



# Recreation News

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## OSU College Forests

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### Financial Donations:

Can't come out and volunteer? Help by making a tax deductible, financial donation to the **OSU Foundation** for the "Research Forest Recreation Fund".

## Welcome

As I write this newsletter the sun is shining and the seasonal trails are opening to summer use.

Spring is always the busiest time of our volunteer season. Both the **Oregon Equestrian Trails** organization and **Corvallis Trail Runners** have helped out with their own sponsored volunteer days, providing 132 hours of service.

As always, enjoy your forest visits and have a wonderful summer. I look forward to seeing some of you at National Trails Day (see page 2 for information).

*Chris Jackson*

Recreation Manager

### *Extendo Trail - Community Services Consortium (CSC)*

Through a grant partnership we were able to secure funding for a crew for four weeks this past March.

This youth crew did a phenomenal job to improve drainage and eliminate standing water and 'mud holes' within the trail tread. A base layer of fine gravel was added to help with tread stability and assist moving water from the trail surface.

All technical and challenging aspects of the trail, enjoyed by many, were left in place.

### Forest Information:

Please note that some trails are open to hikers only.

These trails include, Section 36, Forest Discovery, CFIRP and Old Growth Trails.

All trails are signed for their appropriate use.

## Volunteer Opportunities.....JUNE

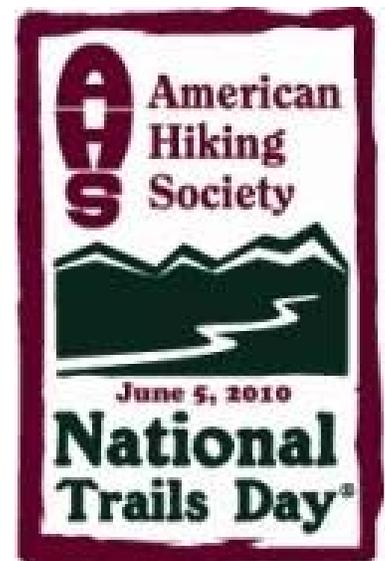
Don't despair, there is an opportunity for you to volunteer this spring. National Trails Day on Saturday June 5th provides the chance for you and your family to come out and help. We look forward to seeing you!

### National Trails Day—Saturday June 5th

National Trails Day, a national event sponsored by American Hiking Society, is a nationwide celebration of trails. There are over 1100 National Trails Day events nationwide, and this is your opportunity to participate in your own community!

Participants of all ages are encouraged!

We will be working on Powderhouse Trail, above Peavy Arboretum, McDonald Forest.



**If you'd like to join us, please contact me:**

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*Please include your name, telephone number and how many people will be in your group.*

## Leave No Trace Partnership

With such a large number of users visiting OSU's McDonald and Dunn Forests it is important that each of us learns how to maintain the character and integrity of the outdoors so that everyone can enjoy it.

Littering, disturbances to wildlife, damage and erosion threaten the future use and enjoyment of the forests.

OSU College Forests has partnered with Leave No Trace to promote the seven principles of Leave No Trace to all users of the forest. Signage is posted at all kiosks highlighting the partnership, the seven principles of Leave no Trace, and the ways in which you can help.

**By following these seven principles you can help...**

- **Know where you are going**
- **Stay on marked trails and roads**
- **Remove your pet waste from trails and roads**
- **Carry your trash out**
- **Keep your pet under control at all times**
- **Keep wildlife wild**
- **Respect other users, and share our trails**



## Did You Know. . . Tree Planting

That it is a state regulation to replant harvested areas ?

Small seedlings are replanted into all harvest areas to provide for future harvests. OSU College Forests replants over 400 trees per acre on all of our harvest areas.

Additionally, we apply Vexar tubes around some of our seedlings to help reduce the amount of browse (damage) resulting from deer and elk.



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For questions regarding volunteer days, or any other McDonald-Dunn Forest recreation-related topic, please contact Recreation Manager, Chris Jackson at: [christopher.jackson@oregonstate.edu](mailto:christopher.jackson@oregonstate.edu)  
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