No Asian Carp DNA Found in Sturgeon Bay Water Samples

S TURGEON BAY - Water samples collected from Sturgeon Bay last month and analyzed for evidence of Asian carp DNA have come back negative, state officials announced today.

“We’re obviously happy that the results came back negative. It’s a good indication that there are not Asian carp in the bay and underscores the importance of continuing our efforts to keep Asian carp out of the Great Lakes,” says Mike Staggs, fisheries director for the Department of Natural Resources.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and DNR had collected 150 water samples from Sturgeon Bay on Nov. 12 and 13 as a follow up to a single positive detection of Asian carp DNA in samples collected from the bay earlier in the year.

“Sampling was completed as part of a Great Lakes wide early detection program intended to monitor for many different invasive species, including Asian carp,” says Todd Turner, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s Assistant Regional Director for Midwest Fisheries. “We continue to work closely with our state partners to use eDNA as a tool to investigate invasive species across the Midwest Region.”

Repeated detections over time of environmental DNA, or eDNA for short, increase the likelihood of a persistent source of genetic material in the area where the sample was collected, possibly indicating the presence of live fish or other repeated source, says Bob Wakeman, DNR’s aquatic invasive species coordinator.

Environmental DNA is released into water with the urine, feces and scales of live fish but other possible sources could include a bait bucket that accidentally contained young Asian carp, water transported in the live well of a recreational boat that had recently been used in Asian carp infested waters, or feces from a migrating bird that had eaten an Asian carp, Wakeman says.

Asian carp species are invasive fish species that were introduced to southern fish farms in the 1970s, escaped, and have been making their way toward the Great Lakes. They are a serious concern because they can aggressively compete with native commercial and sport fish for food, says Bob Wakeman, DNR’s aquatic invasive species coordinator. Also, silver carp can injure boaters when the fish leap out of the water.

Asian carp environmental DNA has been found upstream of the electric dispersal barriers in Lake Calumet, seven miles from Lake Michigan on the Indiana-Illinois border, and in Lake Erie.

Sampling in Wisconsin waters for Asian carp eDNA had been negative until the single positive sample from Sturgeon Bay. Wakeman says Wisconsin will continue to work with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other partners to monitor Wisconsin waters of the Great Lakes for unwanted invasive species.

For more information, search the DNR website for “Asian carp control efforts.”

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Bob Wakeman, 262-574-2149; Mike Staggs, 608-267-0796; Kaitlin Steiger-Meister, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Midwest Region, 612-713-5317 or Katie_Steiger-Meister@fws.gov
New Aquaculture Resources

UW-Stevens Point Department of Natural Resources

December Board of Directors Meeting

UW-Stevens Point
Department of Natural Resources

UW-SNAP to enhance technology transfer and training, and to create a state aquaculture association.

President’s Message

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n behalf of the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation and our 2,000 volunteers, we wish everyone a Happy New Year.

First thing on the agenda, mark your calendars: This is the 2014 calendar deadline to have all calendar stubs and monies in to the office so that they are eligible for our first drawing on Monday, January 27th. Remember that starting in February we will have a state-wide banquet which will be held at the Ho-Chunk Casino Convention Center. Tickets for this year’s banquet are still $125.00 and we still have the GRAND PRIZE AT $10,000.00. For information contact: John Wagner, wa@ofbi.org or phone 608-290-5151.

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President of the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation

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Wisconsin Wildlife Federation’s Winter Banquet!

I am asking you to take the time to submit a nomination for an award to a person or club that you might know who is deserving of an award. The forms and descriptions are listed in the paper and you must fill out the nomination form completely to be eligible.

The deadline is March 7th so now is the time to start logging up your info. Any questions please feel free to contact the office or go to our website – wwf.org.

Sincerely yours in conservation,
Lil’ Pipping, Awards Chair

Message from the Calendar Chair

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**CONSERVATIONIST OF THE YEAR**

For the outstanding overall conservation effort and achievement in any field of natural resource management, for a significant contribution to the cause of conservation, or for meaningful progress or achievement toward a solution of a major conservation problem in the state during the past year. Nominees from all other categories can be considered for the Conservationist of the Year Award.

