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November 2018 Staff Retreat
As we look back at 2018, three major projects stand out as being above and beyond “the norm.”

**Holderness Inn**
The Holderness Inn – formerly called the Central House – is an iconic structure on Route 3 and has been a Holderness landmark for more than a century. It is where the Science Center began in the 1960s and it is surrounded by the beautiful Kirkwood Gardens.

For the last 15 years or so, as the Science Center’s operations moved across campus to the Welcome Center, the building has been underutilized. Successive boards and staff have wrestled with how best to use the building and how best to maintain it. In our current strategic plan, we gave ourselves a deadline of fall 2018 to decide on the fate of the building – no more kicking the can down the road!!

As it happened, a solution fell in our laps when Ward D’Elia, and his new partner, Cris Salomon, approached us about moving their architectural firm, Samyn-D’Elia Architects (SDA) from their current office in Ashland to the Holderness Inn. So started a long, but fruitful negotiation, which resulted in us selling the building to them while maintaining ownership of the land under and around it. A ground lease provided the necessary access for parking, septic, and other infrastructure. We closed on the deal in October, with the blessing of the NH Division of Charitable Trusts. SDA started renovating right away. They moved into the new offices in 2019.

**Blue Heron School**
As we were closing on the Inn, we were breaking ground on the new Early Childhood Education Center, which will be the new home of Blue Heron School. After a couple years of site selection and rejection, we chose a wonderful site, settled on a lovely design, and we were off and running. Everything is on target to open in late August 2019.

**Autumwatch New England**
When a BBC researcher emailed us asking if we were interested in being considered as the site of the BBC/PBS show *Autumnwatch New England*, we just about fell on the floor. They, of course, chose Squam over several other New England sites (how could they not?) and so began a year-long project resulting in seven live hour-long shows (four in the UK and three in the US) showcasing the wildlife and culture of the region. The exposure for the Science Center was huge, with millions of viewers and massive social media coverage. The live cameras produced spectacular sightings of bear, coyote, raccoon, fisher, bobcat, flying squirrels, foxes, and many more – the variety much more than they had previously had on *Autumnwatch* shows in the UK – we really delivered!

Now we’ll see if we are inundated with many more UK travelers wishing to experience the spectacular New England fall.

No doubt 2019 will have more special projects and exciting adventures to share with you in next year’s report.

Thank you for making it possible,

Ken Evans
Board Chair

Iain MacLeod
Executive Director
AUDIENCE

2018 BY THE NUMBERS

57,161
TRAIL VISITORS
16,603 MEMBERS
40,558 NON-MEMBERS

9,420 CRUISE PASSENGERS

4,052 POUNDS OF PRODUCE FED TO THE ANIMALS

1,460 POUNDS OF FOOD FED TO TWO MOUNTAIN LIONS

311 VOLUNTEERS DONATED OVER 8,637 HOURS OF SERVICE

24 SUMMER GUIDED DISCOVERIES
266 CHILDREN SERVED THROUGH SUMMER GUIDED DISCOVERIES

131 BIRDS BANDED
12 SPECIES OF BIRDS BANDED

615 DONATIONS GIVEN

1,100 PLANTS SOLD ON KIRKWOOD GARDENS DAY

336 UP CLOSE TO ANIMALS PRESENTATIONS

13,202 SCHOOL CHILDREN EXPERIENCED PROGRAMS

2018 BY THE NUMBERS

NON-MEMBERS
MEMBERS AND GUESTS

2014 36,328 13,860
2015 37,584 15,910
2016 42,630 18,328
2017 42,148 18,996
2018 40,558 16,603

KIRKWOOD GARDENS
275 ANNUALS PLANTED
75 PERENNIALS PLANTED, (INCLUDING 7 NEW VARIETIES)

BLUE HERON SCHOOL
18 STUDENTS CREATED ART WITH THE MUSEUM OF THE WHITE MOUNTAINS
30 SMILING STUDENTS EXPLORED THE FOREST AND FOLLOWED TRACKS WITH A NATURALIST
12 NEW STUDENTS FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR
1 MITTEN LOST DURING THE WINTER

18,342 SCHOOLS AT SCIENCE CENTER
1,950 PROGRAMS AT SCHOOLS
1,620 OUTREACH
642 GUIDED DISCOVERIES
2,426 NATURAL ADVENTURES
10,028 EVENTS AND MEETINGS
10,214 LAKE CRUISES

2014 2015 2016 2017 2018

SCHOOLS AT SCIENCE CENTER
12,342 11,611 11,254

PROGRAMS AT SCHOOLS
1,950 1,839 1,948

OUTREACH
8,642 7,455 8,247

GUIDED DISCOVERIES
1,620 1,730 1,543

NATURAL ADVENTURES
642 1,203 1,183

EVENTS AND MEETINGS
2,426 1,774 2,018

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PROGRAM ATTENDANCE

TRAIL VISITORS
In 2018, there were a total of 311 volunteers, made up of 212 regular volunteers and 99 one-time volunteers, who donated a total of 8,637 hours of service.

