

CHIPPEWA FLOWAGE AREA PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

FALL, 2005 NEWSLETTER

MEMBERSHIP: If you have not already paid your 2005-06 dues, please send them immediately to CFAPOA at PO Box 555, Hayward, WI 54843. (Single membership - \$10. Family membership -\$15) Questions? Please email us at cfapoa@hotmail.com
Deadline - November 1st, 2005

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM DOUG KURTZWEIL

It is with a deep sadness I inform you we have lost our longtime Secretary/Treasurer Mary Kahler. After struggling with health issues more serious than she let on for sometime, on August 30th Mary passed away.

About 12 years ago the CFAPOA was in trouble. Membership was down to around 80, director positions were unfilled, and the treasury was depleted. A meeting was called to officially disband and dissolve the Association. Even though they were still part-time residents of the Flowage Dick and Mary Kahler went to that meeting. Dick volunteered to serve on the Board; Mary agreed to serve as Secretary/Treasurer. Under their stewardship a nearly defunct organization has been transformed. From building cribs to protecting island and nearly everything in between, these two wonderful people have helped lead the CFAPOA to become a vibrant, vital, vigorous advocate to protect this wondrous resource.

Mary gave the last 12 years of her life to the Chippewa Flowage. I am so very grateful for the opportunity to work with her these past 4 1/2 years I have been on the Board. We love you, Mary. We miss you. God speed.

FROM DICK KAHLER

Dear Friends,

Over the past few months, the board and members of the association have been so thoughtful with prayers, cards, food, and financial support.

Words cannot express how thankful I am for everything you have done.

Sincerely,

Dick Kahler

FROM DOUG KURTZWEIL, CFAPOA CHAIR – UPDATE: CHIPPEWA ISLANDS PROJECT

The final phase of the Chippewa Islands Project, the acquisition/protection of Moonshine Island is poised for successful completion. The offer/option to purchase has been accepted and signed. The appraiser has already inspected the property. There is a chance of closing before the end of the year.

Initially it appeared we would have to raise \$150,000 - \$200,000 to make this happen. Discussions I have recently had with the various organizations involved lead me to believe \$100,000 could be enough. Now, \$100,000 seems like a lot of money. And, it is. But we raised \$50,000 in six months to save Big Timber. And, we already have \$55,000 in contributions and pledges for Moonshine Island. We are within \$40,000 of pulling this off!

To everyone who has given, "THANK YOU!" To those who have not yet given, "PLEASE?" Tax-deductible checks can be made payable to: CWRLT/CHIP and mailed to CWRLT/CHIP, P.O. Box 13097 Hayward, WI 54843. Or the check payable to CWRLT/CHIP can be sent along with any correspondence to your CFAPOA at P.O. Box 555, Hayward, WI 54843-0555.

No contribution is too large, no contribution is too small. Every contribution is greatly appreciated. Your grandchildren's grandchildren will join me in thanking you.

PIG AND TURKEY ROAST: On July 10th, the CFAPOA sponsored a Pig and Turkey Roast at the Blue Heron Restaurant. Many local residents and visitors ate heartily and enjoyed live music while participating in the hourly raffles. Over \$8000 was raised for the Islands Project through the raffles, ticket sales, and donations. Many local and regional businesses supported the event by donating items for the raffle. The grand prize winner was Darrel Salzman of Hayward who won the computer donated by Weldon Computers. The 2nd place prize of \$500 of Mohawk carpeting from Hayward Home Center went to Dennis Waystedt of Hayward. 3rd prize, a day of fishing with Guide Wayne Gutsch, went to Jim Wiley of Winter. And the 4th place prize of \$200 cash went to Kurt Scherer of Hayward. A big thank you to all who helped make this event so successful and especially to Rick Marks, of Hayward Home Center and Blue Heron Restaurant, and Gayle Fleming, of the Blue Heron, for all their help!

