



# Calumet Stewardship Workday Spring/Summer Calendar 2010

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**Please make sure to RSVP for workdays as cancellations may occur.**

## May

### **May 1, Beaubien Woods**

9 am to noon, Workday Leader: Laura Milkert at 312-665-7443 or [lmilkert@fieldmuseum.org](mailto:lmilkert@fieldmuseum.org)

### **May 8, Dan Ryan Woods**

9 am to noon, Workday Leader: Benjamin Cox at 773-398-1178 or [benjamin@fotfp.org](mailto:benjamin@fotfp.org)

### **May 8, Eggers Woods**

10 am to 1 pm, Workday Leader: John Pastirik at 773-991-0613

### **May 15, Powderhorn Prairie**

9 am to noon, Workday Leaders: Alice Brandon and Doug Chien, 312-356-9990 or [alice@fotfp.org](mailto:alice@fotfp.org)

### **May 22, Kickapoo Prairie**

10 am to 1 pm, Workday Leader: Eileen Klees, 773-238-4221 or [eklees@gmail.com](mailto:eklees@gmail.com)

## June

### **June 5, Tour with volunteers of Indiana sites**

For more information contact Laura Milkert at 312-665-7443 or [lmilkert@fieldmuseum.org](mailto:lmilkert@fieldmuseum.org)

### **June 5, Whistler Woods**

10 am to 1 pm, Workday Leaders: Rebecca Blazer, 773-972-8080 or [rebecca\\_blazer@hotmail.com](mailto:rebecca_blazer@hotmail.com)

### **June 12, Dan Ryan Woods**

9 am to noon, Workday Leader: Benjamin Cox at 773-398-1178 or [benjamin@fotfp.org](mailto:benjamin@fotfp.org)

### **June 12, Eggers Woods**

10 am to 1 pm, Workday Leader: John Pastirik at 773-991-0613

### **June 19, Calumet Stewardship Initiative Leave No Child Inside event & celebration at Wolf Lake!**

For more information contact Laura Milkert at 312-665-7443 or [lmilkert@fieldmuseum.org](mailto:lmilkert@fieldmuseum.org)

### **June 26, Kickapoo Prairie**

10 am to 1 pm, Workday Leader: Eileen Klees, 773-238-4221 or [eklees@gmail.com](mailto:eklees@gmail.com)

## July

### **July 10, Dan Ryan Woods**

9 am to noon, Workday Leader: Benjamin Cox at 773-398-1178 or [benjamin@fotfp.org](mailto:benjamin@fotfp.org)

### **July 10, Eggers Woods**

10 am to 1 pm, Workday Leader: John Pastirik at 773-991-0613

### **July 17, Powderhorn Prairie, walk-through of site and development of annual plan**

9 am to noon, Workday Leaders: Alice Brandon and Doug Chien, 312-356-9990 or [alice@fotfp.org](mailto:alice@fotfp.org)

### **July 24, Kickapoo Prairie**

10 am to 1 pm, Workday Leader: Eileen Klees, 773-238-4221 or [eklees@gmail.com](mailto:eklees@gmail.com)

## August

### **August 7th, Eggers Woods**

10 am to 1 pm, Workday Leader: John Pastirik at 773-991-0613

### **August 14, Dan Ryan Woods**

9 am to noon, Workday Leader: Benjamin Cox at 773-398-1178 or benjamin@fotfp.org

### **August 28, Whistler Woods**

10 am - 1 pm, Workday Leaders: Rebecca Blazer, 773-972-8080 or rebecca\_blazer@hotmail.com

### **August 28, Kickapoo Prairie**

10 am to 1 pm, Workday Leader: Eileen Klees, 773-238-4221 or eklees@gmail.com

## WHAT WE DO

Currently, there are too many invasive plants in the forest preserves. These species are removed by volunteers using hand tools and then stacked and burned to help improve habitat for native plants and animals. Trained leaders show you how to identify plants that don't belong and demonstrate how to safely use hand tools to remove them. All the necessary tools and work gloves are provided. Depending on the season, workdays may also include native seed collection for dispersal in areas cleared of invasive species or nature walks to enjoy the preserve.

## WHAT TO BRING

All participants should be dressed for a day of outdoor work. Please wear covered shoes (hiking boots or tennis shoes) and long pants. Clothing should be made of natural fibers such as cotton or wool (no synthetic clothing) as workdays often have brushpile burns and stray embers can "burn" clothing. Please wear comfortable clothes that can get dirty. Please bring your own drinking water. Depending on the season, sun screen or insect repellent maybe good items to bring to a workday.

## DIRECTIONS TO EACH SITE

**Beaubien Woods:** meet at the picnic pavilion (Take I-94 to the Beaubien Woods Exit #69 just south of 130th St.).

**Dan Ryan Woods:** meet at the parking lot on the north side of 87th St. two blocks east of S. Western Ave.

**Powderhorn Prairie:** meet in the Powderhorn Lake parking lot on the east side of Brainard Ave. just south of Burnham Ave. in south east Chicago.

**Kickapoo Prairie:** park in the Thorton Township Municipal Building (Halsted and 144<sup>th</sup> St.) and meet at the entrance to the prairie site that is directly west and across the street from the parking lot in Riverdale.

**Eggers Woods:** meet at the caretaker's house for the preserve at east 112th Street and Ave. E. in Chicago.

**Whistler Woods:** Located east of Halsted close to the intersection of Halsted and Forestview Ave. in Riverdale, drive all the way to the end of the lot at Whistler and park in the circle near the Major Taylor Trail trailhead.