



College of Natural Resources

Annual Report 2005

For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004 and ending June 30, 2005

■ Ongoing CNR initiatives and noteworthy accomplishments

Academic Initiatives/Accomplishments

• Graduation

- 219 undergraduate students in the CNR received bachelor degrees in FY 2005 (Aug. '04, Dec. '04, May '05) including numbers in the following majors:

- Forestry56
- Resource Management.....61
- Soil & Waste Resources.....18
- Water Resources26
- Wildlife51
- Paper Science7

- 29 graduate students in the CNR received master's degrees in FY 2005

• Job Placement

- 76% (170) of 2004 CNR graduates found employment in their field of study or elected to pursue further schooling; 14% found employment outside of their field of study.
- 55% of 2004 CNR graduates who reported employment are working in Wisconsin; the remainder found jobs in 24 states and 4 other countries.

• Student Internships

- CNR places 100 students in paid intern positions with about 50 state, federal, municipal and private agencies, with an annual payroll of over \$400,000.

• Summer Field Training Programs

- 181 natural resource majors were enrolled in the 2005 “summer camp” training program at Treehaven.
- 40 natural resource majors completed the 2004 Summer Seminar Program in Europe, and 41 students were enrolled for summer 2005 (alternative to Treehaven summer camp).



• Paper Science Department

- 16 students participated in coops or internships
- 7 graduates found employment in the paper science field (100%)



- Don Guay served as vice-chair of the Process and Product Quality Division of TAPPI.
- Karyn Biasca gave poster presentation at American Society for Engineering Education: Development of an Online Psychrometric Chart Tutorial, awarded honorable mention in Best Poster competition, June 2005
- Karyn Biasca earned UWSP Excellence in Teaching Award, 2005
- Gerry Ring was elected to the Board of Directors of the Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry (TAPPI)
- Gerry Ring received \$60,000 grant to help develop the National Network for Pulp and Paper Technology Training at Mid State Technical College
- **Study Abroad Programs**

66 CNR students participated in study abroad programs during the 2005 fiscal year:

 - Aga Razvi led the Fall 2004 Semester in Australia program and 3 CNR students were part of the 26-member group.
 - Sue Kissinger led the Belize/Mexico Winterim program with 13 CNR students of the 17-member group.
 - Sterling Strathe and Kevin Russell led the Costa Rica Winterim program with nine CNR students of the 20-member group.
 - Hans Schabel & Les Werner led the 2004 Summer Seminar Program in Europe with 41 students.
- **CNR Colloquium Series**
 - 1st semester – featured a “Year of Forestry” theme featuring the following expert presenters: Brian Palik (USDA Forest Service); Patrick Moore (Greenspirit); Rep. Donald Friske (Assemblyman, Gov. Council on Forestry); Paul DeLong (DNR Chief Forester); Becky McMahon (US Fish & Wildlife Service); Geary Searfoss (Wisconsin Forest Productivity Council); Gene Francisco (Francisco Forestry Consulting); Dale Bosworth (Chief, USDA Forest Service); Terry Mace (DNR Div. of Forestry)
 - 2nd semester – featured a “Year of Land & Water Conservation” theme featuring the following expert presenters: David Rogers (UW-Madison); Rebecca Baumann (Wisconsin Land and Water Conservation Association); Michael Nelson (Univ. of Idaho); Stephen Solheim (UW-Whitewater); Patricia Leavenworth (NRCS – Wisc. State Conservationist); Michael Dombeck (UWSP/former Chief, USDA Forest Service); Tom Weber (NRCS Interim Chief, retired); James Howard Kunstler (author); Pete Nowak (UW Gaylord Nelson Institute); Diane Bywaters (UWSP)
- **Sunset Lodge** – Broke ground on May 30, 2005 for a major renovation (\$400,000) of Sunset Lodge at the Central Wisconsin Environmental Station (CWES), to be completed in fall 2005.



