

# RIDGES RIDGES LITES

A monthly update of Ridges' Activities • July 2011



## Annual Meeting

Saturday August 6 10 AM—Noon Baileys Harbor Town Hall

(Light refreshments served)

Preview the New Facilities & Trails Boldt Construction and UW-Stevens Point will present Conceptual Designs

Plans for the New Facilities, Lower Range Light Renovations and other business will shared with voting for new Board Members (see bios below)

#### Ed Miller

Ed Miller lives full-time in Baileys Harbor with his wife Sandy. They moved to Baileys Harbor from the Waukesha area in 2007 after Ed retired from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. He enjoyed a 33 year

career and held the position of Supervisor of the DNR Southeast District Air Monitoring Section. Ed is a licensed professional engineer with a bachelor and Master of Science degrees in engineering from the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee. Ed and Sandy have been active with The Ridges over the years through many different volunteer efforts.

Ed has strong family connections to Baileys Harbor. His father was born and raised on a farm north of Baileys Harbor. Ed spent his childhood summer vacations in Door County staying at his grandparents log farm house that still exists today. Both Ed and Sandy are devoted to land protection and have placed their property in a Door County Land trust Conservation easement.

#### Jeanne Majeski

Jeanne Majeski lives full-time in Jacksonport and is the Baileys Harbor librarian. She has helped develop many family programs over the past several years as part of the *No Family Left Inside* partnership between the two organiza-

tions. She has served on the Jacksonport Town Board as a Supervisor for seven years and was appointed Chairperson of the Town Board in her eighth year. She is currently serving on The Ridges Sanctuary's Building Committee to help guide the future development of our new facilities, trails and community connections to Baileys Harbor and the greater Door County community.

Jeanne is married to Joe Majeski, the Elementary Principal and Director of Special Education at Sevastopol School. She has three grown children – Marnie, Marek and Alek. When Jeanne isn't working, she is spending most of her time outside tending her gardens; taking care of her chickens, horses, and sheep; or walking her dog.

#### Coming Up!

**July 16 • W.O.W Raptors** *Meet some WILD birds! 2 PM* 

**July 20 • Member Cookout** Members & volunteers are invited to our monthly cookouts. 11:30 AM—1 PM

July 21, 28 • Lake Lessons Thursday evening programs at 7 PM.

**Aug 4 & 11 • Lake Lessons** Thursday evening programs at 7 PM.

Aug 6 • Annual Meeting
Members vote on new Board
Members and are updated on
direction of the organization.

**Aug 13 • Not So Early Bird Hike** *Visit birding hotspots around the Door at 9:00 AM* 

Aug 17 • Member Cookout Members & volunteers are invited to our monthly cookouts. 11:30 AM—1 PM

**Aug 17 • MOON WALK**Learn about evening activities at The Ridges. 8 PM

**Aug 21 • CELEBRATE Volunteers** Paying tribute to the volunteers who keep The Ridges running! Bjorklunden

## Aug 26 & 27 • Monarch Mania

Learn about these marathon fliers and then out to the field to tag some for scientific study. 10 AM

For more information call The Ridges or visit our website <a href="http://RidgesSanctuary.org">http://RidgesSanctuary.org</a>

#### Jim Jauquet

Jim Jauquet lives full-time in Fish Creek and has coordinated The Ridges' Wednesday crew volunteers for the past several years. Jim has spent most of his life in and around Green Bay working for the Schneider Transportation Inc. Retiring in 1999, Jim and his wife Andrea have helped many Door County organizations. He has volunteered for The Ridges for at least 10 years and has also volunteered for the Door County Community Auditorium, Peninsula School of Art, Peninsula Music Festival, and the American Red Cross. He is also active in his parish, Stella Maris, where he was the parish Business Manager for two years. Jim and his wife Andrea Kinsey-Jauquet (who was born and raised in Fish Creek) have seven sons and thirteen grandchildren who keep them busy when they're not volunteering in the community. They have always had a love for Door County and sailing. In 1986, they sailed from Fish Creek, out the Great Lakes to Florida and then on across the Atlantic Ocean.



#### SAVE FOR THE FLEA MARKET!

Are you finding good stuff as you clean the basement or garage? Please remember The Ridges' Flea Market. (no clothes, used electronics, furniture, or fleas). If you have something good and don't have room to store it until September—give us a call and we'll come up with something! September 17 8:30 AM—2 PM behind the Sandpiper Restaurant.



