



**RIVER BEND
NATURE CENTER**



**2012
Annual Report**

*Helping people discover, enjoy, understand, and
preserve the incredible natural world that surrounds us.*

2012 Numbers at a Glance

Program Type	# Offered	Total Participants
General Public Programs	46	685
Youth/Specialty Programs	103	2,067
Summer/Holiday Camps	83	168
Special Events	4	2,017
Service Learning Programs	30	1,253
Formal School Programs	446	10,225



5th Grade Winter Survival Program

In total, River Bend staff had 32,298 contact hours with community members through programs during 2012.

Summary of Revenue & Expense* for the period from January 1 to December 31, 2012

REVENUE

Programs & Special Events	102,101.12
Membership	51,288.22
Gifts - Operating, Endowment, Capital	45,613.48
Endowment & Interest	4,637.20
Ramble Fund Raiser	36,463.38
Grants and Miscellaneous Revenue	11,800.39
Contribution - Charitable Gambling	56,000

Total 307,903.79

EXPENSE

Staff Salaries & Benefits	261,313.65
Office Operations & Insurance	42,035.13
Building & Grounds	16,206.32
Program Supplies & Special Events	17,414.05
Ramble Fund Raiser	10,076.93
Grant Projects and All Other	22,468.36

Total 369,514.44



The Straight River

2012 River Bend Highlights

Programming:

- A variety of public programs were provided ranging from regularly offered Bagels and Birds and Solstice programs to Forces of Floods, Wildflower Walks, Chemistry of Life, Spring bird hikes, Fabulous Frogs, and Cross-Country Ski lessons. River Bend also added some very popular DIY programs such as Recycled Sweater Mittens and DIY Crafts for the Holidays.
- The HEDFEX home school contract, providing science education to over 1200 students in the Burnsville area came to its final session in May.
- The school program offerings continued to be a strong component of programming with school-year contracts with Faribault Public Schools, Divine Mercy Catholic Schools, Faribault Lutheran School and Nerstrand Charter School. Throughout the school year many schools came for programs from other areas including Northfield, Owatonna, New Prague, WEM, Blooming Prairie, MSAD, Discovery School, Cannon Falls, St. Wenceslaus, Cannon River STEM School and Montgomery/Lonsdale.
- River Bend provides waste education for Rice County to all the schools in Rice County with a program on waste reduction and a program on recycling serving over 1600 individuals in 77 class presentations.
- Summer camp programs continued to be a community favorite with over 150 participants and 3,500 hours in camps ranging from preschoolers through age 16.

Partnerships:

- Shattuck St. Mary's School and District One Hospital continued their partnership with River Bend to promote wellness in the community. River Bend offered our new Naturally Healthy program for Shattuck and District One employees who sign up to be members of River Bend. Special incentives for achieving wellness and fitness goals are given to employees who participate in the program.
- River Bend joined hundreds of other organizations in the crusade against waste by signing up with Terracycle—a national company who partners with well known product manufacturers to advocate up-cycling. Through the Terracycle brigade programs, River Bend was able to send in over 1,000 Capri Sun juice pouches, Frito Lay chip bags, Mars candy wrappers, and more to be up-cycled into tote bags, purses, and other useful items.
- We also partnered with the Rice County Landfill to save hundreds of keyboard, computer mice, laptops, and small handheld devices like cell phones and GPS units from going into the landfill. The keyboards, mice, laptops, and handhelds are also part of the Terracycle up-cycling program.
- In 2012, River Bend partnered with the Faribault School Districts Kids Connection after school program to extend our environmental education programs to children enrolled in the program. Kids Connection is an after school program that emphasizes enrichment activities in math, reading, writing, and building relationships, while making it fun and educational. The 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) grant was reauthorized under Title IV, Part B, of the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act (2002). This funding provides extensive after school programming for the students attending Faribault schools. The academic enrichment activities compliment the regular school day by providing the following components in the after school program: tutoring and mentoring for homework; curriculum focused on a theme which implements math, reading, and writing activities; recreational activities; community service projects; and parental involvement including family night events.

Events:

- Although the 2012 winter left us with little to no snow, we had just enough for Winterfest to offer Dogsled rides, provided by the Hastings Huskies & Horses ranch out of Hastings MN. No snowshoes or sleigh rides were offered this year. Over 300 people attended this event where winter games, a campfire to warm up to, and hot soup & beverages were enjoyed by everyone.
- Over 200 runners and walkers came out to enjoy a brisk run or walk out on the trails in April, and to get the first taste of our homemade maple syrup on some delicious pancakes at the Maple Syrup Fun Run and Pancake Breakfast in 2012.

- The Ramble fundraiser continued to be a success with the generous support from this community. The 2012 Ramble event raised over \$25,000 in net proceeds. This year we tried a new venue, the Faribault National Guard Armory, with catering provided by Marlene Gustafson. We also offered a cash prize raffle and raised \$4,000 which was split between the winner & River Bend.
- In 2012 River Bend's annual Halloween event, Bat's, Bones, and Bonfires continued to be a favorite event for both the community and staff & volunteers of River Bend. Over 1,000 people attended the event with almost 150 volunteers!

