



SEVERSON DELLS
NATURE CENTER

FIELD NOTES: 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BY DAN HUNTLEY

If there's one thing that holds generations together, it's stories. Whether it be the stories of our nation and its trials and tribulations along the way, or memories shared between cousins of their times at Severson's Grandparents Camp, these shared experiences add color, understanding, and depth to our lives. As a board, the directors are proud to have a role in continuing Harry and Fanny Severson's legacy to help Northern Illinois and Southern Wisconsin create and maintain those shared experiences.

Of course, our story isn't simply Harry and Fanny's story – it's also the stories of generations of young summer campers, experienced hikers attending Wildflower Walkabouts, school groups braving the late fall chills, natural education enthusiasts learning about the geology of the Dells, and our conservation work crews whose passion for removing non-native species is matched only by the mud on their boots from the wet spring. Each one of them takes something from Severson, something to share and spread – a seed – and our hope is that this seed grows and spreads into something wonderful in its own right.

Our board is working to secure Severson's future and is excited about the plans that Severson's staff has in the works. Led by our director, Ann Wasser, recently named new *Leader of the Year* by the Association of Nature Center Administrators, Severson continues to change, grow, and evolve with the times, not unlike the creatures with whom we are lucky to share the forest preserve. To be certain, there are challenges for Severson's mission going forward, but with an excellent staff, an engaged board, and a passionate membership, I feel confident in saying that Severson's tapestry of shared and collective experiences is a beautiful work in progress.



Photo by Susan Moran, Rockford Register Star

Severson needs all sorts of seeds to continue its mission, and if you are willing to contribute, whether your contribution is your story, your time, your talents, or your financial support, I hope you'll reach out to us to help us continue our storytelling tradition for future generations. I welcome the opportunity to sit down with you over coffee or lunch to hear your Severson story and how together we might help write someone else's story.

As nature enthusiasts, hunters, conservationists, scientists, or just pursuers of fresh air, each of us come to Severson with a different set of stories. It's what makes Severson great. Thank you for your contribution to that history, whether as a volunteer, a donor, a parent, a summer camper, or a believer in our mission. We cannot appreciate and honor that contribution enough.

It's a beautiful day here at Severson Dells, and tomorrow is looking brighter. We hope to see you out here sometime, attending a lecture, partaking in a night hike, watching the birds, or perhaps, attending storytime.



UNPLUG



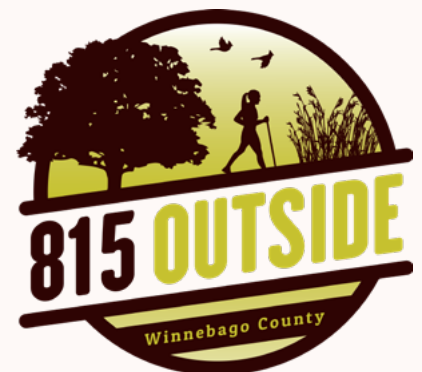
TO CONNECT

Photo by Goumbik

Severson Dells connects people to nature through education and research and has focused on this mission since 1976. Staff and volunteers over the years have provided high-quality programs for all ages that inspire a love for nature in an ever-changing world. For better or worse, technology has become an increasingly large part of our lives over the past two decades. This has changed the way people learn and also how they interact with others and the environment.

In 2018, Severson Dells' theme "Unplug to Connect" encouraged people to put down their screens and connect with nature, friends and family. In the era of Nature Deficit Disorder, this quality screen-free time has become increasingly important and seemingly harder to do. There is a growing body of research of the mental, physical and emotional health benefits of spending time in nature. People are becoming increasingly aware of these benefits and are seeking more and more nature and health-related programs. While we don't expect people to completely unplug, we do hope they will enjoy their time in nature for the sake of being in nature and not just for the photo opportunity.

After attending our annual breakfast, the theme "Unplug to Connect" hit a cord with Winnebago County Chairman, Frank Haney, who then approached us with the idea of a larger county-wide initiative of Unplug 815 to encourage residents to get outside and visit the many green spaces in Winnebago County. This was the impetus for what is now 815 Outside, a collaboration of nature organizations in Winnebago County that includes the Forest Preserves of Winnebago County, the Natural Land Institute, Nature at the Confluence, Klehm Arboretum, Rockford Park District and Severson Dells Nature Center. Please take a look at 815Outside.com and the 815 Outside Facebook page to find your place to get outside in Winnebago County (beyond Severson Dells!) and find suggestions of engaging activities for all ages and abilities.



