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### Paul Brenner's Logging in the North Lakeland Area

In 1995, former FHAW member Paul Brenner explained the impact and experiences of logging in the North Lakeland Area. This video includes two parts; photograph narration and a tour of Paul Brenner's house collection. The reformatted digital recording from an original VHS tape was made available for viewing on YouTube during 2021 by the Manitowish Waters Historical Society. [Watch Video](#)

### In the News

#### World Record: Tallest Mass Timber Building in North America to Break Ground in 2024

At 32 stories tall, The Edison is on track to become one of the tallest mass timber buildings in the world. The Edison is a premier multifamily property consisting of 381 for rent apartments, situated alongside the beautiful Milwaukee Riverwalk in downtown Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The Edison caters to the high-end housing market in Milwaukee, and also sets a new standard for building design and construction practices by leveraging Mass Timber technology. [Read More](#)

#### Should We Cut Down Trees to Save Them? The Answer is Complicated

In the dry mountains east of Fresno stands a pine tree that's more than 4,800 years old. The tree, a bristlecone pine with a thick trunk and cartoonish branches, was alive when Egyptians built the pyramids, when Romans constructed their capital city, and hundreds of years before English settlers arrived on the East Coast. Known as Methuselah, the pine is perhaps the planet's oldest living organism, though it's just one of the nation's many ancient trees. [Read More](#)

#### A Look Back To The Blue Blizzard Of 2022

Wisconsin weather is often dealt out in extremes and excess. This year, winter has gotten off to a mild start, but in mid-December 2022, tens of thousands of acres of forest land in Douglas, Sawyer and Washburn counties was permanently changed by a generational winter storm that became famously known as the "Blue Blizzard of 2022." [Read More](#)

#### Watch For Signs of Emerald Ash Borer This Winter

MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) encourages property owners to watch for woodpecker damage to their ash trees this winter. If damage is found, property owners should make plans to take action in the spring. Woodpecker damage, often called "flecking," happens when birds peck away some of a tree's bark to access the larvae underneath. [Read More](#)

#### Forget the Lantern Fly: A Mysterious New Pest has Scientists Sounding the Alarm

WILDWOOD STATE PARK, N.Y. — Matt Borden, a plant pathologist, had walked less than 50 yards into the forest when he froze in place and looked skyward. He was standing in a thicket of beech trees in mid-July, but their leaves were almost all gone. Those still remaining were crinkled and leathery — a telltale symptom of a parasitic worm wreaking havoc in forests stretching from Maine to Virginia. [Read More](#)

#### 2024 Forest Forecast

2024 is shaping up to be a year of challenges for Wisconsin landowners, but with advice from our panel of WDNR forest health specialists, a DNR invasive species specialist, and the director of the Wisconsin State Climatology Office, you can become better informed, and be ready to make the best management choices for your woodlands in the new year. [Read More](#)

#### Jimmy's Prediction is in -- He Did Not See His Shadow

SUN PRAIRIE, Wis. (WKOW) -- The city of Sun Prairie celebrated its 76th annual Groundhog Day Prognostication ceremony on Friday. Jimmy the Groundhog did not see his shadow at sunrise in Cannery Square. That means we should see an early spring here in Wisconsin. [Read More](#)