

*Application for Induction into the  
National Fresh Water Fishing  
Hall of Fame*

*For*

*FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc.,*



*Fargo, ND/Moorhead, MN*



## Fresh Water Fishing Hall of Fame

*Congratulations!*

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October 15, 2010

Mr. Gary Sauvageau  
Fargo-Moorhead Walleyes Unlimited, Inc.  
P.O. Box 1017  
Moorhead, MN 56560

Dear Gary:

Congratulations!

It is our honor to inform you of your organization's **Induction** into the Fresh Water Fishing Hall of Fame for the year 2011.

The Fargo-Moorhead Chapter of Walleyes Unlimited will be added to this very prestigious group of 41 recognized for **Organization/Corporate or Government Entity** since its inception in 1984.

Enclosed is a list of our past **Organization/Corporate or Government Entity** recipients.

We are also enclosing the criteria and guidelines used by Awards Committee in making their selections in each category by individual, secret ballot.

It goes without saying this honor recognizes the organization for its contribution, dedication and service to the fresh water sportfishing industry. **With this, their Pioneering Spirit will always be remembered.**

Congratulations again to Fargo-Moorhead Chapter of Walleyes Unlimited.

Best regards,

Wm. E. (Bill) Gautsche, Jr.  
Awards Committee Chairman

Enclosures: Rules and Regulations  
List of Inductees by Category  
List of Awards Committee Members

cc: Arlin Schalekamp  
Emmett A. Brown, Jr.





July 7, 2010

National Fresh Water Fishing Hall of Fame  
P.O. Box 690, 10360 Hall of Fame Drive  
Hayward, WI 54843

To Whom It May Concern;


As officers of FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc., we respectfully submit the enclosed application for consideration for induction into the Fresh Water Fishing Hall of Fame. FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc. was founded in 1977 to "promote conservation, sportsmanship and education in respect to walleye fishing". Under this mission, the members of this organization have forged a positive impact in fishing on a local, regional and national level by:

- ⇒ Sharing knowledge and a love of the outdoors to our youth, the future stewards of the outdoor sports
- ⇒ Sharing a passion for the outdoors through events which allow others to experience the sport of fishing
- ⇒ Donating funds to support fisheries management and lake access in Minnesota and North Dakota
- ⇒ Publishing a club newsletter to communicate activities, opportunities and information
- ⇒ Being actively involved in the political process, providing grassroots feedback to policy making officials
- ⇒ Bringing locally, regionally and nationally recognized speakers to it's members and the community
- ⇒ Providing opportunities for anglers of all ages and abilities to fish competitively and share their knowledge of the sport
- ⇒ Providing a platform from which careers in the outdoor sporting industries have been launched

We greatly appreciate your time and consideration of this application and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

  
Gary Sauvageau  
President

  
Scott Brewer  
Vice President

*"Promoting Conservation, Sportsmanship & Education In Respect To Walleye Fishing"*  
FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc., P.O. Box 1017, Moorhead, MN 56560

**NOMINATION FORM FOR INDUCTION**  
FOR RECOGNITION IN THE NATIONAL FRESH WATER FISHING HALL OF FAME  
(Return to P.O. Box 690, 10360 Hall of Fame Drive, Hayward, Wisconsin 54843  
Phone: 715-634-4440)

Submitted by: Name of Nominator: **Gary Sauvageau, President FM**

**Walleyes Unlimited, Inc.**

Address: **P.O. Box 1079**

City: **Moorhead**

State/Province: **MN**

Zip: **56560**

Phone: **701-866-1330**

Induction Categories: (See inside)

I submit the above candidate for consideration in the: (Check one)

Enshrinement Category:

Legendary Angler Category:

Legendary Communicator Category:

Legendary Fishing Guide Category:

Special Recognition Category:

Organization/Corporate or Government Entity

Annual Award Category:

If Living:

Name of Candidate: **FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc.**

Address: **P.O. Box 1079**

City: **Moorhead**

State/Province: **MN**

Zip: **56560**

Phone: **N/A**

Next of Kin Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

If Deceased: Name of Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Achievement: \_\_\_\_\_

Born (Year): \_\_\_\_\_ Died (Year): \_\_\_\_\_

Next of Kin Relationship

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

References: **See attached letters of reference**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit a concise narrative stating what the candidate did, or is in progress of doing, wherein the process has or will benefit the fishing industry or fraternity of a region, the nation, or the world.