Administration:

- In March of 2012, we said farewell to Program Coordinator, Barbara Hurley, who dedicated almost 8 years to River Bend. Barbara coordinated the 3rd grade—6th grade environmental education curriculum for the Faribault School District and surrounding districts. She also collaborated with local Homeschool groups and designed the science curriculum for their students. Barbara was a valuable asset to our public programs with her knowledge of outdoor science and love of bugs! She took initiative and coordinated all of River Bend's land management efforts including buckthorn and other invasive species control, deer population data, and various service learning projects for local scout troops.
- In May of 2012, we welcomed Sarah Shimek, Program Coordinator. Sarah joined us from Cottage Grove, Minnesota where she was working as a Research Assistant for the Centers for Ocean Science and Education & Excellence and University of Minnesota Extension. Sarah also brought not only a passion for environmental education but an extensive background in classroom teaching and Naturalist Education.
- In December of 2012, we said farewell to Program Coordinator, Elaine Loran, who dedicated almost 15 years to River Bend. Elaine coordinated the Kindergarten—2nd grade environmental education curriculum for the Faribault School District and surrounding districts. She also collaborated with local Early Childhood Education groups and designed the Preschool Nature Play program, Creciendo Juntos, and the after school Science Club program. Elaine took care of our volunteers and coordinated River Bend's Ranger program, the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, our Volunteer Naturalists, and all of the many, many volunteers involved in other programs and special events.
- Randy Vergin, on behalf of Jennie-O Turkey, donated \$5,000 to River Bend for our Creciendo Juntos program and to update our software and computer systems.
- The Carlander Family donated \$15,000 to River Bend to help support a few major updates to River Bend such as a new septic system, updating the Interpretive Center's energy efficiency, and the purchase of a new John Deer Gator to help maintain trails and habitat at River Bend.
- By the end of 2012, the Board of Directors approved title changes to staff to incorporate their added job responsibilities; Sarah Shimek, Education Coordinator; Suzy Boysen, Operations Coordinator; Skyp Lee, Land & Facilities Coordinator.

Land & Facilities:

- In 2012, the Cannon River STEM School, Shattuck St. Mary's, and South Central College came out to River Bend to help eradicate buckthorn, an invasive species at River Bend. Buckthorn continues to be part of River Bend's priorities as we strive to preserve the natural habitat that surrounds us.
- A new Gator was purchased for trail maintenance and habitat restoration projects thanks to the generous donation from the Carlander Family.
- A new septic system was installed by B&B Excavating Inc., thanks to the generous donation from the Carlander Family.
- The back & entry doors to the Interpretive Center were repaired and updated by RJ Dwyer, Inc. thanks to the generous donation from the Carlander Family.
- In 2012, we began updating the Interpretive Center bathrooms and foyer area with a fresh coat of paint and new toilets.

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The children/grandchildren of
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Sponsors

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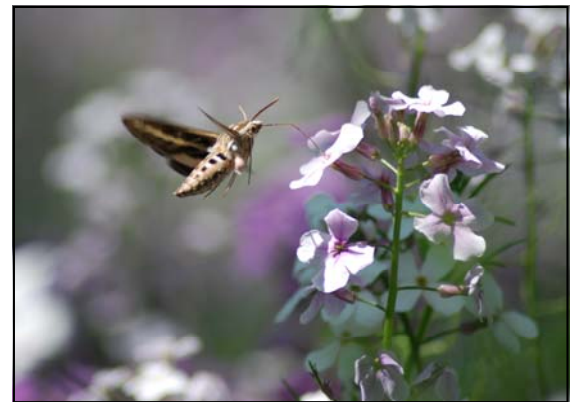
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(Above) Sphinx Moth on Rabbit Trail



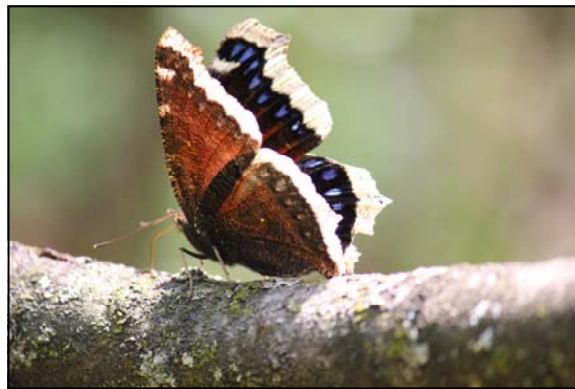
(Right) Garrett Genereux showing attendees at the 2012 Maple Syrup Open House how to tap trees

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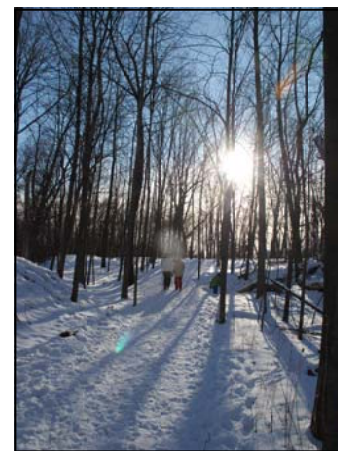
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