



A Summer Celebration Returns

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Hundreds of North Shore residents and visitors participated in the Friends of the Green Bay Trail's 4th annual Trail Day celebration on July 29th. Following a stormy evening, the sun shined throughout the morning. The outstanding weather brought throngs of families, bikers and joggers to the Trail who paused to interact with 25 community organizations and businesses at the 30 information and experiential stations along Glencoe's Trail.

Annually the event offers opportunities to obtain a wide spectrum of sustainable and pollinator-supportive home and landscape information. Visitors filled FGFB tote bags with resources, as well as free native plant and tree saplings.

Musicians, artists, nature-based activities, historical societies and more enhanced Trail Day experiences.

Butterfly hatchery visitors witnessed a monarch butterfly's unique process of transforming into a chrysalis.

The Trail's new blooms created a buzz of activity, offering excellent photo opportunities and showcasing the success of removing invasives and planting native plants and shrubs. The free seedlings were offered to jump-start residents' efforts to become a Homegrown National Park, a nationwide initiative co-founded by Doug Tallamy. The Friends encourage homeowners to join it in this initiative to expand habitats and foster biodiversity.



Enjoy the Green Bay Trail year-round. Share your experiences and discoveries with the Friends. Submit your photos. They may be included in the Friends' newsletters and social media postings. More information available at gbtrail.org/submit-photo/.



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