



# CHIPPEWA FLOWAGE AREA PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

*Established 1983*

S U M M E R 2 0 1 3 N E W S L E T T E R

## FROM DOUG KURTZWEIL, CHAIR

Extremely soggy early summer greetings from the shore of our Chippewa Flowage. The temps are more like May than June and I've seen the sun for the equivalent of about 2 days over the last week and a half. I'm dumping a couple inches a week out of the rain gauge and about the only major plant growth I'm aware of is the lawn.

But...wait a minute...it just stopped raining and I think it's starting to brighten up. With the late spring it seems that everything is late. I didn't see 'my' first fawn until June 8. A pair of barred owls are raising a small family in a cavity in a huge aspen on the edge of the yard. They had the 'twins' out and about for a while on the 6<sup>th</sup>. And our rains have actually been quite gentle compared to what folks down south are having to deal with. Much of it is soaking in and that's just great for the groundwater re-charge we need so badly. The weather people say "sunshine" for most of next week. That would make working and playing outside a whole lot more fun. Watch out for the ticks—there's a bumper crop!

An aspect of life that I find most challenging is change. I get familiar with something, get comfortable with it, acquire a decent understanding of the how-and-why of it, etc. Then...it changes. The Department of Revenue computer stuff I have to work with seems different every time I log-in. I have found that the rules governing the process for amending fishing regulations can be changed in the middle of the process. And now your CFAPOA is going through some changes too.

Over the course of years of service, peoples' situations and circumstances change. As we get older we get tired, and then retired, from service, just as from a profession. Those of us who are still working are subject to an economic 'ebb and flow' as well. Come to think of it, lots of retirees are too. So, where is this going?

Your CFAPOA needs YOUR help! There will be between 3 and 5 open seats on the Board of Directors at this year's Annual Meeting. Contact Terry Moe and tell him you're interested. He will fill you in on what's involved in serving on the Board. We won't overload you the first year. It doesn't matter if you're 'new', a 'weekender', a 'snowbird', or a previous Board member. It doesn't even matter if you are quite opinionated because I've gotten away with that for over 12 years. Dennis and Jim need volunteer help badly if we are going to continue the battle against invasives. The more folks pitching-in, the less work any one individual must do. Overloading volunteer Directors is a sure recipe for early burnout. Your CFAPOA needs something more valuable and precious than your money—your CFAPOA needs you and your time!

This is not a bad thing. It's really just amounts to 'growing pains' of the organization. Since the 'role of government' is being reduced in Wisconsin, and the work still needs to be done, who does it? In the Chippewa Flowage community, you and I do, as the CFAPOA! When the islands were at risk, your CFAPOA took on a leadership role. When loose-strife and milfoil threaten, the Purple Patrol and Clean Boats, Clean Waters initiatives of your CFAPOA play a leadership role. When unscientific and arbitrary regulations threatened to destroy the historical balance of the fishery your CFAPOA accepted the responsibility of a leadership role. When governmental agencies choose to do nothing to maintain a walleye population after a series of 'crop failures', your CFAPOA, through the Big Chip Fish Fest, plays a leadership role. All of this success has been achieved by partnering with other groups and their people who love and share and appreciate the Chippewa Flowage just like we do. All of these efforts were started by some, carried on with the help of others, and have been brought to the threshold of completion with the assistance of even more. A good friend has likened the BCFF to a 100 yard dash and the day-to-day management of CFAPOA business to a marathon. I'd go along with that—except—that this marathon is a RELAY. None of us have to do the 26 miles in a stretch. It's more like a quarter mile 'fun run' once or twice a month for as long as you like. It is your CFAPOA. Think about it. Even if you're not sure, give Terry a call. At least check it out.

By the time you see this I hope it has warmed up and summer has gotten here. I saw the owlets again this evening—I am amazed, and a little unsettled, by how comfortable the adults seem to be around me. There is always something really neat going on out there so make sure you take the time to notice it.

Keep being safe, friendly, kind, and thankful. I want to see all of you at the Annual Meeting/Picnic. I have got to ask Ruth about those hotdogs—aren't they fantastic? See you there on August 4<sup>th</sup>.

