

November
2017

HAVENWOODS STATE FOREST

Volunteer Connection

Volunteer Dinner

Reminder to our volunteers:

If you are coming to the dinner on November 8, please call Judy at 414-527-0232 or email judy.klippel@wi.gov by 4:30 on November 2 to confirm. We will provide dinner and beverages. If you would like to make a dessert to share, please let me know when you confirm your attendance.

5:30 *gathering and appetizers*

6:00 *property update & preview of 2018*

6:15 *dinner*

7:00 *program*

Did you take some great photographs (jpgs) of people, places, plants, and animals at Havenwoods this year? Email them to Judy if you'd like us to share them in the program.

Help Wanted

It is becoming much quieter around the nature center during the day. There won't be any school buses or kids for the next six months. The Naturalists will be on very reduced hours, and our programs will be limited mostly to Saturdays. The Park and Rec Specialists are winterizing the equipment and finalizing their land management maps, and they, too, will be leaving soon.

Of course, there still will be work to do to help keep the center in shape for winter-to-spring visitors. We are looking for a few volunteers to help pick up the slack. Please call Judy at 414-527-0232 if you can help with any of the following:

- sweeping, mopping, and vacuuming floors
- cleaning sinks and toilets, and refilling toilet paper and hand towel dispensers
- emptying wastebaskets and taking out the recycling
- doing "deep cleaning" - the kind of thing we only get to once a year, like the heating vents, shelf tops, windows over the doors
- doing property checks to pick up litter and to see if there are any hazards we need to address
- operating our snow blower to clear the front walkway

Nature is ever at work building and pulling down, creating and destroying, keeping everything whirling and flowing, allowing no rest but in rhythmical motion, chasing everything in endless song out of one beautiful form into another. *John Muir (1838 - 1914) - naturalist, environmental philosopher, and early advocate for preservation of wilderness*



Dryad's Saddle bracket fungus, by Dan Molter (CC BY-SA3.0)

Upcoming Event

Invasive Species Symposium

Nov. 15, 1 - 4:30 pm, (Wed.)

Join us at Havenwoods for the tenth annual educational gathering of the SE Wisconsin Invasive Species Consortium. The event is free and open to all. No registration is needed.

2:00 - 2:45: Paul Skawinski, WI Citizen Lake Monitoring Network Educator, will provide a program on invasive aquatic plants.

2:45 - 3:00: Brad Steckart, Aquatic Invasive Species Coordinator for Washington and Waukesha Counties, will speak about invasive aquatic animals.

The afternoon also includes a review of 2017 activities, an overview of 2018 plans, awards, and refreshments.



Winter building hours

December 1 - February 28

Open 9:00 am - 3:30 pm on Mondays - Fridays

Open 9 am - 2 pm on Saturdays

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