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OF THE IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA

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October 2013

The IKE's Update

Busy fall! So much to do; everyone is gathering something, chasing salmon, flying south, or somehow preparing for winter. But I love this time of year and look forward to the cool crisp walks in the woods, especially while eating a juicy Michigan apple.

Maybe everyone is too busy, but it was sad that so few came to our **Harvest Dinner**. Tom Watson's pulled pork was



delicious, and so were the garden-fresh salads & veggies that people brought. It's a fair amount of work to prepare a dinner, and it would be nice to see more of our members enjoying the get-togethers. We've had quite the combination of events in September: social, educational, helping to better the property, and all fun.

The **Foraging** and **Mushroom** classes seem to be well

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IKEs 2nd Annual Chili Cook-Off Wednesday, October 9

So you think YOU make the best chili of the IKEs? Care to prove it? **GAME ON!** Enter your best recipe in the IKEs 2nd Annual Chili Cook-Off.



Want to **JUDGE** the best chili? Bring your taste buds (and hot sauce, if you need it) and sample the competitor's recipes.

To see this and past editions of the newsletter and national IKEs information please visit our websites:
www.michiganikes.org
www.iwla.org

Harvest Dinner

Tom Watson

A small but enthusiastic crowd enjoyed a tasty harvest dinner on September 11. I slow-cooked pork butts all day and then **Tam** and I pulled the meat. I was told it was delicious, and I have to agree. Sorry more folks weren't there to savor this delicacy along with the fresh sweet corn that **Maurie Houseman** brought and all the garden side dishes that were supplied.

Assisting in the kitchen were **Barry Gilbertson** and Tam. **Ruth Waybrant** took care of the door



who memory fails me now, helped get everything spic and span. Thanks to all who helped make the evening enjoyable.

I hope to see bigger crowds in the future. If you have any ideas about

and I am not sure who manned the bar, maybe it was self-serve.



how we might attract more people to the dinners, please contact me at: **twatson@comcast.net**



Clean up involved just about everybody. **Barb McGuirl** washed the dishes that Ruth, Barry and I brought to the kitchen. **Georgia Donovan** helped clean the dining room and others,

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Christmas Dinner

Jay Huston

By the time you read this newsletter the fall season will have arrived with its chilly nights and about 50 more shopping days until Christmas. But before that important day we will have about 30 days before our annual **Christmas Dinner**. So, mark your calendars for **Thursday, December 5** to dine at the **Timbers Inn and Restaurant** where the food is good top quality and the private setting puts us in the holiday spirit. The social starts at 6:00 PM and dinner at 7:00 PM. The reservation form will be in the November newsletter as we look forward to more of our faithful IKE's to attend.

Conservation Update

Bob Stegmier, Conservation Chair

A fall Stream Monitoring opportunity with the Rogue River Watershed Council (RRWC)



has been rescheduled to October 5, (previously announced for the 12th) and you are invited to participate.

This is an important step in the **Trout Unlimited** “Home River” project on the Rogue River, which is one of a few home rivers in North America. Such monitoring

is done twice a year. Help is always needed and your participation is welcome and appreciated. It begins at 9 am and goes to 1pm. **Meet at Algoma Township Hall**, 10531 Algoma Avenue, a short distance northwest of Rockford.

What’s “bugging you” in our streams? In many cases we think bugs are a nuisance, but bugs in a stream are good and a good indicator of water quality. Unlike fish, stream insects cannot move around much so they are not able to escape the effects of sediment and other pollutants that diminish water quality such as changes in water quality and changed streambed conditions. If conditions are good they will be there; if the conditions are bad the bugs cannot survive. Stream



insects can be easily identified by volunteers, so no experience is needed. There will be experienced folks who will be working with the inexperienced. All ages are welcome.

What will you need to do? Please RSVP to **Nichol De Mol** at 231.557.6362 or **ndemol@tu.org** if you would like to attend. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers. Please bring waders if you have them and dress for the weather conditions.

