

Volunteer to help with prescribed burns at the Arboretum!



So why do we do prescribed burns?... Prescribed burns help suppress the growth of trees and invasive species, and they encourage the growth of native prairie plants, birds, mammals, and butterflies. Prairie plants thrive in fires because they have protected root systems up to 15 feet deep! Following a burn, prairie plants burst with new growth and flowers.

<http://www.nature.org/wherewework/northamerica/states/minnesota/press/press3433.html>

Q: Why is prairie grass so dangerous?

A: Because it's full of blades!

Q: What do you get when you cross poison ivy with a four leaf clover?

A: A rash of good luck!

Upcoming Events

Prescribed Fires- Nov. 4, 5, 17, 19

- Prescribed fires at Saint John's Arboretum are an important land management activity. [Sign up](#) to volunteer today!

2008 Arboretum Photo Contest Entry Deadline- Monday Nov. 17

-Capture the beauty of the Arboretum! Photos can be from any time as long as they were taken in the Arboretum. Check out the Arboretum website for more information.

Lichens of the North Woods with Joe Walewski- Tuesday Nov. 18

-As a Wolf Ridge Naturalist and author of *Lichens of the North Woods*, Joe Walewski has been studying the magical and mysterious world of lichens from all angles. Join him for an entertaining evening of stories and images to learn about lichen biology, ecology, history, uses, and conservation issues. Meet at the pendulum in the New Science Center at 6:30pm.

If you would like to be on the volunteer e-mail list for the Arboretum, please e-mail arboretum@csbsju.edu.

We'll be in touch...

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