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

## **CLEAN BOATS CLEAN WATERS**

by Jim Montag



### **If you won't help, who will?**

This is the start of the 4<sup>th</sup> year of our Clean Boats Clean Waters program. We are struggling to find paid CBCW boat landing inspectors. Over the past 3 years, we have never had anyone who lives on the Chippewa Flowage help us, can you help? We are paying \$7.80/hour. We perform 4 hour shifts. It is easy, it is fun...please help keep your Chippewa Flowage free of aquatic invasive species. We monitor the following boat landings; Winter Dam, Hay Creek, CC North, CC South and Chief Lake. Contact Jane Montag at [Jane@HaywardOutfitters.com](mailto:Jane@HaywardOutfitters.com) or 715-558-6677 for more information. Jim Montag, Director, CFAPOA.

## **INVASIVES SPECIES** by Dennis Clagett

As I write this on the 1st of June, the question I wonder *Is it summer yet?* It has been a cold spring indeed. This weather pattern has affected our # 1 invasive species Eurasian watermilfoil. I have checked both Hay Creek and Moss Creek and very little did I find. I must admit that the weather has limited my time on the water, but I'll make that up when warmer.



The late spring will also affect our purple loosestrife problem. I am approximately a month late with the Galerucella beetle rearing bio-control program and it will be a poor year for beetle reproduction. This will put a larger emphasis on the Adopt-A-Shoreline volunteers to do their field work. Let's all be extra vigilant this year as the plants and flowers may be smaller and more difficult to see. I will be checking and talking to volunteers about when the plant flowers and is ready for picking.

The cool spring on the Chip may be a partner in controlling purple loosestrife by shorting the growing season by about a month. The plant is still hardwired to flower by the calendar and this makes for smaller plants and less seeds. This should limit their spread. At least this year. start looking for flowers about mid July. This may be the year to get a leg up on this nasty invader.

We should all be proud of our Adopt-A-Shoreline volunteers and give them recognition for their efforts. If you cannot work your section this year please call me at 715-462-4814 or email me at [rclagett@centurytel.net](mailto:rclagett@centurytel.net). As always, new volunteers are needed and appreciated. THANK YOU!

## **MEMBERSHIP** by Carolyn Fritsch

2013-14 CFAPOA Annual Membership Dues are due August 1st for all members. Annual dues remain just \$25 and may be tax deductible depending on your personal tax status. All members are asked to update your information by completing the enclosed membership form and mail it in the envelope provided along with your check for \$25 dues today.

Also, please consider including an additional donation to one or more of the funds established in 2011. The dues/donation program was introduced following the designation of the CFAPOA as a 501(c) 3 charitable organization. When making a donation, above the \$25 annual dues, members may direct their monies to three established funds; namely, (1) General Fund, (2) Conservation Project Fund and (3) Conservation Trust Fund. Members donating over \$100 may select a gift from the organization. This program is further explained on page 12 and on the enclosed 2013-14 membership form.

Recently a donation of \$500 to the Project and Trust Funds in memory of Galen and Arline Coulson was received from Scott and Judy Coulson and Gary and Diane Coulson of Chippewa Falls, WI. Donations such as this are greatly appreciated and will help to continue the ongoing projects of our organization.

Please join us in welcoming our newest member, Nathan Zapotosky, who lives on North River Road.

## **SOCIAL** by Jackie Eckerly

Sixty members from CFAPOA and their guests helped in welcoming the Annual Spring Fling party held at Treland's Resort on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013. As usual Cheryl Treland did an outstanding job on the array of appetizers and desserts. There was plenty of food for everyone to enjoy. A big THANK YOU goes out to all the people and businesses that helped with the raffle prizes. Their contributions are greatly ap-

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preciated. There was also a 50/25/25 cash drawing. The winner of the 50/25 cash prize went to Mary Lou Hosler. The 1<sup>st</sup> was for \$105.00 and the 2<sup>nd</sup> for \$52.50 for a grand total of \$157.50. She was the lucky winner to win both drawings. The other 25 cash went to June Kucia for \$52.50. A good time was had by all and hopefully we will see you at the Annual Picnic to be held on August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at Deer Run Resort. Again a Big Thank You to Cheryl and everyone who helped us to have a great time. See you there.



