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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

June 2011

The **Kids' Nature Club** is winding down for the season, and it has been fun as usual. The tadpoles in the pond hatched around the last full moon, by the BILLIONS, which was a big thrill to discover. As I write we are planning a side-trip to **Luton Park**, so they will also be familiar with the wonderful trails and the great wildflowers along **Rum Creek**. But they've really bonded with our place at the IKEs', and we'll end the season with a little cookout back on our home turf.

Much as I do love the little dears, I've also come to enjoy relaxing in the quiet after they leave, and am amazed at all the birds I see. First, a turkey ventured out. Then, my eyes followed an Oriole to a treetop, where I also saw an Indigo Bunting! There are the usual characters, the Wren, Robin, Chipping Sparrows, a Brown Thrasher, and nesting Tree Swallows, Bluebirds, and the Phoebes. A hummingbird showed up and I'm planning to plant some stuff for them soon.

And then the kids found some hawk feathers, a wing, and a leg. We investigated the crime scene, or leftovers, depending on your point of view, and it really bothered me that I couldn't identify the bird. So I kept at it, measured the parts, applied ratios, color phases, habitat, puzzling at it like someone avoiding housework, and I can now say, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that it was a Broad-Winged Hawk. This is our smallest buteo, a frequenter of wooded areas, and I'm betting an owl nabbed it.

**Summerfest** is coming up soon! **June 18**, from **10:30 to 3:00**. We will have things for both kids and adults, so check it out. Archery, scavenger or treasure hunt, casting and fishing, rain barrels, native plants, gardening info, shoreline care, a couple of kayaks, and of course the Free Lunch! And More!

It's a busy time of year, and we can really use helpers. An extra pair of hands means we can take turns, take a breather, and get some lunch. It's a nice time for everyone.

Last year we had a new helper on archery, **Ron Yob**, leader of the Grand River Bands of **Odawa Indians**. He brought his granddaughter, Joy, who tried it for the first time. She really liked it, and kept going back to it. Well, he called me up, just to let me know that we planted a seed that day. Joy is in the fourth grade up in Petosky, where she joined the archery team and competed in the regionals! Ron is going to help me plan an archery course, to be played with a variety of targets in a series, scored sort of like golf.

Wednesday evening fishing at **Versluis Lake** will be from June 15 to July 6, if you'd like to sign up for that, too.

Congratulations to our raffle winners! **David Droge**, a young man who I know IIKEs to hunt and fish, won the grand prize with a chartered fishing trip. **Paul Kutsche** won second prize.

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Don't forget to keep the kids up late and watch for fireflies around the summer solstice!

See you at Summerfest!

Georgia Donovan

# CONSERVATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Duane De Vries

Do you ever wonder what your chapter dues are used for? One important item is Conservation Scholarships. Back in 2006, your Board of Directors adopted a plan to annually provide two scholarships, each for \$1,000. These would be awarded to graduating high school seniors who had elected to pursue a career in a conservation related field. Our initial effort was with **Rockford High School**. They worked with us as we developed our guidelines and selection process. After the success of the first two years, in 2008 we expanded the scholarship opportunity to **Northview, Forest Hills** and Sparta. We did not increase the number of scholarships, only offered them to more schools.

As a member of the Scholarship Committee responsible for reviewing the applications, I can tell you that it is a very difficult task to choose recipients. If you know any of the students listed as recipients of our scholarships, say hello to them and thank them for their interest in conservation.

2006  
Rockford High School  
**Rachel Buckingham, Anna Nugent**

2007  
Rockford High School  
**Martha Nowicki, Alex Milewski**

2008  
Northview High School  
**Daniel DeWitt**  
Rockford High School  
**Erika Arndt**

2009  
Northview High School  
**Dana Castle**  
Rockford High School  
**Zachary Blanchard**

2010  
Forest Hills Central High School  
**Emily Caponi**  
Northview High School  
**Matthew Gamans**

2011  
Forest Hills Central High School  
**Christen Owen**  
Northview High School  
**Ashley Powers**

# NEW PICNIC TABLES

Georgia Donovan

Thanks to **Andrew March** we have 4 nice new picnic tables in our lawn outside the lodge, which he completed for his Eagle Scout project. They are very well-built, nice and sturdy, with a water-resisant coating applied. Grandparents **Dave** and **Anna May Long** can be very proud of him! He also got a good deal from **Lowe's** and came in under-budget, funding the whole project by donations. These tables will be really great for group gatherings, and it's nice we have them in time for Summerfest.



