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Learn about the bioreactor located at Meissner-Corrone Forest Preserve during June 8 nature program

GENEVA, IL — Come learn about the bioreactor that is located at Meissner-Corrone Forest Preserve, as part of our “Learn from the Experts” program on Tuesday, June 8, from 7-8:30 p.m.

The Forest Preserve District of Kane County partnered with the Kane County Farm Bureau and Kane County to build a bioreactor at the Meissner-Corrone Forest Preserve in 2018. Woodchips are a renewable resource and a woodchip bioreactor is a natural underground-filtration system. This natural filtration system treats the water and removes excess nitrogen before it leaves the field. The bioreactor is part of the Illinois Nutrient Strategy goals to reduce nitrogen and phosphorus that contribute to the Gulf hypoxia issue in the Gulf of Mexico.

Join Jodie Wollnick, Director of Kane County Division of Environmental and Water Resources, to learn about the bioreactor and other water quality work that is underway to better define where the sources of nitrogen and phosphorus come from in our rural areas, and how we can all help. This program will be at the Barbara Belding Lodge, located within Brewster Creek Forest Preserve at 6N921 IL Rte. 25, St. Charles.

This Learn from the Experts program is for ages 18 and above. Advance registration is required. The registration fee is \$10/person. Call 630-444-3190 or email programs@kaneforest.com to register.

Learn from the Experts programs are taught by experts in their respective fields and offer in-depth learning opportunities about our local ecology. The programs are offered through a partnership with the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, St. Charles Park District and Geneva Park District.

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