



Chippewa Flowage Area Property Owners Association

W I N T E R 2 0 0 7 N E W S L E T T E R

FROM DOUG KURTZWEIL, CHAIR

Winter Greetings from the frozen shores of your Chippewa Flowage. Yes, winter temperatures have finally arrived; all we are missing is adequate snow.

While your CFAPOA has made progress in the past year in protecting the Flowage in a number of ways, much remains to be done. Implementation of the fisheries management plan, combating invasive species, monitoring water quality, protecting near-shore habitat, and now, ensuring we have useable water levels, have required, and will continue to require the time and energy of all of us.

And, like so many of life's endeavors, success also requires cooperation. Whether working with the WDNR, LCO Conservation, town and county governments, or with private groups ranging from Couderay Waters Regional Land Trust, Walleyes For Northwest Wisconsin, Lake Chippewa Flowage Resort Association, and the Wisconsin Association of Lakes to, more recently, Xcel Energy, cooperation is crucial to achieving an acceptable outcome.

We must also cooperate with each other. Among our 386 members families, I'd bet we have at least 3 or 4 different ideas about politics, religions, philosophy, economics, resource management strategies, etc. But as we come together for the good of the Flowage, we should make an effort to "check our ego at the shore." I'm not suggesting we have to work in unison, but rather, in harmony.

Honest differences of opinion are healthy; that's how good courses of action are affirmed and bad ones changed. When I disagree, I try to disagree without being disagreeable. I really appreciate your tolerance when I fail.

If we can continue to work together in this spirit, we will be successful in our mission to "protect" the Chippewa Flowage.

Best wishes for a peace-filled and piscivorous new year!

ISLANDS PROJECT UPDATE by Doug Kurtzweil

I have just received word that the parties intend to exercise their Option to Purchase the Moonshine Island before the end of February and complete the closing within 30 to 60 days thereafter. I am "cautiously optimistic."

The will guarantee the semi-wilderness integrity of the southeast quadrant of our Chippewa Flowage. Even I, will never be able to find enough words to convey to you, my profound appreciation for your encouragement and support of the Chippewa Islands Project over the last 4 years, but you know I'll try. Here's a start:

THANK YOU!

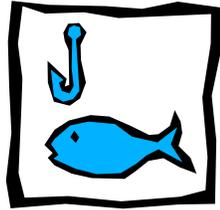
A FEW OF THE 2007 AREA EVENT...

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| 2/17 | Walleyes For Northwest Wisconsin Annual Family Ice Fishing Contest |
| 2/24 | Subaru American Birkebeiner |
| 6/21-24 | Musky Festival |
| 7/20-22 | Honor the Earth Pow-Wow |
| 7/27-29 | Lumberjack World Championships |
| 9/14-16 | Chequamegon Fat Tire Festival |
| 9/22 | Hayward Fall Festival |

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fisheries by John Kaiser & Terry Kinderman

The long-range Habitat & Fisheries Plan for the Chippewa Flowage is scheduled for completion by the area DNR Fisheries Management and Biologists by the end of January. They have asked us for our help, both financially and with volunteer labor, to implement their recommendations. Once the plan is completed, the CFAPOA Board will meet with Dave Neuswanger, DNR's Northwest Regional Fisheries Supervisor, to discuss our level of involvement and how we can align our projects to work for the betterment of the Chippewa Flowage fishery.



Funding Raising by John Kaiser

Our major fundraising venture for 2006 was the CFAPOA Conservation Projects Raffle. Please see pages 10 & 11 for winners and details.

The Board has approved \$1,000 in funding for our members, on a limited first-come basis, to attend the Wisconsin Association of Lakes (WAL) State Convention and Area Seminars to learn more about what affects water quality and habitat. If you are interested, see page 9 in this issue. It is a very enlightening experience all waterfront owners should explore. I, personally, have attended the three-day state convention in April, as well as the regional seminar at Telemark in June at Cable, and was amazed at the variety and depth of the information available. I highly recommend it!



Invasive Species by Dennis Clagett

The new year brings preparations for the battle against Purple Loosestrife on two fronts:

1. A repeat of last year's beetle rearing farm, but with an increase in the number of pots. Each pot will produce approximately 1,000 new beetles that will be released to specific locations.
2. A Program called "Adopt A Shoreline." It is typical for our members to pick up litter etc., around their shoreline. I would like to add an extra task. After identifying a Purple Loosestrife plant, remove the flower heads and dispose of them properly. This will prevent 2 to 3 million new seeds from being introduced into our area. My wife and I have been doing this for the last three years, and we have had marked success.