GIVING BACK TO THE LAND



Photo by Jessie Crow Mermel

The land at Severson Dells has inspired so many to fall in love with nature. Whether strolling through the woods, wading in the creek or wandering the prairie, you can't help the inevitable connection. With all that this place gives, we wanted to give back to the land.

Habitat restoration has been occurring in various forms for a number of years at Severson Dells. The Forest Preserve has maintained the property for almost forty-five years. To help support them, Nature Center staff and volunteers have taken on a variety of restoration projects over the years.

In 2018, with the generous support of the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation, Severson Dells was able to support habitat restoration on a whole new level. A number of items were purchased to support volunteer restoration work and the Forest Preserves of Winnebago County habitat restoration plan, including trees for the oak savanna restoration, hand tools and seed collection bags, and additional tools to monitor the success of restoration and citizen science efforts.

This funding from the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation is a 3-to-1 matching grant with additional financial support available when 400 volunteer hours are reached. The unique nature of this grant allowed Severson Dells to involve the community in restoration projects over the course of the year, both as financial supporters and as on-the-ground volunteers. For every dollar we raised in support of habitat restoration, the Foundation awarded us three dollars. Once we reached 400 volunteer hours, the Foundation awarded us an additional \$4,000 for habitat restoration.

Staff chose two very different areas to focus our efforts. The first was inside the paved loop, an area most-frequented by visitors, and used by staff and for school field trips. We want this area to reflect what a healthy oak woodland should look like, and we are very aware that significant work is needed for this to happen. This area is overrun by invasive honeysuckle and garlic mustard. By the end of 2018, volunteers removed a majority of the honeysuckle from inside the paved loop and the remaining stems should be gone by the end of 2019. This is just the first step in restoring the loop to be the quality habitat we know it can be, so we can use it more effectively as a teaching tool.

The second area was a 3-acre patch of upland habitat above the creek on the way to the dells. This site was chosen because it is located in the Illinois State Nature Preserve, a state protection designated because of the quality and ecological importance of the habitat. Garlic mustard has encroached on the site, and in order to keep the quality habitat of the nature preserve, we thought it was important to dedicate effort to maintain the area.

We are so grateful to all those who support this project either through volunteer efforts or financial support. Through their generosity we have made a significant ecological impact and raised \$21,000 for restoration and supplies at Severson Dells. Thank you and we look forward to continuing habitat restoration to provide the highest quality habitat and the best natural learning area possible.

FISCAL YEAR 2018 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS:

\$196,102	Cash and cash equivalents
14,355	Pledges receivable, current
5,076	Inventory
413	Prepaid expenses

215,946	Total current assets
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NONCURRENT ASSETS:

551,503	Investments
14,446	Pledges receivable, long term, net

22,205	Equipment
(18,281)	Less: Accumulated depreciation

3,924	Net equipment
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50,737	Endowment investments
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620,610	Total noncurrent assets
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\$836,556	TOTAL ASSETS
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LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

CURRENT LIABILITIES:

\$ 3,107	Accrued expenses due to Forest Preserves of Winnebago County
2,550	Accounts payable
25,000	Deferred revenue

30,657	Total liabilities
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NET ASSETS:

692,765	Without donor restrictions
113,134	With donor restrictions

805,899	Total net assets
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\$836,556	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS
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On March 18, 2019, the Sikich LLP accounting firm completed an audit of Severson Dells Education Foundation's records for the FYE 12/31/18. The following is the condensed balance sheet as of 12/31/18. A copy of the complete audited financial statements is available on request.



SEVERSON DELLS SUPPORTERS

Severson Dells has a long history of committed, generous supporters, and Richard and Grace Leighton have a special place within the group. As the retired Vice President of Finance for the Barber Colman Company, Richard was connected to the legacy of Harry Severson even though he worked at Barber Colman after Harry passed away.

Richard and Grace have a unique connection to Severson Dells and our mission to connect people to nature through education and research. Both grew up with fathers who had scientific careers. Richard's father, Morris Leighton, was the Chief of the Survey for the Illinois State Geologic Survey for 31 years. Grace's father, Dr. Carl G. Hartman, was a world renowned biologist, studying embryology and the physiology of reproduction in mammals, primarily in opossums. His work resulted in increased understanding of



primate and human reproduction, the publication of numerous scientific papers, and the 1952 book *Opossums*.

The Leightons decided to support Severson Dells, specifically programs about animals, in honor of Dr. Hartman because of his interest in the natural world. Over the years these programs have included Critter Days, Science Saturdays, and, in 2019, our new Spook the Dells program.

Because of their long-time support, hundreds of people of all ages have had a close encounter of the animal kind, be it bats, opossums, monarchs, or many others. We are so grateful for their commitment to nature education and experiential learning.

