

DANE COUNTY NATURAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION

Dedicated to the protection and preservation of natural areas in and around Dane County through conservation easements, land donations and education.

SPRING 2000

Lussier, County Support Fish Lake Project

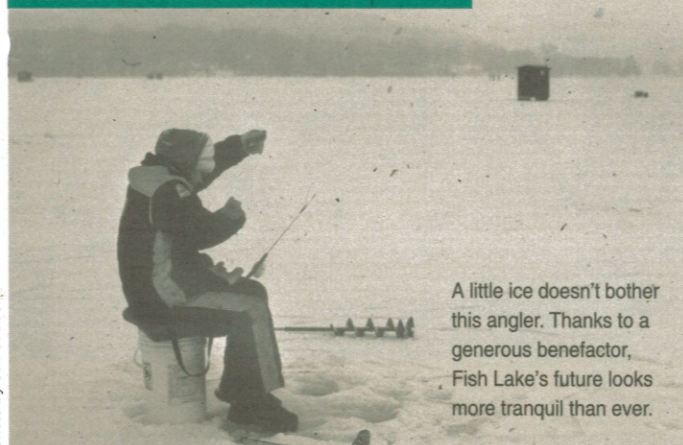
Late November brought an early holiday gift — a surprise \$600,000 donation to the Dane County Parks Department on behalf of Fish Lake by John "Jack" Lussier. Lussier is the nephew of Capital Times Founder William Evjue and president of the Evjue Foundation. In an interview with the Capital Times, Lussier said that he believes in the preservation of land for public use. Lussier has had a lifelong love of the outdoors and has been active in the Boy Scouts.

"We are delighted by Mr. Lussier's generosity," said Executive Director Danielle Wood, "It

county's heritage center at Lake Farm Park. The \$1 million donation to the Parks Dept. is the largest conservation gift in county history.

In the mean time, the Dane County Board of Supervisors was considering a proposal to purchase the Fish Lake property from the Natural Heritage Foundation at less than cost. Thanks to a balanced resolution submitted by county board members Kevin Kesterson, Vern Wendt, Darold Lowe, and David Ripp, vocal support from our members and friends, and Lussier's donation, the supervisors approved the agreement on December 3.

A lake for all seasons...



A little ice doesn't bother this angler. Thanks to a generous benefactor, Fish Lake's future looks more tranquil than ever.

The county will buy the property in two stages. The first payment of \$1.25 million is due April 1. A second payment of \$1.65 million is due April 1, 2001. The county's purchase means that much of the land on the southeast side of Fish Lake will become a public natural area.

Besides Lussier's donation, a \$200,000 Lakes Protection grant from the Wisconsin

demonstrates a strong commitment to our community."

Wood mentioned that County Board of Supervisors Chair Kevin Kesterson was instrumental in bringing the Natural Heritage Foundation's Fish Lake Project to Lussier's attention.

The Natural Heritage Foundation has been working to protect Fish Lake since Fall 1998. The foundation secured the land from development in May 1999.

In addition to his donation on behalf of Fish Lake, Lussier also contributed \$400,000 to the

Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will help to offset the county's purchase price. The Natural Heritage Foundation has also applied to the DNR for a Stewardship Program grant of \$1.06 million to help buy the land. Finally, the Natural Heritage Foundation has committed to leaving \$200,000 in private funds in the project. "We're still fundraising for Fish Lake," said Wood. "Things look great, but the project's not over yet."

"The developments of the last few months are wonderful," said Wood. "It looks like residents will enjoy Fish Lake far into the future."

ANNOUNCING

Celebrating Fish Lake 2000 Stewardship Awards

Thursday, March 30

6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Fyfe's Corner Bistro

1344 E. Washington, Madison

Hearty Appetizers

\$20 per person

**Honoring for outstanding
service to the land**

Kathleen Falk

John Lussier

The Town of Dunn

The Wisconsin State Journal

Distinguished speaker

Nina Leopold Bradley

Special thanks to major sponsors

Berbee Information Networks

Craig and Lea Culver

Fontana Sports Specialties

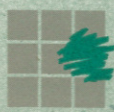
Suby, Von Haden and Associates

RSVP to the Dane County Natural Heritage Foundation at 258-9797 by March 24.

Inside this issue

Token Creek Runs Free	2
Hwy. 12 Status Report	3
Planning for a Greener Future	3
1999 Donors	4-5
Dorf Haus Fries for Fish Lake	6
Announcements	6-7
McLain Easement — A Retrospective	8





DANE COUNTY NATURAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION

303 S. PATERSON, SUITE 6
MADISON WI 53703
608/258-9797
www.dcnhf.org

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

John B. Hutchinson, *President*
Mark B. Williams, *Vice President-Stewardship*
Douglas Berry, *Treasurer*
Mark B. Williams, *Secretary*

James Bricker
Lloyd Eagan
Kristine Euclide
Susan Fox
Larry W. Gleasman
Richard Green
Brian Gutheinz
Emily H. Earley
Leonard Massie
Harriet Riley
Eugene Roark

PAST PRESIDENTS

Norman C. Anderson
Jean D. Meanwell
Michael A. Slavney
William Lunney

STAFF

Danielle Wood, *Executive Director*
Sarah Van Tiem, *Watershed & Outreach Specialist*
William O' Connor, *Director of Conservation*
Theresa Plenty, *Website Coordinator*

Token Creek Runs Free

In late December, a dream came true for advocates of an unfettered Token Creek. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, under the direction of Fisheries Biologist Scot Stewart, removed the old millpond dam – or at least most of it. The DNR left the dam's sill in place to contain up to 12 feet of silt that has accumulated on the bottom of the millpond. The DNR also lined the creek banks with stone 'rip-rap' to prevent further erosion. Restoration work on the creek, including silt removal, will likely begin during the summer of 2001.