Please contact me for additional information, if you would like to volunteer for either or both of these plans.

On another note, there is a publication called "Lake Tides" published by the University of Wisconsin-Extension, Stevens Point. It is extremely informative for people concerned with the health of our lakes, and it has articles that concern the Chip. If you would be interested in receiving this free quarterly newsletter, contact me, and I will put your name on the mailing list. My contact information is available on the CFAPOA website and in the CFAPOA newsletter.

2006-07 DIRECTORY These were mailed on 12/3/06. If you did NOT receive your copy, please let us know.



COMMITTEE REPORTS

New Members



Please welcome the following new members: Jason & Sarah (Keyes) Aulizia, Richard Berry, Dave & Lori Branigan, Dan & Martha Hall, Don Heeman & Debbie Ellingboe, John & Evelyn Grothendick, Don & Lois Hensiak, Paul & Stephanie Jeffords, Brian Jeffords, Ron & Jane Klimcke, Jerry & Mary Mannigel, Ron & Mariann Tilton, Donald & Marcia Zeilenga

Shoreline Zoning

by Donna Gilbertson
Notification of two items of interest to members and friends who are property owners was published in the Sawyer County Record, December 6, 2006.

Zoning Change Notification:

Property owners are urged to complete and file with Sawyer County zoning, a single-page, optional "property owners notification registration" form in order to exercise their right to information under Wisconsin Act 208, enacted in March, 2006. Property owners are required to attach a map of the parcel(s) along with the parcel number(s) and zone district, obtainable from the tax statement and zoning department respectively, to the form. The form will "be used by property owners desiring notice of proposed zoning ordinances or proposed amendments to the same that would have the effect of changing allowable uses to their properties". Having the letter on file insures that the county zoning department must notify the property owner by letter of any change in status to their property; prior to this, property owners needed to read zon-



ing changes in public notices. State statutes already require separate notification of construction/changes to properties near you. Bill Christman with Sawyer County zoning recommends that property owners file the form with his department, "if you're a property owner, regardless of where you live, you should be informed of any changes affecting that property. Recommend it? Yes. Encourage it? Yes."

Here is the link to the zoning ordinance online. Look at Section 17.0 for permitted zone district uses. <http://www.sawyercountygov.org/Zoning/Ordinances/ZoneOrd.htm>

A letter of explanation from the Zoning department dated December 8, 2006, further elaborates on the Act and property owner registration.

"Re: 2005 Wisconsin ACT 208 (ACT 208): Notification to Property Owners of Proposed Ordinances/ Ordinance Amendments that may have the Effect of Changing the Allowable Use of a Property.

Dear Property Owner:

The purpose of this letter is to explain the intent of ACT 208. ACT 208 allows a property owner to register with the zoning department to receive notification if a new zoning ordinance is proposed or an existing zoning ordinance, regulation or zone district plan is proposed to be amended, the result of which would change the allowable use of his/her property. Past experience indicates that in Sawyer County it is far more likely that the existing zoning ordinance would be amended, rather than the county adopting a new zoning ordinance.

All properties in the unincorporated areas of Sawyer County are located in one of eleven (11) zone districts [e.g., Residential One (R-1), Residential-Recreational One (RR-1), Agricultural One (A-1), Commercial One (C-1), Forestry One (F-1) etc.]. Each zone district has a specific set of uses as listed in the zoning ordinance. The three categories of use are permitted uses, conditional uses and special uses. The zone district uses can be found in Section 17.0 ZONE DISTRICTS of the ordinance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Shoreline Zoning continued

To relate ACT 208 to an individual property owner, assume that "Sue" has property in the Residential One (R-1) zone district. The ordinance description of the R-1 zone district is attached to this letter. If an amendment is proposed that would change any of the listed uses (e.g., delete "home occupation" as a conditional use) "Sue", if registered with this office, would be notified in writing of the proposed change.

ACT 208 does not apply to other proposed changes to the ordinance that do not affect allowable uses of property. As an example, any proposed changes to minimum setback requirements (e.g., setbacks to lot lines, roads, wetlands, setbacks between driveways etc.) probably would not affect the allowable use of "Sue's" property in the R-1 zone district. One family dwellings could still be allowed with a department permit and schools, churches and public parks could still be allowed with a conditional use permit.

A copy of ACT 208 is available in the zoning office for your review."

Please contact the zoning office if you have any questions or comments. Office hours are 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M, Monday through Friday. The form is available from the Sawyer County zoning dept. PO Box 676, 10610 Main St., Hayward, WI 54843 ph 715-634-8288 toll free 877-699-4110 and should be returned to the zoning department.

