The Friends of Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary, Inc.

Annual Report 1989 to 2011

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The Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary
Owned by the National Audubon Society
Managed locally by
The Friends of Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary, Inc.
Our Mission:
“Hunt Hill is a wildlife preserve and learning center, open to all, dedicated to fostering understanding, appreciation, and protection of the environment.”

2011 FOHHAS Board Highlights:
The FOHHAS Board meets on the fourth Monday of most months (except around the holidays) at 5 pm in the Farmhouse Board Conference Room. The general public is always invited to visit. Priorities for this year have been: finalizing our new lease with National Audubon to operate Hunt Hill for another ten years – however, we hope to get ownership transferred to FOHHAS in the near future, as NAS national leaders have pledged; strengthening the financial base for Hunt Hill’s operations through several new events; continuing innovative new programs with an ever-growing and diverse audience; strengthening relationships with other non-profits in our area (such as the Shell Lake Arts Center, Wisconsin Canoe Heritage Museum, LLPA, WCLRA, charter schools, community education programs and WTTC); facilities improvements (see below under Land report)

Land:
The Facilities Committee and the Hunt Hill maintenance staff of Larry & Colette Piskie and many other staff members and volunteers have continued working hard at keeping up the buildings and grounds at Hunt Hill. Facilities improvements included; the Twin Lakes bog education platform; plans for a new outdoor amphitheater between Square and Cross Dorms; rebuilding the chimneys at the Andrews’ cabins on the hill; reorganizing of the gardens; completion of the Cooperation Teambuilding Course (north of the lower campfire circle); completion of the kids’ Eagle Nest (tree house – south of the Program Learning Center near the kids’ sand box); additional split rail fence in front of the Farmhouse camp office; and continuing removal of trees from the restored “prairie” hay meadow.

Through the LLPA’s winning of a major grant to fight aquatic invasives, the Twin Lakes at Hunt Hill were included in a Long Lake watershed-wide survey which determined a very high water quality level in our lakes with no aquatic invasives at this point. The consultant, Matt Berg, St Croix Falls, reported he was “very impressed” with the presence of several very sensitive high-quality aquatic species he has rarely seen in northern Wisconsin.

Additionally, a volunteer expert on terrestrial invasive plants – Tobin Clark, Cumberland – single-handedly did a sanctuary-wide survey to locate invasive threats anywhere on our property. He found an occasional invasive barberry, buckthorn and honeysuckle, but the biggest threat appeared to be spotted knapweed. He will be submitting a detailed report to our Facilities Committee this winter and suggesting a remedial plan of action to remove these non-native invasive plants to protect Hunt Hill.

Programs 2011

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<td>Cakes at the Lake Series</td>
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2011 Program Staff

2011 turned out to be another great year for programming at Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary!

In the spring we hosted 28 school groups who had the opportunity to discover Hunt Hill through hands on exploration and activities. Programs varied based on each school’s needs, and popular topics included: habitats, insects, survival and water programs. We had a great mix of new and returning staff that created positive experiences in nature for our visiting youth. The 2011 spring educator staff included: Colleen Johnson, Travis Fountaine, Charlotte Snarski, Gerry Garrison, Sharon Johnson, Amy Strupp, Toby Clark, William Bennett, Amy Frye, Nikki Rukamp, Jessie Schalkowski, Desiree Hartwig, Beverly Stencel, Michelle Jondreau, Storme Nelson and Kelsey Clinton. Thanks to all the spring educators!

To help with our day camp programs as well as the daily camp life Hunt Hill welcomed summer educators: Nikki Rukamp, Sydney Schieffer, Catie Kriplean, Sarah Santa Cruz and Kelsey Clinton. Nikki Rukamp returned from last year and was a wonderful motivator, educator and overall positive ball of energy that the rest of the summer staff looked up to. We were so happy to have her back! Nikki is at UW-Steven Point where she is a dorm RA and is pursuing a major in biology education. Sydney Schieffer, a local of Rice Lake, did a wonderful job - especially as our youngest staff member, leading many of our day camp programs in addition to developing our skull display. Sydney is attending UW-Barron County and is a champion curler! Catie Kriplean, a new staff member from Manasha Wisconsin, developed well planned day camp programs and was a lovely addition to our summer staff. Catie is finishing her last year at UW-Eau Claire with a degree in early education with a minor in library science. Sarah learned about us while she was studying abroad in Ireland and spent the summer developing interactive programming and painting a giant snake on the learning center floor. Sarah is headed to New Zealand where she’ll spend the next few months as a volunteer at a national park. Kelsey, a native of Washington State, worked as the LLPA intern - helping with clean boats clean waters and the Cakes at the Lake series and a Hunt Hill educator – where she spent time dressed up as anything from a pirate to a pioneer! Kelsey is now back at school in Louisiana State University where she is finishing her graduate studies in Environmental Science. Great work girls!

In addition to our summer educators, we also invited many specialty educators to Hunt Hill to assist and lead overnight programs during the summer. Eva Apleqvist returned as the Swedish Immersion camp director with the help of Rachel Willson-Broyles. Laura Erickson, Terry Dorsey, Chris Cold, Bruce Bacon and Steve Betchkal led our birding camp. Terry Dorsey also returned to help with the UW-Green Bay RCMS program. We welcomed Pete Ducos as the new Spanish Immersion Director. He did a fabulous job and brought with him Maria Nelson and Virginia Elsen. Volunteers for Spanish Camp included: Dominga Voigtlander, Pilar de la Vega, Rosie Hansen and Sara Ducos.

