

Dear Itasca Volunteers,

Happy National Volunteers Week! We want to thank you all so much for volunteering your time to help the naturalist/interpretive program at Itasca State Park.

Last year we had 207 volunteers put in 1,214 hours of your time to help with events and projects. This is an incredible number! Because of you generously giving your time and talents, we are able to provide wonderful, unforgettable opportunities for park visitors.

We are really looking forward to spring and the upcoming events and programs for the summer and fall! This extra foot of snow is just a small bump in the road. 😊 Hopefully spring flowers will soon be here along with many eager visitors ready to get outside!

We have some volunteer opportunities that we wanted to let you know about. I have attached a sheet of upcoming events that we are looking for volunteers to help us as well as another document of the Outdoor Kids programs. For Outdoor Kids, the dates we need volunteers are highlighted in yellow.

If you are available and interested in signing up and helping with any of these programs or have any questions, let me or Connie know.

Again this year, volunteers are required to do an annual background check, so we will work with each of you to get the forms updated.

We are looking forward to a great summer! Thank you again for all you do!

We look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you, Sandra

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