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Member Appreciation Day
August 10, 1 pm

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MISSION STATEMENT

Sugarloaf: The North Shore Stewardship Association strives to inspire the preservation and restoration of the North Shore's unique environment through education and exemplary stewardship, especially at Sugarloaf Cove.

NEW VISION

Sugarloaf values and believes in a healthy Minnesota North Shore of Lake Superior where an informed citizenry takes personal and group responsibility to ensure that natural and ecological systems and human economic and social systems coexist in a fashion sustainable into the future.

Sugarloaf Updates

Staff and Campers at the Cove

When you drop by Sugarloaf Cove this summer, be sure to say hi to Margie Menzies and Tammy Smith. Margie continues as our fabulous naturalist and will be offering a variety of great programs including her popular bird banding demonstrations on Fridays and geology walks on Sundays.

Tammy Smith has returned as our always cheery site host, Mondays through Thursdays. She also helps coordinate our volunteers and offers "pop-up" educational tables for visitors.

Another addition to the Cove is a new staff trailer. For the past 5 years, Margie has lived in a pop-up trailer in the woods behind the building. Before that she lived in a tent! This spring we upgraded her to a nice camper that you will see parked along the road to the building. Thank you to the board and donors for their continuing support of our staff. If you would like to contribute to our staff housing fund, please contact Molly at 218-525-0001. Thanks!



Sugarloaf Cove staff housing



A pedestrian counter at Sugarloaf Cove

Counting Visitors

As you walk the trail at Sugarloaf Cove this summer, you may notice two little, metal gray boxes attached to trees. These boxes hold small devices that count people as they walk by. These are not cameras, just counters. Why are we counting you?

Until now, the only way we have estimated the number of visitors to the Cove was by counting how many people walked by or entered the nature center. Those counts were only conducted when a volunteer or staff was available to notice and count each visitor. We were obviously missing counting many visitors. During the fall of 2017 we were able to borrow a counter for a few weeks and the results were eye opening. We discovered that we had many visitors during the fall, especially during the weekends. From that data, we decided to have full staff coverage on fall weekends and to pursue funding to buy our own counter.

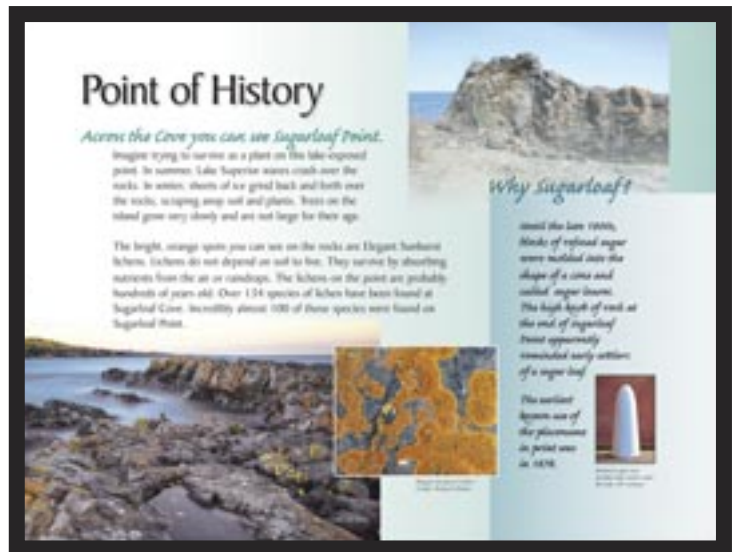
This is where volunteer Helen Sievers stepped in and made us aware of grant funds available from her former employer, IBM. Thanks to her many hours volunteering for Sugarloaf, we qualified to apply for \$2000. With the help of board member Nancy Simpson, we successfully submitted a request for an IBM Community Grant which paid for the pedestrian counters. With the data collected from the devices, we will now know how any people are visiting the Cove and when they are visiting the Cove, including the most popular days of the week and the most popular times of day. This information will help us plan our staffing and programming throughout the year. Thank you Helen and IBM!

New Trail Signs at Sugarloaf Cove!

In 1996, the beautiful 1-mile nature trail at Sugarloaf Cove was built. A booklet was written to interpret special features along the trail. Over the years, the booklet was updated and eventually shortened to a tri-fold pamphlet. Now, 23 years later, we are installing beautiful interpretive trail signs. Why the change?

