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What's that Tree? Learn to ID trees during spring Dendrology program

GENEVA, IL — Could you identify trees in winter, without any leaves for clues?

Identifying trees in winter is not as daunting as it may seem. Join our resident expert, Nature Programs Manager Valerie Blaine on Saturday, Feb. 5, for “Dendrology, or What’s That Tree?” The program is from 1-4 p.m. at Tekakwitha Woods Nature Center. Registration is \$15.

Attendees will learn the basics of tree identification and gain experience using a botanical key to identify native trees. Blaine will share tips to de-mystify tree I.D. and will emphasize observation of bark, branches, form, habitat, twigs, leaf scars and buds.

The session begins indoors with a lecture/presentation. During the latter portion of the program, the group will head outdoors to practice tree identification.

The program is part of the Learn from the Experts series. Learn from the Experts programs are cosponsored by the Forest Preserve District and the Geneva, Fox Valley and St. Charles Park Districts. These programs offer in-depth information and learning opportunities about our local ecology, and are often taught by leaders in their field. The programs are for ages 16 and up. Advance registration is required. Call 847-741-8350 or e-mail programs@kaneforest.com to register.

Tekakwitha Woods Forest Preserve is located at 35W076 Villa Marie Rd., St. Charles. From Route 25, head west at May Lane and follow street signs to Tekakwitha.

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