The Friends of Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary, Inc.

Annual Report for 2012

New Amphitheater Cedar Deck with Pergola (located between Cross Dorm and Square Dorm)

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Hunt Hill Audubon Sanctuary
owned by the National Audubon Society
but managed locally by
F.O.H.H.A.S., 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.”

2012 Board Highlights:
The FOHHAS Board usually meets on the fourth Monday of each month at 5 pm in the Farmhouse Board Conference Room. Meetings are always open to the general public. Priorities for 2012 included:
- conducting a strategic planning session for the Board
- pursuing Hunt Hill ownership transfer from National Audubon to FOHHAS
- securing funding for major facilities additions and improvements
- finding new ways to serve families in northwest Wisconsin and eastern Minnesota
- growing our membership
- building our financial base for Hunt Hill’s operations through new events like Prairie Fling
- strengthening relationships with non-profit partners in our area such as the Shell Lake Arts Center, Wisconsin Canoe Heritage Museum, LLPA, WCLRA, charter schools, community education programs, UW-Barron County and WITC
- seeking new outreach partnerships with other community organizations like Heartwood Conference & Retreat Center, after-school programs
- preparing for Board member and staff leadership transitions in the near future – including dealing with serious health issues
- incorporating new staff members into camp day-to-day activities

Land:
The Board, Facilities Committee, Hunt Hill maintenance staff of Larry Piskie and John Hartman and many other seasonal staff members and volunteers have worked hard all year to improve buildings and grounds at Hunt Hill.

Facilities improvements included: more bog mats installed for educational purposes; approximately 15 new Leopold benches donated around the central camp and hiking trails, a new outdoor amphitheater between Square and Cross Dorms; the new cedar deck at the Amphitheater, rebuilding the final chimney at the original Andrews’ Cabin on the hill; replacing firewood used in program activities; an Eagle Scout service project by Grant Evans, Chippewa Falls to replace the handrail posts and rope to the Borell Waterfront.

Future projects coming soon will be: new member-sponsored cedar Bluebird houses (nest boxes) on the Prairie Bluebird Trail, repair the rickety boards on the Beaver Pond Footbridge before they become a safety hazard for hikers, replace battery smoke alarms with hard-wired smoke alarm system in the dorms, reroofing the Long Dorm (last building in camp), heating system in the Barn Dining Hall, brighter lights in the Program Learning Center, invasive plant removal in the “hot spot” areas around camp, Farmhouse re-sided, Log Cabin repairs (insect damaged logs), repair the historic root cellar/storm shelter by the cabins on the hill and improve or widen main driveway access into camp.
**Programs 2011**

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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 Stencil, 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-Broykes. 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 Cam 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 November 1, 2012, there was an 4.7% increase of 131 members from 2011 to 2012. (505 in 2011 and 636 in 2012). 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.

2012 BOARD MEMBERS and OFFICERS:

Carolyn Cleveland, President
Nick Allen, Vice President
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Paul Amacher
Jack Nessen
Dennis Grivna
Taylor Page
Wayne Sabatke
Park Taylor
William “Chip” Wood

COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS (not Board or Staff)
Legal: Katherine Stewart
Facilities Committee: Tobin Clark
Finance Committee: Jan Bliss
Fundraising Committee: Jan Bliss, Kathy Hanson, Diane Erdman, Bobbi Freitag, Linda Angeloni, Jill Lehmann, Sharon Tarras
Program Committee: Gary Dunsmoor, Dave Seis, Gene Ramsos
2012 Staff
Executive Director
Storme Nelson

Program Coordinator
Nikki Nelson

Office Manager
Jan Killian

Maintenance Team
Larry Piskie
John Hartman

Cooks
Carla Cewe
Kim Stephanites

2012 Spring Educator Staff
Toby Clark
Ellen Daniels
James DeNucci
Bambi Forcey
Michelle Gregg
Robin Heier
Colleen Johnson
Sharon Johnson

Need new staff photo here

Jaclyn Ramsey
Amy Schmidt
Charlotte Snarski

Summer Educators
Nikki Rukamp
Catie Kriplean
Sage Dunham
Samantha Anderson
Kevin Zacharyasz

Volunteer Educators
Beverly Stencel
Tony Diehl
Laura Erickson

Contract Educators
Terry Dorsey
Chris Cold
Steve Betchkal
Maria Nelson
Pete Ducos
Virginia Elsen
Our 2012 Volunteers (as of November 1, 2012):

