

Our Speakers

Paul Hayes was science, energy, and environmental reporter for the Milwaukee Journal from 1962 to 1995. He lives in Cedarburg with his wife, Philia.

Martha Berglund's biography of naturalist Thure Kumlien, *The Birdman of Koshkonong*, was published this year by the Wisconsin Historical Society Press. She lives in Glendale with her husband, Jim Uhrinak.

Karen Vincent Humiston is a De Pere native who has had a lifelong fascination with family history and the Peshtigo Fire. With more than forty years of experience as a genealogy researcher, Karen has spent the past two years intensively researching the fire and the many families and individuals caught up in it. Her book, *The Sky Was Brass; The Earth Was Ashes: The Story of the Great Peshtigo Fire* will be released late this year.

Robert (Cubby) Couvillion retired from the US Postal Service in 1980. He has a comprehensive knowledge of local history, including Native American, early European settlement, and the logging era of the late 1800's and early 1900's. He is a Charter Member of the Peshtigo Historical Society where he served terms of President and Vice-president and remains the organization's historian.

Cole Couvillion is a recently retired WDNR Forester/Ranger, with over 30 years of service. During his career, he worked on wildfire suppression throughout the state and nation, along with a professional commitment to directing sustainable forestry on county, state, and private lands.

Bailey Koepsel is executive director of the Door County Historical Society.

Gary Besaw is Director of the Menominee Tribal Department of Agriculture and Food Systems. He served 15 years on the Menominee Tribal Legislature, including two terms as Tribal Chairman. Gary has served on or presented at multiple tribal, state, and national committees regarding Native policy, the environment, and various other areas. He holds an MS in Education Administration from UW-Madison, and a BS in K-12 Art Education from UW-Stout

Pete Villas obtained a B.S. in Forestry from Michigan Technological University in 1997. Marinette County Forest Administrator since 2013.

Lodging

Country Inn and Suites

2020 Old Peshtigo Court
Marinette, WI 54143
715-732-3400

Non-Smoking Kings, \$96/night,
Breakfast included

Best Western Riverfront Inn

1821 Riverside Avenue
Marinette, WI 54143
715-732-1000

Non-Smoking Kings, \$82/night,
Breakfast included

Edgewood Motel

790 French Street
Peshtigo, WI 54157
715-582-4559

\$59.99 to \$69.99/night
No Breakfast

To make your reservation:
call the hotel directly

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of Wisconsin**

*For additional
information call
715-358-0038*



46th Annual Fall Conference

Peshtigo, Wisconsin

October 7 - 9, 2021

Public Invited—New Members
Welcome—Great for Everyone

FHAW 46th Fall Conference— *Schedule at a Glance*
Peshtigo, Wisconsin

Thursday, October 7th, 2021

- Board Meeting (1 pm) — **Peshtigo Community Center**, 600 Pine St, Peshtigo
General Membership Meeting (5 pm), **Embers 1871 Restaurant**, W3529 Co Rd B, Peshtigo
- Awards Presentations
- Dinner (6:30 pm) — Family style, Chicken and Beef Tips, **Embers 1871 Restaurant**, W3529 Co Rd B, Peshtigo
- Dinner Theater (7:15 pm) — ***Stories from The Ashes...Chronicles From The Coals-- Depicted Recollection***

Friday October 8th, 2021 (from 9 am to 5 pm) **Peshtigo Community Center**, 600 Pine St, Peshtigo

Topics presented will include:

- ***Before and After the Fires: Increase Lapham on Deforestation, Climate, and the Fires.*** Presented by Martha Bergland and Paul Hayes
- ***A Stricken People; The Victims of the Peshtigo Fire.*** Presented by Karen Vincent Humiston
- ***Father Pernin's Personal Account of the Peshtigo Fire -"revisited."*** Presented by Cole and Robert (Cubby) Couvillion

Lunch (included)

- ***That Night of Hell.*** Presented by Bailey Koepsel
- ***Menominee Connections: Perspectives on the Peshtigo Fire of 1871 and Indigenous Forestry.*** Presented by Gary Besaw
- ***Ruins to Recovery: The Birth of the County Forest.*** Presented by Pete Villas

Friday Fish Fry (included)

- ***Peshtigo Memory Walk*** (community sponsored starts 8 pm from Fire Museum)

Saturday October 9th, 2021 (from 9 am to noon)

Tours:

- **Peshtigo Fire Museum**, 400 Oconto Ave, Peshtigo
 - **Harmony Hardwoods** (Marinette County Park and Arboretum) N3890 County Road E, Peshtigo
- Plans are to offer tours beginning at 9 am. Group will split and tour both sites concurrently. Tour approximately one hour, then switch to the other site, for another tour to begin at 10:30.*
- **Marinette Logging Museum**, Stephenson Island Park, Bridge St, Marinette (*open from 1 to 3 pm for conference attendees*)

**FHAW 46th Fall Conference
Registration Form**

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone () _____

E-mail _____

Conference Registration \$10/person \$ _____

Thursday Evening "Embers 1871 Restaurant"

Chicken & Beef Tips with Dinner Theater
\$30/person \$ _____

Friday, Peshtigo Community Center

Lectures (includes lunch, fish fry dinner, & beverages)
\$50/person \$ _____

Peshtigo Memory Walk

Attending [Yes] [No]

Saturday Tours

Attending [Yes] [No]

Peshtigo Commemorative Coin

\$15/each \$ _____

Total: \$ _____

Note: All prices include tax and gratuity

Please Register by September 22, 2021

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send to: Robert Walkner c/o FHAW

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Two Rivers, WI 54241-0424



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