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From The President's Chair

Friends,

Our 51st Fall Conference and Annual Meeting are fast approaching! If you haven't already sent in your reservation, I encourage you to do so soon to avoid the price increase. There is a slight price increase after August 28th to encourage early registrations as the meal and lodging information is due to the Treehaven staff by September 1st. We are allowing late registrations up to September 10th so we could make any last minute updates to Treehaven.

The meeting "King's Pines to King's Dam: Stories of American Forests" intends to tell the story of how trees were involved in the founding of our country, Wisconsin's history and private forest management in the present. A highlight of the conference is Matt Christoff, a musician from St Paul, Minnesota. He will give a presentation on lumberjack folk songs before and after the banquet.

We have four conference sponsors this year to help keep registration costs low. Many thanks to the Superior Woodlands Company, LLC, Wisconsin Society of American Foresters, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and the Packaging Corporation of America's Tomahawk Mill for their generous support. Their logos are prominently displayed on the FFAW conference webpage.

In the recent spring issue of Chips & Sawdust I listed seven items unique to the meeting and registration, so I won't repeat them here, please refer to page 4 of that newsletter for the list. One point worth repeating is about the access to Treehaven on Thursday night. The road into Treehaven, Pickerel Creek Ave, is closed from Thursday, 7:00 pm until Friday 1:00 am due to DNR game warden training. Please plan your schedule accordingly.

The 50th anniversary (or birthday as described in the June 1977 issue of Chips & Sawdust) of FFAW incorporation occurred on May 26. A few of us got together that day in Rhinelander to mark the occasion. Tom Jerow, John Grosman, Cindi Stiles and I met at the Rhinelander Pub and Café for a meal and fellowship.

Our special logo to celebrate the 50th anniversary of FFAW and the 250th anniversary of the United States was designed by Jackie Bowe of JLB Design, LLC. It updates our traditional logo, adding the anniversaries and a patriotic banner. We had mugs and caps made with the new logo that are available when registering for the conference and will have some available for sale at the conference as well. Any remaining after the conference will be sold through the website; more details to follow.

The UW-Stevens Point Archive Center has moved into its new facility at the Student Learning Center and we are looking to restart our archival work concerning members of the Wisconsin Forestry Hall of Fame. The project was placed "on-hold" while the Archive Center was housed in temporary facilities during the razing of the old learning center and building the new one.

Last year about this time I wrote about visiting the National Museum of Forest Service History in Missoula, Montana. Next door to the museum, a new building was under construction to house the National Conservation Legacy Center with an official opening scheduled for March 2026. The grand opening was delayed until July 16-17;

unfortunately it was two weeks after I returned home. So I am unable to report on the new museum. I did visit the Smokejumpers Visitor Center nearby and also toured the Smokejumpers facility. Both are great places to visit if you are in the area.

We continue with the stories of our original seven board members, this issue highlights Adrian DeVriend and Thomas Fulk, completing six profiles, with one more to go: Frank Fixmer. I hope you are enjoying the glimpse into the lives of those folks. It has been a real pleasure to find information about each and the contributions each one has made to forestry or history in the state. I chose to write about the board members, but there were many others who were important contributors to the founding of the FHAW. If there are any other stories of charter members who had a large part in creating the FHAW, I would be glad to learn their story.

It is not too early to start planning for next year's conference and annual meeting. Plans are underway to highlight the 100th anniversary of school forests in Wisconsin. The FHAW is partnering with UW-Stevens Point's LEAF program to plan the program. Steve Schmidt from LEAF is helping with planning. He suggested the Wausau School Forest as a potential meeting location and coordinated a tour of the facilities at our May board meeting. More information will be in the next newsletter.

On a final note, the postcard reminders for renewing your membership have gone out in the mail and responses are starting to arrive. If you haven't already either responded by mail or by PayPal, please consider doing that today.

Regards,

Jim Kerkman

Forest History Association of Wisconsin to Consider Proposed Bylaws Amendments

At its 2026 Annual Meeting, the Forest History Association of Wisconsin (FHAW) will consider a series of proposed amendments to its bylaws. These revisions are intended to modernize the organization's governance framework, clarify membership and board procedures, and ensure compliance with current Wisconsin non-profit corporation law.

The proposed changes include updates to membership classifications and eligibility requirements, procedures for filling board vacancies and removing directors, provisions for electronic meetings and

voting, and revised meeting notice requirements. Some of these amendments formalize practices already in use by the Association.