The **Wege Foundation**, **Frey Foundation**, **Wolverine World Wide**, **Schrems West Michigan**

Trout Unlimited, and **Robert DeVilbiss** fund the **Rogue River Home Rivers Initiative Project**. The Rogue River Home Rivers Initiative Project Manager is Trout Unlimited, Inc.

You can contact me regarding questions you have.



Check out this hefty salmon, caught by Jack Stegmeier and his grandson Rocket Hefferan in the Grand Haven channel.

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Clean Renewable Electricity For Michigan

Bob Stegmier, Conservation Chair and National and Chapter Energy Committee Member

I collaborated with the **Michigan Sierra Club** on an OP-ED (see page 6, featured in the G. R. Press 9-9-2013) regarding more renewable non-polluting electricity in Michigan. In gathering data for this OP-ED I got this information from **John Sarver** of the Great Lakes Renewable Energy Association (**GLERA**).

“The long-term potential for renewable energy in Michigan is excellent. Technical potential studies by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) indicate that Michigan has ample wind, solar, and



biomass resources. On-shore wind energy has proven to be a competitive energy resource in Michigan right now and costs for photovoltaic systems are coming down quickly.

“A recent NREL Study, **U.S. Renewable Energy Technical Potentials: A GIS-Based Analysis** (July 2012) shows that technical renewable energy potential in Michigan far exceeds Michigan electrical use. While the study does not deal with costs, siting issues, etc., it does demonstrate that Michigan has significant potential.

“Michigan Electric Use GWH’s (gigawatt hours): 111,551 each year and the amount various sources could supply in GWH’s and percentage.
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“[The] Michigan and NREL’s Renewable Electricity Futures Study (July 2012) indicates that renewable energy technologies that are commercially available today - combined with a more flexible electrical grid - are ‘more than adequate’ to supply 80% of the nation’s projected electricity demand in 2050. NREL is careful to point out that the study is a technical assessment, and it does not address the state and federal policies needed to usher in such a system.”

-John, GLREA

Step: My comment to this last sentence is we the Ikes and many others need to work together on these state and federal policies to make such things happen. Remember that enough sunlight strikes the earth in one hour to supply all of the worlds energy needs for a full year. That includes the oil and gas used for running our vehicles and heating or cooling our homes.

Take special note of the 4,721% potential for Michigan from PV Large & Utility Scale PV (Photo Voltaic). “Who would have thought!”



More information regarding 100% energy needs via renewable non polluting sources:

One published in *Scientific American*

in November 2009 “*A Plan to power 100% of the of the Planet with Renewables*” <http://www.scientificamerican.com/article.cfm?id=a-path-to-sustainable-energy-by-2030>

Second, <http://phys.org/news/2011-01-percent-renewable-energy.html> is for 100% of the worlds electricity needs by 2030.

If you are interested in becoming active in the chapters **Energy Committee** contact **Duane DeVries**.

Remember two heads are better than one and many hands make light work! If you are interested in **the National Energy and Environment** committee, contact me.

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH
Jay Huston

“To succeed in the world, it is not enough to be stupid, you must also be well-mannered.”

VOLTAIRE

Wild Plants Class

Bob Stegmier

I am sorry to report if you didn't come out you missed a very good one. **George Hedepeth** was fun and informative. About 30 folks, about half not members spent a great 3 hours leaning about what nature can supply us with food, living supplies and medicinal potions.

In a short 1 1/2 hour we walked the property starting at the entrance to the lodge, then along the driveway towards the pond and ended on the pond dam. Wow! I learned much about what most of us don't know. The questions just kept coming with answer after answer. What a great learning experience!



DWIGHT LYDELL CHAPTER of the IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE of AMERICA Core Event Schedule 2013

NOTE: See later updates for confirmed dates, especially late year events.

Chairperson

October 9, Wednesday	Chili Cook-Off/Potluck @ CC	Tom Watson
November 7, Thursday	Game Dinner @ CC	Tom Watson
December 5, Thursday	Christmas Dinner @ Timbers Restaurant	Jay Huston

Membership Application ... Izaak Walton League of America

Dwight Lydell Chapter, 5641 Myers Lake Ave. Belmont MI 49306

Conservation Needs a Friend Ask a friend to join the IKes!

