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A front row seat—Natural Resources Careers Exploration Week student gets the opportunity to check out a variety of logging equipment while learning about forestry - June 2023





from the desk of
Cheryl Todea, Executive Director

In August of 2000, I began my Trees For Tomorrow journey as an intern. Growing up in Milwaukee suburbs and moving to Eagle River was quite the change for me. Those first few weeks I missed living close to family, I wasn't prepared with the right outdoor gear, and I missed the convenience of a mall.

After just three months in the Northwoods, I fell in love with the community, the slower pace of life, and the Trees For Tomorrow mission. **That experience helps me to better understand what it is like for many of our students.**

We see students and families arrive from big cities to farm towns and everything in between. While I know there are students missing home and starting their visit without the proper gear, they quickly forget about those worries. With a pile of jackets, boots, scarves, hats, and so much more for students to borrow, their focus can shift to truly enjoying the Northwoods experience - walking through the forest, experiencing a bog, touring a lumber mill, meeting our live red-tailed hawk, listening to the silence of the forest at night, watching an eagle soar over campus, and so much more. Add to those life-long memories the knowledge and "aha" moments they gain while exploring the science of nature and the science of managing our natural resources — **you can see how we truly make an impact.**

Our fundraising events and campaigns ensure we can continue to offer these life-changing experiences to all students and all families, regardless of their ability to pay full program fees. This is where you come in. Despite thunderstorms at our 21st Annual Golf Outing Fundraiser, a few holes of golf were played, bucket raffles were held, a delicious lunch was served, and record net proceeds of almost \$35,000 were raised by 25 sponsors and 92 golfers. In addition, record sponsorships of almost \$30,000 were raised to support the 57th Anniversary of hosting our Natural Resource Careers Exploration Week for high school students.

Because of people like you recognizing the value of a Trees For Tomorrow experience, we are able to prepare the future workforce, educate landowners, train citizen scientists, promote sustainable forest management, encourage diverse wildlife habitat, inspire more people to spend time outdoors, and so much more.

We do not do this alone. You help make this happen!



21st Annual Golf Outing Fundraiser

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Our Mission

Trees For Tomorrow promotes sustainable management of our natural resources through transformative educational experiences.



Trees For Tomorrow's campus includes National Forest property under permit from the USDA Forest Service. Private property owned by Trees For Tomorrow (TFT), the Wisconsin Newspaper Association and Tara Lila LLC are also utilized for education and outreach purposes.

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Even with all of these methods of expanding our programming to more audiences, we know that there is still a long ways to go.

**ONE STEP CLOSER
TO TFT4ALL,
THANKS TO YOU!**

Outdoor Classroom



A couple of years ago, Trees For Tomorrow (TFT) began using the phrase “TFT For All” as the spirit of our year-end giving campaign to raise funds in support of expanding program participant diversity. As I look back over the last 2 years, I’m proud of how our team has been hard at work, injecting that spirit into some new and exciting programming that broadens the ages and backgrounds of the audiences we serve.

One of our newest programs is our “Homeschool Days” series, which started this past spring. We recognize that not all learners attend a traditional school and we want to provide our local homeschool families with opportunities to discover and learn about the environment outside and also interact with other homeschool students and families. On Homeschool Days, TFT offers separate programming for early elementary (grades K-2), late elementary (3-5), and middle school (6-8) so that students can interact with and learn alongside their peers. Through generous donations to our school programming scholarship fund, we can limit cost to \$20/child for a full day, lessening the financial burden on multi-child home-schooling families. For 2023, TFT has planned both a water-themed learning day (which occurred this past August), and a winter-themed learning day in December.

Also new for 2023 was the addition of our KinderSEEK summer program for 4-5 year olds. Previously, 4 and 5 year olds had the option to participate alongside 6 and 7 year olds in our Jr. SEEK (Science & Earth Exploration for Kids) program. Adding a separate program for those younger ages accomplishes a couple of things. First, there is such a big difference in learning-style and ability between 4- and 6-year olds that narrowing down the age range allowed us to focus on more age-appropriate activities. Second, splitting the single program into two allowed us to effectively double our capacity, and give more kids the opportunity to attend!