Dale Bosworth, Chief, USDA Forest Service

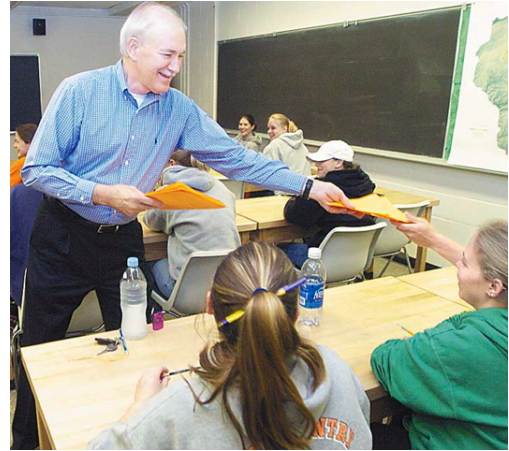
- **Faculty Achievements**

- **Christine Thomas**, Professor of Resource Management was appointed Dean of the CNR in May 2005, following a year as Interim Dean. She succeeded Victor Phillips.
- President Bush appointed **Michael Hansen**, Professor of Fisheries at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, to the Great Lakes Fishery Commission in July 2004.
- **Bob Rogers**, Professor of Forestry and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, continued his service on the Governors Council on Forestry.
- **Eric Anderson**, Professor of Wildlife, received the System-wide 2004 Regents Teaching Excellence Award.
- **Karyn Biasca**, Associate Professor of Paper Science, earned the 2005 UWSP Excellence in Teaching Award.
- **Anna Haines**, CNR Assistant Professor and director of the College's Center for Land Use Education (CLUE), and CNR graduate student Rebecca Mattano developed one of the nation's first on-line land use courses specifically targeted to K-12 teachers.
- **Robert Holsman**, Assistant Professor of Wildlife, and a graduate student surveyed deer hunter behavior for the DNR in Wisconsin's Disease Eradication Zone (DEZ) in the southwestern part of the state, where chronic wasting disease exists in wild whitetail deer.
- **Dan Sivek**, Professor of Human Dimensions of Natural Resource Management, was invited to serve on Standards Development Committee of North American Association for Environmental Education, to develop environmental education standards for teacher accreditation.
- **Hans Schabel**, Professor of Forestry, contributed detailed descriptions for three tropical tree species for inclusion in the "Tropical Tree Seed Manual" published by the USDA Forest Service.
- **Charles "Corky" McReynolds**, director of Treehaven and Associate Professor, received the Association of Nature Center Administrator's (ANCA) Leadership Award for 2004.
- **Nancy Turyk**, Water Quality Specialist in the CNR's Center for Watershed Science & Education, earned the 2005 UWSP Academic Staff Spirit of Community Service Award.
- **George Kraft**, **Bryant Browne** and **Michael Dombeck**, CNR faculty members, were among 100 faculty and staff from across the state named 2004-05 "Wisconsin Idea Fellows" by the UW System Board of Regents.
- **Bob Govett**, Professor of Resource Management and manager of the CNR Wood Utilization Lab, co-authored "Wood Fueled Boiler Financial Feasibility," a new manual and spreadsheet program for decision-makers and facility managers in the wood technology industry, manufacturing and schools.
- **Ron Hensler**, Professor and discipline coordinator of Soil & Waste Resources, received the 2005 Chapter Achievement Award from the Wisconsin Soil and Water Conservation Society (SWCS).



Eric Anderson

- Retirements:
 - **Alan Haney**, Professor of Forestry and former Dean (17 years)
 - **James Hardin**, Professor of Wildlife (27 years)
 - **N. Earl Spangenberg**, Professor of Forestry & Water Resources (34 years)
 - **Eugene Tubbs**, Faculty Assistant, Soil & Waste Resources (27 years)
 - **Sally Marchel Handrich**, Program Assistant, Wisconsin Lake Partnership (30 years for the State, 7 years in CNR)



Jim Hardin retired in June 2005

Outreach and Extension Initiatives/Accomplishments (selected highlights from various units)

