

UPCOMING EVENTS

February

- 2/19—Explore Dahlem with the Jackson Audubon Society
- 2/23—Community Garden Open House
- 2/23—How Does My Garden Grow? With Phil Tocco
- 2/26—New Volunteer Open House 5-6PM
- 2/27—Volunteer Appreciation Celebration 4-6PM

March

- 3/5—Mighty Naturalist Program
- 3/5—Chocolate Sensation Event at Ella Sharp Museum
- 3/9—Booth at Women's Expo
- 3/15—Little Acorns Preschool Open House
- 3/16—Maple Madness Tour
- 3/31—Maple Sugaring Instruction at Ella Sharp Sugaring & Shearing Festival

April

- 4/2—Mighty Naturalist Program
- 4/5—Volunteer Trail Leader Training for School Programs
- 4/27—Earth Day! Celebration at Cascades Park

May

- 5/4—Annual Work Bee

June

- 6/8—Booth at Ella Sharp Art, Beer & Wine Festival
- 6/15—Rock the Dahlem Festival

July

- 7/19—Little Acorns Golf Scramble

Turtles Might Hibernate, But Dahlem Doesn't

By: Lyndsey Adams, M.S., Development Coordinator, Biologist

I was out on the trails last week, on one of those rare 40 degree days in a Michigan January, when I stopped just to listen to all that was going on around me. Echoing through the coniferous forest stand was the sound of a woodpecker hunting for insects hiding inside a tree trunk. What I mistook for the rustling wind was a herd of deer (yes, I mean herd—there were probably 15-20 of them, I've never seen so many together!) running away, startled by my presence. Upon closer inspection I saw some beady black eyes still staring at me, frozen in time and blending perfectly with the surrounding trees and brush. There were squirrels jumping through the trees and skittering in the leaves along the ground, chattering to warn their buddies that I was coming. Chipmunks were out in droves, replenishing their winter caches. The chickadees, cardinals, blue jays, and crows were sounding off with their characteristic calls. It may have been a still winter day, but it certainly wasn't quiet! And even though I couldn't see them, tracks in the snow reminded me that the land is teeming with raccoons, foxes, skunks, possums, and even coyotes.

It's easy to forget that Dahlem's 5 miles of trails are open 365 days a year from dawn till dusk and we have programs and events running every season. Take a look at page 3 and you'll see that our Little Acorns spend everyday they can exploring their outdoor classroom. Rain, sun, or snow, they are out on the trails learning and growing into the next generation of land stewards. Check out page 4 to learn all about our Mighty Naturalist program, for ages 0-5, run by our own naturalist Carrie Benham. During different sessions, at times braving the winter cold, Carrie has her kids outside observing the behavior of squirrels, exploring life under a log, hunting for animal tracks, and learning about how all our animal friends survive Michigan's harsh winters.

Nature doesn't close for the winter, and neither do we! Did you know that our gift shop and exhibit room are open 5 days a week too? See page 7 for more information on how you can buy birdseed, find a unique gift, or visit with our turtles, finches, bees, and brown anole lizard!

Nature centers aren't just for spring, summer, and fall. Winter is here and as Michiganders let's embrace it!



A Message from Ben Dandrow Executive Director



Thank you for a Very Successful 2018 and Looking Forward to 2019!

I want to wish all our donors, members, sponsors, and volunteers a Wonderful 2019 and a thank you for a fantastic 2018. Dahlem achieved **More With Less** in 2018 because of your help be it your financial or material donations or volunteering of time and service in combination with the efforts of a dedicated hardworking part time staff. Some of the major accomplishments are noted in the slide.

In late April we hosted a three day consult visit from the Association of Nature Center Administrators (ANCA). The four member panel conducted an in depth analysis of Dahlem's operations and issued a report praising the Board and Staff for making the difficult decisions that needed to be made and the courses of action selected to insure the future of Dahlem. They also offered other suggestions that are under consideration by the Board.