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 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 \$40 for individual and \$60 for family memberships, which includes \$4.00 for *Outdoor America* magazine. Magazine is inseparable from dues. Chapter and Division dues may vary.

Op-Ed: Consumers Can Do Better

Bob Stegmier

I'm proud that in Grand Rapids area, the largest metropolitan area served by **Consumers Energy** electric power, the city leaders, many businesses and families like mine are making substantial investments in energy efficiency and renewable energy. It is really good sign that Consumers recently dropped their surcharge on customers' bills for the clean, renewable energy they are required to provide because the company's investment in non-polluting wind energy costs less than expected. Michigan's experience with the value and effectiveness of clean, renewable energy is moving in the right direction although significantly behind many states.

Consumers Energy still gets most of its electricity from sources emitting pollutants and global warming gasses. Kudos to Consumers for the recent construction of their **Lake Winds Energy Park** in Mason County wind farm.

Consumers' proposal to build a new \$750 million, 700 MW natural gas power plant in **Thetford** raises a lot of questions that need to be answered before the Michigan Public Service Commission (**MPSC**) decides whether to approve, deny or modify the size of the plant. Fortunately, the MPSC must consider not only whether the utility wants to build this plant, but also where Consumers' power comes from today and what the best mix of options is for the future. This is the time for the MPSC to ensure that a complete picture of the best alternatives for Consumers power generation is widely shared with the public so we too can bring insights and offer comments on what's best for ratepayers and the state.

At very least, Consumers Energy's ratepayers deserve to know why their electric company says they'll only meet the minimum renewable energy and energy efficiency standards required under the law of 10% even if more clean energy would be a better bet for everyone from shareholders to children with asthma. Consumers could be an industry leader in clean energy because the potential of onshore wind produced energy is 129% and the offshore potential is 1,560% of current use (**GLRE July 2012**) and this is the opportunity for them to plan and implement for that future. Other utilities in the Midwest are embracing renewables and their communities are benefitting with cleaner air, and booming clean energy industries. Michigan's second largest utility should not be taking pride in meeting only the bare minimum for crucial goals like increased efficiency and investments in clean energy that could save ratepayers millions.

Consumers Energy can and must do better and I hope at an accelerating rate!

Families need to know why Consumers' long-term plans continue to rely more on dirty fossil fuels, like the **Campbell** plant in Grand Haven, instead of energy efficiency and renewable energy, like wind and solar power. All Michigan residents are paying for Consumers Energy's fossil fuel heavy fleet with our health, contaminated fish in our lakes and streams and our pocketbooks as well. Yet last year, Consumers delayed the retirement of seven of their oldest and dirtiest coal fired units, including the **BC Cobb** plant in Muskegon, and hasn't disclosed to the MPSC their long term plans for their coal plants statewide.

I'm sure Consumers can do better and I believe must! I have solar panels on the roof of my home for seven years and am enrolled in their **EARP** solar program. **EARP** was created as a pilot project under state renewable energy requirements, and the program pays me for the solar energy I generate and feed into the grid on most days beginning in March through September [on] bright summer days when power demand is at its peak. Last year my 2000 watt photovoltaic system produced 34.5 percent of my family's electricity. I also have solar panels that preheat my hot water. In the summer I turn the program dial for hot water to "vacation" and get most of my hot water from the sun. The pre-heat tank is frequently at 150 degrees, meaning there is absolutely no assistance needed from my gas company. Consumers should set high goals and expand their customer-owned solar programs.

Drawing more energy from clean sources like wind and solar would do much to protect the health and safety of communities across Michigan, and save money in the long run. We know that pollution from coal-burning plants harms public health, especially that of the most vulnerable Michiganders. But instead of kicking its coal habit, Consumers seems content to continue patching up its aging coal-burning infrastructure. The significant costs of these fixes are passed along to ratepayers, leaving you and me on the hook for their bad choices.

