

HAWTHORN HOLLOW

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Hawthorn Hollow Prepares to Eye Up Bats

...and everyone is invited! This fall Hawthorn Hollow will be building and installing bat houses around the grounds in hopes that the areas' hibernating bats will take up residence in them during the summer of 2013. If they do, Hawthorn Hollow staff will be able to begin participating in the Wisconsin Bat-Roost Monitoring Project.

White-nose Syndrome (WNS), a fungal disease that fatally affects bats during their hibernation season, is getting closer to Wisconsin. This disease has been spreading out from New York State, where it was first discovered in 2006. WNS has been 100% fatal in some hibernacula, with the death toll reaching more than 5.5 million in the U.S.

This is quite alarming since the number of night-flying insects consumed annually by one million bats is equal to almost 700 tons. It's estimated that insect-eating bats provide billions of dollars in savings in annual insect control expenses for the U.S. agricultural industry alone.



A bat inflicted with white-nose syndrome.

Hawthorn Hollow received a Citizen-based Monitoring Partnership Program grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to expand bat monitoring in Southeastern Wisconsin. Short-term monitoring can help provide a baseline for the number and species of bats inhabiting areas. Long-term monitoring can help track the unfortunate decline of bat species as WNS spreads into the area.

We will be offering three bat house building workshops this October and a bat-roost monitoring workshop during May 2013. Contact us for more information about our workshops. To learn more about bat monitoring in Wisconsin, call 608.266.5216 or visit wiatri.net/inventory/bats/.



An example of a bat box: a single chamber on the left; and a multi-chamber on the right.

Bat House Building Workshops:

Thursday, October 4th, 6 – 9pm

Saturday, October 13th, 9am – noon

Saturday, October 20th, 1 – 4pm

Bat-Roost Monitoring Workshop:

Thursday, May 9th 2013, 6 – 9pm



The Arboretum Gets A Master Plan



One of the first major investments the Hyslop Foundation made in Hawthorn Hollow after it was established in 1967 was to transform what was previously a pasture and hayfield for Ruth Teuscher's horses into a 15 acre Arboretum. They were able to enlist Clarence Godshalk who worked at the Morton Arboretum in Lisle, IL, from its inception in 1922, until he was named Director in 1939, and retired as Director Emeritus in 1966. Unfortunately, only one crude drawing of Godshalk's plan remains today.

Over the years many changes have taken place, not only to our own grounds but within the profession of landscape design. Storms, disease, age, and replacement all made a

mark on the aesthetic integrity of the Arboretum, though we have tried to continue the vision of Clarence Godshalk.

Thanks to a generous grant from the Mary Frost Ashley Charitable Trust, Hawthorn Hollow is now beginning to develop a long-term plan for the Arboretum, gardens and Amphitheater. The Plan will help guide us into the future and assure us that we are proceeding in an appropriate and environmentally sustainable direction. We hope to instill the importance of planning to all our visitors by incorporating the highest standards of ecologically sound landscape design and management practices. The plan will be completed by next summer.

Hit the Road, Jack



We would like to wish our 2011-12 part time worker, Jack Schumacher, safe journeys. He has spent the last several months turning an old school bus into a home on wheels that will run on vegetable oil. He plans to drive it out to Oregon in time for the fall semester where he will be studying alternative energy. Good luck Jack!

New Lifetime Member

T. Ann Andrea

New Members

Frederick Brookhouse

Linda Cate

Mary Ruth Chorbajian

Morris & Joyce Firebaugh

G2 Printing Solutions, Inc.

Jenny Fragale

Dawn Guzman

Karen Kruse

Carol Langley

Dennis & Mary Jo Leveque

Dan Lyons

Charles & Joan Rice

Randolph & Kris Rich

Sue Rose

The Thursday Morning CLUB



Judy, Janis, Sandy, and Nancy (not pictured) are hard working members of the volunteer group that meets Thursday mornings to garden at Hawthorn Hollow and we thank them sincerely. If you want to volunteer in any way, any time, please call 262-552-8196.



Friends of Hawthorn Hollow Membership form

Enroll Me As:

Please Check

☐ New Member

☐ Renewal Member

- ☐ \$25 Robin
☐ \$50 Cardinal
☐ \$75 Oriole
☐ \$100 Hawk
☐ \$500 Eagle (Lifetime)
☐ ----- (other)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Date: _____

Please consider volunteering your talents by checking the following areas you are interested in:

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| ☐ Two Sisters Boutique | ☐ Birds and Breakfast |
| ☐ Holiday Boutique | ☐ Bake Sales |
| ☐ Walk in the Woods Art Fair | ☐ Land Restoration |
| ☐ Gardening | |

Mail Check to: Hawthorn Hollow, 880 Green Bay Road, Kenosha, WI 53144

WALK IN THE WOODS ART FAIR

**Saturday
September 1st
2012**

10:00am – 4:00pm

Featuring Fine Art exhibits located along the trails and gardens, delicious food, beverages and snacks, Silent Auction, Face Painting, Gift Shop, and Musical entertainment throughout the day.

AARON



Hawthorn Hollow welcomes Aaron Menke on board as our new part time employee. Aaron is currently a senior at UW-Parkside studying Biology, Environmental Geography, and GIS. He has done a wide variety of ecological work around the area, including trapping turtles in the Root/Pike watershed for a blandings turtle genetic survey, trapping Red Swamp Crayfish from Peorio Park for the DNR, and most recently surveying plant communities at Chiwaukee Prairie. He will be a great addition to the Hawthorn Hollow team.



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CALENDER OF EVENTS



Friday August 3rd, 6 to 9pm **Pike Creek Concert**

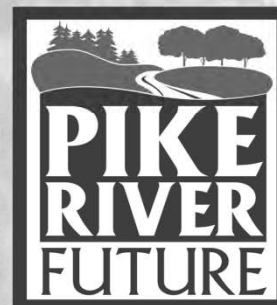
Featuring **Rusty Horse**, an excellent local acoustic act playing all your favorite folk and classic rock songs. Food, Wine, Beer, and Soda will be available for purchase. \$5 addmision All proceeds go to Hawthorn Hollow. No carry-ins please.



Thursday August 23rd 5:30 to 7pm **Pike River Future Meetings**

At Somers Town Hall. Survey results, review of EPA's 9 Plan Elements, and overview of watershed management measures.

Thursday, September 20th ,
5:30-7:00pm, Somers Town Hall. Review physical feature, jurisdiction, demographics and more.



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