For information about the Token Creek Watershed Association, call Chair Tom Culver at 837-5320.



The Token Creek Millpond Dam restricted the flow of Token Creek, a cold water stream in northeastern Dane County, since before the Civil War.
(photos by Scot Stewart, DNR)



In December, the DNR removed the dam's "super-structure" as part of a long-term, joint DNR-Army Corps of Engineers project to restore Token Creek as a premier trout stream. In addition to flowing through Token Creek County Park, the stream will meander through a 130-acre natural area in the town of Windsor.

Free at last! Token Creek is on its way to becoming a healthier, more beautiful stream for all of us to enjoy!



Highway 12 Status Report

By Jim Arts, Dane County

Last spring, Dane County Executive Kathleen Falk, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) and several other agencies signed an agreement under which the DOT will expand U.S. Highway 12 to four lanes between Middleton and Lake Delton (between Middleton and Sauk City in Dane County).

Under the agreement, DOT pledged to meet several conditions, including:

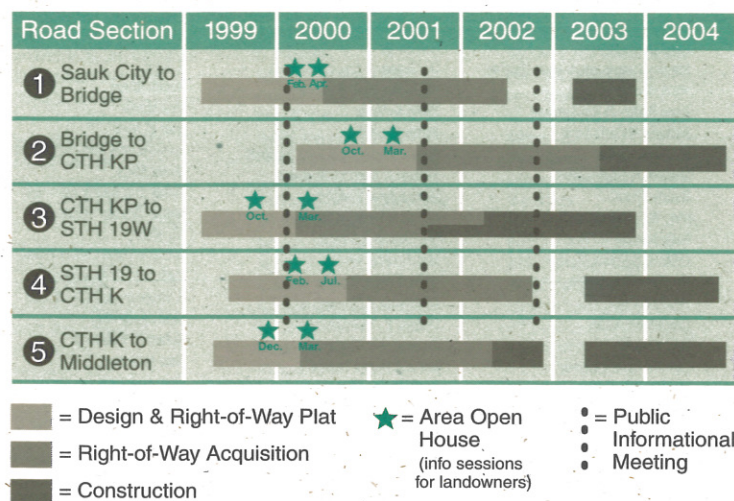
- Providing \$500,000 for local governments in Dane and Sauk County (\$250,000 each) for planning services to address growth-related issues.
- Providing \$5,000,000 over five years for the Dane County Fund, to purchase easements or development rights to help preserve farmland for farmers, protect the area's scenic beauty and safeguard important natural resources.
- Funding and other measures for protecting the Baraboo Range National Natural Landmark.
- Providing \$500,000 to assist completion of the Dane County/Madison Commuter Rail/Transit Alternatives Study.

- Agreeing to minimize the loss of prime farmland and reduce access points to the highway as part of the expansion.

Dane County and several local governments in the northwest part of the county are moving ahead with two significant components of this agreement. First, the county is working with the City of Middleton and the towns of Springfield, Dane, Berry, Roxbury and Mazomanie to hire planning firms to assist them in revising their local land use plans and ordinances. The planners will help communities address growth and development pressures that may result from the highway expansion. The governments are still early in the process, which will probably take about a year. While final decisions have not been made, the towns are interested in

pursuing a unified planning process that complies with the new state "Smart Growth" legislation. This initiative gives incentives to local governments to engage in comprehensive land use planning.

A second major initiative is the development of the Northwest Dane County USH 12 Plan during 2000. This plan will help determine how to use the \$5 million in the Dane County Fund. It will be coordinated with the revision of both the Dane County Parks and Open Space Plan and local land use plans. County staff are now identifying and collecting basic information about local natural resources, and will meet with interested parties during the spring to discuss the plan and its priorities. *For more information about the expansion of Highway 12, please contact Jim Arts at 266-4795.*



Highway 12 Project Schedule

Source: Strand Associates, Inc.

Planning for a Greener Future

As a result of last year's strategic planning process, our board of directors is taking a more proactive approach to preserving and protecting open space in our region. To that end, the foundation is developing a conservation plan this spring that will guide our efforts to preserve open space in the Dane County area. This plan will help focus our work and resources on areas in the region that are most threatened by the impacts of development.

Our conservation plan will integrate information from state, county, and local

governments. This will include information about our natural resources, how our communities are growing, and what agencies and organizations are currently doing to protect our special places. As a result, we will have a better idea of the region's conservation needs.

What will the conservation plan mean to the Natural Heritage Foundation? Focusing on specific geographic areas will enable us to better direct our resources. For instance, we will be able to increase our work with landowners. In turn, we hope this will

increase the number of conservation easements we acquire annually. Concentrating on obtaining easements as opposed to purchasing land directly will allow us to protect more land for less money. In short, developing a conservation plan means that the Natural Heritage Foundation is seeking to protect our community's special places effectively and economically.

If you have any questions or comments about conservation planning, please contact Danielle Wood at 258-9797.

1999 Donors

Your support fuels our efforts. Thank you for helping us protect our community's natural heritage.