Over the last 5 years, we have experienced a large increase in the number of visitors to Sugarloaf Cove. Printing thousands of trail guides a year was getting costly. Also, during the times of year when the building was not staffed by volunteers or our regular staff, trail guides were often not available for our visitors. Last year, we were pleased to receive a grant from Arrowhead Electric's Operation Round-Up grant program to partially fund the new signs. Donations from donors will round out the funding.

Once this project was underway, we quickly realized that a lot of the text in the trail guides needed updating or had become obsolete. A complete rewrite was needed. The first step was a review of the trail by board members. Their suggestions were used by Molly Thompson to begin formulating new signs. Molly reached out to Carolyn Rock, Gooseberry Falls State Park naturalist, and Margie Menzies, Sugarloaf



One of the new trail signs at Sugarloaf Cove.

naturalist, for help selecting the topics and writing the text. Then, graphic designer Wendy Strombeck worked her magic to produce beautiful new signs.

At the time of the writing of this newsletter, Vacker Signs from Roseville, MN is manufacturing the signs and frames. We anticipate installing the signs in late June with the help of volunteers. Be sure to take a walk along the trail this summer and enjoy our new beautiful signs.

Visitor Parking Policy Update

In 2018, Sugarloaf implemented a very successful \$5 parking fee for non-members. The revenue collected was used for Cove maintenance, educational programming and programs for North Shore landowners. All members were given a sticker to place on their vehicle.

This summer will be distributing hang tags instead of stickers. Now members will be able to easily move the hang tag from one vehicle to another. And, instead of receiving a new hang tag each year, members will receive a sticker to attach to the hang tag indicating their membership renewal date.

Thank you for your continued support of Sugarloaf through your membership!



Wish List

Are you interested in making a special donation to Sugarloaf Cove? Visit our Amazon.com wish list page -

<https://sugarloafnorthshore.org/wish-list/> - to order items and have them sent directly to Sugarloaf.

Items to select from include:

- *Screen tent for bird banding activities - \$150*
- *Bird seed and suet*
- *Printer ink*

You can also contact Molly Thompson at 218-525-0001 if you would like to discuss a donation for one of these items or to donate to our staff housing fund. Thank you!



Nature Lovers Unite through Volunteering at Sugarloaf Cove!

Sugarloaf Cove’s mission to “preserve and restore the North Shore’s unique environment through education and exemplary stewardship” is successful because of our many nature lover volunteers. There are countless opportunities to bring your inner nature enthusiast to life.



The 2019 Sugarloaf Cove Master Naturalist class – a vital source of Sugarloaf volunteers. Credit: Don Wendel.

Site hosting:

Come speak for the Shore and be an ambassador for nature. Greet people, answer questions, and spread your love for the area.

Trail cleanup:

Take a hike while preserving the beauty of the trail at the same time!

Building maintenance:

If you’re handy, we’d love your help in the upkeep of our Visitor Center.

Program support:

By donating and/or becoming a member, you’re helping guarantee the preservation of this truly unique jewel of the North.

Volunteer by calling 218-525-0001 or by signing up on our website at sugarloafnorthshore.org/volunteer/.

We only have one North Shore. Help us keep it awesome.

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers and Master Naturalists!



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Control Your Tansy and Thistle

Do you want to remove invasive plants like tansy or Canada thistle from your land but don't know how or don't have the right equipment?

The Community Forest Restoration Shed at Sugarloaf Cove houses tools, herbicide application equipment, and herbicides that are available for anyone to use. People wishing to use herbicides must participate in a two-hour training about herbicides, safety, and invasive plants of the North Shore.

Class dates are June 26, July 10, July 23 and August 15, 6 pm - 8 pm..

Course fee: \$10 per person / \$8 for Sugarloaf members. Payment will be taken on the day of the training. (Cash or check ONLY).



Common tansy (*Tanacetum vulgare*)

Jan Samanek, Phytosanitary Administration, Bugwood.org

You must pre-register to attend a class. Visit our website or call Molly at 218-525-0001 to register.

Mark Your Calendars

A North Shore Evening in the Twin Cities

October 28, 5:00 pm

Join fellow Sugarloaf and North Shore enthusiasts for an evening of great food, friends and fun in the Twin Cities. The evening includes a silent auction, fabulous speakers (to be announced soon), dinner and refreshments.

Watch the website and your email for more information in the upcoming months.

Join the Sugarloaf Legacy Club

Did you know you can contribute appreciated stock directly to Sugarloaf? You can transfer appreciated stock directly to Sugarloaf's brokerage account. You get the full tax deduction for the value of the stock and won't have to pay capital gains tax on the gain.

Contact Molly Thompson at 218-525-0001 for more information.