## **FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc. History**

FM Walleyes Unlimited, Inc. (FM Walleyes Unlimited) was founded in 1977 under the mission of “promoting conservation, sportsmanship and education in respect to walleye fishing”. The founding members recognized that through good habits of taking fish with sportsmanlike conduct, better fishing would result for all. Initial objectives set forth in the club bylaws by the founding members included:

- Awareness of sportsmanlike habits and conduct.
- Conservation of the taking, release of and the stocking of walleye in area lakes. Learning what members could do to improve lake conditions, access to lakes and facilities available in local areas.
- Sharing of techniques, location and information.
- Demonstrations of new equipment and techniques by club members and fishing equipment manufacturers and their representatives.
- Sharing of facilities, equipment & techniques during club sponsored outings.

Since that time FM Walleyes Unlimited has experienced extensive growth, change and taken on additional responsibility. Over time the focus on its mission has not been lost and members of this organization, both old and new, have always embraced the opportunity share their passion for the sport that they love in ways that invite and nurture that passion in others.

FM Walleyes Unlimited is a charter member of the Fresh Water Fishing Hall of Fame.

# Youth Education



Promoting conservation and sportsmanship has been manifested in the education of youth both inside of the organization and within the community. Members of FM Walleyes Unlimited have recognized that through our youth comes the future of the sport they enjoy. Youth education through FM Walleyes Unlimited is multi-faceted and has evolved through the many years of the organization's existence.

FM Walleyes Unlimited has built a strong partnership with the Northern Lights Council of Boy Scouts of America to facilitate youth education. As a long time supporter of the Northern Lights Council, FM Walleyes Unlimited has provided on-going funding used to purchase and maintain boats, motors, an ice house and supplies for the fishing and boating merit badge stations at Camp Wilderness in Northern Minnesota. FM Walleyes Unlimited members provide learning stations and volunteer instruction during the "Hooked On Scouting" events each spring as the council recruits new boys and their families into scouting. The 2010 Hooked On Scouting events attendance included 88 boys and their families.

Partnerships with the YMCA, Fargo Park District and River Keepers provide further opportunity for FM Walleyes Unlimited to educate youth in our community and region. During the month of January the YMCA conducts an ice fishing clinic (held indoors) to provide fun and learning for community youth. While the YMCA provides games and prizes, FM Walleyes provides six learning stations focused on

ice fishing and ice safety along with volunteers for each of the stations. This event averages 150 kids each year. In June, the Fargo Park District, River Keepers and FM Walleyes Unlimited sponsor and conduct the Lil' Fisherman's Derby on the Red River of the North. This event includes six learning stations followed by a fishing contest on the river. FM Walleyes Unlimited provides the learning stations and volunteers to teach and assist at each station. This event averages nearly 200 youth and their families each year.

Early on, FM Walleyes Unlimited partnered with the North Dakota Game and Fish Department to provide classes such as "North Dakota Aquatic Education Program – Sport Fish Restoration", and "Hooked On Fishing, Not Drugs!". During the 1990's FM Walleyes Unlimited utilized the "Pathways To Fishing" program to facilitate youth education. FM Walleyes Unlimited member volunteers would often travel to communities throughout the region to conduct a "Pathways" seminar.

More recently FM Walleyes University, a youth education program developed and facilitated by members, has provided opportunities for youth to learn about a variety of fishing related subjects in an intensive, "hands on" environment. Topics such as; Ice Fishing Safety, Basics of Sonar & GPS and Making Your Own Fishing Tackle are conducted the hour prior to regular club meetings. Periodically, FM Walleyes University holds longer, more in depth classes. Boater's Safety and Building a Custom Rod are examples of this type of class. In the Boater's Safety class the attendees learned the necessities of safe watercraft operation through a series of 30 minute stations. Following the instruction, participants were able to take the Boater's Safety Exam and attain a certificate of completion. The custom rod class, taught by FM Walleyes Unlimited member and professional rod builder Chuck DeRemer, allowed a dozen youth to build their own custom spinning rod from start to finish. Supplies and facilities for these classes are provided by FM Walleyes Unlimited.