Consumers' will be in much better shape for the future if the MPSC opens up the discussion to the full range of options to best meet our future electric needs. By transitioning away from expensive, dirty coal to cheap, clean, renewable sources like wind and

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The IKE's Update

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received. I'm trying to put together a talk on permaculture and designing for sustainable home energy. Watch for email alerts or contact me if you want to be on that list. Also, any ideas you have for the Ikes, let us know. We need participation to improve the pavilion, add a shed to store items for members' use, and install a couple outdoor grills.

As I write, a large part of **Colorado** has been hit with devastating floods. There is water in many places where folks didn't expect it to be, washing away roads, livestock, bridges, and buildings. Also newsworthy are the flooded **fracking** well pads and dislodged storage tanks, problems not easy to fix.

I'm not sure how long **Bob Stegmier** has served on our board of directors, but it's been many many years, and we are sure to miss his dedicated efforts to better our chapter. Since he has retired, I hope you will come to the next dinner on October 9. to give him a good round of applause! Besides, it's the ... **CHILI COOK-OFF!** Fun & tasty, whether you bring an entry or an appetite for judging!

Georgia Donovan



Op-Ed

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solar power-whose costs continue to fall steadily and dramatically-and by maximizing energy efficiency, the company could help its customers save money. But more importantly, this move would show Consumers is putting the health and well being of Michi-

gan residents first-all without hurting their profits. The bottom line is that Consumers Energy can do better, and the MPSC can put them on that path, creating a better future for all of us.

Robert Stegmier is a **Sierra Club** member, on the **National Board of Directors** of the **Izaak Walton League** and a participating member of the Ike's **Energy Committees** at the local **Dwight Lydell Chapter** and the National level. He lives in Rockford, Michigan.

Wild Plant Uses

Georgia Donovan

The class on uses of wild plants taught by **George Hedgepeth** was fascinating, from the twine he twisted up from pawpaw bark during his introduction, to the creation of a yarrow, dock, and plantain infusion, with a mountain of information between. We had a great turnout of 33 people, more than half new, and they concentrated on absorbing as much info as possible. Inevitably, at a class like this, one learns that there's always more to learn.

George could do a half hour on any square yard of plants, since more are useful than not. The yeasty coating on blackberry stems can be used to make a sourdough starter, black walnut ice cream is fantastic, mullein stalk pith is great for starting a hand-drill fire, willow bark is easier on your system than aspirin, hawthorn berries strengthen the heart.

It was a very well received program, and George might return for another event sometime. For a bibliography of suggested books, or questions, you may contact him through:

briarpatchoutdoors.com



Donald Shankin

Submitted by Bob Stegmier



Donald Shankin of Ada, a long time member of our chapter died on September 12th. Will we haven't see too much of Don he as much more active in his younger years. A part of the "old guard" you might say. Don always brought that friendly smile and soft voice to our social events.

Donald Thomas Shankin, Sr., age 84, of Ada, MI, much beloved father, grandfather (Bumpa), great-grandfather, brother and friend, died Thursday September 12, 2013 surrounded by his loving family. He was born July 18, 1929 in Detroit, MI to William August and Agnes Rita Shankin (nee Glinski). He graduated from the University of Detroit in business. He married Dolores Augusta Shankin (nee Otto) on June 21, 1952. He is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Dolores; son, David; and brother William August Shankin, Jr. Don retired from Seidman and Seidman BDO as a Regional Managing Partner. His civic and philanthropic activities were extensive. He chaired many fundraising projects in Grand Rapids including Davenport College and Ronald McDonald House. He gave years of service to the American Red Cross and Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce. He was especially proud of his work as Chairman of the Finance Committee for the Foundation

for Catholic Education in Grand Rapids. He was an avid hunter and fisherman who loved spending time outdoors. He enjoyed golfing, boating and playing cards. He took delight in his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Left to mourn his passing and to rejoice in his new life are his children, Don Jr., Denise, Susan, Jim (Patti), Mara and Matthew Shankin, Marybeth (John) Milan; his loving grandchildren, Don III (Shaun), Sean (Tiesha), Red Cross, Kent County Chapter, 1050 Fuller Ave. NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49502-3032.