## Annual Meeting & Picnic at Deer Run Resort on August 4<sup>th</sup>

10:30 Registration

11:00 Brief meeting including election followed by  
Guest Speaker — Max Wolter (DNR)

12:00 FREE picnic to all members

Dessert donations welcome  
Limited chairs, bring your own if possible

Donations accepted for the  
Northwoods Humane Society &  
Hayward Community Food Shelf



## 2013 WDNR Fisheries Update for the Chippewa Flowage

by Max Wolter, Fisheries Biologist at Hayward Service Center

**Regulations:** Eliminating the early season bass zone for largemouth bass was voted on and passed at the 2013 Conservation Congress Hearings and advanced through the Natural Resources Board. In 2014 largemouth bass of all sizes can be harvested on opening day of the fishing season (smallmouth bass will still be closed until mid-June and will be protected by the 14 inch minimum length limit). Reducing the number of small largemouth bass will be important to achieving fisheries objectives for both bass and walleye on The Chip so we ask that anglers focus their harvest on small (<14 inches) fish.

We will be conducting an analysis of walleye growth rates on The Chip to determine if different walleye regulations (some type of minimum length limit) would be effective in restoring walleye as the dominant species in the system. A regulation change proposal could be submitted this fall.

**Surveys:** The Hayward Fish Team conducted both netting and electrofishing surveys on The Chip this spring, focusing on the west side. Walleye are still fairly abundant in the system but the adult population is mostly made up of large older fish.. The large fingerlings stocked in 2011 and 2012 have not yet reached adulthood but appear to be surviving well and will contribute to the fishery in the coming years. Muskie density on the west side was low but size was very good with many fish in the mid to upper 40 inch range. Pike were abundant with most fish in the low 20 inch range. An analysis of pike growth rates is being conducted and will help us understand what is happening with this species. Largemouth bass numbers are still higher than in the past but do not appear to be increasing from levels seen in recent years. Smallmouth numbers were higher than expected on the west side but did not outnumber largemouth. Crappie are abundant with many keeper size fish present in the 8-11 inch range. Bluegill size is good with many fish over 7 inches. Perch numbers were high but size was poor. With less walleye in the system many small perch are surviving but growing poorly. However, this is an excellent forage base for the walleye that are in the system.

**Stocking:** Hatchery crews did well collecting muskie eggs from the Chippewa Flowage in 2013. The DNR plans to stock back around 3,000 fish this fall which is an increase from recent years. These fish will be PIT tagged to track their growth and survival.

The Big Chip Fish Fest coordinators have permission to stock extended growth walleye fingerlings this fall at a similar rate to previous years. The DNR has also requested extended growth fingerlings from the state hatchery to stock in The Chip.

## **RETIRING CFAPOA DIRECTORS**

On July 31, 2013, three Board members will end their terms on the CFAPOA Board. They are Chris Jeffords, John Kaiser, and Patti Jeffords. Chris Jeffords and John Kaiser joined the Board in 2004 and Patti Jeffords joined in 2005. Many changes have occurred during this time and the Board has accomplished many objectives in furthering the mission of the CFAPOA.

Chris has worn many hats while serving on the Board. He was the liaison person for our association between the Wisconsin Lakes Association as a board member, Sawyer County Lakes Forum as Vice President, and Couderay Waters Regional Land Trust as Vice President. This was an important relationship for the CFAPOA to be informed with lake issues at the county, regional, and state level. For the CFAPOA board, he helped with the chairman establish the committee structures which lead to the present day committees that keep active with fisheries, clean boats clean waters, invasive species, shore protection, social, and financial issues. Chris served on the financial committee that set up membership levels for donations and the endowment for the Conservation Trust Fund as well as the Conservation Project Fund. It was important for Chris that the Board establishes a policy manual for consistent board operations. A policy manual was developed through committee that included policies for board expectations, the electoral process, the website, and the conflict of interest. He, then, initiated the movement for obtaining Directors and Officers Insurance for Board members. With his experience at the state level, his guidance helped to establish the 501(c)3 status after 6 years of board discussion.