# STEAK DINNER

Tom Watson

Thirty-five IKEs enjoyed grilled New York strip steaks and barbecued chicken at our membership meeting on May 17. **Barb McGuirl** brought a salad and **Bob** and **Lorraine Radke** brought cole slaw. **Anna May Long** brought a dessert and so did several others. **Jim Schneider** furnished tortilla chips and a delicious mango/peach salsa.

**Ron Waybrant** manned the door and **Bob Stegmier** tended bar. **Tam Bagby** helped me cook, even grilled the chicken though she is not certified on a gas grill.

**Ruth Waybrant** washed dishes and **Jack Stegmeier** helped. Ron, **Dave** and **Anna May Long** and **Georgia Donovan** cleaned up the dining room. Thanks to everyone for your help, especially to those whose names now escape me.

**Thought  
of the  
Month**  
**Jay Huston**  
The garden  
suggests there  
might  
be a place  
where we can  
meet  
nature halfway.  
**Michael Pollan**

# MICHIGAN DIVISION WEB SITE RE-DESIGNED!

Duane De Vries

The web site our chapter is listed on and belongs to the **Michigan Division** of the **Izaak Walton League**. Thus when you go to the web site (coincidentally named **michiganIKEs.org**) the first things you see are those things that are division related. Immediately after that are chapter related pages. At present there are only two chapters in Michigan, **Dwight Lydell** and **Fenton**.

Click on either of their names and you will see pages pertinent to each chapter only. That is, if you look at things for Fenton, you don't see the things that relate to the Dwight Lydell Chapter. Clicking on the Dwight Lydell Chapter link, you see entries for calendar, newsletters, Kids Club and special chapter news. If you select **Kids Club**, you see two additional photo links, one called **Kids Having Fun**, which is really our Nature Club, and one simply called **Fests**, which are photos from our recent **Winterfest** and **Summerfest** programs.

When you get to the bottom of the page, there are direct links to the home page of the Izaak Walton League, the **IWLA Advocacy Center** and also a link to a PDF of **IWLA Conservation Policies**, which can be downloaded and reviewed at your leisure.

The site had not had a facelift in a very long time. This is mostly because I have the artistic skills of a rock. When it comes to artistic ability, it's all I can do to draw a reasonably straight line with a ruler!

Thanks to the efforts of students **Rod, David** and **Richard** in the web design class taught by **Cheryl Hanson**, adjunct professor at **Davenport University**, the site is easier to navigate and easier for me to update as needed. While the implementation is not quite what the students designed, most of the creative ideas on appearance and content came from them and I thank them for their efforts. Thanks also to **Tam Bagby**, who got me in touch initially with Cheryl and her students.

If you have not yet done so, please take a look at the web site and let us know what you think of it. As always, we look for additional information to post that would be of interest to most of us. Address your comments to: **info@michiganIKEs.org** and someone will respond to you.

Once again, the link is: [www.michiganIKEs.org](http://www.michiganIKEs.org)

## NEW RANGE

Tom Watson

The old range we have been using for about 12 years finally wore out. **Don Kurowicz**, owner of **Honeycreek Inn**, donated it to us. The range was repaired several times at a cost of well over \$500. At the game dinner the conventional oven malfunctioned

and the range leaked gas to the point that I ran the vent fan to keep the gas out of the kitchen. None of the pilots worked, so we had leaking gas there also. And several other issues became no longer bearable.

I proposed to the board that I pursue purchasing a new commercial range and received unanimous support. At the membership meeting on May 17 I presented three bids and the members voted unanimously to purchase the range from local dealer, **Stafford Smith**. The range has been ordered and will be installed before Summerfest.

I worked with **Mike Van de Bogert** at Stafford Smith and he gave us a great deal because he has a "soft spot" for organizations such as ours. I highly recommend him and his company should you ever need any commercial equipment.

Also approved was purchasing a fire suppression system, which we will

get through Mike from another local dealer, **Fire Pros**. The system will be installed after we contact our insurance company to make sure we have all the bases covered.