Slow-No-Wake Boating on West Fork

A Public Notice was posted in the same issue of the Record by the Town of Hunter regarding a Slow-No-Wake Area Ordinance #2006-01 (adopted November 8, 2006) which went into effect with the posting.

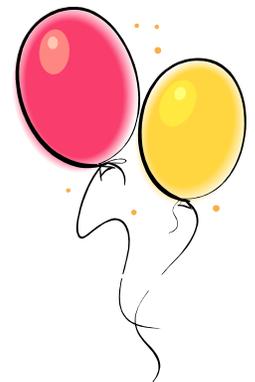
The sole ordinance regulates boating upon the waters of the Chippewa River and prescribes violations of the ordinance. The ordinance applies to the West Fork of



the Chippewa River South of the old Mill Inn Resort and will be enforced by the Town of Hunter. Slow-no-wake is that speed at which a boat moves as slowly as possible while maintaining steering control. *The affected area is the waters of the West Fork on the west shoreline from a point beginning south of the old Mill Inn Resort, running for 1/4 mile north.* The intent of the ordinance is to provide safe and healthful conditions for the enjoyment of aquatic recreation consistent with public rights and interest, and the capacity of the water resources. Penalties are those found in Wis. Statutes 30.80 (<http://www.legis.state.wi.us/statutes/Stat0030.pdf>) and deposits as established in the Uniform Deposit and Bail Schedule established by the Wisconsin Judicial Conference with references to fine amended to forfeitures and all references to imprisonment deleted.

Social by Nancy Ruhlow

The next social event for your consideration is the Spring Fling to be held at Treelands' Resort on Saturday, June 2nd from 4-6 pm. The \$8.00 per person admission covers a beverage of your choice and lots of hors d'oeuvres. Then it's time for the Annual Meeting/Picnic at Deer Run Resort on Sunday, August 5th from 11:00 am until? This one's on the CFAPOA with free brats, pop and beer. There will be more information concerning these two events as the time draws nearer. Please come out and enjoy these events. It is a good way to meet new people who are all Flowage supporters and maybe make some new friends (not that the old are bad friends).



SAWYER COUNTY LAKES FORUM (SCLF) QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP NEWS QUARTER 4, 2006

The fall membership meeting of the Sawyer County Lakes Forum was held September 9, 2006, at the Stone Lake Lions Hall. After the routine roll call, reading and accepting of the spring meeting minutes, and treasury report, the election of board members was conducted. Returning and elected to a 2 year terms was Dale Anderson (Nelson Lake). New board members also elected to 2 year terms were Tom High (Winter Lakes), Phil Nies (Lac Courte Oreilles), Richard Conger (LCO), Chris Jeffords (Chippewa Flowage) and Tom Rehfeldt (Spring Lake) completed the process with election to 1 year terms. Current board members Waldo Asp (County Line Lake), Chuck Block (Chippewa Flowage), and past president Bruce Meyers (Clear Lake) round out the new SCLF Board of nine.

In other business, dues were set at \$20 for organizational members and \$10 for associate members (those without lake organizations). An application form is included reminding all lake associations of the 2007 rates now due. Motions were also made and passed to petition Sawyer County for prohibiting phosphorus fertilizers, SCLF representation at County Zoning meetings, addressing the issue of class 4 Wilderness Lakes, and support for various amendments to the shoreline zoning rules.

Guest speaker Camille Zanoni, Director of Member Relations for the Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin then presented the Conservation Endowment Program and the Besadny \$1500 grant match Conservation Grants Program. Both of these programs can provide financial support for lake associations and the information were well received. Anyone wanting further information can contact board members for details or brochures.

Following the membership meeting, officers for the SCLF were elected. They are Waldo Asp, President; Chris Jeffords, Vice President/Acting Treasurer; Tom Rehfeldt, Secretary.

Your SCLF team has been very active since the election and there are many projects on their plate. Letters of support or comment have been written on the county forest lands purchase, new fishing tourney rules/fees, and Spider Lakes Eurasian water milfoil grant. We have committee members attending zoning meetings, neighboring county lakes group meetings, the local land trust organization (Couderay Waters Regional Land Trust) and various workshops/seminars in the area and state. Members are also serving on countywide committees for class 4 lakes and new fencing regulations.

In the near future we will be taking on several new priorities for both the DNR and the Sawyer County Land and Water Conservation Department. After meeting with both of these departments, a list was created to address base data for shorelines similar to the Grindstone study, Star Home project postings, and milfoil/loosestrife patrols and information packets to new shoreline homeowners. More information on these projects will be presented by the Sawyer County Land and Water Conservation Department at the Spring SCLF membership meeting. That meeting will be held May 19, 2007. Mark your calendars for this special presentation.

