EARTDAY 2015

TRAIL BLAZING & REFORESTATION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Saturday, 25 April 2015, 9:00 A.M. - Noon (No Rain Date)

Kent County Community Services, Parks & Recreation is looking for families, individuals, groups, and volunteer organizations to help Kent County Blaze a New Trail at Kent County's Browns Branch Park. The Park and parking area for this project is located at 1417 Killens Pond Road, Harrington, Delaware 19952. From the North Gate of Dover AFB, go (3 miles ^{+/-}) West on Rt. 10, turning South (left) on South DuPont Highway (US 13) go to Delaware Highway 14 (Clark Street – Milford-Harrington Highway) (13.2 miles ^{+/-}) in Harrington, Delaware, turn left (east) and travel to Killens Pond Road (2.7 miles ^{+/-}), turn left (north) to Browns Branch County (1.3 miles ^{+/-}) Park on your left. This is not Delaware's Killens Pond State Park.

Earthday is a national day of helping others -- a celebration of neighbors helping neighbors generally observed on April 22 and was started in the United States in 1970 by Senator Gaylord Nelson to create awareness for the Earth's environment and to encourage conservation efforts. Kent County will observe our local Earthday 2015 on Saturday, 25 April 2015. This will be Kent County's 20th Annual Earthday event. Volunteers are asked to arrive for check-in between 9:00 and 9:30 A.M., we normally finish before 1:00 P.M. depending on the number of volunteers we have and the scope of the project.

Volunteers will be helping to extend a trail to connect with an existing trail system. This trail and reforestation projects will be a most aggressive volunteer project. It will require many volunteers willing to do some hard work. Along with developing a new trail a number of trees will need to be planted.

There will be something for all ages and abilities to do. Trail Blazing, Tree Planting and Site Clean-up (trash, and unwanted vegetation). For safety, volunteers will be working under the supervision of "Team Leaders" and Parks Staff.

Please bring leather work gloves, hard-soled, lace-up shoes or boots (NO SNEAKERS, PLEASE), and a round-point shovel and a garden rake if you have one, we have limited rakes and shovels on site. Be sure to dress appropriately for outdoor work and the weather. A handicapped port-o-pot restroom and hot and cold drinks, donuts, and fruit will be provided to all volunteers.

PLEASE NOTE: All participants under the age of 18 years must be accompanied by a pre-registered adult, parent, guardian, or volunteer and provide Kent County with a signed liability waiver/release form for the under 18 year old person. E-mail, FAX (302-760-4757), snail-mail or present completed and signed waiver/release to Parks & Recreation, 555 S. Bay Rd., Dover, DE 19901, or bring it on the day of the event. Request a waiver form when you pre-register. It will save a great deal of time at the sign-in table if we have the form beforehand. No person under 18 will be allowed to participate without a signed waiver/release.

If you wish to be a "Adult Team Leader" (over 18) you will be required to register in advance, receive a "Team Leader Number" and attend a lunch-time "Safety Training" the day before the event (Friday, 24 April 2015) between the hours 11:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M. Pizza and sodas will be provided by Kent County. "Team Leaders" will receive a team leader ball cap after the training. Team Leader Training will be conducted at the Browns Branch County Park event site. Volunteers will be assigned to Team Leaders on the day of the event.

To register as a Volunteer and/or a Team Leader and for more information about this special public event, call: Glenn "Wayne" McCarty, Kent County Division of Parks, 302-744-2489 or e-mail him at: wayne.mccarty@co.kent.de.us

Volunteers (Not Team Leaders) may also register on the day of the event at the project site. All registered volunteers will receive a certificate of appreciation and possibly other appreciation gifts (sponsors pending and welcomed).

Please join Kent County Community Services on Earthday 2015 at Kent County's Browns Branch County Park. Come celebrate and enjoy the experience of leaving a place better than you found it.

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Department of Community Services

KENT COUNTY WAIVER FOR PERSON UNDER 18 COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENT – EARTHDAY 2015 25 APRIL 2015

I, HEREBY, FOR MYSELF, MY CHILD, MY HEIRS, EXECUTORS AND ADMINISTRATORS, WAIVE AND RELEASE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS AND CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES I OR MY CHILD MAY HAVE AGAINST KENT COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS FOR ANY AND ALL INJURIES SUFFERED BY MYSELF OR MY CHILD AT THE ACTIVITIES FOR WHICH I AM REQUESTING.

PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MUST SIGN FOR ANY CHILD UNDER 18, ENTERING A PROGRAM, EVENT, OR COMMUNITY PROJECT.

[PARENT/GUARDIAN - SIGNATURE]

[DATE]

If you are the parent or legal guardian for more than three (3) children, feel free to utilize more than one waiver form.

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: NO CHILD WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE WITHOUT A COPY OF THIS FORM ON FILE BY 25 APRIL 2015.

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PLEASE DRESS Appropriately for Outdoor work (NO SNEAKERS PLEASE)

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