

Oak Savanna Alliance – Kettle Moraine Region

2015 Oak Opening Workshop Descriptions

Saturday, May 16, 2015: 9 AM - 4 PM

At Timber-Lee

N8705 Scout Road, East Troy, WI 53120



Please note location change – Seminars are in Lower Redwood Commons

Oak Opening Workshop Schedule

| Concurrent Session A | Concurrent Session B |
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| 9:00-9:30 AM: Check in, Hallway of Lower Redwood Commons – <i>Displays, Coffee, Sweet Rolls</i> | |
| 9:30-9:40 AM: Welcome/Orientation: Sequoia | |
| Passing Time (5 Minute Break) | |
| <p>9:45-10:45 AM: Sequoia</p> <p>How Can Contractors Help You with Your Land Management? By Jason Dare of Owner of Dare Ecosystem Management, LLC <i>Landowners and property managers have a lot of tasks that a contractor may have better resources or funding resources to manage than doing it on your own. Come find out how contractors can help you maximize your efforts!</i></p> | <p>9:45-10:45 AM: Cypress</p> <p>Introduction to the Deer Mapping Assistance Program By Kelly Van Beek, Wildlife Biologist of WDNR Wildlife Management Bureau <i>Interested in private lands management with assistance from your local DNR staff? DMAP can provide assistance to not just hunters, but dedicated land owners interested in improving habitat while understanding the impacts of deer on their restorations.</i></p> |
| Passing Time (15 Minute Break) | |
| <p>11:00 AM - 12:00 Noon: Sequoia</p> <p>Experience From Volunteers and Volunteer Opportunities Zach Kastern & Paul Mozina, Volunteers at the Kettle Moraine State Forest <i>As a volunteer you not only give to your community, but you have a fabulous field learning experience. See how you can learn the most cutting edge researched methods from the best in the field, and make valuable connections to state and private entities.</i></p> | <p>11:00 AM – 12:00 Noon: Cypress</p> <p>Invasive Species Removal Demo Wisconsin DNR Biologist, Matt Zine Timber-Lee Science Director, Emily Stahl <i>Get some hands on training with the species and tools you need to work with. There will be time to walk around Timber-lee, try some methods, ask your questions about best practice, and learn what works or what wastes your time. Low budget advice included!</i></p> |
| Noon – 1 PM Lunch: Picnic Pavilion of Timber-Lee Dining Facilities – Complementary Meal | |
| 1:00-1:45 PM: Sequoia | |
| <p>Keynote Speaker: Matt Zine: Lulu Lake Master Planning In-Progress <i>What is the Master Planning process, how is the public involved, how can you learn from this standard? Enjoy learning the details of the Lulu Master Plan being presently planned and reviewed. Questions welcomed!</i></p> | |
| Passing Time (15 Minute Break) | |
| <p>2:00-3:00 PM: Cypress</p> <p>Oak Savanna Characteristics at Kettle Moraine State Forest SU Eric Tarman-Ramcheck, Conservation Biologist at KMSF <i>Learn how to identify Oak Savanna remnants and plants, learn the characteristics of a thriving oak savanna, and consider how you can improve your land's habitats by emulating the ideal savanna.</i></p> | <p>2:00-4:00 PM: Group up in Sequoia</p> <p>Field Trip #1 at TNC Lulu Lake Preserve: (own transportation) Matt Zine, Wisconsin DNR Biologist <i>The Nature Conservancy and Wisconsin DNR have been managing land around Lulu Lake for many years. This tour will highlight their management philosophy and results of 20+ years of research and professional and volunteer management efforts.</i></p> |
| Passing Time (5 Minute Break) | <p>Field Trip #2 at Saviano Private Residence at Lulu Lake SNA: (van transportation courtesy of NCI-Difficult access to property.) Chris Mann, Kettle Moraine Land Stewards, LLC & property owner Don Saviano <i>How D. Saviano contracted C. Mann, got grant money, got management work done on his land, then influenced his neighbors. Come hear about their experience and see the result of their work.</i></p> |
| <p>3:00 - 4:00 PM: Cypress</p> <p>Invasive Species Control Techniques Emily Stahl/Eric TR of Timber-Lee <i>We've sifted through information regarding best practices being used to control invasives (and big mistakes) – so you don't have to!</i></p> | |

After 4 PM participants are welcome to explore Timber-Lee's grounds and hiking trails. Limited activity areas will be open, but participants are welcome to inquire ahead.

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The mission of the Oak Savanna Alliance (OSA) is to promote the protection, restoration, and awareness of oak savannas in the Southern Kettle Moraine Region.

OSA is a partnership of government, local conservation groups, and private landowners interested in preserving this rare natural community.



The workshop is free and open to the public.

There are 3 ways to register:

1. Send an email to: amanda.kutka@wi.gov
2. Call 262-594-6200 and provide your name and email address (or mailing address).
3. Complete the form below and mail to:

Southern Unit—KMSF
S91 W39091 State Hwy 59
Eagle WI 53119

Name _____

Email _____

OR

Address _____

City _____

State & Zip code _____

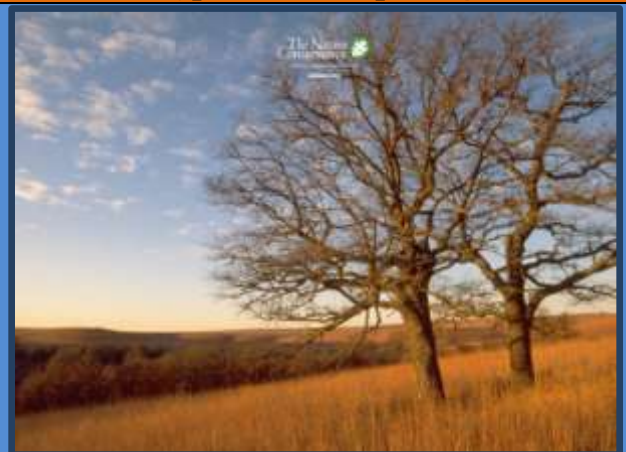
Registration deadline: Thursday, May 07, 2015.

Complementary Cafeteria Dining for Lunch and all seminar costs is covered by a Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin Besadny grant.

Map Directions to Camp Timber-Lee



Typical Oak Opening



Oak openings now shares equal billing with tallgrass prairie as the most threatened plant community in the Midwest and among the most threatened in the world. Intact examples of oak savanna vegetation are now so rare that less than 500 acres exist in Wisconsin. This is less than 0.01% of the original 5.5 million acres.



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