

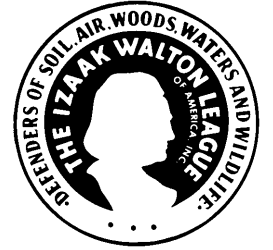
St. Joseph County Izaak Walton League

Chartered January 1924



To strive for the purity of water, the clarity of air and 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 man's sharing in it.

March 2017



Check out our website www.IZAAKSB.com

A Note from the President

We really are blessed to have such a concerned, strong member base and leadership group to keep our pristine grounds maintained for future generations to enjoy. We want to thank all of our loyal members that renewed their memberships and welcome all our new members to the oldest continuing green organization in Michiana. It is never too late to join or renew!

Two words to every member: Get Involved! Visit the IKES as often as you can, come out to the events that we offer, join the Board of Directors and give your time and resources to help perpetuate our environmental mission.

Please make an effort to attend our dinner/programs. They feature top notch speakers like Pokagon Band culture and language director Marcus Winchester on March 15th. Please call in your dinner reservations by Monday, March 13th. It is imperative that our caterer has an accurate count so everyone has enough to eat. Bring a friend or guest! Our ever popular tree seedling give away in April will be Wednesday, April 26th. Start to make decisions on where you will plant your trees!

Our membership is currently around 240. Renewals have been sent out. Please renew your membership soon. They have to be processed through the National Izaak Walton Division. This takes a little while so be patient. Please wear your badge at all times and obey the ground rules. Enjoy your visits and remember if you pack it in, pack it out! Help keep our park the most diverse, unique and clean in the County! Feel free to contact anyone below with questions. See you at the IKES!

Mike Hay

March Dinner/Program

"Pokagon Band of Potawatomi"

We welcome Mr. Marcus Winchester, language and culture director for the Pokagon band of the Potawatomi, to the IKES on Wednesday, March 15th. Mr. Winchester will present a program rich in facts describing the genius of how Chief Leopold Pokagon negotiated to keep his band of 280 in the Saint Joe River Valley when 11 other Potawatomi bands were forced to move out West after the 1883 Chicago Treaty. Marcus will describe the tactics used by Chief Pokagon and will also discuss how after years of petitioning, the Pokagon gained recognition in 1994 to restore self government. Due to the decreasing amount of elders, there is a now a program in place to restore the teaching and use of the Potawatomi language. Do not miss this event! See you at the IKES!

Dinner starts at 6:30 P.M. Program starts at 7:30 P.M.

Menu: corned beef and cabbage with the trimmings

Cost: \$9 adults \$5 12 and under

Please call in your reservations by Mon. March 13th at 272-3660. We need an accurate count for the caterer.

Kaine Kanczuzewski

Got a question? Give us a call!

Administration questions (rentals)	232-9357
Clubhouse (info and messages)	272-3660
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Have you renewed your membership?

March 9	Board of Directors' meeting 7:00 P.M.
March 15	Marcus Winchester from the Pokagon Band of the Potawatomi
April 13	Board of Directors' meeting 7:00 P.M.
April 22	Earth Day
April 26	Annual Tree Seedling Give Away



Chief Leopold Pokagon
who negotiated to have his Potawatomi
Band stay in the St. Joe River Valley



A member of the Pokagon Band of the
Potawatomi at a recent Pow Wow