

Treehaven Student Involvement on Lake Alice

Treehaven and Lincoln County have teamed up to help numerous area lakes prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species like Eurasian water milfoil, curly leaf pondweed, zebra mussels, and VHS (viral hemorrhagic septicemia). Not only does this opportunity help raise public awareness on AIS it also helps the lake people become more comfortable doing landing inspections by teaming with the students at the landings. This involvement will have a direct, positive impact on the water bodies and people encountered. If you have not yet taken the opportunity to support the students' efforts at your landing there are a few weeks left.

Ten (10) students were hired during the first session and nine (9) were hired the second session at Treehaven. The work schedule is Saturdays and Sundays. Actual times of work vary depending on the needs of the participating lakes but have typically been 7 a.m. till noon or 1 p.m. on Saturdays. Sundays has been 10 a.m. till 3 p.m. Continued volunteer help is encouraged and needed to fulfill the grant which the students were hired to help your lake and the others participating. All time should be recorded and transferred to Chris Hamerla.

This has been one of the biggest efforts in Lincoln Co. this summer. The Jersey City Flowage had a plant survey completed of which I was involved. The survey took four full days of collecting and recording aquatic plants from over 500 points. A similar plant survey will be occurring on Seven Island Lake in August. Oneida Co. offered to distribute native plant and animal manuals to greenhouse/landscaping businesses throughout Lincoln Co. New AIS signs will start showing up at the boat landings.

Please send your letter to Chris Hamerla, Lumberjack Aquatic Invasives Coordinator, 2187 N. Stevens St., Suite A, Rhinelander WI 54501-8036 OR email to chris_h@frontier.com