Though summer family programs are not new to TFT, what was new in 2023 is that (through generous donations) we were able to provide programming to area families free of charge! Within the last couple of years, families have told us that fees represented a financial barrier to their being able to attend a program. And data shows that the price removal was successful! Attendance rates for 2023 family programs were among the highest they have been within the last few years!

Even with all of these methods of expanding our programming to more audiences, we know that there is still a long ways to go. Age is only one piece of the much larger diversity puzzle. However, we are extremely happy with the steps we’ve started to take on the long road to progress!



Article by
Kim Feller, Education Manager



The summer KinderSEEK program fosters scientific discovery in preschool students while filling a need in the community.





from the desk of
Mandy Gingerich, Operations Manager

On Campus

A busy campus can be a vibrant and exciting place!

Trees For Tomorrow's spring K12 programming proved to be highly engaging and effective. Through a combination of hands-on activities, environmental education, and outdoor experiences, students were able to deepen their understanding of nature, conservation, and sustainability. Trees For Tomorrow's commitment to providing quality education resonated with students, teachers, and parents, leading to positive feedback and increased participation.

Smooth transition to summer programs

Building on the success of our spring School Outdoor Learning Adventures (SOLE), Trees For Tomorrow seamlessly transitioned into summer programming. Recognizing the importance of providing continued educational opportunities during summer break, our educators designed a diverse range of opportunities that catered to various age groups and interests. These programs were carefully curated to offer a mix of environmental education, outdoor adventures, leadership development, and recreational activities.

Trees For Tomorrow (TFT) has experienced an increase in returning schools, and we have recognized the efforts of our school engagement committee in attracting new schools to campus. Signs of success include developing a personal relationship with schools and their districts by sending direct and digital mail, positive word-of-mouth and referrals. When schools have positive experiences at TFT, they are more likely to share their experiences with other schools in their network. The school engagement committee plays a crucial role in fostering

these connections and encouraging other schools to join the Trees For Tomorrow community.

Return of Road Scholars in 2024

Trees For Tomorrow will be welcoming back the Road Scholar program in 2024, with 7 weeks of programming. Road Scholars is a worldwide organization that offers educational travel for older adults. This program's return is expected to have a significant positive financial impact on TFT. The Road Scholar program's revival will likely attract a considerable number of participants. These individuals are often enthusiastic lifelong learners who value educational travel experiences. With a higher enrollment rate, Trees For Tomorrow can maximize its facility occupancy during the program's duration. This increased utilization of facilities translates into higher revenue from accommodations, meals, and programming all provided by Trees For Tomorrow's experienced staff.

Multi-high school program 2023/24

Trees For Tomorrow's Eagle River campus offers a unique opportunity for multiple high school groups from around the state to come together and participate in pre-set programs with a specific curriculum.

Save The Date! Now booking for the 2023-2024 school year! The theme-

based unit is Forestry, a progressive and hands-on series of courses that gets students into the field performing forest measurements and assessments. Students put new skills to use as they develop a forest management plan as their culminating activity. Teachers can choose the dates that work best for them and their students!

- October 22-25, 2023
- November 5-8, 2023
- December 6-9, 2023
- January 24-27, 2024
- April 21-24, 2024

The loss of Balsam Dorm

On April 3rd of this year, the heavy snow that had fallen two days prior had become too much for the roof of Balsam Dorm to withstand and had collapsed. In that same week, I filed an insurance claim and USFS engineers came to assess the damage. The insurance adjuster came out several weeks later and declared the building to be a total loss. I have been working with the USFS and their historical crew to determine what the building should become, and we received word in July that it may be turned back to its original state which was a garage. This will replace the need for a pole shed and tremendously help the maintenance department with additional storage space.



Balsam Dorm could no longer handle the Northwoods winter. TFT is working with the USFS to replace the dorm with a brand new garage!