- **Becoming An Outdoors-Woman (BOW)**
 - Held BOW workshops in 43 states and 7 Canadian provinces
 - Hired graduate assistant Katie Brashear
 - Planned/coordinated its new “Jane Deere” program, designed specifically for farm and ranch women to learn about wildlife and outdoor recreational skills in a relaxed atmosphere. Four pilot workshops were planned in 2005 in Texas, Wisconsin, Montana and Mississippi.
 - Published a distributed BOW newsletters in Fall 2004 and Winter 2005.
- **Center for Land Use Education (CLUE)**
 - Effectively taught four land use planning courses, NRES 388, 389, 474 (Spring and Fall), and 484.
 - Continued to establish an internship program for land use planning students either majoring or minoring in the option. Internship program continued with web publication of a grants booklet that involved contact with alumni, potential and past employers.
 - Advised four graduate students.
 - Hired three undergraduates to conduct CLUE related research in the summer of 2005; secured undergraduate research initiative funds to allow students to develop their own research initiatives as well.
 - Conducted numerous presentations for plan commissioners, zoning board members, planning committees and other groups interested in land use and natural resource management and decision-making.
 - Conducted numerous workshops, including:
 - Zoning board workshops attended by nearly 200 individuals representing over 50 local units of government.
 - Community development workshop for Wisconsin/Nicaragua partnership
 - "Sustaining Wisconsin Forests & Woodlands to Strengthen our Economy" workshop

- "Developing an Effective Plan for Public Participation" workshop held in St. Croix County
- Completed Land Use Element Guide as part of DOA initiative to assist communities with comprehensive planning law. It is available on the Center website.
- Completed an evaluation of adopted comprehensive plans; prepared a newsletter article and submitted to a journal.
- Helped assess the feasibility of a GEM Education Center small gardens project related to nutrition for people who are HIV/AIDS in Kenya.
- Continued to produce a quarterly newsletter for Center for Land Use Education – The Land Use Tracker.
- Published numerous bulletins, guides, pamphlets, fact sheets for various statewide constituencies.
- Completed "State of the Long Lake Watershed" report.
- Provided local outreach/assistance for planning projects in Ashland County, Shawano County, Waupaca County, Washburn County, Waushara County, Marquette County, Green Lake County, and Winnebago County.
- **Center for Watershed Science & Education (CWSE)**
 - Provided jobs and hands-on learning experiences for about 20 student employees with a total payroll of about \$50,000.
 - Assisted thousands of Wisconsin citizens with water quality testing and interpretation for their home wells, lakes and streams.
 - Coordinated the 3rd annual, statewide Wisconsin Groundwater Festival on May 6, 2005, at the Expo Center in Eau Claire. The event attracted 530 middle school students from 11 schools, and over 100 volunteers from various businesses, agencies and organization.
 - Developed groundwater quality summary reports to numerous Wisconsin counties.
- **EETAP (Environmental Education & Training Partnership) and NEEAP (National Environmental Education Advancement Project)**
 - UWSP continued to manage U.S. EPA's national environmental education training program for promoting quality environmental education programs at local and state levels throughout the nation (total budget for last five years now exceeds \$12,500,000).
 - EETAP supported the development of state and national certification programs for environmental educators.
 - National standards for incorporating environmental education in teacher certification programs are being developed in cooperation with the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education.
 - Educators from eight countries and 48 states enrolled in EETAP's on-line courses (Fundamentals of Environmental Education and Applied EE Program Evaluation).
 - Eight states received EETAP support to implement strategic plans aimed at strengthening their state environmental education programs.
 - Educators from all 50 states participated in workshops offered by EETAP partners.



- Leadership Clinics were offered to enhance the leadership skills of state and national environmental education leaders.
- “What’s Fair Got to Do With It: Diversity Cases From Environmental Educators” was published and workshops on diversity were offered in five locations across the country.
- **Forestry Outreach Program**
 - Woodland Leadership Institute of Wisconsin graduated 13 men and women from throughout Wisconsin, preparing them for leadership roles in public policy, stewardship of private woodlands, and sustainable forest management.
 - Master Woodland Steward program graduated 19 woodland owners representing 2,300 acres in Wisconsin. These graduates learned how to promote sustainable forest management in their communities and woodland owner organizations.
 - Published Fall 2004 issue of *Woodland Leader News*, an 8-page newsletter distributed statewide to woodland owners.
 - Developed and coordinated a series of six one-day workshops for woodland owners interested in sustainable forest management, held in Milwaukee and Minocqua.
 - CNR’s Forestry Outreach Program worked with 32 collaborators representing 17 partnering public and private organizations.
- **Global Environmental Management Education Center (GEM)**
 - 2004-05 GEM “Critical Issues” International Seminar Series carried a theme of global security in environmental terms and featured six speakers from Kenya, South Africa, Mexico, China, Peru, and Australia. Funded by UW System Institute for Global Studies and UW-Milwaukee Center for International Education, the series averaged nearly 200 attendees for each session.
 - Fifteen watershed managers from 14 different countries – China, Uganda, Turkey, Panama, Angola, Zimbabwe, Mexico, Israel, Jordan, Afghanistan, Peru, Guatemala, Mongolia and Jordan – gathered in Wisconsin in June for the fourth annual International Seminar on Watershed Management, a 17-day field-based workshop designed to give participants tools they need to plan for the sustainable use of resources in their communities. The seminar was sponsored by the USDA Forest Service Office of International Programs and conducted by the GEM Education Center.
 - In June 2005, GEM was awarded a 3-year grant for \$500,000 by the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) to help rural communities in Mexico manage their watersheds in healthy, sustainable ways.
 - GEM Student Ambassador program has awarded 20 ambassadorships, to date, for experiential learning opportunities focused on sustainable natural resources management and community based sustainable development. Projects have taken students to