Nancy Abraham
Mr. Norman C. Anderson
Elaine Andrews
Norman Arendt
Mary E. Bakken
Mr. & Mrs. Gordon and Helen Baldwin
Dr. Betty J. Bamforth
Steven Banovetz
Joyce J. Bartell
Vera Bauman
Sue & Ellis Bauman
Jim & Nancy Baxter
Sandra Bennett
Gloria B. Bernan
Douglas & Alexandra Berry
Lisa Binkley
Mary & Neil Binkley
Jo Ann and Lloyd Bitzer
Hallie Lou Blum
Dr. David Blume
Jack & Marian Bolz
Dr. Steve Born
Paul Boutwell & Berdell Nielsen
Kathryn & Robert Bredemus
Jim Bricker
DeeDee Britton
Joan Brock
Katherine & Tom Brock
Mr. Kenneth E. Brost
Willis Brown
Mrs. H.D. Bruhn
Ervin & Helen Bruner
Douglas & Sherry Caves
Dr. Robin Chapman
Joshua & Flora Chover
Elizabeth and Scott Cooper
Pat Cornwell
Daniel G. Cottam
Diana & Grant Cottam
Thomas Cottington
Dr. Andrew & Elsa Crummy
Lisa and Jim Cummings
Robert & Muriel Curry
Josephine H. Darling
Diane Derouen & Glenn Chambliss
John & Patricia DeSmith
Gene L. & Beatrice Dewey
Cal & Ruth DeWitt
Alan F. Doising
Nancy R. Dott
Doris & Richard Dubielzig
Emily H. Earley
Ms. Marilyn J. Effland
Dan Erdman
Wilma Fechter Erway
Kristine A. Euclide
Marty & Terry Evanson
Ann Fagan
Louise Rogers Fisher
Dr. William Flader
Anne & Wesley Foell
Mr. & Mrs. G. W. Foster, Jr.
Gertrude C. Foy
Lowell Frautschi
John J. Frautschi
Elizabeth Frautschi-Ling
Gordon & Jean Freese
Ms. Anna Garner-Strickon
Sharon & Warren Gaskill
Robert Gooze
Mrs. Dorothy Gosting
Tura Hoel Graber
Tom Gross
George & Anita Gurda
Brian Gutheinz

Mr. Terry Haller
John & Cate Herrington
Mr. and Mrs. Harrison
Henry & Virginia Hart
Lee & Yolanda Hayden
Julie Hayward & Donn D'Alessio
Kathy & Rich Henderson
Janice Behn & David Henige
Mr. & Mrs. Wayne D. Hepola
Anne W. Herb
Steve & Denise Herzberg
Lola Hickey
Jane & William Hilsenhoff
Marion Hove
Herbert & Evelyn Howe
Judith & John Hutchinson
Mr. & Mrs. T.J. Ilits
Hugh H. Ilits
Mark Jeffries
David Jenkins
Norma E. Jones
Rosemary & Lee Jones
Harold C. "Bud" Jordahl
Cyril Kabat
Don & Bobbie Kaiser
Dr. & Mrs. Katselnick
Ms. Doris M. Kennedy
Jean Knickmeyer
Joyce Knutson
Patricia G. Koenecke
Norma J. Kolthoff
Jeffery T. Kuesel
Margaret Lalor
Ron and Patti Larson
Roma Lenehan
Mr. Claude Leroy
Lawrence Levy & Ruth Saunders
Carolyn Libby
Stanley Livingston & Anne Hughes
Art & Sue Lloyd
Anne Forbes & Jim Lorman
Richard & Carla Love
Shirley A. Lower
Marjory & David Lyford
Randy Maass
Mrs. W.C. Maass
Sally Mackie
Edith & Geoffrey MacLay
Ms. Geraldine Malak
Heather Mann
Carol S. Maroney
Brian Martin
David & Linda Martin
Mark & Sue Martin
Gail Martinelli, Scott & Will Spoolman
Leonard Massie
Fred Mayr
Patrick & Carol McGowan
Mr. & Mrs. McCoy
Mr. Jack M. McLeod
Donna B. McLeod
Howard & Nancy Mead
Walt & Stacey Meanwell
Jean & Walter Meanwell
Rose Meinholz & Larry Hochman
Bernard F. Mickle, MD
Fred & Judy Middleton
Elizabeth Middleton
Charles & Sally Miley
Evelyn W. Minkoff
Ed and Kay Moffat
Justin Mog
Mr. & Mrs. G. W. Mohs
Anne Monks
Joyce A. Morrison
Frank & Helen Lyngaas Myers
Susi Nehls & Roy Blair
Bruce Newton & Judy Sperling-Newton
Kathie Nichols & Bill White
Dr. Eugene Nordby
Kit and Buzz Norden
Mr. & Mrs. Novotny
Mr. & Mrs. Nuzzo
Clarence W. Olmstead
David & Vonnie O'Malley

Wayne Pauly & Jackie Clancy-Pauly
Clara Penniman
Evap & Jane Pizer
Theresa Plenty
Ken & Melinda Potter
Carrel & Lloyd Pray
Mr. Paul Rabinowitz
Richard & Lorraine Ranney
Audrey & Clarence Ready
Ellen Reyzer
Walter & Jean Rideout
Erin Riley & John Crowley
Harriet Riley
Hans & Theron Ris
Sen. Fred Risser
Eugene & Jean Roark
Betty & Max Rosenbaum
Hershel & Arlene Rotter
Ron & Cathy Rotter
Bernard Saley
Pat & Pete Sammataro
Scott Sauer
Mr. R. S. Schleck
Ruth & Norb Schmitz
Trina and Michael Schuler
Gerald & Mary Schwoch
Esther & Ralph Scott
Mr. & Mrs. Selk
Joe & Mary Ellyn Sensenbrenner
Ms. Jobelle A. Shands
Gail & Dan Shea
Marge Shepherd
Julie & Bernard Shiner-Bazan
John & Laura Smail
Randy & Marilyn Smith
Diana Smith
L. & E. Solomon
Bob Sorge
Dr. George & Joyce Steinmetz
Mr. & Mrs. W.C. Stevenson
Helen A. Straw
Jeffrey Strobel
Nancy Sugden & Robert Newbery
Millard & Barbara Susman
Vicki & Jerry Swedish
Eldred & Virginia Swingen
Ms. Fannie T. Taylor
Mrs. Howard Temin
Anita & Stan Temple
Dr. Horace K. Tenney, III
Donald E. Thompson
Constance F. Threinen
Jon and Peggy Traver
Sarita Trewartha
Mary & Mark Trewartha
Margaret Van Alstyne
Mr. and Mrs. Van Dinter
Scott Laich & Sarah Van Tiem
Suzanne & Lawrence Wade
Peg Watrous
Thompson & Diana Webb
Laurence & Frances Weinstein
Foundation, Inc.
Karen & Keith Weiss
Gary Werner & Melanie Lord
Dr. & Mrs. Whiffen
Si & Theresa Widstrand
Delma Woodburn
Jim & Merle Woodburn
Ling Wu
Rebecca & Crawford Young
Rose & James Zerwick
Robert & Marjorie Zimmermann
Jan & Scott Zimmermann
Dr. Gabriele M. Zu-Rhein

