

# Join the fun at these upcoming Arboretum events!



Did you know... Bur oaks are commonly found in the oak savanna, along the fringes of prairies and woodlands. Other trees have difficulties growing in this region because frequent fires destroy them. One adaptation of the bur oaks lies in their seeds. Acorns grow tap roots into the soil, up to 4.5 feet deep. The stem above ground grows only about 6 inches. When fires sweep through the area, the stem dies, but the roots are able to survive. The roots are able to produce a larger stem that is able to withstand the next fire.

<http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/volunteer/sep0ct08/trees.html>

**Q:** What is the oak's least favorite month?

**A:** Sep-TIMBER!

**Q:** What did the oak wear to the pool party?

**A:** Swimming Trunks!

## **Come help the Arboretum harvest acorns!**

We are harvesting acorns to replant in the arboretum in the spring.

We will meet in the New Science Atrium (by the pendulum) at:

- 2:30 Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup>
- 1:00 Friday September 26<sup>th</sup>

## **Homecoming Nature Walk- Saturday Sept. 27**

-Enjoy a morning chapel walk before the big game! Meet at the Abbey Bell Banner at **9:30am**.

## **Wangari Maathai, 2004 Nobel Peace Prize Winner- Tuesday Sept. 30**

-Wangari Maathai will receive The Dignitas Humana Award from Saint John's School of Theology · Seminary. Maathai is an environmentalist and advocate for human rights, in particular women's rights, around the world. She is the first African American woman to receive the Nobel Peace Prize. Maathai will speak in Stephen B. Humphrey Theater at **8pm**.

## **Collegeville Colors- Sunday Oct. 5**

-Go hiking in the woods at Saint John's as you enjoy the fall colors, artwork, theatrical performances, nature activities, and music along the trails. The fun begins at **1pm** at the Saint John's Preparatory School!

**If you would like to be on the volunteer e-mail list for the Arboretum, please e-mail the Arboretum at [arboretum@csbsju.edu](mailto:arboretum@csbsju.edu).**

We'll be in touch...

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