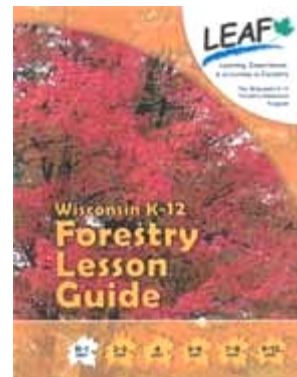


Costa Rica, Guatemala, Guyana, Mexico, Peru, South Africa, South Pacific.

- UW System Institute for Race and Ethnicity grant of \$2,000 awarded to GEM to support Native American speakers in the 2005-2006 GEM “Critical Issues” International Seminar Series.
- USDA/FAS Long Term Scientific Cooperation Research Program Worldwide grant was awarded to GEM for 3 years totaling \$45,000, “Evaluation and valuation of forest carbon sequestration in community forests of central Wisconsin and northeastern Mexico.” GEM partners include the College of the Menominee Nation in central Wisconsin, the Center for Environmental Quality (CEQ) at the Monterrey Technological University (MTU) in Monterrey, Mexico. and two ejido community forests within the Cumbres de Monterrey National Park (CMNP) in Mexico’s northern state of Nuevo León.
- USAID U.S.-Mexico Training, Internships, Exchanges, & Scholarships (TIES) Partnership Initiative grant awarded to GEM team for 3 years totaling \$499,619, for healthy watershed management training in the Sierra Norte region of Oaxaca, Mexico. Mexican partners include Oaxacan-based NGO Estudios Rurales y Asesoría Campesina (ERA), the Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey (Monterrey Tech), and the Universidad Autónoma de Chapingo (UACH).
- GEM Sustainable Energy Systems Program was launched by a \$125,600 corporate donation to GEM by the Wisconsin River Power Company. GEM is helping provide technical and financial support to UWSP campus energy initiatives including the Learning Resources Center green roof project, Old Main rain garden project, University Center solar-powered radio station PV panels, development of a virtual energy kiosk online enabling convenient access to energy use of campus buildings for energy education, support of the 4th International Conference on Environmental Management for Sustainable Universities hosted by GEM at UWSP in June 2006, and other energy-related activities.
- **Lakes Program (UW Extension)**
 - Published quarterly newsletter, *Lake Tides*, which reaches 24,000 homes of lake property owners.
 - Maintained *The Lake List*, a publicly accessible, on-line database of all 1,000 Wisconsin lake organizations and related organizations
<http://www.uwsp.edu/cnr/uwexplakes/lakelist/>.
 - Coordinated the 27th annual Wisconsin Lakes Convention in Green Bay in April 2004; 550 citizens from Wisconsin and neighboring states learned about water resource management.
 - Planned/organized 14 workshops throughout the state about aquatic invasive species, Clean Boats, Clean Waters – Stop the Spread of Invasive Species.
 - Trained the 5th “Crew” (class) in the Lake Leaders Institute program; about 165 local citizens in the state have graduated with sufficient knowledge and leadership skills to engage in lake and water policy management decisions.
 - Currently developing a curriculum for an Advanced Lake Leaders program to train trainers in the Wisconsin Citizens Monitoring Network.



