



# Timberlines

## W. J. Breckenridge Chapter Izaak Walton League December 2014 [www.breckenridgeikes.org](http://www.breckenridgeikes.org)



### *December*

- 09 Board of Directors Meeting 7:00  
23 Social/Educational Meeting 7:30

### *January*

- 11 Holiday Party  
13 Board of Directors Meeting 7:00

### *February*

- 10 Board of Directors Meeting 7:00  
24 Social/Educational Meeting 7:30  
Don Amosti, speaker

### *March*

- 10 Board of Directors Meeting 7:00  
24 Social/Educational Meeting 7:30

#### **Fireplace Problems**

On November 18<sup>th</sup> we scheduled a Chimney sweep to clean and do a safety check on the Chapter House chimney. We received bad news. The 1936 chimney and fire box are deteriorating. The brick and mortar are beginning to pull apart. There are also some problems with the exterior stone. Our newest board member, Joe Klohs, and other members are exploring ways to make the needed repairs. At this point it appears the cost will be significant. Joe is hopeful much of the work can be donated. We will not be

able to use the fireplace until repairs are made, hopefully by next winter.

## Get Ready For Silent Auction Changes

For the past six years the silent auction has become an important fundraiser for our Chapter's scholarship fund. At the last board meeting it was decided to use the proceeds from this year's holiday party silent auction for the kitchen remodeling project. We expect that this year items donated by our members and friends will be the main items available. It is estimated that items donated by local merchants will be harder to come by because recruiting for local youth scholarships is easier that recruiting for kitchen remodeling.

The Winter Party will be **Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup>**. As usual the silent auction will begin at 4:00 and continue until 6:00 pm. If you don't have an appropriate item to donate consider putting together a "basket" around a theme (spaghetti dinner, outdoor books, etc.).

If you would like to donate an item, or if you know a nearby business that would be willing to make a donation, contact Jim Arnold or Judy Arnold (763 560 8972 or [jjarnold@q.com](mailto:jjarnold@q.com)) or bring the item to the Chapter House by 4:00 pm on January 19<sup>th</sup>.

# Walter J. Breckenridge Chapter of the Izaak Walton League

November 11, 2014 Notes  
Board of Directors Meeting

**IWLA Member Pledge:** We strive for the purity of water, the clarity of air, the wise stewardship of the land and its resources, to know the beauty and understanding of nature, and the value of wildlife, woodlands, and open space, to the preservation of this heritage, and to our sharing in it.

November 11<sup>th</sup> .....Board of Directors Meeting  
November 25<sup>th</sup> .....Social/Education Meeting  
December 9<sup>th</sup> .....Board of Directors Meeting  
December 23<sup>rd</sup> .....No Meeting  
January 11<sup>th</sup> .....Holiday Party

**Attendees:** Steve Schaust, Patrice Lindgren, John Fraley, Jim Arnold, Dick Brown, Barb Franklin, Tim Johnson, Mark Gustafson, Roger Williams, Wes Hendrickson, Joe Klohs, **Guest:** Dwayne Holmstrom

**Issues** ..... Dick/Larry

Social/Education Meeting Speakers  
November – Update on the Coon Rapids Dam Project  
February - Don Arnosti  
March -

Holiday Party will be held on the January 11<sup>th</sup> set up for the party will be held on the January 10 at 3 pm. We will once again hold a silent auction and it was suggested that the money brought in from the auction be put towards the kitchen remodel. Joe Klohs will head up this year's silent auction event and Barb Franklin will be the point person for the potluck.

A motion was made by Barb Franklin and it was seconded to put the money made on the silent auction items into the kitchen remodel fund. Motion was carried.

Fall Board of Directors meeting was held in Austin and attended by Dick Brown and Tim Johnson.

The Environmental Issues Committee (ECI) held a meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup>. It was suggest that each Chapter review and vote on what we consider the top issues that should be focused on in 2015 and provide that feedback at the next meeting being held on December 5<sup>th</sup>. Those

interested in providing input are invited to our Chapters meeting on November 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30.

A motion was made by Dick Brown and it was seconded to form the Breckenridge Issues Committee.

Motion was carried.

**Chapter House & Grounds** .....Jim/Steve

Kitchen remodel – Dwayne Holmstrom was introduced to the BOD and we reviewed our options for cabinetry.

It was recommend that a small taskforce be formed that consists of both Board and Chapter members.

Dick Brown made a motion and it was seconded, that we form a Kitchen Remodel Taskforce. Motion was carried.

Fireplace repair estimate – the appointment for chimney cleaning has been rescheduled for Nov 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm. We have asked for a recommendation to repair the damper.

Buckthorn project was again successful.

Update on the Island deer hunt was given.

**Newsletter** ..... Marlys

**Treasurer's Report** ..... John

Update was given.

**Scholarship Committee** .....Jim

No updates at this time.

**Webmaster** .....Barb

Barb will bring the Chapter mailing list to the next BOD meeting.

**Rentals** .....Tim

We have added 1 additional rental for the month of November for a total of 6.

**Membership**

Membership renewal letters have been sent out, as of this meeting only 50% of our current membership has responded.





# **BRECKENRIDGE CHAPTER ANNUAL WINTER PARTY**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2015**

**\$5.00**

Proceeds go to the Breckenridge Chapter's Kitchen Remodeling Fund

**4 p.m. - Social Hour**

Silent Auction (please bring auction items by 4 p.m.)

Hors d'oeuvres

Tom Ward plays hammered dulcimer

**5 p.m. - Dinner**

Baked Ham

Roasted Turkey

Fresh Fruit & Vegetables

Bread

Desserts or side dishes (contributions accepted!)

**6 p.m. - Program**

Champlin Park Carolers

(Champlin Park students did our buckthorn pull!)

Please RSVP to Barb Franklin by Wednesday, January 7  
763-657-1907 or [bbfrankli@gmail.com](mailto:bbfrankli@gmail.com)

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**



*Buckthorn Removal Project  
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### **New Board Member Joe Klohs**

Long term member - 28 years and former  
chapter Vice President and board member -  
recently retired from an international forest  
products career now has time to renew activity  
with the chapter as a board member.

Wife, Judy, is also a 28 year member of the  
chapter.

Welcome back Joe and Judy.