I would be remiss if I failed to note some of the other major 2018 accomplishments. A source of special pride was being voted by the readers of **Jackson Magazine as the Best Place to Take a Toddler**. In April we completed phase 2 of our acclaimed Natural Playscape funded by Michigan

International Speedway. During the summer we completed the restoration of the Aquatic Studies Pond and redid the signage on the trails to make them less intimidating to our walkers and visitors. The public response for both of these projects has been overwhelmingly positive.

On October 29th work was completed on the removal of the old 40 year old boardwalk and installation of the new boardwalk over the Reflection Pond. This was an incredible engineering and logistics feat because of its location in the middle of 300 acres over water and wetlands that was done completely by volunteer help. This is why **we love our volunteers**.

Lastly, we ended the year in the black for the third year in a row. This is an important accomplishment for a nonprofit because it reassures members, donors, funders and the financial community that we are good stewards of our resources. Every year is a financial challenge for nonprofits like Dahlem. Our existence depends on the generosity of those who care about Dahlem. We have challenges but with your support they will be met.

Turning to 2019, we are excited about starting Phase 1 of our

Dahlem 2020 program. Phase 1 is upgrading the existing bathrooms, adding an additional bathroom to accommodate the growing number of students and visitors, and very importantly providing a dedicated separate bathroom for the Little Acorn classroom to address security concerns. August is being targeted to start construction.

Other projects we hope to complete in 2019 if we secure funding are the replacement of the Beck Bridge and the boardwalk over the vernal pond.

Finally I would like to give a shout out to my dedicated staff of six part time employees. Kassandra Stelmazek and Nancy Phelan joined the staff in 2018 and have done an outstanding job with our Little Acorns. Lyndsey Adams, who is no stranger to Dahlem, came on board in December as the Development Coordinator. Adam Beamesderfer started in May in Maintenance. They are joined with our long time dedicated staff members Office Coordinator Denise Bigham and Naturalist Carrie Benham.

Sincerely,
Ben Dandrow, Executive Director

2018 Financials		
Income	Jan-Dec 18	YTD Budget
Contributions - Restricted	\$4,224.18	\$0.00
Contributions - Restricted Grants	\$81,000.00	\$40,000.00
Contributions - Unrestricted	\$126,246.79	\$128,000.00
Total Income all Sources	\$488,968.82	\$433,083.60
Expenses		
Advertising	\$3,233.46	\$3,160.00
Payroll	\$219,638.99	\$227,842.90
Printing	\$4,408.17	\$5,070.00
Program Expenses	\$13,397.57	\$19,875.00
Supplies	\$7,998.52	\$6,730.00
Total Expenses	\$384,545.15	\$403,203.92
Net Income	\$104,423.67	\$29,879.68

2019 Financials		
Income	Jan-Dec 19	YTD Budget
Contributions - Restricted	\$0.00	\$0.00
Contributions - Restricted Grants	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
Contributions - Unrestricted	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
Total Income all Sources	\$416,074.48	\$416,074.48
Expenses		
Advertising	\$4,031.00	\$4,031.00
Payroll	\$238,464.02	\$238,464.02
Printing	\$5,005.00	\$5,005.00
Program Expenses	\$15,351.11	\$15,351.11
Supplies	\$9,557.00	\$9,557.00
Total Expenses	\$384,944.34	\$384,944.34
Net Income	\$31,130.14	\$31,130.14



Community Gardens Open House Feb 23, 12-1PM

Do home-grown tomatoes, lettuce, and sweet peas entice you? Have you dreamed about eating food fresh from your own garden? Have you considered passing down the hands-on science of “growing green” to a child? Join us at our Community Garden open house and learn about raising your own food and honey surrounded by a community of gardeners in an idyllic setting near a bubbling brook, hiking/dog-walking trail, and a big ‘ole barn! Our seasoned community gardeners will be onsite to answer any questions. Plots are limited, so come on in to secure your plot for the summer!

