

President's Report

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Paw Prints

Wow, Fall's appearing just as fast as Summer sped on by. Now is the time to get outdoors and enjoy what is so magical about our beautiful Northwoods! As you drive around, take note that the colors are beginning to emerge.

CLUB ACTIVITIES: Fall also means that our Flea Market activities have ended, so I'd like to thank our volunteers one last time: Ken & Ellyn Dahnke, Bob & Judy Schell, Dick & Lolly Kloefer, Jim & Diane Gluckenberg, Frank Klamik, Jim Carlton, Melody Kysiak, Cookie Lough, Donna Rollman, Terrie Beier, Gary Groff, Arlene Rieckenberg, Barbara Steinhilber, Geri Shambo, Kris Main and David Zielinski. We couldn't have done it without you.

Geri Shambo also suggested that we participate in Colorama, so we packed up the truck one more time and set up our booth, and just like at the Pig's, we moved the whole set up to a more favorable location. We ended up adjacent to the hay wagon. Geri and Judy Schell manned the booth and had a successful time. By the time Fred and I took over, it was pouring rain, so we packed it all up and retreated, but still had time to hear some of the polka band family, which seemed to be able to translate any music to the polka beat, on the hay wagon. Funny: I asked the drum-playing son if he ever tried to play Metallica or Nirvana with a polka beat; he and his dad laughed, stating that the accordion could not be played to that. Funny, part 2: the 3rd band of the day, Almost Famous, playing under the pavilion, got their name from their college days when they sold a song for \$5,000 and so became "Almost Famous". The guitar player's sister kept coming over to talk to us; she had never seen a kayak cart and was tired of her brother's music as were the wives who were tiring of the guys, in their 60's, still practicing in their garages. I say, keep going guys, your Stevie Ray Vaughn covers were great, can you tell I'm a rock musician's mom? So, thanks Geri and Judy.

Thank you to our Cranfest helpers: Ellyn & Ken Dahnke, Lori Pergolski, Kelly McGill and Frank Klamik. We had a very successful Fest! Thank you also to the Bo Boen's for the use of the ticket tumbler and a very special thank you to Mason and Celeste Hays from Waterloo, WI. for help in loading the tumbler and drawing our winners! A special shoutout to Michael Crowfoot from the Ely Trading Post Guide Services/Lunker Lures for the special "Lunker" for the club. Frank, Kelly and Laura enjoyed talking lures with you; so thank you for your generosity.

The winners of the raffle were as follows: Kayak- Ann Peters from Campbellsport, WI; the watercolor- Lisa Stormont from Stoughton, WI; the metal, laser cut welcome sign- Ronette Ksiazak from Coal City, IL.

Lori Pergolski and Ellyn Dahnke will once again head up the bake sale which takes place November 12th at the Community Center Bazaar. I'll have a sign up sheet available at the October meeting - or you can call or email me (715-542-5638/fglocher@gmail.com) to help out or bake. Also at the October meeting, I'll have the sign up sheet for the Christmas Party ready. How time does fly!

SEPTEMBER MEETING SUMMARY: Our guest speaker, Scott Anderson, was introduced by Fred. Scott graduated for UW, Stevens Point where his father, Ray, had been a professor (and a huge influence on his life and future career pathway). After his father's death Scott went on to pursue his own projects on black bear habits and habitats and has worked with the USDA Forest Service for 20 years in Oregon, Michigan and for the most part in the Chequamegon Nicolet National Forest area. This was a most interesting

NEXT MEETING

Thurs., Oct 27

7:00 PM

St. Germain Community Ctr

PROGRAM

“Galapagos”

Jim Peckarsky

REFRESHMENTS

Cathy Groff

50/50 TICKET SALES

Call Laura to sign up

BOARD MEETING

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6:00 PM

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talk, covering feeding habits, coloring, hibernation (more correctly the state of torpor), and habitat & habitations (most unusual included a hollowed out tree, a culvert & an eagles nest). The conclusion: respect bears, give them their space (they won't attack & eat you like grizzlies) and move your bird feeders. A suggested web site is: www.bebearaware.com. We then had a short business meeting where I handed out info. on the Wisconsin Shoreland initiative, which basically wants the control of our shoreline to remain in the hands of Vilas County, rather than with the state. Thank you to all who signed the petition which will be taken to the Vilas County Board of Supervisors. We then snacked (delicious treats provided by Anne Small) & mingled. Our October speaker will be Jim Peckarsky presenting his program on the Galapagos. Be sure to attend.

