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## **LENDING A HELPING HAND**

The Nature Institute searching for volunteers

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Godfrey, III– The Nature Institute (TNI), a local environmental non-profit located at 2213 South Levis Lane in Godfrey, III, is searching for community leaders to lend a helping hand in assisting with various projects. Those interested can be individuals, groups, and/or schools and be at least 16 years old or have an adult present. Projects vary and provide many opportunities for volunteers to choose from.

TNI offers a few monthly work days with the next date being Saturday, March 19 at 9 a.m. This date is focused on clean up around Talahi Lodge. The TNI work day is held on the third Saturday of each month, with each month having a different focus.

"With the season quickly changing, we need to spruce up our play area and the surrounding land for guests," said Patti Brown, education director.

Brown continued to say that the clean up on this day will mostly be in the newly constructed children's play area in prep for their upcoming events such as the "Breakfast with the Easter Bunny" and more.

More upcoming opportunities include assistance with the Riverbend Earth Day Festival on Saturday, April 16 and trail restoration at Heartland Prairie, which starts in April.

The Nature Institute, located at 2213 South Levis Lane in Godfrey, III, is a conservation and environmental organization with a mission of raising awareness of the natural world through preservation, restoration and education. TNI owns over 450 acres of protected land, much of which have hiking trails. Those trails will reopen to the public on April 1 after a winter break. To learn about TNI and how to get involved, visit www.TheNatureInstitute.org or call (618) 466-9930.

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