DONOR SPOTLIGHT

Barbara & Robert Grinnell

Though she now resides in the southern portion of the US, Barbara Grinnell, along with her late husband Bob, spent 27 years in the snowy Northwoods. During their time in Wisconsin, the Grinnells developed a special affinity for both the Kiwanis Club and Trees For Tomorrow (TFT), whose missions complement each other. Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.

Barbara recalls her frustrations with a single bath house during a stay on campus. Fortunately for TFT, Bob Grinnell served as one of the district governors of Kiwanis International and was able to use his influence to make things happen. After \$56,000 was fund-raised, Bob was able to corral 30 - 35 fellow Kiwanians to help build new co-ed bath facilities. This major event is just one fond memory Barb recalls. She still raves about the quality of food at TFT, and laughs about a time in the dead of winter in the 1990s. The Grinnells couldn't get their cold car started. With the help of Jim Holperin, TFT executive director at the time, they purchased and installed a new battery. They realized later that there was a much simpler solution—plug their car heater into one of TFT's outdoor outlets!

Not only did the Grinnells enjoy their time on campus, the Kiwanis were also guests on campus over the years, participating in many TFT programs in all seasons.

While Bob was always 100% supportive of TFT, initially Barbara felt she was along for the ride. However, after spending winters and spring at TFT with Bob and the Kiwanis, Barb realized how important TFT is, stating, "Your goals are



Barbara and Robert Grinnell enjoying time together in one of Trees For Tomorrow's historic dorms during a winter visit to campus.

what they should continue to be today - all about kids and nature. So glad he brought me up there. We can't let this go. Bob always said he supported TFT because you "Save one child at a time." That's really true."

The Grinnells have continued to support TFT over the years with contributions via checks. Their financial advisor and tax accountant recommended distributing extra funds each year from their IRA. Doing this would bring the Grinnell's taxable income down into a different tax bracket and TFT came to Barb's mind immediately. "It was a personal tax benefit for me and TFT benefited as well. Win for all of us," Barb concluded.

Through the years they hoped to make a dream come true for youth and established an endowment that assures a life changing experience at Trees For Tomorrow for years to come. What an amazing legacy of the Kiwanis and Bob and Barb Grinnell!



Leave your legacy by giving through:

Donor-advised Funds: A donor-advised fund is a specialized account set up for the sole purpose of charitable giving. Each donor-advised fund has different minimum contributions, guidelines for grants, investment programs, and fees. Donors contribute to their accounts as frequently as they like then recommend grants to charities, like Trees For Tomorrow, whenever it makes sense for them.

Gifts in a Will (Bequests): A charitable bequest is a simple and flexible way to support Trees For Tomorrow for years to come. You may prefer that a bequest be for a specific amount or represent a percentage of your estate, or you may create a bequest that benefits Trees For Tomorrow after you have provided for your family and friends.

Marketable Securities: Publicly traded securities may be given to Trees For Tomorrow's Gift Account managed by Schwab Charitable and maintained for the purpose of receiving donated securities to be transferred into other investment accounts or liquidated for use.

Gifts from an IRA: If you are over age 70½, supporting Trees For Tomorrow directly through your Individual Retirement Account (IRA) can yield tax savings for you while providing valuable environmental education. This gift can satisfy required minimum distributions. At any age, you can designate TFT as the beneficiary of your IRA and it will be gifted tax-free after your lifetime.

Life Insurance Beneficiary Designation: Name Trees For Tomorrow, Inc. as a beneficiary, gift an existing policy or purchase a new policy. Annual premiums may be tax-deductible.

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Carping on Carp



The common carp feeds by digging around in the bottom of a waterbody, uprooting sediment and vegetation and releasing nutrients in the soil. This foraging behavior lowers water quality by increasing turbidity (i.e. water clarity) and increasing the chance of algal blooms.



