

April - June 2019 Outreach Summary

This document provides a summary of outreach events and activities led by Land & Water Resources Department staff. In addition to these events, we support park friends group's and other conservation group's events that are not reflected in this summary.

PROGRAMS/CAMPAIGNS

- Plant Dane Native Plant Sale Update – 12,901 Plants Purchased (1096 were donations to the free plants program)
- [Plant Dane Free Plants Program](#) – fall applications are **due July 22**
- New Chapter 49 Webpage will be launched soon. Will post it on “Featured Content” section of Land Conservation webpage once it is public: <https://lcd-lwrd.countyofdane.com/>

APRIL

Tables and Displays

- April 17 - Madison County Day School Career Fair: Conservation Job Opportunities (Laura Hicklin)

Presentations

- April 3 – UW Madison Zoology 677 class “Internships in Ecology (Amy Piaget)
- April 10 – WI Lakes Convention “Starting a Native Plant Growing Volunteer Program” (Susan Sandford and Theresa Nelson)
- April 10 – WI Lakes Convention “Preparing for and Responding to Extreme Weather Events” (John Reimer)
- April 11 - SWTU Monthly Meeting “Our Great and Growing Local Public Waters” (Sara Rigelman)
- April 16 – Sugar River Landowner Dinner in Verona “Dane County’s Streambank Easement Program” (Sara Rigelman)

Workshops and Training

- April 12 - Conservation Planning Training (Curt Diehl)
- April 13 - Wader Wash Workday with River Alliance at Festge County Park (Pete Jopke)
- April 25 – Rainfall Simulator Training at Bridge Lakeport Waunona Community Center (Christal Campbell)

Youth/Family Activities

- April 1 – Kromrey Middle School “Stormwater Pollutions and Solutions and Mural Design Session” (Christal Campbell)

- April 4-19 – Youth Environmental Leadership Experience program presentation at East High, LaFollette, Memorial, and West High Schools (Micah Kloppenburg)
- April 9 – Okeefe Middle School “Stormwater Pollutions and Solutions and Mural Design Session” (Christal Campbell)
- April 12 – Netherwood Knoll Elementary School “Stormwater Pollutions and Solutions and Mural Design Session” (Susan Sandford and Theresa Nelson)
- April 15 - Bridge Lakepoint Waunona Community Center EE programming at the Lussier Family Heritage Center (Lael Pascual)
- April 19 – Shabazz Forestry Field Day at Token Creek County Park (Adam Alves)
- April 23 – Shabazz High School Stormwater Presentation (Christal Campbell)

Volunteer Events

This includes events hosted or supported heavily by staff but is not a complete list of events hosted by parks friends groups or other conservation groups in the county.

- April 1 – Prescribed burn at McCarthy County Park (Lars Higdon)
- April 6 – Prescribed burn at Brigham County Park (Lars Higdon)
- April 8 – Prescribed burn at Walking Iron Wildlife Area (Lars Higdon)
- April 9 – Prescribed burn at Indian Lake County Park (Lars Higdon)
- April 10 – Prescribed burn at McCarthy County Park (Lars Higdon)
- April 15 – Prescribed burn at Brigham County Park (Lars Higdon)
- April 16 – Prescribed burn at Cam-Rock County Park (Lars Higdon)
- April 18 - Bridge Lake Point Service Project Tree Planting at Lake Farm County Park (Adam Alves/Rhea Stangel-Maier)
- April 19 – Prescribed burn at Indian Lake County Park (Lars Higdon)
- April 23 – Volunteer Restoration Workday at Walking Iron County Park (Tom Klein)
- April 23 - OFS Earth Day Project at Festge County Park (Lars Higdon/Rhea Stangel-Maier/Shane Otto)
- April 24 – Prescribed burn at Festge County Park (Lars Higdon)
- April 26 – Prescribed burn at Prairie Moraine County Park (Lars Higdon)

MAY

Presentations

- May 3 – Keep Wildlife Wild! at the Lussier Family Heritage Center (Lael Pascual)
- May 5 – “Origins of WWA Upper Mud Lake & Dunn's Marsh” at the Lussier Family Heritage Center (Lael Pascual)
- May 8 – PLATO Meeting “Flooding and Water Quality in the Yahara Chain of Lakes” (John Reimer)
- May 14 - Friends of Lake Kegonsa Board Meeting “Vegetation Management on Lake Kegonsa” (John Reimer and Pete Jopke)

