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Have Fun With Us! *Our Water River Walks*

Wednesday, June 29th, 2011

Thread Creek Farm: Virginia and Mike Knag have invited us to tour their historical farm located in the Thread Creek sub-watershed. In 2009, Virginia and Mike placed 97 acres into a conservation easement to help to permanently protect high quality habitat that supports water quality. This site contains a dynamic wet-mesic forest, valuable fertile soils, and native plant species. In addition, this farm helps preserve the cultural and historic heritage of the area. This event begins at 10:00 a.m. Meet at the farm, located on 3305 East Hill Road, Grand Blanc, MI 48439. Space is limited, so please RSVP by June 27th if you would like to attend.

Wednesday, July 13th, 2011

Richfield County Park: Our Water River Walk, Paddle & Pot-Luck Picnic

The Sierra Club has partnered with FRWC for this fun celebration of the *Our Water* program. The group walk will be on dirt trails along the river, through meadows, and through forests planted by the CCC which add to the park's Up North atmosphere. People are encouraged to stay after the walk for a Pot-Luck Picnic at one of the large pavilions. A group of paddlers will join us at the park. Lots of park space for outdoor fun--so bring Frisbees, a softball and glove, or even a bike. People of all ages are invited, including friendly dogs on leashes. The park entrance is off of Irish Road, just north of Carpenter Road, 6322 N. Irish Road, Davison, MI 48423. Take the entrance road to N. Gale Road (dead-ends at Gale Road), turn left/north go across the river to Pavilion #2 on the East side of the road. Walk will begin at 10:00 am from Pavilion #2.

Wednesday, August 10th, 2011

Gilkey Creek Trail: Gilkey Creek is the smallest of the Flint River sub-watersheds but is very important to the health of the Flint River. It is located in the middle of the Flint River Watershed which eventually drains into Lake Huron. Participants of all ages and abilities can join us travelling along paved trails while learning about stream habitat. The walk will include learning about stream habitats and stream restoration efforts within this sub-watershed. This Gilkey Creek event provides a fun outdoor opportunity to learn first how people can easily make a positive difference to the health of our habitats. This event will begin at 10:00 am and participants should meet at the grassland by the Court Street Bridge at Horrigan Drive. Parking is off Horrigan Drive behind the Mott Community Campus Lot F (behind Mott Memorial Building), Lot G near the student parking ramps. Friendly dogs on leashes are welcome.

Wednesday, August 24th, 2011

Stepping Stone Falls Evening Walk: Enjoy a nice evening strolling along this nicely maintained paved trail located in one of Genesee County's popular parks. Participants will observe diverse habitats downstream from Mott Lake and the active Stepping Stone Falls. You may want to bring binoculars with you to see in more detail some of the birds and amphibians that live in or visit this area. This casual tour will discuss the Flint River from the headwaters to Stepping Stone Falls. Meet at in the parking lot at Bray Road and Carpenter Road to begin the tour at 7:00 p.m. This event is open to all ages and abilities. Friendly dogs on leashes are welcome.

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