Grass Carp (above): these fishes (olive-brown in color with a long, cylindrical body) were introduced to Arkansas in 1963 to control vegetation, but evidence of a reproducing population has been spotted as far north as Lake Erie. Their voracious consumption of submersed vegetation could threaten wetland habitats, thereby eliminating important spawning locations for certain species.



Black Carp (above): like grass carp, black carp were introduced in Arkansas around 1970 and able to escape and spread further north. These carp are molluscivorous, meaning they pose a threat to the native mollusks and mussels of the Mississippi River—many of which already exist in critical condition. Currently, these fish have been caught as far north as Illinois.

When an invasive species takes root in a new ecosystem, it's generally a safe bet that it's humanity's fault. Sometimes the spread is unintentional—think of zebra mussels clinging to the underside of ships, spreading from one waterbody to another. At other times, humans might directly release invasive species into a new environment with the best of intentions, only for the new species to proliferate and spread far beyond what was anticipated or desired. Such was the case for five species of carp that reside in the United States: common, bighead, silver, grass, and black carp.

But what, exactly, makes a species invasive? It's not just the quality of being nonnative to an environment (otherwise we could erroneously call tomatoes invasive plants)—the species must also cause environmental or economic harm in some manner. So, let's talk about some of these

species of invasive carp—and what, exactly, makes them such a concern to aquatic ecosystems.



Common Carp (above): our oldest and most widespread invader, distinguishable by their yellowish scales, protrusible mouth, and hump near the dorsal fin. These fishes were brought into the United States from Germany in the 1880s for the purposes of being a game fish. They were bred and distributed throughout the country and were quickly able to spread to new habitats via interconnected rivers.



Silver Carp (above): these carp (distinguishable by their scale color and their broad head) were brought to Arkansas from Asia in the 1970s as a tool for controlling excess plankton in aquaculture farms. As the familiar tune goes, they were subsequently able to escape, and now threaten to spread into the upper reaches of the Mississippi River. One damaging aspect of silver carp's spread ties into another, colloquial name for this species: "flying" or "jumping" carp. All carp are sensitive to sound; they possess anatomical structures that help them hear a wider range of frequencies compared to species that lack such specializations. However, silver carp exhibit a peculiar behavioral response when they detect any 'startling' noise, such as a boat motor—they will launch themselves out of the air. Videos of this phenomenon depict an unpleasant scene, especially when populations of silver carp are high. Dozens upon dozens of massive carp launching themselves into the air as a boat drives past makes for a frightening

experience for any boater. Adult silver carp can get up to 80lbs heavy, meaning that when they launch themselves out of the air, they can dent boating equipment or even cause concussions.



Bighead Carp (above): introduced in the 1970s, escaped to the Mississippi. Bighead carp (dark gray, low eyes, and—of course—a very large head) are filter-feeders, meaning they consume planktonic creatures using their very fine gill rakers (meaning they can strain tiny food particles from water). Bighead carp's appetites lead to concerns that they could out-compete native filter-feeders such as the gizzard shad.

Between the ecological harm exhibited by these species (lowered water quality, threatening native species) and economic harm (nobody wants to drive down a silver-carp infested river), it's clear why this group of species has earned the moniker of 'invasive carp.' But what can be done now that these

species have been established? Currently, the Wisconsin DNR is monitoring at-risk waterways—such as the area around Lock and Dam 11 on the Mississippi River for the spread of grass, black, silver, and bighead carp (common carp are well-established enough that any focus on their impacts would be on removing them from waterbodies, not preventing their entry). The DNR also encourages anyone who finds a live black, silver, grass, or bighead carp to bring the fish to their local DNR office rather than return it to the waterbody.

In the meantime, researchers encourage the installation of systems that would deter these invasive carp from traveling further north on the Mississippi River. Barriers strategically placed in waterways that utilize non-physical deterrents such as sound, air bubbles and light are a promising option (according to field and laboratory studies) to prevent breeding populations from becoming established in un-infested waters. Establishing preventative measures against these species is especially important given how difficult their removal would prove to be.