Workshops and Training

- May 21 – Operation Fresh Start Forestry Training at the zoo (Adam Alves and David Haag)

Youth/Family Activities

- May 6 – Nature Outing with Verona Explorations Academy Ecology class at Prairie Moraine County Park (Micah Kloppenburg)
- May 10 – Black Earth Creek Elementary “Stormwater Pollutions and Solutions and Mural Design Session” (Susan Sandford)
- May 11 - Kids Build WI at McKee Park (Adam Alves)
- May 22 - Explorations Academy Presentation “Why Restore? Protecting Dane County’s PrairiesTITLe” (Micah Kloppenburg)
- May 29 - Explorations Academy prairie walk at Badger Prairie County Park (Micah Kloppenburg)
- May 31 – Dream Night Kids Climb at the Henry Vilas Zoo (Adam Alves)

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- May 4 - Tree Planting LYRT with Boy Scouts (Adam Alves)
- May 13 – Prescribed burn at Silverwood County Park (Lars Higdon)
- May 14 – Prescribed burn at Walking Iron Wildlife Area (Lars Higdon)
- May 17 – Volunteer Restoration Workday at Yahara Heights County Park (Lars Higdon)
- May 18 - Four Lakes Scuba Club Cleanup Dive at Olin Park. Barge provided by Dane County (Joe Yaeger)
- May 28 – Volunteer Restoration Workday at Walking Iron County Park (Tom Klein)
- May 31 – Volunteer Restoration Workday at Festge County Park (Lars Higdon)

JUNE

Tables and Displays

- June 10 – Dane County Breakfast on the Farm Rainfall Simulator Demonstrations (Seth Ebel, Angie Mayr, Christal Campbell, Theresa Nelson, Susan Sandford)

Presentations

- June 6 - Stream Restoration Workshop Presentation “Effects of Road Crossings on Habitat Connectivity for Stream-Resident Fish” (Matt Diebel)
- June 16 – First United Methodist Church “Yahara River Watershed: Improving Water Quality” (Amy Piaget)
- June 17 – Bike Dane Presentation at the Lussier Family Heritage Center (Chris James, Sara Rigelman, Alex DeSmidt)
- June 27 – UW Madison Government & Natural Resources class “Permitting & Regulation – Erosion Control & Stormwater Management” (Theresa Nelson)

Workshops and Training

- June 14 – SARE Cover Crop Workshop (Marie Raboin)
- June 27 – Starting from Scratch pasture walk in Belleville (Marie Raboin)

Youth/Family Activities

- June 1 - Bridge Lakepoint Waunona Community Center EE programing at the Lussier Family Heritage Center (Lael Pascual)
- June 5 – Weeds and Wildflowers Nature Walk at Lake Farm County Park (Lars Higdon)
- June 16 – Lil' Explorers Prairie Exploration at the Lussier Family Heritage Center (Lael Pascual)
- June 18 – Weeds and Wildflowers Nature Walk at Prairie Moraine County Park (Lars Higdon)
- June 20 – Jenni & Kyle Fishing Day at the Jenny & Kyle Preserve (Chris James, Darren Marsh, Sara Rigelman, Alex DeSmidt)
- June 27 – Weeds and Wildflowers Nature Walk at Indian Lake County Park (Lars Higdon)

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- June 1 – Madison Scuba Cleanup Dive at Monona Terrace. Barge provided by Dane County (Joe Yaeger)
- June 2 - Four Lakes Scuba Club Cleanup Dive at Mendota County Park. Barge provided by Dane County (Joe Yaeger)
- June 8 – Madison Sail & Power Squadron Cleanup at Mendota County Park. Shelter and supplies provided by Dane County (Susan Sandford)
- June 11 – Volunteer Restoration Workday at Walking Iron County Park (Tom Klein)
- June 14 – Volunteer Restoration Workday at Indian Lake County Park (Tom Klein and Cory Rich)
- June 15 – Catholic Multicultural Center Wingra Creek Cleanup. Supplies provided by Dane County (Susan Sandford)
- June 21 – Volunteer Restoration Workday at Stewart Lake County Park (Lars Higdon)
- June 25 – Volunteer Restoration Workday at Walking Iron County Park (Lars Higdon)
- June 27 – Seed Collection at Schoenberg Marsh (Shane Otto)
- June 28 – Volunteer Restoration Workday at Badger Prairie County Park (Lars Higdon)