

Public meeting to help species at risk

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A public meeting will be held on Thursday June 4th at 5pm, at Millard Blvd in Southampton to discuss plantings which will attract and feed Monarch butterflies.

The Town of Saugeen Shores and the Butterfly Gardens of Saugeen Shores group will tour the Captain Spence Path (trail from the flag to Pioneer Park) with those interested, to explain the project and how the Monarchs, an at risk species, will benefit from this community driven project.



The volunteer group has approached the municipality to plant a butterfly friendly habitat along the Captain Spence Path. These plantings are scheduled to take place in mid-late June 2015.

“The public meeting is an opportunity for residents/visitors to learn how we can help this species at risk. This is an opportunity for Saugeen Shores to work together to increase the population of the Monarch Butterfly, while maintaining a natural environment along our waterfront trail.” said Jessica Linthorne, Recreation Programs Supervisor.

Residents in the area have been notified of the plantings and have been personally invited to attend the discussion.

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“In our own little way, we believe that Saugeen Shores can make a difference in the lives of the Monarch butterflies by creating a natural butterfly habitat.” said Kerry Jarvis, co-founder of the Butterfly Gardens of Saugeen Shores group. Jarvis and the executive members, Melitta Smole and Stew Nutt, will be presenting to the group on Thursday, June 4th.

The Butterfly Gardens of Saugeen Shores group is volunteer driven and has received support from a number of community groups and organizations. The next phase of their project will include educational partnerships with the local elementary school and others.



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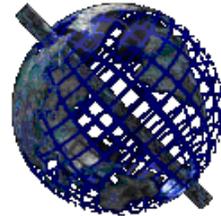




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