The annual Parsons Volunteer Recognition Dinner is named for Natalie and Don Parsons, dedicated volunteers who donated many years of service. In 2018, it was held at Waukewan Golf Course in September. The dinner was sponsored by Cross Insurance Agency and Patty Stewart Associates. It was catered by Marie Gerli of Marie’s Catering. The event was bittersweet, as Natalie passed away in July just four days before her 96th birthday.

At the dinner, Board Chair Ken Evans recognized Kirkwood and Welcome Center Garden Volunteers for their service. Garden Supervisor Brenda Erler thanked the gardeners too. The main corps of gardeners includes: Rosie Angell, Celia Connolly, Gail Coolidge, Marilyn Creamer, Bob Curry, Carol Curry, Nancy Dailey, Sylvia Detscher, Phee Grandbois, George Gurney, Susan Gurney, Liz Hager, Karin Karagozian, Linda Lee, Peggy Martin, Deb McNeish, Linda Michelson, Leslie Nicola, Karen Rosolen, Carol Stewart, Lea A. Stewart, Carol Thompson, Joey Tuveson, Joan Vicinus, Tracy Webster-Babcock, and Jan Welch.

“Volunteers Complete the Picture” in the Trailhead Gallery is updated yearly to show cumulative hours of volunteer service. Three volunteers achieved 200 or more donated hours in 2017: Rosie Angell, Rachel Cirincione, and Carolyn Murah. Another seven volunteers gave more than 500 hours: Chris Bird, Ken Evans, Liz Hager, Susan Jayne, Don Margeon, Missy Mason, and Deb McNeish.

The President’s Volunteer Service Award program encourages citizens to live a life of service. Executive Director Iain MacLeod presented Bronze Awards to Marguerite Crowell, Lisa Davis, John Egolf, Amber Gordon, Susan Gurney, John Lauzon, Wayne Martin, John McKae, Linda Michelson, Denise Moulis, Karen Rosolen, Ken Ruhm, Carol Stewart, and Lea A. Stewart for serving between 100 and 249 hours in 2017. Jim Barry and Ken Evans were awarded the Gold Award for serving 500 or more hours. Jim Barry was honored with the President’s Lifetime Achievement Award for donating over 4,000 hours of service in his lifetime.

Many thanks to all our wonderful volunteers who give their time and skills so generously to the Science Center.

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First Guide Eliza Downs shows a prop to a young visitor.

Docents Judy Sniffen and Ellena Merrill show a Saw-whet Owl to visitors.

Docent Eileen Gosselin shows a wood turtle to visitors.
Former Volunteer Coordinator Natalie Parsons passed away in July, four days shy of her 96th birthday. Natalie's life was dedicated to education. She was a schoolteacher in Massachusetts for 30 years. When she and her husband, Donald, retired to their New Hampshire home on Winona Lake, they spent the next 30 years volunteering. As the first official Volunteer Coordinator, Natalie organized the program three decades ago. She instituted regular volunteer meetings, the annual appreciation dinner, and the volunteer newsletter. She inspired and encouraged many others to volunteer. Several who started volunteering under Natalie's guidance are still actively engaged.

Ownership of the Holderness Inn was transferred to Samyn-D’Elia Architects. Samyn D’Elia renovated the Inn for their office space and a staff apartment. The Science Center continues to maintain Kirkwood Gardens, adjacent to the Inn.

School programs were reviewed and updated to align with Next Generation Science Standards and NH Career and College-Ready Science Standards, the recently adopted science standards for formal education in New Hampshire. The school program catalog was also updated. The new lessons align to the Next Generation Science Standards too, and when possible, to the Common Core State Standards (literacy and math) as well. The revisions and resulting new programs will help teachers and students as they work to meet the new standards. Curriculum consultant Sarah Benton Feitlinger (shareitscience.com) helped revise follow up lessons and created new ones for teachers to use in the classroom.

Our oldest bobcat passed away in August from cancer. She came to us as an orphan in 1994, making her 24 years old at her time of death.