The installed price of the range is \$4406.70 and the fire suppression system Mike quoted me runs \$2438. Of course the cost is considerable, but the alternative could have become even more costly should a fire or explosion have occurred with the old unsafe equipment. The new equipment should last many years and will be much more fun using that the old range.

Now is the time to make a donation to help defray the cost of the new equipment. Make your donation check payable to Dwight Lydell Chapter-IWLA. Send to **Fred Eyer**, 2488 Rockhill Dr. NE. Grand Rapids, MI 49525. Donations are tax deductible.

### Lodge Clean Up Day

Tom Watson

Saturday, June 4

10:00 – 3:00.

Lunch provided.

Kitchen Krew needed to help prepare for new range. Other projects possible if enough helpers are available. Contact me at [twatson@comcast.net](mailto:twatson@comcast.net) or 874.7254 if you can help.

## KIDS NATURE CLUB



## VERSLUIS LAKE FISHING



## NEW LODGE DEER MOUNT



**Deadline for the  
July issue is  
Friday, June 24th  
at 8:00 AM.**



# BLUEBIRD NESTWATCH ON THE GR GRAVEL TRAIL

Tam Bagby

Last August **Mark DeHaan** and **Paul Sherd** were our guest speakers. They described their results of putting up bluebird houses they had built and placed along Cannonsburg Road. Both are affiliated with **Cornell University's NestWatch** program for bluebirds. I have the pleasure of driving by those houses every day. The guys have expanded their trail and now have 19 houses, with three on Northland Drive. They are experimenting with three different kinds of houses, some new openings and an anti-sparrow halo on one. Their birdhouses are for sale at the **Wild Birds Unlimited** on Northland.

Mark has kept me up to date with weekly reports on their observations. He and Paul check all the nests once a week. They have swallows in some, bluebirds in others and house sparrows which they remove in night raids.

A few weeks ago he invited Tom and I to the trail as Paul was out of town. We started on Northland drive as a cold drizzle was coming down. Paul opened each box and wrote down what we observed. The first box had a nest started but we couldn't tell what kind. The second had swallows flying around it and a nest inside. The third had five bluebird eggs and we saw the male outside.

We went on and the rain quit as Mark recorded our observations. There was one nest with four bluebird hatchings in it which have since all successfully fledged! We saw a dead mallard along the fence where we checked a sparrow

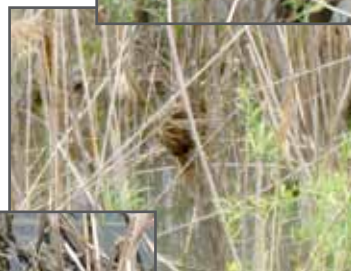
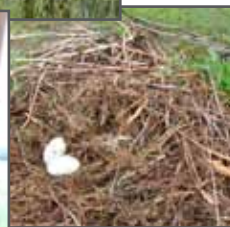
course the previous week after seeing some birdhouses on that land. They found out there were 18 more bluebird houses on the golf course property. They were allowed to check those too and found them full of house sparrows. So they are trying to clean those houses out, too. We walked to a few of them and saw a goose nest and a mute swan on her nest. Mark said the nest had

trap. We found four or five sparrow nests and one

been on another spot the week before so we went to find it. The nest had two eggs in it and one off to the side. The water had risen pretty close to the nest, so the swan may have aban-

with eggs. The guys come back at night and try to capture the birds in their nests. They've cleaned out quite a few.

done it. We did get to see some other nests along the way, including a robin's nest and a few red winged blackbird nests. It was a very educational experience for us and I hope to join them again someday. PS. For a great view of the blue of the bluebird and robin's eggs, visit our website: [www.michiganIKEs.org](http://www.michiganIKEs.org)



Mark said that he and Paul met the landscape supervisor of the golf



# CALLING ALL IKES

Maurie Houseman

We need your help with our:

# SUMMERFEST

FAMILY FUN plus:

Love your land. Care for and enjoy it.

Demonstrations and workshops 11am - 3pm. FREE LUNCH 11am - 1:30pm.

**Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup>**

Please join us for a planning meeting, **Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>** at the lodge at 6:00 PM and be part of the fun. We need your minds and your bodies.

