

## NFLA Calendar

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The calendar will be updated throughout the year, so please check it often.

2011 (last updated 10-2-11)

Feb. 9, Wed.	<b>Interlocal meeting.</b> The winter Interlocal meeting is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. at FWP Region 1 Headquarters; 490 North Meridian Road Kalispell, MT 59901. The agenda for this meeting will be provided here in January once it is published.
Feb. 14, Mon.	<b>Public hearing.</b> To consider changes proposed by North Fork Land Use Advisory Committee to amend the text of the Flathead County Zoning Regulations that would require temporary structures to abide by the setbacks established from public roads and bodies of waters in the North Fork Zoning District. The meeting starts at 9:30 p.m. in the Office of the Board of Commissioners of Flathead County, Courthouse, West Annex, Kalispell, Montana.
May 21, Sat.	<b>Annual hall cleanup</b> - Reserve May 21st for helping out at the annual cleanup of Sondreson Hall. It's a lot of hard work but also a lot of fun getting together with neighbors you've not seen all winter. More details on when we start and what to bring to follow.
Jun. 4, Sat.	<b>NFLA Business Meeting at Sondreson Hall.</b> Meeting starts at 8 p.m. and is hosted by Betsy Holycross. Bring a snack to share after the meeting.
Jun. 9, Thur.	<b>Hike to Hidden Meadow.</b> Come join the fun on a hike in Glacier National Park from the Polebridge Ranger Station to Hidden Meadow. This is an easy 3 mile round trip hike geared for everyone. Meet at the Ranger Station at 9 a.m.
Jun. 11, Sat.	<b>Firewise Day workshop</b> on forest insects and disease, Saturday, June 11, 2011, 9:30 a.m. at Sondreson Hall. The workshop will be followed by a field trip in the afternoon at a location to be announced.
Jun. 11, Sat.	<b>Game night at Sondreson Hall.</b> The fun begins at 8 p.m. The drinks are provided, but bring a snack. This event is hosted by the Edwards/McDonoughs and is open to the community.
Jun. 12, Sun.	<b>Bird walk.</b> Get to know the birds of the North Fork with Harrison/Kenyon. Meet at the entrance of Schnaus cabin at 10 a.m. This event is open to the community. Beginners welcome.
Jun. 15, Wed.	<b>Bike Hay Creek road.</b> Bike enthusiasts are welcomed on a ride along Hay Creek road. This ride is of moderate difficulty from 15-18 miles round trip depending on the starting point. Meet at the intersection of Hay Creek and North Fork roads at 9 a.m.
Jun. 16, Thur.	<b>Two Step and West Coast Swing dance class.</b> Join Debo Powers and the rest of the gang at 7:30 p.m. to learn some new steps. This class is for beginners, but all are welcome. This event is open to the community. No fee charged.
Jun. 20, Mon.	<b>Hike to Apgar Lookout.</b> Come join the fun on a hike in Glacier National Park to Apgar Lookout that includes a nice trail and good views. This is a moderate 7 mile hike round trip. Plan to meet at the Pittman's at 8:30 a.m. to carpool.
Jun. 21, Tues.	<b>Backwoods Booklovers book club at Sondreson Hall.</b> Discussions on <b>The Geography of Bliss: One Grump's Search for the Happiest Places in the World</b> by <b>Eric Weiner</b> will begin at 7:30 p.m. Bring a snack to share with your fellow booklovers. The NFLA host is Donna Harrison. This event is open to the community.
Jun. 22, Wed.	<b>CANCELLED due to river conditions! First float of the season.</b> Come join host Gerry Stearns for a float from Ford Ranger Station to Polebridge. Everyone will meet at Ford at 1 p.m. Don't forget your watercraft and life jacket. If you need a place in a raft, stop by the Merc and signup. This event is open to the community.
Jun. 25, Sat.	<b>First square dance of the season at Sondreson Hall.</b> Come join the Harts and Debo Powers for an evening of square dancing and waltz. The potluck begins at 6:30 p.m. and the dancing begins at 7:30 p.m. Bring a dish. Beginners are welcome. This event is open to the community. No fee charged.
Jun. 26, Sun.	<b>Bird walk.</b> Birdwatchers Harrison/Kenyon are guiding another bird outing starting. Meet at 9 a.m. at Polebridge Ranger Station for a trip to Winona Lake. Bring binoculars and boots. Beginners welcome.
Jun. 27, Mon.	<b>Bike ride to Cyclone Notch.</b> Bike enthusiasts are welcomed on a ride to Cyclone Notch. This ride is strenuous from 8-10 miles depending on the starting point. If you are up for a challenge, meet at the intersection of Hay Creek and North Fork roads at 9 a.m.

