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CFAPOA

CHIPPEWA FLOWAGE AREA

PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Established 1983

Fall 2023

The Big Chip News

A Legacy of Service

by Mike Gardner CFAPOA Chair

In the 40-year history of the Chippewa Flowage Area Property Owners Association many individuals have served with distinction but none more than Dennis Clagett. Dennis recently retired from the Board of Directors after decades of service. His leadership has led to many accomplishments such as the protection of Big Timber Island, creation of the Invasive Species Committee and the Adopt-A Shoreline Program to name a few. In 2023, 31 teams monitored 39 sections of shoreline following his example. Not many programs can consistently report a 95% volunteer participation. We are fortunate that he has agreed to continue to serve as chairman of the Invasive Species Committee and provide support



to the Clean Boats Clean Water launch monitoring.

Dennis is the living definition of integrity with his practice of being honest and showing a consistent and uncompromising adherence to strong moral and ethical principles and values. Despite that, he is a lot of fun at social events. When you see him around thank him for his tireless

Save the Date!
CFAPOA

Christmas Party!

Saturday, December 9, 2023

at



dedication to the Flowage. Henry D. Thoreau stated in his last manuscript: "I have great faith in a seed. Convince me that you have a seed there and I am prepared to expect wonders." Dennis has planted many seeds for us all.

CFAPOA Needs Your Help

With your membership, you can volunteer and help us with our mission to:



Fisheries Committee Update

by Terry Wall, Fisheries Committee Chair

As the 2023 fishing season come to a close it is good time to report on efforts by the CFAPOA board to support fish populations in our lake. This year we partnered with the WI DNR , the Flowage Resort Association and Muskies Inc. raise and stock extended growth musky in the flowage. The initial DNR plan was to raise and stock around 7000 fingerlings. At summers end the hatchery was only able to produce 3116 fish which were put in the lake in September. Muskies Inc. had contracted with a Minnesota hatchery for an additional 1000 fish to try to make up the shortfall. Last minute efforts by the Resort association to purchase any remaining fish fell short so the 7000 goal was not met this year. After reviewing the results of the tournaments held on our lake this year it looks like we have a healthy Musky population with good numbers of large fish being caught.

Your board also elected to donate to the LCO hatchery this year in response to past Walleye stocking and to support future stocking in our lake. It was brought to the attention of the board that the LCO hatchery stocked a good number of Walleye in the flowage last year so it was decided that a good will donation was in order. Checking with Max Wolter this past spring he assured me that our Walleye population is in good shape with natural reproduction on the rise so the DNR is not stocking this year. That being said, any stocking by the LCO hatchery is



welcome and deserves a response by the CFAPOA.

As you may have heard, the Resort association with financial support from the CFAPOA, continued the Pike Improvement Project again this year. The PIP was first started in 2019 and continues to be popular with visitors and CFAPOA members alike. This year there were over 3400 fish entered this which was an increase from 2264 fish entered last year. Top prize winners this year included two CFAPOA members. Terry Herder won 1st place with 86 entries and Joni Zich took 3rd place with 58 fish entered. Both members, in addition to regular prize money, received bonus prize money awarded by the CFAPOA to members who enter the most fish. Because of the success of the program and the positive impact it has had on the small pike population, I expect the PIP will continue next year.

Stay safe if you are still fishing. I look forward to seeing you at the Christmas party on December 9.

Membership Update

by Patty Swaffield

Welcome New Members

Gerard & Lisa Fischer
Rob & Ruth Pessina
William & Mary Ludford

Contributor

Jim & Diane Mazzone

Steward

Lifetime



Membership Levels

- \$25: Individual/Property
- \$26 to \$124: Contributor – newsletter recognition.
- \$125 to \$999: Steward – newsletter recognition and a gift.
- \$1000 and up: Lifetime Conservationist – newsletter recognition, a gift, and lifetime membership.