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Recognizing the 90th Anniversary of the CCC

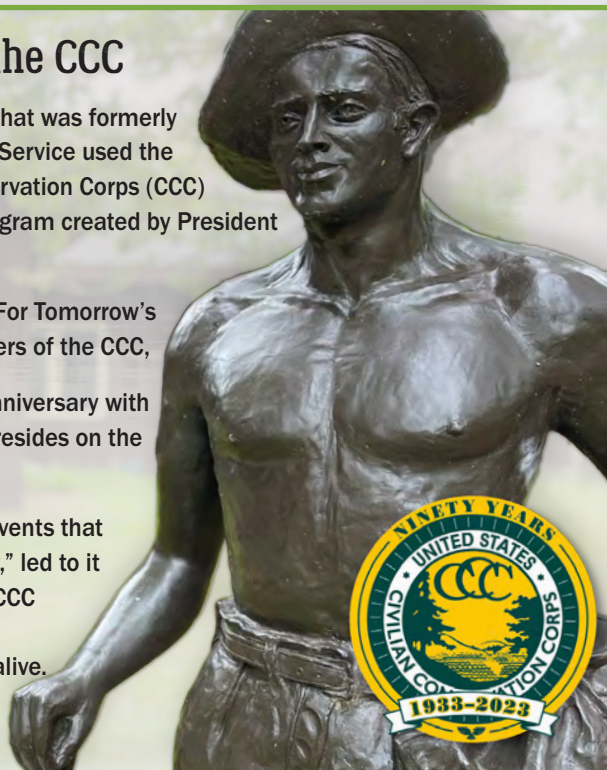
Trees For Tomorrow's campus is located on US Forest Service property that was formerly known as Region Nine Training School. In the late 1930s, the US Forest Service used the facility to train workers, including men who managed The Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) camps and supervised CCC enrollees. The CCC was a Federal Works Program created by President Franklin Roosevelt during the Great Depression (1929-1939).

Today these historic buildings continue to be used by students on Trees For Tomorrow's campus. Many of the structures were constructed with the aid of members of the CCC,

In August 2013, Trees For Tomorrow helped celebrate the CCC's 80th anniversary with a dedication ceremony of a full-size bronze statue of a CCC worker that resides on the their campus in front of the Education Building.

The special role of the campus in both conservation, government and "events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history," led to it being added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1996. As the CCC celebrates its 90th anniversary, Trees For Tomorrow honors its special connection to the CCC and is proud to be able to help keep its memory alive.

For information about the CCC, visit www.ccclegacy.org.



The Newspaper Legacy Continues at TFT

In 1957, The Wisconsin Newspaper Association (WNA) purchased a 78-acre plot of farmland, known as the Wisconsin Press Forest, located four miles south of Eagle River, Wisconsin. Throughout the 1950s and 1960s, individuals representing newspapers from all over the state would travel to Eagle River to plant tree seedlings. This effort was part of the forest management plan that Trees For Tomorrow (TFT) developed for the forest property.

Press Forest was then used by WNA as a recreation area for publishers, their families, and employees. Today, WNA members continue to gather annually at both Trees For Tomorrow and the Press Forest to honor the legacy of their members. A series of memorial granite pylons commemorating departed newspaper publishers is located on the Trees For Tomorrow campus where a ceremony is held each year to celebrate the lives of those who have passed during the previous year.

While Trees For Tomorrow is headquartered out of a 40-acre campus in Eagle River, much of their programming brings students off-campus to field sites including the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, Vilas County Forest, and private property owned by Tara Lila LLC. Since 1959, the Press Forest has also been a key component of Trees For Tomorrow's curriculum. Today, at least 1,500 students from approximately 50 schools use the Press Forest as a learning lab each year. By far the Press Forest is one of the primary off-campus field sites used with TFT students for exploring and learning about natural resource management. While TFT does not own the Press Forest, it's often referred to as TFT's "school forest." The diverse habitats, trails, wetlands, and wildlife combined with its close proximity to campus, and the safety of the property being private enables TFT to use this site for a variety of programming. One of the most popular School Outdoor Learning Ex-