The Science Center’s website (nhnature.org) was updated with a fresh new look to include more photos, simpler navigation, and updated technology. Web developers Sullivan & Wolf Design facilitated the process.

A Clivus composting toilet was added close by the Gordon Children’s Center and Interactive Playscape.
The 2016 Strategic Plan led to the Education Matters Capital Campaign, which got underway in 2018. It has four goals focused on enhancing the quality of education we provide: a new Early Childhood Education Center, a Scholarship Fund, Lake Cruise Headquarters, and a new Raptor Exhibit.

Volunteer Manager Carol Raymond received a Fellowship from the North American Association for Environmental Education ee360 Leadership Institute to fund a project focused on a new community action project for First Guides teen volunteers.

The BBC arrived in September with a crew of over 100 for Autumnwatch. The Science Center provided support and locations for the array of live trail cameras. The Science Center also provided live ambassador animals for the shows, which aired for four nights live in the UK and for three nights live on PBS stateside.

With a total of 30 students enrolled in Blue Heron School for 2018-19 school year, the upstairs of the Trailhead Gallery was used as a second classroom from August 2018 through June 2019.
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Visitors get up close with a mountain lion.

Naturalist Margaret Gillespie leads a Nearer to Nature walk at Belknap Woods.
In the midst of a summer full of high temperatures and sudden thunderstorms, Summer Splash on July 21 was splash free, blessed with perfect summer weather. Almost 300 attendees enjoyed the evening and a delicious Common Man dinner followed by dancing to the oldies by Annie and the Orphans. Net proceeds exceeded $35,000 in support of education programs. A dedicated volunteer team of Nancy Beck, Cathy Crane, Andy Eaton, Barb Laverack, Joan Martin, Lea A. Stewart, and Pam Stearns met monthly to plan. Volunteer Auctioneer Alex Ray hosted the live auction with flair. Executive Director Iain MacLeod announced a new building to house a larger Blue Heron School is planned while a slide show featuring the school’s students played throughout the evening.

We are grateful to many businesses and individuals for their generous support. Underwriters included: Common Man Restaurant; Barbara Nan Grossman; Anne Lovett and Steve Woodsum; Meredith Village Savings Bank; and Pam and Larry Tarica.

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As always, we could not do so much without the time and dedication of our volunteers and staff.
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These volunteers donated 20 or more hours in 2018. Names in bold donated over 100 hours.

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WMUR and UNH Cooperative Extension recorded a Grow it Green segment at Kirkwood Gardens.

Plants attract butterflies and bees to Kirkwood Gardens.
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White-tailed deer  

Education Director Audrey Eisenhauer with activities for children at the StoryWalk™ opening celebration.
This year we again summarized our audited financial information to show the impact of our Education Matters Capital Campaign in 2018 and 2017, as compared to regular operations. Complete Audited Financial Statements and the Form 990 Tax Return may be found on our website, www.nhnature.org, under the tab for Support.

Operationally, (not including depreciation, investments, and capital campaign) 2018 resulted in a deficit of $33,855 compared to a 2017 deficit of $12,015.

Overall, our total net assets decreased by $67,119, due to a decrease in the value of our investments during the fourth quarter of 2018.

If you have questions about the Science Center’s financial information, please contact Finance Director Brian Eaton or Treasurer Justin Van Etten.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Van Etten
Treasurer

Each fiscal year the Board of Trustees hires a certified public accountant to perform an independent audit of the financial statements and internal accounting procedures. The 2018 audit was completed by Malone, Dirubbo & Company, P.C. of Laconia, NH. Copies of the audit are available upon request and at our website, www.nhnature.org/support.
The 2018 Annual Meeting for members took place on Saturday, August 11. A continental breakfast preceded the business portion of the meeting. Board Chair Ken Evans thanked outgoing Trustees Mark Goldstone, Liz Hager, and Tom Samyn for their dedicated service.

Governance Committee Chair Sarah Brown led board elections. Trustees Justin Van Etten and Tony Wagner were re-elected to serve three-year terms. Martha Grant and Susan Lynch were elected as new trustees for three-year terms. Carol Thompson was elected as Honorary Trustee. Officers Ken Evans, Chair; Lea A. Stewart, Vice Chair; Justin Van Etten, Treasurer; and Mary Earick, Secretary were elected to one-year terms.

Executive Director Iain MacLeod recognized Facilities Director Tim Curry and Animal Care Manager Lauren Moulis for 10 years of service.