* Contributor
** Steward
*** Lifetime



Adopt-A-Shoreline Update

by Dennis Clagett

The program got its beginning from a USDA grant applied for and executed by Erik Olsen and the Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwa Community College submitted as

The Chippewa Flowage Invasive Species Education Initiative: Its primary goal survey the entire shoreline (including islands), documenting locations and quantities of purple loosestrife. Revealing that in 2006-7 there were massive amounts of PL! When the grant was completed in 2008 Erik contacted me as to would I be interested in utilizing the remaining maps, forms, education materials etc. We said yes, and that was the beginnings of our current Adopt-A-Shoreline program now



in its 14th year. The first years our small band of dedicated volunteers removed 100's of garbage bags of purple loosestrife flower-heads and plants annually. Individuals or teams "adopt" a section or two of the available 39, surveying and removing this invasive plant. This year our volunteers removed 29 30-gal garbage bags to place in landfills. Thank you all for your remarkable dedication. If you would like to adopt a section please contact me 715 462 4814 or rclagett@centurytel.net.

Name	East	West
Dan & Julie Hayden		1, 2
Mike & Lynn Muench	M, P	
Jim & Jan Evenstad		12
Gary & Lind Crank		3, 5
Christine and Jayson Grams		13
LCO Conservation Dept.	H, I, Z	
Brian & Juliane Novak	S	
Alan & Lynda Fish		8, 17
Up for Adoption		18
Greg & Amy Sanders		10, 11
Up for Adoption	U	
Chris & Patti Jeffords		4
Jerry & Nancy Johnson		6, 9
Robyn McAlpine		7, 14
Roger & Kathy Kisch	W	
Rob and Rebecca Nesse	J	
Dave Carland & Family	O	
Chris & Jess Conrad	A2	
Rick & Linda Olson	R	
Tony & Laurie Schubert	T, U	
Dave Carland Family and Friends	X	
Brent and Jeanne Drapeau	E1, E2	
Steve & Jane Richardson	W	
Mark and Joni Zich		15, 16
Bruce and Gina Dingman	D	
Mike & Phyllis Gardner	Q	
Dennis Clagett	Y	
Linda Treland	A1	



Purple loosestrife bio-control beetle raising.

Visit our website for a detailed map of East and West locations.

<https://cfapoa.org/invasive-species>

Clean Boats Clean Waters Program

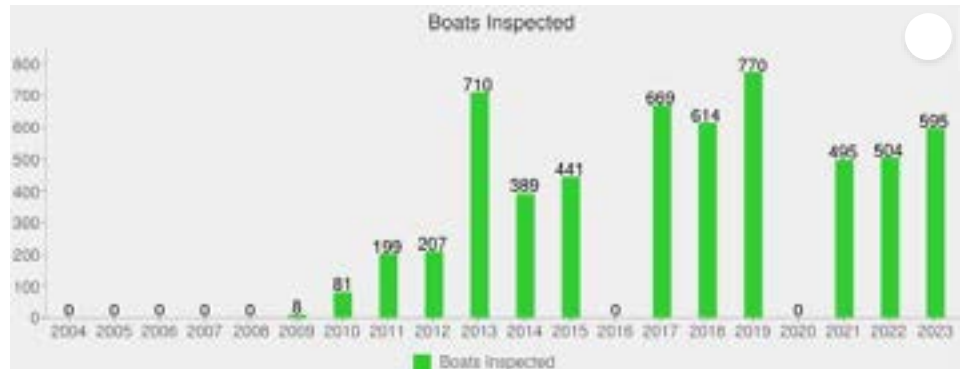


Our Clean Boats Clean Waters (CBCW) program recently completed its 19th year. Director Diane Hulke and new support director Shelley Lamoreaux report our highest yearly total boat ramp inspections. For our new members a brief explanation and activities of this program:

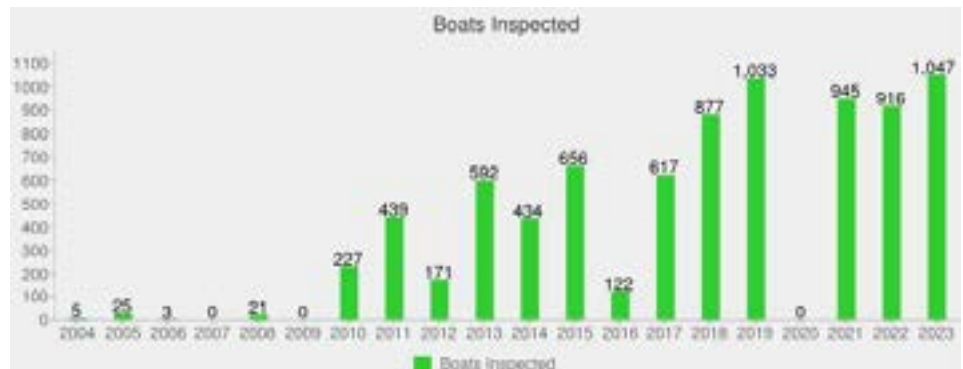
This is a WDNR sponsored State wide program that we participate in. We interview, hire, and pay 4-5 local personal to monitor four (4) ramps listed below.

