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About Nahant Marsh



Nahant Marsh preserve is one of the largest urban wetlands on the Upper Mississippi River. It is comprised of marshy areas; mesic, wet, and sand prairie; and bottomland forest.

The 382-acre preserve is owned by the City of Davenport and the Nahant Marsh Board, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

Conservation and restoration efforts on the preserve are directed by the Nahant Board. The educational programming is overseen by Eastern Iowa Community Colleges (EICC).



COMING SOON TO THE MARSH

by Brian Ritter, *Executive Director*



Spring is a time of transition, growth, and new life. This spring at Nahant, several changes will have a lasting impact on the marsh ecosystem and those who come here to learn and explore. As we enter into the busy field trip and summer research season, we are excited that Nahant's new operations building is nearly complete. The new space features a much-needed maintenance shop, additional public restrooms, and a classroom/lab space that will allow for more classes and more student research.

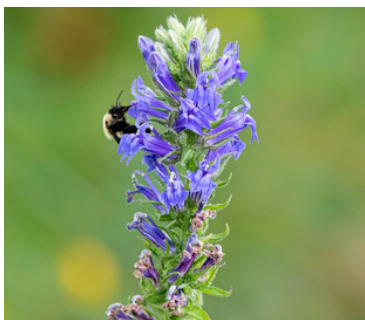
Work will also be complete soon on Phase II of our trail improvement projects. This mile-long section of trail will allow visitors and staff to connect to the northeast end of the preserve and features a paved portion for better accessibility. It will also allow for a future trail that will lead to Nahant's newest properties.



East Trail Location

Contractors have also begun work to restore the lower end of Walnut Creek. The creek, which historically flowed from the bluff to marsh, was channelized in the 1920's. The restoration will help to provide new habitat while improving water quality. This project will likely be complete by this fall.

Finally, spring is the season for wildflowers, which are crucial for saving our rapidly declining butterflies and bees. Our staff and volunteers remain committed to enhancing critical habitat for pollinators by harvesting and replanting wildflower seed, by removing invasive species, and by restoring prairie on degraded land. You can help the plight of pollinators by planting native wildflowers, shrubs, and trees in your own backyard, by volunteering with our team, or by making a donation to Nahant Marsh to ensure that we can continue to our restoration and research work.



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NATURAL RESOURCES NEWS

by Kinsey Nielsen, *Natural Resource Manager*

Spring has arrived and the busy season is just around the corner for our natural resources crew. So far, the Mississippi River flood forecast is looking favorable for us with below normal risk of flooding. We will be spending much of this year removing invasive species, planting a new pollinator garden, updating trails, and monitoring water quality, tree growth, and biodiversity at the marsh.



Aerial view of the stream mitigation bank site - 3/28/24

An exciting restoration update: the stream mitigation bank work has begun! This 15-acre parcel is currently an overgrown degraded field with a drainage ditch bordering the edge. The drainage ditch will be converted into a meandering stream, with sedge meadow/prairie on both sides. Historically, Walnut Creek flowed through this area before it was diverted and channelized. This restoration project will allow for water to enter the marsh more slowly and allow for it to filter naturally before making its way into the main marsh. Nahant Marsh is contracting out the construction work but will be responsible for management and monitoring once the project is complete.



Tree removal along existing drainage ditch to prepare for the construction of a stream through the site - 3/28/24

Building Better Birders Workshop - Waterbirds & Warblers

by Jimmy Wiebler, *Naturalist & Research Coordinator*

Nahant Marsh is hosting another Building Better Birders workshop this spring in an effort to build a community of citizen scientists and stewards of the natural world.

The mission of Building Better Birders is to “...create birders all across Iowa that can contribute to the knowledge about birds across the state...through participation in citizen science programs such as the Christmas Bird Count, Great Backyard Bird Count, or Project FeederWatch.



This workshop is open to anyone—from beginners to experts—and offers a great opportunity to improve birding skills, learn about issues facing wild animals around the world, and meet like-minded people interested in conservation.