TESTIMONIAL: UNPLUG TO CONNECT AT SEVERSON DELLS

My name is Nita Osbern, and Unplug To Connect has been a way of life for my husband and I, our children, and our grandchildren.

My grandchildren anxiously await the Severson Dells January newsletter to register for summer camps where they can unplug from their daily routines and find connection. At camp, education, imagination, and friendship are encouraged and empowered, and life in nature becomes the simple joy and fun that children need, and I believe, long for.

As a family, we continue to unplug from filling our schedules with things to do, to connect by filling our bodies and souls up with what we can simply be at Severson Dells. Perhaps it is listening to a story and then exploring the pond, participating in a luminary walk, listening to a variety of musicians, hiking on the trails during the day and night, looking and listening for birds, owls or bats, enjoying s'mores with family and friends at the fireplace, and so, so, so much more. My favorite time is my family sitting quietly on a bench, binoculars in hands and love in our hearts for the sights, sounds, and smells of nature's beauty - where life comes alive.

Thank you Severson Dells for being not just a forest preserve, but also a place of simple adventure, joy, fun, and peace for my family. Severson Dells Forest Preserve has been a life-preserver (physically/emotionally/spiritually) for my family. To the staff at Severson Dells, thanks for all you do and thanks for being you.



SEVERSON DELLS EDUCATION FOUNDATION

When Fannie Severson donated 369-acres to the Winnebago County Forest Preserve District, she dreamed of having a nature center in the family's "Deer Lodge." The Severson Dells Education Foundation was created to make that dream come true. Since 1976, donors to the non-profit foundation have financed great programs at Severson Dells Nature Center that have helped teach more than a half million people about the natural world. The Foundation and Forest Preserve District are partners: the foundation pays for educational programs and the Winnebago County Forest Preserve District maintains the property and the facility. It's a relationship that has improved the quality of life for area residents by linking them to the forests, rivers and prairies of the region.

FINANCIAL SUPPORTERS

We have made every effort to list the individuals and groups who have supported Severson Dells Nature Center through memberships, donations, sponsorships, memorials and other gifts during the period January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.

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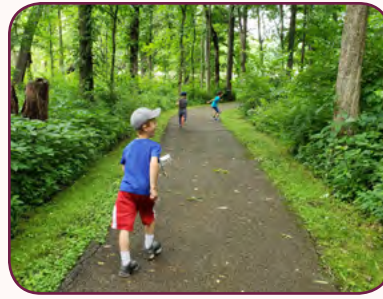


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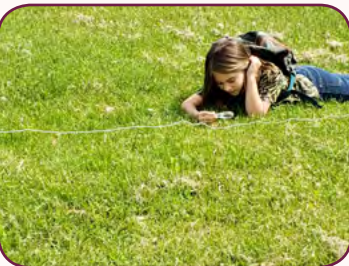
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Lora McClelland teaching visitors about winter adaptations at a Science Saturday.

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Conservation Crew restoration volunteers warming by the burnpile of invasive honeysuckle.

SEVERSON DELLS PROGRAMS

JANUARY 1 – DECEMBER 31, 2018

General Programs.....	3,229
School On-Site with Staff.....	2,901
In-School Programs.....	710
Other On-Site Programs w/Staff.....	1,675
Off-Site with Staff.....	3,460
Use of Facilities.....	857
Registered On Their Own.....	1,696
Walk-In Visitors ...	2,900

GENERAL PUBLIC PROGRAMS:

January

Ecological Restoration Volunteer Workday
Winter Walk
Citizen Science Spotlight @ Forest Preserve Headquarters
Ecological Restoration Volunteer Workday
Species Spotlight: Bluebird Nest Box Monitoring @ Forest Preserve Headquarters
Science Saturday: Snowfari

February

Species Spotlight: Phenology and Watch Plants @ Forest Preserve Headquarters
Lecture: Coyotes at Nachusa Grasslands Night Hike
Ecological Restoration Volunteer Workday
Kids' Outdoor Skills: Winter Shelters
Species Spotlight: IL Odonate Survey (dragonflies/damselflies) @ Forest Preserve Headquarters
Naturalist Night: The Wisconsinan Glaciation and Today's Ice-Contact Land Forms
Species Spotlight: Calling Frog Survey @ Forest Preserve Headquarters
Science Saturday: Rockin' Rodents
Ecological Restoration Volunteer Workday

March

Species Spotlight: Bumblebees @ Forest Preserve Headquarters
Naturalist Night: Ecosystems and Communities
Woodcock Walk
Ecological Restoration Volunteer Workday
Kids' Outdoor Skills: Knots
Species Spotlight: Bats @ Forest Preserve Headquarters
Naturalist Night: Absent Factors: Ecological Anachronisms
Species Spotlight: IL Butterfly Monitoring Network @ Forest Preserve Headquarters
Travelogue: Greer Black- Pacific Crest Trail
Ecological Restoration Volunteer Workday
Take a Closer Look: A Visual Exploration of the Prairies
Science Saturday: Mmm-Mmm-Maple Sugaring!

