



MARCH 2025

BADIN HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SERVICE PROJECT



If you've hiked the Nonhelma trail in Governor Bebb MetroPark anytime in the last year, you've surely seen the large pile of Junk and the sign stating Volunteer Project with it. That pile has been the culmination of a year of work by five students from Badin High School as a part of their Senior Service project. The scrap and trash itself had been dumped just behind the pile in the tree line before MetroParks managed that parcel of land with some items dating back to the 1960's! In the past year the five students from Baden over 92 hours of service dug, cut, lifted, and hauled approximately 3,700lbs of junk up out of a gully and through the treeline.

The Senior Servant Leadership Project is the culmination of this four-year program, giving students the opportunity to put into action all they have learned and experienced through service thus far, planning a project that involves research, advocacy, and service, that might better our corner of the world.

TRAIL AMBASSADOR UPDATES

Looking for new trails to explore? The following parks haven't seen many Ambassadors in the past month!

To Join the Trail Ambassador program email us at

volunteering@yourmetroparks.net

Make sure you're logging your hours on Better Impact

- Four Mile Creek MetroPark (Antenen Nature Preserve, Sycamore Bluff)
- Chrisholm MetroPark, Woodsdale Park
- Indian Creek MetroPark
- Rentschler Forest MetroPark
- Forest Run MetroPark
- Timberman Ridge MetroPark
- Voice of America MetroPark

Share your volunteer story!

Do you have a story or message from a volunteer experience? We want to hear about it! Your stories, will be featured in the monthly newsletter. So everyone will get a chance to see all the different projects going on in the MetroParks! To submit a story, messages and any photos you want to share send them to volunteering@yourmetroparks.net

STAY UP TO DATE ON WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR PARKS ON FACEBOOK!

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR MARCH

To register and see other events sign in to your MyImpact Account

Nature in a Blink: Woodcock Wooing

Love is in the air! Enjoy the sights and sounds of the mating display of the American Woodcock during this crepuscular (early evening) hike. Learn about the mysterious lifestyle of this shorebird and its many names such as timberdoodle and bog sucker.

- March 1st - 5:15pm-7:45pm
Sebald MetroPark

Nature in a Blink: Salamander Migration

The moment the ground begins to thaw, the salamanders of Indian Creek are ready to go! Join us during this one-night, special evening program to observe migration from forest to vernal pools where the salamanders can safely lay their eggs.

- Date TBD - 7:00pm-10:00pm
Indian Creek MetroPark

Farm Helper Orientation

Looking for a new way to get involved with the parks, curious about what it takes to raise farm animals? Meet with Metroparks staff for a monthly orientation of our Farm Animal Care program. See what it takes to work with the farm animals living at Chrisholm Historic Farmstead!

- March 14th - 3:30pm-4:30pm
Chrisholm MetroPark

TAPs Hiking Monitor Orientation

Looking for a new way to volunteer, get some exercise, and explore nature? Join us for our monthly Trail Ambassador Program Hiking Monitor meeting. This hour-long meeting is meant to introduce potential new volunteers to TAPs as we take a hike through one of our parks and go over the responsibilities of a Hiking Monitor!

- March 14th - 10:00am-11:00am
Line Hill Mound MetroPark

Middletown Community Garden - Spring Cleanup

Work with our Programming staff to prep the community gardens for the planting season tasks include weeding/repairing beds/fixing the shed/hanging hoses/spreading dirt/digging up some fruit plants to be moved to CHF/removing debris from compost/flipping compost/planting cold veggies

- March 22nd - 10:00am-12:00pm
Middletown Community Gardens

Choppportunities - Invasive Species Removal

Join MetroParks staff as we meet to continuously work on beating back the invasive species in our parks making room for natives to thrive

- March 7 - 9:30am-11:30am Green Heron MetroPark
- March 11 - 9:30am-11:30am Forest Run MetroPark
- March 18 - 9:30am-11:30am Rentschler Forest MetroPark
- March 21 - 9:30am-11:30am Rentschler Forest MetroPark
- March 25 - 9:30am-11:00am Rentschler Forest MetroPark

THE MISSION OF THE METROPARKS OF BUTLER COUNTY IS TO PROVIDE A SUPERIOR PARK SYSTEM THAT MAXIMIZES THE COMMUNITY'S QUALITY OF LIFE THROUGH CONSERVATION, EDUCATION AND RECREATION.



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