Lots of opportunities for families, and to get the kids involved. Plan a scavenger hunt, or a treasure hunt, help with demonstrations, food, publicity, etc. Some of the possibilities are:



- Fishing
- Archery
- Plug Casting
- Scavenger Hunt
- Orienteering
- Bird House Building
- Rain Barrel Making
- Fly Tying
- Solar Energy

- Pond Management
- Invasive Weed Control
- Fish Management
- Erosion Control
- Composting
- Rain Gardens
- Wild Lawns
- Tree Identification
- Save our Streams Demo and Training

- Landscaping for Wildlife
- Invasive Plant Control
- Native Plants
- Woodlot Management
- Wildflower Identification
- Vegetable (Victory) Gardens
- Recycling
- Overnight Camping/Demo

or any additional activity that **YOU** might come up with.

We already have commitments from **Ada Parks, WMEAC, the Land Conservancy, and The Wild Ones** to do demonstrations. We may involve others, including Boy & Girl Scouts.

We won't do them all and may add others, but the idea is to have family fun and also teach people how to take a fresh look at their own property so they can better enjoy and care for it.

### FOUR THINGS YOU CAN DO!

1. Think about your own property and what to do to pay attention to it and better use it.

2. Call your neighbors and friends. Tell them about the event. Plan your property projects together, such as removing invasives, planting natives, landscaping for wildlife, etc.

3. Get other groups involved, such as school groups, church groups, kids groups, etc.

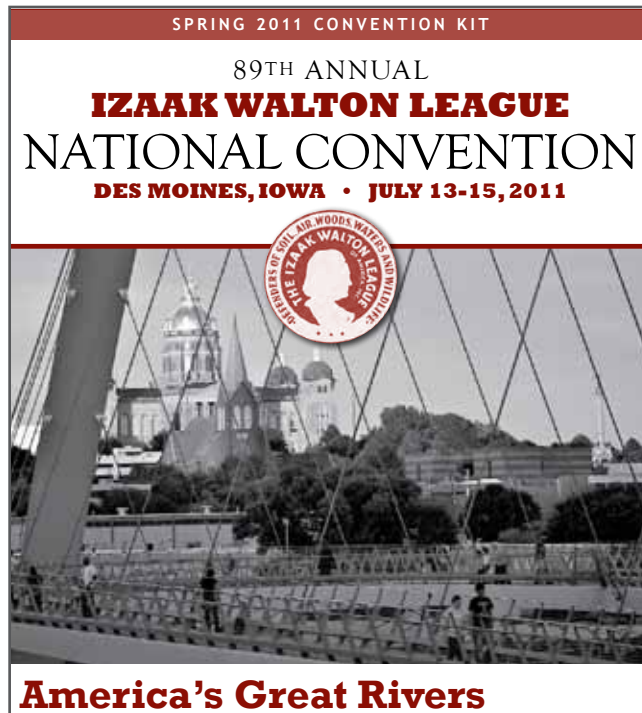
4. Get involved yourself.

If you have questions on how to be involved or good ideas of your own, call: **Georgia Donovan** at: **866.1061** or **Maurie Houseman** at: **560.2895**.

# IKE'S CONVENTION

Bob Stegmier

Seriously consider going to this year's convention.  
**Convention Theme: America's Great Rivers.**



to the convention site. Pretty easy drive via expressway all the way with a stint through Chicago on I 80. Hold onto your hat on this stretch.

This is a no nonsense working convention. Where delegates national directors vote for on polices resolutions, bylaw changes and for national officers and executive board members.

You get in on determining the final wording of presented resolutions, see 2010 passed resolutions below, that form new policies that drive our mission forward. This is very important element of every convention.

On the side you get to meet a great bunch of fellow IKEs and what they are doing in their chapters and on the local issues.

There is a **Youth Convention** that coincides with the adults and it always is an outstanding convention for youth 8 years and older. Frequently it is grandparents escorting these youth because too often parents are working. But this is a great time to plan a family vacation around the convention. Days before and after can visit other great American sites in neighboring states.

America's great rivers tell the story of our country's growth, the environmental degradation that has often accompanied that growth, and the challenges we face today to restore waters across the country.

The **89th Annual Izaak Walton League of America** annual convention will be held in **Des Moines, Iowa**; July 13-15, 2011, just 514 miles from NE Grand Rapids

Ike's young or old, board members or not, officer or not should consider going!

