



UPCOMING TOURS & PRESENTATIONS

Butterflies & Wine

Oak & Prairie Restoration
on private lands in Wren
Memorial Day - May 25th
9am - 12 noon

Visit with private landowners working to enhance native prairie and oak habitat. Learn about native prairie wildflowers and butterflies, invasive plants, and prairie management techniques.

Tour starts at 9 at Wren Community Hall (on Hwy 223 just north of Cardwell Hill Rd) and ends at noon at Lumos Winery where, after visiting one of the largest populations of Fender's blue butterfly, you are invited to stay for the Lumos Winery Open House and Wine Tasting from noon to 5 pm

To RSVP, email: outreach@mrwc.net
or phone MRWC at 758-7597

Stream Restoration and Forest Stewardship in **Rock Creek Watershed**

Co-Hosted by MRWC and City of Corvallis

Wednesday - May 27th - 5:00-8 PM

The Rock Creek Watershed is located on the east side of Marys Peak and provides about 30% of the Corvallis drinking water supply.

Meet at City Hall, 501 SW Madison Ave. The City will provide a ride to the site and back. Busses will leave at 5:00 pm on the dot.

Participation is limited. Pre-registration is required! Call: Corvallis Public Works at 766-6916 or email: public.works@ci.corvallis.or.us before May 22.

Learn more about

Corvallis Forest Stewardship Plan

www.ci.corvallis.or.us - click on 'Departments', 'Public Works', 'Corvallis Forest Stewardship Plan'

Watershed Restoration in Rock Creek

www.mrwc.org - click on 'Projects'

MRWC Quarterly Special Presentation

Tuesday - June 2nd - 7-9 pm

Corvallis Public Library Conference Room

Guest Presenter: Dr. John Selker, OSU
Department of Biological and Ecological Engineering

Stream Temperature Dynamics: How to measure, the story told, and how to evaluate options to manage this critical habitat feature.

Also: **Jenny Swanson**, Philomath High School graduate will present her senior project research on amphibians of Newton Creek Wetlands.

Oak Creek Tour

Forest, Farms, and Football

Sunday June 7th

10am - 2pm

followed by a **Water Fair** at Reser Stadium

Come explore the ancient stream known as Oak Creek as it flows from forested headwaters through farms and homesites to the OSU football stadium and Marys River.

Meet community members involved in stewardship efforts and find out how you can make a difference in this urban watershed.

RSVP REQUIRED to Taylor by phone: 753-7208
or e-mail: tbortz@bentonswcd.org

Coordinated by Benton Soil & Water Conservation District.

Project Updates!

Beaver Creek Subbasin The Watershed Council has been awarded funding from Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board to develop engineered designs for replacement of seven fish passage barriers on Starr and Duffy Creeks. We also received funding to perform a stream survey to "Ask the fish" about productivity and fish habitat limitations and to identify opportunities for additional landowners to voluntarily participate in habitat improvement projects. We will soon be contacting landowners in the Beaver Creek Watershed requesting permission to access the creek on their land in order to complete the survey this summer.

Blair Creek Lincoln School students worked with the Watershed Council and Oregon Trout to complete a riparian planting at the Wakefield property, one of the four sites where fish passage barriers were removed on Blair Creek in 2008. We await a response from Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board on funding to replace an additional nine passage barriers on Blair Creek in 2010.

Woods Creek Twenty-four landowners voluntarily participated in log placement, alcove construction, riparian planting or Japanese knotweed removal along Woods Creek in 2008. The Freshwater Trust recently awarded the Marys River Watershed Council