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### Looking for Lapham

Named Wisconsin's first great scientist, Increase Lapham was a self-taught renaissance man who dabbled in the fields of botany, archaeology, forestry and climatology. Two hundred years after his birth his influence is still being felt in our state. That is, if you know how to "Look for Lapham." This report is part of a new initiative at Wisconsin Public Television called Quest. [Watch Video](#)

### In the News

#### Increase A. Lapham 1811-1875

Increase A. Lapham came to Wisconsin at a time of resource abundance. His gift was the foresight to record the state's natural history and to encourage its preservation. [Read More](#)

#### Wisconsin DNR's Forest Health Program: 71 Years of Getting the Bugs Out

Wisconsin has a long history of forestry management, with a state program beginning in 1904 that later expanded in 1949 to include the survey and management of forest pests. The first state forest entomologist, Norbert Underwood, was hired that year. Nearly ten years later, Mr. Underwood was joined by a forest health program coordinator and three additional forest entomologists. The entomologists were based in Spooner, Antigo, Oshkosh and Black River Falls, while the coordinator, and later a pathologist, were stationed at the forest health lab in Fitchburg. [Read More](#)

#### History of the WDNR Urban Forestry Program

The history of the Wisconsin DNR Urban Forestry program is closely tied to the history of urban forestry in the United States. Although the term 'urban forestry' did not come into use until 1965, the concept of an integrated approach to the management of the urban forest ecosystem began to take shape as early as the 1930s. [Read More](#)

#### Where Are You, Blue Ash?

It is no secret that the emerald ash borer (EAB) has a voracious appetite. This pest has eradicated unprotected green and white ash in many communities in southern Wisconsin and can be expected to eventually impact all communities in the state. EAB is also damaging wetland and riverine forests by eliminating green and black ash from these woodlands, which had already become less diverse and resilient from the loss of American elm from Dutch elm disease. [Read More](#)

#### Visit the Forest Outside Your Door

Are you going stir-crazy stuck inside your house or apartment? Take a visit to the forest outside your door! Step outside to enjoy the sights, sounds and smells of the trees and nature around you. It's good for your mind, body and soul. Research shows exposure to nature reduces depression, anxiety and stress! Plus, we all know physical activity keeps your body healthy and boosts your mood. [Read More](#)

#### Wood Science and Baseball Bats

Craaack! The sound of the bat hitting the ball, as the crowd strains to see if it will be a worthy hit and the outfielders scramble to get there in time. Can you hear it in your imagination? Are you re-watching old games as you pine for the real thing? While we miss the excitement of the baseball season during this unusual spring, at least we can scratch our itch a little bit by learning about the connection between Wisconsin's forest resources and America's pastime. [Read More](#)

#### Climate May Change Minnesota's Iconic North Woods

ASCA COUNTY, Minn. — Deep in the Chippewa National Forest northwest of Grand Rapids and far from any visible trail, where pines are the iconic tree, researchers have built a lean-to of sorts to create, of all things, a mini-drought in the woods. At a glance, the contraption's roof looks a bit like a bunch of parallel toy car race tracks, which are made out of greenhouse material strips, with gaps in between. [Read More](#)



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To open the link, place your cursor over **Watch Video** or **Read More** and so on, and then left click on your mouse. That should open the link in a new window providing access to the specifically linked webpage.

With this issue of Woodchips, we will start listing the full URL to each hyperlink on a second page. If needed, the URL can be copied and pasted into your web browser address bar (also known as location bar or URL bar).

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### Increase A. Lapham 1811-1875

<https://wchf.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Increase-Lapham.pdf>

### Wisconsin DNR's Forest Health Program: 71 Years of Getting the Bugs Out

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