Iowa is home to 48 IWLA Chapters, more than any other state. The **Hawkeye State** is proud to host the 89th Annual Izaak Walton League National Convention in its capitol city of Des Moines. Iowa is the only state bordered by America's greatest rivers, the Mississippi

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**Conservation Needs a Friend ..... Ask a friend to join the IKEs!**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE \_\_\_\_\_ CHILDREN & AGES \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ BUSINESS PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ SPONSOR \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Individual - \$50, \_\_\_\_ Family - \$68, \_\_\_\_ Student (18-21) - \$24, \_\_\_\_ Youth (under 18) - \$13

Mail to Ron Waybrant, 4905 Cresthill Dr NE, Grand Rapids MI 49525. Checks payable to "Izaak Walton League"  
Call Ron at 616.361.1422 for more information. If you want a GATE KEY so you can walk our 39 acres at your leisure ADD \$5 to the membership fee.

Indicate which of these important committees you're interested in working on:

Natural Features Stewardship \_\_\_\_\_ Finance \_\_\_\_\_ Membership \_\_\_\_\_ Building & Grounds \_\_\_\_\_

Conservation \_\_\_\_\_ Programs \_\_\_\_\_ Every Member Dinners \_\_\_\_\_

The Izaak Walton League of America – a non-profit conservation organization – is recognized as a Section 501(c)(3) public charity under the Internal Revenue Code. Minimum national dues are \$36 for individual and \$54 for family memberships, which includes \$4.00 for *Outdoor America* magazine. Magazine is inseparable from dues. Chapter and Division dues may vary.

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and the Missouri. Iowa has the most altered landscape in the nation with 99% of its native prairie and 95% of its wetlands destroyed. The state has over 1,000,000 miles of drain tile within its borders, more total miles than all the state's roads and streets combined. This creates many environmental challenges, but the Iowa IKEs have a long history of tackling challenges. Iowa IKEs started fighting for improved water quality in 1924. **Ding Darling**, creator of the **Federal Duck Stamp**, is the division's most famous member. Darling

fought for legislation that created the **Iowa Conservation Commission** to manage the state's fish and wild-life. In 1993 the **Marshall County Chapter** started the **Uncle IKEs** environmental education program introducing elementary students to natural resources and how to care for the environment. Today Iowa League members are deeply involved in efforts to restore the Mississippi and the Missouri rivers. You will learn more about that and much more at this year's convention

All of the convention details can be found on the IWLA website [www.iwla.org/convention](http://www.iwla.org/convention) Here are some of the details. The convention site and lodging will be at the Holiday Inn – Airport in Des Moines, IA, 6111 Fleur Drive. Phone: 515.287.2400 Web site: [www.holidayinn.com/dsm-airport](http://www.holidayinn.com/dsm-airport) Use code IWL. Lodging is at the convention site and room rates are \$89 single/double. Suites are available for \$150. These rates are good until June 19 and good for three days before and after the convention.

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Some folks like camping, which is available at **Walnut Woods State Park** approximately 5 miles from convention site: [www.iowadnr.gov/parks/state\\_park\\_list/walnut\\_woods](http://www.iowadnr.gov/parks/state_park_list/walnut_woods) The Holiday Inn has 8 RV parking spaces. RV charge is waived if you are a guest in the hotel. Please contact Janice at 800.248.4013 ext 297 for the RV reservation.

**Youth Convention: \$20  
 Registration Fee.**



The Des Moines chapter and **Youth Convention Committee** created a full schedule for your conservation enrichment. Kick off your week at the Tuesday early bird at 5pm in

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the Westview Central Room with a business meeting and end with pizza at the indoor pool. Wednesday starts with a short ride to the Des Moines Chapter for a day of outdoor conservation events. It's off to the **Neal Smith National Wildlife Refuge** ([www.tallgrass.org](http://www.tallgrass.org)) in Prairie City, IA on Thursday morning. Friday morning you'll have a seat of honor in the convention general session and then you'll be off to **Lake Ahquabi State Park** ([www.iowadnr.gov/park/state\\_park\\_list/lakeahquabi](http://www.iowadnr.gov/park/state_park_list/lakeahquabi)) and the **Annett Nature Center**. You will finish your day at the **Warren County Chapter** for an evening bonfire banquet. Please be sure to pre-register using the form in this kit. In addition, completed and signed parental consent and liability forms are required at onsite check-in on Tuesday July 12th. These forms are posted online at [www.iwla.org/convention](http://www.iwla.org/convention)

Registration fee includes one-year new or renewed National Youth Convention Chapter membership. This is a special youth chapter of the IWLA with officers elected each year at convention.

