

# President's Corner



Meetings held YEAR-ROUND  
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The 67 people at the Community Center Pavilion on Aug 28th for the the Club's annual picnic enjoyed great food, including Rick Polaski's wonderful charcoal baked chicken with all the trimmings, and delicious desserts provided by several Club members. Thanks to Terri Beier and multiple volunteers taking care of the kitchen cleanup.

Our next regular meeting is September 25th @ **7:00** at the Community Center. Looking forward to an entertaining program by Ocean and Wildlife photographer Jim Pikarsy, about Otters and Sea Lions.

The Kayak raffle is going well, over \$3000 in ticket sales through mid-August. The 50/50 raffle is over \$400, and the drawings for it, the Kayak, the wood carving, and wildlife print will be held the first weekend in October at the Eagle River Cranberry Fest. Thanks to Judy Schell and Jane Keithley for doing a great job coordinating these this year, and all the fine Club volunteers at the Flea Market, Pig in the Pines, Musky Days, and Cranberry Fest to make this successful.

Our annual Christmas Party is scheduled for the evening of **Monday, DEC 8th** @ the Clearview Supper Club on Big St Germain Lake Drive, with excellent entertainment to be provided by Brett and Fisk, so please mark your calendars, with a sign up sheet available starting at the 9/25 meeting.

Please keep in mind the annual Bake sale in November, which will be coordinated by Lori Pergolski. Further info coming.

The 2 mile Adopt a Highway was completed last week, thanks to Jim/Diane Guckenberger, Frank Klamik, Fred Locher, Judy Schell, Charlie Mara, Jim/Trudy Carlton, Tom Schwartz, Marv/Karen, collecting 11 bags, a tire, and some rusty fishing lures...

Several of us recently attended a DNR meeting about proposed new Panfish regulations, that would affect some lakes in Oneida and Vilas County and others around the State beginning in 2016, with a desired result to increase the average size. More information will be shared at our upcoming meetings

Many of you know that Anne Small has done a wonderful job compiling and publishing the Club's newsletter, updating the

## NEXT MEETING

Thurs, Sept 25<sup>th</sup>

7:00 pm

St. Germain Community Center

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## PROGRAM

“Sea Otters & Sea Lions”

~Presented by Jim Pikarsky  
Ocean & Wildlife Photographer

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## REFRESHMENTS

Trudy Carlton

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## 50/50 TICKET SALES

Jim & Trudy Carlton

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## BOARD MEETING

Thurs, Sept 25<sup>th</sup>

6:00 pm

St. Germain Community Center

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website, and keeping the membership list current. She is very busy at home with a young child, and is asking if another Club member would take over the membership record-keeping. She would show the person what to do. Please let me or a Board member if you're interested.

Speaking of Volunteers, we learned at the picnic that Jane Keithley and her husband are moving to Alabama in early October. She has done a **tremendous** job arranging for all the meeting Program presentations. Jane's efforts and enthusiasm will be missed, but she and her husband are taking the next step in their lives. Maybe we will send them some snow..... A tough act to follow, but she has the programs all set through next year, and the Club needs someone to coordinate that activity going forward. She has significant files, records, contacts, etc. to pass on to the next person - or persons, so please consider helping to make our programs worthwhile.

~Marv Anderson



# FRANK'S FISHING REPORT

We have many changes going on in September. Water temperature will start to drop thanks to short days and cold nights. The weeds will start to die off late in the month and the algae bloom will make cleaner water. Many people are thinking of hunting, less boat traffic and no skiing.

Stay on green weeds as they will be a key to your success. Fish the edges or pockets in

the weeds. On lakes that have few weed beds, fish your points and rock humps. Panfish will move back to weed beds and game fish will follow. Don't forget your fly rod for panfish, as they are often near the surface in seven or eight feet of water. Game fish will follow the panfish and are still active enough to be caught on artificial lures.

~Frank Klamik

# Birds, Animals & Other Wild Things

From late July through September, a drive along roadways here is warmed by thousands of the yellow flower heads of Tansy. This plant traveled here with immigrants who prized the plant for its beauty, medicinal and practical uses. These plants grow from over-wintering rosettes producing a clump of 3-5 foot reddish-brown stems. The deep-green leaves of Tansy are fern-like and strongly aromatic. Each stem bears a flat-topped cluster of button-like flowers which, if tasted, are intensely bitter.

There is lore attached to these plants. In the past, Tansy Cakes were eaten at Lenten meals as a reminder of the bitterness of the season. Leaves were strewn on floors to scent the home. It was believed, too, that the leaves deterred flies. Leaves were put in shoes to ward off fevers. Plant parts were used medicinally to treat gout, joint pain and stomach problems and for many other ailments. As medicine, however, the tansy plant



has its dangers as it contains toxins. It is recognized now, that use in quantity is unsafe.

Together, the multitude of Tansy plants creates a sea of golden yellow that is lovely, but may be environmentally challenging. Tansy plants are persistent perennials sending out rhizomes which can produce new colonies.

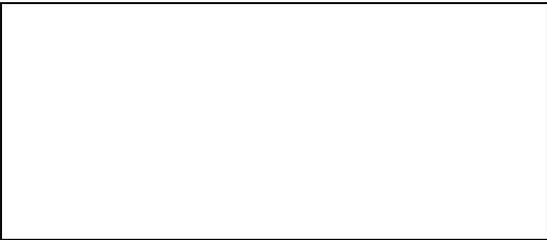
.New plants can grow from even small root fragments. Tansy lays claim not only to roadsides, but farm fields, grazing meadows and riversides and can threaten growth of native and other valuable plants. This merits Tansy the label of “invasive species” and in some places it becomes the subject of physical and chemical eradication methods.

With Tansy, as with most things, there is the positive and negative. But one thing is sure; the sunny beds of Tansy loudly shout the positive and add brightness to our summer days.

*Cora Mollen*



*Don't forget about the community support program at Camp's SuperValu in St. Germain, and at Trigs in Eagle River. Every time that you shop at Camp's, write our club's code (CD14) on the back of your receipt and deposit in the bin on the service counter. Camp's donates a portion of those sales to our club. At Trigs, use code 69S.*



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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.