Impact Project Report

Master Naturalist becomes a trail guide at local preserves

Issue

Preserving and restoring the natural lands and ecosystems of our region is challenging amidst demand for rapid growth and development. Connecting citizens to the natural lands and providing an understanding of their value is key to providing support and to protect them from development. The Triangle Land Conservancy (TLC) works to address this through community outreach and stewardship of conservation trust lands.

Project

Master Naturalist Keith Houck participated inTLC training to become a trail guide for the various TLC preserves open to the public. The training provided information on the mission of the organization, the history of the individual preserves, and the unique features of the local ecosystem.

Through volunteering in a trail guide role and at other community outreach events, this knowledge is now being passed on to the community through the many hikes and gatherings like Moth Night that TLC offers. Such work will help increase public support for the critical need to maintain our important ecosystems and provide a more vibrant and connected community.



Student

This project is the work of Keith Houck

Impact Projects

Beyond classwork, a key feature of the Master Naturalist Volunteer program is the Impact Projects students develop. These projects integrate course concepts and benefit a Partner Organization.

Highlights

Partner Organization

Triangle Land Conservancy

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