1. Boat and trailer inspections: Inspectors perform checks on boats and trailers at local boat landings looking for signs of invasive species (AIS)
2. Education: Inspectors hand out informational brochures and educate boaters on how to prevent the spread of AIS.
3. Data collection and reporting: The DNR maintains a statewide database, which contains tallies of information tracked at landings. Especially any new aquatic invasive species.

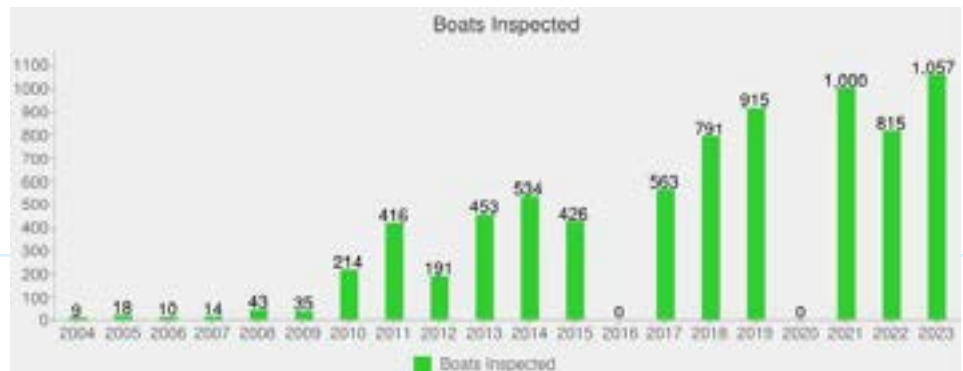
This program is very labor intensive for our volunteer Directors Diane and Shelley, so give them a thumbs up and a thank you. Currently we monitor 4 WDNR boat ramps. CC north, CC south, Hay Creek, and the Winter Dam. Taken together 3493 was the total number of boats inspected and education provided for 2023.



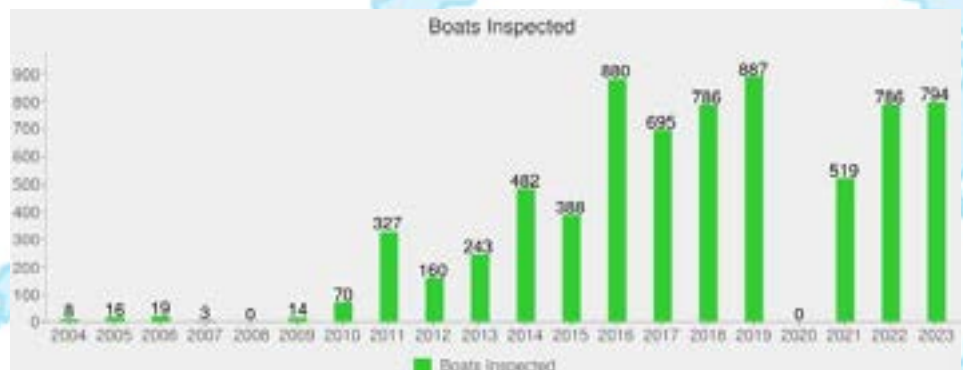
2023 Winter Dam Inspection Statistics



CC North Inspection Statistics



CC South Inspection Statistics



Hay Creek Inspection Statistics



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CFAPOA Member Registration/Membership Renewal

January 1st through December 31st

Member Name(s): _____

Member Information: (New Members please compete; Returning Members complete if information has changed)

MAILING Address			FLOWAGE Address (if different)		
City	ST	Zip	City	ST	Zip
Phone			Phone		
E-mail (for CFAPOA use only)					
Please send my Newsletter by email: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			Do NOT publish email in Directory: <input type="checkbox"/>		
Note: Each paid membership receives one vote and one quarterly newsletter. Shared property owners wanting separate votes shall pay an additional membership fee. The CFAPOA is a 501(c)(3) organization and dues may be tax deductible.					

