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Plum Creek Awards \$3,000 to Friends of Fred Smith, Inc.

TOMAHAWK, Wis. – The Plum Creek Foundation today announced that it has awarded a \$3,000 grant to Friends of Fred Smith, Inc. The grant will be used to help supply the newly-created Friends of Fred Smith Studio, which houses the art program at Wisconsin Concrete Park.

Lynn Wilson, general manager for Plum Creek’s Lake States Region, will present a check to Friends of Fred Smith, Inc. at 8:30 a.m., Monday, Sept. 18, at Wisconsin Concrete Park.

“We are pleased that this grant from the Plum Creek Foundation will help the Wisconsin Concrete Park continue its efforts to further the arts in the area,” said Trish Kempkes, communications director for Friends of Fred Smith. “We are thrilled about the opportunity to purchase and have on-hand art supplies and artists to perform for all of our activities at the Wisconsin Concrete Park.”

The foundation grant will be used to purchase materials such as scissors, paper, hand tools, and markers that will be kept at the Friends of Fred Smith Studio and available for use during art programs, class field trips to the Wisconsin Concrete Park and other activities. With the funds, the Friends of Fred Smith will also be able to invite artists, such as a puppeteer, to share their skills with others in the area at the annual celebration and other events. According to Kempkes, using this grant to purchase these materials will allow the organization to continue to focus on its mission to protect the outdoor concrete and glass sculptures that are now approaching 50 years old.

The mission of the Plum Creek Foundation is to provide philanthropic contributions to support and improve the general welfare of life in the communities that Plum Creek serves. The Foundation board meets quarterly to review applications submitted from organizations in the company’s operating communities. Visit the Community Involvement page on Plum Creek’s Web site at www.plumcreek.com to download an application.

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