April

Naturalist Night: Citizen Science: Research Results and Tools for Naturalists
Music at the Dells: Reina del Cid
Ecological Restoration Volunteer Workday
Nature Journaling Club
Naturalist Night: Prairies and Savannas
Ecological Restoration Volunteer Workday

Science Saturday: Celebrating Earth Week

May

Naturalist Night: "Woodland Wildflowers"
Members Only Night
Music at the Dells: Chicago Farmer and Rorey Carroll
An Amazing Change in a Living Landscape: The 200-year Transformation of Illinois with Ray Wiggers
Forest Ecology Master Naturalist Training - Greg Rojisky
Ecological Restoration Volunteer Workday
Kids Outdoor Skills: Camouflage & Sneaking
Naturalist Night: "Legacy of the Oaks"
Nature Journaling Club
Ecological Restoration Volunteer Workday
Mindfulness Practice in Nature
Science Saturday: Soil Science- The Dirt on Dirt
Species Spotlight: Bat Walk at SDNC

June

Community Drum Circle
Readings From the Rookery, The Grove at SDNC
Ecological Restoration Volunteer Workday
Wild Things Summer Camp
Creek Walk
Music at the Dells: Syvers
Nature Journaling Club
Readings From the Rookery, The Grove at SDNC
Peek Into Creek #1 Summer Camp
Music at the Dells: Seth Glier
Fantasy in the Forest Summer Camp
Ecological Restoration Volunteer Workday
Yoga at the Dells
Science Saturday: Life Under Water

July

Grandparents' Camp
Wild Things #2 Summer Camp
Readings From The Rookery
Conservation Crew Volunteer Workday
Severson Explorers Camp: Peek Into Creek #2
Yoga at the Dells
Night Hike
Blazing Paddles Canoe Camp
Readings From The Rookery
Science Saturday: Winged Wonders
Junior Biologist Summer Camp

August

Conservation Crew Volunteer Workday
815 Rockford Day Prairie Walk
Nature Journaling Club at Severson Dells
Science Saturday: Amazing Migrations
Conservation Crew Volunteer Workday

September

Yoga at the Dells
Conservation Crew Volunteer Workday
Lecture: Illinois 2218-Ray Wiggers
Forest Quest Scavenger Hunt
Kraig Kenning Concert - FREE

Nature Journaling Club

Conservation Crew Volunteer Workday
Lecture: Pest or Problem- What May Be Lurking in Your Trees
Science Saturday: National Public Lands Day



October

Yoga at the Dells
Native Harvest: Seed Collection and Dispersal
Conservation Crew Volunteer Workday
Twilight Ramble at SDNC
Nature Journaling Club
Conservation Crew Volunteer Workday
Science Saturday: Oaktober Fest
Keep Active Lecture and Walk with Dr. Mike Chmell

November

Community Drum Circle
Yoga at the Dells
Conservation Crew Volunteer Workday
Night Hike at SDNC
Conservation Crew Volunteer Workday
Career Explore

December

Yoga at the Dells
Silent Nights: Luminaria Walk
Conservation Crew Volunteer Workday
Silent Nights: Luminaria Walk
Career Explore

SCHOOL ON-SITE PROGRAMS WITH STAFF:

District #100...Belvidere
Belvidere South Middle School
Perry Elementary School (2 days)
District #122...Harlem
Maple Elementary and Parker Center (3 days)
Olson Park Elementary School (2 days)
District #134...Shirland
Shirland School
District #140...Rockton
Rockton (4 days)
District #145...Freeport
Blackhawk Elementary
District #205...Rockford



Beyer Elementary School (2 days)
 Brookview Elementary (2 days)
 Cherry Valley (4 days)
 Christian Life School
 Emmaus Academy Home School Co-op
 Haskell Elementary School
 Immanuel Lutheran School
 Maria Montessori (5 days)
 Maude Johnson Elementary (2 days)
 Ralston Elementary School (2 days)
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 St. Bridget Elementary
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 Spectrum
 Spring Creek
 Swan Hillman
 Welsh Elementary (2 days)
 West View (2 days)
 District #205...Rockford Cont'd
 White Swan Elementary
 Whitehead (2 days)
 District #220...Oregon
 Oregon Elementary (2 days)
 District #321...Pecatonica
 Pecatonica Elementary School (3 days)
 District #322...Durand
 Durand Elementary
 District #323...Winnebago
 Aquin Elementary
 Berean Baptist School
 St. Peter School
 Winnebago HS Life Skills Class



