



# WALTONIAN

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER — Thank you, Ikes

by Barry Drazkowksi, Minnesota Division president

My fellow Ikes, I write this sitting at my kitchen table, looking out at an incredible landscape of bluffs, snow, and birds at the feeder. I ponder this incredibly diverse and wonderful place we all call home. From the Driftless Area in southeastern MN, to the remnants of the prairie potholes, the great north woods, bogs, and wetlands of northern Minnesota, we all live in parts of something wonderful, something to be treasured and protected. We Ikes take pride in our conservation passion that leads us to responsible action and involvement. We give up our time, our evenings, and our weekends. We sacrifice time with family and friends, to make a difference for them and our environment. I take pride in the fact that we don't just say NO, we engage, we try to improve, we try to understand, and we try to change that what threatens what we love. I thank you all for your commitment, your time, and your engagement.



*Barry surveys the Killdeer Mountains near the Bakken oil fields of ND. Photo by Becky Siekmeier.*

I am honored to be part of a grassroots organization working together as Chapters to improve and serve our local communities. We are strengthened through efforts like the **McCabe Chapter's** selfless commitment to professionally review and provide the rest of us an informed assessment of the PolyMet Mine SDEIS, to help us provide mature and responsible comments on this potentially frightening project. The committed members of the once illustrious **Minneapolis Chapter**, now the **Minnesota Valley Chapter**, resurrecting it with visions to restore and enhance it as a notable Twin Cities environmental education resource. The **Will Dilg Chapter**, once on the verge of disappearing, now has its new youthful membership taking leadership to engage families and schoolchildren within its community through its wood duck house construction education project and its family fishing derby. The **Jaques Chapter's** efforts to inform public debate over topics like Frac Sand Mining and declining water levels in the White Bear Lake region. The **Bush Lake Chapter's** Water Smart landscaping and its youth scholarship programs, the **Owatonna Chapter's** Capitol bus trips, and the **Austin Chapter's** sustainable farming advocacy are other examples of what our fellow Minnesota Ikes are doing to forward our conservation concerns. These are just a few examples of activities occurring within our Chapters that bring us recognition and respect.

I take pride in our Division, with a few volunteers and only a part time staff person; we engage issues at the State level. We work with our Chapters to inform responsible response to projects or policies that threaten our resources. We sponsor efforts like the Watershed Summit, we work with our National staff to develop and forward efforts that will hopefully benefit Chapter and Division priorities. I wish we could do more, but I take pride in what we do accomplish.

I am also proud of our National office staff and their efforts to work with the Division and Chapters that to me is the spark to ignite the beginning of a movement to reengage the powerful Ikes conservation movement of the 20s and 30s. A movement that resulted in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area, the Upper Mississippi River Wildlife and Fish Refuge, and the National Elk range in the Tetons. People, concerned about air, water, soil, the land, and **ALL** its resources, working together as Chapters, Divisions, and a nation, to view the world through a balanced lens, to act responsibly, to preserve our conservation heritage for future generations. They have joined together to thoughtfully support our new strategic plan (See page 3) and to effectively continue our core programs. I thank each of them.

I hope this Waltonian finds you all well. We need each of you for the hard work ahead. Together, we can accomplish great things, our voices can be heard, and our heritage continued.

# Winter Meetings Weekend

## Friday Evening, January 17

Many thanks to the Minnesota Valley Chapter for the Friday evening gathering to open the winter meetings.

## Saturday Morning, January 18

### Board of Directors' Meeting Notes

Many issues and environmental news was shared at the morning BOD.

#### Oral and written reports considered these topics:

- Pollinator legislation 2013
- MN Department of Agriculture policy development implementation
- Recruitment of college students as chapter members
- Issues committee: facilitator to move issues from ideas to action. Water is unifying theme.
- Great Lakes and ballast water
- Hydrofracking and sand mining
- Asian Carp
- GreenStep Cities
- Division finances
- Dave Zentner discussed the issues surrounding the PolyMet SDEIS and strategies for submitting comments.

### Position Statements passed at January BOD

#### Sulfide Mining (paraphrased)

The Minnesota Division supports the Minnesota state legislature in ordering Minnesota agencies to withhold permits from any sulfide mining operation unless sulfide mining companies demonstrate proven ability to operate and close down their operations without lasting environmental harm beyond the scope of their permits — and back up their promises with ironclad guarantees to protect the ecology of Northern Minnesota from undue damage and financial guarantees to protect taxpayers.