<b>Jun. 28, Tues.</b>	<b>History Committee Meeting.</b> The History Committee is scheduled to meet at 3pm to talk about projects this summer as well as make plans for the upcoming auction on July 23rd. The meeting will be held in Goose at the Hart's, 13750 North Fork Road. Anyone interested in working on the History Committee should join Debo Powers and Morgan Hart for this meeting.
<b>Jun. 29, Wed.</b>	<b>North Fork Community Picnic, Potluck and Boating Fish Creek Picnic Area, Apgar 1:00- 4:00.</b> Meet at the Merc at 12:30 to carpool. Bring a dish to share and your own picnic basket with eating utensils, blankets, drinks, musical instruments, games, etc. Bring canoe/kayak to boat on Lake McDonald. If you have an extra boat for another, bring it along. Hosts are Bob and Linda Nelson, who will provide Wisconsin brats and cheese, local hot dogs, buns/condiments and table cloths.
<b>Jul. 2, Sat.</b>	<b>Hike to Cyclone Lookout.</b> Come join the fun on a hike to Cyclone Lookout that includes a nice trail and good views. This is a moderate 5 mile hike round trip. Plan to meet at the intersection of Hay Creek and North Fork roads at 9 a.m.
<b>Jul. 2, Sat</b>	<b>NF Land Use Advisory Committee meeting at Sondreson Hall.</b> The first meeting of the year, this meeting is hosted by chairman John Frederick and is open to the community.
<b>Jul. 2, Sat</b>	<b>NFLA Business Meeting at Sondreson Hall.</b> Meeting starts at 8 p.m. and is hosted by Debo Powers. Bring a snack to share after the meeting.
<b>Jul. 3, Sun</b>	<b>Sunday service at Sondreson Hall.</b> Don and Sue Sullivan host an interdenominational service and coffee at the hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
<b>Jul. 4, Mon</b>	<b>4th of July parade at Polebridge.</b> Come join in the fun at noon. But please leave the fireworks at home.
<b>Jul. 5, Tues.</b>	<b>Gardening workshop at Sondreson Hall.</b> Come learn about hardy plants for the North Fork at 10 a.m. Mike of Hooper's Nursery will be providing the information. This event is hosted by Donna Harrison and is open to the community.
<b>Jul. 7, Thurs.</b>	<b>Bike ride Spruce Creek road.</b> Bike enthusiasts are welcomed on a ride between Hay Creek road and Red Meadow road. This ride is of moderate difficulty from 8-12 miles depending on the starting point. Plan to meet at the intersection of Hay Creek and North Fork roads at 8:30 a.m.
<b>Jul. 7, Thur.</b>	<b>Two Step and West Coast Swing dance class.</b> Join Debo Powers and the rest of the gang at 7:30 p.m. to learn some new steps. This class is for beginners, but all are welcome. This event is open to the community. No fee charged.
<b>Jul. 8, Fri.</b>	<b>More boating.</b> Come join host Debo Powers for a float from the border to Wurtz. Everyone will meet at the border launch area at 11 a.m. This is a Class II & III float, but the Class III can be avoided. Don't forget your watercraft and life jacket. If you need a place in a raft, stop by the Merc and signup. This event is open to the community. <b>New information!</b> Because of river conditions, this float will now start at Ford and end at Polebridge. Everyone please meet at the Ford boat launch at 11 a.m.
<b>Jul. 9, Sat.</b>	<b>Bear fair.</b> The U.S. Forest Service in cooperation with Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, Glacier National Park, and others is sponsoring a community bear fair on July 9th from 11pm through 3pm at the Polebridge Mercantile with a barbeque at the Northern Lights Saloon. Come learn about our bears.
<b>Jul. 10, Sun.</b>	<b>Sunday service at Sondreson Hall.</b> Don and Sue Sullivan host an interdenominational service and coffee at the hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
<b>Jul. 11, Mon.</b>	<b>Hike along the Middle Fork of the Flathead River.</b> Come join the fun on an easy hike along the Middle Fork river from West Glacier bridge east for 4-8 miles round trip. The distance you hike depends on your ability. Plan to meet at the Pittman's at 8:30 a.m. to carpool.
<b>Jul. 13, Wed.</b>	<b>Summer Inter Local meeting.</b> Come to Sondreson Hall and get information from the local agencies and exchange ideas. A pot luck lunch will begin at noon. The meeting begins at 1p.m.
<b>Jul. 15, Fri.</b>	<b>2nd annual Robin Cox Weed Roundup at Sondreson Hall.</b> This event will start at 10 a.m. and is sponsored by the Weed Committee. More information about the speakers will be provided later.
<b>Jul. 16, Sat.</b>	<b>Annual pie and ice cream social and dance at Sondreson Hall.</b> Social begins at 7 p.m. so please bring pie or ice cream (either already made or ready to crank). Then get ready for dancing at 8 p.m. with the Grin & Bear It band. This event is open to the community with a \$5 entrance fee to pay for the band. The hostesses are Linda Pittman and Debo Powers.
<b>Jul. 17, Sun.</b>	<b>Sunday service at Sondreson Hall.</b> Don and Sue Sullivan host an interdenominational service and coffee at the hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
<b>Jul. 17, Sun.</b>	<b>Memorial service for Sandi Thomson.</b> There will be a memorial gathering to celebrate Sandi's truly incredible life on Sunday, July 17 from 2-5pm at Sondreson Meadow. The plan is to meet at the first big camping spot, but if that is already taken, keep driving south until you do. Bring a chair, finger food and

