



# *The Friends of Hawthorn Hollow Newsletter*

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## **A Lasting Legacy** **The Heide Family at Hawthorn Hollow**

On May 30<sup>th</sup>, longtime Hawthorn Hollow benefactor Charles H. Heide Sr. passed away at the age of 98. Charles, or Chuck as he preferred to be called, and his wife Kathryn have played a huge part in Hawthorn Hollow's success over the past 50+ years.

Chuck's parents, Christen & Anna Heide, were neighbors of Ruth & Margaret Teuscher, the owners of what we now know as Hawthorn Hollow Nature Sanctuary and Arboretum. They helped save and move the historic 1906 Somers Schoolhouse to our property, and worked closely with the Teuscher Sisters while they were converting Hawthorn Hollow into a premier nature sanctuary. Chuck took up the torch and served on the Hyslop Foundation's Board of Directors for decades, continuing the Heide Family's involvement as Hawthorn Hollow grew.

"My dad didn't like to be in the spotlight. He liked to survey a situation and get things done." says Krista Reck, Chuck's daughter and a longtime Hawthorn Hollow supporter and Hyslop Foundation Board Member herself. As Hyslop Board President, Krista helped guide Hawthorn Hollow through the COVID shutdown and played a huge part in its survival. She says "The Teuscher sisters asked for help to preserve Hawthorn Hollow and that is the legacy we (the Heide family) are part of."



Charles & Kathryn Heide

While Chuck and Kathryn tried to avoid the spotlight, one of their gifts was just too great to be ignored. The Charles and Kathryn Heide Schoolyard Observatory stands in the middle of our Arboretum, and their financial support has allowed us to hire two staff members to run the observatory and its many programs (see pg. 3).

"Our family feels we are part of a team. A team that steps up and does its part when the need arises." says Reck, who represents the third generation of the Heide Legacy at Hawthorn Hollow. But for her,

Hawthorn Hollow is more than just a family responsibility. Some of her fondest memories are of Hawthorn Hollow, whether it's ice skating down the Pike River from her family's home to the Hawthorn Hollow Bridge, seeing Ruth lead tours in an 1800's dress, and even sneaking into the schoolhouse to ring the bell!

When asked about Hawthorn Hollow's growth, Krista said "I don't necessarily see HH changing. It is a place of refuge and rejuvenation, both for people and wildlife. What will change is how we manage the landscape and educational programming so people can care for Hawthorn Hollow and their own properties. We will have more public space and there will be a bigger parking lot, but the woods, prairie, and Arboretum are constant".