Funding for FM Walleyes Unlimited youth education programs is supported through raffling a one-of-a-kind custom built rod and reel combo.

# Adult Education



Educating youth and passing on the passions for fishing doesn't end once those children grow up and become adults. FM Walleyes Unlimited is committed to continuing to provide educational opportunities for anglers and outdoor enthusiasts of all ages.

Regular meetings are the primary vehicle to provide adult education opportunities. These meetings are held monthly September through November and January through May, are free of charge and open to the public. Featured speakers include nationally recognized professional anglers, wildlife/fisheries experts and angling/boating product experts, many of which have been inducted into the Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame including Gary Roach, Mike McClelland, Bob Probst, Gary Parsons, Keith Kavajecz, Tom Neustrom and Marv Koep. The November meeting, "Angler's Night On Ice" is dedicated to the sport of winter angling, featuring a speaker from this facet of the industry. Likewise, the March meeting, "Angler's Night Out" is focused on the upcoming soft water season and features the most prominent speaker of the year. "Angler's Night" speakers have included Fresh Water Fishing Hall of Fame personalities such as Ted Takasaki, Tony Dean, Babe Winkelman and Ron Schara.



# Community Outreach



The sharing of a boat for an afternoon of fishing is a special thing to members of FM Walleyes Unlimited. During the first week of June this is exactly what FM Walleyes Unlimited volunteers do for veterans of the United States military. The event, “Thank You Veterans Fishing Outing” on Big Cormorant Lake is a collaborative effort between the Fargo Moorhead YMCA, the Fargo Veteran’s Hospital, the North Dakota Veteran’s Home in Lisbon, ND, the local Muskies, Inc. chapter and FM Walleyes Unlimited. The YMCA buses veterans from the V.A. Hospital and the North Dakota Veterans Home to Camp Cormorant where club members from Muskies, Inc. and FM Walleyes Unlimited donate their time, boat and fishing equipment to provide the veterans with an afternoon of fishing. It is a special time when age and/or disabilities are forgotten and “what’s on the end of my line?” is in the forefront of their mind. It is a way for the volunteer anglers to say “thank you”, while it pales in comparison to the sacrifices that these veterans have given to protect the freedoms we all enjoy. When the fishing is concluded all involved gather back at the camp to enjoy a barbeque and fish stories followed by a recognition and awards ceremony for the veterans.

FM Walleyes Unlimited members also volunteer their time, boat and fishing equipment as part of the “Take A Kid Fishing” event held each year at Cedar Crest Resort on White Earth Lake. This event, coordinated by FM Walleyes Unlimited members Mike and Pam Miller, provides fishing opportunities for approximately 150 children. Fishing on White Earth Lake takes place in the morning followed by lunch and awards at Cedar Crest Resort. For many of the children taking part in this event it will be the only opportunity they have to fish from a boat. Everyone truly appreciates the excitement and enthusiasm for the day that is shown by the kids involved.


# Regional Fisheries Management Impact

In line with its founding principles, FM Walleyes Unlimited made an early commitment to support fisheries management and access to public fishing waters in its home region. FM Walleyes Unlimited has and continues to work toward this goal by donating funds to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Detroit Lakes and Fergus Falls regions to be used to pay for leases for walleye fry rearing ponds. The fry raised in the ponds leased with funds donated by FM Walleyes Unlimited go to stocking area lakes that do not allow the netting of walleye. Each season 50 to 60 ponds are leased with funds donated by FM Walleyes Unlimited.