Patti served as Treasurer for 8 years and as a director for 1 year. As treasurer, she began electronic banking for the checking account and the Certificate of Deposit accounts. She was instrumental in obtaining the 501(c)3 status for the association in collaboration with Chris Jeffords and Barb Schweig in 2010. This in turn created changes to our membership structure for donations to be tax free for members. During her term, she instituted a budget process and was part of the financial committee that was established to manage the Conservation Project and Trust funds. Patti also has served on the CFAPOA 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee and the social and membership committees.

Chris and Patti Jeffords are lifetime members and will remain involved and support the many activities that are sponsored by CFAPOA.

During his term as Board Director of the CFAPOA, John Kaiser served as Vice President for 2 years and was involved in several committees. He served on the Fisheries Committee, the Financial Committee, and Fund-Raising Committee. John was Co-Chair of the Turkey/Pork Roast in 2005 that raised over \$8,000 to benefit the Chippewa Flowage Islands Project. He Co-Chaired the Conservation Projects Committee in 2007 that raised \$9,750 and the Big Chip Fish Fest (BCFF) event for 3 years. This event has raised approximately \$104,000. to purchase extended growth walleye for stocking into the Chippewa Flowage. In the first three years 64,000 e.g.w. have been stocked, with another large stocking set to take place this fall.

One of John's passions is fundraising, and during his term and in co-chairing events over \$122,000 has been raised. John was the liaison between the CFAPOA and the Lake Chippewa Flowage Resort Association to promote compatible strategies for the conservation and preservation of the Chippewa Flowage. Serving on the Financial Committee, he helped secure the commitment for the Conservation Projects Fund that aids current projects on the Chippewa Flowage.

John and Marlen Kaiser are lifetime members, John said Marlen's steadfast encouragement and involvement contributed significantly to his accomplishments. They will remain involved with the many activities that are sponsored by the CFAPOA.

## **CFAPOA BOARD OPENINGS**

There are five (5) directorships open on the CFAPOA Board. There are three 3 year openings; both of the other two are for 2 years each. If you're interested in more information or would like to nominate yourself or someone else, please contact either Doug Kurtzweil, Chair, or Terry Moe, Vice Chair, at your earliest convenience. The election to fill all five vacancies will take place at the Annual Meeting/Picnic on August 4th at Deer Run Resort.

*Is it time for you to volunteer and help our property owners' association?*

## CFAPOA MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

### 2013-14 Dues are due 8/1/2013

(1) Enter your name(s) and address to appear in the Membership Directory.

Name(s) _____	
<b>Mailing Address</b>	<b>Flowage Address</b>
Street/Box _____	Street/Box _____
City _____	City _____
State/ZIP _____	State/ZIP _____
Phone _____	Phone _____
E-mail _____ (for CFAPOA use only)	

Note: **Annual dues are \$25 due on August 1<sup>st</sup>**; membership runs from 8/1/13 to 7/31//14. Members contributing **more than \$25** may designate how their additional contribution will be used. Each paid membership receives one vote and one quarterly newsletter. Shared property owners requesting an additional newsletter shall pay an additional membership fee. The CFAPOA is a 501(c)3 organization and dues may be tax deductible.

(2) **Membership Level** Please select (X) your level below:

<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<b>Individual/Property</b> - annual dues; receive a thank you
<input type="checkbox"/> \$26-\$99	<b>Contributor</b> – receive a thank you and newsletter recognition
<input type="checkbox"/> \$100-\$999	<b>Steward</b> - receive a thank you, newsletter recognition and a gift from the organization
<input type="checkbox"/> \$1000 and up	<b>Lifetime Conservationist</b> receive a thank you, newsletter recognition, a gift from the organization, and lifetime membership in the CFAPOA

(3) **Additional Contribution (above \$25)** – Indicate below where to apply your donation if you selected Contributor, Steward, or Lifetime Conservationist above.

