



Almanac From the Hill

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New Board Members

Each year retiring Board members leave us (our term limits are a maximum of six continuous years) and new Board members are elected to guide the Friends of Hunt Hill organization and protect Hunt Hill itself.

In 2011 we say goodbye to Linda Thompson, Adam Liegl, and Tracey Mofle and wish to thank them for all they've done for Hunt Hill. Strong volunteer service is at the heart of Hunt Hill's success!

We also welcome back: Nick Allen (Town of Madge), who is rejoining the Board after one year's absence; Jessica Schalkowski (Shell Lake); and Paul Donatell (Spooner). In future newsletter articles we will introduce each of them in more detail.

Lower Parking Lot Plowed Now

This winter we are having Derrick Olson (provides our plowing service) clear the driveway all the way down past the Program Learning Center and about half the lower parking lot. We hope the extra expense will be worth it – come on out and visit us!!

We will be needing the extra space for all of our expanded winter programs like: Winter Soup Lunches, Going Back: Basket Making and Herb Gardening programs, Winter Camping, Nature At Night: Snowshoeing and Stargazing programs, and for those who just come out to hike or snowshoe on their own in our beautiful winter setting.

Member Discount Cards

Thanks to all of you who have chosen to support Hunt Hill by becoming a member! To those of you who registered before the end of 2010, you will be receiving an Early Registration card in addition to the Members Discount card. We had an enthusiastic response to this incentive and you will be receiving your cards early in February.

Remember, when you register for a program you pay the total sum at registration. When you arrive at the program, present your card (you must have card with you) and you will receive a reimbursement of the difference. If you are registering at the event, present the card and pay the discounted price. Your membership card allows discounts for specified programs and each discount can be used only once. Early Registration discount cards are for a specific dollar discount and can be used for any program. One discount per program is allowed.

Sorry, we are unable to replace misplaced, damaged or lost cards.

Board of Directors

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Carolyn Cleveland
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Dennis Grivna
Paul Donatell
Sue Menzel
Tracey Mofle
John Neste

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Please put the board member's name in the subject line.

FOHHAS ?? Here's the History and Why Your Membership Is So Important!

Ever see the term FOHHAS and wonder what it means? Even staff and Board members occasionally need a reminder. It's the acronym that stands for your local organization that runs Hunt Hill . . . the 'Friends of the Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary, Inc.'

Though the National Audubon Society (NAS) still owns the property, they haven't been involved in directly managing the camp for over twenty years. In 1986 they closed the camp for financial reasons, with only about 200 visitors a year.

Without the intervention of local supporters and the formation of FOHHAS, Hunt Hill would have died, because NAS planned to sell off the property.

FOHHAS members were granted a ten-year, no-cost lease to take over property management, assume all financial and legal responsibilities, redesign the programs offered, manage the staffing and refurbish the facilities. Local members and staff succeeded in turning it around! A second ten-year lease soon followed.

Our annual total number of visitors has been at or over 5,000 for several years now. We have just negotiated our third ten-year lease, with NAS considering a complete ownership transfer of Hunt Hill to FOHHAS. That's what your FOHHAS membership can mean for our future – please renew!

Tremendous Response To 2011 Membership Campaign!

The FOHHAS (Friends of Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary, Inc.) Board, staff and Membership Committee would like to thank all of you who have already renewed your 2011 membership. The new discount card incentive, to encourage "Friends" to renew and send their membership envelope back right away, has been well-received.

This spring, our Membership Committee will start making follow-up phone calls to those who have not yet responded. With a gentle reminder, we hope to find out why they haven't renewed yet, if there are concerns we need to address, or new ways to better serve their needs or to do what we can to keep building stronger grassroots support.

Your local FOHHAS membership is one of the most important ways you can support Hunt Hill; all of the programs we offer; and our service to area families, schools and communities.

Although not directly supporting Hunt Hill, your personal support of the National Audubon Society and its worldwide efforts to help birds and the environment is encouraged.

Log Cabin Rentals

Please keep Hunt Hill in mind for any of your family and friends who might be looking for a neat place to "crash" this winter while visiting northern Wisconsin. Our Log Cabin is very rustic, but does have a furnace, running water and is available all winter!

Sleeping accommodations are for groups numbering up to four or five persons: one queen size bed for two in the master bedroom, a sofa sleeper for two in the living room in front of the fireplace, and a single bed mattress in the sleeping loft above the fireplace.

There is an indoor bathroom and shower facility, a stove and refrigerator, coffee maker and microwave in the kitchen, a dining area and firewood for the fireplace. Guests provide their own food, bedding and towels.