Celeste, Terra, David, Leela, Maya, Eden Shankin; Marta Lynn (finance, Jerred Schantz), and Kramer Milan; Parker Shankin-Clarke; great-grandchildren, Jadon, and Tristyn Shankin, Myana Santiago De Jesus, and Devoun Merriweather; brother, Jerry (Joan) Shankin; sisters, Kathleen (Chuck) Bonstrom, Suzanne (Norris) Hyatt; sister-inlaw, Lois Shankin; brother-inlaw, Jim (Ann) Otto; and dear friend, Carol Keane. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Tuesday, 11 AM at St. Robert of Newminster, 6477 Ada Drive, Ada MI, Rev. Leonard Sudlik presiding. Memorial contributions may be made to **Ronald McDonald House of West Michigan**, 1323 Cedar Street NE, Grand Rapids, MI or the American Red Cross, Kent County Chapter, 1050 Fuller Ave. NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49502-3032.

Foraging: Wild Plant Uses

More photos!



The class was all ears for the huge amount of information George offered about nearby plants.



Elise Holister's son James brought his plant notebook.



George Hedgepeth demonstrated ways to preserve the plants to use later.

Work Day

Tom Watson

Lots of good work was accomplished on September 19 at the property. A real group effort.

Ron Waybrant, Bill Kirk and George Zuiderveen scrubbed the mildew from the outside walls of the lodge. **Bob** and **Gail Stegmier** washed the inside windows. **Bruce Gilmore** cleaned up trash and filled in a groundhog hole near the propane tank. **Maurie Houseman, Georgia Donovan** and George trimmed Autumn Olive along the driveway. **Larry Allaben** cut down raspberry bushes around the garage and in back of the lodge. **Len Kizer** cut up a fallen cherry tree and other branches scattered around. **Blake and Tate Gardner** came later and pitched in here and there, as did **Jack Hornbach**.

The day before Ron and **Fred Eyer** cleaned up trash and installed some flashing over the rotting fascia on the garage and will finish that job and deal with the fascia on the lodge when more materials arrive. I took a truckload of trash up to Cannon Township's annual free trash collection program, saving us about \$30.

I cleaned the kitchen and met with the electricians who installed three new outside GFI outlets, two on the building and one on the garage.

I cooked up some leftover pulled pork sandwiches, and served cole slaw, potato salad and chips.

As I left, some of the gang were preparing a bonfire and no doubt enjoyed a balmy evening after a hard day's work.

Thanks to all who took some time to make the place look better. The more of this kind of work we do, the more attractive the property will be to renters and potential members.



Deadline for the November issue is Monday, October 14 at 8:00 AM.

LODGE RESERVATIONS

- September 27 CQL group
- September 28 Ron Marckinie family
- October 3 Dale Gould
- October 26 Denise Kolesar family

HAVE YOU CHECKED WWW.IWLA. OR OR WWW.MICHIGANIKES.ORG LATELY FOR THE POSTINGS AND ACTION OPPORTUNITIES THERE? IT IS IMPORTANT!

