

April 2022

# NATURALISTS



Maryland Master Naturalists of Frederick County Newsletter

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Thank you to all the Volunteers who participated  
in Cunningham Falls Maple Syrup Festival



## Advanced Training– Nature Journaling

Our nature journaling is part craft, part learning how to slow down and take in all there is in the outdoors. Participants will learn about the different types of journaling then bind their own notebooks. We'll help you get started with inspiration from our Nature Center and the forest surrounding it.

Friday, April 8, 6PM-8PM

Fountain Rock Nature Center, \$15

If you wish to attend you **MUST** register

Register at the [Recreater.com](https://www.recreater.com), program #26573

Or Call (301) 600-2936

# **ADVANCED TRAINING**

## **The Story of the Rainbow Trout- a fish synthesized by man**

Join us as we host one of our local Master Naturalist Volunteers, Wayne Leadbetter, to discuss the consequences of fish - human interactions and the unique superpower attributes that have allowed fish to evolve into the most numerous vertebrate on Earth.

**Thursday, May 19, 2022 at 4 to 6 PM**

**@ Fountain Rock Nature Center, \$10**

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## **Volunteer Opportunities**



**STREAMLINK**  
EDUCATION

**Volunteer  
Event  
Schedule  
Spring 2022**

**9 fun, educational volunteer events to reforest Frederick County!**

### **TREE TEAMS**

**FOREST MAINTENANCE EVENTS**  
MARCH 19, MARCH 26, MAY 14

### **TREE PLANTINGS**

**FUN FOR ALL AGES!**  
APRIL 2, APRIL 16, APRIL 23, MAY 7

### **NURSERY TEAMS**

**GROWING NATIVE TREES**  
APRIL 9, APRIL 30

**(9:00 AM - 11:00 AM)**



**[WWW.STREAMLINKEDUCATION.ORG/VOLUNTEER](http://WWW.STREAMLINKEDUCATION.ORG/VOLUNTEER) FOR MORE  
INFO AND TO REGISTER!**



This project is funded in part by  
Maryland's Chesapeake and Atlantic  
Coastal Bays [Trust Fund](#).



**ONETREEPLANTED**



## **Volunteers Wanted for Animal Care at Fountain Rock!**

**Tuesdays & Wednesdays 10AM to 12PM**

Contact Kelly Ketzenberger at  
[KKetzenberger@FrederickCountyMD.gov](mailto:KKetzenberger@FrederickCountyMD.gov)

