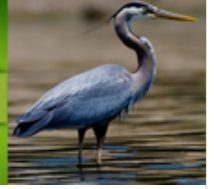


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### Meetings

The Chapter's Board of Directors met at 7pm on **Monday, January 10th** at the Constantia House behind Baker's Funeral Home. Next month's Board meeting will be at 7pm on **Monday, February 7th** at the same location.

The Chapter Members Dinner meeting will be held at the [Kings Fork Community House](#) on Kings Fork Road on **Wednesday at 6:30PM on January 19th**.

The dinner menu will be baked ziti with three bean salad, rolls, tea, and desserts. The cost will be \$10.

In lieu of a guest speaker for this meeting we will be reviewing the 2022 chapter scheduled calendar of events and summarizing the accomplishments of our chapter committees in 2021. As time permits we plan to recap the chapter's youth protection policy and hold a safety briefing review.

### Calendar of Events

You can review our full chapter website calendar of events online at <https://sniwla.org/sniwla/calendar>. A courtesy extract through the end of February is shown below.

**MON JAN 10 at 7pm - Chapter Board Meeting.**  
**WED JAN 19 at 6:30pm - Chapter Monthly Dinner Meeting.**  
**MON FEB 7 at 7pm - Chapter Board Meeting.**  
**WED FEB 16 at 6:30pm - Chapter Monthly**

### President's Note

I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays safely. The news is filled with increasing covid numbers. At the present time, there are no governmental restrictions, and I expect there will be none until the new administration settles in. Accordingly, we are planning for a normal schedule this year. If you feel uncomfortable, consider joining us at 7 pm for the business portion of the member meetings and stay masked.

At the same time, we are a volunteer conservation organization, and we always need help with park maintenance and road and river cleanup. By nature, these activities are outdoors and offer social distancing. Additionally, there are many projects that can be done (safely) solo or by a family group. Check with Jimmy Fanny for a list of projects and log your hours at the gate.

*"We Have Met the Enemy and He is Us" – Pogo (Walt Kelly)*

Respectfully Yours,

Chris Ferguson,  
 Chapter President,  
 Suffolk-Nansemond IWLA

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**Dinner Meeting (Members Chili Cookoff). FRI&SAT FEB 18&19 IWLA National Midwinter Meeting.**

**Holidays:**  
MON JAN 17 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day.  
TUE FEB 1 - Black History Month Begins.  
MON FEB 14 - Valentine's Day.  
MON FEB 21 - Presidents' Day.  
*Note: Events marked with an \*asterisk count towards work hour credits for meeting the chapter's annual membership volunteer participation requirement.*

### 2022 wildlife calendars

Due to popular demand, we have ordered another box of DWR (Department of Wildlife Resources) wildlife calendars and will be selling them at discount at the January chapter dinner meeting front table for a cost of \$10 each.



If you are unable to attend the dinner meeting but wish to purchase a calendar then please send an email to [info@sniwla.org](mailto:info@sniwla.org) attention Ray Powell to reserve yours.

### Chapter Member Dues and Fees

*Submitted by Alan Ferguson, Membership Chair*

Chapter Ikes, thanks to those members who have mailed in their dues and participation fee. Your memberships are in the process of being renewed. You will receive your membership cards along with the new gate combination in the mail. If you have not sent a check to pay your dues, avoid the \$20 late fee by paying your dues at the chapter dinner meeting on January 19, 2022.

So, you are aware per the chapter policy a membership card cannot be issued until the 2020/2021 participation fee is paid.

If you have questions pertaining to your membership renewal, please contact the Membership Chair by sending an email to [Alan.Ferguson.IWLA@gmail.com](mailto:Alan.Ferguson.IWLA@gmail.com).

You can find the chapter policies on the chapter website at <https://sniwla.org/sniwla/>.

## Recipe of the Month Chicken Cacciatore

Source Credit: "Pollo alla Cacciatore", <https://lidasitaly.com/recipes/chicken-cacciatore/>

Serves: 6



### Ingredients

- Vegetable Oil
- 2&1/2 boned chicken breasts cut into 2" cubes
- 1&1/2 Tablespoons flour
- 3/4 cup dry white wine
- 4 Tablespoons butter
- 1 lb. mushrooms, sliced
- 1 large onion, sliced
- 2 green bell peppers cut into 1/2" strips
- 1 cup beef broth
- 1 garlic clove, pressed
- 2 Tablespoons tomato paste (or catsup)
- 1 35oz can Italian tomatoes undrained
- 1/4 lb pepperoni sliced
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1/2 teaspoon rosemary
- 2 Tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
- olive oil
- salt and pepper

### Instructions

Pour enough oil into a large flame-proof casserole dish, to cover the bottom.

Add chicken and stir over high heat until browned.

Sprinkle on flour.

Continue stirring over high heat until flour is lightly browned. Pour on wine.

Stir and bring to a boil. Transfer mixture to a bowl.

Add butter to casserole dish, melt over medium heat.

Add mushrooms, onion, and peppers. Toss to coat.

Reduce heat to low and cover the casserole dish.

Cook for 10 min. or until onions are tender.

Increase heat to medium-high, pour on beef broth, stir in garlic and tomato paste.

Add tomatoes, breaking them up.

Add pepperoni.

Blend in basil, oregano, and rosemary.

Return chicken and wine to the casserole dish and mix.

Bring to a boil and remove from the heat.

Stir in the parsley and cover the casserole dish.

Place the covered casserole dish in a cool oven and set to 325 degrees F.

Bake for 1&1/2 to 2 hours.

## Chapter Member Recognition Award

This month, Chapter President Chris Ferguson has awarded Chapter Ike Jacob Bosco a special chapter member recognition award.



This award recognizes Jacob's many hours of volunteer service last year (over 80 work hours altogether) in assisting the park maintenance committee with chopping, splitting and stacking several cords of firewood and for removing the majority of the hardwood shrubbery roots off the front face of the chapter park dam.

Note that this type of award is not administered by the chapter awards committee and instead is awarded at the president's discretion to recognize those chapter Ikes who have demonstrated an above-and-beyond volunteer work ethic in helping our chapter.

Thank you, Jacob, and congratulations!

## The Year Ahead for IWLA National - Celebrating 100th Anniversary

*Message from Janet Rosenbaum, IWLA National Strategic Communications Manager*

"2022 will be a momentous year for the Izaak Walton League of America as we celebrate our 100th anniversary. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to reflect with pride on so many accomplishments. Throughout 2022, we'll look back across a century of conservation success. [...] The League has an incredible story of success to share [...] Also, don't forget to plan for our centennial convention, where we'll focus on the theme *Honoring Our Heritage, Embracing Our Future*. **Join us July 19-22 in East Peoria, Illinois**". For more information you can subscribe to The IWLA National's *Conservation Currents* publication *using this link: [iwla.org/subscribe](http://iwla.org/subscribe)*.

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