	celebratory refreshments.
<b>Jul. 17-18, Sun.-Mon.</b>	<b>Bike Hiawatha Rails 2 Trails.</b> For the real bike enthusiasts. This route outside of the North Fork area is a moderate ride with a 2% grade for 15 miles one way (taking a bus back) or 30 miles round trip. Lodging or camping are available in St. Regis. More information about this trip is available from Linda Pittman or Danny Dill or at the Polebridge Mercantile.
<b>Jul. 18, Mon.</b>	<b>Auction drop off.</b> Come drop off items at Sondreson Hall for the History Committee Auction scheduled for July 23rd. The Hall will be open from 2-5pm.
<b>Jul. 19, Tues.</b>	<b>Backwoods Booklovers book club at Sondreson Hall.</b> Hosted by Annemarie Harrod, this event begins at 7:30 p.m. The book is <i>True Griz</i> by North Forker Doug Chadwick. As a special treat, MFWP Grizzly Bear Manager Tim Manley will discuss bears and answer questions. Bring a snack to share with your fellow booklovers. This event is open to the community.
<b>Jul. 20, Wed.</b>	<b>Auction drop off.</b> Come drop off items at Sondreson Hall for the History Committee Auction scheduled for July 23rd. The Hall will be open from 2-5pm.
<b>Jul. 21, Thur.</b>	<b>Even more boating.</b> Come join hosts Dennis and Carol Grobe for a float from Polebridge to Coal Creek. Everyone will meet at the Polebridge launch area at 11 a.m. This is an easy Class I float. Don't forget your watercraft and life jacket. If you need a place in a raft, stop by the Merc and signup. This event is open to the community.
<b>Jul. 22, Fri.</b>	<b>Auction drop off.</b> Come drop off items at Sondreson Hall for the History Committee Auction scheduled for July 23rd. The Hall will be open from 2-5pm.
<b>Jul. 23, Sat.</b>	<b>NF History Committee Auction at Sondreson Hall.</b> We might not have Madge's bed springs on the block this year, but there will be plenty of interesting items. The auction starts at 8pm. and all proceeds go to the History Committee. Auctioneer Richard Hildner. Please have all donations to the Hall by 7:30pm. Previewing for the auction will be from 6pm to 8pm. <b>Click here to get a copy</b> of the auction flier that includes information about what makes a good auction item. This event is open to the community.
<b>Jul. 24, Sun.</b>	<b>Sunday service at Sondreson Hall.</b> Don and Sue Sullivan host an interdenominational service and coffee at the hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
<b>Jul. 26, Tues.</b>	<b>River corridor weed roundup.</b> Come join your fellow weed wranglers going from the boarder to Ford Station starting at 11 a.m. This event is sponsored by the Weed Committee and is open to the community.
<b>Jul. 29, Fri.</b>	<b>Hike to Coal Ridge Lookout.</b> Come join the fun on a hike to Coal Ridge Lookout. This is a moderate 8 mile round trip hike. Meet at the intersection of Hay Creek and North Fork roads at 8:30 a.m.  <b>Update!</b> This hike has been changed because the road to Coal Ridge has been temporarily gated. The new hike is to Inuya Pass - 6 miles round trip. Everyone should meet at the intersection of the North Fork and Whale Creek roads at 9 a.m.
<b>Jul. 30, Sat.</b>	<b>NF Preservation Association annual meeting and potluck at Sondreson Hall.</b> Come join host John Frederick for a potluck at 5 p.m., business meeting at 7:30 p.m. and speaker Charlie Russell, author of <i>Grizzly Heart</i> , <i>Grizzly Season</i> and <i>Sprit Bear</i> . Russell rescued 3 grizzly cubs from cages in Russia and taught them how to survive in the wild.
<b>Jul. 31, Sun.</b>	<b>Sunday service at Sondreson Hall.</b> Don and Sue Sullivan host an interdenominational service and coffee at the hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
<b>Aug. 2, Tues.</b>	<b>More boating.</b> Float from the Wurtz airstrip to Sondreson. Everyone will meet at the Wurtz airstrip at 11 a.m. This is a Class II with one Class III stretch that can be easily avoided. Don't forget your watercraft and life jacket. If you need a place in a raft, stop by the Merc and signup. This event is open to the community
<b>Aug. 6, Sat.</b>	<b>NFLA Business Meeting and annual elections at Sondreson Hall.</b> The meeting starts at 8 p.m. and elections start at 9:15 p.m. Bring a snack to share after the meeting. The host is Lee Secrest.
<b>Aug. 7, Sun.</b>	<b>Sunday service at Sondreson Hall.</b> Don and Sue Sullivan host an interdenominational service and coffee at the hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
<b>Aug. 8, Mon.</b>	<b>North Fork Compact meeting.</b> This meeting is scheduled for 8pm at Sondreson Hall.
<b>Aug. 10, Wed.</b>	<b>Bike Moose Creek Rd.</b> Come show your competitive streak on a timed bike ride on Moose Creek Rd in the new Judy Dill Memorial Timed Trails ride. Winner gets to wear a smug smile for the rest of the day! Meet at North Fork and Moose Creek Roads at 9 a.m.