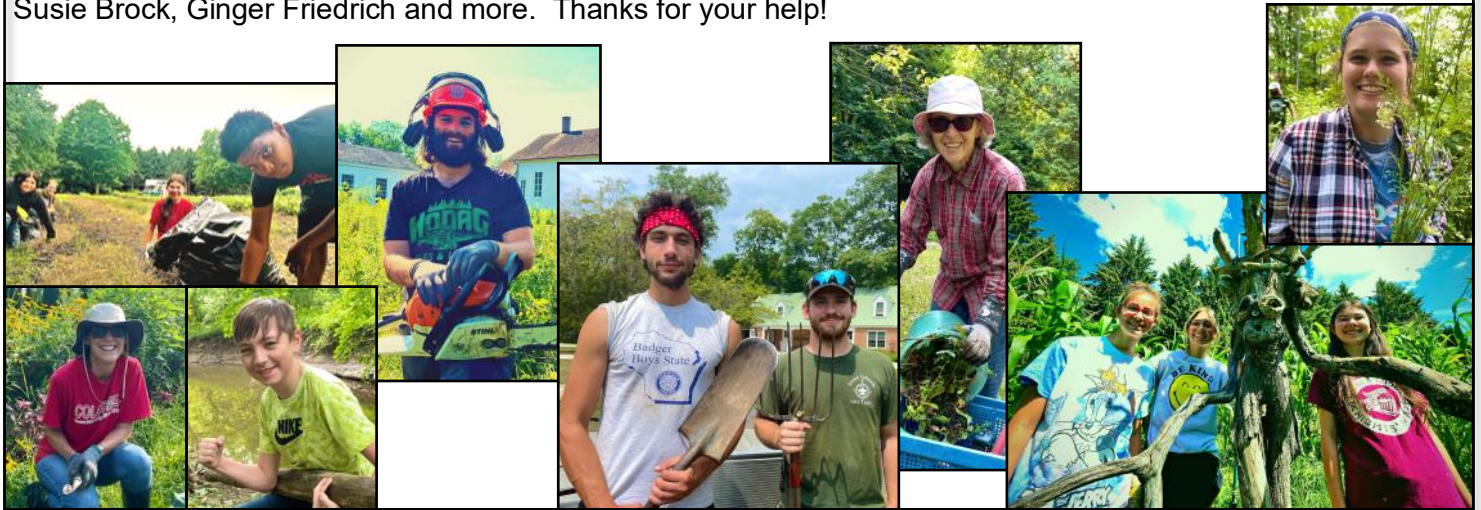


# Friendly Faces at the Hollow

The 2021 summer season is in full swing and there are several new seasonal staff and volunteers working hard around the grounds.

Caden Broesch, Leah Blanchard, and James Gorsline have been working on the Wetland/Ravine Restoration Project with our Restoration Ecologist, Lori Artimow. James is also our educational coordinator who will be joining the team at Yosemite National Park. We wish him well!

Hawthorn Hollow's Farm Manager Allison Garren and her team of Kassandra, Ana, Bella, Iyanna, and Jojo are working hard at the Heritage Farmstead in the Organic Outreach program. Matt Deacon and Sam Specca are making the grounds sparkle with the help of fantastic volunteers like Kadge, Janis Laufenberg, Dave Sessa, Susie Brock, Ginger Friedrich and more. Thanks for your help!



## The Humble Bumble Bee

July and August are the perfect months to observe which bumble bees are visiting your yard. Wisconsin has about 20 different species of bumble bees. They all look a bit different from each other and with a little practice you can learn to identify the different species.

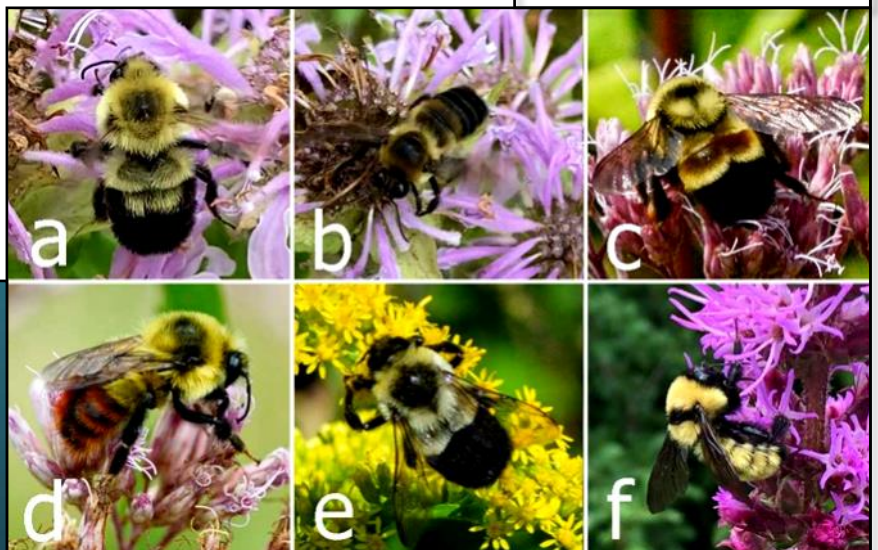
The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has a program for citizen scientists interested in helping document which bumble bee species are foraging in what areas of the state. The program is called Bumble Bee Brigade and it helps WDNR staff understand how bumble bees are doing in Wisconsin.

