

President's Corner



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OTTER

We had over 60 people attend our annual Chili Supper on May 23rd to have a good time and participate in a feast of Chili with all the trimmings. We had just the right amount of Chili and abundance of wonderful desserts. Our Scholarship committee members, Dick Banks and Clyde Owens presented our annual scholarship award to High School Senior, Trevor Laszezowski. We raised the scholarship amount to \$2000 this year because of our successful raffle and fund raising last year.

Trevor had a 3.6 GPA, was active in school activities while attending Northland Pines High School. He was in the National Honor Society and played varsity Hockey and Soccer and worked at Trigs as well. Trevor will attend UW-Stevens Point and study Natural Resources. His main interests are water, soils and forestry. Trevor did a great job speaking to our group thanking us for the scholarship and explaining his goal and desire go into a natural resources field. We wish Trevor good luck on his college career.

A big "Thank you" to all those who brought food and helped to set up and clean up after the Chili supper. It always makes it so much easier when everyone pitches in. Thanks also to Rich Polaski for taking care of the reservations and food requests.

The Second Annual Club Fishing Tournament and Picnic held on Saturday June 1st was another big success! Fishing began at about 6 AM and concluded at Noon. There were some side bets going on that made the day a bit more interesting – Gary Schultz is \$5 poorer and Gary Shambo is \$5 richer as a result. Personally, I must have used a line without a hook for I was skunked. We had well over 20 attendees at the noon Picnic after fishing was over to eat some fine sausages and see the presentations of the "Gold" metals for the best anglers. The winner of the large fish category was Kathy Groff who caught two bass. Gary Shambo won the pan fish category with two bluegills. Frank Klamik cooked the brats and polish sausage and we all ate a hardy lunch along with some great side dishes contributed by our anglers. Thank you, Frank Klamik for organizing and doing most all the work for the outing.



Above: (l to r) Scholarship recipient Trevor Laszezowski with Scholarship Committee members Clyde Owens and Dick Banks.

On Memorial Day Weekend we set up for our first Monday Flea Market with our new Kayak for 2013 raffle. We did get word last week that we now have an inside space in the shelter. This will eliminate setting up the tent every week. This year we again purchased a very nice 12 foot 4 inch Angler/ Sport sit on Emotion brand Kayak. The Kayak has three rod holders and special storage compartments for storing

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NEXT MEETING

Thurs., June 27th

7:00 pm

St. Germain Community Center

PROGRAM

How Successful was the First Hunt?

Steve Hoffmeister, Physical Therapist and Member of the Wolf Alliance has some interesting facts to tell. Join us for our first evening meeting.

Jane & Marlene

50/50 TICKET SALES

Rose Futrell

REFRESHMENTS

Judy Schell & Linda Polaski

BOARD MEETING

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6:00 pm

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fishing tackle and cargo. We purchased it from the Chequamegon Adventure Co in Minocqua at a big discount. The Second place prize is a carved 50 inch Musky donated by Bernie's Birds of Woodruff. Thanks to Judy Schell, Dave Zielinski and Frank Klamik for manning the booth. Also thanks to Jack Schell and Dave Zielinski for helping me set up the new inside booth. We sold over \$250 in raffle tickets. We also have started a summer long 50/50 raffle as mentioned last month. This gives us a good start on the summer season.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for the Annual Club Picnic on August 22nd at the Community Shelter. This year Rick Polaski will prepare a treat of spit roasted chicken with all the trimmings- Rolls, baked beans, coleslaw, etc. The cost will be \$5 for members and \$10 for guests. Signup info will be at our summer meetings and August newsletter.

Steve, Sheila and Tara from the Twilight Bar and Grill on old Hwy 70 have again offered to support the club this summer. They have offered to donate a dollar of every Sunday chicken dinner sold as well as split the proceeds of their summer raffle between our Club, the American Legion Camp and the Bo Boen Snowmobile Club. Despite recovering from a very serious bout with Cancer, Steve still wishes to support our Club and, as he says, "save a duck!". Last year the Twilight donated over \$1000 to our club that we in turn put toward scholarships and wildlife related donations.

