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Bog Meadow Trail Improvements

Trail improvement work has begun on the Bog Meadow Trail. Major projects include the creation of a new connection between the Meadowbrook Road trailhead and the parking area, raising and smoothing the trailbed at the Route 29 entrance, repairs to the boardwalk, and new culverts added for better drainage. While construction is underway the trail is closed to the public.

This major renovation of the 25-year old trail is being accomplished thanks to a grant from the New York State Conservation Partnership Program, a 3M Company Eco-Grant, a generous matching grant from the City of Saratoga Springs, donated materials from D.A. Collins Companies, engineering and labor from Munter Enterprises and labor contributions from numerous volunteers.



Welcome Emily Einhorn

In May Emily joined Saratoga PLAN's staff as a communications intern. She's an International Affairs and Business dual major at Skidmore College, with experience working in public affairs, public relations, and event management.

"I feel a huge commitment to preserving the beautiful places that I have hiked, swum, and skied through all my life," said Emily.

Welcome Back Laura Kipper

Laura, a former PLAN intern, has returned while she works toward a graduate degree from U. Albany. She'll be doing GIS mapping and analysis of farmland in Saratoga County.



Champlain Canalway Trail Working Group

For National Trails Day, the Town of Halfmoon and Saratoga PLAN sponsored a meeting of the Champlain Canalway Trail Working Group. Local officials, volunteers, and consultants shared progress reports on completing the route in Saratoga County from Waterford to Northumberland where the trail crosses the Hudson River into Washington County, (where it continues on to Whitehall).

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Fish Creek Water Chestnut Pull

Join us to remove invasive water chestnut plants on June 30, 8-11am. Water chestnut forms dense, floating mats that can impact the environment, economy, and recreational use of an area. We'll be launching from the Kayak Shak/Mountainman location on Stafford's Bridge Road. Registration in advance is required. The Kayak Shak has a limited number of boats available if you need one, or BYOB(oat). Check out our website for more information, or call 518-587-5554. See you there!

Get Your Tickets Now!

Feast of the Fields 2018

Come join us on September 20 for the 13th annual *Feast of the Fields*. This is the original farm-to-table event in Saratoga with delicious, local, farm-fresh food prepared by area chefs, a wide range of local beverages and accompaniments, live entertainment, and a silent auction. Watch for your invitation in July, or beat the rush by purchasing tickets on our website!



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