I am interested in Volunteering: (Please indicate choices)

Social Events Membership Invasive Species Loons Website Newsletter

Other: _____

Membership Levels: (Based on TOTAL CONTRIBUTION)

- \$25 **Individual/Property**
- \$26 - \$124 **Contributor**
- \$125 - \$999 **Steward**
- \$1000 and up **Lifetime Conservationist**

Contribution Designations:

- \$ Membership Dues (Must be \$25 or greater - for General Operational Expenses)
- \$ Additional donation to General Operating Expenses
- \$ Additional donation to Conservation Project Fund (for Board approved projects)
- \$ Additional donation to Conservation Trust Fund (Endowment retained for long term support)

\$ _____ **TOTAL CONTRIBUTION/PAYMENT**

Send check to: CFAPOA, PO Box 555, Hayward, WI 54843

Contributions of \$125 or more are eligible for a gift, please complete Page 2.

CFAPOA Member Registration/Membership Renewal, Page 2

Gift Selection: (Note: All items will have the CFAPOA logo)

Members making a total contribution of \$125 - \$499 may select **ONE** of the following gifts:

Men's Port Authority Silk Touch Polo **OR** Ladies Port Authority Silk Touch Polo
Size: (S through 10XL) and (LT through 4XLT) Size: (S through 6XL)

Men's and Ladies Polo Colors: (Please choose)

Red Pink Burgundy Maroon Lavender Light Blue Navy
 Teal Green Kelly Green Coffee Bean Steel Gray Black Marine Blue

OR Poly/Fleece Travel Blanket

Colors: Black Grey/Black Red/Black Royal Blue/Black

Members making a total contribution of \$500 - \$999 may select **ONE** of the gifts above or **ONE** of the following gifts:

Men's Midweight Fleece Hooded Jacket **OR** Ladies Midweight Fleece Hooded Jacket
Size: (XS through 4XL) Size: (XS through 4XL)

Men's and Ladies Jacket Colors: (Please choose)

Black Grey/Blue Grey/Citron

Members making a total contribution of \$1,000 or more may select **ONE** of the gifts above or **ONE** of the following gifts:

Men's 3 in 1 Jacket **OR** Ladies 3 in 1 Jacket
Size: (S through 4XL) Size: (S through 4XL)

Men's Colors: (Please choose)

Black Insignia Blue/Navy

Ladies Colors: (Please choose)

Blue/Black Berry/Black
 Red/Black Black

Mission Statement: The Chippewa Flowage Area Property Owners Association, Inc. (CFAPOA) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, formed to generally promote, encourage, and foster the interests of all property owners. Its major objectives are: to keep the Chippewa Flowage area clean and safe for all people; to protect the environment; to provide a forum for the collection and exchange of ideas; to support acquisition of land for protection and conservation and to pursue any other lawful objectives that may benefit this pristine lake, its wetlands, wildlife and tributaries.

CFAPOA Christmas Party

To get everyone in the Holiday Spirit, we are having the Christmas Party again this year! If you can, please bring a door prize. Everyone will get a ticket for a chance to win. Plus, we will have the 50/50!



Please complete the invitation below and return by November 28 to:

CFAPOA
PO Box 555
Hayward, WI 54843

at the

Rusty Hook
on County Road B & CC
12/2/22-

5:00 Happy Hour – 6:00 Dinner

Price: \$24.00 per person (includes gratuity)
Dinner includes: Ribs – Chicken – Brisket – Muffins – 3 Sides



Name(s): _____

Number Attending: _____

(If you can, bring a door prize or a donation to the Humane Society or Hayward Food Shelf)

Native Plant Results

by Tony Schubert

Now at the end of the 2023 growing season You can take a peek at some of the results from this year's native plantings. The dry weather at the beginning of the summer may have slowed the progress of some plants. However, with a little watering many of my plants did well.

I planted three different types of plants in my yard; Short Dry/ Butterfly Collection, Wetland Collection, and Woodland Collection. The Butterfly collection was planted on a hillside where I decided I did not



want to mow any longer. There were 8 different species in this category: Black Eyed Susan, Pearly Everlasting, Butterfly Weed, Hoary Vervain , and Spotted Bee Balm all came up in the space provided. The plants grew from a couple of inches to two feet tall over the season. They needed some watering early in the season when it was dry. The second half of the growing season, I did not water them at all. I plan to expand the native garden along this hillside

next year to avoid mowing and fertilizing this area.