In addition, the proposed amendments include a comprehensive review of the bylaws' language to replace gender-specific references with gender-neutral terminology. These updates are designed to make the bylaws more inclusive and consistent with contemporary drafting standards while preserving the organization's existing governance structure and intent.

A summary of the key proposed amendments appears in this issue of *Chips & Sawdust*. Members who receive the newsletter electronically have also received a complete redlined version of the bylaws. In that document,

text proposed for deletion is shown with strikethrough formatting, while proposed additions appear in red. Both deleted and added text are underlined to clearly identify the changes under consideration.

Those who did not receive the full redlined version of the proposed bylaws amendments can find a copy of that document at the Association's website for review and consideration.

There will be time at the meeting to discuss these amendments before voting, but should someone have questions prior to the meeting, please feel free to reach out to any member of the board of directors.

Article I

Classes of Membership, Voting Rights, Dues, Fiscal Year

(change to existing language)

Family – Open to two or more persons living together and occupying the same domicile.

~~Students – Open to any high school or college student attending classes regularly during the academic year.~~

Open to any individual enrolled on at least a part-time basis in an accredited secondary school, college, university, technical college or comparable educational institution.

(language allows other affiliations)

Affiliate – Such status shall be granted to organizations which have formally accepted the Forest History Association of Wisconsin (FHAW) as its affiliate, specifically the Wisconsin Historical Society. Such status may also be granted to other organizations approved by the Board of Directors that maintain purposes consistent with those of the FHAW. Affiliate members shall not possess voting rights unless otherwise authorized by the Board.

Honorary – Such status shall be granted to organizations and individuals who have made one or more substantial cash donations or grants to FHAW of \$500 or more. Honorary members shall not possess voting rights unless expressly granted by action of the Board of Directors.

Exchange – Such status shall be granted to those organizations which enter into a reciprocal exchange agreement with FHAW whereby each receives the other's newsletters or other publications without cost. Exchange members shall not possess voting rights unless expressly granted by action of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE II

Board of Directors; Meetings of Members

(New language follows)

Section 2. A. Director Vacancies. In the event of the death, resignation, removal or incapacity of a Director, the Board of Directors may fill the vacancy by a majority vote. A Director elected to fill a vacancy shall serve until the next annual meeting of the membership, at which time the membership shall elect a Director to serve the remainder of the unexpired term, if any.

Section 2. B. Director Removal. Any Director may be removed with or without cause, by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors at a regular or special meeting, provided that notice of the proposed removal is included in the meeting notice.

Section 2. C. Attendance. Any Director who is absent from three (3) consecutive regular meetings with excuses unacceptable to the Board of Directors may be deemed to have resigned, and the position may be de-

clared vacant by majority vote of the Board.

SECTION 7. Electronic Meetings.

The President may determine that any meeting of the Members or Board of Directors shall not be held at any place but may instead be held solely by means of remote communication. Participation in a meeting held by remote communication shall constitute presence in person at the meeting for all purposes, including quorum and voting. Members shall receive at least seven (7) days' advance notice of the change to a remote meeting and shall be provided instructions for participation and voting for such remote meeting. The Board of Directors may establish procedures for secure electronic voting by Members and Directors consistent with Wisconsin law and any applicable corporate governance requirements.

ARTICLE III Officers

(Reflects current practice)

SECTION 3. Filling of Vacancies. In the event of the death, resignation or termination of office by the Board, the Board of Directors shall be authorized to fill any such vacancy. until the next annual meeting of the membership.

ARTICLE IV Indemnification

(Gender neutral corrections; compliance with non-profit language)

SECTION 4. Any indemnification under Section 1 and Section 2 (unless ordered by a court) shall be made by the Corporation only as authorized in the specific case upon a determination that indemnification of the director, officer, employee or agent is proper in the circumstances because he such person has met the applica-

ble standard of conduct set forth in said Section 1 and Section 2. Such determination shall be made (1) by the Board of Directors by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of Directors who were not parties to such action, suit, or proceeding, or ~~(2)~~ if such a quorum is not obtainable, or even if obtainable, a quorum of disinterested Directors so directs, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion. The indemnification provisions of this Article shall be interpreted and administered consistent with Chapter 181 of the Wisconsin Statutes, as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE VII Amendments

(to clarify procedures)

Amendments to the bylaws may be adopted either by the members or the Board of Directors, but no bylaw adopted by the members shall be amended or repealed by the directors. Any bylaw adopted by the Board of Directors shall be subject to amendment or repeal by the members as well as by the directors.