How Does My Garden Grow? Feb 23, 1-2PM

Phil Tocco, MSU Extension Educator will speak about composting and soil prep for gardens focusing on composting and soils to help kick start your garden and keep it nourished through out the growing season. This program will benefit beginner, intermediate and advanced gardeners. Program fee is \$6 Dahlem member; \$8 non-member. Program intended for adults and teens. Register online at <https://www.dahlemcenter.org/event/how-does-my-garden-grow-program/>

Volunteer Appreciation Feb 27, 4-6PM

New Volunteer Open House Feb 26, 5-6PM

One thing is for certain—Dahlem would not be the great nature place it is without our volunteers! In honor of all the hard work you do, please come join us for a celebration on Wednesday, February 27th from 4-6PM. Never volunteered at Dahlem before? No problem! We are having a new volunteer orientation meeting on Tuesday, February 26th from 5-6PM. There are many great ways to volunteer at Dahlem, including trail maintenance, planning events, helping in the gift shop, or serving on one of our committees. For more information please visit: www.dahlemcenter.org/volunteer-opportunities/

Chocolate Sensation March 5, 5-7PM

An evening of decadent indulgence at the Ella Sharp Museum! Guests of the Chocolate Sensation will enjoy desserts provided by local area businesses such as AG Chocolates, Jackson Candy and Fudge Factory and Gilbert’s Chocolates, as well as appetizers, beer, and wine. This year music will be provided by local musician Brandon Marceal. Reservations are \$35.00 per person if you register online or \$40.00 at the door. Reservations includes one glass of wine or bottle of beer, chocolate samples, appetizers, entertainment and a silent auction. Register online at <https://www.dahlemcenter.org/event/chocolate-sensations/>

Maple Madness Interpretive Tours March 16, 12-3:30PM

Dahlem’s maple sugaring operation is small but an ideal site to demonstrate the science of collecting maple tree sap and making our favorite tasty maple syrup topping. Sign up for an interpretive guided 1 1/2 hour tour at 12:00 pm or 2:00 pm to learn about the history of sugaring, and learn through hands-on STEM activities; how to identify the right trees to tap, how tapping is done, how trees ‘work’, and finally, see the sap being boiled down at the sugar shack, and where everyone gets to taste the sweet golden nectar of the sugar maple. Fee: \$6/Dahlem member; \$8/non-member. Advanced registration for tours required at <https://www.dahlemcenter.org/event/maple-sugaring-interpretive-tours/>

Earth Day Celebration April 27, 1-4PM

With the arrival of Spring, the Jackson County Conservation District is excited to announce the 13th Annual "Earth Day Celebration in the Park" event which will take place on Saturday April 27th from 1-4pm at Cascades Park. This is a free family event for all ages that will include hands on activities, crafts, classroom critters, and live music. Come join Dahlem and many other non-profit organizations to learn more about how you can help take care of planet earth.

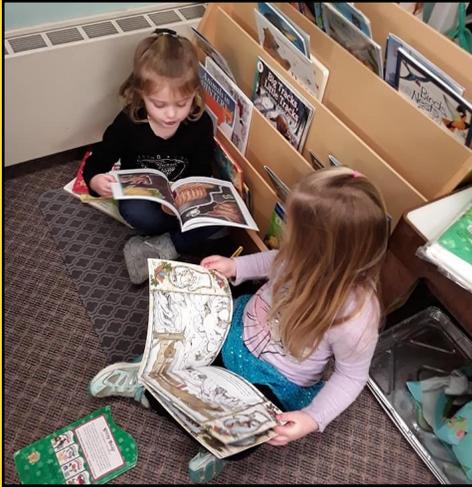
Rock the Dahlem Festival! June 15, 12-3PM

With the arrival of Summer, **Jackson County Rocks** is excited to announce the 2nd Annual Rock The Dahlem Festival which will take place on Saturday June 15th from 12-3pm at Dahlem. Bring the family & enjoy a fun day of rock painting & hunting, face painting, music, food, prizes & raffles.....and some surprises thrown in for good measure. Event is FREE and raffle tickets will be for sale for awesome prizes! (Ticket sales to benefit the Dahlem Center). Sponsorships available, raffle items and cash donations greatly appreciated – contact Lisa Lazaroff, Jackson County Rocks administrator. Thank you to sponsors and the Jackson community for helping make this event a big success, and we hope to see you there on June 15th!