**CONSERVATION ORGANIZATION**

For the outstanding contribution to the conservation effort by an organization in the state during the past year. Statewide or local bona fide organizations including sportsmen's clubs, civic organizations, etc., are eligible. Recipient should have demonstrated keen interest in projects and programs within the state which deal with basic and serious natural resource problems and have evolved an action program stemming from that interest.

**CONSERVATION LEGISLATOR**

For outstanding legislative accomplishment during the past year which has made a significant contribution to the preservation and management of our state's natural resources.

**WILDLIFE CONSERVATIONIST**

For outstanding accomplishment in making a significant contribution to the management and/or restoration of wildlife resources in Wisconsin during the past year.

**CONSERVATION EDUCATOR**

For the outstanding effort in conservation education in the state during the past year. The recipient should have accomplished and demonstrated recognized education and achievement toward a solution of a major conservation problem in the state. A person, organization, or group which has accomplished the most in creating a public awareness of the importance of natural resource conservation.

**CONSERVATION COMMUNICATOR**

This award may be given to an individual volunteer or a volunteer organization deeply involved in the hunter safety program. To an individual or team who, during the past year, accomplished an unusual degree of improvement, both in quality and numbers of youths completing hunter safety education courses.

**FOREST CONSERVATIONIST OF THE YEAR**

For outstanding effort in forest conservation during the past year. Eligible areas of effort include tree planting, timber stand improvement, and other forest management practices with emphasis on the development of multiple-use programs on forest lands.

**HUNTER SAFETY EDUCATION**

For outstanding accomplishment in making a significant contribution to the conservation of our state's natural resources.

**SOIL, AIR, AND WATER CONSERVATIONIST**

For outstanding contribution to the conservation of our soil, air, or water during the past year. Recipient could be a landowner, administrator, or technician involved with such things as small watershed development, approved soil conservation measures, wetlands or estuarine conservation, wild river protection, establishment of air or water quality standards, control of specific air or water pollution problems, etc.

**WARDEN OF THE YEAR**

For outstanding efforts within the community on environmental and conservation issues, habitat restructuring and wise use of our natural resources.

**YOUTH CONSERVATIONIST**

For the outstanding conservation effort by a person who did not attain the age of 19 during the past year – Youth groups acting together in a conservation program are also eligible. The winner should have demonstrated ability, leadership, and accomplishment in any phase of conservation, either individually or as a group.

**OFFICIAL CALL FOR RESOLUTIONS!**

For presentation at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation.

What is a resolution?
- A formal, written motion which follows a specific format.
- To set and express an opinion of the WWF.
- To set a course of action for the WWF Board of Directors to follow.

Who can submit a resolution?
- Any affiliate organization of WWF, regardless of size.
- Any member of the WWF Board of Directors.
- Any individual associate or sustaining member – please contact an Associate Director or District Director to submit it on your behalf.

How should a resolution be submitted?
- Typed official organization letterhead preferred.
- Signed by the author and/or officer of the submitting organization.
- Mailed to the WWF office.
- Postmarked no later than March 7, 2014.

What topics should resolutions deal with?
- Issues pertaining to natural resources and their management or the environment.
- Issues of importance to the entire state.

Mail your resolutions to:

Wisconsin Wildlife Federation
Attn: Resolutions
1540 W. James Street, Suite 500
Columbus, WI 53925

Contact the office for additional information or for specific writing format guidelines.

(800) 897-4161
Assembly Bills

AB 1—Changing Habitat Protection Regulations for Iron Mining
Status: Same Senate Bill 1 which was signed into law in Wis. Act 1
WWF Position: Opposed. Opposed to get some improvements in bill but bill still substantially reduced protection of fish and wildlife habitat

AB 6—Adopts a catch-and-release only ban on fishing in certain situations
Status: Hearing held in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee; Also has been placed into the 2015 state budget
WWF Position: In WWF Fisheries Committee

AB 71—Reduces funding opportunities to prohibit archery hunting Status: Signed into law by the Governor in December
WWF Position: WWF supported and has worked hard for its passage. Provides increased hunting opportunity especially for those that physically cannot use compound bows

