

# Sugar Bush Gazette

## Friends of MacKenzie Center News

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### Education

Environmental education and outdoor skills training lead to environmental literacy. The Friends of the MacKenzie Center help get kids outdoors through experiential education and learn about the natural world in a hands-on and meaningful way. We believe the education programs at the MacKenzie Center are helping to grow the next generation of environmental stewards and helping to protect our natural resources for years to come.

Did you know? That you don't have to be a "member" of the Friends to be a volunteer and get involved? If interested, contact us at [friends@mackenzie.org](mailto:friends@mackenzie.org) so that you can receive our volunteer information.

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### Upcoming Events

Friends Annual Membership Meeting

January 16, 2020

Ice Fishing Clinic

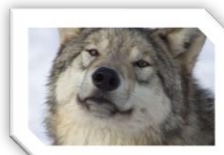
January 18, 2020

Candlelight Snowshoe Hike

February 21, 2020

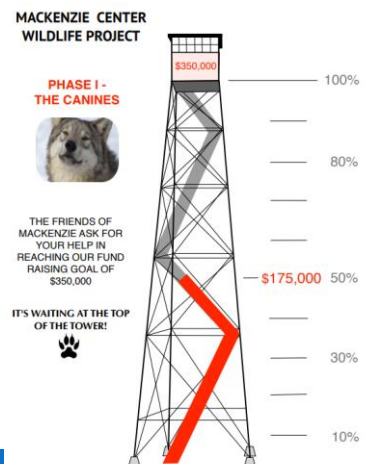
Maple Syrup Festival

Sat., April 4, 2020



### Ensure the Next Generation of Wildlife Education

The Friends of MacKenzie in partnership with the WDNR is working on a complete renovation of the Center's Wildlife Area. The wildlife exhibit at MacKenzie, above all else make an unforgettable impression. Home to native, un-releasable wildlife; the exhibit is truly one-of-a-kind. Students and visitors alike can learn about such a diverse variety of wildlife all in one place. Consider a donation today. <http://friendsofmackenzie.org/wildlife-upgrade-project-page/>



**Friends of MacKenzie Annual Dinner/Membership Meeting**

**January 16, 2020**

**4:15-5:30 Registration (Payment of \$10)/Social Time**

**5:30-6:15 Welcome**

**Dinner-Bison, Buns, Cheesy Potatoes, Salad, Vegetable, and Dessert**

**6:15-7:00 Business Meeting /Election of board members**

**7:00 - 7:45 Mackenzie History by Christopher Beaver**

**Reservations contact Sue Brockel at 608-846-4145 or [rbrockel@centurytel.net](mailto:rbrockel@centurytel.net)**

**Board Member Elections:**

Interested in getting more involved? The Friends of MacKenzie are looking for individuals to serve on the Board of Directors. Share your time & talents while learning new things alongside your "Friends". The Friends of MacKenzie elect new Board

Members each January to its 11-person board. This January we are looking to fill 6 seats (3 three-year terms, 1 two-year term, 1 one-year term). Board Members serve a three-year term and help coordinate all activities of the organization while providing positive support towards the mission and goals. Responsibilities include: attending monthly meetings, be an ambassador and team player for the organization, communicate ideas, help coordinate Friends events, and help support the organization's mission and goals. Board candidates are either self-nominated or nominated by others at our upcoming Annual meeting on January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Email us if you have questions or are interested. [friendsofmackenzie@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofmackenzie@gmail.com)



**Thinking Spring?** Volunteer for our Maple Education Program. Contact us at 608-635-8105 and let them know your interest. Maple education programs run weekdays in March for grades 4-6<sup>th</sup> grade.

*A training day is provided on February 13<sup>th</sup> from 9am-3pm.*

**Membership for 2020**

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**Fill out the form below or visit our web site to join/renew your membership.**

<http://friendsofmackenzie.org/product/membership/>

Life Membership = \$300.00

Individual Membership = \$30

Family Membership = \$40

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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