Aug. 11, Thur.	<b>More boating.</b> Come join hosts Carl and Linda Pittman for a float trip from West Glacier to Blankenship. Meet at the Pittman's at 10 a.m. This is a more challenging float, Class II with one Class III. We recommend that you talk with the Pittmans if you're a beginner. Don't forget your watercraft and life jacket. If you need a place in a raft, stop by the Merc and signup. This event is open to the community.
Aug. 13, Sat.	<b>Hall Maintenance.</b> Come join Lee Secrest and the gang for some fun-filled hours of hall maintenance at Sondreson Hall. Work begins at 10am and could go through lunch, so bring something to eat. Scheduled maintenance includes oiling the outside logs. Everyone is welcome!
Aug. 13, Sat.	<b>Game night is back at Sondreson Hall.</b> The fun begins at 8 p.m. The drinks are provided, but bring a snack. This event is hosted by the Edwards/McDonoughs and is open to the community.
Aug. 14, Sun.	<b>Sunday service at Sondreson Hall.</b> Don and Sue Sullivan host an interdenominational service and coffee at the hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
Aug. 16, Tues.	<b>Backwoods Booklovers book club at Sondreson Hall.</b> Discussions on the selected book <i>The First Ranger</i> by C.W. Guthrie will begin at 7:30 p.m. Bring a snack to share with your fellow booklovers. This event is open to the community and hosted by Tom Holycross.
Aug. 18, Thurs.	<b>Hike to Upper Quartz Lake.</b> Come join the fun on a hike to Upper Quartz Lake in Glacier National Park. This is a moderate 8 mile round trip hike. Meet at the Polebridge Ranger Station at 8:30 a.m.
Aug. 19, Fri.	<b>Update! River corridor weed roundup.</b> Come join your fellow weed wranglers at Polebridge starting at 10am. No boating involved. Please bring work gloves, lunch, and water. This event is sponsored by the Weed Committee and is open to the community. For more information contact Val Cox.
Aug. 20, Sat.	<b>Potluck and dance with Grin &amp; Bear It band.</b> The potluck begins at 6 p.m. followed by dancing at 8 p.m. The Grin & Bear It band are back. This event is open to the community with a \$5 entrance fee to pay for the band. The hostess is Val Cox. Please bring a dish.
Aug. 21, Sun.	<b>Sunday service at Sondreson Hall.</b> Don and Sue Sullivan host an interdenominational service and coffee at the hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
Aug. 21, Sun.	<b>History Committee meeting.</b> The History Committee is scheduled to meet on Sunday, Aug. 21st at 7pm at Morgan Hart's place (13750 North Fork Road). This event is hosted by Debo Powers and Morgan Hart. Anyone interested in helping with history projects is welcome to attend.
Aug. 24, Wed.	<b>Bike Camas Road to Apgar.</b> Come join the fun on an easy 11 mile one-way trip from Camas Road to Apgar where there will be ice cream! Make arrangements for a shuttle back or turn an easy one-way ride into a challenging 22 mile round trip. Meet at the Camas parking area stop sign at 9 a.m.