AB 68—Eliminates need for fishing licenses and chemical treatment permits on ponds solely on the property of one individual
Status: Hearing held in Assembly Natural Resources Committee
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Keeps current state law in effect even if federal law is amended

AB 137—Removes roadblocks from protected animal list and establishes a hunting and trapping season
Status: Hearing held in Assembly Natural Resources Committee
WWF Position: WWF Wildlife Committee Supports. A legitimate game animal and will not cause any biological harm

AB 138—Requires background checks for firearm sales and transfers with some exceptions
Status: In Assembly Criminal Justice Committee
WWF Position: WWF Opposes. As drafted the language is overbroad and would adversely affect sports shooting ranges under local regulation threat

AB 149—Allows keeping unattended decoys without daily removal on totally landlocked ponds totally on the land of one individual
Status: In Assembly Natural Resources Committee
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Keeps current state law in effect if federal law is amended

AB 173—Creates specialty license plates for Trout Unlimited
Status: Same Senate Bill Signed into law by Governor December 12
WWF Position: In WWF Fisheries Committee

AB 178—Updates Shooting Range Protection Act
Status: Signed into law by Governor
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Strengthens protection of wetlands which provide fish and wildlife habitat

AB 199—Removes roadblocks from protected animal list and establishes a hunting and trapping season
Status: Hearing held in Assembly Natural Resources Committee
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Recognizes the sacrifices of military veterans injured in defense of our country

AB 211—Prohibits the use of certain bullites
Status: In Assembly Criminal Justice Committee
WWF Position: WWF opposes. Cross-over regulation seriously affecting sports hunting

AB 233—Prohibits serious felonies from possessing vicious dogs
Status: In Assembly Criminal Justice Committee
WWF Position: In WWF Dog Committee

AB 241—Allows controlled hunting of crows and starlings concurrently with archery deer season
Status: Signed into law by Governor
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Provides increased hunting opportunity especially for those that physically cannot use compound bows

AB 249—Lowers hunting, fishing and trapping fees for Purple Heart recipients
Status: Same Senate Bill Signed into law by Governor December 12
WWF Position: In WWF Fisheries Committee

AB 280—Requires state agencies to take into account different needs of outdoor dog breeds owned by sportsmen and women. Needs amendment
Status: In WWF Dog Committee
WWF Position: In WWF Dog Committee

AB 350—Indefinite moratorium on building new fish hatcheries
Status: Passed Senate Natural Resources Committee 3-2
WWF Position: WWF opposes because it allows further draining of lakes, streams and wetlands

AB 395—Authorizes use of days in wolf hunting
Status: In Senate Public Safety Committee
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Strengthens protection of wetlands which provide fish and wildlife habitat

AB 399—Report the Mistreatment of Animals
Status: In Senate Judiciary Committee. Unlikely hearing will be held
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Strengthens protection of wetlands which provide fish and wildlife habitat

AB 426—Establishes prohibition on wolf hunting
Status: In Senate Natural Resources Committee
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Strengthens protection of wetlands which provide fish and wildlife habitat

SB 1—Changing Habitat Protection Regulations for Iron Mining
Status: Signed into law, Wisconsin Act 1
WWF Position: WWF opposed because of substantial reduction in protection of fish and wildlife habitat. WWF was successful in getting some improvements to the bill

SB 2—Changing Deadlines and Environmental Regulations for Metallic Mines
Status: In Senate Mining Committee; will die in committee because of passage of Wisconsin Act 1
WWF Position: WWF opposed and helped develop bill with the Wisconsin Mining Association to develop. Streamlined mining permit regulation without wussking protection for fish and wildlife habitat

SB 16—Prohibits trapping and establishes presumption against hunting in state parks
Status: In Senate Natural Resources Committees. Unlikely hearing will be held
WWF Position: WWF Supports Wolf Hunting in state parks. Opposes this issue. Was resolved last year and current law provides additional hunting and hunting opportunities without cause for public safety concerns

SB 69— Increases penalties for stove burner of firearms
Status: In Senate Natural Resources Committees. Unlikely hearing will be held
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Strengthens hunting and trapping opportunities especially for those that physically cannot use compound bows