- Coordinated the Self Help Monitoring Program, now consisting of 1,200 volunteers who monitor over 650 lakes throughout Wisconsin.
- Worked with DNR staff to develop statewide Aquatic Plant Management guidance for lake organizations, consultants, and citizens in managing aquatic plants on inland lakes.
- Assisted 113 lake organizations with operational and organizational issues.
- Conducted 14 aquatic invasive species educational workshops that attracted 350 people in 38 counties, including lake residents, county board members, tribal community members, county park and forest staff, and boat marina owners.
- Volunteers trained by our programs logged 1,103 hours at boat landings, inspecting 5,079 boats and contacting 5,079 people during watercraft inspection efforts.
- **Wisconsin Center for Environmental Education (WCEE)**
 - The Wisconsin Environmental Education Board (WEEB), located in the CNR, awarded 63 grants worth more than \$478,000 in 2004-05 for statewide and grass roots environmental initiatives throughout Wisconsin.
 - Coordinated the 2004 Governor's High School Conference on the Environment, held at UWSP on November 16, 2004; over 250 students from 44 schools in 25 Wisconsin counties participated under the theme, "Sustaining Wisconsin's Forests: Exploring and Understanding Our Role"
 - **KEEP Program** (K-12 Energy Education):
 - Trained over 450 teachers through in-service courses on energy education, school building energy efficiency, and renewable energy.
 - Revised and published the KEEP Activity Guide, providing teachers with over 40 energy education activities.
 - Published *Doable Renewables: A supplementary guide on renewable energy education for teachers*
 - Coordinated statewide Bright Idea Fundraiser, involving students who sold over 6,500 energy efficient light bulbs, raising over \$13,000 for their schools, and preventing over 12,000,000 pounds of carbon dioxide from entering the atmosphere.
 - Hosted an Educator Tent at the 16th annual Renewable Energy and Sustainable Living Fair, providing workshops and resources for over 500 teachers.
 - **LEAF Program** (Learning, Experiences & Activities in Forestry):
 - Continued development of the 6-unit Wisconsin K-12 Forestry Lesson Guide, including the much-anticipated high school units: *The Forest Odyssey, A History of Succession, Forest Biodiversity, Forest Science and Technology, The Forest Marketplace, and Forestry Careers.*
 - 22 educators from around the state participated in LEAF's first annual Forestry Field Day at the Nine Mile Creek Recreation Area in Marathon County on June 17, 2005. The event raised awareness about forest education and encouraged educators to teach about forestry in their classrooms.



- Continuing development of 2 supplements to the LEAF Lesson Guide, one focusing on urban forestry and the other on wildland fire.
- Organized the statewide conference for the Wisconsin Association of Environmental Education (WAE) in Cable, WI in Oct. 2004, using a 100th Anniversary of Forestry theme; over 250 naturalists and teachers attended.
- Held forestry education workshops for landowners at conferences for the Wisconsin Association of Environmental Education (WAE) and the Wisconsin Woodland Owners Association (WWOA).
- Conducted three training workshops on the use of LEAF materials for nature centers.

College-Wide Integrating Initiatives:

- **CNR Student Mentoring Network Program**

Continued development and implementation of the web-based CNR Student Mentoring Network, a network of alumni of the UW-Stevens Point College of Natural Resources who have volunteered to provide counsel and advice on employment choices, vocational advancement, occupational outlooks and other career-related questions for CNR students. Over 600 CNR alumni have joined the Network to date.

- **CNR News** – published the annual CNR newsletter in February 2005, a 16-page full-color tabloid piece, and mailed it to nearly 8,000 alumni, donors and friends of CNR.



- **EMSU 2006** – GEM Education Center staff continued plans for hosting the 4th International Conference on Environmental Management for Sustainable Universities (EMSU). Scheduled for June 26-30, 2006 with the theme, “Transforming ideas into action: building sustainable communities beyond university campuses,” the event provides an opportunity for UWSP to showcase itself through interactions with over 400 representatives of universities from around the world.