Little Acorns Preschool Golf Scramble July 19

Join us at Hankerd Hills Golf Course for a fun day of golf in support of our Little Acorns Preschool. The scramble includes golf for a team of 4 for \$240, with an optional lunch and dinner. There will also be additional games and raffles, including an optional skins game, and 50/50 drawing. All proceeds go toward scholarships and supplies for our Little Acorns. More information and registration will be posted on Dahlem’s event page in the spring.

Meet Our Little Acorns!



Meet Our Teachers!



Kassandra Stelmaszek

Kassandra Stelmaszek is the lead teacher of Little Acorns Nature Preschool. She has a Bachelor's in Early Childhood Education, and an Associate's in Social Work. She grew up in Kingsford, Michigan; located on the border of Wisconsin in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Her experience working with young children began in 2011, when she took a job teaching swimming lessons at her local YMCA. Growing up her family embarked on frequent camping trips across the upper peninsula, fostering her love for the outdoors. "I truly believe that teaching through exploration of the outdoors is fundamental to academic success and retention throughout life."



Nancy Phelan

Nancy Phelan is the assistant preschool teacher at Little Acorns Nature Preschool. She has a B.A. degree in Elementary Education from Central College in Pella, IA with an emphasis in Early Childhood Education. She retired from Queen of the Miraculous Medal School in 2017 where she taught third grade. She has also taught preschool, kindergarten, first, and second grade in schools in Iowa and Nebraska. Her love of nature began on her farm in central Iowa. Her favorite activities include spending time with family, traveling, hiking, biking, and reading.

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Little Acorn News

by Kassie Stelmaszek,

Lead Teacher/Program Director

So far this school year we have done numerous outdoor studies; including apples, trees, leaves, and a variety of animals. We have incorporated a new segment in our curriculum called Miss Carrie's Corner. Each month our naturalist meets with each class to do a hands-on, in-depth exploration of a topic we have been studying. We are excited for maple syrup season, when Miss Carrie enlists the help of our Little Acorns and other school groups for harvesting sap!

This upcoming 2019-2020 school year we will be offering two three-year-old classes, each running two days a week; either M/W or T/Th mornings. We also have one four-year-old class, running Monday-Thursday afternoons. Our 4-year-old class is currently full of returning students from our 3-year-old class; however, there is room on the waiting list. In coming years, we are very hopeful to expand our facilities and classes offered.

**Join us for our Little Acorns
Preschool Open House for
New Families!
Friday, March 15th
4:00—6:00 PM**



Mighty Naturalist

Exploring Nature Inside and Out!

Share your love of nature with your young child(ren)! The Mighty Naturalist program takes kids on an adventure to explore and play with nature while developing critical early childhood skills and growing self-confidence. The Programs are geared toward children 5 years and younger with an adult caregiver to learn about animals, winter survival, birds, tracks, and more. Each program offers a different theme and activities to give you and your mighty naturalist many program opportunities (See side panel for upcoming themes and dates).

Cost: \$8 per child, or \$5 Dahlem member. (Free for caregiver and children under 1)

When: Tuesday mornings 10:00-11:15AM Registration is required.

You can register by visiting our website www.dahlemcenter.org/events or call 517-782-3453.

Invite your friends to sign up, too!

Mighty Naturalist Schedule

March 5—Super Squirrely

If you followed a squirrel for a day, what would you see? Climbing branches, storing seeds, making homes in tree holes, and maybe even flying! Discover different kinds of squirrels as they scamper, eat, and—finally—sleep. We will go on a squirrely outing to look for clues squirrels are actively busy in winter, head indoors to make 'n take squirrel craft, and read a cute story about squirrels.