Amendments to these Bylaws may be adopted by the voting members. Proposed amendments shall be distributed to all voting members no fewer than thirty (30) days prior to the meeting at which they will be considered. Adoption of amendments shall require approval by a majority of members present and entitled to vote, unless a greater vote is required by law.

The Board of Directors may adopt temporary administrative amendments that do not affect member rights, director elections, voting requirements, or fundamental governance provisions, subject to ratification by the membership at the next annual meeting.

Members of the 1976 FHAW Board of Directors — Part 3

Thomas Fulk

Tom Fulk was born on June 20, 1935, in Detroit and grew up in Muskegon, Michigan. He passed away in 2024. After graduating from high school, he enlisted in the Navy for four years, during and after the Korean War and then served in the reserves. He attended the University of Michigan graduating with a B.S. in forestry. In 1961 he joined the US-Forest Service (USFS) where he had assignments in the Hiawatha National Forest (NF), Chippewa NF and the Ottawa NF. In 1967 Tom was promoted to center director at the Blackwell Job Corps Conservation Center on the Nicolet NF where he oversaw a staff of 52 full-time employees providing academic and vocational education for “at-risk” youth. By 1969 he was transferred to the Eastern Regional Office in Milwaukee where he coordinated USFS activities with water resource programs outside of the USFS. Later, in 1971, he was selected as head of the Regional Planning Team with the responsibility for assuring compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act on the 17 National Forests in the Eastern Region. In October 1972, Tom returned to the Nicolet NF as the forest supervisor.



Thomas Fulk, 2018

Fulk was the FHAW’s first president but had to step down in 1977 when he was transferred to San Francisco, California to work in the USFS Regional Office (Region 5). While there he was Assistant Director of State and Private Forestry for California, Hawaii, and the Pacific Islands. He finished his forestry career in 1990. Before he left Wisconsin, the FHAW presented Tom with a plaque at the second annual meeting in “appreciation for his services as a prime-mover in the organizing of our Association during its formative stages.”

After Tom retired, he became a local legend in the Pacific Northwest for his handmade bamboo fly rods. Don Schnitzler found his name referenced in the Pacific Northwest Fly Fishing forum. From that forum I was able to contact Dave Westburg who wrote posts about Fulk’s flyrods. Dave graciously provided me with articles and interviews about Tom’s life. In 2025, Mr. Westburg interviewed Sandy Fulk, Tom’s wife, who explained how Tom got into building fly rods, making a couple hundred of them — each rod was numbered and named after a place where he fished. He was active in a fly fishers club where “he taught bamboo fly rod building, organized trips, helped clean up trails, built things.” Sandy also listed Tom’s other interests: “He did woodworking, gardening, built a sailboat, and wrote magazine articles about fishing and the people he met on the water. He refinished furniture, rebuilt instruments, made a hammer dulcimer and a flute. He got into watercolor painting, poetry, reading.”

A recent article in the “The Epoch Times” newspaper about fly rod making captures the reason Tom Fulk fly rods were so valued: “Fine craftsmanship forms

part of the mystique of fly fishing and experienced anglers have an almost mystical sense of rod quality. Modern bamboo rods are not just tools for catching fish; they are elegant works of art."

Adrian J. DeVriend

Adrian John DeVriend was born on November 11, 1917, in Hingham, Sheboygan County, Wisconsin. He passed away on April 24, 2008, in La Crosse and is buried in Nola Cemetery, Park Falls. He joined the Army in 1941, serving in the infantry. In December 1942, the *Sheboygan Press* reported that Adrian "was seriously wounded in action somewhere in the south Pacific on December 15".

In 1947 he received his forestry degree at the Michigan Institute of Mining and Technology at Houghton, Michigan and later that year was appointed district forester with the Wisconsin Conservation Office in charge of farm forestry work in Sheboygan, Washington, Ozaukee, Fond du Lac and Dodge counties. In 1953 when DeVriend was to be transferred from Manitowoc County, farmers protested and sent petitions to Ernest Swift of the Conservation Office to have him reinstated citing; "... advancements made in the last four years in the field of farm forestry. Credit is due to Mr. DeVriend...His removal will cause a definite recession in the county forestry program."