- **Diversity Initiatives and Activities**

- GEM/CMN collaboration, "UMEB Preliminary Proposal: Native American participation in the GEM Student Ambassador Program—Building success in minority undergraduate mentoring and career development in environmental biology." GEM preproposal submitted to the National Science Foundation's Undergraduate Mentoring in Environmental Biology Program pending review for further development. GEM partners in this 3-year, \$600,000 grant proposal include the College of the Menominee Nation (CMN); Autonomous University of Chapingo, Mexico; REVIBE (Reverencia a la Vida y la Belleza); and InterAmerican University of Puerto. This GEM team proposes to recruit, mentor, and provide culturally appropriate learning enrichment opportunities in environmental biology to Native American and other minority students through GEM programs.

■ **Activities and Accomplishments in Student-Centered Excellence**

- **2005 CNR Student Research Symposium** -- An annual CNR highlight event established in 2000 by former Dean Victor Phillips to celebrate student excellence in research. This year's Symposium, held April 8, 2005, featured 46 student presenters, 39 research projects. Since 2000, a total of 253 student scholars have now presented applied research and community service project results in six annual CNR Student Research Symposia. The 2005 event was made possible through a generous gift from John and Anne Meyer of Trego, Wisconsin.
- **CNR Rendezvous Awards Program** – annual spring event held on April 8, 2005 in the University Center Laird Room attended by over 300 people; distributed 208 student scholarships totaling \$204,350 contributed by 80 sponsors, including individual donors, conservation clubs, businesses, and conservation organizations; presented 9 outstanding student awards and 8 service awards to faculty, staff, alumni and professionals.
- **Paper Science 486 Project** – Seven senior paper science students coordinated a project to use recycled New York Times issues from the UWSP campus to create and manufacture a new product utilizing paper science's fully operational paper machine. The students then donated the newly produced paper product to the Stevens Point School District as art paper stock for the district's arts classes. Plans are to continue producing the paper for the schools in the future as a student project.
- **Morris K. Udall Scholarships** – Seniors Ashley Atkinson, Wittenberg, and Sarah Orlofske, Oak Creek, received coveted \$5000 Morris K. Udall Scholarships in April 2005. Since these national scholarships were initiated in 1995, 10 UWSP students have received the award and two others have received honorable mention.
- **Wisconsin River cleanup** – CNR's Student Society of American Foresters and Fire Crew chapters partnered with fourth graders from Washington Elementary School in Stevens Point for a clean-up day on the Wisconsin River along West River Drive on May 6, 2005. Helping to plan the project was UWSP Professor and SAF adviser John Houghton, local DNR warden Barry Meister, and Washington School teacher, Marilyn Houghton.
- **TAPPI Scholarship** – Thomas J. Bagnat, a junior studying paper science, received the 2005 Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry (TAPPI) Paper and Board Division Scholarship. Bagnat received the \$1,000 award as well as a \$1,000 TAPPI Coating and Graphic Arts Division Scholarship.
- **Graduate Council Awards** – Jordan Weeks of Cadott, Brian Wahl of Wausau, and Nelli Atkinson of Wittenberg were recognized in May 2005 for their outstanding achievements as graduate students at UWSP.
- **ISA Fellowship** – Urban forestry major Andrew Koeser was selected to take part in the International Society of Arboriculture's (ISA) prestigious summer fellowship program in June 2005.

- **Earth Day Fellowships** – Four CNR graduate students were awarded \$2,000 Gaylord Nelson Earth Day Fellowships in spring 2005 in recognition of significant contributions to promoting conservation ethics and environmental education and for exhibiting future leadership potential in the field. The students were: Jenn Dillard; Brian Barch; Nelli Atkinson; Jessica Huxmann.

■ **Activities and Accomplishments in Partnerships**

- In June 2005, GEM was awarded a 3-year grant for \$500,000 by the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) to help rural communities in Mexico manage their watersheds in healthy, sustainable ways.
- Seven senior paper science students in Karyn Biasca's Paper Science 486 class coordinated a project to use recycled New York Times issues from the UWSP campus to create and manufacture a new product utilizing paper science's fully operational paper machine. The students then donated the newly produced paper product to the Stevens Point School District as art paper stock for the district's arts classes. Plans are to continue producing the paper for the schools in the future as a student project.
- CNR faculty, staff and students earned 15 intramural grants in FY '05, totaling \$15,775.
- CNR faculty and staff earned 80 extramural grants totaling \$3,098,473 in FY '05 (excludes 19 grants pending).

