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Volunteer Updates

Thank you to all our Volunteers!

State of the Waters Volunteer Recognition

Wednesday, December 13, 2017: 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM



Throughout the year, many dedicated people volunteer their time and energy to improving water quality around our District. If you have volunteered with the District, please join us in celebrating your hard work!

The State of the Waters celebration will take place on Wednesday, December 13th from 6:30 to 8:00 PM at the Eden Prairie Community Center in the Cambria Room (16700 Valley View Road, Eden Prairie). We will have a light dinner and a presentation.

The event is free and open to the public. Please RSVP on our website by December 5th: ninemilecreek.org/whats-happening/upcoming-events/dec13/

Successful Buckthorn Bust



On Saturday, October 28th, over 25 intrepid volunteers braved the chilly weather to cut down buckthorn. Two groups cleared about half an acre of buckthorn, an invasive shrub that chokes out native forest plants. Some of the buckthorn they cut down was over 20 feet tall.

This volunteer buckthorn bust was part of a larger, multi-year restoration plan on the grounds of Discovery Point. This plan aims to demonstrate various buckthorn removal strategies and various methods to replant afterwards. The District will share lessons learned at Discovery Point with others interested in doing their own restorations. To learn more, visit our website: ninemilecreek.org/9-mile-creek-discovery-point/around-discovery-point/restoration/

Stay tuned for a volunteer planting in spring of 2018!

Featured Project

Master Water Steward Volunteers: a look back at a successful raingarden

Last summer, three Master Water Steward volunteers helped two neighbors put in a 150 square foot raingarden in Eden Prairie. This garden

captures water off the roof, and soaks it into the ground. Nearly a year later, the plants have grown in nicely, and provide beautiful spring and fall blooms for the residents.



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