While it wasn't discovered whether the protest was successful, in 1956 the *Oshkosh Northwestern* paper lists Adrian as the "newly arrived" forest management supervisor for the 17 counties in Area IV of the Conservation Department working out of Wisconsin Rapids.

In 1964, the Madison "*Capital Times*", listed Adrian as the Price County extension forester. The article focused on road building in forests for recreation with Adrian adding; "a strong stand should be taken against any proposals to open up wilderness areas ... in which roads would destroy the nature or use of the area." In 1965, Adrian became an area extension forester.

The *Capital Times* referred to DeVriend as a UW agricultural specialist and serving as secretary of the Wisconsin County Forest Association. The 1972 article quoted Adrian on dangers that woods workers face. In 1977, Superior's *Evening Telegram* lists Adrian as a UW-extension forest utilization expert for 12 counties in northern Wisconsin. That same year, UW-Extension published "Wood for Home heating: Wood as Fuel", authored by Adrian who was listed as area forest utilization agent at Hayward, assistant professor, Department of Community Affairs, UW-Extension.

The Lincoln County Board of Supervisors created resolution # 84 in December 1977; "recommending governor appoint Mr. Adrian J. DeVriend to the Natural Resources Board." The resolution states "Mr. Adrian J. DeVriend has made very significant contributions to the forest products industry, private forestry, the county forest program and legislation affecting forestry in our state..." The next year, December 1978, the Lincoln County board introduced another resolu-



Adrian DeVriend, 1956

tion to fill the UW-Extension position in Hayward left vacant by Adrian's retirement.

In addition to being an original board member, Adrian was our first secretary and managed registrations for the 1976 annual meeting.

Annual Membership Meeting of the FHAW

September 26, 2026 About 12:30 pm
UWSP Treehaven,
Rhineland, Wisconsin

— Agenda —

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Minutes of the October 4, 2025 Annual Meeting, Manitowish Waters, Wisconsin**
(published in *Chips & Sawdust*, Vol 50, No 3, pages 12 - 14)
- 3. Reports of Officers and Committees**
 - President's Report
 - Treasurer's Report
 - Audit Report
 - Membership Report
 - Archives Committee Report
 - Nominating Committee Report
- 4. Old Business**
 - Past Proceedings (2024)
 - Past Proceedings (2025)
- 5. New Business -**
 - **Election—for three-year term ending 2029**
 - James Kerkman
 - Ricky Kubicek
 - Craig Dalton
 - John Lampereur
 - **Election—for one-year term ending 2027**
 - Don Schnitzler
 - **Consideration of Amendments to FHAW Bylaws**
 - **2027 Annual Conference**
- 6. Award Presentations**
 - Fixmer Award
- 7. Any Other Business**
- 8. Adjournment**

Help Write the Next Chapter

The Wisconsin Forest History Association is seeking volunteers to fill vacant Board and Committee positions. Our organization is dedicated to informing, educating, preserving, and sharing the stories of Wisconsin's forests and the people who have shaped them.

Thanks to the dedication of our members and volunteers, much has been accomplished in recent years. Yet there are still many stories to tell, projects to pursue, and opportunities to strengthen our impact.

We are looking for individuals with a variety of interests, skills, and experiences who are willing to help guide the Association into its next chapter. Whether you serve on the Board of Directors or a committee, your contributions can make a lasting difference.

If you would like to learn more about expectations, commitments, and the rewards of service, contact our nominating committee members, Jim Kerkman (608) 486-2326 or Matt Carothers (715) 401-1167 for a one-on-one conversation. We would love to hear from you.



2026 FHW Fall Conference and Annual Meeting

*King's Pines to King's Dam:
Stories of American Forests*

UW-Stevens Point Field Station
– Treehaven

September 24 – September 26, 2026

Registration is now underway for the Forest History Association of Wisconsin's 2026 Fall Conference and Annual Meeting, "*King's Pines to King's Dam: Stories of American Forests*," to be held at UW-Stevens Point's Treehaven Field Station, September 24-26, 2026.

This year's conference will explore the people, places, and industries that shaped Wisconsin's forest landscape. Highlights include a full-day field tour featuring Treehaven's Forest Operations Immersion Training Program, the CASE Construction Proving Grounds, Steigerwaldt Family Tree Farms, King's Dam, and the Great Pinery Heritage Waterway. Attendees will also enjoy a banquet program featuring historic logging music and storytelling by Matt Christoff.

