

Maywood Report

Marina, Parks, and Forestry

November 4, 2025

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Programming & Events

- Older, Wiser, Livelier Scholars (OWLS) programs include: 9/5-3-mile hike along a section of the Greenbush segment of the National Ice Age Trail, led by members Scott Peschke and David Gramling; 9/12 OWLS at Forest Beach Migratory Preserve led by Restoring Lands staff. 9/19-Self-Guided Tour of Bur Oak, 9/26-Self-Guided Pop-up Tour of Ralph's Prairie, Water Action Volunteers (WAV) Training with Al Wortz.
- 9/2-Team Maywood Bike Group wrapped up its final rides of the season.
- 9/9-Nature at Noon program kicks off the season with a presentation on the Pigeon River Restoration from Lakeshore Natural Resource Partnership.
- Planning and preparation for upcoming events-Glow Hike, Wishing for Winter. Planning programs and events for winter 2025-2026 and full 2026 calendar year.

Land Management

- 8/12-Meeting with City of Sheboygan GIS Coordinator, Emma to work on Maywood mapping application.
- Monthly Property Stewardship Meetings-8/18, 9/15.
- 8/21, 8/22-Biochar Workshop led by Lake Michigan Bird Observatory staff as part of our grant project with them, and attended by Glacial Lakes Conservancy staff and board members. Biochar was incorporated into fall tree planting.
- Tree Planting and Care: 9/23-Tree delivery and Tagging. 9/24-Tree Staging and Prep with Lead Volunteers. 9/25 Day of Caring Tree Planting with Warriner Students. Cookout with Warriner Students. 10/8-Millipore Sigma Volunteers Watered Trees and helped Inventory. 10/13-Jim and Scott planted, watered, mulched, and fenced all Cherry Trees, Oostburg State Bank Volunteers Watered, Mulched, and Fenced Trees. Watering regularly 1-2 times per week.
- 9/10-Stantec treated Phragmites on Maywood property.
- 9/15-Property Stewardship Committee Members and Preschool Students planted 20 Sugar Maple Saplings in the Maple Forest.
- 9/17-Bur Oak Work Day-Mike, Jim, and Dan cleared the trails with the Brush Hog.

Building & Grounds

- City/Maywood meetings with Joe Kerlin-8/18, 9/15. 9/9-Marina, Parks and Forestry Meeting.
- Volunteer Group efforts include: 7/31-Colby Smith completed his Eagle Scout Project, installing wood rope fencing in the Maple Forest. Plantings and signage will be added as a demo garden and to encourage visitors to look for native woodland plants and stay on the trail throughout the Maple Forest. 8/5, 8/12, 8/19-Kohler Volunteers helped prepare fuel for the upcoming BioChar Workshop. 8/26-Kohler Volunteers helped conduct water quality testing on the Pigeon River as part of the Water Action Volunteer program (WAV) and cleaned up after the BioChar Workshop.

9/10-Millipore Sigma volunteers helped mix charcoal and compost in bins to create biochar and cut fencing in preparation for tree planting.

- 9/4-The emergency phone in the elevator has been repaired by City IT and AT&T. It is functional and calls Otis Elevator Emergency Service.
- 9/16-Smithereens Pest Control service has been discontinued. Cost to continue service for every other month would be \$126 per visit.

Administration

- Internal meetings with Executive, Finance, EcoEdges, Signage Committees and Advisory Board.
- 7/28, 8/20-CRM Software Demo and discussion with Bloomerang.
- Updates to MOUs and Lease Agreements with YMCA and SASD complete.
- Updates to Maywood/City of Sheboygan MOU underway.

Fundraising

- 10/9-Maywood Annual Benefit Banquet featuring Keynote Speaker Karen S. Oberhauser on Monarch Butterfly Biology and Conservation.
- Pints for the Park 3 Sheeps Fundraising Event planning underway.
- 9/22-Interview about Green Bay Packers Foundation Application with GBPF Board Member, Bill.
- 10/17-WDNR Surface Water Grant Application Planning Meeting.

Partnerships & Networking

- 8/22-Maywood hosted the summer North Eastern Wisconsin Naturalist Association Meeting (NEWNA) meeting. 27 individuals representing 17 different nature centers across the region attended, along with Maywood staff, interns, and 3 Board Members. In addition, 8 Board members volunteered their time to support the event or the concurrent BioChar training workshop.
- 9/9-Meeting with Camp Y-Koda.
- 9/26-Above and Beyond Children's Museum Immersive Story Time with Maywood.
- 9/26-9/27-Environmental School at Maywood.

Professional Development

- 8/8-Lake Michigan Day with the Lake Michigan Stakeholders at the Wisconsin Maritime Museum.
- 8/12-Community of Practice hosted by the Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin with featured guest speaker Dr. Diego Román on Environmental Education Programs and the Diversity of Latino Communities. 10/7-featuring guest speaker Ashley Gries on Climate Science and Traditional Ecological Knowledge: Elevating Indigenous Knowledges.
- 8/19, 8/20, 9/4, 9/18-Association of Fundraising Professionals National Philanthropy Day Committee Meetings and Nomination Committee Meeting.