#### Transportation

The Minnesota Division, Izaak Walton League of America, supports Minnesota and National policies which preserve and maintain existing highway assets in a state of good repair before highway system expansion. The Minnesota Division supports requiring performance based project planning, selection, design, and construction of critical infrastructure. The Division supports requiring expansion projects to demonstrate best value investment and significant measurable positive impacts determined from state wide analyses that consider existing infrastructure condition.

### Bylaws revisions moving forward to the Annual Meeting

At the MN Division Annual Meeting on April 26, a Bylaws revision will be voted upon which will set guidelines for the Division to allow for the use of varying degrees of electronic communications during meetings of the Board of Directors, Executive Committee and Division Committees. A two thirds vote by the delegates is necessary for adoption.

### Division Officers Working Hard

#### Division Treasurer Jill Crafton

At a January DNR Roundtable Crafton and Dave Zentner recruited Isle Royale Supt. Phyllis Green to speak about the significance of getting Ballast Water Treatment Capacity in place and dangers of new invasive species. Chairing the Watershed Summit 2014 was a huge job. (See article on page 4.) Participated in action to support producing a document to prepare communities before hydrofracking or sand mining comes to their area. Crafton also works diligently on issues in her **Bush Lake Chapter**. All this is in addition to serving as Division Treasurer.

#### Division Secretary John Siekmeier

Siekmeier reports on his January visit with Senator Al Franken to discuss Utah Canyonlands legislation and visit with Congresswoman Betty McCollum about the North Dakota oil impact on Roosevelt National Park. He authored a draft sustainable transportation position statement passed at the Division Winter Meeting. He is the BOD and Annual Meeting minutes taker and also serves as Jaques Chapter President.

#### Division Vice-president Merlene Stiles

Merlene Stiles is working hard to guide the Rochester Chapter in planning the 2014 Convention /Annual meeting April 25-26. She knows the ropes of handling big events. She is active in her **Austin Chapter** and is the president of Austin Audubon. Serving as Division Issues Chair, she promotes trips to the Capitol to keep members involved in conservation issues.

**Look for Ike news about upcoming Capitol visits.** The trip can be an exciting and great learning experience. If you want to plan your chapter or collaborative trip check with Stiles or the Division office for a planning outline. See how the Legislature works, visit your state legislators, tour the historic Capitol and be part of the hustle and bustle of your lawmakers in session. Details must be planned in advance. The sooner the better.

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**CORRECTION: In the Winter *Waltonian*, John Siekmeier was identified as Division Vice-president. He is Division Secretary and Merlene Stiles serves as Vice-president.**

## Saturday Afternoon

### Strategic Planning Priorities

*Noted by President Drazkowski*

In a draft summary, two topics surfaced as strategic plan priorities for the coming year: Chapter strength and water sustainability.

**Rich Staffon, Duluth's McCabe Chapter President, offered these points as integral to their chapter's strategic plan.**

- Develop good leaders
- Grow our membership
- Broaden our influence
- Get our members engaged in compelling issues of the day
- Create a Chapter Board that carries much of the weight for meetings, business, and general momentum
- Have fun in the process
- Efforts should be built around "Mission Orientation"
- Define Chapter vision and mission in the context of the IWLA but reflecting the Chapter's identity
- Conduct membership survey
- Review Bylaws
- Engage other groups
- Develop a recruitment plan (McCabe uses an annual new member meeting)

**Water Sustainability Strategies.** Doug Thomas, MN Board of Soil and Water Resources, spoke on Minnesota's Water Governance Framework, generating significant discussion around strategies for Chapters, members, and the Division to engage in different scales of water-based planning and action. Thomas recommended the following:

Find out who the local water management authority is. It might be more than one. For example in some areas their might be a county water plan and watershed district plan that cover all or parts of the same area. A link to BWSR's web-site where you can get contact information for the various water planning authorities is

[www.bwsr.state.mn.us](http://www.bwsr.state.mn.us)

Each has a water plan that members should be familiar with. Each plan is updated from time to time.

