

Nature Notes

From your friends at Saint John's Arboretum!

The CSB/SJU Bailey Herbarium

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- Have you visited the Bailey Herbarium in Room 373, PENGL?
- The herbarium is like a "reference library" of pressed, dried, labeled and identified plants!
- Our herbarium has a large collection of fungal pathogens!
- Learn more about the herbarium at [30K Day](#), a celebration of the 30,000th specimen! See events below for details.

- Sources:
Saupe, Stephen, Ph.D. "The CSB/SJU Bailey Herbarium" *Sagatagan Seasons*. (1999)

Jokes...so bad they're funny!

- Q: Why did the hummingbird have to stay after school?
A: He didn't do his hum-work!
- Q: What's the worst thing about being an octopus?
A: Washing your hands before dinner!

Wondering what is Nature Notes? Our weekly Nature Notes email will include natural history topics, upcoming events, and silly jokes! We hope to inspire you to get out and explore the Arboretum!

Upcoming Arboretum Events

2 Volunteer Opportunities

Thursday, November 10

4:15-5:30 pm

Pine Cone Collection-no experience or equipment needed, just dress to be outside. The seeds from the collected cones will be used to plant more trees in the Arboretum. Meet at the Bell Banner and we'll go out to Watab from there. If interested, fill out this form: <https://www.csbsju.edu/Arboretum/GetInvolved/Volunteer/VolunteerForm.aspx>

Friday, November 11

8:00-10:00 pm

Maple Syrup Bottling-no experience or equipment needed, dress in comfortable layers as some jobs get warm! Help Br. Walter Kieffer bottle Saint John's Maple Syrup! Meet at the SJU Reef Kitchen. Limited to the first 10-12 people to sign up! Email wbkieffer@csbsju.edu if interested.

Potential Prescribed Burns

November 10 and/or 14

The Arboretum is gearing up for the fall burning season! We have two tentative dates remaining this fall to complete the burns, depending on weather and conditions on the ground. Sign up for volunteer shifts using this [online form](#). Check out a [slide show](#) from one of last fall's burns!

Nature as Spiritual Practice Reading Group

2nd Meeting: Wednesday, November 9

2nd Wed., Oct-Nov & Feb-May, 6:00-7:30p.m.

It's not too late to join the group! Join author Dr. Steven Chase, Amanda Castonguay and Jodie Peschl as they facilitate this unique practice group based on readings from *Nature as Spiritual Practice*, an innovative text that shows in practical ways how delighting in the natural world can enhance spiritual life. [Register and purchase texts on the Arboretum website.](#)

Outdoor Week 2011: November 13 - November 19

Canoeing on Lake Sagatagan

Sunday November 13, 11a.m.—1p.m.

Beach, SJU

Enjoy the last opportunity of the fall to get out on Lake Sagatagan! Canoes will be available for free and guides will be on hand.

Bike Maintenance Extravaganza

Tuesday, November 15, 5-6 p.m.

OLC in Basement of Mary Hall

Come learn how to maintain and fix bikes. Bring your own bike or help us by working on one of the Green Bikes. Tools will be available.

[Email the OLC](#) reserve your space.

Arboretum Photo Contest

Entries due: Tuesday, November 15

Take your camera with you on your next venture into the Arboretum and then submit your photos to the annual Arboretum photo contest!

Submission details are on the [Arboretum website.](#)

30K Day

November 15, 6:30p.m.

Room 373, Peter Engel Science Building, SJU

On November 15 the CSB/SJU Bailey Herbarium will celebrate their 30,000th specimen! Tour the Herbarium and listen to a panel of speakers recount the past, present, and future of collecting and preserving plants at Saint John's and in Minnesota. Come for any or all of the program to welcome this latest addition!

John Ball and Lawn Games

Wednesday November 16, 4-6:30p.m.

Tundra, SJU

Join the OLC and John Ball Club for an afternoon of games on the Tundra. No teams required, pick-up games. Equipment will be provided.

Banff Mountain Film Festival

Thursday November 17, 7:30-10 p.m.

Pellegrene Auditorium, SJU

This show is tentatively sold out!

Please call 320-363-2136 for ticket availability.

Tickets not picked up or paid for will be released for re-sale beginning Saturday, November 12.

Bonfire and S'mores on Watab

Friday November 18, 7:30-10 p.m.

Watab "Island"

Join the OLC and friends for s'mores, music and camaraderie.

If you would like to be on the volunteer e-mail list for the Arboretum, please e-mail your name and graduation year to: arboretum@csbsju.edu.

We'll be in touch...
Your friends at the Arboretum

It's your backyard, so get out and play!

***Nature Notes is a weekly publication designed to keep you informed about exciting events offered by the Arboretum!

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For the week of November 9 to November 15