



Star Prairie Land Preservation Trust, Inc.

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Stuart Nelson
1946-2013

On Thursday, November 7th, 2013, the Star Prairie Land Preservation Trust lost one of its founders, a long-time supporter, and a good friend – Stuart Nelson.

Stuart loved the outdoors and was dedicated to protecting natural resources and enhancing the local environment. In 2002, he became the Land Trust's first President, helping form the organization and establish the McMurtrie Preserve – a 63-acre outdoor classroom, with 1,400 feet on the southeast shore of Cedar Lake, containing a diversity of wildlife habitat and even an eagle's nest. Stuart was also instrumental in developing the Cedar Bay Landing, which will be renamed in the near future as the "Stuart Nelson Cedar Bay Landing," to honor his memory.

Stuart also used his leadership and determination to help other organizations including Star Prairie Fish and Game and the Cedar Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District. Over the years, he led the development of the Cedar Lake Management Plan, built and placed countless fish cribs, conducted water quality testing, planted thousands of trees, and assisted the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service with prairie preservation. Also, with his wife and family, he restored the prairie on their land near Amery.

OUR MISSION

Preserve environmentally sensitive land and promote rural character, while protecting water quality and wildlife habitat for future generations