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Ho Chunk History & Treaty Relations

Henning Garvin shares his knowledge of the history and future of the Ho-Chunk Nation. Henning's treaty relations experience with the federal and state governments provides him an insight that is informational and inspirational. Mr. Garvin recently spoke to FHAW members at the 2019 Black River Falls meeting on this topic. [Watch Video](#)

In the News

Leave No Trace is About More than Picking Up Trash. Here's What You Should Know Before Getting Outside in Wisconsin

At the end of May, Google searches for hiking and trails hit an all-time high in Wisconsin and across the country. Visitation to Wisconsin state parks is up 20% over the first five months of the year compared to the same period last year — before peak summer travel season, and with capacity limits in place since May 1. Devil's Lake, the state's most popular park, hit its capacity limit every weekend since it reopened. The Kettle Moraine State Forest's Southern, Lapham Peak and Pike Lake units have also routinely hit their capacity limits, according to the DNR. [Read More](#)

Did Aldo Leopold Actually Build a Leopold Bench?

Got hunting property? A lake cabin? A suburban pond off your backyard? Heck, a patio? Then you need a Leopold bench. It's named after the renowned wildlife professor, conservationist, and author of A Sand County Almanac. Every outdoors person worth a patch of big bluestem could use Leopold's namesake bench for relaxing and sipping a cup of joe while watching spring migrants hustle up nesting territories. [Read More](#) [Bench Plans](#)

How to Co-exist with Wisconsin's Ticks

If you plan to be out in the woods or live next to woods, don't be too quick to trade long pants and long sleeves for shorts and a tee shirt as the weather warms. You need to protect yourself from the ticks that are starting to emerge. Tick bites are possible year-round, but ticks are most active April through September. [Read More](#)

Baths For Lumberjacks

The ability to go on strike for better working conditions is a valuable tool, especially for industry workers in nineteenth century America. The question is, what is or isn't worth going on strike for. Gary Entz tells the story of workers in a logging camp resisting new technologies. [Read More](#)

The Pine Lumberjacks in Wisconsin

Logging, once a leading industry in Wisconsin, began as far back as 1829 when logs were cut on the Menomonee River and rafted down the stream for the building of Fort Crawford. Early operations were carried on in western Wisconsin on the Black, Chippewa, and St. Croix rivers; in eastern Wisconsin on the Wolf, the Fox, the Menominee rivers, and the shore line of Green Bay. Operations were begun in the St. Croix region in 1836-37. In 1841 the Mormons cut timber on the Black River for their temple at Nauvoo, Illinois, and the Chippewa area was opened in the fifties by John H. Knapp and his partners. [Read More](#)

June 29, 1915: First Aerial Fire Patrol Took Flight

On this date in 1915, what is believed to be the world's first forest patrol flight was made at Trout Lake, Wisconsin. Aviation pioneer and wealthy Chicago sportsman Logan "Jack" Vilas made the initial flight in order to demonstrate the viability of using aircraft in fire prevention. Wisconsin's Chief Forester Edward Griffith hired him but Vilas refused pay, saying that he wanted only a salary of "many thanks." Vilas flew almost daily in July and August as a flying fire warden over the forests of Wisconsin. His 1929 memoir, My Life To My Children, tells this story and many other adventures of this colorful character. It had fallen out of copyright before Mary J. Schueller edited and self-published it in 2007. [Read More](#)



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