Aug. 28, Sun.	<b>Sunday service at Sondreson Hall.</b> Don and Sue Sullivan host an interdenominational service and coffee at the hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
Sept. 3, Sat.	<b>NFLA Business Meeting at Sondreson Hall.</b> Meeting starts at 8 p.m. and is hosted by Richard Hildner. Bring a snack to share after the meeting.
Sept. 4, Sun.	<b>Sunday service at Sondreson Hall.</b> Don and Sue Sullivan host an interdenominational service and coffee at the hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
Sept. 10, Sat.	<b>Old fashion square dance at Sondreson Hall.</b> We haven't forgotten about the square dance records. Come join the Ramons/Harts and learn some new steps. The dance begins at 8 p.m. Bring a snack to share between rounds. This event is open to the community and no fee charged.
Sept. 11, Sun.	<b>Sunday service at Sondreson Hall.</b> Don and Sue Sullivan host an interdenominational service and coffee at the hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
Sept. 13, Tues.	<b>Backwoods Booklovers book club at Sondreson Hall.</b> Discussions <i>The Bonesetter's Daughter</i> by <i>Amy Tan</i> will begin at 7:30 p.m. Hosts are Carol Vuchetich and Jim Cleghorn. Bring a snack to share with your fellow booklovers. This event is open to the community.
Sept. 18, Sun.	<b>Sunday service at Sondreson Hall.</b> Don and Sue Sullivan host an interdenominational service and coffee at the hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
Sept. 25, Sun.	<b>Sunday service at Sondreson Hall.</b> Don and Sue Sullivan host an interdenominational service and coffee at the hall starting at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.
Oct. 1, Sat.	<b>NFLA Business Meeting at Sondreson Hall.</b> Meeting starts at 8 p.m. and is hosted by Tom Edwards. Bring a snack to share after the meeting.
Nov. 24, Thur.	<b>New! Thanksgiving dinner.</b> Come join the rest of your North Fork neighbors at Sondreson Hall for our annual Thanksgiving potluck dinner. Turkeys and a ham will be provided. Please bring a side dish and your own table setting. The doors open at 3pm and dinner is served at 4pm. This event will once again be hosted by the Bergs.

<b>Dec. 25, Sun.</b>	<b>New! Christmas dinner.</b> Come join the rest of your North Fork neighbors at Sondreson Hall for a Christmas potluck dinner. Main dishes will be provided. Please bring a side dish and your own table setting. The doors open at 3pm and dinner is served at 4pm. This event will once again be hosted by the Caldwells and the Heaphys.
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**Color Code**

- NFLA business meetings - orange
- Boating - blue
- Outdoors - green
- Dancing - pink
- Sunday services - gray
- Book club - yellow