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## Identify trees in the winter at Forest Preserve program

GENEVA, IL — Learn to identify trees in the winter, during a "Learn from the Experts" nature program, Jan. 27.

During "Winter Tree Identification," Saturday, Jan. 27, from 1-3 p.m., you'll learn the basics of tree identification (without leaves) and gain experience using a botanical key.

Forest Preserve District of Kane County Nature Programs Manager Valerie Blaine will share tips to help de-mystify winter tree identification and will emphasize observation of bark, branches, form, habit, habitat, twigs, leaf scars and buds.

The session will begin indoors with a presentation. During the second hour, we'll head into the woods to practice tree-identification skills.

The registration fee is \$10 per person. Advance registration is required. To register, call 630-444-3190 or e-mail programs@kaneforest.com. This program is at Creek Bend Nature Center, located within LeRoy Oakes Forest Preserve, 37W700 Dean St., St. Charles.

Learn from the Experts programs are for ages 18 and up. They're taught by experts in the field and offer in-depth information and learning opportunities about our local ecology. This program series is cosponsored by the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, the St. Charles Park District and the Geneva Park District

For more information, call 630-444-3190, or find us on social media @forestpreserve.