April 2—Life Under a Log

Some people might see just a mushy, rotten log. We see a fascinating habitat for all kinds of organisms. We see a very important step in the life cycle of nature and a fascinating science lesson. Look for yourself! Our time will be spent outdoors starting with a story, A Log's Life followed by a walk in the forest to investigate life in and under logs, among leaf litter, under rocks, and down into the soil. You'll be amazed at what we find hiding in dark places!



*Come support the Dahlem Center at our
2nd Annual Chocolate Sensation Event*

Tuesday, March 5th 2019

5:00—7:00 PM

Ella Sharp

Community Room

\$35 per person ahead or \$40 at the door
All reservations include:

- 1 glass of wine/bottle of beer
- Chocolate samples & Appetizers
- Entertainment
- Silent Auction

To reserve your seat please visit www.dahlemcenter.org/events/chocolate-sensation

Dahlem Community Gardens & Apiary

On site of the historic Wickwire Farm, 1427 Wickwire Rd.

The Community Gardens at the Dahlem Ecology Farm were started in 2010, thanks to a generous donation from Betty Dahlem Desbiens. The acre fenced garden, which also has a water system, consists of 48 plots measuring 20 x 20 feet. We are all very grateful to Betty and to Dahlem for this opportunity to not only grow organic food but in a beautiful country setting with like-minded folks.

The opportunity to learn from "real life" gardeners is invaluable. I have learned more from fellow gardeners than I could ever learn from a webinar, book or the Internet. Gardeners are in tune with the seasons more than "normal people". In the spring, we watch out for the Killdeer bird nests. For some reason, killdeer, that nest on the ground, like to nest near people in the most inconvenient spots-like the intersection of two major garden paths. The first to discover the nest location hastily builds a visible fortress with neon colored flags, tomato cages, caution tape or anything at hand to make sure no one steps on the perfectly camouflaged eggs!

Early crops, like peas and lettuce are delicious when you grow them yourself. The brutal hot days of summer watering are rewarded in August and September with so much bounty that we share it among ourselves, friends and neighbors and take excess to local food banks.

Gardening is the most popular hobby in the US and good exercise. Adults still love to play in the dirt! There is immediate gratification when a row of seed is

planted or weeded. The garden is a peaceful place. No one has ever played a radio. Many times gardeners work silently side-by-side with little speech interaction – like old friends that are comfortable without talking all the time. Gardening can be a type of "meditation/contemplation". Many gardeners have worked through life crises (death of parents, death of a spouse, job loss, anger, depression, etc.) by retreating to the peace of the garden.

We also have plenty of help from nature:

- Swallows keep us free of mosquitoes.
- Hundreds of birds eat the "bad bugs".
- The bees in the nearby apiary pollinate our plants.
- The woodchuck keeps us humble and we can grow champion size meadow mice (AKA field mice, meadow voles).
- However, the red tail hawk is always looking for meadow mice! Nature takes care of many garden issues for us.

The "Butterfly Path" circles the garden and apiary and drops down by the creek. It is a lovely walk in any season AND dogs are allowed! (For obvious health reasons, no dogs allowed in the garden.)

I am one of the "original" gardeners. There has been considerable turnover. I don't want to mislead anyone - it is a lot of work. We need younger gardeners! Families are especially welcome as children are the future. Growing your own food has become very popular of late.

Henry Kissinger said the only people that will survive are those that live in rural areas and can grow their own food. So, if you want to survive the Armageddon, there are available plots – please consider joining us in 2019!