SB 278—Expands hunting opportunities for disabled
Status: In Assembly Natural Resources Committee
WWF Position: Supports. Will help reduce penalties in natural resource management and increase professional managers in leadership position

SB 388—Restoring Natural Resource Board Appointment of DNR Secretary
Status: In Senate Natural Resources Committees
WWF Position: Supports. Will assist WWF affiliates in fundraising for conservation

SB 439—Changing Domestic Animal Cruelty Laws Including Feeding and Watering Laws
Status: In Senate Judiciary Committee
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Strengthens protection against illegal use of firearms which is contrary to the interest of hunters and shooting enthusiasts

SB 440—Appropriates funds for sea lamprey control and monitoring
Status: Amended Bill Signed into law—December 12
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Strengthens protection of wetlands which provide fish and wildlife habitat

SB 443—Sets up wild dogs and wildlife habitat
Status: In Senate Natural Resources Committees. Unlikely hearing will be held
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Strengthens protection against illegal use of firearms which is contrary to the interest of hunters and shooting enthusiasts

SB 445—Allows keeping unattended decoys without daily removal on totally landlocked ponds totally on the land of one individual
Status: In Senate Natural Resources Committees
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SB 450—Authorizes use of days in wolf hunting
Status: In Senate Public Safety Committee
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SB 456—Lowers hunting, fishing and trapping fees for Purple Heart recipients
Status: Signed into Law November 11
WWF Position: WWF Wildlife Committee Supports. Recognizes the sacrifice of military veterans injured in defense of our country

SB 459—Authorizes hunting, fishing and trapping for Purple Heart recipients
Status: In Senate Natural Resources Committees
WWF Position: WWF Wildlife Committee Supports. Recognizes the sacrifice of military veterans injured in defense of our country

SB 462—Establishes prohibition on wolf hunting
Status: Passed Senate Natural Resources Committees 3-2
WWF Position: WWF opposed because it allows further draining of lakes, streams and wetlands

SB 466—Champion in State Traffic Laws-Bow/Gun-Sports Clubs
Status: In Senate Forestry, Mining and Revenue Committees
WWF Position: WWF Supports Wolf Hunting in state parks. Opposes this issue. Was resolved last year and current law provides additional hunting and hunting opportunities without cause for public safety concerns

SB 468—Removes roadblocks from protected animal list and establishes a hunting and trapping season
Status: Hearing held in Assembly Natural Resources Committee
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Keeps current state law in effect even if federal law is amended

SB 470—Removes roadblocks from protected animal list and establishes a hunting and trapping season
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SB 474—Prohibits the use of days in wolf hunting
Status: In Senate Natural Resources Committees
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Strengthens protection against illegal use of firearms which is contrary to the interest of hunters and shooting enthusiasts

SB 475—Allows hunting, fishing and trapping for Purple Heart recipients
Status: Signed into Law December 12
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Strengthens protection against illegal use of firearms which is contrary to the interest of hunters and shooting enthusiasts

SB 476—Lowers hunting, fishing and trapping fees for Purple Heart recipients
Status: In Senate Natural Resources Committees
WWF Position: WWF Supports. Strengthens protection against illegal use of firearms which is contrary to the interest of hunters and shooting enthusiasts

SB 478—Establishes prohibition on wolf hunting
Status: Passed Senate Natural Resources Committees 3-2
WWF Position: WWF Supports Wolf Hunting in state parks. Opposes this issue. Was resolved last year and current law provides additional hunting and hunting opportunities without cause for public safety concerns

SB 480—Removes roadblocks from protected animal list and establishes a hunting and trapping season
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Status: Hearing held in Assembly Natural Resources Committee
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Bill Allowing Archery Hunting in Municipalities Signed

By George Meyer, Executive Director

The Wisconsin Wildlife Federation played a very important role in the enactment of Wisconsin Senate Bill 779, which allows archery hunting in cities and villages.

The bill was signed into law by Governor Tony Evers on December 12, 2021. The Wisconsin Wildlife Federation will now work with the new沐ques to ensure that hunting in municipalities is conducted in a responsible manner.

