Volunteerism, networking, growing food and creating meals; sponsoring workshops. A terrific way to spend time in a very pleasant environment; where, at special events, like the Food Fest; cuisine, laughter and music are the flavors of the day!!

Benjamin J. Doran reviewing Farley Center

Farley Center Beekeeper Incubator Program 2019
If you know people in the Madison area who are interested in learning to be a beekeeper, please let them know about our program! The Farley Center helps promote small-scale, sustainable beekeeping in Wisconsin by providing an environment and guidance to learn beekeeping. Certified Beekeeper Patrick Norby is overseeing the program. To apply, visit the website for the application. The program will start in early spring. The deadline to apply is March 31, 2019. Class size is limited. Learn more.

We had seven beekeepers in 2018 and they harvested 180 lbs. of honey.

Interest in Green Burials Grows
There were many more opportunities for learning about green burials and Natural Path Sanctuary in 2018. The number of our open-to-the-public onsite educational presentations and tours, that have become more popular each year, were increased, as were the tours and presentations at our larger community events.

Natural Path Sanctuary Board member Gil Halsted and Penn Engebose also pitched in. Gil has given several on site presentations and tours, while Penn spread the word in the Milwaukee area, presenting to a variety of community groups. 2019 is already looking to be even busier. Learn more.

Listen to Shedd Farley’s WPR interview to learn more about green cemeteries.

Conference Room Remodel Progresses
The rooms have been opened up, patched and painted. Trim is being stained and put up. The room will soon be available for space use rental by community groups.

Director Shedd Farley has received a lot of help with the remodel from three of our Grow Academy interns. The Farley Center has partnered with Grow Academy since 2015 under the Juvenile Division of the Wisconsin Department of Corrections. Learn more.

Non Profit Day
Farley Center attended the Non Profit Draft Day sponsored by Collaboration for Good at Edgewood College. We met several potential board members interested in the work we do and learned about many other non profits in our area! If you are interested in serving on the Farley Center Board, please e-mail Director Shedd Farley at director@farleycenter.org for more information.

Watch Video
Video credit to Shedd Farley, 12/24/18

Fun on the Ice
Director Shedd Farley was working on Christmas Eve and heard lots of laughter, almost like a party, from the Farley Center pond area. He went over to take a look at what was going on and found our Natural Path Sanctuary Board Member Diane Smith and her family having fun skating on the pond.
Winter Days
No more farmers in the fields, no more beekeepers tending their hives, no more volunteers clearing up the Sanctuary, no more college classes touring the Center. The apple trees are bare and the air is cold. Things slow down during the winter but the work continues with meetings and planning. Director Shedd Farley, along with the staff and Farley Center resident cat, Tigger keep things going.

WORT Kiosks
Listen to stories of the Farley Center told through various staff, board members, family members, volunteers and clients who were featured every month on WORT, a South-Central Wisconsin community radio station. Each kiosk tells a different aspect of our story. After doing this for the past four years and airing 48 commentaries, we will take a short break for a few months.

A big thank you to WORT Volunteer Diane Budyak who recorded each of the 48 kiosk commentaries for us. We look forward to working with her again when we resume the kiosk commentary this summer. Tune in this summer when Director Shedd Farley will start a new kiosk commentary series focusing on Dane County issues.

Your Partnership is Key to Meeting our Mission of Peace, Justice and Sustainability.
The Farley Center is funded in part through the generosity of donations from those who share our vision and also through Natural Path Sanctuary green burial sales. We invite your support and participation.

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2019 Upcoming Events
- Feb. 3: NPS - Green Burial Presentation in Green Bay by NPS Board Secretary, Penn Engenose
- Apr. 11: NPS - Green Burial Presentation/Tour with NPS Director Shedd Farley
- May 9: NPS - Green Burial Presentation with Cress Funeral Home with NPS Director Shedd Farley

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