Please call us for more information or to reserve your spot; and check out our website at www.hunthill.org.



2011 Hunt Hill Staffing Needs

Spring Marketing/Advertising Intern

The intern will work closely with the Program Director this spring to develop contact lists and low cost ways to advertise and market our camps to increase enrollment and the overall success and sustainability of our camp.

School Educators

Experience teaching is preferred but applicants who enjoy the outdoors and children are encouraged to apply. Educators use predeveloped curriculum and typically work 8:30am-2:00pm various days Monday-Friday in May.

Summer Environmental Educators

Hunt Hill is looking for seasonal summer educators to live and work on-site June through part of August. Educators develop and lead a variety of nature programs, primarily to our day campers, ages 5-12. This is a salaried position and room and board are provided.

Summer Junior Counselors

Although not a paid position, junior counselors are volunteers that gain work experience and build their resumes as they help with various camp tasks, including: day camper supervision, lead games and crafts and more. A fun way to spend summer days. Summer schedule is based on volunteer's availability and Hunt Hill's needs.

Learn more at: www.hunthill.org or call 715 635 6543. Resumes can be sent to: program@hunthill.org



2011 Program Guide

Here's a list of new features to look for:

- **TEAR OUT CALENDAR:** Page 3 features a tear out calendar that lists nearly all of our programs by date, time and the preregistration date. More info can be found at hunthill.org
- ******* 3 stars next to the title of a program indicate the program requires preregistration
- **DAY CAMP CHECK LIST:** Page 9 lists all of our summer day camps. This can be cut out and posted on the fridge, with checks next to the camps your little ones will be attending this summer.
- **MEMBERSHIP ENVELOPE:** Hunt Hill depends on the support of our members! Learn more about the benefits of membership on page 17 of the Program Guide.
- **SUPPORT HUNT HILL:** Page 16 lists different ways you can help through: donating money to a specific sponsor area, donating your time as a volunteer or donating supplies, we appreciate your help!

Birds, Kayaks & Slumber Parties

Hunt Hill is excited to announce three brand new camps in 2011:

Northwoods Birding Camp

Join birding experts and enthusiasts in this weekend or weeklong birding camp. June 17-24

Wooden Kayak Building Camp

Build your own custom made wooden kayak. No experience is necessary. June 17-24



Hunt Hill Camper Slumber Parties

Campers 6-9 and 8-11 will enjoy these overnight camps. Attend a day of camp, then spend the night in our dorms with smores and more then attend a second day of day camp before heading home. July 12-13 and July 13-14

Learn about our exciting programs online at:

www.hunthill.org

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in February

Basketmaking—February 5
(Registration due January 24)

Soup Lunch—February 8 noon

Winter Camping February 19-20
(Registration due February 11)

Nature at Night: Snowshoeing February 19
6-8pm Preregistration requested

We wish we had...

MACHINERY

Skid steer/bobcat

KITCHEN

Full size sheet pans

Electric meat slicer

Extra large grill for pancake breakfasts

*Sources for unbleached paper products

Rectangular, flannel back vinyl tablecloths

PROGRAM SUPPLIES

Newer Laptop Computers

*Kayaks—1 & 2 person

*Kayak paddles

Snowshoes—assorted sizes

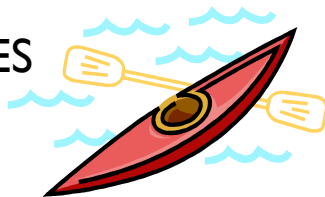
Display cabinets for Learning Center

Adult Lifejackets

*Telephone poles or landscape timbers, 4x4s, 4x6s

*DVD/VCR player

Craft supplies



TOOLS

Loppers, pruning shears

Shovels

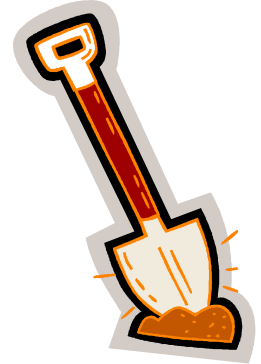
Deepwell sockets

*2 ton floor jack

Wood clamps

Pipe Clamps

Pick axe



Belt sander

Drill bits

Heavy tined garden rakes

Table saw

Hole saws—all sizes

18V battery operated drill

BUILDINGS

New 9V batteries

*Compact fluorescent bulbs (75 or 100 watts)

Wooden porch swing

New/new condition area rugs- 6x9 or 9x12

Garden sculpture: metal, wood or tin