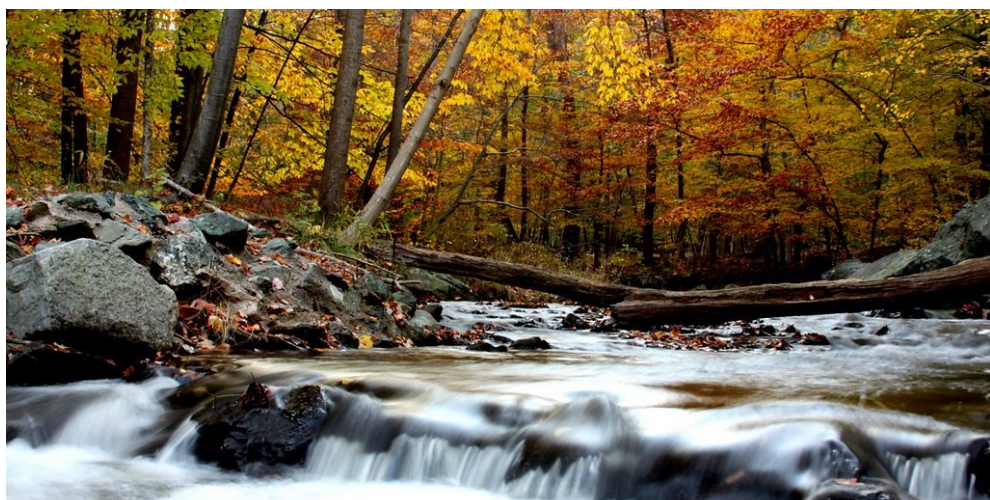


# Volunteer Opportunities

## Cunningham Falls:

### **Visitor Center and Nature Center volunteers needed:**

Looking for friendly faces to staff both buildings starting in April - no special skills required. Requirements include a friendly demeanor, a willingness to chat with the public, answer basic questions and open/close the buildings. Fridays-Sundays are peak visitation from the hours of 10am - 2pm, but we are open to discuss any availability/interest. Contact [claudia.padilla@maryland.gov](mailto:claudia.padilla@maryland.gov) if you're interested in helping out.



## Community Volunteer Days at Fountain Rock

Tuesday, April 5th, 9AM-2PM, Snake Alley Weed Pull

Tuesday April 26th, 9AM-2 PM, General Park Help

Saturday May 14th, 10AM-2PM, Pollinator Gardens

Tuesday May 17th, 9AM to 2PM, General Park Help

For more information contact the Nature Center Manager, Kelly Ketzenberger, [kketzenberger@frederickcountymd.gov](mailto:kketzenberger@frederickcountymd.gov)

(301) 600-4460





# NATIVE PLANTS & FLOWERS

Black-Eyed Susan (*Rudbeckia hirta*)  
Blue False Indigo (*Baptisia australis*)  
Blue Mistflower (*Conoclinium coelestinum*)  
Dense Blazing Star (*Liatris spicata*)  
Dwarf Red Coreopsis (*Coreopsis tinctoria*)  
Foxglove Beardtongue (*Penstemon digitalis*)  
Great Blue Lobelia (*Lobelia siphilitica*)  
Heartleaf Foamflower (*Tiarella wherryi*)  
New England Aster (*Symphyotrichum novae-angliae*)  
Orange Butterfly Weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*)  
Purple Anise (*Anise hyssop*)  
Purple Coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea*)  
Spotted Joe Pye (*Eutrochium maculatum*)  
Wild Bergamot (*Monarda fistulosa*)



## ERUCC Spring Native Plant SEMINAR

Native plants are the building blocks for a healthy ecosystem. Join Jenny Willoughby, Sustainability Manager for the City of Frederick and Jennifer Carpenter, the Greenhouse Manager for the Frederick Food Security Network, for a seminar on the benefits of native gardening.

Hosted by the Frederick Food Security Network and ERUCC.

**DATE:**

Sunday April 24th, 2022

**TIME:**

9:30-10:15 AM

**LOCATION:**

Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ  
15 West Church St. Frederick MD 21701  
301.662.2762



If you have questions please contact Jen ([jc32@hood.edu](mailto:jc32@hood.edu)) or Gina ([gohl@hood.edu](mailto:gohl@hood.edu)) with FFSN or Linda with ERUCC ([lkcoyle@yahoo.com](mailto:lkcoyle@yahoo.com)).

## ERUCC SPRING NATIVE PLANT SALE

Native plants are the building blocks for a healthy ecosystem. Help conserve native species by planting native this year! Hosted by the Frederick Food Security Network and ERUCC.



**DATE:**

Sunday May 1st, 2022

**TIME:**

11:30 -2:00 PM

**LOCATION:**

Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ  
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# Events

## Maryland Iron Festival

**May 21 & 22, 2022**

**10 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

Celebrate our region's history as an early center for iron making at this festival featuring blacksmithing demonstrations; hands on casting and molding demonstrations; guided tours of the historic village by costumed interpreters; a beer and wine garden; plein air artists delicious historic foods; a wide variety of iron and metalwork arts, crafts, and jewelry; live period music; whimsical cannonball tosses and anvil lifting contests; childrens' activities; make it/take it opportunities, and more! Partner events in surrounding parks and towns—including exhibits at the Museum of the Ironworker, educational speakers at the Thurmont Public Library, guided tours of the charcoal trail in nearby Catoclin Mountain Park, and a commemoration of the role of Africans in ironmaking at Catoclin. (FREE) This program is managed and sponsored by the Catoclin Furnace Historical Society.

