

July - September 2020 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.

Ongoing Events / Information

- [Lussier Family Heritage Center StoryWalk®](#) located throughout the trails surrounding the Lussier Family Heritage Center, brings families together through outdoor exploration and literacy. Story will change every month.
- Lussier Family Heritage Center [Art in the Park](#) and [Fireside Yoga](#) events coming up!
- Help spread the word about Leaf-Free Streets ([Facebook](#)) ([Website](#))
- Dane County Parks [newsletter sign up](#) (sent twice a month)
- [Conservation Corner Videos](#)

July

Kids/Families

- July 6 – Get Outside at the Lussier Family Heritage Center with the Bridge Lake Point Waunona Neighborhood Center (Lael Pascual and Clare Carlson)
- July 7 – Get Outside at the Lussier Family Heritage Center with the Goodman Community Center (Lael Pascual and Clare Carlson)
- July 9 – Get Outside at the Lussier Family Heritage Center with the Bridge Lake Point Waunona Neighborhood Center (Lael Pascual and Clare Carlson)
- July 20 – Get Outside at the Lussier Family Heritage Center with the Bridge Lake Point Waunona Neighborhood Center (Lael Pascual and Clare Carlson)
- July 21 – Get Outside at the Lussier Family Heritage Center with the Goodman Community Center (Lael Pascual and Clare Carlson)
- July 27 – Get Outside at the Lussier Family Heritage Center with the Bridge Lake Point Waunona Neighborhood Center (Lael Pascual and Clare Carlson)
- July 30 – Get Outside at the Lussier Family Heritage Center with the Bridge Lake Point Waunona Neighborhood Center (Lael Pascual and Clare Carlson)

Volunteer Events

- July 6 – Prairie Seed Collection along the Ice Age Trail (Shane Otto)
- July 10 – Prairie Seed Collection at Schoenberg Marsh (Shane Otto)
- July 16 – Prairie Seed Collection at Holy Wisdom Monastery (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)

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Presentations/Virtual Engagement

- July 7 – “Adapting to the Challenges of an All-Hands-On-Deck Crisis” presentation at the County Conservationist Meeting - Wisconsin Land + Water (Amy Piaget)
- July 15 – “Clean the Lakes” [NextGen Wisconsin Facebook Live Video](#) (Amy Piaget)
- July 28 – “Land & Water Resources Department Updates” presentation for CLA Community Board (Laura Hicklin)

August

Kids/Families

- August 16 – September 14: Over in the Meadow by Jane Cabrera is the featured StoryWalk® at the Lussier Family Heritage Center (Lael Pascual and Korinne Pollison)
- Aug 3 – Get Outside at the Lussier Family Heritage Center with the Bridge Lake Point Waunona Neighborhood Center (Lael Pascual and Clare Carlson)
- Aug 6 – Get Outside at the Lussier Family Heritage Center with the Bridge Lake Point Waunona Neighborhood Center (Lael Pascual and Clare Carlson)
- Aug 10 – Get Outside at the Lussier Family Heritage Center with the Bridge Lake Point Waunona Neighborhood Center (Lael Pascual and Clare Carlson)
- Aug 13 – Get Outside at the Lussier Family Heritage Center with the Bridge Lake Point Waunona Neighborhood Center (Lael Pascual and Clare Carlson)

Volunteer Events

- Aug 11 – Volunteer Restoration Workday at Walking Iron County Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Aug 20 – Prairie Seed Collection at Capital Springs (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Aug 25 – Volunteer Restoration Workday at Walking Iron County Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Aug 27 – Prairie Seed Collection at Schumacher Farm County Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)

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Presentations/Virtual Engagement

- Aug 12 – “Pheasant Branch Conservancy: Protect, Restore, Preserve” presentation at the Yahara Lakes 101 (Laura Hicklin)
- Aug 18 – “Prairie Restoration” presentation with the Madison Area Master Gardeners (Lars Higdon)
- Aug 25 – “Lake Management and AIS” presentation to the Monona Eco Team (Pete Jopke)

September

Kids/Families

- September 15 - October 14: Black is a Rainbow Color by Angela Joy is the featured StoryWalk® at the Lussier Family Heritage Center (Lael Pascual and Korinne Pollison)
- Sept 16 - Teen Seed Collection event at Holy Wisdom Monastery (Micah Kloppenburg, Susan Sandford and Korinne Pollison)
- Sept 23 - Teen Seed Collection event at Festge County Park (Micah Kloppenburg)
- Sept 30 - Teen Seed Collection event at Lunney Lake Farm County Park (Shane Otto)
- Sept 30 – Storm Drain Mural Presentation with elementary students at the Aldo Leopold Nature Center (Christal Campbell)

Presentations

- Sept 8 – “LWRD Updates: Dredging, harvesters, pier pickup, fish species ” presentation at the Yahara Lakes Association annual meeting (John Reimer and Pete Jopke)

Volunteer Events

- Sept 3- Volunteer Seed Collection with CLA and Sprinkman Real Estate at Lunney Lake Farm County Park (Shane Otto)
- Sept 4 – Prairie Seed Collection at Festge County Park County Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 4 – Prairie Seed Collection at Indian Lake County Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 8 – Volunteer Restoration Workday at Walking Iron County Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 11 – Prairie Seed Collection at CamRock County Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 11 – Prairie Seed Collection at Ice Age Junction-Reddan Unit (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 15 – Prairie Seed Cleaning at Libby Road facility (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 16 – Prairie Seed Collection at Holy Wisdom Monastery (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 16 – Prairie Seed Collection at North Mendota Wildlife Area (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 18 – Prairie Seed Collection at Badger Prairie Country Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 18 – Prairie Seed Collection at Pheasant Branch Conservancy with Humana Insurance Volunteers (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 19 – Party for the Planet – Individual clean up event around the county (41 total volunteers) (Christal Campbell and Susan Sandford in partnership with Henry Vilas Zoo staff)

- Sept 19 – Pollinator garden planting at McCarthy County Park with Exact Sciences volunteers (Rhea Stangel-Maier)
- Sept 22 – Volunteer Restoration Workday at Walking Iron County Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 23 – Prairie Seed Collection at Festge County Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 23 – Prairie Seed Collection at Swamp Lovers Preserve (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 23 – Pollinator garden planting at McCarthy County Park with Sun Prairie High School science students (Rhea Stangel-Maier)
- Sept 25 – Prairie Seed Collection at Donald County Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 25 – Prairie Seed Collection at Indian Lake County Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 29 – Prairie Seed Cleaning at Libby Road facility (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 30 – Prairie Seed Collection at Lunney Lake Farm County Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)
- Sept 30 – Prairie Seed Collection at Yahara Heights County Park (Shane Otto and Lars Higdon)

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Other Virtual Engagement

- [CamRock Shelter #2 Natural Playground Video](#) – featuring playground designer, ADA Consultant, and park planner (Sara Rigelman, Chris James and Susan Sandford)