ANNUAL PICNIC: We enjoyed another beautiful northern Wisconsin day for our annual meeting and picnic last August. As usual, Denny and Ruth Aaron provided us with a wonderful facility and everything we needed for a successful event. The desserts this year were again outstanding and special thanks goes to all who contributed ... Ron Bergman, Barb Clagett, Clare Dombrowski, Barb Downer, Jackie Eckerly, Kathy Eppers, Eileen Griese, Anita Halbleib, Sis Hale, Jean & Jim Hardy, Sharon Heim, Phyllis Hoteko, Patti Jeffords, Marlen Kaiser, Cindy Karstaedt, Suzanne Lang, Linda LeVasseur, Al & Nancy McElroy, Sue Naylor, Kay Ryan, Jean Schieffer, Vicki Schlipper, Arlene Schomber, Elly Seidel, Carmen Sipes, Mary Stebbins, Nancy Stetter, Sherry Wasielewski, Loraine Wenman, and last but certainly not least, Ann and Jeanna Hargass for their Blue Ribbon – Best of Show Cookies at the 2005 Sawyer County Fair cookies! It was a pleasant and informative day and we hope you'll be able to join us next year for this event. An abbreviated version of the minutes from our meeting is on page 5 and 6 of this newsletter.

CRIB BUILDERS' APPRECIATION PARTY: On August 21st, about 60 people gathered at Treeland's for a party jointly sponsored by the CFAPOA and the Chippewa Flowage Resort Owners' Association. This event marked the official celebration of 3500 fish cribs built and placed in the lake. A good time was had by all who attended. A big thank you again to everyone who helped with this project. Special thanks especially to Ken Guerra of TimberLake Resort who chaired the Fish Crib Project for 8 years Paul Ryan, who co-chaired with Ken for 2 years, and Denny Aaron, of Deer Run Resort, who chaired for 2 years.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY: This year's annual holiday party will again be held at the Blue Heron Restaurant located on the corner of County Highways CC and B. Unfortunately, this event is limited to the first 100 persons who send in reservations. Additional information about the event is located at the end of this newsletter.

THANK YOU: Thanks to all Board members for their extra work while Mary was fighting her health battle. Special thanks to Marl Reeder and Carmen Sipes who picked up many of Mary's secretary, treasurer, and membership duties during this time. We are a volunteer organization and without THESE volunteers, we could not function. Thank you!

RECENT BOARD APPOINTMENTS: Doug Kurtzweil will continue to serve as Chair this year. Marl Reeder will be the Vice Chair. Patti Jeffords will serve as Treasurer. Barb Schweig will serve as Secretary.

RESTRUCTURING: In response to the growing number of members who want to be actively involved and a growing list of issues, the Board of Directors has decided to change how it functions. Instead of the Board of Directors doing most of the work on a limited number of issues, Directors will now serve as committee chairs and the committee system of organization will be used to do the organization's business. The following committees and chairs have been approved by the Board and volunteers are needed. If you're interested in serving on a committee, please complete and return the Volunteer Sign-Up form located on the insert of this newsletter. Each committee needs a variety of members with different skills, talents and time availabilities. So, don't be shy. Consider getting involved and then sign-up, if you can. You may, of course, sign up for more than one committee. More committees may be approved in the future. Members are encouraged to contact the committee chair(s) directly if more information is desired prior to signing up. (Committee Chair telephone numbers are listed on page 7.)

COMMITTEE	CHAIR or CO-CHAIRS
Fish Habitat	Nancy Ruhlow & Carmen Sipes
Grants & Funding	John Kaiser & Marl Reeder
Invasive Species	Dennis Clagett
Shoreline Protection	Chuck Block
Social	Marl Reeder & Carmen Sipes
Water Quality	Chris Jeffords

BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED: From time to time, a directorship on the board becomes available between elections. If you'd like to be considered for one of these positions, please indicate this on the Volunteer Sign-Up form located on the insert of this newsletter and return it to us.

SYMPATHIES: We extend our condolences to the family and friends of Jerry Withey, Bettie Clagett, Mel Castenson, Mary Kahler, and Elgin Gunderson. Jerry died on July 29, 2005. Jerry and his wife, Janice, ran the Mill Inn Resort in Hayward for 17 years. After retiring, they divided their time between Wisconsin and Florida. Bettie died on August 11, 2005. Bettie and her husband, Russ, were co-owners of Herman's Landing Resort for 25 years. After retiring they enjoyed many happy years on the Flowage and vacationed annually in San Diego, California. Mel Castenson died on August 29, 2005. Mel and his wife, Phyllis, spent more than 30 years vacationing on the Chippewa Flowage. After retiring, they divided their time between Sycamore (IL) and Wisconsin. Mary died on August 30, 2004. Mary and her husband, Dick, retired to this area 9 years ago from Rockford, IL. Both have been actively involved in the CFAPOA and their church in Hayward. Elgin died on September 28, 2005. Elgin and his wife, Diane, enjoyed many years of traveling and spending time together on the Flowage. Jerry, Bettie, Mel, Mary, and Elgin all loved this area and all will be greatly missed by many.