Saturday's presentations will examine the history of Treehaven, the Wisconsin Valley Improvement Company, and the evolution of the Tomahawk Mill lands, along with the Association's annual membership meeting.

If you have not yet registered, please note that the registration deadline is September 10, 2026. **Also Note: The early bird registration ends on August 28th.** After that date there is a slightly higher registration cost. We encourage members and friends of FHW to register early to help ensure accurate planning for meals, lodging, transportation, and conference materials as well as, saving on registration costs.

We look forward to gathering at Treehaven for another outstanding opportunity to learn, reconnect, and celebrate the stories that continue to shape our forests and our communities.

**The Forest History Association of Wisconsin gratefully
acknowledges the organizations and businesses whose generous
support helps make this conference possible.**



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From the Newspaper Archive



Henry Ford's Upper Peninsula Legacy

Henry Ford's connection to Michigan's Upper Peninsula went far beyond recreation. In the early 1920s, Ford recognized the region's vast timber resources as an opportunity to supply the growing Ford Motor Company with wood needed for automobile production. Working with his cousin-in-law, Edward G. Kingsford, Ford acquired hundreds of thousands of acres of timberland and selected Iron Mountain as the location for a major industrial operation.

Construction of Ford's sawmill and body-parts plants began in 1920 and quickly transformed the region. The facilities produced wooden automobile components that were shipped directly to Ford assembly plants, eliminating costly transportation of raw lumber. As operations expanded, additional body plants, extensive logging camps, a hydroelectric dam, and a chemical plant were added. The chemical plant made productive use of waste wood, eventually leading to the development of Kingsford charcoal briquets, a product that remains familiar today.

The economic impact was dramatic. Thousands of workers were employed at Ford's Upper Peninsula facilities, and rapid population growth fueled housing construction and business development. The Village of Kingsford was incorporated in 1923 and named after Edward G. Kingsford, whose role was instrumental in attracting Ford's investment. By the mid-1920s, the Ford operation had become one of the company's largest outside the Detroit area.

Ford's influence also extended to other Upper Peninsula communities, including Pequaming and Alberta, where he developed additional lumber and forestry ventures. Although the Kingsford plant closed in 1951 and other operations ended in the following years, Ford's legacy remains evident in local landmarks, historical sites, educational forestry programs, and community identity throughout the Upper Peninsula. (A summary of *The Escanaba Daily News* article, June 30, 2026. **Full article:** [UP sees 'The Ford Boom' in the 1920s - The Daily News](#)).

77,000 Acres Last Holding of Ford In Upper Peninsula

By Kenneth S. Lowe

No name ever had a greater impact on the economy of the Upper Peninsula than that of Henry Ford, the motor magnate who built an industrial empire above the Straits.

Little remains of that empire today, but at one time its boundaries extended from Alger County on the east to Gogebic County on the west. Included in the empire were about 500,000 acres in Alger, Marquette, Baraga, Dickinson, Iron, Gogebic and Ontonagon counties.

There were the huge automobile body plants, the largest battery of dry kilns in the nation for lumber for the body plants and the vast sawmill, all at Kingsford. And there were other sawmills at L'Anse, Pequaming, Alberta and Big Bay. The large carbonization and distillation plant at Kingsford, where products from wood waste were converted into charcoal and chemicals. The Imperial Iron Mine at Michigamme and the Blueberry Mine between Ishpeming and Champion. The lumber camps scattered throughout the central and western Upper Peninsula to feed the Kingsford complex.

At the peak of its activity the Ford empire employed about 10,000 people in the Kingsford area. Another 4,000 or 5,000 were employed in woods operations elsewhere in the Upper Peninsula.

Today Ford's holdings above the Straits are down to 77,000 acres of prime timber in Marquette and Baraga counties administered by the Ford Fund, a philanthropic institution which is seeking to dispose of the holdings and use the proceeds for charitable purposes.

Keep Mineral Rights

However, when the Ford Motor Co., deeded its Upper Peninsula timberlands to the Ford Fund, it retained all mineral rights, according to Ted Rogge of L'Anse, veteran Ford employe who is administering the Ford Fund in the Upper Peninsula. In addition, the company retained some 50,000 acres of surface rights for future mining operations, if and when this becomes feasible. The Ford Motor Co. is also a 50-50 partner with Cleveland-Cliffs Iron Co., in Humboldt Mine on the Marquette Range.