1999 Business Donors

American Family Insurance
Architectural Building Arts
Berbee Information Networks
Bock Water Heaters, Inc.
Chickadee Depot
Danny A. Tzakias & Associates
DEC International-Albrecht
Foundation, Inc.
Eugenie Mayer Bolz Family

Foundation
First Business Bank of Madison
Geib Realty
Hausmann Insurance
Hooper Foundation
Jensen Auto Inc.
Jim Cummings, CPA
Kennedy Hahn TV & Appliance
Klipstein Insurance Services, Inc.
Lydia Lunney Memorial Foundation
Madison Dairy Produce Company
Steinhauer Trust
Madison Newspapers, Inc.
Madison-Kipp Corporation
Marling Lumber Co.
Marshall Erdman & Associates, Inc.
Marshall Field's
McFarland State Bank
Michael, Best & Friedrich
Mount Horeb Truck Parts, Inc.
National Mutual Benefit
Nelson Industries, Inc.
Placon Corporation
The Vogel Foundation
Thorstad Chevrolet
Vierbicher Associates, Inc.
W. Jerome Frautschi Charitable
Lead Unitrust
Williams Environmental
Associates, Inc.
Yunker Real Estate Services

1999 Fish Lake Dopers

The following members and friends donated to our Fish Lake Project last year.

Danny Aerts and Betsy True
K. Agee
Nancy Albert
Tim Alioto
Jean E. Allen
James C. and Kathryn A. Allen
James Allen
Sandy and Randy Allhands
Renae Alswager-Klein
A.J. Alter
Fernando and Carla Alvarado
Karl and Pat Anderson
B. Nilsson and M. Anderson
Linda Anderson
Robert E. Anderson
Tom Anderson
Vicki Anderson
C. Jos & Betty A. Antonie
Janice Antoniewicz-Werner & Philip Werner
Architectural Building Arts
Steve and Joyce Ashman
Irene Atzen
Margaret Bache Sheard
Joan Backey
Jean Bahr
Robert Bahr
Ed and Pat Baker
Gary W. Bakken
Gordon & Helen Baldwin
Mary Baldwin
Joe and Pat Barbian
Vernon Barger
Fred A. Barnes
Mark Pauli and Wende Barry
Lyle and Betty Barsness
David and Lona K. Barsness
Delma Basthemer
John Batko
Chuck Bauer
Bill and Natalie Beach
Du Wayne and Jerrie Beckerleg
Dale and Alice Beckner
Don and Deb Beduhr
Jan Behn and David Henige
Betsy and Mark Bender
Mrs. Marion E. Benes
Caryl Benish
Thelma E. Bennett
Berbee Information Networks
Douglas & Alexandra Berry

Philip A. Best
Frances Bicknell
Mary & Neil Binkley
Lee and Carol Bjerke
Clay and Karen Blair
The Bleifhuhs Family
Joan Bleifhuhs
Joyce and Don Blindauer
Dory Blobner
The Blum Family
Bock Water Heaters, Inc.
William T. Boehlke
Ralph S. and Sally J. Boehm
Elizabeth Boehringer
Mr. & Mrs. James H. Bolitho
Jack & Marian Bolz
Phyllis and Archie Bookless
Bill Booth
Wayne & Dee Borcherding
Bob and Joan Borgwardt
Lou and Roz Boutwell
State Rep. Frank Boyle
Robert J. Bradakis
Robert Winters Bradakis
Florence Branch
Earl and Shirley Brandt
Leroy and Glenda Brandt
Marlin Braun
Jan Breitsprecher and Marilyn O'Connor
Nancy Breerton
Neil and Margie Breunig
Claudia and Sigurd Bringe
Eric and Angie Brinkmann
DeeDee Britton
Joan Brock
Katherine & Tom Brock
Edward & Jan Brost
Tom Brownrigg
Terri Broxmeyer & Ron Grasshoff
Mr. Dale F. Bruhn
Mrs. H.D. Bruhn
Doug Bucholtz
Alice Buechner
Marty and Kristy Burkholder
Rob and Carol Burnham
Ellen C. Byers
Gerald R. Campbell
Peter & Marsha Cannon
Stephen and Susan Carpenter
Orrin Carrand and Pat Moran
James Carson
Lowell Carter
Scott Cayley
Mike and Chris Chamberlain
Phillida Charly
Stephen and Mary Cheney
Chickadee Depot
Joshua and Flora Chover
Carl K. Christenson
Nona Christiansen & Bob Persons
Jarl Christianson
Robert Christianson
Dr. J.B. Chung
Verallyn Cline
Alan and Ruth Coker
Cecil and Ann Colstad
Rosemary Coluccy
Mary J. Connors
Patrick and Joan Connor
Ginny Connors
Colleen Cooley
Reid and Martha Cooper
Pat & Dan Cornwell
Jason Corrao
Ken and Joan Cors
Daniel G. Cottam
Diana & Grant Cottam
Clyde and Mary Jo Cross
Jim and Lisa Cummings
Lea & Craig Culver
Lisa & Jim Cummings
Tom Cunningham
Robert & Muriel Curry
Lois Curtiss
Mitch and Sandie Custer
Chuck Czuprynski
Eddie and Dorothy Daley
L.L. Dalton
Josephine H. Darling
Joan Davidson
Dr. Frederick J. Davis
Mrs. Leona E. Davis
Rose M. Davis
Jim and Jill Davis
James Davis
Robert Dawson
The De Haans
Fred Debelak
The Derleths
Phil & Ann Dettwiler
Mary and Walter Dickey
Louise Disch
Michelle and Mike Doherty
Steve Doll and Jean Voss
Don's Marine, Inc.
Joe Dominio
Nancy R. Dott
Patrick Downing
Bobbie and Ed Drinsky
DUBBLO
Dick Dubielzig
Linn A. Duesterbeck
Sally A. Duggan
Sharon Dunn
The Dunning
Margaret C. Du Rose
Paul and Jill Dybdahl
Emily H. Earley
Kathy Eccles
Marilyn J. Effland
Bob and Dede Egan
Joe Egan
Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Eggleston
Matt Eggum
Lourie and Doug Egge
Jane Eisle
Jean and Alex Elkins
Joan and Robert Ellestad
Tracy Ellingson & Ed Palambo
Mark and Cindy Elliott
Jackie Creasy and Paul Ellner
Jim Judy, and Rebecca Ely
Ken and Aggie Endres
Mary Lou Engberg
Marion Engelke
David C. Engleson
Frederick Ehrke
Norm and Willie Erway
Wilma Fechter Erway
Esmond Family
Kristine A. Euclide
E. Evans
Marty and Terry Evanson
Kathryn J. Fahey
Kathleen Falk
Chile & Joanna Fanney
Dale Felland
Dee Ferver
Nan and Don Field
Louise Rogers Fisher
Paul & Sharon Fisk
Mr. & Mrs. G.W. Foster, Jr.
Rose Ann Findlen
Debbie Fish
Tom Fish
Beverly Flanigan
Frank and Judy Fleres
Thomas E. Fleres
John and Anne Forseth
Marie Fox
Larry Foy
Mike Frankland Family
Joan and Robert Franzmann
Jim and Kris Frater
Marilyn J. Freitag
Jim and Judy Frey
Roman and Carol Frey
Leo Frey
Gail F. Friedl
Judy and Richard Fritz
Paul and Lynn Froehlich
Amy Fuellerman
Anne Fulton
Dan and Jodi Futch
Roy and Louise Gag