FM Walleyes Unlimited has also donated funds to improve lake access throughout its history. Docks and lighting used at four public accesses in the region were purchased with funds donated by FM Walleyes Unlimited. These public accesses, two on Pelican Lake and two on Big Cormorant Lake are used frequently by anglers throughout the season and during the FM Walleyes Unlimited Classic Cup Tournaments.

In addition, FM Walleyes Unlimited donated funds used to purchase an ice fishing house for YMCA Camp Cormorant. This ice house is used as a shelter and base camp winter activities on the lake at the camp and doubles during the soft water season as a beach shed for the camp.

# Walleye Lines




**F-M  
WALLEYES  
UNLIMITED  
INCORPORATED**

**MAY 2010**


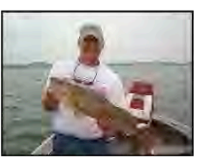
## WALLEYE LINES

*Promoting conservation, sportsmanship and education in respect to walleye fishing*



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**MAY MEETING**

(Above) Nathan Olson - Minn. DNR  
(Left) Lynn Schluster - ND G&F

The Representatives from the North Dakota Game and Fish department and the Minnesota DNR will be presenting a information on ANNS(Aquatic Nuisance Species) . Both Lynn and Nathan have been studying the effects of these nasty invaders on our local waters and will be giving their expert opinions on how to control them. They will be answering questions and handing out literature.

**THIS MEETING IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**WHEN: THURSDAY MAY 20th**  
**WHERE: DOUBLEWOOD INN ON 13th AVE S, FARGO ND**

The social hour starts at 6:30pm and the speakers will start at 7:00pm

Remember Current Members get a free ticket for a chance at a Members Only door prize. This months prize is a entry into the "On The Water School" with Corey Heiser valued at \$200.00.

*There will be raffle tickets to purchase at the meeting.*

**Please come and join the fun ....bring a friend!**

**CALENDAR  
OF EVENTS**

**May 16th**  
Board Meeting - 7pm  
Continued from All Members on website to attend

**May 20th**  
Lynn Schluster with the NDG&F of State  
Class at the NDG&F DNR.

**May 22nd & 23rd**  
Club Outing on Big Cormorant Lake  
Headquarters, YMC&Y Camp

**June 4th & 5th**  
Fishes Spring Clinic (Treatment)

**June 9th**  
Erik's & I's Fishing Trip  
Big Cormorant Lake, Woodbury Camp

**June 10th**  
Board Meeting - 7pm  
Doublewood Inn

**June 11th**  
Erik's & I's Fishing Trip  
Elika Lake

**June 19th and June 20th**  
Club Outing on Lake Forest  
Headquarters, Lake Forest/20th Hwy

**July 17th and 18th**  
on Lake Itasca, 49th St. MN  
Headquarters, York, PA Park

**August 21st and 22nd**  
on Big Cormorant Lake, Headquarters,  
Lodge Campground on Detroit Lake

**SAVE THE DATE ...**  
2011 National District Board  
Prize - Saturday, January 22, 2011  
Place - 22 Eagle Street, Fargo, ND  
More details to follow ...

**ALL MEETINGS AT 7 PM AT THE  
DOUBLEWOOD INN OF FARGO,  
UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.**

Published ten times per year, Walleye Lines is the official publication of FM Walleyes Unlimited. This newsletter, published since the founding of FM Walleyes Unlimited, provides a vehicle for communicating official club business, announcements, calendar of events, and general fishing information to members and others in the region. Current distribution is over 500 copies per issue distributed in hard copy and electronic format. Each member of FM Walleyes Unlimited is provided a subscription to this newsletter as part of their annual membership dues and allowed to choose whether to receive it in the mail or via e-mail. Additional copies are distributed regionally to sporting goods stores and bait shops and provided to patrons free of charge. A typical edition of Walleye Lines in the early days consisted of 3-4 pages and has grown to its current 10-12 page format. Most articles are written by club members with additional content provided by professional anglers, and industry experts.

FM Walleyes Unlimited has participated in the social networking phenomenon of the past several years in creating and maintaining a Facebook page. This page is used as another communication tool to pass on information about club events and provide information to the public about the mission of FM Walleyes Unlimited and activities taking place within the organization. At current count, the FM Walleyes Unlimited Facebook page has 468 fans.

