Wilke Preserve

Seed collecting
On seven Saturdays this fall DCNHF intern Sherrie Laier and volunteers from DCNHF and Madison Audubon collected over 100 gunny sacks filled with prairie seeds. Species collected include Rattlesnake Master, Canada Wild Rye, Yellow Cone Flower, Bee Balm, Indian Grass and several kinds of asters. The seed collecting is a cooperative venture between Madison Audubon Society and the Dane County Natural Heritage Foundation. Seeds collected will be planted at Goose Pond Sanctuary and the Wilke Preserve.

Volunteers will be needed throughout the winter to clean and prepare the seeds for spring planting. Special thanks to Boy Scout Troop 122 and Jeff Caves, as well as all the other volunteers who assisted us this fall collecting seed.

Save the Date - June 3, 1995
Saturday, June 3, DCNHF will be dedicating the Wilke Preserve by planting fifteen acres of prairie. Informal tours of the preserve will be offered. We hope you can come.

Members of the Wilke Preserve advisory committee are:

Jane Licht, chair
Sherrie Laier
Mark Martin
Sherrie Mickelson
Nancy Miller
Ruth Oppedahl
Wayne Pauly
Gene Woehler

Prairie seed collecting for DCNHF's Wilke Preserve

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1994 Token Creek Festival

This year's festival was attended by families, neighbors from the watershed, and out of town visitors. The festival provided many opportunities to learn about the native landscape, the animals of Token Creek and threats to groundwater through demonstrations and exploratory activities.

Entertainment was provided by environmental songster Ken Lomquist and bluegrass music by Blue & Lonesome II.

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Other educational activities were offered by the Madison Children's Museum, Dane County Parks, Department of Natural Resources and representatives from Edgewood College and the Wisconsin Geological & Natural History Survey, and L.R. Head Nature Center.

"Carry Creek" - a stream model demonstration, was explained by Suzanne Wade of UW Extension.

Thank you to our volunteer environmental educators who conducted the following activities:

Nature walks
Mark Martin
Wayne Pauly
Brock Woods
Nancy Schlimen

Catching Creek Critters
DeeDee Britton
Peggy Traver
Barbie Pietz & Jim
Jim Lorman

Aquatic Wild
Pam Packer
Kelly Brooks
Nancy Piraino

"Carry Creek" model
Suzanne Wade

"Fishing for Compliments"
Madison Children's Museum
Mari DeMoya
Mary Lou Krase

Groundwater Model
Ron Hennings

Brock Woods sharing information about the natural history of Token Creek on a nature walk.
Robert Bateman Benefit - An Artist in Nature

Artist and naturalist Robert Bateman visited Madison on September 11 to help raise funds for the conservation projects of DCNF. He spoke to an audience of over 200 people at Grainger Hall which was followed by a reception at the Executive Residence. Our deep appreciation goes to Mr. Bateman for his gracious generosity, and for sharing his environmental message through art and words.

One of the highlights of the day was an exhibition of Bateman's works in the Atrium at Grainger Hall. Our thanks to Anne & Bob Bolz of Island Gallery and to Sara Bolz for all the work she did to make these events so successful.

Robert Bateman signing commemorative posters at Grainger Hall. Posters were donated by Millpond Press. A special thanks to Mark Lefebvre and Stanton & Lee Gallery who donated the design and printing for the posters and invitations.

L-R Tony Haen, Lee & Shirley Bruce, Peggy Haen at the reception at the Executive Residence. Event sponsors were Haen Real Estate, Mortenson, Matzelle & Meldrum, Munz Corporation and Terra Engineering & Construction Corporation. Thank you to the sponsors who provided the food and conviviality at the reception.

"The crowning beauty of the earth is its natural world." -- Robert Bateman
Original oil painting of a sandhill crane donated by the artist. Framing for this painting and the other raffle prizes was contributed by the Island Gallery. Winner of this original oil was long-time Bateman enthusiast Karen Feiske, who purchased her winning ticket at the Token Creek Watershed Festival.


Doug LaFollette and Jerry Smith drawing raffle winners, shown here with two of the prizes. The "Bluebird & Blossoms" print set was won by Doug Haag and the winner of the "Vigilance" Bald Eagle print was Mike Anderson.

The Dane County Natural Heritage Foundation is grateful to Jerry Smith who led the planning effort for both events. Thank you also to First Business Bank for underwriting the advertisements for the events.

"I consider it a principle of life itself that the more finely you are tuned into details, the more fully you can appreciate it. It seems to me that enjoying nature means being able to identify things and to appreciate differences and distinctions, to be interested in the particular and to delve into the details." -- Robert Bateman

From the World of Robert Bateman

L-R Victor Bakhtin, Margaret & Ronald Mattox and Anne Bolz
Business Members Play Vital Role
DCNHF sets $18,000 goal for this Fall

Local conservation projects of DCNHF are dependent on community support from our business sector. Last year, our appeal to the Dane County business community resulted in 62 members contributing a total of $17,000. In the past few years, DCNHF's number of business members has tripled.

We know that DCNHF business members appreciate the work we do in our community, and the Foundation appreciates their financial support.

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Tony Haen of Haen Real Estate, one of the business sponsors of Robert Bateman's visit. Other sponsors were Loren Mortenson of Mortenson, Meldrum & Matzelle, Dick Munz of the Munz Corporation and Gary Zimmerman of Terra Engineering & Construction.

Three different Bateman commemorative posters (Hooded Mergansers, Evening Grosbeaks and Stretching Canada Goose) are available $20/each.

Kemper Securities Contributes to DCNHF
Community Charity Day - a tradition of giving
November 3, throughout Kemper Securities Corporation a percentage of each office's profits for that day go to a charity of choice. This year, the employees of the Madison office chose to donate proceeds to the Dane County Natural Heritage Foundation supporting natural area preservation.

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Token Creek neighbor at this year's Festival. T-shirts are available for holiday giving (size L-XL jade or raspberry) $10.

Contributions have been received in honor of:

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