Governor Walker signing Act 71 allowing more archery and crossbow hunting in municipalities. Included in the picture are several individuals from sports groups including George Meyer, Executive Director, WWF.

By Coop News Service

Sturgeon for the Shed

By Moira Harrington, UW Sea Grant Institute

Often, the Lake Sturgeon’s wild home has been so hospitable to this ancient part of the last century, the fish were nearly extripated from Great Lakes waters, where they were once prevalent. Their decline was due to overfishing, as well as pollution and agricultural runoff. Prior to their overfishing in a quest for caviar and mink pelts, Lake Sturgions were a nuisance fish and killed themselves without meaningful management.

In contemporary times, the fish are protected but still face several challenges posed by pollution and overfishing.

Binkowski has devoted years to the study of Lake Sturgeon. These coordinated efforts among partners, along with Binkowski’s lab in Milwaukwe where he annually studies and samples Lake Sturgeon for the Fish and Wildlife Service, has lifted the Lake Sturgeon from near severely endangered to threatened.

Government agencies and non-governmental organizations work to restore and monitor Lake Sturgeon populations.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and The Nature Conservancy Establish New National Agreement for More Controlled Burning

U.S.FWS Release 12/13

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) and The Nature Conservancy (Conservancy) announced a new national partnership today for the first time increase and better co-ordinate controlled burn activities, according to a press release from the Serv-ice and the Conservancy. The agreement will encourage more efficient use of personnel and equipment while treating lands that might otherwise not get the benefit of controlled burns.

“The wildlife habitats we manage need more prescribed fire to survive and thrive, and we can get more done on the ground when working together,” said Jim Kurth, Chief, National Wildlife Refuge System.

Service controlled burns are used by land managers to safely mimic the natural fire cycle and maintain fire-resistant landscapes for the benefit of people, water, and wildlife. Planned, controlled burns also a critical tool to help reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfires, often termed mega-fi res, which have become more common due to climate change and development. The agencies will encourage more efficient use of personnel and equipment while treating lands that might otherwise not get the benefit of controlled burns.

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Q. How are snowflakes formed?

A. A snowflake begins to form when an extremely cold water droplet freezes onto a pollen or dust particle in the sky. This creates an ice crystal. As the ice crystal falls to the ground, water vapor freezes onto the primary crystal, building new crystals – the six arms of the snowflake.

That's the short answer. The more complex explanation is this: These ice crystals that make up snowflakes are symmetrical (or patterned) because they reflect the internal order of the crystal's water molecules as they arrange themselves in predetermined spaces (known as "crystallization") to form a six-sided snowflake.

Ultimately, it is the temperature at which a crystal forms that determines the basic shape of the ice crystal. Thus, we see long needle-like crystals at 23 degrees F and very flat plate-like crystals at 5 degrees F. The intricate shape of a single arm of the snowflake is determined by the atmospheric conditions experienced by entire ice crystal as it falls: A crystal might begin to grow arms in one manner, and then minutes or even seconds later, slight changes in the surrounding temperature or humidity causes the crystal to grow in another way. Although the six-sided shape is always maintained, the ice crystal (and its six arms) may branch off in new directions. Because each arm experiences the same atmospheric conditions, the arms look identical.

Q. So, why are no two snowflakes exactly alike?

A. Well, that's because individual snowflakes all follow slightly different paths from the sky to the ground — and thus encounter slightly different atmospheric conditions along the way. Therefore, they all tend to look unique, recombining everything from prisms and needles to the familiar lacy pattern.

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**WINTER TRIVIA**

**SOURCE:** National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

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**2014 Calendar Sales Listing**

The W.W.F. Board of Directors thanks the calendar sale efforts of all persons and businesses listed below. The Board also encourages the affiliate and associate membership to patronize these businesses and products they offer.