Nick Allen
Maryann Amacher  Tonya Jahnke  Jessica Schalkowski
Paul Amacher  Christopher Jahnke  Todd Schieffer
Anna Angell  Taylor Johnson  Sally Schieffer
Eva Apelqvist  Sharon Johnson  Michael Schroeder
Cecilia Brierton  Karen Kaufman  Sue Schroeder
Katelyn Brenholt  Jan Killian  Katrice Schuler
Jan Bliss  Alyssa King  Dave Seis
Kathy Chenault  Ruth King  Jim Shattuck
Lenny Chenault  Lorna Kology  Kathy Shattuck
Tobin Clark  Amanda Kostner  Mark Sherman
Carolyn Cleveland  George Lever  Lisa Short
Dave Cleveland  Ted Lewis  Cathy Sigmund
Gary Davis  Clarity Lewis  Kaitlyn Sigmund
Arda Davis  Nancy Lewis  Alex Snarski
Libbie Detrent  Adam Liegl  Charlotte Snarski
Tony Diehl  Becky Licht  Gigi Stafne
Toni Dougherty  Tony Lyne  David Stariha
Anne Drake  Peter Medchill  Gus Stelzer
Anita Drost  Sue Menzel  Carlin Stelzer
Sara Ducos  Ted Moravec  Beverly Stencil
Gary Dunsmoor  Marissa Myers  Bill Stewart
Laura Erickson  Dawn Nelson  Katherine Stewart
Diane Erdman  Mary Nelson  Amy Strupp
Linda Farrell  Nicole Nelson  Sharon Tarras
Jim Farrell  Storme Nelson  Jan Tarnow
Paul Finger  Jack Nessen  Larry Tarnow
Linda Flottum  John Neste  Park Taylor
Bobbi Freitag  Judy Neste  Tom Terhorst
Amy Frye  Lois Nissen  Linda Thompson
Gerry Garrison  Sue Olson  Mary Thostenson
Josiah Gregg  Derrick Olson  Joe Thrasher
Dennis Grivna  Taylor Page  Marsha VanBuskirk
Rosie Hansen  Steve Parliament  Phyllis VanWyhe
Kathy Hanson  Joan Quenan  Keith Veldhuizen
Kay Harnass  Students of RCMS  Emmanual Vives
Jill Hartman  Mike Reese  Emma Voight
John Hartman  Carrie Romsos  Alissa Young
Brittany Hedlund  Carlotta Romsos  Adrianna Young
Nancy Hedlund  Eugene Romsos  
Krissi Hoffman  Dale Romsos  
Maxine Indrebo  Charlotte Ross  
Dick Indrebo  Janine Rueter  
Emily Jackson  Wayne Sabatke  
Lois Jackson  Laura Sandstrom  

Our apologies if we missed anyone who did not sign in as a volunteer at the events. Please let us know ASAP!

Over 127 volunteers and 1888 hours worked through November! Thank you!
2012 Year to Date Budget Summary  (As of October 31, 2012)

Total Income $229,762.66  Income/Loss $19,828.29
Total Expense $176,667.30  Current Assets $180,968.59

In Kind Donations  (Gifts & Services):
ABC Lumber               Greeners Reel em Inn
Mark Beises/Rice Lake    Hayward Rotary
Conservation Club         Ed Jansin
Bernick's Pepsi          Taylor Johnson
Ed Bolles                Linda Kewith/Eith Raven
John Bolles              Jan & Barry Killian
Ron/Jeanne Brown         Mike Lillyblad
John Brunelik            Long Lake Bait & Tackle
Burnells Décor           Lou/Fresh Start
Burnett County Coop      Louies Finer Meats
Anne Busses              Lynn’s Honey Wagon
Chris Clements           Kevin McMullin
David & Carolyn Cleveland Sue Menzel
Betty Dreis              Molly Dancers
Jeff/Dexie Dunham        Ted Moravec
Gary Dunsmaoor           Denis Murray
Fresh Start Coffee Roasters Jack Nessen
Carol Gainer             Northwest Strings
Perry Grap               Old Dutch Potato Chips
Richard Hamilton Smith   Greg Hill
Olson’ Custom Upholstery
Derrick Olson
Fred Pfannes
Rainbow Home Center
Rice Lake Printery
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Jessica Schalkowski
Schmitz Family
Joyce Seever
Jerry Sigmund
Ken Swenson
Janice/Larry Tarnow
Linda Thompson/Jeff
Southern
Dave Tomesh
Gig Stafne
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Keith Veldhuizen
Waste Management

Donations of Funds  (9/1/11 to 10/31/12):
Anderson, Hager, Moe Centurylink c/o Tom Braml Ed & Georgia Dettmers
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Nick Allen               Community Bank of Northern Lyle & Ann Drake
Allan & Judie Barta      Wisconsin Betty Dreis
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Tara Burns               Gary & Arda Davis Catherine & Gary Erickson
Memorial Donations:

To Rick Thompson Memorial:
Keith Anderson
Eva Apelqvist
Martha Arterberry
Byron & Janet Binstock
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Nancy Lawson
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Michael Norman
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Roxanna Olsen
James & Nancy Polish
Sandra Robbers
Valerie & Brian Rude
Stephen Schleppegrell & Kathleen Laffin
Cassie & Hans Schmidt
Christine & Stephen Smith
Sharon & John Smith
Gary & Mary Spear
Carlin Stelzer
Gus & Marsha Stelzer
William & Katherine Stewart
Dee Taylor
Darlene & James Thompson
Linda Thompson & Jeff Southern
Paul & Mary Thompson
Neil & Sue Tolland
Dawn Wacek
Polly Wolner
Nancy Zabel

To Chip Wood Memorial:
Elaine & Kent Adams
Allan & Judi Barta
Luann Bergman
Jan Bliss & Jay Hands
Dave Clausen
David & Carolyn Cleveland
Gary & Arda Davis
Mary Dresser
Claire Driscoll
Lisha Driscoll
Bob & Diane Erickson
Grace Hawes & Ernie
ZumBrunnen
Bill & Jan Hoveland
Rodney & Constance Kesti
Dewitt & Phyliss Killiam
Margaret Kinetz
Sue & Don Kramer
Gina Lewis
Leslie Loverude
Storme & Dawn Nelson
Ann Penton
Duane & Marjorie Peterson
Diane Potter
Ron & Jennifer Rosencrans
Washburn
Janine Rueter & Dorié
James & Susan Schmitz
Tom & Sonia Scott
Jim & Kathy Shattuck
Charlotte & Bernie Snarski

Rodger & Marianne
Thompson
Linda Thompson & Jeff
Southern
Carol Waltz
Bret & Marleen Wood
Bonnie Wood
Dr. John Works

Scholarships or Grants:

Long Lake Preservation Association
RCMS/ Green Bay
WCLRA

F.O.H.H.A.S. Endowment (separate from the Andrews’ Endowment managed by NAS for Hunt Hill):

Total endowment value as of November 1, 2012 is $17,874.30 compared to $16,506.52 at the same time last year.