

President's Report

Welcome members; welcome Spring!

On Saturday, March 18th we held our first service project of 2017. This was the building of two loon platforms held at Locher's Garage. This was well publicized as a club project; so where was the club? You'll have to tolerate my coverage of this event - or you may have read Wally Geist's article in the "Vilas County News Review".

The adventure began when Fred received the instructions and supply lists from Anne Small, project coordinator. Fred then attempted to pre-order said items from Menards to be picked up on Wednesday, March 15th. However, when we got to will call, they had only a small box ready. We then circled the lot with an employee to find the rest which did not work. We went back to will call & 3 more employees retrieved the remaining items. We then had to wait for an inspection of said items even though said employees had just put them in our truck. The next day Fred went to Howard Brothers Plumbing to pick up the black ABS pipe that had to be special-ordered. Just one more example of the time commitment that Fred & I put into this club!

Fred then pre-cut what he could and on Saturday our loyal crew of Anne Small, Cora Mollen, Marv Anderson and Fred worked for 3 hours to finish one platform and nearly complete the second while both Wally and I took pictures. The finished project is so impressive - with all those various parts so skillfully put together & no mistakes made! Marv Took the finished one for Found Lake. Fred will complete the 2nd one. Be sure to check out the pictures as this was a worthwhile project.

I don't want to alienate anyone, but I feel it's once again necessary to push for member participation. Our elected officials, both on the national and the local levels have moved to de-fund and de-regulate measures that protect the environment, wildlife, waters and shorelines. It is now up to citizen volunteers to be the watchdogs of our universe (maybe a little over-dramatic), as our economy is also impacted. Groups like ours are key and your participation is necessary. Please get involved.

It's time to check your various scheduling devices as the proverbial sign-up sheets are now ready. Remember, you can call or email me (71-542-3658/fglocher@gmail.com) to sign up - or better yet, attend our meetings where you can view all these sheets first-hand and be entertained by our cool programs.

Our next meeting/program will be on April 27th featuring the topic, "Foxes". We need raffle and snack volunteers. This is also our Annual Meeting, so come to vote for next year's Board. Watch for an email prior to the meeting for the slate, you'll also be able to make nominations from the floor.

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NEXT MEETING
Thurs., April 27
7:00 PM

St. Germain Community Ctr

PROGRAM
"Foxes"

Licia Johnson, Discovery Ctr

Refreshments & Raffle Sales
Please contact Laura to sign up
715-542-3658

BOARD MEETING
Thurs., April 27
6:00 PM

St. Germain Community Ctr

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Next we have our first Hwy 70 clean up on May 3rd. You can sign up at the meeting or give Karen Anderson a call (715-542-3946).

The chili potluck follows on May 25th, when as usual we'll need batches of chili, shredded cheese, sour cream, crackers, Fritos and desserts. You know the drill: call or email me or sign up at the meeting.

Finally, the flea market starts up again on May 29th with the usual two shifts. Our amazing prize will be unveiled at April's meeting, one more reason to attend. We are also working on having new club tees printed, as well as camo mesh caps.

Also, a reminder that it is membership renewal time. We have included the membership form in the newsletter for your convenience. If your 'Membership Year' (listed either in this email or above your mailing label for snail mail recipients) is listed as 16/17 or older, it is time to renew. Please note the new membership levels. As always, we sincerely appreciate your support and generosity.

Hopefully we'll get some sun and warmer temps so we can enjoy our beautiful Northwoods and remember to stay wild and participate-participate-participate.

Laura Locher, President

We want to say a big THANK YOU to the McGill family for doing their spring trash pickup along County C in honor of the Sayner-St Germain Fish & Wildlife Club. Mike, Kelly and family pick up trash several times as a way to help out since they aren't able to make the official Club trash pick ups. Kelly mention that there was less trash this year, but a large amount of fast food packaging, cigarette butts, and drinking straws. At the right is a photo of Matt and Mike McGill with the trash that they picked up. The white bags are filled with recyclables, black bags garbage.



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM



Mail and make checks payable to: SAYNER-ST. GERMAIN FISH & WILDLIFE CLUB, INC
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In an effort to save time, money and resources, we would appreciate if you include your email address so that we can send the monthly newsletter via electronically. Thanks!

Please print carefully:

Name _____

Spouse's Name _____

Email Address _____

Mailing Address _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Rec'd by _____ Date Pd _____

Basic Dues: Household \$15
 Individual \$10

Sponsorship*: Nova \$50-100
 Super Nova \$101-200
 Brightest Star \$201+

Total Amount Enclosed = \$ _____

**Sponsorship levels include membership and a special club gift.*



Above left: Fred Locher and Marv Anderson gluing PVC pipe frame for loon nesting platform. Above right: Cora Mollen, Marv Anderson, Anne Small and Fred Locher with completed loon platform.

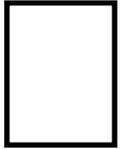
Highway 70 Cleanup

May 3rd at 9 am
 (Rain date May 4th at 9 am)
 Meet at St Germain Community Park Lot

Sign up to help with the cleanup of our 2-mile adopt-a-highway segment along Highway 70. Please call Karen Anderson at 715-542-3946.

Community Dollars Program at St Germain Sentry:

Every time that you shop at Sentry, write our club's code (CD14) on the back of your receipt and deposit in the bin on the service counter. The store generously donates a portion of those sales to our club.



WILD FOR RECIPES



Farro Spring Salad—from Laura Locher

(farro is an interesting chewy grain. Mine was from Bob’s Red Mill Brand)

Prepare 1-1/2 cups of farro according to package instructions (bring 1-1/2 cups farro alone with 3 cups of water to boil with 1 tsp salt, then simmer @ 30 minutes until al dente)

Drain and put into a medium serving bowl.

Add 3 T olive oil and 3 T or more lemon juice and adjust the seasoning to your taste.

Next add a 1/2 cup each of the following: shelled pistachios, cubed avocado or mango, thinly sliced radishes and snap peas with 3 T chopped parsley and 2 T chopped mint.

Light and delicious - so enjoy!

CLUB PLEDGE

- ✓ I pledge to protect and conserve the natural resources of the state of Wisconsin—especially of the Sayner-St. Germain area.
- ✓ I promise to obey all rules and regulations governing the harvest of wildlife and plants.
- ✓ I promise to educate future generations so they may become caretakers of our water, air, land and wildlife.