

Izaak Walton League of America, Inc.

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Calumet Region Chapter
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Newsletter

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News Brief:

- **Club Web Site: doltonikes.org** This is a good way to keep up with Members, Events, Meeting info., and the latest news!
- **Go Green!!!:** Recycle those newspapers, magazines, and aluminum cans.
- **Lady Ikes Cook Books: Now On Sale!**
- **Lady Ikes Corn Boil:** Sunday July 18th.
- **4th Annual M.S. Poker Run:** Saturday, July 24th.
- **Shrimp Boil 2010:** Friday/Saturday, August 13th & 14th

From the President: Debbie Loughran

Summer is in full swing at the club. Plan a day to have a picnic and enjoy all the club has to offer. How about planning your July 4th picnic here!

Over the last several months, attendance at Membership meetings has been so low that we have not been able to hold a meeting. This is not fair to new members coming into the club and it doesn't leave a good impression of the dedication at our club. You, the members, are the most important part of this club. Our new members are the future of this club. When they spend time at the club with our well-seasoned members, that is how they learn. Then they can become more active in the club and involved. Please make a point of attending Membership meetings.

Also, several members have not turned in Wild Life tickets. They were due June 1st. GET THEM IN.

Finally, be sure to come up to the club. We look forward to seeing you!

From the Treasurer: Tim O'Shea

Just a reminder, assessment payments need to be turned in at the appropriate box in the bar.

Be Positive, Be Active, Be Happy!

Shrimp Boil: Greg (Mudga) Mudgowski

2010 Shrimp Boil Work Duty Info

As approved by the Board of Directors, everyone needs to do three duties on Friday, August 13 and Saturday, August 14. Plus the mandatory setup date on Tuesday, August 10 or make up day Wednesday, August 11. This year I'm asking everyone to try to make two duties on Friday, August 13 and one duty on Saturday, August 14 if at all possible, due to the huge crowds on Friday. This year the early shifts on Friday and Saturday will start a half hour earlier so that we can be ready to open up at 6 o' clock sharp. If any member has a family member or guest that would like to help out in this year's Shrimp Boil, it would be greatly appreciated. The work duty list will be up in the bar starting Father's Day, June 20 through August 1, so be quick to sign up.

Every member needs to do their very best this year. We need to have a very successful Shrimp Boil. We have a lot of up hill battle this year. Our membership is down and our taxes are high; plus the problems in the gulf have left us with uncertain shrimp prices, we need to do our very best. This is our No. 1 fund raiser, and we need to pull together so we can make this the best year ever.

I am also asking all members to start making Board and/or Membership meetings. This is where we will be keeping everyone informed about the Shrimp Boil. Being at these meetings will show that you are 100% committed to the best Shrimp Boil ever!

Shrimp Boil Ticket Selling Info

As approved by the Board of Directors, every member needs to sell 15 Shrimp Boil tickets. This year Shrimp Boil tickets will be \$12.00 each. All tickets and money need to be returned by Sunday, August 1. If you are later than Monday, August 2, you will have to pay a penalty fee.

- ✓ Sell 10 Shrimp Boil tickets for \$120.00 plus return 5 tickets by Sunday, August 1st. You will complete your duty.
- ✓ Sell 15 tickets for 180.00 by Monday, August 1st.
- ✓ If you return any tickets later than Tuesday, August 2, you will be given a \$25.00 penalty fee for a total of \$205.00 total to complete your work duty.
(Ex: 15 tickets X \$180.00 + \$25.00 penalty fee = \$205.00)
- ✓ Any ticket fees not paid by Sunday, August 15 will have a \$50.00 penalty fee added for a total of \$230.00 and be brought up before the Board of Directors.
- ✓ Checks and unsold Shrimp Boil tickets should be returned to the Shrimp Boil drop off box located in the bar.
- ✓ Members only need to make out one check for all tickets sold. Make checks out to Izaak Walton Calumet Chapter.

There are very good reasons for these changes, all for the bettering of the club. We will need to work together to succeed for our No. 1 fundraiser. I am relying on every member to make this our goal.

If you have any questions, contact Greg "Mudge" Mroczkowski at (708) 220-1129.

Thanks!

Club Website: Dan Cieslak/JoAnne Tyree

In an effort to streamline all of our news and help cut costs, the club will be relying more and more on our website. If you haven't visited the website, please start getting used to the layout. It is very user friendly. Click around on different topics and see the wealth of information that is available to all of our members. This newsletter is available along with the club calendar, events and fliers, work schedules, bar schedules, and much, much more. Very soon this is where all members will be checking for their work details, so get into the habit of checking the website each month, more often for last minute news.