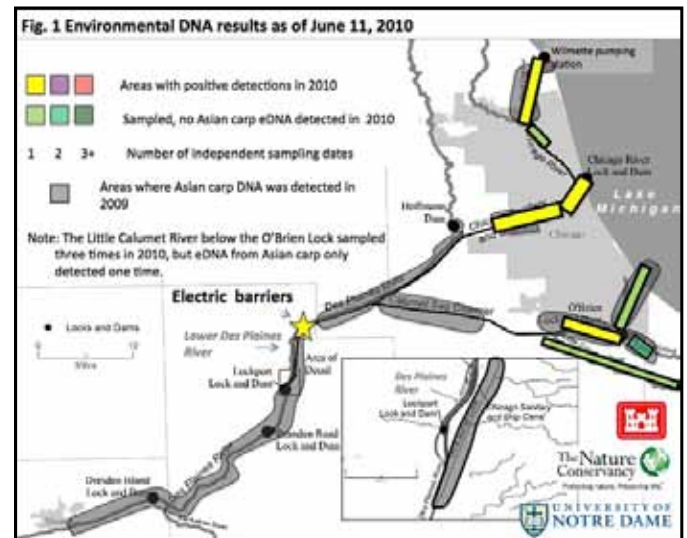
The **Dwight Lydell** chapter board and officers offer this financial support for chapter members going on a first come bases to the first 6 applicants. Registration \$95.00, Awards lunch \$23.00, Membership Breakfast \$18.00 and Conservation lunch \$23.00 for a total of \$169.00. \$1000 more support is available from our Michigan Division and will be divided evenly amongst convention goers. Also if there are less than 6 applicants from our DL Chapter that money will be evenly available to those going. Only actual convention expenses will be covered and proper documentation must be presented to get your expense reimbursement. For further convention and application please go to the IWLA website and questions regarding financial support contact me.

## Resolutions passed at Convention 2010:

Resolving the final wording and meaning proposed "resolutions" at convention is a very major and important activity at the summer convention. These proposed resolutions submitted by chapters and divisions are finalized in the various committees and then accepted or rejected by the delegates to the convention. There were 7 resolutions presented and all 7 were accepted and now are part of the IWLA

**Conservation Polices.** The old policy books are no longer printed due to cost and the fact that within one year they are obsolete. Now the Conservation Policies are now all on line in PDF at the [www.iwla.org](http://www.iwla.org) website.

## #1. Separate the Great Lakes Basin from the Mississippi River Basin to Stop the Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species.



Therefore, be it resolved that the Izaak Walton League of American , assembled in convention in Hershey, PA, July 16, 2010 (this preamble is the same for all resolutions) ..... urges Congress to establish a permanent hydrological separation of the Great Lakes basin from the Mississippi River basin to stop the spread of aquatic invasive species, including Asian carp.

## #2. Implementation of the Great Lakes Compact.

Therefore, be it resolved.... Hershey PA, July 16, 2010 ....urges the Great Lakes states to implement the **Great**

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## Would you like to make a special donation for a project of your choice?

Native plants for Teardrop Island      Boy Scout Bridge  
 General Budget: wherever needed most      Parking Lighting

Here is my tax deductible contribution \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Project: \_\_\_\_\_

Payable to: IWLA - Dwight Lydell Chapter

Mail to: Fred Eyer, treasurer, 2488 Rockhill NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49525

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**Lakes Compact** by promulgating the water diversion application process and rules before considering any requests to divert water outside of the Great Lakes basin. The League further urges that the water diversion application process;

.... Be transparent, with ample opportunity for public and expert review and comment.

.... Include requirements for effective water conservation measures on the part of the applicants to minimize the quantity of water diverted.

.... Include protective water quality standards for water returned to the Great Lakes after use.

.... Require that applicants fully explore other supply alternatives.

.... Insure that diversions are not granted to support significant new residential and commercial developments in areas that could not support such development in the absence of the diversion.

### #3. Stopping Open Lake Dumping.

Therefore, be it resolved.... Hershey PA, July 16, 2010 .... Opposes open lake dumping of dredge spoil material in the Great Lakes.

