

DANE COUNTY NATURAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION

A local land trust dedicated to the protection and preservation of natural areas in Dane County.

Spring 1993

Oscar Mayer Funds Summer Work Crew



The Foundation has received a generous grant from Oscar Mayer Foods Inc. in the amount of \$20,074 to fund the Youth Conservation Corps of Community Adolescent Program scheduled to work on Token Creek this summer.

The letter we received from Oscar Mayer indicated that they were "pleased to be in partnership with your organization to help make Madison a better community".

Management plans for the stream work are being developed in consultation with Quentin Carpenter, wetland ecologist.

The goals of the management plans are to improve water quality, enhance wildlife habitat and restore streambanks with native vegetation.

Thank you, Oscar Mayer. We are also "excited about participating in this innovative project" which provides over 2,000 hours of youth employment this summer in community service.

Volunteers Needed at Farmer's Market

We are planning to have a table at the State Street corner each Saturday this summer. If you could staff the table for 2 hours or more, please call our office 258-9797. Also, stop by the table and say hello!

Token Creek Festival on August 28

Mark your calendars for August 28th! DCNHF is planning a community-wide benefit event at Token Creek County Park.

This benefit event is intended to raise awareness about the importance of Token Creek to the Yahara/Mendota watershed. At the festival the YCC crew will be recognized for their work.

Festival-goers may learn about the creek through stream investigation activities and nature walks, view the watershed from a tethered hot air balloon, listen to bluegrass music while enjoying refreshments, participate in a fun run, or take a horse and wagon ride along the park trails.



Madison Community Foundation Video

The Dane County Natural Heritage Foundation is one of several organizations featured in the Madison Community Foundations recent video: "These Are Our Assets". The voice you hear during the DCNHF segment is that of John Hutchinson, vice president and chair of the Token Creek Oversight Committee which MCF supports. The grant is currently being used to educate landowners on how waterways are connected and the impact pollution has on lakes, streams, and rivers in the watershed.

Celebrating our 10th Year! 1983-1993

Ten Years Already?

Here is an excerpt from Jane Licht's address given at our 10th Anniversary event on April 29.

"The word that comes mind on this occasion is **celebration**. The DCNHF is and always has been a celebration of our beautiful natural heritage and it's been a celebration of good people interested in preserving this natural heritage.

It began with one project - to save Lower Eagle Heights Woods. Since then we've had numerous projects including land preservation in Waubesa Wetlands, Cherokee Marsh and the Dane County E-Way.

Along the way we have enjoyed the support of many local citizens and groups working cooperatively with us. I certainly want to recognize our general membership and the business members whose financial support sustains our day to day existence. Also many past and present Board Directors who have worked so hard to get significant lands in Dane County preserved. Each director has offered his or her own special expertise and talents to benefit this organization.

Thank you to everyone who has made these last ten years possible."

Jane Licht chairs the Stewardship Committee

Railroad Prairie Inventory

The Department of Natural Resources is starting a program to systematically protect high quality native vegetation along railroad rights-of-way throughout the state. They are looking for information on sites they may not know about. An inventory form is available, courtesy of the Prairie Enthusiasts, to make reporting easy and complete.

If you would like to assist in this effort please contact Kelly Kearns or Chris Neuman at the Bureau of Endangered Resources - DNR, P.O. Box 7921, Madison, WI, 53707.

MSCR Environmental Education

The Madison School Community Recreation Program is looking for volunteer naturalists to help with their summer youth programs held from June 15- July 29. Volunteers can contribute a few hours or multiple mornings or afternoons at one of the sites. If interested, call Chad Thom at 266-6076.

A New Role for Bill Lunney

After serving five years as president of the Board, Bill Lunney is stepping down. He will continue to serve on the Executive Committee in the role of past president.

During Bill's terms as president, DCNHF contributed additions to the Dane County E-Way and the Cherokee Marsh. He was instrumental in creating the successful Stewardship Awards events. Under Bill's leadership, the Foundation became the first non-profit organization to receive a grant from the State Stewardship Streambank Fund.

Bill's knowledge of county government, his commitment to land preservation, and the respect he commanded from people all over the Dane County area made his tenure as board president significant and effective.



Photo by Jan Krieger

Outgoing president Bill Lunney and program director Ruth Oppedahl

Help Us Track the History of Lower Eagle Heights Woods



Springtime view of the marker rock in the woods honoring Wally Bauman, former County Board Supervisor and founding member of Dane County Natural Heritage Foundation.

Do you have any pictures, news clippings or other documentation pertaining to the preservation in 1983 of the Lower Eagle Heights Woods? The Wisconsin State Historical Society has offered to create and maintain a file on this grass-roots environmental success story as a part of its archives.

If you have any information, please send originals or copies to the DCNHF office, 333 West Mifflin Street, Suite 106, Madison, Wisconsin 53703.

New Members

George Badow
Don Brown
Leland Bruce
Scott & Liz Cooper
Dr. Andrew & Elsa Crummy
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Wilfred & Verena Grosse
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Special Thanks

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In Honor

Kevin Kesterson's 40th Birthday
by Jane & Wes Licht

In Memoriam

Ursula Schmitt
by Jane & Wes Licht



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Membership Categories:

- ☐ \$20.00 Individual
- ☐ \$30.00 Household
- ☐ \$50.00 Sustaining
- ☐ \$100.00 Donor

Please send me information on:

- ☐ Volunteering
- ☐ Token Creek Streambank Program
- ☐ How to make a gift through my will
- ☐ How to make a gift of real estate

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Contributions are tax-deductible as provided by law.
Please make checks payable to Dane County Natural
Heritage Foundation. Thank you!

Planned Giving Packet Available

A new planned giving packet is available to DCNHF members and friends thanks to Bruce Kittle and Randall Ney of Michael, Best & Friedrich. The packet outlines different types of gifts and bequests available for conservation-minded individuals.

Gifts of real estate include options such as retaining the right to use the land, retaining life payments or creating a charitable lead trust.

Information on bequests include options such as specific or proportional donations. Contingent bequests and charitable remainder testamentary trusts through bequests are also discussed in this packet.

The Foundation hopes that by providing this information, potential contributors will discuss with their financial planner and attorney the possibility of making a charitable gift to the Foundation. Staff members of DCNHF would be happy to work with you and your financial advisors to help you fulfill your long-term charitable and financial goals.

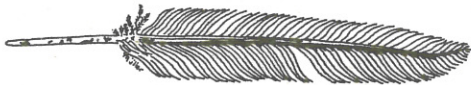


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April 29, 1993 DCNHF 10th Anniversary Board Reunion. Bud Jordahl (l), Sherm Geib, Bea Kabler, Jim Cummings and Norm Anderson were acknowledged by president Jean Meanwell (center) for their service to land conservation as DCNHF Board Directors. Board member Gail Shea (r) looks on.

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