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IN-SCHOOL PROGRAMS:

Harlem Kindergarten (Parker Center Elementary)
 McIntosh Elementary School Career & Resource Fair
 Simon Elementary
 St. Bernadette School
 Swan Hillman School Reading Event
 Youth Groundwater Festival

OTHER OFF-SITE PROGRAMS WITH STAFF:

Annual Breakfast at The Pavilion at Orchard Ridge Farms
 Artale First Friday Wine Night
 Baseball in the STEAM Zone: Rockford Peaches 75th Anniversary
 Bat Walk with Barbara Williams at Seward Bluffs Forest Preserve
 Canoe Convoy Paddle the Kishwaukee River
 Drinks for the Dells-Carlyle Brewing Company
 Fairhaven Christian Retirement Center
 Friday Night City Market
 Lowell Park Nature Center Campfire Program - Bats
 Nature Fiesta at Blackhawk Springs Forest Preserve
 Nature Journaling Club at Kieselburg Forest Preserve
 Rockford City Market
 Rockford Melfest
 Rockford Public Library Kickoff Reading Program
 Rockford Public Schools-Summer Activities Fair
 Species Spotlight: Bat Walk at Four Lakes Forest Preserve
 The Garden Clubs of Illinois, Inc. Conservation Conference- "Furthering Diversity"
 Tree Inventory: Best Defense at Forest Preserve Headquarters
 Tree Talk at Ruth Edwards Nature Center
 Tree Walk at Lowell Park, Dixon IL
 Twilight Ramble at Kieselburg Forest Preserve
 Twilight Walk at Deer Run Forest Preserve
 Upper Mississippi River Day Trip
 Wild Ones Presentation-Plant Monitoring

Wildflower Walk: Anna Page Park
 Wildflower Walk: Burr Oak Valley Preserve
 Wildflower Walk: Cedar Cliff Forest Preserve
 Wildflower Walk: Colored Sands Forest Preserve
 Wildflower Walk: Deer Run Forest Preserve
 Wildflower Walk: Flora Prairie Nature Preserve
 Wildflower Walk: Hall Memorial Woods
 Wildflower Walk: Harlem Hill Prairie Nature Preserve
 Wildflower Walk: Howard D Colman Nature Preserve
 Wildflower Walk: Piskasaw Fen Conservation Area
 Winnebago Public Library Program

USE OF FACILITIES:

Birthday party in the screen porch and Conference Room
 Dennis Early Learning Education
 Festival Kids Crafts: Bird Cakes (3 days)
 Festival Kids Crafts: Candle Making
 Festival Kids Crafts: Rainbow Mobiles
 Festival Kids Crafts: Shelter House Jenni Hassler (2 days)
 Festival Kids Crafts: Study (2 days)
 Festival Kids Crafts: Wool/Wooden Sheep Handcraft

Girl Scout Troop Rental of Screen Porch
 Graduation party in Education Room
 Home School Class
 James Marshall's Rockford University Class
 Mammalogy Class
 Memorial for Thomas Koenigsberger
 Memorial Service for Metheny
 NCIOS (10 days)
 NCIOS Potluck and Meeting
 Private Birthday Party in the Education Room
 Rockford Rescue Mission
 Rockford Writers' Guild meeting
 RRFC Meeting
 Sand Bluff Observatory Meeting
 Tinkergarten Jenni Hassler
 Toni Vander Heyden Keller Williams Board Meeting
 Writer's Class

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 Toni Murray Hiking Group



OTHER ON-SITE PROGRAMS

WITH STAFF:

Family Creek Walk
 Greg Rajsky Farewell Gathering
 Home School Group Mary Ann Sullivan
 Home School Program-Animals Prepare for Winter
 Home School Program-Outdoor Skills
 Home School Program-Porcupine Quillwork
 Home School Program-Predator Prey Palooza
 Insect Exploration Home School Program
 Little Ducklings Day Care-Milledgeville, IL (2 days)
 Scout Group
 Scout Group "Into the Woods"
 Scouting Skills: Bugs for Brownies
 Scouting Skills: Primitive Camper for Cadettes
 Volunteer Education Training w/Ellen Rathbone (6 days)
 Volunteer Meeting/Potluck Training



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SEVERSON DELLS NATURE CENTER

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