MEMORIALS: Sometimes we'd like to remember those who have died and are unsure how or where to do this. CFAPOA respectfully accepts donations made in the name of members and friends of the Chippewa Flowage. To make a donation, please send your check and the person's name to CFAPOA, P.O. Box 555, Hayward, WI 54843-0555. The family will be notified of your donation. Current donations, unless you specify differently, will be used for the Moonshine Island Project.

NEW MEMBERS: Please welcome the following new members: Jim & Mary Lou Burns, Gary & Sandy Grundman, Tom Hunter, Mike & Suzanne Lang, Thomas & Debra Malloy, James Montag, John & Connie Piper, John & Diane Sanchez, and Thomas & Bonnie Verway.

BOARD MEMBERS WORKING FOR YOU: Many CFAPOA Board members attend meetings and conferences throughout the year to keep informed of current legislation, local issues, scientific research, and many other topics. We plan to give you more information about their activities in the next few newsletters.

2005-06 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORIES: We hope to have these in the mail to you by December 1st.

EMAIL NEWSLETTERS: Beginning with the next issue if you prefer, we will email your newsletter to you. If you want your copy emailed, please email us at cfapoa@hotmail.com. Please be sure to include your name so we know who you are. This paper reduction action on your part will allow CFAPOA to redirect postage funds to other worthwhile projects.

TOWN OF HUNTER DUMP: Winter hours are now in effect ... 9 am to 2 pm on Saturdays only.

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES – ABBREVIATED VERSION
AUGUST 7, 2005 – DEER RUN RESORT

The meeting was conducted by Chairperson Doug Kurtzweil with approximately 150 members present. The 2004 Annual Meeting Minutes and the 2004-2005 Annual Financial Report were approved. As of January 1, 2005, the CFAPOA had 470 members.

Bylaw Amendments: Two changes were approved to the Bylaws. First, the Secretary/Treasurer position will now be two positions. The Secretary will continue to be an annually elected position while the Treasurer will be an annually appointed position by the Board of Director. Both positions will continue to be paid positions. Second, all payments made by the association will now require at least two signatures. The membership approved the secretary, treasurer, and one other person designated by the Board of Directors as approved signators.

Introductions: Chairperson Kurtzweil introduced all Directors who were present. He explained that Dennis Clagett had been appointed to the Board of Directors after Jack Schlipper's resignation had been accepted by the Board. Dennis was not present at the annual meeting due to his mother's recent death. The Clagett family requested that all memorials in her name be made to the Islands Project of the CFAPOA. Chairperson Kurtzweil also explained that the Kahlers were not present due to Mary's illness.

Elections: Incumbents Chuck Block, Dennis Clagett, Dick Kahler, and Doug Kurtzweil were unanimously elected as continue as Directors for the next three years. Mary Kahler was also unanimously elected as Secretary for another year.

Crib Report: Chairperson Kurtzweil reported that the crib permit from the DNR has been fulfilled. 1500 cribs have been placed in the Chippewa Flowage as the results of the efforts of many people over the years. A Thank You Pizza Party is being held on August 21st at Treeland's for anyone who helped with this project over the years. The party is given by the CFAPOA and the Chippewa Flowage Resort Owners Association. A new chair for this committee is needed. Any property owner interested should contact any board member about his/her willingness to serve.

Chippewa Islands Project (CHIP): Chairperson Kurtzweil thanked everyone for their continued support of this project. He reported that Moonshine Island should be placed in stewardship by the end of 2005 or shortly after the beginning of 2006. The island will cost approximately \$800,000. \$600,000 is pledged by the Knolls Nelson Stewardship Fund and the remaining funds will come from the LCO and CFAPOA. This purchase will mean that Moonshine Island will remain open for public use and also guarantees that it will remain natural and undeveloped in the future.

Walleye for Northwest Wisconsin: George Greenback, board member for WNW, addressed the membership. All monies raised by WNW are used to assist lakes in Sawyer County only. To date, the WNW has donated over \$75,000 for the development of walleyes in our area. WNW donates \$500 annually to the CFAPOA for the electricity to operate the aerator on Crane Lake and they've also donated money to CHIP for the purchase of Big Timber Island and Moonshine Island. Memberships in this organization are available for \$25 (individual) and \$35 (family). They are looking for more members. Applications for membership were distributed. More applications are available upon request.

