

# Volunteer Connection

## Volunteers Make It Happen

Here are some reminders of projects that need volunteers now!

**National Trails Day** - It's this Saturday, June 4. If you're available to help, please call Larry and tell him when you can be here.

**Weed the rain garden:** True to its name, the rain garden soaked up a lot of water in May, and the invasive plants are flourishing amid the natives. It's time for us to get in there! We'll supply tools and instruction. Call Judy to help with this project and the next two.

**Plant the children's gardens:** Rachael, our new garden program educator, is almost ready to plant the plots that need to get a head start before the kids' groups arrive. She needs some seeds and seedlings (see bottom of page) and some helpers.

**Pull garlic mustard:** Between the weather and a small staff, we were not able to torch first year plants this spring. Now that second year plants have started to bloom, we need to focus on them—pulling them out and bagging them.

Growth takes time.  
Be patient.  
And while you're waiting, pull a weed.  
*Emilie Barnes*

The more one gardens,  
the more one learns;  
and the more one learns,  
the more one realizes  
how little one knows.  
I suppose the whole of life is like that. *V. Sackville-West*



## Updates

**Prescribed Burn? Maybe next year:** No surprise—the burn didn't happen this year. There were too few dry days to get the right conditions. "This was toughest year we've had for burning", according to the DNR Wildlife Specialist who heads up our burn each year. Out of 30 priority sites they planned on burning, they were only able to do 7, given the ongoing rainy conditions.

**Birding Hike for adults:** On Saturday, June 25, 8:00–10:00 am, you'll have another opportunity to

join some of Havenwoods' birders on a leisurely walk around the property in search of birds. Bring your own binoculars or borrow some from us. No previous birding experience is needed.

**Butterfly Count for adults:** We invite you to join us on July 23 and 30, Saturdays, at 10:00 to 12:00 noon, for our annual butterfly count to track the species that



visit Havenwoods. No experience is needed. We'll help you learn to identify the species, then we'll go outside to locate and count butterflies. Bring your own binoculars or borrow some from us.

And if you want to explore for butterflies or other species on your own, here's a link to our checklists, [http://friendsofhavenwoods.org/nature\\_in\\_the\\_city.htm](http://friendsofhavenwoods.org/nature_in_the_city.htm)

## Buds 'n Sprouts Wish List

Rachel Skoczek is our new garden program educator. She's an enthusiastic organic gardener and is really excited about coordinating our kids' program.



Here's a list of seedlings and seeds that Rachel's looking for. Got any leftovers you don't have a use for? Just drop them off at our office.

### Seedlings



- Tomato
  - Red & yellow cherry type
  - Large beefsteak type
  - Rainbow striped type
- Peppers—sweet & chile
- Tomatillo
- Brussels sprouts
- Eggplant
- Broccoli
- Onion—red, white, yellow
- Potatoes

### Seeds or seedlings

- Zinnia—California Giant
- Greens—any, but especially Collard and Lacinato Kale
- Lettuces—any, but especially Mesclun mix
- Green onion (scallion)
- Nasturtium



## June 2011 – Havenwoods’ Schedule

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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