

Polk County Conservation Winter 2012 Volunteer Events

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Nov - Dec 2012 Edition

Save the Dates

- Volunteer Orientation
Sunday, November 10th
9 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- Power Equipment Safety Training
Saturday, November 10th
10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- Jester Park Invasive Species Round-up
Saturday, November 17th
10:00 a.m. until Noon

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Are you new to the Polk County Conservation Volunteer Program? Do you have questions about how you can get further involved with our program? If yes, then come out to our main office at Jester Park and learn more about becoming a steward, adopting a park or our Trail Ambassador Program. Refreshments provided. Please contact Pat Spain to RSVP, or for more information.

Power Equipment Safety Training

Saturday, November 10th
10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.
Jester Park Main Office

PCC will be holding a mandatory safety training session for all volunteers who are currently using power equipment e.g. chain saws or brush cutters, or for anyone interested in utilizing these methods in our parks or natural areas.



Please RSVP to Pat Spain so we know how many to expect. Refreshments provided.

Jester Park Invasive Species Round-up

Saturday, November 17th
10:00 a.m. until Noon

Meet us at 9:45 a.m. along the road (near Shelter #5). Your help is needed to help us restore our woodlands by removing honeysuckle and other invasive species. Dress according to weather (in layers), wear sturdy boots/hikers and bring gloves. Light refreshments will be served and tools will be supplied.



Special Thank You!

A special “Thank you” to Wells Fargo volunteers who took a day off work to help clean up Trestle to Trestle Trail, and to Trail Ambassador Craig Stafford who assisted!

- Retrieved 3 tires, a truck bumper and a discarded 300 lb manhole cover
- Picked up nearly 400 lbs of trash

A special “Thank you” to Environmental Science students from DMACC and Drake University removing invasive species!

- DMACC students at Carney Marsh (south of Ankeny)
- DMACC students at Yellow Banks Park (with stewards Penny Thomsen and John Harri)
- Drake students removing invasive species at Jester Park

A job well done by Eagle Scout candidate Charlie Jones, who recently completed his project— “Thank you”!

- Charlie installed a new ADA accessible overlook picnic site at Jester Park

Wells Fargo Employees



DMACC Environmental Science Students: Carney Marsh



DMACC Environmental Science Students: Jester Park