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Names listed are for new and renewing memberships received between January 2018 and December 2018.

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2018 Statement of Financial Position**ASSETS****Current Assets**

Checking/Savings	
Business Checking - US Bank	42,289
Cash drawer	80
Savings - Restricted & Reserves	111,042
Schwab account	348,061
Total checking and Savings	501,473
Other Current Assets	
Investments	266
Unrecorded incoming funds	4,450
Total Other Current Assets	4,716
Total Current Assets	506,189

Fixed Assets

Accumulated depreciation	-88,798
Building and improvements	251,118
Equipment	1,525
Land	570,989
Total Fixed Assets	734,834

Total Assets 1,241,023**LIABILITIES & EQUITY****Liabilities**

Current Liabilities	
Total Accounts Payable	5,000
Other Current Liabilities	
Deferred Revenue	38,817
Sales Tax Payable	234
Total Other Current Liabilities	39,051
Total Current Liabilities	44,051
Total Liabilities	44,051

Equity

Unrealized Gain (Loss)	50,038
Unrestricted Fund Balance	741,605
Unrestricted Net Assets	394,683
Net Income	10,646
Total Equity	1,196,971

Total Liabilities & Equity 1,241,023**2018 Statement of Activities (Jan - Dec)****Ordinary Revenue/Expense****Revenue**

Contributions Income	20,916
Grants*	107,100
Interest earned	88
Membership Dues	43,548
Merchandise Sales	3,370
Miscellaneous	182
Program Fees	24,466
Realized Gain/Loss	10,183
Total Income	209,852

Gross Revenue 209,852**Expenses**

Advertising	569
Bank Service Charges	1,432
Contract Labor	17,515
Depreciation Expense	4,697
Dues and Subscriptions	243
Fundraising	1,436
Insurance	2,780
Internet expenses	1,920
Merchandise purchases	3,610
Miscellaneous	199
Office Supplies	386
Payroll Expenses	57,062
Postage and Delivery	960
Printing and Reproduction	4,119
Program Expense	89,565
Rent	2,750
Subscriptions	46
Telephone	685
Travel	1,840
Visitor's Center Expenses	6,505
Total Expenses	199,207

Net Ordinary Revenue 10,646

* \$98,500 for stewardship specific projects

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North Shore Forest Stewardship Updates

Sugarloaf is a founding member and fiscal agent of The North Shore Forest Collaborative (NSFC). NSFC is a coordinated effort between local, state, and federal land management agencies as well as public and private organizations and individuals who want to work together to assure a healthy forest environment. Working together with the NSFC, Sugarloaf is able to reach more landowners and make a bigger impact along the North Shore. Everyone is invited to attend the general meetings and workshops. Visit northshoreforest.org.



Watch for these signs as you travel up the North Shore. Credit: Charles St. Sauver

2019 Reduced-Cost Fencing Program: Getting trees in the ground

Thanks to the generosity of the Weekes Family Foundation, the NSFC and Sugarloaf were able to offer reduced-cost fencing for North Shore landowners for the fourth year this spring. Through this program, landowners purchased 50-foot rolls of 6-

foot fencing, along with posts and ties at 1/3 retail cost. Landowners are using this fencing to protect white pine and white cedar seedlings from deer.

This year, 121 landowners ordered 256 rolls of fence and have begun planting and fencing their trees. Like last year, we were extremely fortunate to have Isak Hansen Hardware in Lutsen and Two Harbors Lumber agree to distribute the fencing.

Thanks to the success of this program, from 2016 - 2018, landowners reported planting and fencing 6479 trees and planting an additional 26,400 trees without fencing! This year we expect similar success.

Participants also received a special sign to place on their property that shows they are restoring the North Shore. Our hope is that these signs will encourage other landowners to reforest their properties. Watch for these signs as you travel up the North Shore. Every tree planted makes a difference and the more trees planted the better!

A **big thank you** goes out to the Weekes Family Foundation and all those planting and fencing trees for supporting this program and helping to restore conifers to the North Shore!

MN CPL Forest Restoration Grant Awarded

The NSFC successfully coordinated a \$219,500 forest restoration grant from the State's Conservation Partners Legacy Grant. The funding will be used to implement a forest restoration project by the US Forest Service, North Shore state parks, state Wildlife and Aquatic Management Areas, and Sugarloaf: The North Shore Stewardship Association. Funding for the CPL grant program is from the Outdoor Heritage Fund. The award was announced in December 2018 and funds will expire June 30, 2022. Coordination of on-the-ground projects and collaboration continue through NSFC and Sugarloaf.