- Ask to be put on the Citizen Advisory Committee or at a minimum put on a distribution list for getting updates, announcements, etc.
- Ask about volunteer opportunities with each of the local water plan authorities.
- If the local chapter has ideas for projects let the local water plan know about them. These could turn into grant opportunities.
- Ask them to speak at a local chapter meeting.

Resulting discussion identified the following potential actions:

- We need to participate in local water/watershed planning discussions.
- Participating in watershed planning often results in those ideas moving forward to the implementation phase.
- Volunteer with the local authority – field reporting and observations, stream monitoring, maybe building a Creek Freaks program in partnership with the Chapter and the local water authority.

### Top Conservation Priorities Included in Farm Bill

"The 2014 Farm Bill supports farmers and provides critical safeguards for America's natural resources," said Bill Wenzel, IWLA Agriculture Program Director.

Minnesota's Congressional delegation played crucial leadership roles in ensuring that IWLA conservation priorities were included in the 2014 Farm Bill. Senator Klobuchar and Representatives Peterson and Walz were members of the Farm Bill Conference Committee. All three were original cosponsors of Sodsaver legislation. Sodsaver provides financial disincentives to farmers who put grasslands, which are provide wildlife habitat and help keep water clean, under the plow. While we fell short of our goal to create a national program, the regional program contains all of six Midwestern and Northern Plains states where some of the most significant loss of grassland is occurring, is mandatory for farmers.

### Conservation Compliance

The conservation compliance portion requires farmers to develop plans to reduce soil loss in erosion prone areas in order to receive federally subsidized crop insurance premium subsidies. Conservation compliance also prohibits the draining of wetlands. Farmers can drain wetlands but lose the crop insurance premium subsidy paid for by taxpayers, which average 62% of the total cost of insurance. The Farm Bill also includes the creation of an agriculture only wetland mitigation bank. Since Minnesota is one of few states to have an agriculture only mitigation bank, Minnesota may have a role in the development of a national model. Many challenges lie ahead in the development of regulations and guidelines for both conservation compliance and Sodsaver. It will be critical for us to stay engaged throughout these processes at USDA to ensure that the victories achieved in the Farm Bill are not lost in the obscure processes within USDA in the days ahead.

Conservation compliance has saved nearly 300 million tons of soil annually and protected millions of acres of wetlands since Congress included this requirement in the 1985 Farm Bill.



*Canada goose and a killdeer on the Mississippi River.  
Photo by Don Dinndorf.*

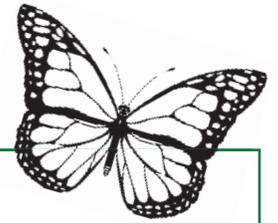
# Sulfide Mining Environmental Review

## Hearings Draw Large Crowds

Well attended hearings at Duluth, Aurora and St. Paul drew crowds of attendees eager to make pro and con comments on the proposed first copper-nickel mine to be built in Minnesota. About 2200 attended the January 28 meeting at The River Centre in St. Paul where speakers were allowed three minutes to state their opinions.

The meetings were held to gather more information for the 'supplemental draft environmental impact statement' for the PolyMet planned mining operation near Babbitt. Deadline for public comment was March 13 and a request to extend the 90 day comment period was turned down by the DNR, US Army Corps of Engineers and Forest Service. Information from the meetings and tens of thousands of public comments will be considered in making the final environmental impact statement. Then about 20 federal, state and local permits are required for the project to go forward.

Sulfide mining has been an Ike issue and a Position Statement was adopted at the Division Winter Meeting. Copper-nickel mining has issues different from iron mining. Nonferrous metals are chemically bound up in sulfur compounds that can release sulfuric acid, sulfates, heavy metals and other contaminants when exposed to water and air. Fear for long term contamination of waters in the area and Lake Superior and clean up of waters are among matters of IWLA concern. The original environmental impact statement was rejected by regulators in 2009. The McCabe Chapter SDEIS Task Force had these comments to address. Are the regulations/rules adequate? Will the state enforce the regulations/rules? What conditions should be added? Financial guarantees.



## Monarch Butterfly Migration Hits New Low

Reports from environmentalists warn that the winter migration to Central Mexico by millions of Monarch butterflies from the northern U.S. and Canada has shrunk to record lows and is in danger of ending. In December the lovely creatures covered just 1.6 acres of forest, the smallest area yet. They have occupied up to 45 acres in the past.