**- Libby Greanya
Plot Monitor
Community Gardener**

20 x 20 Plot—\$40/year

***Dahlem Membership Also Required**

Includes:

- Deer and rabbit fencing installed around entire garden to protect crops
- Water and hoses
- Healthy soil ready for you to rake and sow your own seeds
- Wheel barrows and hand-tools (as available)
- Compost & Wood Chips for mulching
- Porta-potty facility and shaded picnic table
- Friendly gardeners to give you growing tips
- Extra produce donations to area food shelters

Sign-Up Open House:

Feb 23 12:00-1:00PM

Call Dahlem with any questions

517-782-3453



The Nutshell Gift Shop & Exhibit Room Books, Birdhouses, Bird Seed, and so much more!

Support Dahlem by shopping at our gift shop for that unique gift or home décor item. While you're there, say hi to our turtles, finches, bees, & lizard in the exhibit room. Learn about native Michigan animals, including our seasonal Monarch Butterflies!



Hours

Tuesday—Friday
9:00AM—3:00PM
Saturday
12:00PM—
4:00PM



2019 Outdoor Adventure Summer Day Camp

Our summer camp is offered to children ages 3 to 12 years is based outdoors, so most of the day is spent in the forest and fields on Dahlem's 280 acres. There are plenty of opportunities to choose more than one week to fill your camper's need for outdoor fun and adventure this summer!

Fee per Session: Half Day Camp

\$105 Member \$125 Community

Full Day Camp

\$145 Member \$170 Community

Registration: Easy online registration and forms available at dahlemcenter.org

Multiple Camper Discount:

When signing up multiple campers attending the same session, the first camper is at the regular fee, and each additional camper is \$10 off.

Camp Employment & Volunteering:

Dahlem is hiring counselors and assistant counselors for our summer camp. Please contact us for more job information or download the form at dahlemcenter.org and follow the instructions to apply. Camp staff must have valid First Aid, CPR, and Bloodborne Pathogens certifications. Camp staff and camp volunteers must also provide proper ID for Dahlem to conduct a background check.

Session 1 - Outdoor Explorers Ages 3 & 4

June 3-7, 8:30 - 11:30 am

This morning session provides our youngest campers the opportunity to develop an appreciation of several elements of the natural world by introducing the forest, wetland, grassland, stream and pond habitats. Must be 3 years by May 1, 2019, and have independent bathroom skills.

Session 2 - Forest Explorers Ages 3 & 4

June 10-14, 8:30 - 11:30 am

This morning session takes our youngest campers on an in-depth discovery tour of our woodland habitat; including forest plants and animals. We will search for and study birds, insects, mammals, and trees in the forest. Must be 3 years by May 1, 2019, and have independent bathroom skills.

Session 3 - Things with Wings and Paws that Crawl Ages 4 to 7

June 24-28, 8:30 - 11:30 am

This morning session camp takes our young campers on a naturalist adventure to learn about things with wings and paws that crawl. Campers will participate in daily hikes, games, exploration, get crafty, and learn observation skills.



Session 4 - Things with Wings and Paws that Crawl

Ages 6 to 9

June 24-28, 12:30 - 3:30 pm

This afternoon session camp takes our young campers on a naturalist adventure to learn about things with wings and paws that crawl. Campers will participate in daily hikes, games, exploration, get crafty, and learn observation skills.

Session 5 - Outdoor Skills

Ages 5 to 12

July 8-12,

8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Campers learn a variety of outdoor skills, from debris shelter building and camouflage to fire building, knot tying, orienteering and mapping. Lessons are developed as appropriate for age levels. Campers will participate in daily hikes, games, crafts, camp songs, and most of all, create life-long memories. Camp wraps up with a pizza party on Friday.

Session 6 - Where the Wild Things Live Ages 5 to 12

July 15-19

8:30 am - 3:30 pm

Spent the week learning all about what's happening in the wild at Dahlem. From birds and mammals, to amphibians, reptiles, and insects. Campers will participate in daily hikes, explore, predator-prey games, learn to use binoculars, and aquatic studies equipment. Camp wraps up with a pizza party on Friday.