Lastly, and possibly most important, is communication. We have several projects in the works that we hope can keep members up to date and provide opportunity for input and help on a routine basis. Our quarterly board meetings will be held at locations throughout the county to make it easier for all to attend. Our next meeting February 15, 2007, will be held at 10:00 a.m. in Hayward at a site to be determined soon. We are updating and keeping current the SCLF website, an important communication tool and further source of timely information. And finally, this newsletter will be sent to all paid member lake associations and associate members following the quarterly board meetings and posted on the website.

As you can see, we have a lot to accomplish and can use all the help we can get. To become involved with the protection of our resources on a countywide basis and be an important part of the solution for the future, contact any board member or Waldo Asp, (715) 354 7450.

A Letter from Xcel Energy: Xcel Energy management has responded to our request to further clarify the role of the Chippewa Flowage for power generation. Below is the initial information while routine communications are expected in the future.

Chippewa Flowage Area Property Owners Association:

Providing electricity to residents of Sawyer County and northwestern Wisconsin is an important job and one that we enjoy and take seriously. It requires the dedicated work of hundreds of employees who work to ensure that our communities have reliable electricity when they need it, at the flip of a switch.

In October, we had the opportunity to discuss the history and operations of our Chippewa Storage Reservoir, also known as the Chippewa Flowage, at a meeting in Hayward. Thank you to all the property owners and local residents who attended and participated. A special thank you to Cheryl Treland of Treland's Resort who was instrumental in arranging and facilitating the meeting. We appreciate the opportunity to speak with you regarding these issues and look forward to working with you in the future.

As you know, the Chippewa Storage Reservoir is a critical fuel source for hydroelectric power in Wisconsin. In 1923, the Chippewa/Winter dam was constructed to hold back water on the Chippewa River and use that water for electricity generation in the state. The 17,000 acres of water behind the dam in the reservoir is actually the "fuel" that is used to turn turbines at six Xcel Energy-owned power plants downstream. These power plants generate 192 MW of clean, renewable electricity – enough to power 190,000 homes. While the reservoir also provides significant recreational benefits, in addition to flood protection, its primary purpose is a fuel source for hydroelectric power. By using a renewable resource such as water, we reduce the need to use non-renewable fossil fuels, such as coal and natural gas, to meet the needs of our customers.

The ongoing drought in northwestern Wisconsin, particularly in the Chippewa Storage Reservoir watershed, has been a concern to everyone in the community. This drought affected our ability to generate electricity at our hydro plants, particularly during the high demand months of August and September. During that time, we needed to use a greater than normal amount water in the reservoir to maintain generation at our power plants, meet the electricity needs of our customers and protect aquatic organisms by maintaining a minimum flow of water. Unfortunately, normal historical precipitation never materialized and the water elevation in the reservoir dropped below 1310 ft. impacting many property owners' use of the reservoir. While it is our practice to keep the reservoir at or above an elevation of 1310 ft. during the summer season, a low-flow contingency plan for the downstream river exists, and was implemented, to deal with the extremely dry conditions we faced.

After discussions with many of you, and a full review of our operations, we understand that there are things we would do differently if these conditions occurred in the future.

- ***Understand impacts of low water elevations on recreational users of the Chippewa Storage Reservoir when making operational decisions.*** *This is something we did not do this past summer. Our decisions to continue to draw down the Chippewa Storage Reservoir were based on our need to provide water for electricity generation and maintain minimum flow on the river during a low-flow period. We did not account for the impacts this may have on the recreational users of the reservoir, especially after Labor Day. When we were notified of these impacts, we were able to modify our operations. It is our intention to use the 1310.0 ft. elevation as the target summer minimum level. If we plan to go beyond this level in the future, that decision would first be communicated with the local community.*

- **Evaluate historical rainfall patterns during abnormal conditions.** *This summer we relied on our historical rainfall patterns to make operational decisions regarding the drawdown of the reservoir, assuming we would see “normal” precipitation and the reservoir would “refill.” That never occurred and we still face an extreme lack of precipitation for the season going into 2007. We intend to be more conservative with maintaining the elevation of the reservoir during these low precipitation periods.*
- **Actively communicate with local residents.** *Due to a number of factors, we have not been proactive about communicating with property owners and local residents about the water elevations of the reservoir. We are committed to doing this and will work with your organization to assure that there is two-way communication between Xcel Energy and the community.*
- **Provide routine operational updates on the reservoir.** *Beginning with this issue of this newsletter, we will provide quarterly updates on our operations of the reservoir. In addition, we will explore ways to work with you to use your website to present information in a timely fashion.*

While this is not the first time the reservoir elevation has been lowered below 1310.0 ft. during the summer months, it happens infrequently, and adequate communication with the local community was absent. We have a long history in this area and are committed to its continued success. We believe that by working together through an open dialogue we can better understand one another and balance the needs of all.