#### VOLUNTEER—MEET THE NICEST PEOPLE!

Our dedicated volunteers are the 'welcoming face' of The Ridges. Our volunteers are also the nicest in the County! — we checked! If you have some time to spend amid the spruce, hemlock and wildflowers, and want to meet more nice people, call 839-2802. *Training is provided!* 

We Wish ...

Laser or inkjet mailing labels

Copy paper

\$\$ for clean cedar wood chips Digital cameras (used is fine) for kids programs

Heavy Metal Shelving units Garden gloves, rakes, tools, etc. Chocolate for the staff Black sunflower seeds for the birds Donations for the Flea Market

Wishes Do Come True!

For a list of our many wonderful benefactors, go to the "*Donors*" link at

http://RidgesSanctuary.org.

Call: (920) 839-2802 • or visit our website for more information: <a href="http://RidgesSanctuary.org">http://RidgesSanctuary.org</a>



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#### VOLUNTEERS

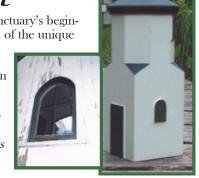
Watch for your invitation to the annual gathering to thank you for all the time and work you so generously give to The Ridges Sanctuary. Great food from the Cornerstone, music by the Lee Nordgren trio, refreshments, and thank yous from the staff and Board. At Bjorklunden.

August 21 5 PM-7 PM

# RESTORE the Range Light

Lower Range Light Renovations! Since The Ridges Sanctuary's beginning in 1937, the Lower Range Light has served as an icon of the unique area of biodiversity that surrounds it. It is in need of restoration to preserve the historic structure. Because of the historic nature of the Range Lights, there are restrictions on how the work must be done. Volunteers will be doing much of the work—especially our awesome Wednesday Crew aided by Board Member Bob Ryan. Please consider helping with this much needed project. Anyone donating \$50 or more will receive a special Phil Austin Range Lights

print.
Volunteer Ed Miller has donated wooden models of the Lower Range
Light to accompany donation boxes in Baileys Harbor.



### Trail Talk at The Ridges

- Annual Meeting Besides the biodiversity of the ridges and swales, The Ridges Sanctuary is unique because it is the oldest member-based nature preserve in Wisconsin. This means that our members are an integral part of the organization. Members vote on changes to the by-laws and vote for members of the Board of Directors. At the 2011 meeting August 6th, besides voting for two new board members, the membership will be updated on the acquisition of new property and the conceptual plans for a new facility to further the mission of the Sanctuary.
- Many Meet & Munch Cookouts One of the strengths of The Ridges' organization has been the friendships that have formed around a casual get together to celebrate our achievements. Each month, the staff will host a potluck cookout (we'll provide burgers & chips-bring your own tableware) at The Ridges. Plan to come, renew friendships and meet some new friends! July 20, Aug 17, Sept 21—11:30 AM—1 PM—Then walk it off on a guided hike at 1:30 PM!
- Crisp Fall Days are a perfect time to spend a couple of hours at The Ridges Sanctuary. If you can spare a little time to staff our nature center—we promise you will enjoy meeting nature-oriented people who walk the trails—and you will certainly enjoy the great feeling of helping support this pristine Sanctuary! Call Pam Gregory at 839-2802.
- A Picture is Worth a 1,000 Words and to those who donated used digital camera we give a thousand thanks. We now have seven simple digital cameras and one SLR camera for our kids' camera program. Just three more and we'll be ready for our Fall class at the schools! It will be a great way to get kids interested in nature!
- Still a few Foxes, Explorers, & Taiga Camp spots left! There are still some openings for our mornings of nature study, games, snacks, and stories. If you want to get your child outdoors and appreciating nature—call soon as the numbers are limited.
- Next year is SPECIAL! We are already planning celebratory events like a July Art Show at the Door Community Auditorium, publication of the Memories book, and a big birthday bash! We will be celebrating the vision of our founders, the milestones we've passed, and the direction we're going! Got some ideas for how to celebrate? Let us know.

Learn more on any of these items at http://RidgesSanctuary.org

**Check your mailing label** for an expiration date for <u>your</u> membership and support the oldest member-based nature preserve in Wisconsin. Or consider a donation to support The Ridges. *Please let us know if you wish to remain anonymous*.

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