periences (SOLE) for K12 is the Night Hike. Having access to the Press Forest enables students to spend time in nature without any flashlights and away from city lights. *"It's the perfect property for this as we appreciate that we can take our students in the dark to a safe location for them to listen to night sounds, look at the night sky, and just be silent in nature,"* said Cheryl Todea, TFT Executive Director. *"We also use the Press Forest for an orienteering course, GPS course, animal tracking demonstrations, wetland classes, wildlife population studies, land management activities, and more. THANK YOU Wisconsin Newspaper Association for sharing this amazing resource with us!"*

The Press Forest is an excellent example of what can be accomplished by the planned planting of trees, sustainable forest management and collaboration of like-minded organizations.

To learn more about the Wisconsin Newspaper Association, visit www.WNAnews.com.



Mully Taylor, (far right) Executive Director (1944-1975) and founder of Trees For Tomorrow speaks to WNA members about sound forest management at The Press Forest in the early 1960's.



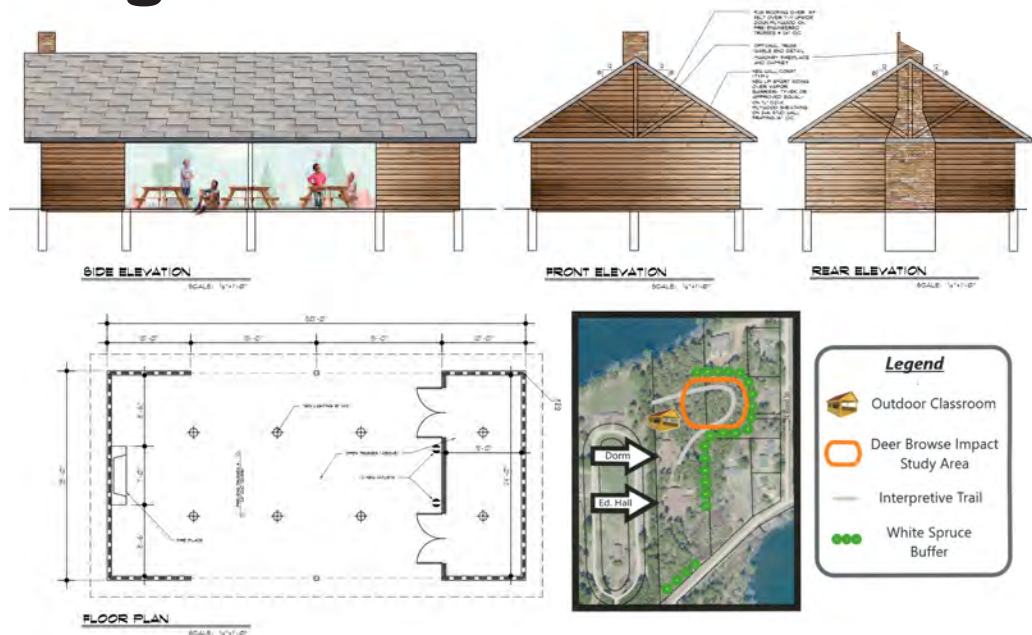
The Press Forest continues to be used today as an outdoor classroom for students to learn about sustainability of our natural resources.

Practicing What We Teach

The July 2021 windstorm that ravaged much of our campus necessitated implementing a forest management plan to remove hazards and allow for regeneration and sustainability of our forest. A campus-wide timber harvest was completed in April 2022 with invasive species treatment soon following on the US Forest Service (USFS) portion (27 acres). Our campus is also comprised of approximately 5.5 acres of Trees For Tomorrow (TFT) privately-owned land on the most eastern side of the property. TFT works closely with the USFS to manage the campus forest on a “landscape” level.

The storm and timber harvest are a perfect opportunity to use the campus forest as a living outdoor science lab. It has enriched our forestry curriculum to discuss what an actual timber harvest looks like and shows students how to plan for sustainable harvesting of forest products into future generations.