Henry Ford was born 100 years ago next July 30 on a farm near Dearborn. He died on April 7, 1947. His direct connection with the Upper Peninsula dates to 1921, when the Kingsford plant started.

It is doubtful whether any project - even the opening of some giant new mine ever had such a wide influence on the Upper Peninsula economy as the announcement of the opening of the Ford plant in Kingsford. The plant was constructed there in order to take advantage of the proximity of raw material for auto bodies. This was in the days when a lot of wood went into car bodies.

This, coupled with the fact that Ford sales were soaring, touched off a boom in Upper Peninsula logging. At times it was necessary for the plant to work three eight-hour shifts daily to keep up with the demand for sedan floorboards. Employment skyrocketed in the Iron Mountain-Kingsford area.

Alberta Community

To supply the auto body plant, Ford bought or built sawmills. One of the mills he built in was at Alberta in Baraga County. This was conceived as a model forest community and was constructed from scratch in the heart of the Upper Peninsula's most extensive hardwood forests. The tiny community carved out of the woods consisted of a spic-and-span sawmill, modern homes, schools and accessory buildings.

In the same year that Ford started the Kingsford plant he reopened the Imperial Mine. Regarding the Imperial, E. G. Muck of Michigamme recalled: "He made a lot of changes in the mine out there, as far as cleanliness in the way they operated was concerned. Paint, paint, paint! He had six or eight men painting the year 'round. They painted every house and every one of the company shops. Then they'd go back and start all over again."

Ford's penchant for neatness and order even manifested itself in his lumber camps. In conjunction with his mills, he operated three such camps, and they were the most modern ever seen in the Upper Peninsula.

The lumberjacks who worked in these camps were scornfully called "lumber ladies" by other woods workers.

Loved Peninsula

Ford obviously loved the Upper Peninsula; He made frequent trips north of the Straits to inspect his far-flung properties or just to relax. On one of these trips in 1923 he toured the Upper Peninsula in the company of Harvey Firestone and Thomas A. Edison, who had an experimental iron ore separating



Large Ford summer home overlooking Keweenaw Bay.

plant built at Humboldt in 1888, less than a quarter of a mile from the site of the present Humboldt Mine.

Ford built a hotel overlooking his sawmill at Big Bay on the shores of Lake Independence, and he had his own suite in the hotel. He built a large summer home near his mill at Pequaming with a magnificent view of Lake Superior's Keweenaw Bay. He became a member of the exclusive Huron Mountain Club in northern Mar-

quette County, where he had a lodge that has since been sold by his estate.

But the shift from wooden auto body parts to metal parts signaled the beginning of the end of the gigantic Ford operations in the Northern Peninsula. The Pequaming mill was the first to go. It was closed in 1943. In 1951 the mill at Big Bay was shut down.

The big blow came the following year when the plants at Kingsford ceased operations. In 1954 the mills at L'Anse and Alberta went out of production.



One of Ford Motor Company's Sawmills Stood on Shores of Lake Independence in Big Bay.

Last Possession

Meanwhile, the once-extensive land holdings were being sold in parcels of varying sizes. Finally, the remaining 319,000 acres were turned over to the Ford Fund.

The fund donated the sawmilling community of Alberta and 1,703 adjacent acres to the Michigan Tech, which converted the property into the Ford Forestry Center, a training and research facility operated by the college's forestry school. The fund sold 242,000 acres to the Celotex Corp. in 1956. Celotex built the world's most modern fiberboard plant at L'Anse and needed the timberlands to supply this plant.

When the fund disposes of the remaining 77,000 acres, the final chapter will have been written in Henry Ford's dramatic venture in the Northern Peninsula. (from *The Escanaba Daily Press, Escanaba, Michigan, Monday, April 22, 1963*).

Forest History Association of Wisconsin, Inc.

Membership Application

Please enroll me as a member and participant in the Association's program of developing the educational and historical aspects of Wisconsin's forestry and logging industry. Attached is payment for:

_____ Student Membership (\$10.00)	Other Contributions:
_____ Individual Membership (\$20.00)	
_____ Family Membership (\$30.00)	\$ _____ Student Awards
_____ Non Profit Membership (\$30.00)	\$ _____ Capital Fund
_____ Corporate Membership (\$55.00)	\$ _____ Operations
_____ Individual Life Membership (\$250.00)	

Name _____

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