

Wisconsin Society of American Foresters

Chippewa Chapter



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SUBJECT: Activities Report

The Chippewa Chapter awarded four scholarships this spring to seniors from Park Falls High School. These are general scholarships, awarded on the basis of academic achievement, extracurricular activities, and overall initiative. Interest in an environmental career is not necessary. An anonymous donor provided the funds.

During Earth Week (last week of May), the Chippewa Chapter sponsored daily activities for the Butternut and Park Falls 5th graders. Outside speakers visited with the kids each day on topics including wildlife, furbearers, wolves, and wildfire. On Friday, four trees were planted, two at Butternut and two at Park Falls. Each 5th grader received an Earth Day T-shirt paid for by the Chippewa Chapter.

The Chippewa Chapter is hosting the fall statewide meeting, "Integrating Forest Management and Forest Hydrology: Landscape to Site Level," at Telemark Resort in Cable, October 16-17, 2007. The postcard "heads-up" mailing went out last week to all WI SAF members, as well as about 90 MN SAF members and also about 100 from the western UP. Speakers are firmed up, topics are being fine-tuned, and the agenda is set. The main item yet to be planned is the optional field tour on the afternoon of October 17.

We did not have a spring chapter meeting this year, but we have tentative plans for a summer meeting in August, with a topic of timber salvage operations, looking at the Pioneer Fire that occurred near Cable this spring, and also some windstorm salvage.

- Jerry Van Cleve for Jay Gallagher

