



**North House Folk School**

## **WOODEN BOAT SPEAKER SERIES, JUNE 21-23, 2013**

Watch, listen, be inspired. The adventurous and spirited journeys of sailors, boat builders and canoeists converge for two days of inspirational presentations. North House members receive Special Event Pass, for free/reduced admission to presentations and workshops. \$5/presentation for non-members. Become a member today, for as little as \$25 and Get The Pass!

### **Fri, 2 pm / Clearwater Lodge: A Hand-Hewn Legacy with Adam Van Tassell**

Adam Van Tassell, current owner and steward of Clearwater Historic Lodge and Canoe Outfitters, will be sharing some stories about Charlie and Petra Boostrom who founded and built the first lodge and outfitting operation on the Gunflint Trail. The canoe outfitting business was founded in 1915 and the main lodge was finished in 1926. The lodge was constructed without nails, each log was hand hewn, drilled and then pegged. When completed the lodge had 14 rooms for guests, a kitchen, dining area, sitting area by the hearth and a large wrap around porch. Even more impressive than the building, is the family who lived there. Listed on the National Historic Registry, Adam gives tours twice a day at the lodge, taking guests through various rooms, showing them handmade pieces of furniture and telling stories about the Boostrom family, and what life was like as the first family to live up on the trail year round.

### **Fri, 3pm / Across Canada the Hard Way with Pete Marshall**

Since he went on his first canoe trip at age 16, Pete has paddled over 7,500 miles through Canada. In 2005 he and his brother, Andrew, canoed 2,700 miles over the course of 122 days from Lake of the Woods, Minnesota, to the Arctic Ocean. Most recently, in 2012, he paddled from the Alaskan Coast 2600-miles across the Canadian Territories. He has a habit of mapping out long, creative canoe routes, and has been on two expeditions that have lasted over 120-days.

### **Fri, 4pm / Stories from the Pie Place Cafe: A Reading & Book Signing with Kathy Rice**

A trip to Grand Marais isn't complete without a meal and a slice of pie at the Pie Place Cafe. Join Kathy Rice, member of the Pie Place Café family and longtime friend of North House to celebrate the completion of The Pie Place Café Cookbook, Food & Stories Seasoned by the North Shore. Kathy will read from her work and share stories and reminiscences that will feature more than a few names North House fans might recognize: Harley Refsal, Charlie Mayo, and Jon Venzer, to name a few!

### **Sat, 2pm | Das Boat Builder with Bob Nelson**

Bob Nelson, local Bayfield, Wisconsin historian and grandson of Bayfield fish tug builder Frank Muhlke will present a slide review of this German immigrant and his boat building talents. The review includes many photos of his workshop, hull framing techniques, and Muhlke's commercial fish boats that plied the waters of the North shore, from Duluth to Knife Isle to Beaver Bay, and the South Shore of the Lake Superior. Muhlke's personal boat building tools will be offered for inspection while personalized stories of the man who sailed the Baltic Sea under Kaiser Wilhelm and fled to America to start a new life will be shared.

### **Sat, 3pm | Life Aboard a 19th Century Schooner with Tom Kastle**

Join singer, songwriter, and sailor Tom Kastle for a glimpse of life aboard tall ships in the 1800s; the every day as well as the exceptional experiences of the sailors of the Inland Seas!

### **Sat, 4pm | Smoke, Fog & Caribou: Paddling Lake Superior's Slate Islands & Pukaskwa Coast with Layne Kennedy**

Join photographer LAYNE KENNEDY as he documents some of Lake Superior's most stunning wilderness landscape and those critters they called ghosts. Kennedy will share kayaking experiences on Ontario's Slate Islands and Pukaskwa National Park.

## **ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP GATHERING & KEYNOTE PRESENTATION**

**Sun, 12:30 pm | Across the Continent by Kayak, Canoe and Sled: The North American Odyssey**

It's hard to imagine a modern-day adventure bigger than the one Grand Marais residents Dave and Amy Freeman just completed. It was a journey of three years and 11,700 miles, that stretched across North America, all under human power (well, with the help of some sled dogs). The North American Odyssey took the Freemans up the Pacific Coast, across the continent by foot, dogsled and canoe, and then down the Atlantic Coast to the Florida Keys. Their route took them across some of the most spectacular wilderness on the planet and the most densely populated coastline in North America. As they traveled, Dave and Amy brought along 80,000 school children from around the world via their educational website [wildernessclassroom.com](http://wildernessclassroom.com) interacting with the students and teachers daily. From paddling through Reversing Falls into the Bay of Fundy, kayaking through rush hour in Manhattan, hunkering down as Superstorm Sandy battered the New Jersey coastline...Dave and Amy have stories to tell.