# Grassroots Political Involvement

With the intent to impact the sport of fishing on a local and regional level, representatives of FM Walleyes Unlimited have continually been involved in and in contact with government agencies and lawmakers responsible for the regulation of the sport. This involvement has allowed the organization an opportunity to provide feedback and grassroots information to those who make decisions at the state and local level.

FM Walleyes Unlimited has been an active member of the North Dakota Sport Fishing Congress since its inception. This organization represents anglers and sport fishing organizations throughout North Dakota as one common voice to the legislature and other policy making individuals. Members of FM Walleyes Unlimited regularly attend the NDSFC annual meeting and provide feedback regarding issues affecting anglers in their home region.

Barry Chouinard, FM Walleyes Unlimited current treasurer and tournament director has taken the lead in representing the club and its members within the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. Barry initially participated in the Minnesota DNR Walleye Advisory Committee. This citizen group, open to the public, provides an avenue to share feedback with DNR officials regarding the regulation of walleye fishing throughout the state. Participation in this group led Barry to another opportunity with an invitation to the Minnesota DNR Round Table. This group of citizens, DNR biologists and officials digs deeper into the details of the state's walleye stocking program. Providing further opportunity to share feedback and input with policy makers and facilitating the flow of valuable information back to FM Walleyes Unlimited's members. Lastly, but certainly not least, Barry was nominated by the governor of Minnesota to participate in the Minnesota Walleye Stamp Committee, tasked with exploring and implementing the current Minnesota Walleye Stamp in 2009.

# Club Outings & Tournaments



Providing opportunities for member of FM Walleyes Unlimited to share their knowledge of angling with fellow anglers is a large part of what has made this organization successful. Events such as the club picnic and dinner dance provide a social opportunity for members while club outings and FM Walleyes Unlimited sponsored tournaments provide an opportunity to compete with other anglers on regional lakes.

The FM Walleyes Unlimited club picnic, held each year in place of the club meeting, allows members to gather in a social setting, exchange fishing stories, share information about area lakes, techniques and strategies. Again in January the FM Walleyes Unlimited Dinner Dance allows members and others to gather for dinner, socialize and participate in raffles and drawings from which funds are used to support FM Walleyes Unlimited activities.

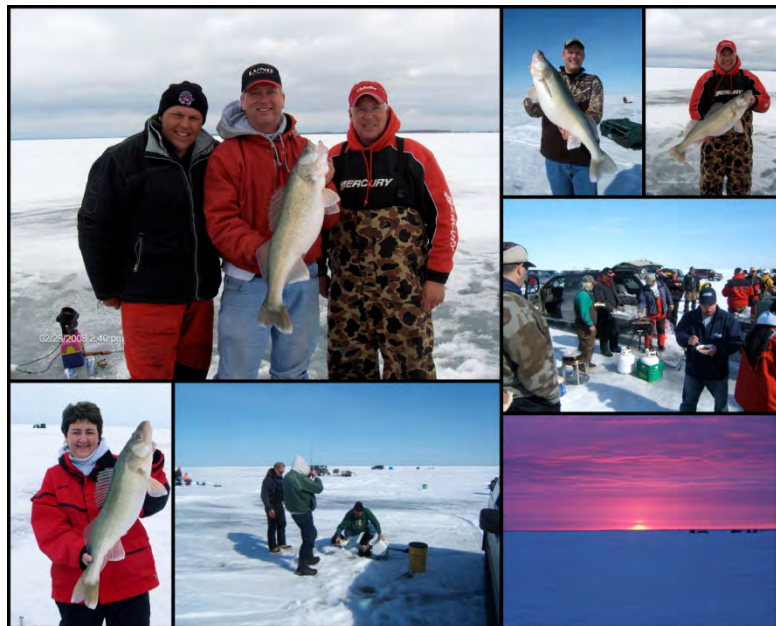
Held from April through August, FM Walleyes Unlimited club outings provide a family friendly opportunity to gather with other members and fish in a competitive event at an area lake. The schedule of lakes is determined each winter and published in the Walleye Lines for those who may be interested. Participants gather at a campground or park on or near that lake for a weekend of fishing and socializing. The competition does not include a monetary component, but rather the prestige of a cumulative year end traveling trophy awarded in both adult and youth divisions.

