**ENDING WITH A WAFFLE BREAKFAST!**

In case you’re wondering what is ending with a Great Ridges Waffle Breakfast—read on! This is a great opportunity for you to do something that makes you feel good and helps the Ridges—plus you get a chance at some great prizes!

The Ridges is having a New Member Drive (NMD) lasting from August 1st until January 1st. Since members are the base of our organization, we celebrate each new member who agrees that this uniquely diverse area is worth protecting. On February 7th we will draw for the great NMD prizes at the Ridges Waffle Breakfast.

Prizes will be three ‘packages’ for a Door County Adventure. Each package will include an off-season (Best Time of The Year in Door County!) stay at a local B&B or resort, a personal guided tour of a Door County natural area by our own Karen Newbern, a bicycle/snowshoe/kayak rental, coffee and a cinnamon bun at Espresso Lane, a gift certificate to the best gift shop in Door County (The Ridges Nature Center), and dinner at a local restaurant or pub.

For a chance to win the goodies, just introduce someone new to The Ridges. When they send in their membership form—he be sure to include your name on the form as the sponsor. Both you and the new member will have your names entered in the drawing. Since all renewals will be entered also, if you renew (or renewed) your membership between August 1st and January 1st, your name will be entered once already so if you bring in 20 new members, your name will be entered 21 times. Sounds like good odds! (Those who renew from January to July 31st, 2009 will be entered in a different raffle—hopefully this will develop good habits!) A Ridges Gift Membership makes a great Christmas present! Any new or gift memberships entered before October 20th get a free book, Celebrating Door County’s Wild Places.

If each current member brings in one new member, we will be 3,000 strong! What a wonderful vision for this most biologically diverse area in Wisconsin, home to 25 native orchids, sanctuary for over 14 threatened and endangered species, a recognized Wisconsin State Natural Area, a designated National Natural Landmark, and a National Audubon Society Important Bird Area.

Sponsors of the Member Drive prizes are: Harbor Inn, South Nest Retreat, The Blacksmit Inn, Espresso Lane, Bayshore Outdoor Store, Nor-Dor Cyclery, Ecology Sports, Third Avenue Playhouse, Harbor Fish Market, Bistro at Liberty Square, and The Ridges Nature Center.

**New Member Drive (NMD)**

- Oct 15 • Nature Store Closes
- Nov 22-23 • Trails closed for Deer Hunting Season
- Nov • Annual Appeal
- Dec • Christmas Bird Count
- Dec • Special Ridges’ Christmas event. Watch for more information. Or volunteer to help!
- Feb 7, 2009 • Great Ridges Waffle breakfast!
- April 18, 2009 • Midwest Crane Count
- May 21-23, 2009 • Door County Festival of Nature
- June 20, 2009 • Ride for the Ridges!
- July 17, 2009 • Big Crab Cake breakfast! Call The Ridges (920) 839-2802 for information or to reserve a spot!

**We Wish …**

Copy machine paper
New volunteers!
Clear plastic bins (various sizes—Rubbermaid type with covers)
Office Supplies
Adding machine with tape
Black sunflower seeds
Wishes Do Come True!
Thank you to the donors of copy paper & chocolate!

**Something New!**

Watch your mail for the New! Improved! Exciting! Ridges Newsletter, Sanctuary.

We are currently working on a new look to the newsletter with an emphasis on education, research and preservation. Keep reading the Ridges Lites for timely information and programs but look for the newsletter to keep you up-to-date about current initiatives at The Ridges. We hope the new newsletter/journal will be a ‘keeper’ and one you will share with others.

There will be updates on research at the Ridges, a section to encourage kids to experience nature up close, and special columns by volunteers about their experiences at The Ridges.

Dear Ridges Volunteers,
I’ve volunteered for many causes most of my life and I would like to say that I have never seen such great volunteers as yourselves in action anywhere else! Give yourselves all a pat on the back and please receive my best wishes and thanks.

Julie Stratton
Summer Naturalist

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**Wheelbarrows & Wood Chips**

Thirty-plus magnificent people turned out for the Ridges Fall Work Day on October 4th. Tree roots were covered, the shed was painted, and brush piles were moved. Some volunteers went home with sore muscles or small trees but all left with our sincere thanks for all the work that was accomplished!

**We Thank You!**

A BIG THANK YOU to Reminder Printing for their extra efforts to get our flyers printed.

Thank you also, to On-Time Printing for the signage for the Flea Market.

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Ridges Sanctuary Membership / Donation Form

The Membership Drive …

… has already started and we are planning a special gift for the person who brings in the most new members! (see front page for other enticements!) Share with your friends and neighbors the excitement you felt on your first—last visit to The Ridges.

The cultural history involving Albert Fuller, Emma Toft and Jens Jensen is a good starting point for your history buff friends. Expand on the unique habitat diversity and numbers of rare and threatened species to appeal to those who like a worthy cause. For the educators in your group, mention the many educational programs and workshops put on by The Ridges. Or consider a Gift Membership (We will send a cool card to the recipient.) All of your friends will find something special about The Ridges Sanctuary.

Please check your mailing label for an expiration date for your membership and support the oldest member-based nature preserve in Wisconsin. Or consider a donation to support The Ridges.

Name: ___________________________________________ Send a gift card? ___Date: _____________________

Address: ___________________________________________ Phone (        ) _______________________

City, State, ZIP: ________________________________ Email address: _______________________________

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Address ______________________________________ City, State, ZIP ______________________________

Basic Membership _____$40 Family Membership _____$65

Additional Donation:  ___$25 ___$50 ___$100 ___$150 ___ Other $___________

Check enclosed  ___Credit Card # ___________________________ Exp date ____/____  Signature

Sponsor Name (For the Drawing in Feb.) ______________________________________________________________

For more information on upcoming events and news visit the website: www.RidgesSanctuary.org

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