\$ _____	General Fund (annual operating costs)
\$ _____	Conservation Project Fund (current projects)
\$ _____	Conservation Trust Fund (long term endowment for future projects)

(4) \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Total Enclosed** (\$25 dues + additional contribution, if applicable)

(5) Are you a \_\_\_\_\_ Returning Member or \_\_\_\_\_ New Member?

(6) Are you interested in Volunteering \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

(7) If your check is for more than \$100, please complete the reverse side of this form. Have you indicated where to apply your donation (#3) if your check is for more than \$25 dues?

(8) Have you completed each section? Send check to:

CFAPOA Box 555 Hayward, WI 54843-0555 <i>Note: Thank you for your continuing financial support.</i>
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**STEWARD MEMBER GIFT SELECTION**

Note: There are two levels of Steward Membership

1. Members donating **\$100 to \$499** may select one of the following two gifts (check one):

**(1) Golf Shirt with CFAPOA logo**

Men's Size  S  M  L  XL  XXL  XXXL and

Color  Sage  Navy  Khaki  Forest Green

Women's Size  S  M  L  XL and

Color  Lt. Blue  Navy  Khaki  Forest Green

**(2) Twelve-pack Cooler with CFAPOA logo**

2. Members donating **\$500 to \$999** may select from one of the above or below gifts (check one)

**(3) Wind-shirt with CFAPOA logo**

Men's Size:  S  M  L  XL  XXL  XXXL and

Color:  Navy  Khaki  Forest Green  Grey

Women's Size:  S  M  L  XL

Color:  Navy  Khaki  Forest Green  Grey

**LIFETIME CONSERVATIONIST GIFT SELECTION**

Members **donating \$1,000** or more may select one of the following gifts (check one):

**(1) Three Season Jacket with CFAPOA logo**

Men's Size  S  M  L  XL  XXL  XXXL

Women's size:  S  M  L  XL

**(2) Classic Design, Heavy Duty Denim Shirt with CFAPOA logo**

Men's Size  S  M  L  XL  XXL  XXXL

Women's size:  S  M  L  XL

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Check **one** below:

Will pick gift up at: Hidden Bay Graphics, Hayward, WI, upon notification

Ship to: \_\_\_\_\_,  
Street City/State/Zip

Note: Return this form with your dues and donation no later than October 31, 2013 to:

CFAPOA  
Box 555  
Hayward, WI 54843-0555

## Chippewa Storage Reservoir Forecast

**Elevation as of June 6, 2013:** 1312.57 ft.



**Season of the Year:** Summer 2013

**Typical Summer Target Low Elevation:** 1310.5 ft. (2.5 ft. drawdown)

**2013 Projected Summer Low Elevation:** 1310.0 ft. (3.0 ft. drawdown)

### Comments

- ▶ The lack of precipitation from August of last year through the mid-winter period resulted in reduced inflows into the reservoir and lower than normal elevations during that time period. However, the reservoir refilled this spring from late-season snowmelt and rainfall runoff. Drawdown levels this past winter were conservative with only a 4.3 ft. drawdown (elevation 1308.70 ft.). Significant rains over the last month have increased inflows into the reservoir and allowed for the reservoir level to remain at a normal level while maintaining a high discharge rate from the dam.
- ▶ Reservoir levels returned to the 1312.50 ft. elevation from the winter drawdown on May 4. Ice-out on the reservoir was much later than in 2012.
- ▶ Based on the current reservoir level, inflow rates, and the anticipated needs for water downstream, Xcel Energy intends to draw down the reservoir to elevation 1310.0 ft. (3 ft. drawdown) this summer.
- ▶ If above average precipitation occurs during the summer months and inflows into the reservoir remain high, the target elevation may be adjusted slightly upward. Should drought conditions return this summer, reservoir levels may be reduced due to lack of significant inflow.
- ▶ Current projections are to maintain the reservoir elevation above 1311.5 ft. through the end of June, as long as inflows remain at or above the required minimum discharge flow of 250 cfs. Discharge flow from the dam is currently 1,080 cfs. Should electrical generation needs increase in June due to hot weather or unanticipated power plant outages, additional water could be removed from the reservoir to increase generation at downstream hydro plants.
- ▶ The required minimum discharge (250 cfs) from the dam will be maintained at all times with increases in outflow at times during the summer season for downstream river flow augmentation.
- ▶ Xcel Energy will notify the public in the event that reservoir levels are anticipated to decrease below the 1310.0 ft. elevation.