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**John Gorgol** Armstrong Creek
**Pat Quantambe** Bayfield
**Shirley Schroeder** 920-380-7948 River Dam
**Ed Dolata** 920-361-1262 Berlin
**Doug Kurfth** Big Bend
**Chet & Emil's** 715-499-2226 Birnamwood
**Christine Schultz** Black River Falls
**John Tully** Cameron
**Cascade Sportsman Club** Cascade
**Chuck Matyka** 715-745-6382 Cecil
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**Sauk Trail Conservation Club** Cedar Grove
**Steve Knattenhooven** Chippewa
**Dave & Tam's Marsh Inn** Collins
**Oscar Snack** Cruz
**Re's Windbreaker** Deebrook
**Great River Roadhouse** DeSoto
**Jack Nassen** Donaldson
**Helmeage Club** Elkhart Lake
**Li Piping** 920-876-4312 Elkhart Lake
**River Haus Sport Shop** Fond du Lac
**Tom Dahlin** Grafton
**Ebe Moss** Green Bay
**Keith Pamperin** Green Bay
**Don Klum/Observing Bar** Hatfield
**Hillsboro Firemen's Community Center** Hillsboro
**John Wetzel** Holmen
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**Wayne Thayer** Janesville
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**Ed Coppersmith** 920-388-4484 Kewaunee
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**Greg Koss** La Crosse
**Rockton Bar** Lafferget
**Danz Bar** La Cuna
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**George Meyer** Madison
**Debra Schotten** 608-381-0654 Mauston
**Dan Gries** Menasha
**John Koester** Menasha
**Louise Quattle** Menasha
**Bruce Tenwege** Menasha
**Tony's Bar** Menasha
**Jim Swanson** Menomonee
**Don Hamms** Middleton
**Carolyn Brown** Milton
**Roger Borkowski** Milwaukee
**Castle Rock Inn** 608-943-6252 Muscoda
**Andy Lawdowski** Muskego
**Twincity Rod & Gun Club** Neenah
**All Seasons Sports** 715-753-4900 Neenah
**Timberline Taxidermy** 715-743-6406 Neenah
**Jim's Sporting Goods** 262-567-4013 Oconomowoc
**John Wagner** Oconomowoc
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**Bill Tolar** Omro
**Omo Building Center** Omro
**Tanner's Tap** Omro
**Betty Boortz** Oshkosh
**Tews Two Sport Shop** Oshkosh
**Dennis Reinart** Oconto
**Gordon Merc** Pewaukee
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**Jerry Kruh** Plover
**Dave Verhage** Plover
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**Rhine Plymouth Field & Stream** Plymouth
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**Dean Boroika** Rice Lake
**Delbert Dietzler** Rudolph
**Kevin Marquette** Shawano

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Pat Ramirez 920-838-1266 Wadsworth
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Jim Huhn Watertown
Wonderland Tap Waukesha
Rick Lazarevsky West Allis
Scott Desno 262-483-5416 West Bend
Mike Schwi West Bend
Burhns Bar Weyauwega
Rasa Wiz Wheeler
Scott Domspeck White Lake
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Gary Deck Wonewoc
Woneowoc Fastrip 608-464-7919 Wonewoc
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2014 WWF BANQUET CALENDAR
DISTRICT CONTACT DATE LOCATION
Dist. 3 North Brian Hobbs Sat. Feb. 22, 2014 Crickets Bar & Grill
( Osceola) 715-294-3854 Amery, WI
Dist. 4 East Gary Fitzgerald Thurs. Sept. 4, 2014 Shooter’s
( Plover) 608-566-4828 Plover, WI
Dist. 4 West Tom Dahlen TBD “SOLD OUT” Fannie’s Supper Club
( Neillsville) 715-238-7814 Neillsville, WI
Dist. 5 J.T. Lingofski Thurs. April 10, 2014 Darboy Club
( Fox Valley) 920-841-8427 Appleton, WI
Dist. 6 Michelle Graff Sat. Feb. 1, 2014 All Star Lanes
( LaCrosse) 608-787-7637 LaCrosse, WI
Dist. 6 Christine Schultz Sat. March 1, 2014 Club 95
( Black River Falls) 715-299-4414 Hixton, WI
Dist. 7 Dave/Mary Chingway TBD Turner Hall
( Watertown) 920-253-5253 Watertown, WI
Dist. 8 Tom Nissen Fri. March 28, 2014 Olympia Resort
( Waukesha) 262-719-5295 Oconomowoc, WI
Dist. 9 Jack Nissen Fri. March 14, 2014 Klemmer’s
( Milwaukee) 262-570-8154 Milwaukee, WI
Banquet
Statewide Wayne Thayer Sat. Jan. 25, 2014 Ho-Chunk Casino
Banquet 608-754-4965 Wisconsin Dells, WI

