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- Des Moines Chapter

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November 10, 2015: Prime Rib
Ticket Sellers: Skidmore and Reynolds
Marine Corps Birthday Celebration
Program: Sonny Satre's Canadian Fishing Report

November 17, 2015: Pork Chop Porterhouse Steak
Ticket Sellers: Mark Shore and Bryan Glider
Program: Past President's Night hosted by Joe Gavin

November 23, 2015: Board Meeting

November 24, 2015: Chicken Fried Steak or Fried Chicken
Ticket Sellers: Bill Gay and Bryan Glider

December 1, 2015: BBQ Baby back Ribs
Ticket Sellers: Mike Sheridan and Ron Smith

There are alternatives to the main entrée available such as Chef Salad, a fish entrée, and usually one other entrée.

Dinner is served from 5:45 to 7:00 pm and the program starts at 7:30 pm.

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Calendar of Events: December

Save the Date!

December 22, 2015
Izaak Walton League 2015 Christmas Party
Raffles, drawings and more! Stay tuned for details! (Please note that this is a member's only event)

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DES MOINES CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

DEFENDERS OF SOIL, AIR, WOODS, WATERS AND WILDLIFE

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For some Americans, hunting is a family tradition – a way to spend time together outdoors and build a greater appreciation for nature. For others, it's a sustainable way to put healthy food on the table.

Hunting is also about conservation. The majority of funding for state fish and wildlife agencies comes directly from hunters, anglers, and shooting sports enthusiasts. Hunters pay their way through licenses, permits, and other fees (\$796 million annually). In addition, every purchase of a box of ammunition, a firearm, or archery gear includes a fee (called an "excise tax") that helps fund state fish and wildlife programs – more than \$371 million in 2011 alone. It was sportsmen who developed this "user pay" system. Without these funds, state agencies would effectively cease to operate, which would affect outdoor recreation opportunities for all residents and visitors.

Hunting plays an important part in state wildlife management. Sportsmen help keep wildlife healthy by balancing wildlife populations with available habitat. For example, humans are the only remaining "predators" for white-tailed deer in many parts of the country – an overly populous species that was endangered just a century ago. Restoration programs funded by sportsmen helped this species recover.

If you are interested in hunting or know someone who is, we have a few quick tips to get you started:

- Sign up for a hunter education course through your state fish and wildlife agency.
- Learn game laws and regulations.
- Buy a hunting license, which are usually specific to the game species and type of hunting you plan to do.

(Hunting – continued)

- Select your equipment and PRACTICE.
- Find a place to hunt. Public lands are a good place to start. In addition to state forests and wildlife management areas, U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management acres offer access to abundant game.

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Action Alert

Senate Votes This Week to Repeal Clean Water Rule - UPDATE: NOVEMBER 3, 2015

S 1140 and SJ Res 22 are part of an unrelenting attack on restoring historic Clean Water Act protections for streams and wetlands.

Both bills effectively repeal the Clean Water Rule. If that's not bad enough, one of them (SJ Res 22) would make it nearly impossible for the Corps and EPA to restore protections in the future by specifically prohibiting the agencies from issuing a new rule that is "similar" to the existing rule.

If the threatened waters – tributary streams and smaller wetland – don't change (and they won't), it's almost inconceivable that a new rule to protect these waters wouldn't be considered "similar" and therefore invalid.

Your U.S. Senators need to hear from you today! Supporters of these damaging bills are engaged and vocal. **Those of us who support common-sense protections for our waters and enjoy duck hunting, fishing, boating, and other outdoor recreation need to be equally engaged.** Your voice matters and can make a difference on close votes in the Senate.

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