Bumblebees, just like honey bees, are declining in numbers. It's important for all of us to do what we can increase pollinator habitat by planting and cultivating native plant species in our yards to provide our pollinators the pollen and nectar resources they need to survive.

To help WDNR staff monitor bumble bee trends in Wisconsin, you can become a Bumble Bee Brigade participant. It's pretty easy and you can do it in your own backyard. Just take a photo of your Bumble Bee and submit your information on the Bumble Bee Brigade website.

### **Some of Hawthorn Hollow's Resident Bumble Bees**

- a. *Bombus bimaculatus*
- b. *Bombus griseocollis*
- c. *Bombus affinis*
- d. *Bombus rufocinctus*
- e. *Bombus impatiens*
- f. *Bombus fervidus*



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# Meteor Shower!

Astronomy fans wait all year for the Perseid meteor shower in August. At its peak, it produces dozens of shooting stars per hour, making it one of the most spectacular and reliable meteor showers visible from Earth.

As a comet travels close to the Sun, it heats up and part of the comet vaporizes. After a comet has orbited the Sun many times, a lot of small pieces of the comet are left along the comet's path. A meteor shower happens when Earth passes through the path of a comet and the bits of comet debris, most no larger than a grain of sand, become meteors as they burn up in Earth's atmosphere. On any night, several small meteors shoot across the sky. However, during a meteor shower, tens to hundreds of meteors can be seen each hour. Many of these meteor showers can be predicted and occur at the same time each year. Every August, Earth passes through the tail of the comet Swift-Tuttle, giving us the Perseid Meteor Shower.



This year, the Perseid meteor shower will reach its peak on the nights of Thursday, August 12, and Friday, August 13. In recent years, the moon has made it difficult to view the shower, but that won't be the case in 2021. The Perseids' peak comes just a few days after a new moon. On August 12 and 13, a dim waxing crescent moon will set early in the evening, leaving dark skies and perfect stargazing conditions. You can expect to see up to 100 shooting stars per hour on these nights.

Reserve your tickets for The Schoolyard Observatory Perseid Meteor shower event and enjoy a relaxing display of the meteors as you lay back in our zero gravity chairs.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/162834346915>

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## Pike River Benefit Concert Series

A Fundraiser for Hawthorn Hollow Nature Sanctuary & Arboretum

**Friday, June 18**  
**INDIGO CANYON**

**Friday, July 16**  
**CACTII**

**Friday, August 13**  
**SWEET SHEIKS**

\$10/PERSON  
FOOD & BEVERAGES AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE  
NO CARRY-INS

All shows start at 6 pm

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## NEW FRIENDS OF HAWTHORN HOLLOW MEMBERS

