

Mead Wildlife Area Education Trust

The Wildlife Education Trust establishes an endowment that permanently funds a Wildlife Educator and wildlife education materials. It has been made possible by a challenge grant from the Mead Witter Foundation, Inc. of Wisconsin Rapids, the Friends of Mead-McMillan Association, Inc. and the many foundations, corporations, businesses, organizations and individuals listed below.



Major Contributor:
Mead Witter Foundation, Inc.: \$500,000

Bald Eagle (\$100,000 or more):

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Whooping Crane (\$50,000-\$99,999):

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Greater Prairie Chicken (\$15,000-\$24,999):

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Canada Goose (\$5,000-\$9,999):

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Mallard (\$1,000-\$2,499):

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Trumpeter Swan (\$25,000-\$49,999):

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Osprey (\$10,000-\$14,999):

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Ruffed Grouse (\$2,500-\$4,999):

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American Woodcock (\$500-\$999):

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*"Each generation must care for the creation it is given.
This is our turn."*

- Ruth ("Rudie") Schuette



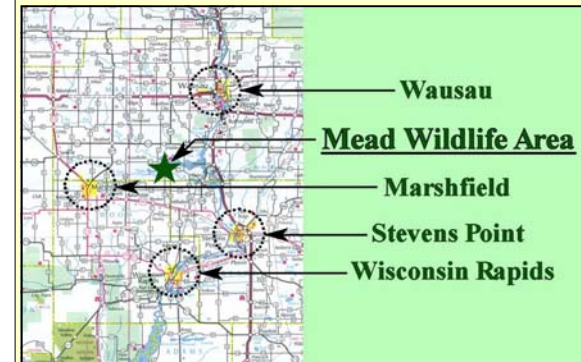
Friends of Mead-McMillan Association, Inc.

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The Pension Protection Act of 2006-07 makes it possible for individuals aged 70 1/2 and older at the time of the gift to make tax advantaged gifts to charities in 2007, by allowing tax-free Distributions from Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA's) of up to \$100,000 per year. A distribution must be made directly to a charity from the IRA of an eligible donor by prior arrangement. If you would like to make a charitable gift to the Friends of Mead-McMillan from your required minimum distribution (RMD), please check with your financial advisor and IRA administrator to discuss eligibility and procedures and learn more about the advantages to both you and the Friends.

George W. Mead Wildlife Area

The 30,000 acre Mead Wildlife Area, managed by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, is located midway between the cities of Marshfield, Stevens Point, Wausau and Wisconsin Rapids in central Wisconsin. The Headquarters is located north of US10 on County Highway S.



Friends of Mead-McMillan Association, Inc.

The Friends of Mead-McMillan Association is a voluntary, area-based group of supporters, users, and advocates for two Central Wisconsin habitats, the McMillan Wildlife Area, north of Marshfield, and the Mead Wildlife Area, north of Milladore.

The Association provides resources to enhance the use of the area, such as development of bicycle and hiking trails and donations of extensive signage and interpretive displays. The Friends raised \$1.6 million in private funds for the construction of the beautiful, award-winning Stanton W. Mead Education and Visitor Center.



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Make a Gift to the Mead Wildlife Area Education Trust

The Friends of Mead-McMillan are dedicated to raising \$1,050,000 for a Wildlife Educator and educational supplies. Only the interest will be taken from the Trust to be used for the Wildlife Educator's salary and educational supplies.

I would like to support the Mead Wildlife Area Education Trust at the following Level:

(see Recognition Display Panel on reverse side)

- _____ Bald Eagle (\$100,000 or more)
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- _____ American Woodcock (\$500 - \$999)

Total Amount of Donation: _____

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I will pay this amount over the next:

_____ Year _____ Date

_____ 2 Years _____ Date

Signature _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: (_____) - _____

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Friends of Mead-McMillan Association, Inc., is a member-supported, not-for-profit organization [501(c)(3)]. Contributions are tax deductible.

Hundreds of people donated money for the Stanton W. Mead Education and Visitor Center. A total of \$1.6 million was raised for this facility in the private sector and another \$611,000 in State funds was used to build it.

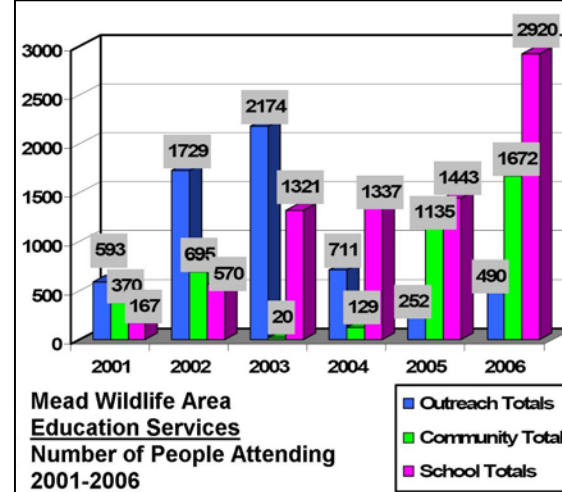
One of the "greenest" buildings in Wisconsin, over \$100,000 was put into renewable energy technologies. Several awards have been given for the building, including those presented by Governor Doyle to the Friends (Service Award) & Tom Brown, Architect (Sustainable Design & Construction Award), among others. The building is targeted for gold LEED Certification by the U.S. Green Building Council.



To date, the renewable energy systems of the building are producing over 25% of the energy used by it. The rest of the energy used is purchased from Alliant Energy as "green power." Thus, this building is producing NO greenhouse gases and is making a ZERO contribution to global warming as a result of its energy use.



But a building is only as good as its usage. Its heart and soul develops only after people begin using it. And the Mead Center potential is now starting to be realized. In its first full year of operation, the facility has attracted 4,592 persons, 2,920 of them k-12 students, from 28 schools in 13 school districts.



Staff members of the Mead Center focus on developing educational initiatives to maintain the connection between present and future generations and our natural world. Through activity based educational programming, thousands of school age children have the opportunity to experience wildlife and their associated habitats (wetlands, grasslands & forests) as well as learn about renewable energy resources. All education is directed toward helping them become better stewards of our natural resources.



However, the potential of the Mead Center is still limited. Four Mead Staff members are currently assuming responsibility for educating all visiting classes while maintaining a full-time commitment to managing the property. The staff is reaching the point where they will have to turn away students who want to visit the Mead--just not enough help.



What they need is a full-time educator for the Mead Center. And because of the following we have the opportunity to make that happen:

- A Wildlife Educator was approved by the State in December, 2006.
- Fringe benefits for the position are provided by the WDNR.
- Challenge grant awarded for \$500,000 by the Mead Witter Foundation, Inc. of Wis. Rapids.

It is now the goal of the Friends to raise \$550,000 to earn this challenge grant plus one year's salary for the Educator. Over time, this trust will generate enough interest to pay for the Educator's salary plus supplementary materials for educating students and adults using the Mead Center.

All donations are welcome. However, those who donate \$500 or more will be recognized on a 3' x 4' panel to be placed next to the entrance of the Wausau Homes Education Wing (see back panel).

Please donate to the Wildlife Education Trust. When you do, you are contributing to the development of citizens who are more likely to be responsible stewards of the natural resources of Central Wisconsin and beyond.