The workshop will begin with an evening presentation on a specific bird group, which will cover migration class, species presence in Iowa, identifying field marks, and the song/call of each bird. The following day will include a day-long field trip to a remote location with prime habitat for the species covered in the lecture.

The Building Better Birders workshop is funded by an Iowa Resource Enhancement and Protection Conservation Education Program (REAP-CEP) grant and is organized and presented by Kelly McKay, Mark Roberts, Brian Ritter, and James Wiebler.

Because of their length, the workshops are divided into sessions. Come for as many or as few sessions as you would like!

[Click on a workshop below to view the full schedule:](#)

- May 14th, 2024 [“Waterbirds of Iowa” and “Introduction to the Warblers of Iowa”](#)
- May 15th, 2024 [Field trips to Mississippi Palisades State Park and Spring Lake Unit of the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge.](#)

Mississippi Palisades State Park Trip

by Allison Nodurft, Naturalist

Did you know that Nahant Marsh is now leading overnight adventure trips? Beat the cabin fever and join us for a spring adventure! May 4th-5th we will venture to Mississippi Palisades State Park in Savannah Illinois. During this two day, one night trip we will explore the same trails Native American pathfinders traversed many years ago. The limestone hillsides are covered in giant trillium, bluebells, columbine and shooting stars. All meals will be provided including a backcountry lunch prepared back at camp, a campfire dinner with dessert, and a campfire breakfast.

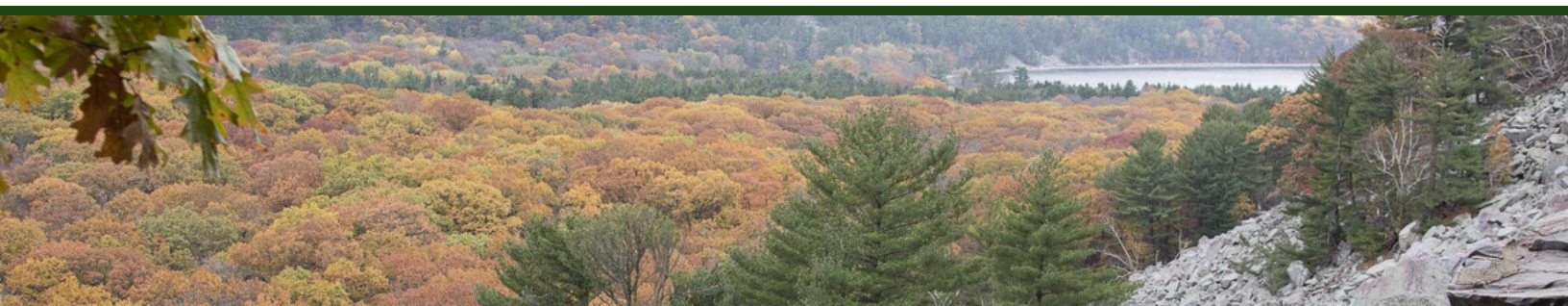
Besides enjoying delicious food, we will stay up late listening to owls, observe the limestone cliffs, and explore the many trails.

Sunday morning we will enjoy a lazy breakfast and listen for spring migrants. Participants will drive themselves to the park, giving them the opportunity to continue exploring or venture to a nearby town and create their own adventure. Notable nearby attractions include Galena, Savannah, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Army Depot Area.

Any questions please contact Nahant Marsh and ask for Allison. [Visit our website to register.](#)



2022 Trip Photo



Mississippi Palisades - Twin Sisters Trailhead

Bountiful Bloodroot

by Emily Schallert, Ameri-Corp Naturalist



As spring ephemerals begin to peak through the warming soil, the striking bloodroot flower (*Sanguinaria canadensis*) pops up along forest floors. This plant is a well-loved sign of spring, each starting flower bud carefully shrouded by its own leaf that curls around the stem. The white flowers only bloom for a few short days - up to a week in the right conditions- so spying them while in bloom is a spectacular sight. After the petals fall, the leaf continues to grow up to 12-24 inches in width with a unique, deeply cut lobed appearance.

