

THE DES MOINES IKE



DEFENDERS OF SOIL, AIR, WOODS, WATERS AND WILDLIFE
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Join us February 14, 2017 for Couples Night and a Special Program on Ding Darling!

Celebrate Valentine's Day with Couples Night at the Ikes!

We'll be featuring delicious 12 oz. Sirloin Steak dinners with all the trimmings, plus a free glass of wine for the ladies!

IWLA History – The Life of Ding Darling

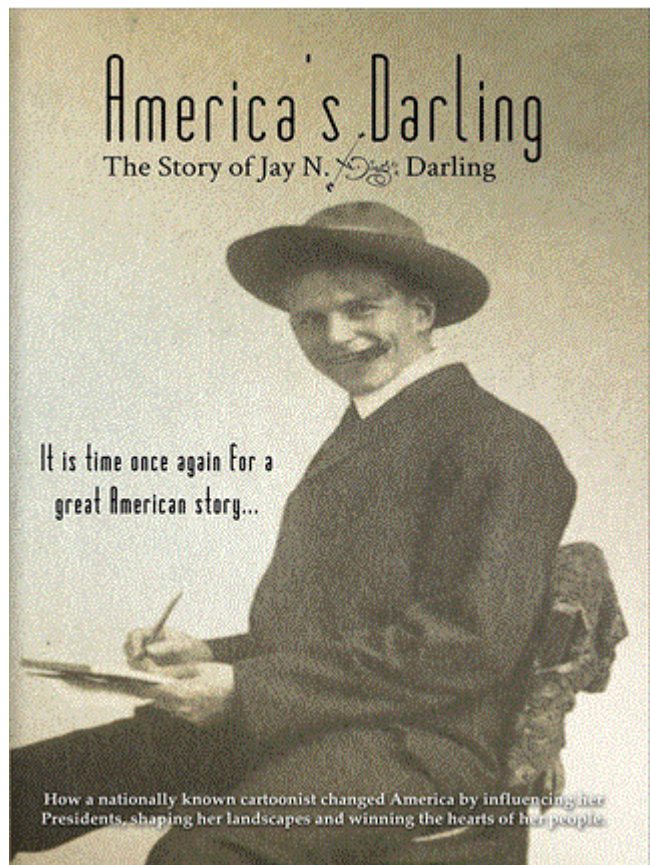
Following dinner stay to enjoy a special film, "**America's Darling: The Story of Jay N. 'Ding' Darling**", in honor of the 95th anniversary of the Izaak Walton League of America!

Ding was a longtime member of the League, served terms as National director, and for many years was Honorary President of the Iowa Division. In 1947 he donated 30 years of what he considered his best cartoons in a portfolio called "Our Great Outdoors" to the Iowa Division for fundraising.

He was the father of the non-political form of fish and game" administration. He was also responsible for the "25 Year Iowa Conservation Plan, since used as the model for many states.

During the late 1920's Ding was a powerful voice and pen in Midwestern conservation. In 1931 he led Iowa sportsmen in backing a new law that took the Iowa Game and Fish Department out of politics and set it up under a bipartisan Conservation Commission. The law was the first of its kind in the United States.

More to come in the March 2017 Des Moines Ike!



See you Tuesday!

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