Ms. Anna Garner-Strickon
Sharon & Warren Gaskill
Kyle and Luke Gasser
Rodney and Geraldine Gehrke
William Georgeson
Pauline K. Gilbertson
Carol Giltz
Larry Gleasman
Marge Gnewikow
Kurt and Cheryl Goeckermann
Kristina Gordon
Ted and Nancy Greene
Frank and Cathy Greer
Bob and Becky Greiber
Mrs. Betty C. Greiber
Barbara K. Grenlie
Frank Grenzow
Marlyn Grimm
Bonnie A. Grosnick
Frank and Shirley Groves
R.H. Grummer
Dale Gullickson
Bud Gussel
George & Anita Gurda
Veronica Guski
Brian Gutheinz
Lawrence E. Halle
Andrew Hanson
Evelyn and Peggy Haas
The Hacker Family
Dr. R.E. Hall
Jack and Irma Hall
Robert Ham
Don Hammes
Ruby Handel
Patrick Handrick
Dorothy Handrick
Gary Hansen
Jon and Ingrid Hanson
Christina Harder
Henry & Virginia Hart
George and Margie Hartman
Phyllis Hasbrouck and David Simmons
Rue Hass
Mr. & Mrs. M.A.-Haugen
Lee & Yolanda Hayden
Julie Hayward and Donn D'Alessio
Earl H. Hazeltine
Nancy and Rich Hazzie
Harry and Edna Healy
James Heerey
Robert C. & Lorraine M. Heise
Orrin and Charlotte Helstad
John Hendrick
Wendell Henke
Henneman Family
Anne Herb
Lola Hickey
Jeff Hinz
Lawrence Hitch
Lester H. Hobler
Vernon Hobler
Greg G. Hoffman
Ernie and Rita Hohlstein
Katharine E. Hohol
John and Mary Holway
Denise Homes
Jim and Lucille Hornung
Josephine and Richard Hosman
Stan Howald
Fred & Jean Hofmann
Noreen & Cam Hubanks
Mary and Doug Hudzinski
Paul A. Huggett and Michelle M. Schueller
Larry Hungsberg
Jack and Marlene Htirst
John and Judith Hutchinson
Hugh Itlis
Pat Irish
Bob and Joyce Irish
David and Nancy Ives
Ann Jackson
Bob and Marmie Jackson
Michael and Laurin Jacobs
Allan & Julie Jacobson
Jim Jafferis