### Definitions of Seasons of the Year for Operating the Chippewa Storage Reservoir:

Winter: December 1 – March 30

Spring: April 1 – June 1

Summer: June 2 – September 30

Fall: October 1 – November 30

The minimum required elevation of the Chippewa Reservoir is 1297.0 ft. msl



### FISHING & BOATING VIOLATIONS

Please remember, if you see something that you know or suspect is against the law or dangerous, please contact a local DNR warden. Our eyes and calls can assist them in making the Chippewa Flowage a safer and better place for all. All calls are kept confidential.

**1-800-TIP-WDNR**

## RULES, REGULATIONS, AND IRREGULARITIES

by Doug Kurtzweil

We are getting a couple changes in the fishing regulations next May.

After 8 to 10 years of broad, comprehensive effort, we are going to have a normal, catch-and-keep season opener for Largemouth Bass beginning on May 3, 2014. We worked through the Conservation Congress process like we were told to, starting with locally introduced resolutions that were passed and forwarded many years in a row. We endured 2 years of delay while studies were conducted to prove what we already knew—so many small largemouth bass that they were becoming stunted. Another 2 years of ‘experimental’ relief from the 14” size limit to prove to Madison that we could tell the difference between a largemouth and a smallmouth. Four years and 5 statewide ‘advisory’ votes, all with the same resounding positive results finally led to this spring’s “proposed rule change.” It passed by a vote of 2877-1672 (63-37%), was accepted by Conservation Congress and DNR leadership, and approved by the Natural Resources Board on May 22. What a long,...trip it’s been!

We are getting another change too. On May 3, 2014 we are getting motor trolling, with 1 line. Even though the people voted against the ‘3 lines’ trolling proposal in April 2391-2775 (46-54%), and voted NO on 3 of 4 trolling questions last year, Madison chose to push it through anyway. We are getting motor trolling with 1 line, something that wasn’t even on the ballot! What a...,strange trip it’s been!

Following is a ‘letter to the editor’ of the Wisconsin Outdoor News approved by your Board.

Bowling for Trolling...the rest of the story....

Re: “In wake of...trolling”

DNR Fisheries Director Michael Staggs may have exposed his agency, his constituency, and himself at the NRB Meeting on May 22.

As you accurately quoted, he said, “Last year was advisory...but it did pass. This year the county vote exceeded the popular vote.” While these statements are truthful on their face, they tell less than half the whole truth.

At the 2012 WCC Hearings question #75 asked advice on trolling. It passed 1928-1576 (55-45%). What Mr. Staggs conveniently ‘forgot’ to tell the NRB is that his own agency presented and promoted 3 other questions on trolling last year--#s 18, 19, and 20. They sought approval of statewide trolling with 3, 2, or 1 line(s) respectively. They were all voted down, 1379-2258 (38-62%), 1327-2237 (37-63%), and 1420-2127 (40-60%). The ‘county vote’ was 16-56, 14-54-4, and 19-52-1.

This year the people voted ‘NO’ to statewide trolling again 2391-2775 (46-54%) in spite of a vigorous agency campaign. The only way they can say the “county vote exceeded the popular vote” is if they allow 12 votes from Richland County to equal/balance/cancel 92 voters from Washington County. Or 14 votes from Rusk County to do the same number on 61 voters from Sawyer County. Or, 15 votes from either Pepin or Buffalo to do that to 410 voters from Dane County. The 82 ‘votes’ from 6 counties beat 883 votes from 5 counties by 6-5. Mike’s Math. I guess it’s not who votes that counts, or even, who counts the votes, but rather, whose votes count!