Bob Stegmier, National Director at Large from Michigan

Proposed 2014 Budget

Fred Eyer

Proposed Budget						
Fiscal Year 2013 - 2014 (2012 - 2013 Data as of 8-31-13, Fiscal Year End)						
CATEGORY / REVENUE	% Budget	This Year		Item Description	Last Year	
		Proposed	Proposed		Approved	Actual
Fund Raisers	62	\$17,350			\$14,250	\$17,627
Annual Banquet			\$8,800	Same As 12-13 Income	\$10,000	\$8,819
Sport Show			\$1,750	250 Tickets @ \$7 Each	\$2,450	\$1,756
Other Fund Raisers			\$5,800	Kay Vee Lodge Raffle +	\$800	\$3,515
Contributions			\$1,000	End of Year & Other	\$1,000	\$3,537
Project Renew						
Member Activities & Facilities	12	\$3,500			\$3,700	\$3,742
Education/Outreach Events			\$400	Same as 12-13 Income	\$400	\$380
Facility Rentals			\$1,700	Same as 12-13 Income	\$900	\$1,725
Social Events			\$1,400	Same as 12-13 Income	\$2,400	\$1,637
Membership Support & Services	21	\$5,800			\$5,700	\$5,794
Membership Dues			\$5,800	Same as 12-13 Income	\$5,700	\$5,794
Other Income	0	\$100			\$100	\$2,341
Interest			\$0	No Interest On Checking	\$0	\$0
Miscellaneous			\$100	Typical Income	\$100	\$2,341
Grants	0		\$0	No Grants Anticipated	\$0	\$0
Trust Income	5	\$1,300	\$1,300	Same as 12-13 Income	\$1,300	\$0
From Savings	0	\$0		Less Than 12-13 Budget	\$5,750	\$3,158
Total	100	\$28,050		More Than 11-12 Budget	\$30,800	\$32,663
CATEGORY / EXPENSES	% Budget	Budget	Budget			
Member Activities & Facilities	27	\$7,300			\$7,900	\$10,188
Social Events			\$900	Approx. 12-13 Expenses	\$1,200	\$851
Property Maintenance/Improvement			\$2,500	Normal	\$2,500	\$6,007
Property and Liability Insurance			\$2,000	2% Increase Over 12-13	\$2,100	\$1,956
Utilities			\$1,700	\$1000 Propane & \$700 Electric	\$2,100	\$1,374
Rental Deposit Returns			\$200			\$125
Membership Support & Services	25	\$6,800			\$6,700	\$6,679
National Support (Dues)			\$4,600	Approx. 12-13 Expenses	\$4,600	\$4,596
Michigan Division Support			\$350	Approx. 12-13 Expenses	\$350	\$300
Publications and Mailings			\$1,700	Approx. 12-13 Expenses	\$1,600	\$1,648
Solicitations and Renewals			\$150	Approx. 12-13 Expenses	\$150	\$135
Mission Related Programs	26	\$7,100			\$7,100	\$6,987
Conservation Advocacy			\$500	Same As 12-13 Budget	\$500	\$274
Conservation Contributions/Memberships			\$100	Same As 12-13 Budget	\$100	\$100
Education/Outreach			\$3,000	Same As 12-13 Budget	\$3,000	\$1,276
National Convention			\$1,500	Same As 12-13 Budget	\$1,500	\$1,337
Scholarships			\$2,000	Same As 12-13 Budget	\$2,000	\$4,000
Fund Raisers	20	\$5,400			\$8,400	\$8,328
Annual Banquet			\$4,300	Matches 12-13 Expenses	\$4,100	\$4,256
Sport Show			\$500	Matches 12-13 Expenses	\$600	\$509
Other Fund Raisers			\$600	No BGR Expenses	\$3,700	\$3,563
Administration	3	\$700			\$700	\$312
Miscellaneous			\$600	Same As 12-13 Budget	\$600	\$254
Stationery & Postage			\$100	Same As 12-13 Budget	\$100	\$58
Project Renew	0	\$0			\$0	\$0
Conservation Projects			\$0	Matches 12-13 Expenses	\$0	\$0.00
Alternate Energy Project			\$0	Matches 12-13 Expenses	\$0	\$0.00
Grant	0	\$0		No Grant Project	\$0	\$0
Total	100	\$27,300			\$30,800	\$32,495



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6PM SOCIAL HOUR, 7PM CHILI DINNER**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9

**BRING YOUR CHILI OR
BRING YOUR TASTE BUDS!**

Adults: \$8, youth: 6-12 \$4 and under 6 FREE
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Contact Tom Watson for more information:
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**ARE YOU GAME FOR THE
NOVEMBER 7TH**



**GAME
DINNER?**