FM Walleyes Unlimited sponsors three tournaments throughout the year. Two of these tournaments are long standing events, which together make the FM Walleyes Unlimited Classic Cup. The Classic Cup tournaments are made up of the Pelican

Lake Spring Classic and the Cormorant Fall Classic on Big Cormorant Lake. The Spring Classic just completed its 24<sup>th</sup> year in May of 2010 and the Fall Classic will be celebrating its 28<sup>th</sup> anniversary in September 2010. Both tournaments are run under the guidance of an FM Walleyes Unlimited tournament director and staff of volunteers. In promoting conservation and sportsmanship both events are live release tournaments. Funds raised by these events are used to support FM Walleyes Unlimited programs.

In recent years FM Walleyes Unlimited has taken on another tournament sponsorship as the co-sponsor of the Devils Lake, North Dakota Angler-Young Angler regional tournament. This event, in its third year of existence in 2010, provides an opportunity for teams of one adult and two youth under the age of 17 to participate in a competitive tournament against their peers. FM Walleyes Unlimited has entered into a partnership in the sponsorship of this event with the Lake Region Anglers Association, an organization similar to FM Walleyes Unlimited based out of Devils Lake, North Dakota. The responsibility for preparation and operation of this event is shared by members of both clubs.

In another collaborative effort, FM Walleyes Unlimited partnered with the Walleye Anglers Association of Manitoba to create the Lake Winnipeg Ice Fishing Excursion. This event, held each year in March brings members of FM Walleyes Unlimited across the international border to Selkirk, MB to fish for trophy greenback walleyes on Lake Winnipeg. The purpose of this event was to facilitate the social interaction of members of both clubs in addition to access to a world class fishery.



# Outdoor Sports Industry Impact

Hard work and dedication to the sport they love has allowed several FM Walleyes Unlimited members to launch successful careers in the fishing industry. These individuals include:

- Richard Knutson – founder, Genetron Technology
- Gary Korsgarden – outdoor writer & In-Fisherman contributor
- Mike Miller – outdoors radio host and personality
- Chuck DeRemer – custom rod builder
- Cody Roswick – former Lund Boats pro staff manager and current NPAA board member and Berkley district sales manager
- Kurt Kainz – former Lund Boats pro staff manager
- LaMar VanDame – former G3 Boats pro staff manager
- Dave Bartness – Fishing products manufacturer, distributor and innovator
- Tom Backer – Professional tournament angler and guide
- Dave Randash – Professional tournament angler and guide
- Corey Heiser – Professional tournament angler
- Brian Bjorkman – Professional tournament angler
- Don Denning – Professional tournament angler
- Chad Maloy – Professional tournament angler
- Kevin Olmstead – Fished in the first PWT tournament, Mille Lacs Lake 1990; professional guide on Lake Of The Woods
- Brian Olmstead - Fished in the first PWT tournament, Mille Lacs Lake 1990

# Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

DIVISION OF FISH & WILDLIFE/Fisheries  
1509 1st Avenue North  
Fergus Falls, MN 56537  
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May 24, 2010

National Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame  
10360 Hall of Fame Drive  
Hayward, WI 54843

National Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame:

I am writing on behalf of Fargo-Moorhead Chapter of Walleyes Unlimited, an applicant for enshrinement with the National Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame.

Since 1981 F-M Walleyes Unlimited has been donating dollars to the DNR for walleye fingerling production pond leases. During the 30 years donations have ranged from \$135 (two ponds) to \$1200 (five ponds).

Walleye fingerling production and stocking has been and continues to be a major component of our fisheries management program. F-M Walleyes Unlimited has been a major contributor to our walleye production program regarding donations for pond leases. Their support has enabled us to produce and stock walleye fingerlings at a very efficient level.