Shane & Gina Jantzen
James and Susan Jefferson
Mark Jeffries
David Jenkins
Dale and Joan Jennerjohn
Dave & Betsy Jensen
James Jensen
The Johnsons
Al and Ginny Johnson
Dorothy L. Johnson
Emogene Johnson
Joann and Norman Johnson
Lisa Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. Martin Johnson
Mary K. Johnson
Nancy & Bill Johnson
Ruth Jokine
Rosemary & Lee Jones
Susan Jones
Harold C. "Bud" Jordahl Jr.
Reid & Sue Jorgenson
Martha Judd
Jim and Phyllis Jukes
Donna Junghans
The Kahls
Fritz and Kristie Kaiser
Charles Kalina
Garith and Marjorie Kangas
Stan and Dorothy Karls
Dr. and Mrs. Katzelnick
Andrew Kaukl
William W. Kean
Mrs. Mary Ellen Kearney
Ken & Karen Kearney
Kern and Jan Keeler
Richard and Joyce Kiesling
Frances W. Kingery
Jason Kirch
Dale M. and Beth J. Kirch
Bill and Myrna Kirchstein
Leverne and Jean Kirking
Bill Kirschner Family
Jim and Lee Kleeman
Mike Klein
M.J. Klein
Leon Kleinert
Lyle Kleppe
Dorothy Klinefelter
Hans Klopp
Nancy and Rich Kloppe
Louise R. Kloppe
Norma J. Kolthoff
Robert C. & Lorraine M. Heise
Orrin and Charlotte Helstad
John Hendrick
Wendell Henke
Henneman Family
Anne Herb
Lola Hickey
Jeff Hinz
Lawrence Hitch
Lester H. Hobler
Vernon Hobler
Greg G. Hoffman
Ernie and Rita Hohlstein
Katharine E. Hohol
John and Mary Holway
Denise Homes
Jim and Lucille Hornung
Josephine and Richard Hosman
Stan Howald
Fred & Jean Hofmann
Noreen & Cam Hubanks
Mary and Doug Hudzinski
Paul A. Huggett and Michelle M. Schueller
Larry Hungsberg
Jack and Marlene Htirst
John and Judith Hutchinson
Hugh Itlis
Pat Irish
Bob and Joyce Irish
David and Nancy Ives
Ann Jackson
Bob and Marmie Jackson
Michael and Laurin Jacobs
Allan & Julie Jacobson
Jim Jafferis

Bernard Liegel
The Lightfoot Family
Richard and Sally Lillie
Rick and Nancy Lindroth
Elizabeth Lister
Chuck Litweilwer
Mary C. Lochner-Olson
Helen Lodge
Robert and Johanna London
Tim and Paula Long
Marie Loring
Sue & Gene Lloyd
Anne Forbes & Jim Loman
Richard & Carla Love
Janet Lubniewski
Joel and Pamela Lundgren
Bill Lunney & Judie Pfeifer
Mac's Frameshop
Bryan and Cathy MacDonald
Roni Mack
George and Norma Maddrell
Jennifer Maddrell Goldberg
John and Norma Magnuson
Mary Maher
Brian Makuski
Stephen L. Malisch
Art and Sharon Mann
Clarence J. Mara
Violet Marans
Jim and Billie March
Dr. & Mrs. G.V. Marlow
Ina E. Marlow
Carol S. Maroney
Darren and Dawn Marsh
Terry M. Marshall
Ron Martin
Teresa Mason
Leonard Massie
Josephine Malec and Jean Matos
June and Marty Matoushek
Thomas E. McConley
Mr. and Mrs. McCoy
Gene and Joyce McCubbin
Irene McElhatton
Bob and Verda McFarlane
Sarah and Mark McGuire
Dr. and Mrs. James F. McIntosh
Karl Kletzien and Jody McIntyre
Julie and Jerry McLimans
Elmer McPherson
Walt & Stacey Meanwell
Jean & Walter Meanwell
Dennis Meiller
Alexander D. Metz
Tom Michaels
Bernard F. Mickle, MD
Elizabeth Middleton
Fred & Judy Middleton
Dennis L. Midthun
Jerry and Kris Miesbauer
Ted Miess
Steve Miller
Randy and Linda Miller
Paul H. Miller
Jim and Sandy Minor
John and Jane Mitchell
The Molzahns
Ray Tierney and Lisa Monison
E. Diane Montgomery
Bruce and Lucy Moore
Elaine C. Moran
Gloria Moyer
Bill Muir & Bob Wright
Dave and Patty Murray
Jocelyn Jacobs and Mark Musolf
Dan and Joyce Muxfeld
Marie Neely
Edward B. Nelson
William & Virginia Nelson
Jim Newman
Bruce Newton & Judy Sperling-Newton
Bill and Kathie Nichols
Larry and Kathy Nix
Lawrence and Doris Novy
Tony and Darlene Nowak
David & Jodie Nowick
Mr. and Mrs. Novotny

John L. Oakeson
Jim J. O'Brien
Ruby and Eleanor Oest
Jim Olmsted
Deb Oman-Skemp
Karen & George Osipoff
Betta Owens
The Pantens
John Panuska
Joy Parfitt
Karen Pasch
Robert Paul
Ann Paulen
Mary Pautz
J.J. and Ed Peartree
Susan and Louis Pech
Marian B. Peckham
Jackson L. Pedersen
Bernie and Janice Peckham
Betty Jane Perego
Ruth and Ed Petersen
Jim & Gloria Petersen
Donald L. Peterson
Ron and Kay Peterson
Laura and Rachel Peterson
Ray Petkowsk
Will Petzke
Barbara and Mark Pickhard
Charles and Barbara Pickhardt
Bill & Kathy Pielsticker
Pielsticker Charitable Lead Annuity Trust
Steve Pincus and Beth Kazmar
Marion Pirozzoli
Lisa Pitts
Jeff and Patty Plantz
James & Jean Potter
Ron and Phila Poff
D. Pokorski
Grace and Leonard Porter
Oris and Elaine Possin
Mary E. Powers
Joanne and John Powles
Carrel & Lloyd Pray
Carl Prouss
John and Roberta Pulvermacher
Jeff and Edie Radl
Kenneth and Nancy T. Ragland
Monica Redmond
A. and B. Redmond
Bob and Marguerite Reed
The Reeds
Robert L. Reese
William Reese
Robert F. Reiser
Lois and Fran Renz
Walter & Jean Rideout
Bill Rhoads
Al Richards
Joan & Ken Riggs
Dr. Layton and Diane Rikkers
Dave & Julia Riley
Harriet Riley
Hans & Theron Ris
Eugene M. and Jean O. Roark
John & Charlotte Roberts
Lucy Roberts
Betty Ann Roberts-Punko
Trudy and Perry Rockwell
Mark and Dina Roffers
Mrs. Virginia Rogers
Sandra Rogg
Betty and Max Rosenbaum
Jay Rosenbek and Deb Shimon
Mary Rosenberger
Annetta Rosser
Caryl Rossmassler
Mary Lee Rossmassler
William Rowe
William P. Rowe
Andrew and Marilyn, Roznowski
Shelley and Dennis Ryan
William H. Ryan
B. Samdahl
Jan and Don Sampson
Sandian Family
Margaret Sanfleben
Fred and Margaret Sasso

