



*Friends* OF THE  
LAKESHORE NATURE PRESERVE

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***Field trips***

The combined attendance for field trips and Science Expeditions in 2018 is estimated to have been more than 650 people. Twenty people attended David Drake's January 12<sup>th</sup> tracking trip.

Science Expeditions April 8, 2019, 2 – 3:30pm, at Picnic Point, is expanding to 5 exploration stations, with the addition of Bryn Sriver, who will host a seed ball making station. The other station hosts are **Dave Mickelson** and Scot Moss at the Rock Wall, **Galen Hasler** and **Paul Noeldner** (Birding), Nate and **Matt Chotlos** (Trees) and Amy Rosebrough at the Mounds.

***Projects and activities***

Spring Planting Saturday, May 18, 9:30am – noon, will be along the new trail that leads from the Frautschi Point parking lot to Biocore Prairie. The Friends will provide funds for Preserve staff to purchase plants.

Garlic Mustard Pull Sunday, May 5, 1-4 pm, will be led by **Roma Lenehan** and Preserve staff.

The Bat Brigade On Tuesday, the Board approved creating this special project and allocated \$1000 to offer as a stipend for a student recruited and selected by **Seth McGee**.

Clean Lakes Alliance Lake Forecasting Steward 2019 On Tuesday, the Board approved joining Clean Lakes Alliance and assembled a team of five (**Matt Chotlos**, **Doris Dubielzig**, **Olympia Mathiaporanam**, **Nicole Miller**, and **Steve Sentoff**), who will make twice-weekly data collections from the pier at the University Bay boat launch across from Lot 60. Each team member will sample for a month and then pass the equipment to the next team member.

2019 Prairie Partner Summer Interns The Friends approved funding for five Interns.

UW Student & Community Engagement On December 6, **Olympia Mathiaporanam** held "Office Hours" at the BioCommons and connected with more than 15 students.

On January 10, **Lillian Tong** met with CALS Sr. Asst. Dean Tom Browne, Laura Wyatt and Bryn Sriver to discuss bringing high school seniors being recruited to UW into the Preserve.

Annual Meeting speaker for April 9, Arboretum Visitor Center auditorium, will be **Matt Reetz**, Executive Director, Madison Audubon Society. His talk is titled, "The Wonders of Migration".

Nomination Committee The Board has approved a slate of three returning Board directors (**Olympia Mathiaporanam**, **Seth McGee**, and **Paul Noeldner**) and four first time nominees (ethnobotanist **Eve Emshwiller**; historian (and new copy editor of the *Preserve!*) **MJ Morgan**; GreenHouse Learning Community Greenhouse manager, **Tom Bryan**; and biology student **Matt Chotlos**).

The Budget for 2019 was approved on December 4. John Minnich, Madison Audubon Society Financial Manager, conducted a review of our finances and practices on Feb. 2.

Submitted by Doris Dubielzig, President