Partners include:

- Beaver Dam Lake Association
- Clark Lake Association
- County of Dane
- Dairymen's Country Club
- Fond du Lac County
- Fort McCoy
- International Association of Fish & Wildlife
- Long Lake Preservation Association
- Madison Audubon Society, Inc.
- Marathon County Land
- Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin
- Mid State Technical College
- Plum Creek Timber Company
- Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation
- Spirit Reservoir Association
- Stevens Point Water & Sewage
- U.S. Dept. of Interior
- U.S. Environmental Protection
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
- U.S. Geological Survey
- USDA Forest Service
- UW System Institute on Race and Ethnicity
- UW-Extension
- UW-Sea Grant Institute
- Whitefish Lake Conservation
- Whiting Utilities
- Wisconsin Association for Environmental Education
- Wisconsin Department of Administration
- Wisconsin Department of Transportation
- Wisconsin Dept of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection
- Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources
- Wisconsin Environmental Education Board
- Wisconsin Trappers Association
- Wisconsin Water Resources
- Wood County



- **University Sustainability Committee**
 Numerous members of the UWSP Sustainability Committee are CNR students, faculty and staff, and actively partnered with other units on campus to promote sustainability. Via this team of people, CNR and the GEM Education Center has helped provide technical and/or financial support for such campus-wide initiatives as the Learning Resources Center Green Roof Project and the Old Main Rain Garden Project. The Committee aims to investigate best practices in sustainability and to promote them to the greater UWSP community, and to advise the UWSP administration as to how best they might integrate best practices in sustainability into its policies and operating procedures.

■ Student Success/First Year Initiatives

- **Paper Science 486 Project** – Seven senior paper science students coordinated a project to use recycled New York Times issues from the UWSP campus to create and manufacture a new product utilizing paper science’s fully operational paper machine. The students then donated the newly produced paper product to the Stevens Point School District as art paper stock for the district’s arts classes. Plans are to continue producing the paper for the schools in the future as a student project.

■ Development Success

- **Total Gifts of Cash or Stock in FY 2005 (7-1-04 to 6-30-05).....\$519,314.69**
 - 844 gifts from 701 donors
 - Additional \$2,827 in pledges

Highlights of new support committed over the past 12 months:

- **CNR Spring Appeal (Feb. 6 – June 30, 2005)\$23,530**
 - Alumni phonathon (Feb. 6 – Feb. 17, 2005)
 - 562 gifts
- **Scholarships** – total new gifts toward student scholarships: \$46,206.72
 New scholarships:
 - Dorothy Kopmeier Vallier Treehaven Endowment
 - Agnew Leadership Endowment
 - Clive A David Memorial Fund
- **Vallier Treehaven Resident Ecologist\$47,450**
 - The first semi-annual installment of a 3-year commitment totaling nearly \$300,000 from the Dorothy Kopmeier Vallier Foundation, to establish a new, full-time position at Treehaven.
 - Tom Hayes, PhD, hired in July 2005
- **Wisconsin River Power Company\$125,600**
 - Proceeds from donation of 80 acres of Juneau County land to launch the GEM Education Center Sustainable Energy Program. The money is helping to provide technical and financial support to UWSP campus energy initiatives including the Learning Resources Center green roof project, Old Main rain garden project, University Center solar-powered radio station photovoltaic panels, development of a virtual energy kiosk online enabling convenient access to energy use of campus buildings for energy education, support of the 4th International Conference on Environmental Management for Sustainable

Universities hosted by GEM at UWSP in June 2006, and other energy-related activities.

- **Alice A. Agnew Gift**\$4,700
 - Gift to the Agnew Leadership Endowment to fund scholarships for people to attend Treehaven programs.
- **Joan Weinkauff Estate Bequest**\$77,260.00
 - To benefit Treehaven Endowment Fund and special projects.
- **Marvin and Sandra Kramer**\$10,000
 - To support five \$1,000 Kramer Family GEM International Studies Scholarship awards in spring 2005, and five \$1,000 Marvin & Sandra Kramer Summer Academic Scholarships in spring 2005.
- **Ross-Schmeeckle Endowment**.....\$13,024.25
 - Gifts of stock from John and Nancy Ross to fund special projects in the CNR that support CNR staff and students, including a proposed research project in the Waupaca Chain O' Lakes/Crystal River region.