Scott Sauer
Charles and Nancy Schaefer
Kim Schappe McBride
Al Schasel
Laura Schey
Roger and Cheryl Schlessner
Gary Schmale
Mr. Gerhard Schmidt
Mary Ellen Schmitt
Barry A. Schoenbeck
Luanne Schoepp
Rena Schroeeder
Chris Schulenburg
E.H. and Dolly Schumacher
Vic and Bernie
Jan Schuster
Kirk Schutte
Doug & Karen Schutz
Tim and Dyanne Schwartz
Betty L. Schwartz
Betty Scott
The Scultz Family
Gary L. Sebold
Glenn and Teresita Seborg
Mr. & Mrs. Selk
Dick and Winnie Severson
W. H. Sewell
Morgan Sharpe
Daren R. Shaw
Walter Shaw
Gail Shea
Beckie and Ken Shultz
James and Cynthia Shumway
Brent Sieling and Meagan Schliesman
Jeanie & Jerry Sieling
Steve Simer
Jerry and Arlene Simon
Michael P. and Sharon Simon
Steve and Sarah Sisbach
Leon Stverling
Linda & Michael Slavney
Gilbert Skalet
Mary Skinner
John and Dick Skyles
Mary Slack
Mike and Nancy Slogan
Betty and Bob Smith
Dick and Nancy Smith
Robert and Joyce Smith
Sandra J. Smith
Jeff Smith and Kathy Oldinor
Mark Smith
L. & E. Solomon
Mary Sole
David and Collette Sorgel
Rev. Thomas P. Sosinski
Cleo and Ron Spataro
Patricia St. John
Bill Stacy
Timothy Stanke
Dave and Denise Statz
Steve Statz
Dr. George & Joyce Steinmetz
Joy Stewart
Karen Stier
Tom and Deborah Still
Grace Stith
Bert Stitt
Chuck Stonecipher
Rosemary Strand
Ann Straw
Jeffrey Strobel
N. Sutherland
Steve and Deb Sutter
Mike and Lurene Swenson
Shirley M. Swenson
Edmund and Marion Swiontek
John and Barb Switzky
William and Nancy Tans
Philip Teitelbaum
Caryl Terrell
Jill Terrill and Jason Moen
Brian and Debbie Thacker
Fred L. Thomas
George and Arlene Thomas
John and Marjorie Thomas
Robert & Faith Thomas

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Thompson
Donald E. Thompson
Jane Thompson
Tom Thrall
Constance F. Threinen
Matt & Clayton Treinen
Jim Tiedeman
Kyle Tierney
Robert Tocco
Peter F. Tocco
Shirley Tollaksen
Peggy and Jon Traver
Zeke Trochlell
Charlotte Tupper
Yvonne Turner
Jean Unmuth & Mike Wipp
Lois Unmuth
Rollo P. and Lori Vallem
Bob and Helen Valley
Margaret Van Alstyne
Helen & Thomas Van Tiem
Ann Vanderhoeft
Bob and Rita Vanderpoel
Vandewalle & Associates
Melita Vedejs
Dick and Doris Haus
Lucille Ballweg Vickerman
Brad (Bernie) Vlasak
Shane Vondra
Joanne & Gregory Vodak
Suzanne and Larry Wade
David and Lauris Wagner
Lavonne Wagner
Alice and Douglas Wakeman
Mr. & Mrs. Mike Walsh
Richard and Gloria Walsh
Tom & Elaine Walstad
David and Judy Ward
Sally and Ben Washburn
Dale Waterstreet
William J. Watson
Pat and Larry Watson
Renee M. Weber
Kathy and Craig Wehrle
The Weigels
Bonnie Weisel and Scott Ellington
Wendy Weisensel & David Marshall
Jacqueline L. Wells
John and Gale Werth
West Side Garden Club
Renee West
Ursula and Wallace Westre
Carol Whitney
Tripp and Nancy Widder
Brianna & Carley Wiemann
Sean and Jacob Wiemann
Ted Wiessing
Margaret A. Williams
Mark & Peggy Williams
Phyllis Willoughby
David and Dolores Winden
Tim and Nancy Winden
The Windschiegels
Joe and Dray Wirebaugh
Dan Wittwer
Ben Woodbury Family
Isaac Worley
Ira Wozniak
E. Wrochota
Cy and Dora Yelk
Francis and Barbara Young
Matt and Lucas Zajack
Pat Zastrow
The Zauner Family
Rose and James Zerwick
Albert and Allegra Zick
Carol Ziesemer
Gary and LaVon Zika
Don and Eunice Zimmerman
Jan and Scott Zimmermann
Robert & Marjorie Zimmerman
Sharon Zindars
Thomas H. Zingg
Dr. Gabriele M. Zu-Rhein
Marilyn and William Zwieller
Marjorie Zwickel
Bud Zyduck

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Events Calendar

Night Walk

University of Wisconsin Arboretum
March 18th, 6:30-8:30 p.m., 263-7888

10th Annual Native Landscaping Conference

March 18
UW Arboretum, the Prairie Enthusiasts
& Wild Ones
Dane County Expo Center
Call 262-9925 for details.

Organic Agriculture at the Crossroads: Upper Midwest Organic Farming Conference

March 16-18, La Crosse
Contact Faye Jones for more details,
(715) 772-3153

The Watershed Approach to Improving Water Quality: Fact or Fantasy?

March 28-30, La Crosse
Contact Ann Robinson for more details,
(515) 281-3845

DCNHF Stewardship Awards

March 30, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Fyfe's Corner Bistro, Madison
Call 258-9797 for more details.