Michael Staggs owes the NRB the whole truth. He owes the ‘fisherfolks’ of Wisconsin an apology. And, he probably owes Secretary Stepp his letter of resignation.

Douglas Kurtzweil, Chair  
Chippewa Flowage Area Property Owners Association  
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## **BIG CHIP FISH FEST“CATCHES” A RECORD CROWD**

**article & photos by John Kaiser**

This year's BCFF event featured perfect weather and a record number of attendees, as well as a record number of fish brought in for Sawyer County's largest shore lunch. 709 shore lunches were served -- over one hundred more than last year's event.

Many families enjoyed successful fishing, and hundreds of Northern Pike and Largemouth Bass were brought into the fish registration station for the team of expert fish filleters to process. Each fisherman that donated fish to the event received three tickets per fish for either the kid's or adult fishermen's raffle, which was loaded with fishing gear and tackle.

It was exciting to watch the kids come in by boat with Dad, Mom or Grandpa and Grandma in tow and pile out of the boat with their stringer or net full of fish complete with smiles from ear to ear.

The first 125 children, age twelve or under wearing a "I Helped Stock Walleyes" button received either a tackle box loaded with baits and equipment or a spinning rod with open faced reel. The docks were lined with kids fishing, talking and having a ball.

One of the most popular events of the day is the kids activities, co-chaired by Jody Jorczak and Chris Treland -Neumann, which is sponsored by S.C.O.P.E. with a \$1000 donation for the kids prizes which are all outdoor related. A variety of fun kids games and activities are held to the delight of all the kids and their families. An additional popular activity is kids bait making with retired DNR fisheries biologist Frank Pratt. He helps each child design and make their own bait. It was so popular that he exhausted his significant supply of components.

WRLS radio personality, Scott Klone, entertained the crowd with lively music and games for the kids. The live remote allowed for BCFF staff as well as DNR Area Fisheries Biologist, Max Wolter, to inform the radio listeners of the event's highlights, as well as the purpose of the event and the positive impact the 65,000 extended growth Walleyes already stocked in the "Big Chip" has had it's the fishery.

The shore lunch is always the highlight of the event. Cheryl Treland expertly prepares hundreds of pounds of fish for the huge crowd in her outdoor propane-fired deep fryer, and Don Lessard and his crew prepare his famous Norwegian fish boil over two large wood fires. Denny Reyes' topnotch staff and BCFF volunteers man each food station to keep the lines moving. Marlen Kaiser heads the volunteer dessert staff and this year over 1,150 homemade dessert portions were served to the hungry crowd.

This year's "Bundle" Raffle, headed up by co-chair Rick Marks, featured three raffles: The Grand prize Raffle with all cash prizes for the twenty winners and a top prize of \$1,000 -- the "50/50 Raffle," which this year paid \$1,000 for the first drawn and \$500 for the second drawn -- and the "Sportsman's Raffle," which was loaded with quality outdoor gear, including a kayak, was also very popular.

The "Bucket Raffles," headed up by co-chair, Al McElroy & his wife, Nan is huge. Prizes cover over 100 feet of tabletops, featuring hundreds of grouped fine-quality donations. This raffle and display draws intense interest of those attending.

A new program was introduced this year to honor those who loved the Chippewa Flowage and are no longer with us. A memorial plaque is being created and those honored will have a brass engraved plate on the board with their name and the year honored. To honor someone, donors have multiple choices at different giving levels to "Stock a School of Walleyes." The minimum donation is \$20.00 for 12 Walleyes that will be planted in the fall. Donations can be made at anytime by contacting John Kaiser (715) 462-3450. A donation form will be available in the future on the BCFF or CFAPOA website. *(continued on page 10 & 11)*

This event has grown into one of Hayward's largest events of the year. We cannot thank you enough for your support and all the BCFF volunteers who give so generously of their time and donations, our partners, CFAPOA, LCFRA, WFNW & S.C.O.P.E. The Landing and it's great staff and LCO's tribal government and all the businesses in the Hayward area who donate so generously to our effort.