Chippewa Flowage Storage Reservoir Forecast from Xcel

Elevation as of December 11, 2006: 1310.43 ft.

Season: Winter 2006-07 (December 1 – March 30)

Typical Winter Low Elevation: 1308.0 ft.

2006-07 Projected Winter Low Elevation: 1309.5 ft.

Comments

- Based on the current reservoir levels and the continued drought conditions in the Chippewa River Basin, Xcel Energy intends to take a conservative approach to management of the reservoir this winter to increase the chances of refilling in the spring.
- Projected 1309.5 ft. elevation is based on minimal winter snowpack levels and reduced inflows to the reservoir.
- Discharge flows from the dam will be maintained at or slightly above minimum levels (~250 cubic feet per second) until late-January or early-February.
- Xcel Energy intends to re-evaluate the reservoir level and snowpack in late January or early February 2007 to determine if a new forecast of the projected draw-down level is necessary due to significant snowpack accumulation or inflow changes.

WATER LEVEL COMMITTEE by Chuck Block

The Xcel Water Level Committee met at the Hunter Town Hall on December 19, 2006. Rob Olson, the spokesman for Xcel conducted the meeting and reiterated that Xcel would be more sensitive to the Chippewa Flowage community and would try to communicate with everyone more effectively. However, once questions were taken from the committee members in attendance, Rob Olson stated that when Xcel determines the need to draw water out of the Chippewa Flowage again, they would do so.

Rob Olson did not seem to think that more meetings were needed, but the general consensus of the people in attendance expressed a concern that communications may not be improved if the committee did not meet again. After hearing these concerns, Rob Olson said that they may call another meeting around the middle of March to discuss the water level concerns when the snow run-off may be more accurately assessed.

HOLIDAY PARTY by Nancy Ruhlow

The 14th Annual Holiday Party was held on December 2nd at 6 pm at DC's on CC (formerly the Blue Heron). 88 members attended and had from a really good to an almost "too much fun" evening. Diane Collins (the new former owner) and her staff were friendly, efficient and served us all delicious meals. Diane has graciously offered us a return engagement for the '07 party.

In all, about 30 door prizes were awarded after dinner. (Please see the list in the Thank You section of the newsletter. Hope we didn't forget anyone.) Roman Woroby won the much-coveted Elly Seidel handmade afghan. As an aside, Roman happens to be Elly and Ron's next door neighbor. Thanks to everyone who brought, arranged for or made the door prizes. Also thanks to John Kaiser, Marlen Kaiser and Carmen Sipes. John MCed, Marlen collected and "prettied up" some of the prizes and Carmen and Marlen distributed the gifts to the winners.

Thanks also to everyone who brought donations for the Hayward Food Shelf and Northwoods Humane Society. The food donations totaled 32 pounds. A variety of items were collected for the Humane Society ranging from dog/cat food to cleaning supplies to checks. Both organizations asked that we pass on their big thank you to you.

MUTUAL SUPPORT Many businesses, on and off the Chippewa Flowage, show their support of CFAPOA by donating prizes for our parties and fund raisers. Please show your support of them by frequenting their businesses. Please let them know we appreciate their support. Thanks!



**Good Luck
Birkie skiers
& workers!
Saturday
February 24th**

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Thank you to the following individuals and businesses who have generously made donations to the CFAPOA.

14th Annual Holiday Party

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| Clare Dombrowski | Nancy Ruhlow |
| Deloris Gilmer | Kay Ryan |
| Ken & Judy Guerra | Ernie & Pat Potter |
| Wayne Gutsch | Marl Reeder |
| Anita Halbleib | Arlene Schomber |
| Al Hixson | Dave & Pat Schommer |
| Chris & Patti Jeffords | Barb Schweig |
| Chip & Holly Kaiser | Jackie Seddon |
| John & Marlen Kaiser | Elly Seidel |
| Sharon Kirby | Carmen Sipes |
| Bill Michalsen | Dianne Wilke |

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| Charlie's Fine Food & Spirits | |
| Chief Lake Lodge | Mobil Outpost |
| Drake's Taxidermy | Naylor's Auto Repair |
| Hayward Barber Shop | North Star Company |
| Hillman's Store | Salon Soleil |
| Jenk's Bait & Tackle | Timberlake Lodge |

General Fund

Mike & Julie Lensing

Moonshine Island Project

Ken & Judy Guerra &
The Friends of Timberlake & Chippewa Flowage
Bob & Lois Olson *
Nancy Ruhlow & Barb Schweig

Moonshine Island Project

In memory of Robert M. Odell
Emily Odell Peterson

* Special recognition goes to Bob and Lois Olson for their extremely generous donation to the Moonshine Island Project. Their generosity was exemplary and we sincerely thank them for it!