University of Minnesota Monarch expert Karen Oberhauser said she was deeply saddened by the release of a report by the World Wildlife Fund. Oberhauser urges concerned citizens to plant more milkweed, the only plant the butterflies depend upon.

## Watershed Summit 2014:

### New Management Strategies & Targets for Water Quality & Quantity

On Feb. 22 the remnants of our worst winter storm made driving treacherous. All presenters and many attendees battled icy roads but were able to reach Normandale Community College to hear an informed batch of speakers present on New State Initiatives for Better Water Management and Wetland Conservation Act Implementation for No-Net Loss.

This 9th Watershed Summit-2014 was sponsored by the Izaak Walton League and chaired by Ike Jill Crafton. Presentations began with Perry Jones, Hydrologist, US Geological Survey, on groundwater, Jason Moeckel, Manager Inventory and Analysis Section MDNR, MDNR's Groundwater Management Plan and Water Conservation Program, Wayne Anderson, PE, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA), on Nitrogen and Nutrient Reduction Strategies and Land Grant University perspectives from involved stakeholders. The afternoon focused on Wetland monitoring for water quality and quantity by MPCA & MDNR followed by the NE Wetland Mitigation Strategy from Doug Norris, Wetlands Program Coordinator, MDNR, Mark Gernes, Research Scientist, MPCA, and a non government perspective from Jill Bathke, Natural Resource Scientist, Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy. Time was provided for questions and answers on water issues.

## Running on Empty? Managing Minnesota's Water

The Margaret Rivers Room in the Stillwater Public Library was packed with 75 interested citizens to hear State Rep. Peter Fischer(43A) and Metropolitan Council member Sandy Rummel update listeners on the state of Minnesota's waters, from plentiful to current shrinking supplies and pollution in some areas. Fischer is Vice-chair of the House Environment and Natural Resources Policy Committee and Rummel is MET Council Environmental Chair.

Rep. Fischer gave a history of Minnesota's water resources and Rummel talked about the MET Council's water responsibilities. There are many agencies involved in water management and both speakers say the groups need to talk to each other and coordinate efforts to find solutions. Dependence on ground water has become a problem in part of the metropolitan area which has 50 percent of the state's population and has 800 community wells and about 100,000 private wells. Surface water can be an alternative to tapping the aquifer. The Mississippi River has the capacity to provide water with only 2 percent of its capacity being used currently.

**Water use is outdistancing the supply and conservation is necessary. Long term planning needs to be put in place.**

# Minnesota Valley Chapter and the State Trail

The Minnesota Valley Chapter owns some 25 acres on the bank of the Minnesota River located at 6601 Auto Club Road in Bloomington. We have a chapter house, double garage, Little Red Barn, a creek that runs all year, a pond, a wetland, and a fantastic floodplain. The floodplain portion of the property is inside the proposed boundary of Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge and runs for a quarter mile along the Minnesota River.

The Minnesota Valley State Trail has been authorized along the river from Fort Snelling to Le Sueur and has been completed except for the Bloomington portion. It is proposed to go through the Chapter's property at the river's edge. This is to be an improved surface for hiking and biking.

The Minnesota DNR has a preliminary plan for the Bloomington portion and our chapter has been active in getting the necessary State Bonding funding for the trail. Board Members Stan Danielson and Ed Crozier, who was instrumental in getting the refuge established in 1976 and was its first manager, are involved in this effort.

Chapter members have met with MN Valley National Wildlife Refuge Staff, the DNR, and the Parks and Trails Council of Minnesota to discuss plans for the trail. The DNR is ready to move forward, and only the funding is needed. Chapter members will be asking the MN State Legislators to include the funding for the trail in the 2014 Bonding Bill and are asking others to contact their legislative representatives. **By Stan Danielson**



*Wetland at the Minnesota Valley Chapter.  
Photo by Stan Danielson.*

## Minnesota Division Scholarships Available

College costs are really high and students need help to defray these costs. Let students know that financial help is available from the Ikes. The MN Division offers two scholarships for students studying in the natural resources field. Awards may be up to \$1,000.

