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Happy Spring to all the Forest Hero! Volunteers

This is the April edition of the quarterly newsletter for our network. Quarterly newsletters will come out for January, April, July, and October each year. Let me know if there are any resources, news, or events to share in future network newsletters. And a heartfelt welcome to all the new Volunteers who completed the April 2019 training!

Cheers

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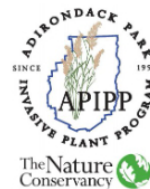
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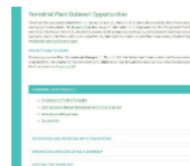
The Nature Conservancy NY updates Invasive Plant Best Management Practices

In February, the Adirondack Parks Invasive Plant Program (APIPP), part of The Nature Conservancy in New York, updated their Best Management Practices for control of invasive plants. [Check out this online pdf to learn more!](#)



Project How-To Guide for Planning Your Outreach Event

This spring and summer are a great time to brainstorm ideas for your outreach event in your community. [Check out this how-to guide and resources for planning your outreach event.](#)



News

As Climate Change Erodes US Coastlines, an Invasive Plant Could Become an Ally

[Click here for a long read to pair with a warm cup of coffee and some contemplation.](#) When an invasive plant is well established, it's important to



consider that having native plants present may be more important than having all non-native invasive plants absent...and research is showing that compromise could result in some benefits.



Hypena Moth Approved for Testing as Biocontrol for Invasive Swallowwort Species

Researchers at the University of Rhode Island received approval last summer to field test the feasibility of a biocontrol for invasive [black swallowwort](#), and [pale swallowwort](#). [Check out the full article here.](#)



Events

Forest Hero! Invasive Plant ID & Control Workshop: June 1st

Date: June 1st, 2019 (Saturday)

Location: Lake Bomoseen State Park, [click here for a map](#)

Time: 9am-12noon (snacks provided)

Details: (*Registration required*) Join the Forest Hero! Network to learn about invasive plant identification, removal options that are good for volunteer groups, and practice both first hand. This will also be a great opportunity to network with other Volunteers, and we encourage "show and tell"-- if you've got a tool or gadget to show off, bring it! [To learn more and to register, click here.](#)



Save the Date! South Burlington Weed Warrior Community Event

South Burlington's Weed Warrior program has several training/removal events this year: the first one will be held on June 29th, from 9 am – 12 pm, at Red Rocks Park. [Click here for more details.](#)



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