Carla Knickrehm  
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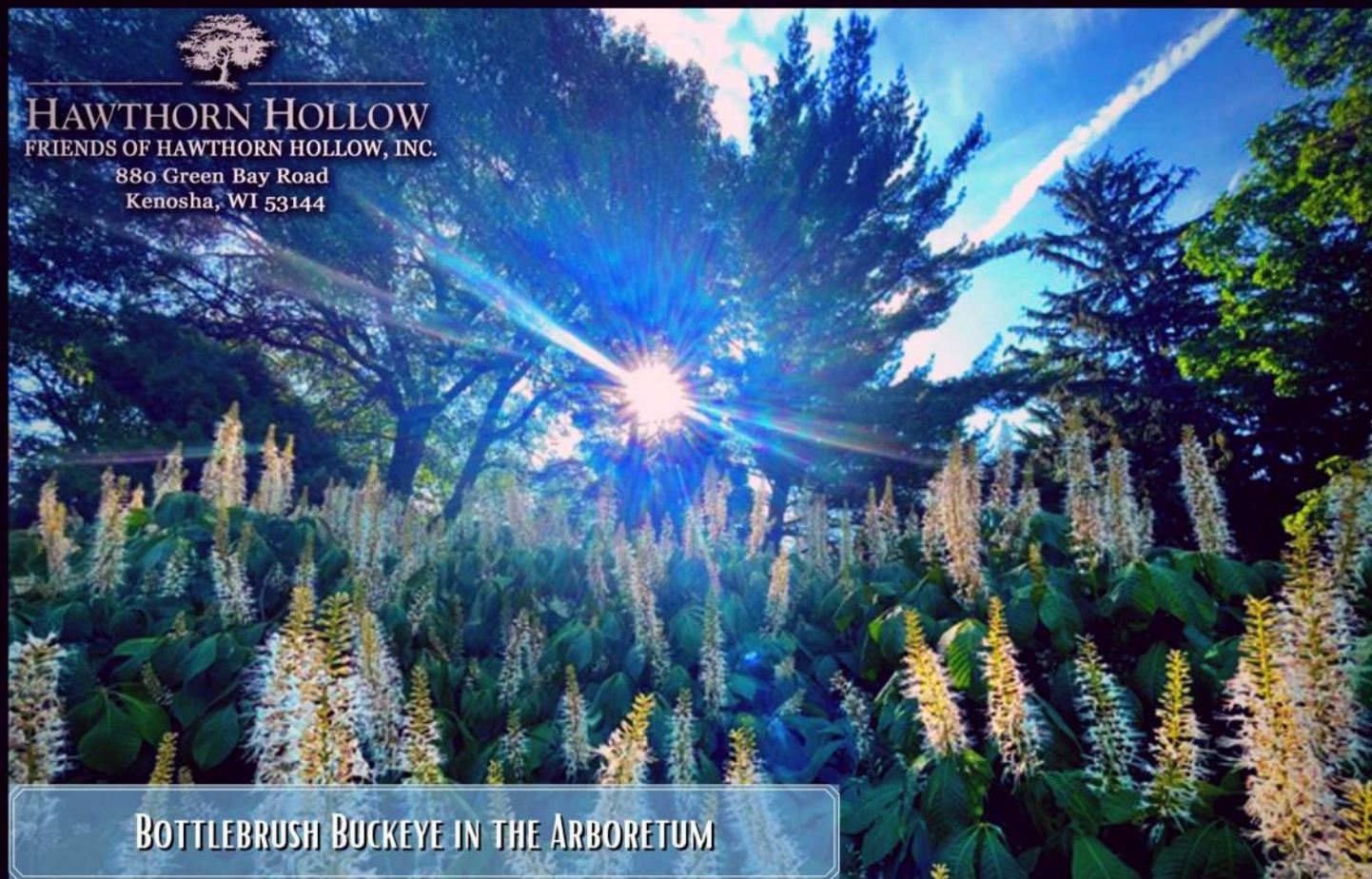




## HAWTHORN HOLLOW

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BOTTLEBRUSH BUCKEYE IN THE ARBORETUM

# Walk in the Woods ART FAIR

Saturday, September 11



10 AM - 4 PM



ART ~ MUSIC ~ FOOD

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HAWTHORN HOLLOW  
NATURE SANCTUARY AND ARBORETUM

## LATE SUMMER EVENTS

### August

8/03 Yoga & Meditation*	6:00 pm
8/06 Night Hike*	8:00 pm
8/07 Wildflower Walk*	10:00 am
8/10 Yoga & Meditation*	6:00 pm
8/13 Concert Series: Sweet Sheiks	6:00 pm
8/20 Night Hike*	8:00 pm
8/22 Lunar Yoga*	6:00 pm
8.25 Beekeeping: Honey Harvest*	6:00 pm

### September

9/08 Night Hike*	7:15 pm
9/11 Walk in the Woods Art Fair	10:00 am
9/13-16 Relief Woodcarving Workshop*	6:00 pm
9/17 S'more Workshop*	6:00 pm
9/20 Lunar Yoga*	6:00 pm
9/24 Night Hike*	7:15 pm
9/25 Wildflower Walk*	10:00 am

\*Registration Required

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