A MOST IMPORTANT REQUEST: A discussion was held by the Board on what our club priorities should be. It was agreed that they should be on education and the involvement of the public in club sponsored workshops which, in turn, help to promote our specific causes. In order to do so, we will need help from members who are experienced in writing grants. These grants are needed to ensure funding for these workshops and whatever other relevant activities we plan for the future. This project will be an ongoing goal for the next year. So please, if you have any experience in this, let me know.

Finally, keep wild and go fish, or at least, go out and enjoy our beautiful Northwoods Fall!

Laura Locher, President



Above left: Frank Klamik with our booth at Cranberry Fest. Right: Celeste & Mason Hays drawing the kayak winner with Laurra Locher.

LAKES COMMITTEE REPORT

Earlier this year the five participating lake groups (Big and Little Saint, Lost, Found and Alma Moon) contributed \$1000 each to their respective accounts. Last month we received the last installment of the \$5000 from the Town of St. Germain representing the lakes improvement portion of the room tax funds that was budgeted for 2016. Lake Improvement activity so far this year has included buoy marker replacement and intern boat inspections. DNR Fish stocking will occur on several of the lakes and will continue into the fall. Our treasurer Ken Dahnke has made the allocations of the room tax funds to the various lake organizations based on the matching funds received from the lake groups. The new balances as of September 22, 2016 are:

Little Saint Germain	\$ 8,204.00
Found Lake	12,539.12
Lost Lake	7,687.81
Alma Moon	13,288.02
Stella	455.00
Pickerel (does not receive room tax funds)	5,841.95
Big Saint Germain –Fawn-Content-	8,223.53

As a reminder, most of the above balances are the result of contributions from the various lake organizations each year as well as the room tax funds from the town. These restricted funds are distributed back to the respective Lake organizations for improvements such as fish stocking, signage, marker buoys, AIS education, boat inspections, fish shelters, algae studies, weed control, signs, etc. *Bob Schell*



Above: Part of the Highway Cleanup Crew for Sept.. (L-R) Kathy Anderson, Frank Klamik & Fred Locher.

Frank's Fishing Report

As the water temperature drops, you will notice the algae will disappear and the fish will move shallow again. This is the time of the year I get my flyrod out again.

Crappies are starting to move from the deep water to the deep weeds, northern and walleye will follow. Musky will use the weeds as long as they are green and then move to the steep drop offs with wood and rocks.

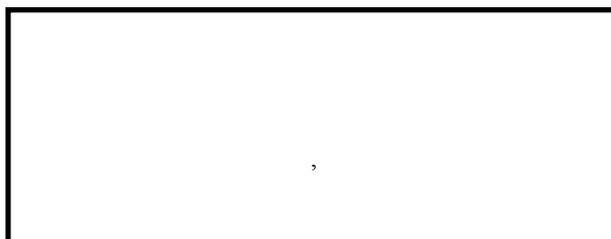
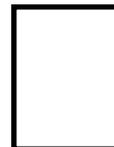
Look for surface activity to tell you where to fish. This is often the same area you will see ice fishermen in early season. *Frank Klamik*

Sunshine Report

Get well wishes to Matt Weckerle who is having health issues.

Our sympathy to Tara and Kelly Pulec whose grandmother died in a car accident.

If you know of a club member who is ill or needs words of cheer, please contact Judy Schell at 715-542-2321 or judithschell@hotmail.com



WILD FOR RECIPES



This month's recipe was provided by Terrie Beier - it was a hit at the picnic!

Pickled Northern: Terrie warned that the recipe is involved, but so worth trying.

Ingredients:

canning salt	vinegar
sugar	pickling spices
onions	northern fillet (no skin or bones)

1) Per quart jar, add: 5/8 cup canning salt Add chunks of fish filled to the top of the jar. Fill jar with vinegar, then put in refrigerator and shake thoroughly 3 times a day for 5 days. After 5 days, take the fish out of the jar(s) and rinse thoroughly with water. Soak fish for an 1/2 hour in ice water.

2) Per quart jar add: 1 cup sugar 1 tablespoon pickling spice onions - as many as you want to taste the fish Fill with vinegar. then put the jar(s) in the refrigerator - the fish will be ready in 4 weeks. You may need to shake the jar(s) to keep the sugar dissolved. Watch that the sugar does not settle to the bottom.

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.