



Walleyes for Tomorrow

Indianhead Chapter

Have you ever seen 3 million walleyes in an 8' X 16' Trailer???

Take a look!



Jars of eggs in hatchery waiting for Mother Nature to hatch them

As the name suggests, Walleyes For Tomorrow (WFT) is an organization that is involved in a wide variety of activities to promote the natural production of walleyes. WFT is a non profit, tax exempt, statewide organization that has been active for 17 years. It currently consists of 16 individual chapters with over 3,500 members throughout the state of Wisconsin.

We are members of the Indianhead Chapter.

Our strong focus the past 5 years have been in the areas of stocking, habitat improvement, and conducting studies in conjunction with the DNR.

Stocking efforts have focused on the operation of four different hatcheries that are placed on the shores of four area lakes - Long Lake, Red Cedar Lake, Silver Lake, and Big Chetac Lake. These hatcheries are a "closed system". This means the hatchery uses water and eggs exclusively from the lake where it is set up to avoid the possibility of spreading disease. Volunteers provide all the necessary labor throughout the process and the results have been great. On average, we have released about 6 million fry per year in these lakes!

Enhancing fish habitat is another ongoing activity. In conjunction with the DNR, fish cribs and rock reefs have been strategically placed in area lakes.



Fertilizing eggs on Silver Lake

WFT Mission Statement

The mission of Walleyes for Tomorrow is to work with other clubs, agencies, and the DNR to improve walleye or sauger populations while taking into consideration other fish species in order to maintain a balanced fishery.

This will be achieved by following a common-sense formula involving the following activities:

- Water quality and habitat improvement
- Construction and/or improvement of spawning areas
- Spawning protection
- Stocking
- Studies and research
- Promotion of selective harvest and/or catch and release
- Awareness and management of aquatic ecosystems to achieve a balanced fish community
- Education and public awareness of issues important to the resource
- Other methods and activities that may have a positive affect on the improvement and stability of walleye and sauger populations.

WFT will provide the needed resources to achieve the above through fund-raising efforts and by recruiting volunteer labor.

Contact Information

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Indianhead Chapter of Walleyes For Tomorrow return the following form or contact Bob Wenzel via e-mail:

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