If you have not attended, you are missing a fun day, and a great meal with family, neighbors and friends. Put Father's Day on your 2014 "must-do" schedule. See you there!



Co-Chair Al McElroy and "Shorty" Mueller, one of the BCFF's big supporters. Steve Kelsey is in the background.



Denny Aaron talks with Don Lessard as Don prepares his famous Norwegian fish boil.



A young successful angler shows off his catch while his Grandmother shows her pride.



Girls like to fish too!



WRLS' DJ Scott Klone and crew entertain the kids with games and the crowd with lively music and updates on the days events. Interviews with BCFF staff are broadcast live on the radio.



Stacy Aaron celebrates Father's Day with her dad Denny by selling raffle bundles with him.



The huge tents were packed with families and friends enjoying a great shore lunch.



The record crowd enjoys a perfect day of fun activities.



Cheryl Treland prepares hundreds of pounds of delicious fresh fried fish from her propane fired super cooker. Jeff Karl (right) is Cheryl's chief assistant.



Co-Chair Rick Marks' mom, Nancy, with Grandsons Jason, Mark & Eric look at the new memorial board. One of the memorials was for Carl Marks, Rick's father, Nancy's late husband.



A Grandpa & Grandson display a big catch of Largemouth Bass.



Denny Clagett with sister Vickie Aves from San Diego, CA at the "memorial board" to honor Barb Clagett, Denny's late wife. Denny & Vickie grew up at Herman's Landing and their old bedrooms are pictures behind them.



*Thank you again for your support of this wonderful event to raise funds to stock walleyes in the Chippewa Flowage! Together, We're making a difference.*



Gift certificates for fishing guides, float planes rides, resort cabins are part of the huge bucket raffle.



A bucket raffle with a spectacular view.

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## CONSERVATION FUNDS

by Chris Jeffords

First established in 2011, the Conservation Fund Program was permanently implemented to provide accounts for donations received since becoming a 501(c)3 tax entity. Monies donated to the various membership level designations (Steward, Contributor, Lifetime) beyond the membership dues of \$25 can be dedicated to one or both of 2 Conservation Funds each with different objectives.

The Conservation Project Fund is designed to fund near term projects. Recently, board actions have approved significant monetary support for the Big Chip Fish Fest. Accumulated donations in this account will continue to be used for board approved conservation projects. Currently this fund stands at \$17,802.

The Conservation Trust Fund is designed similar to an endowment fund, that is, funds accumulated in this account cannot be used for any purpose until the bylaw approved target is achieved. This long term goal of \$200,000 obviously will not be met in the near term. But when achieved at some future date, these funds (or preferably the interest only) can insure resources will be available to help support the continued protection of our Flowage. This account is growing with the total now at \$22,826.

Since becoming a 501(c) 3 organization and initiating both the membership levels and these funds, the Chipewewa Area Property Owners Association board has recognized that these programs are highly successful. So far in the 2012-2013 membership year and thanks to your efforts, \$5002 has been donated to these funds and the general account. Great job!! Please consider a donation to one or more of these funds when paying your CFAPOA dues and completing the 2013-14 Membership Registration on pages 5 & 6.



Let's keep our lake as clean as we are!  
Regular maintenance of your septic system  
is important to us all.  
Please read the enclosed pamphlet carefully.

Looking for a new way to creatively stack your firewood this year?  
Consider these options in your spare time.



# THANKS JOHN, CHRIS & PATTI for all your hard work and fun times over the past years with CFAPOA!



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*CFAPOA is committed to keeping the Chippewa Flowage area clean and safe for all peoples; to protecting the environment; to providing a forum for the collection and exchange of ideas and to pursuing any other lawful objectives that may benefit this pristine reservoir.*



## Please mark your calendar

7/11/13

CFAPOA Board Meeting — 6 pm at Town of Hunter Hall

8/1/13

CFAPOA Board Meeting — 6 pm at Town of Hunter Hall

**8/4/13**

**Annual Meeting & Picnic at Deer Run Resort**



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