

Fiscal Year
2006-2007



HECKRODT WETLAND RESERVE

Annual Summary Report

Living Our Education Mission

Our school programs, focusing on wetland ecology and water conservation are developed as an enrichment for state-mandated standards. In addition, we provide programming for day care centers at their facilities through our Roving Naturalist program or at the Reserve. During our last programming year, HWR provided 107 programs for 6,518 students and their teachers.

We provide teacher and community resources free of charge. These include teaching trunks, water testing equipment, and curriculum resources. This year we completed development of the *Watershed Tour*, a teaching trunk for middle and high school students that includes a virtual field trip and stations to teach about watershed monitoring. We also

developed a program for daycare centers entitled *Fall Harvest*, which is offered in November.

Our *Community Programs* are geared toward the whole family and include programs like *Turtle Days Fall Harvest Festival* in September and *Creepy Crawlies*, our annual Halloween Event in October. *Turtle Tales Preschool Storytime* is specially developed for 3-5 year olds and their parents. *Toddler Trails*, a program for young children ages 12-36 months, that focuses on the senses continued to grow in popularity.

Eco-Explorers Summer Daycamp gives children ages 3-11 a chance to explore nature using hikes, games, and craft activities. This year our programs

were titled *Winged Things* (ages 3-5), *Home Sweet Habitat* (grades 1-3), and *Nature CSI* (grades 4-6).

Public programs also include special activity clinics and programs to help cub scouts and girl scouts earn awards.

During this programming year, HWR provided 79 public programs for 2,902 children and their families.



Continuing to Grow Our Legacy

The development of the Prairie Meadow and Arboretum Project continued in earnest this fiscal year and included:

- Planting of an additional 200 trees on an earthen berm to serve as a living fence and

arboretum.

- Planting of the 4 acre prairie in October 2006 and continued maintenance in spring 2007.
- Replanting of the prairie plant ID garden

after losing many plants to drought in 2005.

- Placing several new benches to enhance the site.

Financial Summary

Individual Donors	\$ 9,395
Corporate Donors	\$ 5,440
Grants and Designated Gifts	\$ 190,171
Brick Sales	\$ 4,533
Golf Outing	\$ 52,364
Room Rental	\$ 3,507
Program Income	\$ 21,104

Did you know?

- During the 2006-2007 fiscal year, HWR provided 250 programs for 9,415 people
- Since programming began in 1997, HWR has provided educational programming for more than 85,000 children and their families
- Heckrodt Wetland Reserve has 3.5 miles of trails that are open 365 days each year
- More than 2,935 hours of volunteer time were invested in the Reserve in 2006/2007



HWR's Mission...

To enhance, restore, and preserve the Reserve and educate all people in the importance of conserving our natural resources while promoting the Reserve's many recreational opportunities

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School and Adventure Program Participant Distribution

Menasha	28 %
Neenah	13 %
Appleton	35 %
Other	24 %



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