Department of Natural Resources: Dave Neuswanger, DNR agent, addressed the membership. He complimented the CFAPOA on their exemplary commitment to preserving the fish habitat of the Chippewa Flowage. He explained the change in planning at the DNR. Instead of asking what specific things people want the DNR to do, they are now asking residences to get involved in the development of "visions" for the different lakes. Once the DNR and residents agree on the vision for a lake, the DNR can then take the necessary action to assist that vision. Dave asked the membership to give input at this meeting. The membership agreed and votes were taken on fishing priorities. Dave said the conclusions drawn from this input would be published in the local paper sometime in the future.

Expressions of Appreciation: Jack Schlipper and Paul Ryan were thanked for their many years of service to the CFAPOA as board members. Both received tokens of appreciation from the membership. George Griesmer was thanked for his many years of service as one of the cooks at the annual picnic. George also received a token of appreciation from the membership. And, all the volunteers who helped set up for the meeting and lunches as well as those who brought desserts were thanked.

THE PREAMBLE FROM OUR BYLAWS

The Chippewa Flowage Area Property Owners Association was formed to generally
Promote, encourage and foster the interests of all tax paying property owners.

The major objectives of the Association are:

To keep the Chippewa Flowage area clean and safe for all peoples;

To protect the environment;

To maintain the natural beauty of the Chippewa Flowage area;

To provide a forum for the collection and exchange of ideas

And to pursue any other lawful objectives that may benefit this pristine reservoir.

CFAPOA 2005-2006 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chair Doug Kurtzweil	462-9670	
Vice Chair Marl Reeder	945-2286	Social Committee
Secretary Barb Schweig	945-2340	
Treasurer Patti Jeffords	945-3085	
Chuck Block	266-8800	Shoreland Protection Committee
Dennis Clagett	462-4814	Invasive Species Committee
Chris Jeffords	945-3085	Water Quality Committee
Dick Kahler	945-2491	
John Kaiser	462-3450	Grants & Funding Committee
Nancy Ruhlow	945-2340	Fish Habitat Committee
Carmen Sipes	945-2247	Social & Fish Habitat Committees

The Board is always interested in your comments and concerns.
Please send you questions, suggestions, and statements to:

CFAPOA

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Hayward, WI 54843-0555

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Let your voice be heard!

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Please mark your calendar

- 11/3/05 CFAPOA Board meeting at the Town of Hunter Hall (7 p.m.)
- 12/1/05 CFAPOA Board meeting at the Town of Hunter Hall (7 p.m.)
- 12/3/03 Annual Holiday Party at the Blue Heron Restaurant
(Please bring non-perishable items for the Hayward Food Shelf.)
- 1/5/06 CFAPOA Board meeting at the Town of Hunter Hall (7 p.m.)
- 6/3/06 Annual Spring Fling at Treeland's Resort & Motel
- 8/13/06 Annual CFAPOA Meeting and Picnic at Deer Run Resort
(Please bring donations for the Northwoods Humane Society.)

13th ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY RESERVATION

DECEMBER 3, 2005 ~ BLUE HERON RESTAURANT

5:00 p.m. social hour ~ 6:00 p.m. hors d'oeuvres ~ 7:00 p.m. dinner

Name _____ Phone _____

Total number in party _____ \$25 each. Price includes hors d'oeuvres, tax, and gratuity.
There will be a cash bar.

Please indicate the number requested in each item: _____ Baked Potato _____ Rice
_____ 16 oz. Prime Rib _____ 16 oz. T-Bone _____ Deep Fried Shrimp _____ Broiled Shrimp

Please bring your non-perishable donations for the Hayward Food Shelf. Thank you!
Please check here if you have item(s) to donate for the raffle. _____

Please return this sheet and your check to CFAPOA at PO Box 555, Hayward, WI 54843-0555.
Checks should be made payable to the Blue Heron Restaurant. (Limited to the first 100 people.)

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP

YES, I want to become more involved in the CFAPOA!

Name _____ Phone _____

Email address _____ Availability _____
(fall, winter, spring, summer, all)

Please check your area(s) of interest:

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| _____ Fish Habitat | _____ Shoreline Protection |
| _____ Grants & Funding | _____ Social |
| _____ Invasive Species | _____ Water Quality Committee |
| _____ Board Directorship | |

For more information, please contact the committee chair(s) listed in this newsletter.

Please return this sheet to CFAPOA at PO Box 555, Hayward, WI 54843-0555.

Feel free to duplicate this sheet if more than 1 person wants to volunteer.

You will be contacted directly by the committee chair(s).