Lady Ikes: Lori Brach

Greetings!!! Our summer fun has begun at the club, how exciting!!!

The Steak Fry was a wonderful time for all, great food, lovely weather and lots of fun with family and friends! I would personally like to thank the gentlemen that at the last minute upon asking, helped with the serving, Cole & Adam Mudgowski, Art Dirindin, and Tim Green. I sincerely appreciate all your hard work that kept the flow smooth!

All the wonderful raffles and prizes were unbelievable; Dave Gall and his team went above and beyond!

I would like to send a sincere thanks to Joe Tavitas, who won the Blackhawks Jersey, hooray for him but it didn't stop there. I bought tickets and kept my fingers crossed to win the jersey too with plans to send to my cancer surviving brother in Washington, since he is from Chicago and is a true fan. However, I didn't win and that was OK, but to my surprise Joe gave me his winning jersey, I was shocked...it will be sent to Quincy Washington for my brother. Joe I thank you for your generosity and kindness!

Our Lady Ikes Cook Book got off to a great start at the Steak Fry, although a few tweaks would have been nice, overall satisfaction was good. Rosemarie, Claudia and I sold 35 at the Steak Fry, very exciting. Please if you haven't purchased one as of yet we would really appreciate your support, cost \$10.00.

As always, I ask you to please take the opportunity to join the Lady Ikes for our monthly meeting, you may be pleasantly surprised, 3rd Friday each month at 7pm, fun and refreshments are served. ***Gentlemen please remember all the special ladies in your life are more than welcome...***Moms, wives, sisters, friends etc.

As you know The Lady Ikes are ***always*** available to help with ***any*** chapter functions; it would be nice if we could build our membership with your help. It really takes great individuals like our members to make our club functions a success, you know who you are and I sincerely appreciate all you do!

Something new, Lady Ikes and guests, if you have any information you would like me to share in the chapter news letter please submit to me at our meeting and I will be sure to include it!

Also ladies please remember nominations for the Lady Ikes Board will be at our July meeting, all are eligible to run for a seat.

Respectfully Lori=-)

Entertainment: JoAnne Tyree

Summer is off and running at the club and nothing can slow us down, not even the weather! Thanks to Hank Achterhof, Gary Campioni, and the Fish A Rama committee along with Dave Gall and the kitchen committee for all their hard work. After a delicious made-to-order, hot breakfast, families had a great time fishing together. It was a great opportunity for kids to learn about our lake, the different species of fish, and how to fish safely. All of the kids won great prizes and had big smiles on their faces! To all who attended, "Thank you!" If you missed it this year, we hope to see you next year!

Another success story is our annual Steak Fry. A big "Thank you" to all who attended! What a beautiful day!! Thanks to Dave Gall, George Sievers, Tommy Russel, and the whole Steak Fry committee! You really out did yourselves this year! Whatever you did to those steaks was amazing! (*We know... it's a secret*) Also, special thanks to Jim Osman, Emmett Beale, Joe Tavitas, Jack & Sandy DeHorn, Gary Campioni, Bob Warner, Larry Nowak, Dennis Reis, Cole & Adam Mroczkowski, and Ryan Gall! Thanks also to the Lady Ikes for everything from serving food to raffles. You are all awesome, as always! We added a horse shoe tournament this year. Congratulations to 1st place winners Greg Malmquist and Pam P, and 2nd place winners Randy Tyree and Jerry Osborne. Thank you to Julie Osborne for putting the tournament together and scoring!! So many people chipped in to make the Steak Fry successful, thank you, thank you, thank you! Hope to see you all next year!

Like I said earlier, the weather doesn't slow us down. Every event is planned to perfection. So if the weather might not look perfect, plan on attending anyway. Many members planned to attend the Steak Fry with weather reports of rain and possible thunderstorms. We were pleasantly surprised with an absolutely beautiful day!!

We have the Lady Ikes Corn Boil coming up July 18 and our annual Poker Run for MS on July 24. Plan on attending and show your club support. Delicious food will be prepared at both events! Remember, rain or shine, these events are being planned to be a perfectly good time! Don't miss out!
See you at the club!! 😊

Newsletter: JoAnne Tyree:

All submissions for the newsletter should be sent to JoAnne Tyree (jotyree@comcast.net) by the Membership meeting each month. Otherwise they can be left in the Polish mailbox, but please call me to let me know they are there.