Thanks to all of our educating staff for making 2011 a GREAT year!
Membership
As of September 1, 2011, there was an 4.7% decrease of 25 members from 2010 to 2011. (530 in 2010 and 505 in 2011). Our membership contains a geographical mix of 83% Wisconsin, 10% Minnesota and 7% other (AZ, CA, CO, FL, IA, IL, MO, MT, ND, NE, NH, OH TX). Family Membership is counted as three members; Individual as one member; Senior as one or two, depending on payment; Loon, Osprey, Sandhill Crane, Frances Andrews are counted as two members.

2010 BOARD MEMBERS
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COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS (not Board or Staff)
Legal: Katherine Stewart
Facilities Committee: Tim McRaith, Linda Thompson, Toby Clark
Finance Committee: Jan Bliss
Fundraising Committee: Jan Bliss, Kathy Hanson, Diane Erdman, Bobbi Freitag, Linda Angeloni, Jill Lehman, Sharon Tarras
Program Committee: Linda Thompson, Gary Dunsmoor, Dave Seis, Amanda Kostner, Gene Romso
2010 Staff
Executive Director
Storme Nelson

Program Coordinator
Nikki Nelson

Office Manager
Karen Kress/Jan Killian

Maintenance Team
Larry Piskie
Colette Piskie

Cooks
Elizabeth Lewis
Richard Scheppke

Summer Educators
Nikki Rukamp
Sydney Schieffer
Catie Kriplean
Sarah Santa Cruz
Kelsey Clinton

Volunteer Educators
Beverly Stencil
Gerry Garrison
Dominga Voigtlander
Pilar de la Vega
Rosie Hansen

2011 Spring Educator Staff
Colleen Johnson
Travis Fountaine
Charlotte Snarski
Sharon Johnson
Amy Strupp
Toby Clark
William Bennett
Amy Frye
Nikki Rukamp
Jessica Schalkowski
Desiree Hartwig
Michelle Jondreau
Storme Jondreau
Kelsey Clinton

Contract Educators
Laura Erickson
Terry Dorsey
Eva Apelqvist
Rachel Willson-Broyles
Chris Cold
Bruce Bacon
Steve Betchkal
Maria Nelson
Pete Ducos
Virginia Elsen
Our 2011 Volunteers
(as of September 1, 2011)

Nick Allen
Maryann Amacher  Karen Kress  Michael Schroeder
Paul Amacher  George Lever  Sue Schroeder
Eva Apelqvist  Ted Lewis  Dave Seis
Jan Bliss  Clarity Lewis  Mark Sherman
Kathy Chenault  Nancy Lewis  Charlotte Snarski
Tobin Clark  Adam Liegl  Bernie Snarski
Carolyn Cleveland  Tony Lyne  David Stariha
Gary Davis  Peter Medchill  Gus Stelzer
Arda Davis  Sue Menzel  Carlin Stelzer
Pilar de la Vega  Dawn Nelson  Beverly Stencel
Paul Donatell  Nicole Nelson  Bill Stewart
Anne Drake  Storme Nelson  Katherine Stewart
Sara Ducos  John Neste  Amy Strupp
Gary Dunsmoor  Judy Neste  Todd Strupp
Diane Erdman  Lois Nissen  Park Taylor
Paul Finger  Sue Olson  Tom Terhorst
Bobbi Freitag  Derrick Olson  Linda Thompson
Amy Frye  Taylor Page  Mary Thostenson
Gerry Garrison  Larry Piskie  Keith Veldhuizen
Dennis Grivna  Joan Quenan  Dominga Voigtlander
Rosie Hansen  Students of RCMS  Volunteers of Americorps
Kathy Hanson  Mike Reese  William Wood
Desiree Hartwig  Carlotta Romansos
Sharon Johnson  Eugene Romansos
Karen Kaufman  Janine Rueter
Jan Killian  Wayne Sabatke
Kinship Kids  Vivian Sandridge
Lorna Kology  Laura Sandstrom
Amanda Kostner  Jessica Schalkowski

Over 127 volunteers and 1888 hours worked through September! Thank you!

2011 Year to Date Budget Summary
As of August 31, 2011

Total Income  $183,533.37  Income/Loss  $15,921.85
Total Expense  $135,322.14  Current Assets  $197,215.80

Our apologies if we missed anyone who did not sign in as a volunteer at the events. Please let us know ASAP!
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- Susan Bentley
- Teresa Norris
- Gay Semanko

*To Marion Borell Memorial:*
- Maureen Borell & Keith Collis
- Dave and Carolyn Cleveland
- Mark Brigham
- Crol Nulsen

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- Dreis Family
- Linda Thompson
- Mary Dresser

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Scholarships and Grants

- Long Lake Preservation Association
- RCMS/ Green Bay
- WCLRA
- WDNR: Citizen Based Monitoring Partnership
- XCEL Energy

Endowment

Total endowment value as of August 31, 2011 is $16,989.06.