December 2013 Calendar Winners
1 $1000 Cash Sam Renforth, Reeseville, WI 3695
2 Browning Silver 12 ga. Jeremy Praslowicz, Birnamwood, WI 5003
3 $100 Cash Sheila Dempsey, Lodi, WI 378
4 Gander Mountain $100 Cash Bert A. Huntington, Gresham, WI 3098
5 Ruger 77/22 mag wood Chuck Schoob, Columbus, WI 5722
6 $100 Cash Alice Manier, Elkhart Lake, WI 3445
7 Gander Mountain $100 Cash Dennis Kost, Franklin, WI 3318
8 Weatherby Vanguard 30.06 Sharon Jess, Mt. Horeb, WI 6084
9 Gander Mountain $100 Cash Scott Meyer, Watertown, WI 4277
10 Gander Mountain $100 Cash Larry Miller, The Villagio, FL 5753
11 Benelli Super Nova 12 ga. Quentin Christiansen 8063
12 $100 Cash Tim Vandebuze, Suamico, WI 9690
13 Gander Mountain $100 Cash Alden Nervais, Green Bay, WI 7182
14 Remington 552 bolt 22 Jim Groh, Elaen, WI 5006
15 $100 Cash Gary Robley, Beedsville, WI 6598
16 Gander Mountain $100 Cash Duane Sloper, Wind Lake, WI 1993
17 Meisinger Silver Reserve 28 ga. Jim Applebee, Janesville, WI 8079
18 $100 Cash Sue Simon, Plover, WI 199
19 Gander Mountain $100 Cash Jeffrey Peterseon, Kaukiuna, WI 914
20 NEF A5 12 ga. Steve Peterson, Ferryville, WI 9093
21 $100 Cash Greg Stein, Black River Falls, WI 9741
22 Gander Mountain $100 Cash Bryan Halverson, Neenah, WI 6280
23 Savage 22 mag hvy bbl Bryan Gorkis, Milwaukee, WI 7541
24 Gander Mountain $100 Cash Adam Rumpe, S. Milwaukee, WI 9723
25 $200 Gas Card Randy Tuzel, S. Milwaukee, WI 7976
26 Marlin 177 VS 17HMR sv lzeam Bob Colston, Pewaukee, WI 4430
27 $100 Cash Jerry Paust, Oshkosh, WI 697
28 NEF Parish Pump 12 ga Matt Flickner, Montiel, WI 8018
29 $100 Cash Angie Walter, Montiel, WI 7982
30 Gander Mountain $100 Cash Tony Baramak, Appleton, WI 800
31 Gander Mountain $100 Cash Kalon Avracis, Mason, WI 9053

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Out agamie COnser vation Club
Sno-Mo/ATV Race Day
February 1, 2014
1/3 Mile Iced Track
$5.00 Parking Per Vehicle – Free Admission to Races
Registration, 7:30 - 10:30 AM
No Carry-Ins Please!
Races Start at Noon – Non Sanctioned – All Classes + Junior, PEE WEE & Powderpuff Dance 5pm - 9pm
For more information please contact Bruce Learman
920-757-6253 or Dan Van Berkel 920-739-4681

18th Annual Conference on Native Plants & Natural Landscaping
Saturday, January 25, 2014
8 AM to 4:15 PM
Oshkosh Convention Center
Oshkosh, Wisconsin
Registration Open at 8:00 AM
Public is Welcome
We hope to see you there!
Presented by Wild Ones Fox Valley Area Chapter
The Vital New Role of the Suburban/Urban Garden
Dr. Doug Tallamy, nationally recognized environmental speaker and award-winning author, will talk about the “Vital New Role of the Suburban/Urban Garden” at this year’s Toward Harmony with Nature Conference.

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