On June 27th we will have our next meeting at 7 PM at the Community Center. Our guest speaker will be Steve Hoffmeister, of the Wolf Alliance. Steve spoke to us several years back and will give us an update on the status of wolves and the results of the first wolf hunt. No matter what side of the wolf debate you are on this will be an interesting, informative and up to date presentation.

Bob Schell, President

Remember to write our club # on grocery receipts and deposit them at Camp's SuperValu & Trigs in Eagle River.

Use the following #'s:

Camp's = CD14 Trigs = 69S



Above: Some of the anglers at our 2nd annual Fishing Tournament.



Above: I to r Gary Shambo pan fish winner with Frank Klamik, tournament organizer and Kathy Groff winner of the Large game fish award. Note the solid gold medals adorning the winners necks.

Birds, Animals & Other Wild Things

On warmer nights in spring and early summer, a startling bug bombardment seems to come against the windows and screens as the mahogany-colored June Bugs answer to the attraction of our lights. These beetles, members of the Scarab family, when caught and held, seem quite awkward with a large, oval body clad in a stiff casing and thin wiry legs. They are a common part of the insect population in the Eastern United States. The adult beetles often swarm in large numbers. During the day, they rest in tree foliage. They become obvious at night, when they move out to feed and tend to gather around outdoor lights on lawn and porch.

This attraction to light may have to do with the night-flying insect's navigation by moon light. Disorientation is caused by our modern lighting.



During the early months of the summer, June Bug eggs are laid in tunnels 2- 5 inches below the soil surface and the developing larvae with their cream colored bodies are called White Grubs. Their brownish heads are equipped with mouth parts designed for chewing. They feed on the roots and other underground parts of grasses as well as vegetables, ornamental plants and trees. You often come across them when you turn over your garden soil.

Yellowing and dying turf hints at their presence. These grubs, which grow quite large, remain in the soil for 2 to 3 year before emerging as adults. Though the feeding grubs and adults can be pests affecting plant growth, they are otherwise harmless. The grubs provide meals for small mammals and occasional bait for fishermen.

Surprisingly, beetles of the Scarab family were an important part of ancient history. In Egypt, 3000 years back, they were considered a sacred symbol of awakening and, rebirth, as well as signs of good fortune and high social status. Scarab likenesses were carved of various types of stone and inscribed with symbols, names and saying. Such small stones were often worn on necklaces as good luck charms or used as personal seals. In the 50s, in the USA, scarab jewelry was very fashionable and today jewelry makers are beginning to again incorporate scarab stones as deco in bracelets and necklaces.

~ Cora Mollen

Welcome New Members!!



Joan Crawford
St. Germain, WI

Steve & Connie Mace
Camanche, IA

SPECIAL THANKS TO THOSE WHO SENT DONATIONS WITH THEIR MEMBERSHIPS!

Keith & Cathy Anderson

Ron Begalke

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David & Mary Lee Miller

Patrick & Patrice Pergolski

David & Dorothy Richardson

John & Brenda Schell

Rich & Patti Sparrow

Addison & Barbara Toynton



FRANK'S FISHING REPORT

Ice-out was as late as May 12th this year. That causes fish to spawn later in the year. As of this writing, crappie & bluegill have not spawned and bass are not on beds.

As always, fish green weeds for walleye and northern, if you can find them. Even 2" or 3" of weeds will hold fish. If you cannot find green weeds, look at wood. Fallen trees or wood filled bays will replace weeds in some lakes. Always keep in mind wind swept shorelines as wind blows bait fish into shore and adds color to clear water. Live bait on a jig or slip bobber along with artificial baits like twister tails, Rapalas or crank baits work well.

~ Frank Klamik



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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 plant material.
- ✓ I promise to educate future generations so that they may become the caretakers of our water, air, land and wildlife.