This plant reproduces by root rhizomes, so patches of bloodroot flower spread further each year, but are native and not considered aggressive. It prefers shade and plenty of moisture, often found along wooded streams and floodplains- but doesn't do well in heavily disturbed areas.

The common name of bloodroot comes from the red juice that flows through the roots of the plant. Used traditionally by Native Americans as war paint and to dye woven baskets; the name *Sanguinaria* itself means "bleeding." Medicinally, bloodroot is thought to be an antiseptic that can reduce cough, inflammation, and infection- but is not typically doctor recommended due to some adverse side effects.

So when you go out hiking in the woods this spring, keep an eye out for the bright white petals and interesting leaves of the bloodroot flower - **a sure sign of warmer weather on the way!**



Sanguinaria canadensis w/ exposed roots

According to research done at the University of Iowa, "Sanguinaria canadensis, also known as bloodroot, is a traditional medicine used by Native Americans to treat a diverse range of clinical conditions. The plants rhizome contains several alkaloids that individually target multiple molecular processes."

SNAILED IT! Freshwater Snails of Nahant Marsh



by Alyssa Klauer, *Ameri-Corp Naturalist*

Moving slowly across the land and through the water, snails hold a crucial role in wetland ecosystems ensuring nutrient recycling that enriches soil and supports the growth of wetland vegetation, providing habitat and food sources for numerous other inhabitants of the marsh. Nahant Marsh is home to two types of freshwater snails, those with lungs and those with gills.

Lunged snails (subclass: pulmonata), also known as pouch snails, are characterized by their elongated, cylindrical shells with left-sided openings. These snails live in freshwater, but rise to the surface to breathe air through a “pouch” membrane that acts as a lung within its shell. These snails are often found attached to submerged vegetation or rocks where they can feed on algae and decaying matter. Pouch snails can be somewhat tolerant of environments with poor water quality and low oxygen. Another lunged snail found at the marsh that feeds on decomposing matter to regulate the marsh’s nutrient levels is the orb snail. Orb snails, however, are identifiable by their flattened-spiral shells and are more frequently found in clean, quiet bodies of water.

Needing more oxygen than the lunged snails and with right-sided openings, gilled snails (subclass: prosobranchia), are most often found in clean rivers, but they are also residents of Nahant Marsh. These snails breathe underwater using their gills, hence the need for well-oxygenated water. Uniquely, gilled snails have a “trapdoor” (operculum) to close off their shell opening as a way to protect themselves from predators and the ability to live short periods out of water. These small gastropods hold a large ecological significance as they are indicators of environmental health, reflecting changes in water quality and habitat conditions. The presence of snails is a reflection of a balanced ecosystem at work, while their absence can signal a wetland in need of significant conservation efforts. The presence of both lunged and gilled snails at Nahant Marsh is a clear indication that the water provides a thriving ecosystem for local flora and fauna.

Intrigued by the fascinating world of snails? Grab your magnifying glass and visit Nahant Marsh to discover these creatures firsthand. Here’s how:

1. **Pond Study:** Borrow a net & scoop up a variety of macro-invertebrates like snails and aquatic insects
2. **Trail Exploration:** Wander along the nature trails, keeping an eye out for terrestrial snails hiding beneath rocks and logs
3. **Mini Marsh:** Stop inside the education center to observe the the snails living amongst the crawdad, fish, ghost shrimp, and more in the invertebrate tank



OUR OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER

by Liv Humphrey, Volunteer Coordinator



Spring 2024 Volunteer Spotlight

This spring, we would like to highlight Jolinda Eggers! She has been a part of the Nahant crew for many years. She is a dedicated Friends member, helps with events, and dedicates her time to specific volunteer roles throughout the Marsh. Her favorite Nahant activity is the Monarch Release Festival.

Thank you,

Jolinda, for the time and support you have given to the Marsh over the years!