### #4. Hunter Safety Color.

Therefore, be it resolved.... Hershey PA, July 16, 2010 .... Urges all state fish and wildlife agencies to require where appropriate, the visible display of colors which are shown by scientific study to be the most visible under the greatest number of conditions to the greatest number of hunters.

### #5. Riparian and Wetland Set Back Regulations.



Therefore, be it resolved.... Hershey PA, July 16, 2010 .... Supports the adoption and administration of local river corridor and wetland protection ordinances by appropriate government agencies and urges citizens pursue such protections.

### #6. Hydraulic Fracturing (Hydrofracking).

Therefore, be it resolved.... Hershey PA, July 16, 2010 .... Urges all level of government, with oversight and

regulatory authority over natural gas extraction, to implement a moratorium on issuing permits for drilling new, high-volume hydraulic fracturing directional wells until....

.... The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) completes its study of the impacts of hydraulic fracturing on water quality and public health.

.... Using results of the EPA study and other information, EPA issues guidelines to the states for the regulation of hydraulic fracturing and the establishment of protective requirements for freshwater usage, flowback treatment and disposal, ground and surface water quality, spill prevention and response, and other natural resources that could be impacted by hydraulic fracturing.

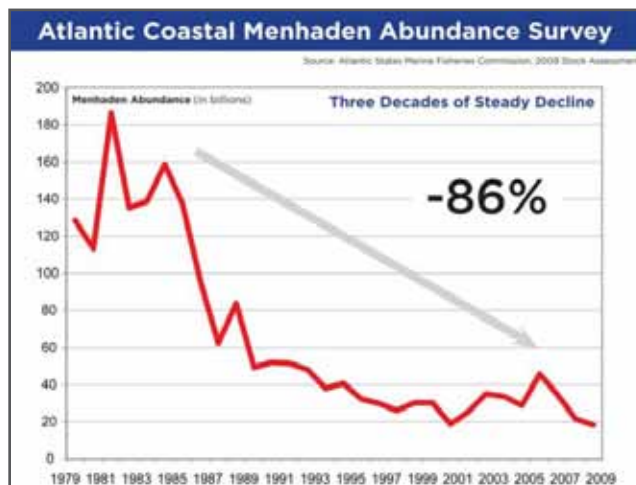
.... Such states having established and implemented



regulatory programs in accordance with the guidelines issued by EPA.

.... Congress repeals the exemption for the gas extraction industry from meeting requirements under the **Safe Drinking Water Act** and subjects chemicals used in the hydraulic fracturing process to full public disclosure.

### #7. Menhaden Harvest.



# DWIGHT LYDELL CHAPTER OF THE IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA

## Core Event Schedule 2011 (2-15-2011)

Chairperson

June 15, 22, 29 & July 6 .....**Kids FREE Fishing at Versluis Lake, Plainfield Twsp. 6:30-8 pm..** Jim Biener  
 June 18, Saturday ..... Summerfest Community Family Day @ CC ..... Houseman  
 July 12-15 ..... 2011 Ike's Convention, Des Moines, Iowa ..... Open to all Members  
 August 18, Thursday ..... Chicken & Ribs Dinner/Program@ CC ..... Houseman-program, Watson-food  
 September 14 , Wednesday ..... Oktoberfest @ CC..... Bob Stegmier  
 September ??, Saturday..... Michigan Division Meeting DLC-CC ..... Div. Pres. John Sturgis  
 October 12, Wednesday ..... Potluck with Program @ CC..... Board  
 November 10, Thursday ..... Game Dinner @ CC..... Tom Watson  
 December TBD ..... Christmas Dinner @ Timbers Restaurant ..... Jay Huston

Therefore, be it resolved.... Hershey PA, July 16, 2010 .... Urges the **Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission** and the U.S. federal agencies responsible for regulating the harvest of menhaden to ban the use of spotting aircraft, satellites and other viewing methods in the commercial harvesting of menhaden.

Each of these resolutions has a rather long "rational" which I have chosen not to include in this newsletter but are available to you if you're interested. They are printed in the convention wrap-up on the [www](http://www).

[iwla.org](http://iwla.org) website. If that is not convenient for you just let me know and I will mail you the requested information.

I hope some of you will step forward and go. I am! Call me with questions at: 866.4769.

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