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LAKESHORE NATURE PRESERVE

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***Field trips***

All field trips are canceled for the indefinite future.

***Volunteer Events***

The Garlic Mustard Pull and Spring Planting events have been canceled. The order for the forbs was canceled. The order for the shrubs arrived and was handled by the staff.

***Heritage Marker***

We have not heard any updates on the grant proposal submitted by Eve Emshwiller and colleagues. Realistically this may not happen.

***Annual Meeting***

The annual meeting, planned originally for April 7, has been postponed at least until September.

***Citizen Science***

Our three permitted citizen science projects are moving forward, with minor modifications to assure social distancing.

The Purple Martin house has been opened for the season. There has been some House Sparrow activity, but no sign of them nesting. No Purple Martins have been sighted yet as it is still quite cold.

There are eight Bluebird houses up for the season. Two are of a new design with skylights and predator guards; hopefully these will deter the House Sparrows. One Bluebird nest with four eggs has been recorded.

The Lake Monitoring season is due to start May 21.