1. The Ruth M. Saari IWLA Memorial Scholarship can reward students in the environmental education field. 2. The Minnesota Division Scholarship is open to students in other environmental areas such as environmental law, wildlife management or programs that focus on conservation of resources. Awards may be up to \$1,000.

2. Applicants must be Minnesota residents and U. S. citizens. They must be at least in their second year of college. Scholarships may be used for tuition, books, and transportation to school or program. May 15 is the deadline for applications for the coming academic year. Please call 651-221-0215 or email [ikes@minnesotaiikes.org](mailto:ikes@minnesotaiikes.org) for Scholarship information. Scholarships are funded by donations and the MN Division annual Silent Auction.

## Words of Thanks From Scholarship Winner

*Thank you for your generosity in providing the Ruth M. Saari Memorial IWLA Scholarship.....I am currently a senior at the University of Minnesota – Twin Cities and study Environmental Science, Policy and Management with an emphasis on Environmental Education and Communication....*

*For a career I aspire to work as an Interpretive Naturalist with either the National Park Service or in Minnesota State Parks. For the past three summers I have worked in Minnesota State Parks as a Naturalist Corps Intern and during the school year I work as a Natural History interpreter at the James Ford Bell Museum and share with others the connection of our natural world with the world of academics. Both of these experiences have continually inspired me to learn and teach about our natural world.....I greatly appreciate your efforts and generosity.*

A PROUD MEMBER OF



## Senator Franken Supports Red Rock Wilderness Act

In early February Senator Al Franken became a co-sponsor of the America's Red Rock Wilderness Act. He joins Rep. Ellison, McCollum, Peterson and Walz as a sponsor. The act will protect the Red Rock Canyonlands of southern Utah which comprise the largest network of unprotected wild lands remaining in the lower 48 states.

# Minnesota Division Awards

## MANY EARNED THEM...NOW COLLECT THEM

Every Ike chapter has a member who has been critical to the success of at least one program conducted by the group. It is time to recognize them with an award from the State and/or National Ikes (for national awards see [www.iwla.org](http://www.iwla.org)).

### New this Year -

- ★ **Dave Zentner Minnesota Defenders Award**  
Named for the Minnesotan who was a national IWLA president granted annually to any chapter that completes six of the eight criteria: listed on the Division website: [www.minnesotaiikes.org](http://www.minnesotaiikes.org)
- ★ **IWLA Distinguished Service Award** Special and long term service to the Division.
- ★ **Dr. Walter Breckenridge Award** Recognizes professional educators and others who teach all of us to value natural resources.
- ★ **Ed Franey Outdoor Writer and Conservation Media Award** Professional who works in written word, visual form or spoken word.
- ★ **Sigurd F. Olson Conservation Award** Our special award for someone with outstanding contributions to the preservation of Minnesota's natural resources. IWLA member preferred but not mandatory.
- ★ **IWLA Stewardship Awards** A member who has worked on special projects, achieved public acclaim and helped the community in meaningful ways.
- ★ **Ray Haik Watershed District Award** Named for the Minnesotan who was a national IWLA president and authored legislation establishing watershed districts.

Consult the official forms for due dates. Minnesota Division award applications are on the Division website: [www.minnesotaiikes.org](http://www.minnesotaiikes.org). If you have questions please contact the MN Awards Chair: Gary Schwartz [presikel@live.com](mailto:presikel@live.com) or 507-363-1710.

## Scholarship Silent Auction

### Tempt Bidders with your Donations.

It's time to start thinking about what you might contribute to this year's Silent Auction to be held at the State Convention. Proceeds again will go to the Minnesota Division Scholarship Fund. As soon as you know what you are donating, please e-mail Cherry Schwartz at [presike2@live.com](mailto:presike2@live.com) so she can get the bid sheet completed before the convention. We ask Chapters to please send three items and officers, one.

### Suggestions:

All types of baskets encourage bidding wars: such as grilling, bath, car, gardener's baskets. Certificates for: guided tours, cabin visits, boat rides. Foods: homemade baked goods, honey, wild rice, cookies, breads. Sports equipment. Books by Minnesota authors, bed sized quilts. Use your imagination.

We thank **Cherry and Gary Schwartz** for once again chairing the Silent Auction, a highlight of the Convention.