LAKES CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

by Chris Jeffords

The Chippewa Flowage Area Property Owners Association Board is pleased to announce a new program designed to assist interested members to learn more about recent techniques that help protect our great resource. The Lakes Conference Scholarship Award will reimburse \$300 each to 2 lucky winners who would like to go to the Wisconsin Association of Lakes Annual Meeting on April 26, 27 and 28, 2007. This covers both the 3 day entry fee and anticipated hotel room for those dates and will be reimbursed upon submitting receipts. Transportation and food are not covered. Winners will be drawn from those entry forms received by February 28, 2007.

The 29th Annual Wisconsin Lakes Convention is at the KI Convention Center/Regency Suites in Green Bay. The convention theme, "Agents of Change," will focus on ways to be a force for positive change in your lake community. Keynote speakers will address the theme, and you will get hands-on details on how to be an effective agent of change in your choice of many breakout sessions. Learn how you can work with others to solve issues in your community. Discover ways to effectively reach and influence legislators and other decision-makers. Find out how other individuals and lake organizations have accomplished successful, influential projects, and how you can achieve the same results.

The convention will cover a wealth of information on lakes and lake issues such as management and science, lake organization management, wildlife and fisheries, and aquatic invasives. On Thursday of the convention, workshops and field trips will be offered. Friday and Saturday will feature plenary sessions, breakout sessions, special meetings, and entertainment. Many board members have attended these conventions in the past and highly recommend the informative sessions. Details can be found at the website: <http://www.uwsp.edu/cnr/uwexlakes/conventions/> or contact a board member. Make sure to fill out the scholarship application form on page 13 and submit by February 28, 2007.

CFAPOA 2006 RAFFLE by John Kaiser

CFAPOA 2006 RAFFLE

Our spring, summer, and fall Conservation Projects Raffle concluded on Friday, December 8, 2006. There were 13 prizes listed on the ticket and, by the raffle deadline, another 14 prizes had been donated. The drawing was held at DC's on "CC," formerly The Blue Heron Restaurant. The drawing was attended by over 25 board members and prospective winning ticket holders. All the tickets were placed in a large tumbler and mixed repeatedly. The drawing of the grand prize was first so everyone had an equal chance – then first through 27th drawn in order. To increase the drama, winners were announced starting at 27th and culminating with the \$1,000 cash grand prize winner. Sixteen of the 27 winners were CFAPOA members, and two were related to members.

Our **Thanks!** go out to you for your tremendous support. Hundreds of tickets were purchased by you from the tickets mailed with the newsletter. Board members and member volunteers erected tent booths and sold tickets at the Musky Festival, Art Fair at Shues Pond, Marketplace IGA, Wal-Mart, Hayward's Fall Festival, and the Stone Lake Cranberry Festival. "Big Chip" resorts helped out and board members personally sold hundreds, if not over 1,000, tickets. The final tally is in. \$9,750 in raffle tickets were sold; and, after expenses, funds available for our Conservation Projects on the Flowage total \$7,200. A special thanks to all the area donors whose contributions made the raffle attractive and very successful.

The winners and prizes are listed on the next 2 pages. Congratulations!