The next variety was the Wetland collection. I planted 64 plants along about 200 feet of shoreline just above the high-water mark. Approximately 50 of these plants did surprisingly well. This is sandy soil with morning sun, sometimes the terrain was almost vertical, because of my steep shoreline. After planting the 2 to 4-inch-high plants in late May, I did absolutely nothing. Some of these plants grew to as big as 3 feet tall. Some of them flowered, but most of them were putting down roots that will help keep my shoreline from eroding in the future. I cannot wait to see how these plants fare in the years ahead. I will probably squeeze in another 32 plants next year. These plants were; Sneezweed, Hog Sedge, Marsh Blazing Star, Joe-pye Weed, Blue Flag Iris, and Boneset.

The last variety my wife planted was the Woodland Collection. She put 32 plants along the path through the woods on the way down to the lake. These were Wild Columbine, Woodland Phlox, Wild Strawberry, Big-leaf Aster, Short's Aster, Galium and Pennsylvania Sedge. These plants were watered every other day for a few minutes by an timed watering system. They all came up, many of them flowered, but did not grow as large as the other collections. This area is almost always shady. I am sorry that I do not have pictures of these to show here.



Marsh Blazing Star



Boneset



Dave Carland was one of 27 Native Planters this year. He planted the Butterfly Collection and shared this photo of his planting. He reported that the plants did well with some watering.



Sneezeweed



Great Blue Lobelia



Swamp Milkweed



Joe-pye weed & Iris

In summary we had a very successful plant sale that will benefit the lake for years to come. The dry season we had early was tough on many plants, but most everyone that reported back to me about their plantings said the plants were still surviving. I expect next year these plants will come back again stronger and taller than last year.

We plan on another plant sale in the spring of 2024. You are encouraged to join us and purchase some native plants for your property. It will beautify your property, benefit the lake, and enhance our natural community.

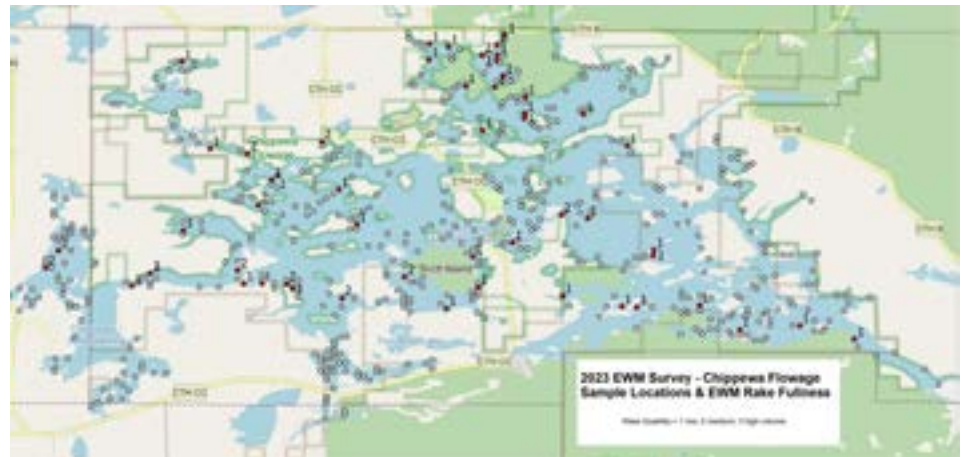
USFS and LCO Organize 2023 Eurasian Water Milfoil Survey on the Chippewa Flowage

Ginger Molitor with the USFS scheduled a meeting in July to discuss how the various Flowage stakeholders could begin the process of conducting field work to identify the locations of Eurasian water Milfoil (EWM) in the Chippewa Flowage. The LCO, USFS, WDNR and CFAPOA attended the initial meeting. It was determined that we would all meet at The Landing July 26th so that Dan Tyrolt and Brett McConnell with the LCO Conservation Department could provide training and equipment to attendees who volunteered to conduct the 2023 EWM Survey. Training was preceded by LCO providing the 552 sub-set sample locations and documents to record field observations. The training provided was excellent and Garmin locators, rakes and forms were provided to the four groups. The Flowage was divided into four sections and each of the four groups were responsible to conduct their portion of the field work prior to August 11. The process consisted of a boat traveling to a specific latitude and longitude; tossing a pole rake or rope rake depending on the water depth; determining bottom content consisting of rock, sand or muck; record depth; record presence or absence of EWM and Curley Leaf Pondweed, and lastly, record the quantity observed on the rake.