Because of their support and commitment to our fisheries program, I am recommending that the Fargo-Moorhead Chapter of Walleyes Unlimited be considered for enshrinement with the National Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Arlin Schalekamp". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial 'A'.

Arlin Schalekamp  
Area Fisheries Supervisor

c: Scott Brewer, F-M Walleyes Unlimited







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To the Fresh Water Hall of Fame

I have been familiar with the FM Walleye Club for over three decades. I have spoken at a number of their meetings over the years and have to tell you: they are the most active, best all-around fishing club I have ever known. FM Walleye Club has many annual activities, and the focus is predominantly on family and kids; areas where we as an industry need to concentrate. They are grassroots in their youth recruiting, even offering mentors to take the kids fishing. There is nothing better than that to help new people get started in the sport.

I ask that you give these folks serious consideration for induction into the Hall, because they deserve it. As one of the original members and supporters of the Hall, as well as an inductee myself, I feel that we need many more organizations like the FM Walleye Club to help keep the fishing industry strong for the future.

Good Fishing,

Babe Winkelman

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April 19, 2010

National Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame

To Whom it may concern,

It is an honor for me to recommend F-M Walleyes Unlimited for induction into the National Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame.

As the Fishing Editor of Outdoor Canada Magazine, Field Editor of In-Fisherman Magazine and Television, Co-Host of the In-Fisherman Ice Guide Television Show and host/co-host of several national radio fishing shows, I have the opportunity to travel extensively across North America. Never have I come across a club more dedicated to good sportsmanship and ethics, sound conservation principles and quality angler education than F-M Walleyes Unlimited.

The club is a not only a shining star, it is a beckon for others to emulate.

Over the years, the F-M Walleyes Unlimited club has partnered with many outdoor organizations including the Lake Region Anglers in Devils Lake and the Walleye Anglers Association of Manitoba (WAAM) in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

In collaborating with these like minded organizations, F-M Walleyes Unlimited has sought not only to teach others about walleye fishing, but also to learn about and to promote the very best aspects of the sport.

At no time was this more evident that when the club reached across the international border to partner with the Walleye Anglers Association of Manitoba.

Canada and the United States have proudly shared the longest undefended border on earth. In reaching across the boundary, F-M Walleyes Unlimited clearly demonstrated that the sport of walleye fishing knows no bounds.

I have had the pleasure to speak on more than one occasion at a F-M Walleyes Unlimited meeting and each time I have come away overwhelmed by the sincerity of the membership to promote the sport of walleye fishing, especially with youngsters.

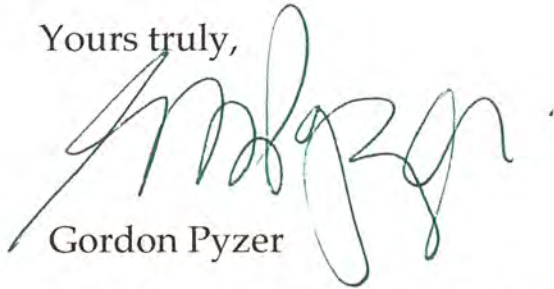
We often get but one chance to influence the lives of young anglers and I can assure you, F-M Walleyes Unlimited makes the most of every opportunity.

And not just with young anglers, either. The example F-M Walleyes Unlimited has set hosting hundreds of seminars, education and learning programs, geared to anglers young and old alike, including Servicemen and women has been nothing short of exemplary.

And let us not forget the hundreds of thousands of dollars, the club unselfishly has raised and contributes each year to local, regional and national fish and wildlife programs.

The bottom line is simply this: F-M Walleyes Unlimited leads not by words, but by hard work, commitment and action. And it is this hard work, commitment and action that has clearly earned the club an honored position in the Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame.

