctions Can Reveal About the Next One." Having completed the requirements for my major, I was free to explore academically. In the fall, I took Human Ecology in which we explored the interactions between our environment and society. I completed a research project on how Yale approaches sustainability. I also took two small seminars. In the first course, Minerals and Human Health, we examined the medical and health applications of many natural elements. The second, the Politics and Science of Cancer discussed not only the medical aspects of one of the most prevalent contemporary diseases, but challenged us to think critically about ethical questions regarding treatment, economic influence, doctor-patient relationships, and many other interesting topics. My final class in the fall was American Cultural Landscapes, which highlighted how humans create built environments to reflect social movements or priorities. I also took a fascinating course on the history of higher education in the U.S., an Environmental Science and Policy seminar that will prove useful in the future, and Bioethics and Law in which we discuss how ethics and the medical profession seem to be forever entangled. Many of my spring classes, I think, will be pertinent to a future career, whether in environmental education, policy, or possibly medicine or public health.

I am embracing all of my "lasts" at Yale. I joined a secret society this year, I continue to cherish every moment with my teammates on the cross country and track teams, friends in my residential college, and even very simple things like the way the spring tulips light up the courtyard in the spring. My future is still undecided, but I remember to enjoy, for now, all that is Yale. How lucky I am to be here: to hear words of brilliant professors, to behold the beautiful buildings — all of it. I confidently say Yale is the best choice I have ever made. I learn more than I thought possible about school and life, and still

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find time to truly engage, be present, and be happy! Your continued financial support made all of this possible. I thank you sincerely for investing in me!

**From Megan Gottfried,  
2011 Scholarship Winner**

My third year of studies at Virginia Tech proved to be the most challenging year yet. Despite this, I was able to qualify for the Deans List the spring semester of 2014. My junior year demanded a much deeper dive into my Geographic studies major, which included classes surrounding Cartography and Geospatial Information Systems (GIS). The GIS software allows the publisher to upload geographic information that is subject to spatial analysis and interpretation. Being experienced in GIS software allows me to download data, analyze it, and publish it for purposes such as Environmental Impact Assessments, city planning, ecosystem analysis and changing patterns over time. Being comfortable with the software led me to apply and now intern for Blue Raster, a GIS team that works heavily with creating GIS maps online through web mapping applications. This more interactive form of GIS realizes the importance of creating interest and purpose of geographic information. Being able to work with GIS Desktop Software and GIS Online has given me the competitive heads up needed to have a career in the geospatial analysis field, and I hope to continue learning how to improve and grow upon the basic structure I have learned throughout my studies and internship.

**From Madeline Ryan,  
2012 Scholarship Winner**

Hi Dr. Dobbins!

My name is Madeline Ryan, and I just finished my second year at Virginia Tech! I want to thank everyone again for their support and for this scholarship, which has allowed me to continue my studies. This year I took courses that were more focused on my major, such as a Soils course and a Microbiology course. I have also had the opportunity to go on a study abroad trip to New Zealand and Australia in order to study sustainability and the environment. I have enjoyed all my classes and I am looking

forward to my junior year at Virginia Tech! Thank you again for your support!

**From Alycia Bouchard,  
2013 Scholarship Winner**

I greatly enjoyed my first year at Vanderbilt! I am currently pursuing a double major in Economics and Human and Organizational Development with the hope of having a career in which I could possibly work for an international organization promoting sustainable development. This year I took a sociology class called the Environment and Society in which we focused on topics including environmental movements, population-related environmental issues, and social justice. I have also taken numerous economics classes, which are extremely relevant to current environmental issues. Additionally, my introductory ethics class included fascinating discussions on environmental ethics. I am a member of the organization SPEAR (Students Promoting Environmental Awareness and Responsibility), and have attended numerous talks, events, and volunteer opportunities to continue my involvement in environmental service and to expand my knowledge of the environmental issues that we face today. I am also a part of Alternative Spring Break, an organization that sends small groups of students to almost 40 different cities for service projects over Spring Break. This past Spring Break I went to Atlanta, Georgia where we focused on the issue of hunger in urban areas. We volunteered at co-ops, community gardens, and food pantries, and focused on not only service but education and reflection in order to understand the root of hunger and aim for long-term solutions - something that also ties in to environmental issues. Thank you very much to the Izaak Walton League for aiding me in my educational and environmental pursuits!









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