Promoting Tree Giveaways:

The NSFC has been actively promoting tree planting, tree ordering from local SWCD's and via tree giveaways, including Hedstrom Lumber, Castle Danger Brewery, and the Boulder Lake ELC. The Castle Danger Brewery seedlings were made available through sale proceeds from the brewery's seasonal beer "White Pine Project IPA".

Join NSFC's New Facebook Friends Group:

If you are a Facebook user, please join NSFC's new Facebook Friend's Group. Encourage your North Shore Facebook Friends to "Join, Like and Share", and feel free to post your North Shore Restoration Stories! To join search for North Shore Forest Collaborative from your Facebook page.

2019 Sugarloaf Programs

Summer Nature Center Hours:
Mon-Wed 10-4; Thurs-Sun 9-5

Weekly Program Schedule:

Thursdays: Nature programs daily
Fridays: Bird Banding Demonstration:
7 am – noon
Saturdays: 10 am guest speakers and
naturalist activities.
Sundays: 10 am - Geology walk at
Sugarloaf Cove

Scheduled Events

JUNE 22 AT 10 AM WARBLERS!

Birders flock to the North Shore in spring to bask in the diversity of warbler species that nest here. Learn more about this colorful bird family with Chris Beal, Wildlife Biologist on the Superior National Forest. We'll learn about each species' preferred habitat in the region, discuss conservation issues related to these birds, and spend some time reviewing their songs and sharing tips on how to identify them by ear.

JULY 6 AT 10 AM SOLVING LAKE SUPERIOR'S MYSTERIES

Lake Superior is a very big and deep lake. These factors make collecting data such as temperature and water quality difficult. However, there is a solution - autonomous underwater vehicles.

Join EPA researcher, Tom Hollenhorst, as he takes you on a virtual journey through the waters of Lake Superior. Tom will talk about the autonomous underwater vehicles - or gliders - which collect data by diving down into the water column and back to the surface as they travel through the lake to sets of programmed GPS coordinates.

JULY 20 AT 10 AM NE MN FISH AND CLIMATE CHANGE

If you fish in the streams, rivers and lakes in the Arrowhead, you won't want to miss this presentation. Join Dean Parone, DNR Fisheries Supervisor for the Finland Area, as he describes how the DNR is monitoring the effect of climate change on North Shore streams. He will also describe how management of these streams is changing to protect the North Shore fisheries into the future.

JULY 27 AT 10 AM PAINT YOUR OWN TOTE BAG

Relax and enjoy, as you paint the beauty of the North Shore on to a tote bag, in an inspiring group

acrylic paint class. Professional Artist Sandy Danus will guide you, with her step-by-step instruction. All skill levels welcome. All materials are included. Pre-registration is required via sugarloafnorthshore.org. \$40 per adult member; \$45 for adult



AUGUST 3, 10 AM – 1 PM: CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP: SETTING, PLACE AND LANDSCAPE WITH KENDRA ATLEWORK

Kendra will lead a free workshop exploring place-based writing and nature writing. Her writing has appeared in Best American Essays 2015, The Atlantic online, and elsewhere. This workshop is sponsored through a grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board. Limited to 10 participants. Registration required.

Member Appreciation Day

at the Cove – Friends, Food and a Fabulous Porcupine

AUGUST 10TH 1 PM – 4 PM

Calling all members! Join us for this special day thanking you for supporting us. We'll start the event with a brief membership meeting at 1 pm followed by a live animal presentation featuring a porcupine, a Red-tailed Hawk and a Great Horned Owl. We'll wrap up the afternoon with refreshments and a guided walk. There will be special discounts for members in our gift shop and a raffle. This event is for members, but everyone is invited. You are welcome to become a member onsite and enjoy the benefits of the day.



Ryan Pennesi

SEPTEMBER 14TH AT 10 AM THE SECRET LIVES OF ANIMALS

Join Ryan Pennesi--Naturalist, Photographer, and Wildlife technician--for a fantastic slideshow presentation of photos he captured with his trail cameras. He will also talk about trail cameras and how they function. An optional hike afterwards will take us to several spots around Sugarloaf Cove to check cameras in the field. We will learn about places to set up trail cameras and talk about camera settings and how to maximize success. See ryanpennesi.com for a preview of his fabulous photos.

MEA WEEKEND - OCTOBER 19TH: 2ND ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE!

Multiple speakers and seminars from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Watch our website for more information.

Weather and other factors may affect times and topics. Check Sugarloafnorthshore.org or call 218-663-7679 for updates.

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