Klassa Paige led the USFS; Roy Kenast led the WDNR team; Brett McConnel led the LCO team and Joni and Mark Zich led the CFAPOA team. The field



work was successfully completed by August 11th and field data was collected and uploaded to a standard Aquatic Plant Survey spreadsheet. The following map depicts the 552 sample locations and rake fullness designation for EWM observed.



Additional notes were captured during the survey such as if the sample point was beneath a bog, EWM observed near the sample point but not on the rake along with other notes. No Curley Leaf Pondweed was observed.

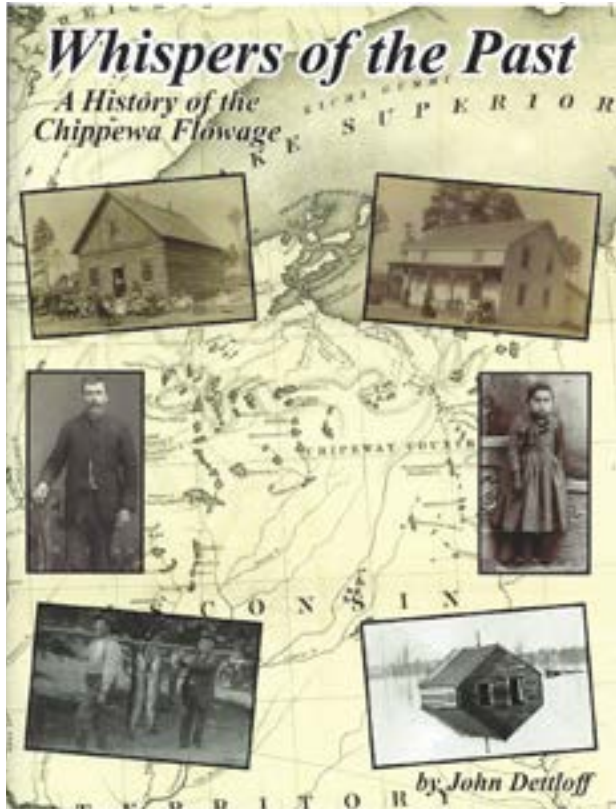
The intent of the survey is for the following reasons: where and how much EWM exists, establish if EWM is getting more prevalent and how do Habitat Drawdowns impact EWM.

Of the 552 points originally intended to be sampled 21 could not be sampled due to location was under bog or on shore (due to low water levels). Final results showed that 9.98 percent of samples contained Eurasian water milfoil. Average depth found was 7.2 feet with an average rake fullness of 1.3 rake. In comparison, a larger survey conducted in 2016/2017 resulted in 10% of the samples containing EWM.

The Chippewa Flowage partners group hope to conduct a full (2000 plus point) aquatic plant survey in 2024 with the CFAPOA taking the lead on obtaining a grant followed by volunteer EWM Subset (552 point) surveys annually starting in 2025 similar to the survey that was conducted this summer.

**John Dettloff's new book,
Whispers of the Past, A History of the Chippewa Flowage
 will soon be available!!!**

Currently being printed, John's fascinating book about the history of the Chippewa Flowage should be available by November.



Front Cover



Back Cover

With 304 pages, an 8 1/2" by 11" format, and filled with nearly 500 historic photographs, maps, and illustrations, *Whispers of the Past, A History of the Chippewa Flowage*, will be available in both soft cover (perfect bound) and a limited Deluxe Edition hard cover edition.

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Trails End Publishing, 7431 N Flowage Rd., Couderay, Wi 54828.

(All books are autographed by the author and they can be signed special upon request with your instructions on how to sign.)

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**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR**
BOARD MEETINGS
AND EVENTS

November 2, 2023
December 7, 2023
January 4, 2024
February 1, 2024

Board meetings are currently held at 6:00 p.m. in person at the Town of Hunter Hall and/or teleconference. Visitors are welcome to join. Contact Mike Gardner at mgardner@northflow.net



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