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New Forest Stewards Needed for Clove Lakes Park on Staten Island

As part of the MillionTreesNYC initiative, New York City Parks and Recreation Natural Resources Group (NRG) is restoring parkland and other public open spaces to ecologically healthy, multi-story forests through the PlaNYC Reforestation program at NRG.

In order for newly planted trees to grow into healthy forests, stewardship is needed so that invasive weeds do not overwhelm the new plantings. As the trees grow, understory shrubs and herbaceous plants will be planted to create the multistory forest that will sustain the new ecosystem.

Stewards are needed to help weed and monitor new reforestation plantings in Clove Lakes Park. Stewards will be trained in natural areas stewardship, invasive weed identification, and proper management techniques. Stewards must attend 3 training sessions and commit to volunteer 12 hours over the summer.

Benefits of Forests in the City include:

- improve air and water quality
- mitigate climate change
- improve neighborhoods
- reduce energy costs
- lower summer temperatures
- preserve wildlife habitat
- increase biodiversity

New Forest Stewards Training Classes

Saturday May 1, 9AM- 12PM Silver Lakes Tennis House

Saturday May 15, 9 AM – 11 AM, Clove Lakes Park

Saturday May 29, 9 AM – 11 AM, Clove Lakes Park

Interested in becoming a new forest steward?

Contact Frank Filatro
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More information can be found online at:
http://www.milliontreesnyc.org/html/urban_forest/planyc_reforestation.shtml