2006 CFAPOA RAFFLE WINNERS

PLACE/TICKET	PRIZE	WINNER
Grand Ticket #611	\$1,000	Tim Harris Stillwater, MN
1st Ticket #1311	\$500	Phil & Irene Gerloff (CFAPOA) Hayward, WI
2nd Ticket #764	\$500 Hayward Home Center gift certificate	Charlie Johansen Hayward, WI
3rd Ticket #1127	Diamond Ring from Reeder's Recess Resort	Robert Bartman (CFAPOA) Streator, IL
4th Ticket #1606	Earrings from Anthony's Jewelry	Terri Thomas (CFAPOA) Hayward, WI
5th Ticket #349	Muzzleloader from Shooting Star Archery & Coffee	Dwayne & Cathy Gormanson Hayward, WI
6th Ticket #405	Guided Fishing Trip with Randy Gutsch	Jim & Sue Fox (CFAPOA) St Paul, MN
7th Ticket #613	\$250	Barbara Wentland (CFAPOA) Antigo, WI
8th Ticket #325	Custom Built Walleye Rod from Northland Custom Rods (Doug Tripamer)	Frances Schweig Lombard, IL
9th Ticket #163	Northland Custom Built Walleye Rod from Terry & Bobbi Kinderman	Larry Alexander (CFAPOA) Wales, WI
10th Ticket #1881	\$100	Jim Montag (CFAPOA) Winter, WI
11th Ticket #386	\$100	Ryan Hansen Hayward, WI
12th Ticket #90	\$100	Brian & Sibley Pauling (CFAPOA) Tulsa, OK
13th Ticket #1536	Cordless Desktop Keyboard & Mouse from Weldon Computers	Leonard Dorazio (CFAPOA) Vernon Hills, IL

MORE 2006 CFAPOA RAFFLE WINNERS

PLACE/TICKET	PRIZE	WINNER
14th Ticket: #653	\$20 DJ's Dock gift certificate & Sweatshirt from D & B Bait, Inc	Brian & Sibley Pauling (CFAPOA) Tulsa, OK
15th Ticket #1418	\$40 Chief Lake Lodge gift certificate	John Francois (CFAPOA) Chisago, MN
16th Ticket #717	LeLure Bait from Darrel Weihert & \$25 Nelson Lumber & Design gift certificate	Ron Schreiber Hayward, WI
17th Ticket #1149	\$20 Meat Palace gift certificate & Engraved Wooden Plaque from David Schacht	Harlan Jeffords Palm Bay, FL
18th Ticket #1160	\$25 Nelson Lumber & Design gift certificate & 2 Banana Baits from Wayne Gutsch	Duane Clark Arlington Hts, IL
19th Ticket #579	\$20 Meat Palace gift certificate & Sweatshirt from Timberlake Lodge	Harold Treland (CFAPOA) Hayward, WI
20th Ticket #827	\$25 Wild River Road & Trail gift certificate & 18" pizza gift certificate from Ray-Jay's	Terry Taylor Eau Claire, WI
21st Ticket #299	\$25 Tally Ho gift certificate	Ron Seidel (CFAPOA) Couderay, WI 54828
22nd Ticket #1726	\$25 Tally Ho gift certificate	Roman Woroby (CFAPOA) Couderay, WI 54828
23rd Ticket #1045	Wood Duck House from Hayward Feed & Seed	Drake Williams (CFAPOA) Hayward, WI
24th Ticket #338	Bird Feeder (made by Bill Meiser) from Treeland Resorts & Denim shirt from Timberlake Lodge	Stew Bell Washington, IA
25th Ticket #504	Bird Feeder (made by Bill Meiser) from Treeland Resorts & Denim shirt from Timberlake Lodge	H. Becker Cameron, WI
26th Ticket #311	\$20 DC's on CC gift certificate & Waffle weave shirt from Timberlake Lodge	Harry Smith (CFAPOA) Couderay, WI
27th Ticket #672	\$20 DC's on CC gift certificate & Waffle weave shirt from Timberlake Lodge	Darlene Schofield Hayward, WI

CFAPOA WEBSITE REPORT There's been over 51,000 hits on our website this past year. We hope you've enjoyed the ability to get a color version of the newsletter online and many of the other features offered. We are currently working to include quarterly level forecasts from Xcel as well as daily water levels or weekly actuals. If we can do it, this information should be especially helpful to those not living here year round. We continue to look for new ways to improve the site and welcome your suggestions.



SYMPATHIES We extend our condolences to the family and friends of Shirley Lehmann who died on November 13, 2006. Shirley lived with Harry Smith on the Flowage for the past 10 years. Those who knew her will miss her sense of humor, gentle manner, and love of life.

We also extend our condolences to the family and friends of 2 former members of CFAPOA, Peg Jeffords, who died on December 22, 2006, and Fred Pieroni, who died in October, 2006. Peg and her husband Harlan "Jeff" were members of the association from 1990 to 2005 and enjoyed many years together here. Fred and his wife Polly were also long time members and spent many years fishing and enjoying life in the Northwoods.

MEMBERSHIP We currently have 386 members. New and returning members are always welcome. Please feel free to share the application form in this newsletter with anyone who lives within 2 miles of the Chippewa Flowage who's interested in joining. The membership application form can also be found online at www.cfapoa.org Just click on "JOIN."