In May 2023, with the help of many volunteers, the USFS planted 3,100 tree



Plans are underway to reforest TFT's privately-owned portion of campus plus build a deer enclosure, interpretive trail and outdoor classroom.

seedlings on their acreage, a majority protected from deer browse by mesh tubing or temporary fencing. An annual invasives treatment was also applied. Plans for 2024 include the planting of additional trees and installation of more permanent fencing.

Our next steps for the TFT portion beginning in the second half of 2023 include:

- **Tree planting:** Preparing campus for several thousand trees including protective measures for those that are subject to deer browse. We will include a variety of tree species and ensure genetic diversity within each species to maximize our forests' long-term health and productivity.
- **Invasive species treatment:** Application and management techniques on an annual basis with a focus on invasive thistle, and buckthorn.
- **Deer enclosure:** Fence off an area of forest where deer cannot access. Vegetation inside and outside the enclosure can be compared over time to show students the impact that deer have on forest regeneration as part of our new deer impacts course.

- **Interpretive trail:** The hiking trail will have multiple access points with information signs along the way. In addition to looping through the study area, the trail will branch off and allow easy access for students to walk to public docks for water studies.
- **Outdoor classroom:** What better way to learn about the environment than being immersed in it! No matter the weather, students will be able study in the fresh air and experience an exciting change of learning environment.

Funding for this project includes monies received from the General Federation of Woman's Clubs, Wisconsin, and a grant from Lumberjack RC&D and NRCS's EQIP; plus in-kind services from Future-Wood, Vilas County Land & Water Conservation, LDN Drafting & Design, LLC, LP Building Solutions, USFS and Wisconsin Headwaters Partnership (WHIP).

Throughout the process we continue to focus on guest safety and creating a healthier and productive forest. If you're interested in contributing talent, time or funding for this project, please reach out to Cheryl Todea, TFT Executive Director.



USFS District Ranger Chad Kirschbaum (center) works with volunteers to install deer fencing.



Some of the 3,100 trees with tree tubes planted on the USFS portion of campus.

If you're looking for a unique and inspiring location to schedule your corporate or group meetings, this is the place to be!

Trees For Tomorrow is a renowned environmental education center located in the heart of nature. Nestled among the beautiful forests and lakes, this facility offers a serene and peaceful setting that is perfect for hosting corporate meetings, team building activities, and workshops. Our facility is equipped with meeting rooms and conference utilities to cater to your business needs. Whether you are planning a small meeting or a large-scale conference, Trees For Tomorrow has the space and amenities to accommodate your requirements. The meeting rooms are designed to provide a comfortable and professional atmosphere, ensuring that your attendees can focus and engage effectively.

In addition to meeting spaces, Trees For Tomorrow offers various outdoor activities that can be incorporated into your corporate or group events. You can arrange team building exercises, nature hikes, or even educational programming to further enhance the experience.

To schedule your corporate or group meetings at our fantastic facility. You can easily reach out to me via email mandy@treesfortomorrow.com or by phone 715.479.6456. I will assist you in selecting the appropriate meeting space, discussing your specific requirements, and helping you plan a memorable event.



Trees For Tomorrow's campus is perfect for a variety of events including school workshops, retreats, family reunions, meetings, conferences, field research, and trainings.



We pride ourselves on ensuring that all that enter our dining hall have a home-cooked meal that fills them up regardless of any dietary needs they have. We make sure that what we serve is consistent for each student, meaning that we will find a way to modify our menu items so the same thing can be served to every student at each meal (e.g., if we are having tacos, there will be taco meat for regular diets, vegetarian diets, vegan and gluten-free diets too!

Our education staff feeds students' brains but hospitality feeds the body and soul of each and every individual that passes through our doors. We love and find deep joy in the work we do to make sure no one ever leaves our "home" hungry or unsatisfied.

