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MEDIA ALERT
Bow Tie Returns to The Parks:
Shoulder Mount of Deer to be Presented to Wehr Nature Center May 10

WHO:

Milwaukee County Parks Director John Dargle, Jr., donors Jim Bagley and Randy Crawford, and taxidermist Robert Lemanczyk

WHAT:

Presentation to the Parks Department of the shoulder mount of Bow Tie, the whitetail deer that was poached on the Menomonee River Parkway in December

WHEN:

Tuesday, May 10, 2016, 4 p.m.

WHERE:

Wehr Nature Center, 9701 W. College Ave. (in Whitnall Park)

WHY:

Many people in the community had appreciated watching and photographing the 11-point buck with the unusual "bowtie" marking. Because the deer was illegally harvested, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources confiscated it. With support from the donors, the Parks Department requested that the deer be released to the taxidermist on behalf of Milwaukee County. The mount will be returned for display at Milwaukee County's primary environmental education center, Wehr Nature Center, where staff will use Bow Tie in interpretive educational programs for schoolchildren.

The Parks Department has taken a negative situation and turned it into something positive.

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