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PLEASE STAY IN TOUCH We're always interested in your opinions and comments. Contact us anytime at cfapoa@hotmail.com OR www.cfapoa.org OR CFAPOA, PO Box 555, Hayward, WI 54843-0555. And, please remember to let us know of any change in your addresses, phone numbers or email address.

MEMORIALS CFAPOA respectfully accepts donations in the name of members and friends of the Chippewa Flowage. To make a donation, just send your check and the person's name to us. The family will be notified of your donation. Current donations will be used for the Islands Project, unless specified differently by you.



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Please share with a friend or neighbor!

CHIPPEWA FLOWAGE AREA PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

2006-07 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Please print or type)

Name(s) _____

Home Street Address _____

Home Town, State & Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Local Phone _____

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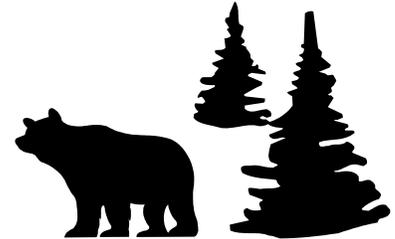
Local Area Town, State & Zip _____

Please return this form and your check to:

CFAPOA

PO Box 555

Hayward, WI 54843-0555



CFAPOA LAKES CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(Please print or type)

Name(s) _____

Home Street Address _____

Home Town, State & Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Email _____

_____ YES! I'm interested in attending the 2007 Wisconsin Lakes Convention—"Agents of Change: We Make a Difference" at the Ki Convention Center in Green Bay April 26-28th.

Return this form to:

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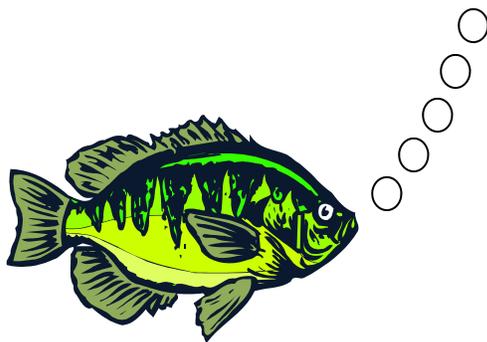
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Application deadline: February 28, 2007

Scholarship recipients will be notified after March 1, 2007.

CRANE LAKE AERATION PROGRAM

Each year we join the Lake Chippewa Flowage Resort Association and Walleyes For Northwest Wisconsin in paying the power bill for the aerator on Crane Lake. Earlier this month, Patti Jeffords, CFAPOA Treasurer, presented the WDNR with a check for \$500 for this project. Our contribution helps defray the electrical cost of operating the aerator during the winter months. According to WDNR fisheries personnel, the aerator project "saved" Crane Lake two years ago.



WALLEYES FOR NORTHWEST WISCONSIN by Doug Kurtzweil

WFNW is a local organization that has been very good to us here on the Flowage. They have contributed at least \$500 annually to help pay the electric bill for the aerator on Crane Lake. They have given generously to the Chippewa Islands Project. Their major source of funds is the Annual Family Ice Fishing Contest anchored at the Highway K boat landing on Big Lac Courte Oreilles. This year's event is on Saturday, February 17th from 9 a.m. to 3 pm. Raffles, drawings, food, and fun. Hope to see you there.

WANTED: SPIRIT OF THE EAGLE PRINT

If you have a copy of the Spirit of the Eagle print sold to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Chippewa Flowage that you're interested in selling, please contact Randy Armsbury at 715-462-3055.



Please mark your calendar

- 2/1/07 CFAPOA Board of Directors Meeting at Town of Hunter Hall (6 pm)
- 3/1/07 CFAPOA Board of Directors Meeting at Town of Hunter Hall (tbd)
- 4/5/07 CFAPOA Board of Directors Meeting at Town of Hunter Hall (tbd)
- 5/3/07 CFAPOA Board of Directors Meeting at Town of Hunter Hall (tbd)
- 6/2/07 CFAPOA Spring Fling at Treeland's Resort (4-6 p.m.)**
Donations accepted for the Northwoods Humane Society.
- 6/7/07 CFAPOA Board of Directors Meeting at Town of Hunter Hall (tbd)
- 7/5/07 CFAPOA Board of Directors Meeting at Town of Hunter Hall (tbd)
- 8/2/07 CFAPOA Board of Directors Meeting at Town of Hunter Hall (tbd)
- 8/5/07 CFAPOA Annual Meeting & Picnic at Deer Run Resort**
Donations accepted for the Northwoods Humane Society or the Hayward Food Shelf.

tbd = to be determined. Please contact any Board member for the time of this meeting.