

**Izaak Walton League of America**

**Iowa Division**

**100<sup>th</sup> Annual State Convention**

**April 21 & 22, 2023**

**(Earth Day, Sat. Apr 22)**



Hosted By

**Des Moines Chapter**

Iowa's First Chapter

Active for over 100 Years

# Izaak Walton League of America

## Des Moines Chapter

4343 George Flag Pkwy, Des Moines, IA 50321

**100 years and counting:**

**1st Chapter in Iowa (Chartered 12 Sep, 1922)**

**One of only four chapters in the US that have  
remained active for 100 years.**

### *Chapter Officers:*

*President.....Doug Pooch*  
*1st Vice President.....Mike O'Deay*  
*2nd Vice President..... Bud Hartley*  
*Secretary.....Christine Curry*  
*Treasurer.....Rich Galloway*  
*Director.....Curtis Cokeley*  
*Director.....Mike Delaney*  
*Director.....Joe Gavin*  
*Director.....Kerry Peterson*  
*Director.....Mark Pranger*

**A special thanks to General Mgr: Tawnya McCourtney**

**And all the kitchen help, Rusty, Felix, Charlie, & Archie**



*Pledge and Color Guard – Thanks to the American Legion!*



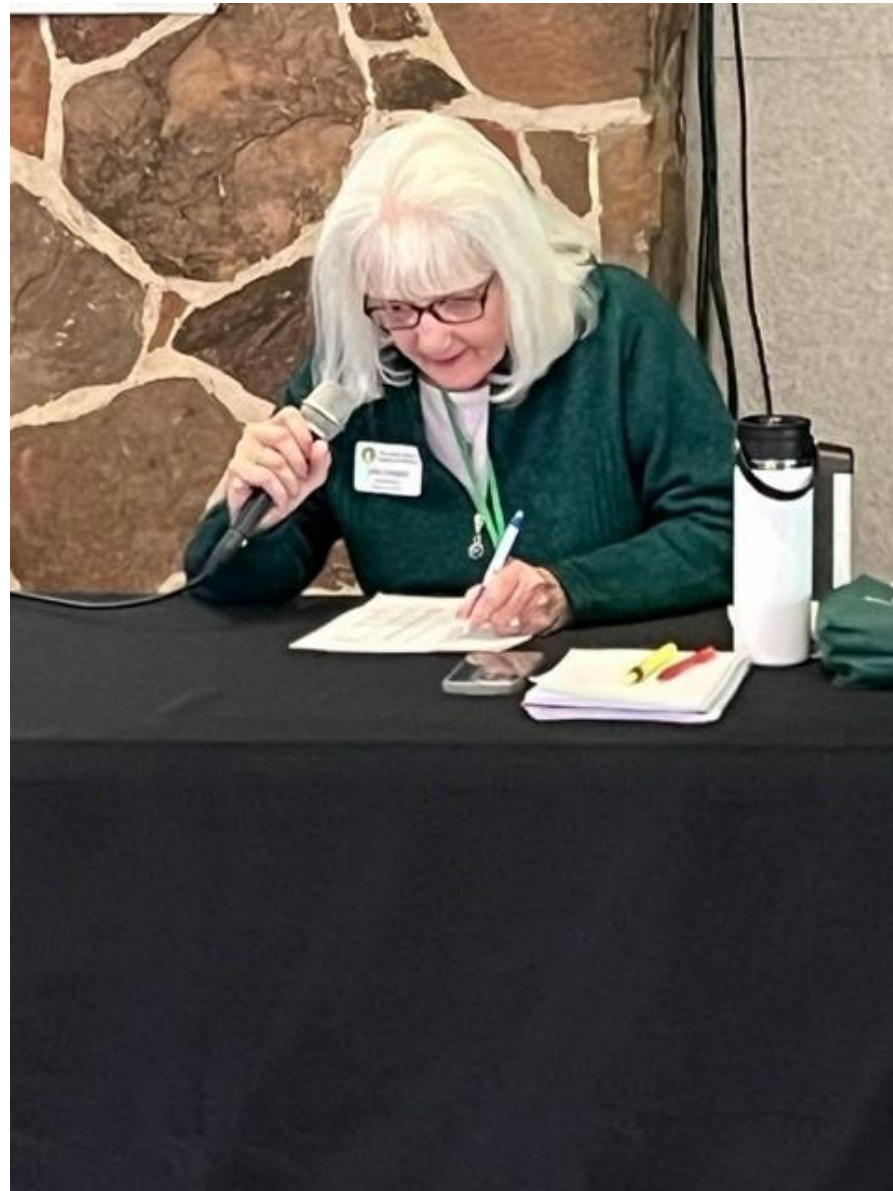
*Welcome – Doug Pooch, Des Moines President*



*Welcome – Vicki Arnold, National President*



*Invocation – Mark Pranger*



*Roll Call of Delegates – Jan Carmer, Division Secretary*



*Parliamentarian – Dale Braun*





*State Update – Lisa McIntyre*



*Conservation Report – Mike Delaney*



*Presidents Comments – Rick Cerwick, Iowa Division President*



*Guest Speakers – Travis Lautner of DMACC & Mike Shannon, Ducks Unlimited*



*Rookies of the Year – Mark Pranger, Des Moines; Pat Nepple, Dragoon Trail; Alice Roberts, Ottumwa; and Warren & Sherry Gardner, Warren Co.*



*Conservation Award – Christine Curry, Des Moines and Zack Boyer, Dragoon Trail*



*SOS Volunteer Award – Bob Rye (shown), Panora & Paul Rogalla, Warren Co.*



*Beverly McCrindle Cleaner Streams Award – DMACC  
Agribusiness Farm, Travis Lautner*





*Fish & Game Officer of the Year – Allen Crouse, IDNR*



*Ries Tuttle Communication Award – Brittney Miller, Cedar Rapids Gazette; Dale Braun accepting*



*Ronald Kuntz Legislator of the Year – Rep. Norlin Mommsen;  
Dane Schumann Accepting*



*Soil Conservationist of the Year – Elizabeth Partridge Blessington  
(Christine Curry Accepting), Chris Henning*



*Teacher of the Year – Mark Dorhout, Panorama Schools*



*Iowa Honor Roll Award – Johnson Propane, Henry Jessen Accepting & Liz Garst of Whiterock Conservancy with Kate Zimmerman, Executive Director of Whiterock*



*Kate Zimmerman, Executive Director Whiterock Conservancy*



*Newsletter and Web Site of the Year – Des Moines Chapter, Bud Hartley, Editor, Accepting*





*R3 Award – Warren County Chapter, Craig McIntyre Accepting*



*Leopold Chapter Award – West Central Chapter, Henry Jessen  
Accepting*

*Hall of Fame Award*

*Jack and Charlotte  
Johnson*



*Host Chapter Award – Des Moines, Doug Pooch Accepting*



*Outgoing State President Award – Rick Cerwick*



*Legislative and Lobbying Report – Dane Schumann*



*Treasurer's Report – Craig Enneking*



*Gratitude to Christine Curry for the Beautiful Centerpieces!*











*Thanks to All from the Iowa Division Board! We'll see you next year at Linn County!*



*Ciao from Bud Hartley the AV Boy!*