## Clubs, Committees, & Councils, OH MY!

If you are interested in joining a **Nature Book Club** that meets every other month—please contact Lynne Marquess [lynne@marq3.net](mailto:lynne@marq3.net)

**Bright Green Lies** By: Derrick Jensen

Next meeting: 3:00 p.m. on March 21st at Catoclin Creek Nature Center - either inside or outside depending on weather conditions

## Frederick County Nature Council

**Frederick County Nature Council** – meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month from 7-9pm (NO MEETINGS in NOVEMBER or DECEMBER)

Meetings will be hybrid, April 18th

Doors of Fountain Rock Nature Center will open at 6:45PM

Zoom Meeting Option-

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82656476744?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82656476744?pwd=Qi8xUmX2UjlieHFXSERwK0Qxb3N3UT09)  
[pwd=Qi8xUmX2UjlieHFXSERwK0Qxb3N3UT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82656476744?pwd=Qi8xUmX2UjlieHFXSERwK0Qxb3N3UT09)

Meeting ID: 826 5647 6744

Passcode: 244735

**Meeting attendance counts toward Master Naturalist volunteer hours.** Council is a member of the Frederick County Association of Recreation Councils and works on/supports: Volunteer Recognition Event in January, Nature Fest/Silent Auction in April/May, Frederick County Fair in September, Park After Dark/Silent Auction, volunteering, funding and facilitating projects to benefit Catoclin Creek Park & Nature Center and Fountain Rock Park & Nature Center.

## List of Approved Sites for Advanced Training and Volunteer Hours for Frederick County Maryland Master Naturalists

*If you volunteer for, or go to an event at any of these sites, you will not need facilitator approval for your hours, but you must show proof of attendance or volunteer hours for verification.*

- **Catoctin Creek Park**
- **Fountain Rock Park**
- **Cunningham Falls State Park:** <https://dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/western/cunningham.aspx>
- **Gambrill State Park**
- **Catoctin Mountain Park:** <https://www.nps.gov/cato/index.htm>
- **Baker and Waterford Parks**
- **Howard County Conservancy:** <https://www.howardnature.org/>
- **Irvine Nature Center:** [www.explorenature.com](http://www.explorenature.com)
- **Robinson Nature Center:** [www.howardcountymd.gov/Robinson](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/Robinson)
- **The Natural History Society of Maryland:** <https://marylandnature.org/>
- **Audubon Society of Central Maryland:** <https://www.centralmdaudubon.org/>
- **Audubon Naturalist Society:** <https://anshome.org/>
- **Maryland Native Plant Society:** <https://mdflora.org/>
- **Montgomery County Parks:** <https://apm.activecommunities.com/montgomerycounty/Home>
- **Oregon Ridge Nature Center:** <https://oregonridgenaturecenter.org/>
- **MAEOE Conference:** <https://maeoe.org/>
- **Fox Haven Farm:** <http://foxhavenfarm.org/>
- **Frederick County Forestry Board:** <https://www.fcfcdb.org/home>
- **Frederick County Nature Council:** <https://www.naturecouncilfc.org/>

Join these Facebook pages for more information about local Events, Resources, and Advanced Training Opportunities.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/358589201604780/>

Frederick County Maryland Master Naturalists

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/161447094719398/>

Maryland Master Naturalist Graduates: Cunningham Falls State Park

## Newsletter Submissions

If you have a club or group that meets regularly, or if you are working on a project and need volunteers - let Theresa Bartlette know and she can add that information to the newsletter!

**Please submit 5 days prior to the end of the month**

[TBartlette@frederickcountymd.gov](mailto:TBartlette@frederickcountymd.gov)