Token Creek Watershed Association

4th Annual Spring Forum

April 27, 6:00-9:30 p.m.
DeForest Area Community Center
Call 249-6863 for more details.

Tour of the Blue Mounds Conservation Easement

Dane County Natural Heritage Foundation
June 17, 10 a.m. to noon, followed by lunch.
Call 258-9797 for more details.

Volunteer Opportunities

The Natural Heritage Foundation offers volunteer opportunities to use your skills or develop new ones. Call us at 258-9797 for details. We're open to your ideas, but here are a few of the ways you can help:

Goodwill ambassadors — we're looking for some friendly faces to sit at our booth during local community events such as the Native Landscaping Conference or the Dane County Farmers Market. This is a great way to meet people and spread the word about our Fish Lake Project.

Administrative Assistant — can you help with basic office activities, such as answering the telephone, assisting with mailings and organizing files? This is the job for you! We're looking for someone who can commit to working at least four hours per week for three months.

Outreach Assistant — this person will help promote the Natural Heritage Foundation's profile in the community through such activities as helping organize a speakers' bureau, arranging speaking engagements and assisting with the production of our newsletter.

Special Gifts

There's no better way to honor friends or family members who love the Dane County area's natural beauty than by helping to protect it. A donation to the Natural Heritage Foundation can help protect a lakeshore, restore a prairie, or preserve a woodland. Consider a donation to commemorate a birthday, wedding or anniversary, or in memory of a loved one.

Dorf Haus Fries for Fish Lake

In October, we held our second successful Fish Lake fundraiser at The Dorf Haus in Roxbury. Legions of Fish Lake Fans attended the event — and Vern and Betty Maier donated \$1,000 to their favorite lake.



The Fish Fry featured entertainment by accordionist extraordinaire Bill Meicher.

DCHNF Board Member Emily Earley, Jean Roark, her husband Board Member Gene Roark, and his sister Nancy Roark enjoy fine Dorf Haus cuisine.

Thank You

The Natural Heritage Foundation thanks our dedicated volunteers and supporters, including:

Jim Arts for contributing an article to the newsletter,

Ed Brost for presenting the Fish Lake Project to the Dane County Conservation League,

Bonnie Cosgrove for proofreading the newsletter,

Julie Hayward for graciously allowing us to use one of her watercolors on our holiday card,

Bill Meicher for donating his musical talents at the Fish Fry in October,

Matt Nilsson, for continued help with the newsletter,

Bill Pielsticker for donating photographs of Fish Lake,

Kathy Oppgaard & Gene Roark for organizing our upcoming field trips,

Harriet Riley for ongoing work on our membership database,

Deb Slavin, for helping to organize the 2000 Stewardship Awards,

Kate Schulte for her continued assistance around the office,

Tim Seifriz of Grant Thornton for lending us his human resource expertise, and

Ray Unrein, for repairing our audiovisual equipment.



Thank you!

Thanks also to the following businesses and organizations for a variety of help:

Dane County Parks Dept. for lending us photos,

Mac's Frameshop, Verona, for donating framing and engraving on Pielsticker Prints,

Meuer Art and Framing in Madison for donating framing on Pielsticker Prints,

Suby, Von Haden & Associates for donating meeting space in 1999,

University of Wisconsin Campus Natural Areas for lending us photos,

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for lending us photos, and

Vandewalle & Associates for lending us meeting space for our 2000 board meetings.

DCNHF Wish List

- ⇒ A fabric-covered display board
- ⇒ Map holders
- ⇒ Frequent flier miles (so we can attend national training sessions)
- ⇒ Pentium laptop

Memorials and Other Gifts to Fish Lake

In Memory of Bruce Straw,
Virginia Connors

In Memory of Dick Bassman,
The Krinskys

Dane County Natural Heritage Foundation

Help us make a splash at Fish Lake!

Here's my contribution to the Fish Lake project:

- | | | |
|--------------------------|------------------|-------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Bass Boon | \$25 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Heron Help | \$50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Osprey Offering | \$100 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Cisco Assistance | \$250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Turtle Tribute | \$500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Other | _____ |

Name _____

Address _____

City/Zip _____

Send to:



DCNHF
303 S. Paterson, Suite 6
Madison WI 53703



Thank you!

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

- ☐ Check this box if you prefer to remain anonymous.



Waterfowl like this scaup benefit from the McLain conservation easement along Lower Mud Lake.

McLain Conservation Easement

Editor's note: This is the latest in a series of retrospectives on the Natural Heritage Foundation's preservation projects over the past 16 years.

by Matt Nilsson

Ancient wetlands border the southern end of Lower Mud Lake in Town of Dunn. They help keep the waters pure by filtering pollutants before they reach the lake. Thousands of birds fly in from all over to rest from migration and nest during the breeding season. Sandhill cranes, mergansers, scaup, sandpipers, warblers, sparrows and red-wing blackbirds are among the many that take refuge along the banks of Mud Lake.

Michael and Lynn McClain wanted to ensure the birds would have a spot to sing for generations to come. In the fall of 1987, they donated a conservation easement to the Dane County Natural Heritage Foundation on 12 acres adjoining Lower Mud Lake.

"The easement restricts the use and development of the land, which helps protect the quality of the lake," says Bill O'Connor, the

foundation's Conservation Director.

The land consists of hilly uplands, farmland as well as swampy lowlands. The area serves as a valuable buffer not only for Lower Mud Lake, but also for the surrounding wetlands. The peat in these wetlands is 90 feet deep and supports a rich array of plant species.

Dane County Natural Heritage Foundation
303 S. Paterson, Suite 6
Madison WI 53703

Return Service Requested

Non-Profit
Organization
US Postage Paid
Permit No. 245
Madison WI



printed on recycled paper
using soy inks