Yours truly,



Gordon Pyzer

***2009 Inductee, Canadian Angler Hall of Fame  
Fishing Editor, Outdoor Canada Magazine  
Field Editor, In-Fisherman Magazine and Television  
Co-Host, In-Fisherman Ice Fishing Guide Television  
Co-Host, The Real Fishing Radio Show  
Host, Fish Talk With "The Doc", Outdoor Journal Radio  
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# **HARSH PROMOTIONAL FISHING PETE HARSH / "MR. TILLER"**

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May 8, 2010

Fresh Water Fishing Hall Of Fame  
Hayward, WI

**Subject; Recommendation, Fargo Moorhead Walleyes Unlimited Club**

To whom it may concern,

Please accept this letter as my personal recommendation for enshrinement of the F/M Walleyes Unlimited Club into the Fresh Water Fishing Hall Of Fame.

My first association with F/M Walleyes began back in the early nineties. Since that time I have watched the club grow and expand into one of the premier fishing clubs in existence today. The history of F/M walleyes is one of active participation in promoting our fine sport of angling. While their name may speak of the clubs obvious interest in walleyes, F/M Walleyes has aggressively promoted all types of fishing pursuits.

I have been a long distance, if limited participant member of F/M Walleyes since the year 2001. Why? When I live 130 miles away? The answer to that is simple. With all F/M Walleyes has achieved in the past and present and what it intends achieve in the future, being part of a club that is one of the top movers and shakers in our sport of angling has been and is an honor for me!

The F/M Walleye Club has taken a strong, pro active and necessary role in aggressively promoting fishing as a positive form of recreation for our youth of today. The youth projects they have initiated and successfully completed are certainly too numerous to list here. The monthly newsletter from F/M Walleyes always amazes me as to how a club of volunteers can maintain such a pace completing old and adding new projects that serve too advance the sport of fishing. Over the years F/M Walleyes has continued to maintain and grow it's membership due to an impressive number of volunteers who have selflessly given of their time and energy. Those volunteers and the dedication they have shown are why in my opinion F/M Walleyes has been so successful and effective in advancing our sport..

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**I would encourage The Fresh Water Fishing Hall Of Fame to investigate this matter further. Your researching the archives of this club and checking with other individuals will support this request far better than my recommendation. It is my sincere belief that you will then find that recognition by your fine organization would be in order for the F/M Walleyes Unlimited Fishing Club.**

**Thank you for giving this letter consideration. If I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me.**

**Sincerely,**



**MR. TILLER**

**Pete Harsh / MR.TILLER**

**c/ F/M Walleye Club, Personal File**

May 11, 2010

Ted Takasaki  
1281 Sun Valley Drive  
East Gull Lake, MN 56401

Dear Freshwater Hall of Fame,

I am writing this letter to recommend that the FM Walleyes Unlimited fishing club be nominated for induction into the Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame.

I spoken at this club many times and they have always impressed me with their professionalism and attendance. There have been many professional anglers and educators come from this club in order to promote the sport of fishing and getting kids involved.

Angler education is an important priority for the FM Walleyes Unlimited. There are also many fundraisers and outings in order to improve the resources and to get their club members out on the water.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ted Takasaki".

Ted Takasaki  
Hall of Fame Legendary Angler

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Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame  
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To Whom It May Concern:

I recently learned of the nomination of the F-M Walleyes, Inc. for induction into the Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame. I whole heartedly support their nomination and eventual induction.

I've worked with this group for approximately 20 years, both as the Chief of Fisheries and the Director of the North Dakota Game and Fish Department. They are not the typical social club that many fish and wildlife clubs can be but care about the fishery resource and what it takes to produce and sustain the resource. Additionally, they contribute hundreds, if not thousands, of volunteer hours to mentoring youth and introducing them to fishing as a lifelong sport.

As a group, they consistently work with their partners to better the resource for all users but also work to teach old and young alike how to effectively catch fish and maintain the ethical nature of angling. This takes dedication and massive effort on their part and, in my opinion, they perform admirably.

I hope you see fit to successfully induct F-M Walleyes, Inc. into the Freshwater Fishing Hall of Fame. They are a very deserving group.

Sincerely,



Terry Steinwand, Director  
North Dakota Game and Fish Dept.