VEGAN PULLED PORK/TACO MEAT

- 1 Block Extra firm Tofu - drained and shredded
- 1 TBS light oil (canola or vegetable)
- 1 TBS soy sauce
- 2 TSP chili powder
- ½ TSP smoked paprika
- ½ TSP garlic powder
- * ¼ C vegan-friendly BBQ sauce (if using for pork substitution)
- ¼ C water

Preheat oven to 350F (180C) .. Line with parchment paper or lightly grease a large baking sheet. There is no need to press tofu as it will dry out in oven. Simply drain excess water and pat dry. Using large side of grater, grate block of tofu into shreds and set aside. Mix oil, soy sauce, chili powder, smoked paprika, and garlic powder in large bowl. Add tofu and gently toss to coat evenly with seasonings.

Spread tofu on lined or greased pan and bake for 28-33 mins, stirring tofu halfway through, until lightly browned. For chewier shreds bake longer, for tender shreds, bake a little less.

Heat BBQ sauce and water in pan, then stir in baked tofu.

*Omit BBQ sauce if using for taco meat replacement.

We're Social! Follow, like and share us on your favorite social media sites



Align your passion with a purpose

An investment in education at Trees For Tomorrow results in the necessary skills to make informed and responsible decisions about sustainability of our natural world. We have several 2024 Sponsorship and Impact Opportunities for individuals and corporations.

Citizen Scientists

22nd Annual Golf Outing Fundraiser

- Sponsor the event, partner with friends and become a golfer and/or donate a raffle prize.
- Sponsorships support environmental science programs in Wisconsin and surrounding states.

May 31, 2024

Industry Workforce

Natural Resources Careers Exploration Week

- Sponsor a full week of career exploration for high school students for up to \$750 per student.
- Sponsorships ensure this week remains affordable for all students.

June 9-14, 2024

Forest Management

10th Annual Forest Fest

- Seeking sponsorships for this family fun event and celebration of Trees For Tomorrow's 80th Anniversary.
- Sponsorships support outreach and education at the event and at future programs.

July 27, 2024

Future Stewards

Still Looking for Your Purpose?

- Contact Cheryl Todea, Executive Director, to talk about other program sponsorships and giving opportunities.
- ctodea@treesfortomorrow.com or (715) 479-6456 ext. 222.

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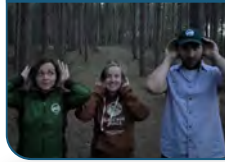
Participate in a program or event

Fall KinderWild Camp • Fridays • Sept. 25-Nov. 28



A fun and unique experience for 3-5-year-olds with an opportunity to explore the Northwoods, discover new interests and meet new friends.

Autumn Night Hike • Oct. 21, 2023 • 5:30-7:30 PM



Head out to a local forest to experience the dark firsthand through a short hike that will foster conversations about how nocturnal animals navigate life in the dark.

Wreathmaking • Nov. 11, 2023 • 8:00 AM & 1:00 PM



We do the work of cutting the boughs and organizing the supplies, you'll have the fun of putting together a one-of-a-kind decoration for your home!

NYE Hike/Snowshoe • Dec. 31, 2023 • 5:30-8:00 PM



Candlelight hike on New Year's Eve through our forest trail followed by hot chocolate and snacks by the bonfire! Snowshoes are optional.

Golf Outing • May 31, 2024 • 7:30 AM-3:00 PM



Four-person scramble, challenge and betting holes, raffles, breakfast and lunch, awards ceremony, and a chance to win \$10,000 in the hole-in-one contest.

Careers Exploration Week • June 9-14, 2024



Designed for sophomores, juniors and graduating seniors who are interested in exploring careers in all aspects of natural resource management.

Forest Fest • July 27, 2024 • 9:00 AM-3:00 PM



Features logging equipment demos, exhibits, horse-drawn wagon rides, children's activities, chainsaw carving, logging history, great food and more!

Calendar of events is updated regularly.

Scan this QR Code



Visit www.TreesForTomorrow.com for fees, requirements and additional information



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YES! I Want to Support Trees For Tomorrow

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