Session 7 - Get Out & Dirty Ages 5 to 12

July 22-26, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm

The best thing about people is that we are washable! So no amount of dirt is going to keep us from spending the days outside and exploring. We'll build forts, turn over rocks, catch frogs and other aquatic critters, chase bugs, climb trees, play predator-prey games, take daily hikes, and so much more! Camp wraps up with a pizza party on Friday.

Session 8 - Life in the Woods Ages 7 to 12

July 29-Aug 2,

8:30 am - 11:30 am

Campers will spend the mornings learning about what's happening in the wild at Dahlem. Woodland, wetland and grassland habitat exploration to study frogs and toads, snakes, turtles, insects, birds, mammals and plants - we'll explore it all! Campers will participate in daily hikes, predator-prey games, and learn new skills.

Session 9 - Wetland Wonders Ages 3 to 6

Aug 5-9, 8:30 - 11:30 am

This morning session camp takes our young campers on an in-depth discovery tour of the wetland habitat; including ponds, streams and animals. We will search for and study frogs and toads, turtles, insects, mammals, and birds in the wetland habitat. Must be 3 years by May 1, 2019, and have independent bathroom skills.

Sign up online

www.dahlemcenter.org/adventure-camp
Questions? Give us a call at 517-782-3453

Membership & Donations

How Can I Donate to Dahlem?

Dahlem, Jackson's Nature Place, provides environmental education and land conservancy services to the residents of south central Michigan, benefiting people of all ages with year-round programs. All of Dahlem's activities are made possible by contributions from the community and are fully tax-deductible. Dahlem is a non-profit 501(c)(3) registered with the State of Michigan.

To make a donation you can call our office at 517-782-3453, visit us at Dahlem, or go online to www.dahlemcenter.org/make-a-donation/

Donation Boxes Onsite

There are three donation boxes located onsite here at Dahlem—outside on the garden path coming up to the main building and by the gathering patio, and inside the gift shop/exhibit area.



Making a Pledge

A pledge is a promise between you and Dahlem to donate a specific amount of money in the future on a recurring basis. You can pledge any amount and indicate when and how you would like to donate. Join our *Legacy Circle* by making a pledge of at least \$1000 for 5 years or our *Next Generation* donors by making a pledge of at least \$500 for 5 years.

Attend Programs & Events!

Each year Dahlem offers a number of programs and events to increase our presence in the community and raise funds so that we can continue providing environmental education and outdoor experiences to our patrons. Visit our events page online at www.dahlemcenter.org/events/ to see what programs and events we have coming up!

Memorial/“In Honor of” Donations

We have many great opportunities here at Dahlem for you to memorialize or honor your loved ones. Options include donation of a bench or paver stone on our gathering patio. Also, please remember Dahlem if you are asking for donations to a charity in lieu of flowers.

Restricted and Unrestricted Donations

Do you want to support one of our great building projects, the Little Acorns Preschool, or the Outdoor Adventure Day Camps? With a restricted donation you can indicate where you would like the money spent and it will only go toward that specific project. Alternatively, if you want to support Dahlem's mission overall you can make an unrestricted donation.

Donate Online

Visit www.dahlemcenter.org/make-a-donation/ to make a donation online. There you can sign up for our “Dimes for Dahlem” program, where your purchases through a debit or credit card are rounded up to the nearest dollar and that change is donated directly to Dahlem. Additionally, you can make a donation directly by completing our online form. You can indicate on the form if you'd like it to be a one-time gift or if you would like it to be a recurring gift.

Become a Member!

As a member of Dahlem you receive free or reduced admission to public programs, advanced registration and reduced rates for Outdoor Adventure Camp and a 10% discount on all purchases in the Nut Shell Gift Shop. Members are also invited to members-only events and receive a complimentary copy of Paw Prints. Go to www.dahlemcenter.org/become-a-member/ and click “Become a Member.” All major credit cards are accepted via PayPal. **Individual \$35** **Family \$45** **Senior \$20**

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