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The MEANING of "ORDWAY".

Our students refer to the Macalester Biology Field Station as "Ordway" - simply that. It is a place, it is true but it is more than just a tract of land rich in several habitats and a good site for natural history studies; it is a concept as well.

This concept undoubtedly differs among various students. In general it is felt that Ordway is a special place where freedom exists in a greater or different measure than in the rest of the College. It would be a little corny

to say it is a "sort of Shangri-La" although that may not be stretching things too far. To a few it has been a getaway, a haven and respite from ordinary campus activities. Of course, to many it has been far too hazy an image and there are some students who have not ever availed themselves of the opportunities of the place.

What Ordway is is a rather remarkable place for almost anyone, particularly for students - to observe and study the things and moods of Nature. It should be recommended to students of all academic disciplines - in the humanities and the arts as well as in science.

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