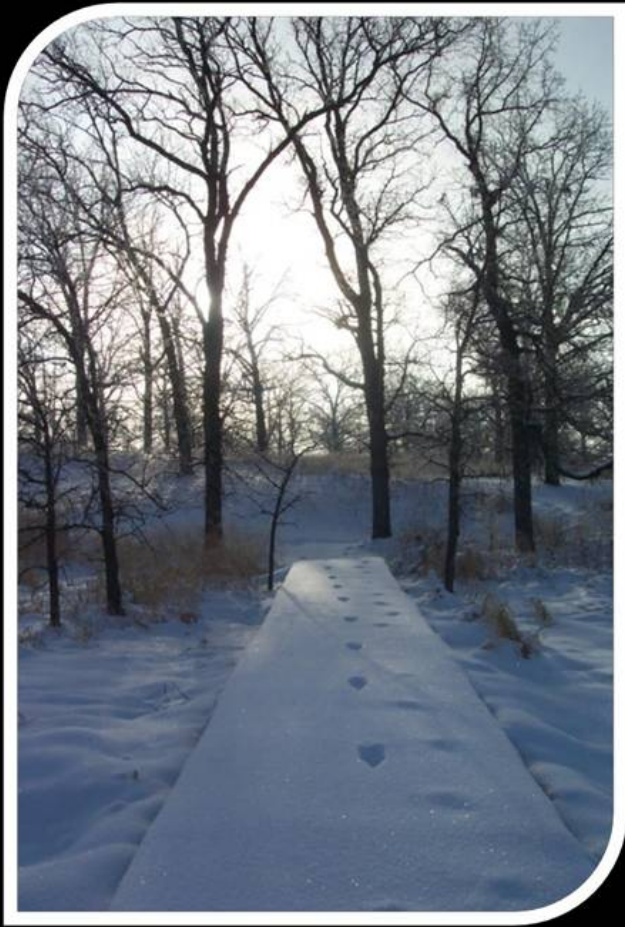


Bring your sled back for the unveiling of the NEW Saint John's sledding hill!



Be prepared for LOTS of snow to greet you when you return to campus! The Arboretum will host the inaugural run down the NEW sledding hill on campus, complete with a bonfire and hot chocolate, once the weather cooperates. So sneak your little sib's sled in the back of your car before you leave home! Watch your email for a date soon!

Photo courtesy of Emily Franklin.

How much do you know about snow?....

- The snowiest city in the United States is Rochester, Minnesota New York (just a little wishful thinking on our part!) which averages 94 inches of snow each year!
- Saint Cloud received 23 inches of snow in December 2008, making it the 4th snowiest December on record!
- The new sledding hill at Saint John's has a drop of 50-60 feet! It's location will be revealed soon...

Q: What is an ig?

A: An Eskimo's home without a loo !

Ole and Lena were sitting down to their usual morning cup of coffee, listening to the weather report coming over the radio.

"There will be 3 to 5 inches of snow today, and a snow emergency has been declared," the weather report said. "You must park your cars on the odd numbered side of the streets."

Ole says "Jeez, okay," and gets up from his coffee.

The next day they're sitting down with their morning cups of coffee and the weather forecast declares "There will be 2 to 4 inches of snow today, and a snow emergency has been declared. You must park your cars on the even numbered side of the streets."

Again, Ole says "Jeez, okay," and gets up from his coffee.

Two days later, again they're sitting down with their cups of coffee and the weather forecast says, "There will be 6 to 9 inches of snow today, and a snow emergency has been declared. You must park your cars on the - "

Just then the power goes out and Ole doesn't get the rest of the instructions.

He turns to Lena and says "Jeez, what am I going to do now, Lena?"

Lena replies "Aw, Ole, why don't you just leave the car in the garage today?"

Upcoming Events

Sledding on the NEW Saint John's Sledding Hill!

Want to be one of the first on the new sledding hill? Bring your sled back from break and stay tuned for more details!

Upcoming Events continued

The Papermaking Wasps of Saint John's with Jim Poff- Tuesday Jan. 20

There are several common species of papermaking wasps- including paper wasps, yellow jackets and hornets- that live in the vicinity of Saint John's. This talk will look at typical life cycles and the features of social organization that are found in these interesting animals. It will also look at how these wasps make paper and what they use to make it. The talk begins at **6:30pm** at the pendulum in the New Science Center.

Nature Journaling- Tuesdays Jan. 27, Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24

Want to improve your drawing and watercolor techniques that are useful in recording observations in a nature journal? Join the Arboretum for a nature journaling course! One of the goals of this class is improve your observations of the natural world and to give you the opportunity to better journal in nature. This session takes place in Peter Engel 338 from **6:30-8:30pm**.

Moonlight Snowshoe- Monday Feb. 9

Enjoy the night sky with a full moon as we snowshoe in the Arboretum! Afterwards, warm up around a fire with a cup of hot cocoa. Bring your favorite mug! Snowshoes will be provided, but bring your own if you have them. Meet at the Abbey Bell Tower at **8:30pm**.

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... Your friends at the Arboretum

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

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