## CALL FOR RESOLUTIONS

Happy winter fellow Ikes! Fortunately, spring is predicted to happen sometime in 2014. With its advent, comes the Division's Annual Meeting. This year's event is slated for the weekend of April 25-26. Once again, it's the time of year to begin the process of submission of resolutions to be considered throughout that weekend and voted on Sunday the 27.

MN Division Bylaws stipulate certain provisions and deadlines for submitting the various policy resolutions to be considered.

**30 Day Deadline:** To be placed under consideration, all resolutions must be submitted to the chairs of the resolutions committee at least 30 days prior to the meeting. This year's deadline is Friday, March 28.

**Sponsorship of resolutions:** Resolutions to be considered by the convention must be sponsored by a chapter or by a state division standing committee.

**The Process:** The resolutions committee is obligated to submit to the state convention only properly drawn resolutions that are consistent with the purposes and areas of concern of the League. Any properly submitted resolution disapproved by the resolutions committee however may be presented to the state convention by its sponsor for action by the delegates.

The IWLA Conservation Policy Manual continues to be an excellent resource for chapters and individual members considering developing a resolution. It is readily available on the League's website. The resolutions committee would also be happy to help answer questions and dispense advice.

The grassroots nature of this process continues to be the "signature" of the Izaak Walton League in action. Please send your resolutions by e-mail to [ikes@minnesotaiikes.org](mailto:ikes@minnesotaiikes.org).

David Zentner ([dzentner@charter.net](mailto:dzentner@charter.net)) and Bill Henke ([whenke1@gmail.com](mailto:whenke1@gmail.com)), Resolutions Committee Co-Chairs.

# The Rochester Chapter Welcomes State Ikes

for the 2014 Annual Meeting & State Convention.

April 25 - 26, 2014

All events will be held at the Rochester Chapter House, 937 7th Avenue NE, Rochester.

## Friday, April 25, 7:00 PM

*Snacks and reading of the Resolutions*

## Saturday, April 26

### Morning

8:00 Minnesota's biggest donuts, bagels, fruit, coffee and juice provided by Super Fresh

8:30 **Annual Meeting**

12:00 **LUNCH** provided

### Afternoon

1:00 **Program - "The Price of Sand"**  
*and frac sand mining forum*

4:00 **Silent Auction**  
*proceeds go to MN Div. Scholarship program*

### Evening

6:00 **Dinner & Awards presentations**  
*catered by Canadian Honkers*

7:00 **Program - Bakken Oil Fields Tour**  
*presented by Barry Draskowski*



*Wetland at the Rochester Chapter.*

*Photo courtesy of the Rochester Chapter.*

## ACCOMMODATIONS

Merlene Stiles has reserved a block of 10 rooms for us. Please reserve your room by April 18, 2014:

BEST WESTERN PLUS Soldiers Field - April 25-27, 2014  
- Non smoking Tower Guestrooms with Two Queen Beds or One King Bed, Microwave, and Refrigerator, \$89.00. There are a limited number of each room type available. To speak to a reservation agent call 1-800-366-2067 and ask for the Izaak Walton League rate.

## Registration Form - 2014 Annual Meeting & State Convention - The Deadline to RSVP/Register is April 11, 2014.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks payable: Minnesota Division IWLA and send to: Minnesota Division IWLA, 2233 University Ave W, Ste. 339, St. Paul, MN 55114.

You may also register on-line by going to [minnesotaikes.org](http://minnesotaikes.org).

For more information:

Call 651-221-0215 or email [ikes@minnesotaikes.org](mailto:ikes@minnesotaikes.org).

### Registration Fees

#### Annual Meeting - all events/meals

\$60 per adult X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

\$20 per child X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

#### Saturday Dinner only

\$30 per adult X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

\$10 per child X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

**Total enclosed: \$** \_\_\_\_\_



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**Annual Meeting & State Convention, April 25–26, 2014**

**National Convention, July 15-19, 2014, Anaheim, CA**

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### 2013 Division & National Dues

(Including national dues -Chapter dues are in addition)

Individual \$52.50, Family \$75.00, Student \$30.00, Youth \$15.80

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**The *Waltonian* welcomes  
articles and photos about  
your chapter activities.**

There is a lot going on so  
let's hear about it. Reading  
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