VOLUNTEER OPEN HOUSE

Join us for an exciting volunteer open house at Nahant Marsh Education Center on **April 13th, from 9am - 11am.**

Discover the wonders of our local ecosystem and learn about volunteer opportunities that allow you to make a difference in conservation and education. Meet our dedicated staff and passionate volunteers who are committed to environmental conservation and education. Learn about our various volunteer programs that cater to all interests and skill levels. Light refreshments will be served.

Come explore, connect, and get involved!



2024 OBERHOLTZTER AWARDS

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BREAKFAST NATURE CLUB

BNC meets year round on the first Friday of the month. Enjoy a continental breakfast while listening to nature-themed presentations from 8:00-9:00 am. Sponsored by The Plus 60 Club.

Upcoming: May 3, June 7, July 5

NATURE HIKE

Hikes are offered year round on the first Saturday of the month and give visitors an opportunity to learn more about the diverse flora and fauna of this unique natural area. Sponsored by Claudia S.

Upcoming: May 4, June 1, July 6

BIRD HIKE

Join Nahant Naturalist, Jimmy Wiebler, and other local bird enthusiasts for a guided bird walk through Nahant Marsh! These walks are for people with all levels of birding experience.

Upcoming: April 27, May 25, July 13

TODDLER TALES

Toddler Tales is a great way to introduce young children, ages 3-5 years old, to the wonders of the outdoors! This program meets on the first Wednesday of each month from 10:00-11:00 a.m., from April through October, Nahant educators will lead a story, snack, craft, and outdoor adventure.

Upcoming: May 1, June 5, July 3

SPRING CLEANUP & YARD SALE

Our annual Spring Cleanup will be April 27th from 9am - 11am. More details and sign ups will be coming soon!

Cleanup: April 27 | 9:00am–11:00am

Yard Sale: April 27 | 8:00am–12:00p

BUILDING BETTER BIRDERS WORKSHOP

These award winning workshops are open to anyone—from beginners to experts—and offer a great opportunity to improve birding skills, learn about issues facing wild animals around the world, and meet like-minded people interested in conservation.

May 14 4:30pm–8:00pm

May 15 | 5:30am–4:00pm

2024 SUMMER CAMPS

Nahant Marsh's critically acclaimed summer camps are back for another exciting year! Children in grades Pre-K through 9th will find many ways to connect with nature. Whether signing up for Toadstool camp to experience nature with your child, or one of our multi-day camps for your older children, there is something for everyone!

Various Dates from June through August

BI-CAN GARLIC MUSTARD PULL

We can slow the spread of invasive garlic mustard by taking away its chance to reseed. Everyone that participates will be in the running to win and receive a trophy and bragging rights! This event will take place at various locations around the QCA

May 4 | 8:00am–12:00pm

BI-CAN BIOBLITZ

Put your species identification skills to the test and help us find as many species as possible during this 24 hour event! Partner with an expert to learn local flora and fauna. Fun for all ages! This year's BioBlitz will take place at Amôwa Forest Preserve.

June 21-22 | 2:00pm–2:00pm

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR UPCOMING PROGRAMMING AND TO REGISTER FOR UPCOMING EVENTS, SCAN THIS CODE:



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EDUCATION CENTER HOURS

Monday–Friday: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Saturday: 9 am to 3 p.m.

There is no fee to visit the Education Center, but donations are always appreciated.

PRESERVE HOURS

Open Daily from Sunrise to Sunset

If the main gate is locked, trails are accessible from the front parking lot.

Look for the opening in the fence near the kiosk.



GETTING TO NAHANT MARSH

Nahant Marsh
4220 Wapello Ave.
Davenport, IA 52802

From Davenport, Iowa—Take Highway 22 south (Rockingham Road), turning left on Wapello Avenue (the last turn before the I-280 overpass).

From Rock Island, Illinois—Take I-280 into Iowa to the Highway 22/Rockingham Road exit. Turn right onto Highway 22, and then right onto Wapello Avenue. Follow Wapello Avenue toward the river. Nahant Marsh will be on the left just before the railroad crossing.