

Menard County Trails & Greenways

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Summer Newsletter 2020

Board of Directors Election Results

Many thanks to all who took part in the online election for the board of directors. The directors met by a special Zoom meeting on Tuesday to elect the FY21 officers. The results of both elections are as follows:

Terri Treacy, President
Jennifer Satorius, Vice President
Secretary, Libby Shawgo
Treasurer, Karen Erchinger
Lars Hillesheim
Kent Massie
Guy Sternberg
Dan Roberston
Chris Rudin



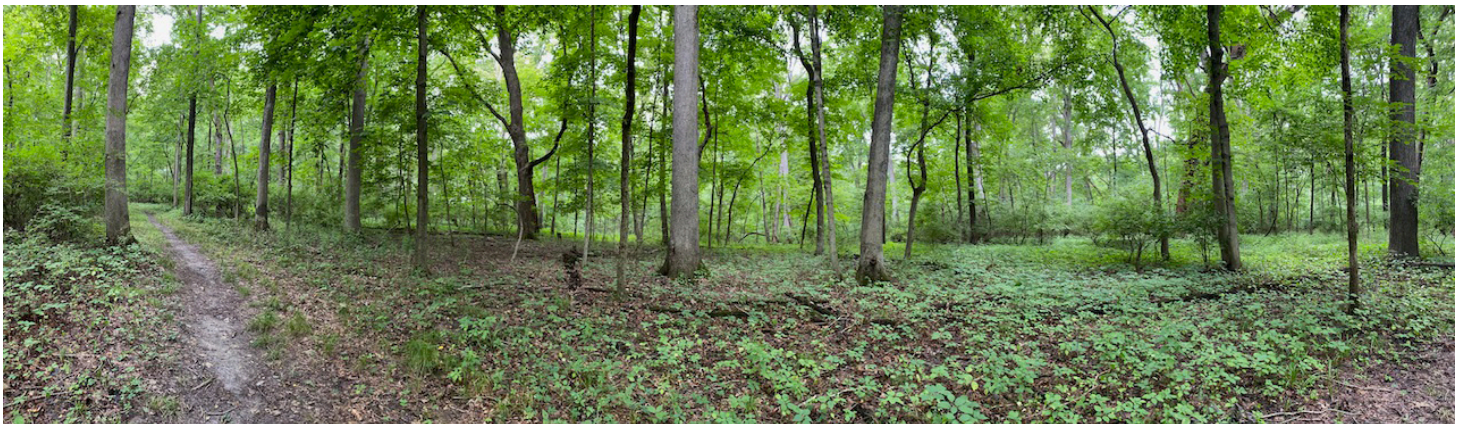
The amended bylaws, which were adopted unanimously, call for no fewer than four (4) and no more than twelve (12) board members. That means we have space for 3 additional board members next year. Since board terms run for 2 years, by not having a full slate this year we'll have a staggered slate in all future years--thereby avoiding the risk of having all new directors come on at the same time.

The next board meeting will take place on September 8, 2020 -- all are welcome. Location to be announced -- we will inform you via the email listserve, website and Facebook page.

Trails Committee to meet August 11

Anyone interested in discussing issues and opportunities related to the Sangamon River, including stewardship, access, recreation, and education, is welcome to join the Trails Committee on **Tuesday, Aug 11, 6pm**, via Zoom, to discuss water trail priorities over the next year (and potentially beyond).

We'll also discuss ways that we can stay engaged and make progress on priorities while we continue to navigate the coronavirus pandemic. If you are interested in participating in this discussion, please reach out to Jenn Satorius at: jsatorius@gmail.com, who will send you the Zoom link.



Cardinal Trail at New Salem State Historic Site

MCTG Committees

The following is a list of Menard County Trails & Greenways committees and the current chair and committee members and a brief explanation of the function of each. Committee participation is open to everyone and we'd love to have you join us! Please contact contact us at: MenardCTG@gmail.com

Executive

Executive Committee consists of the elected Board officers. The committee has the authority to act on the affairs of the Corporation.

Membership / Communications

Chair: Alana McKean

Cmt members: Chris Rudin, Terri Treacy

This committee maintains the membership list and List-serve, posts to social media, maintains the website, and produces printed materials (brochures, signs, etc.)

Program & Events

Chair: Terri Treacy

This committee will organize special interest programs. For example, upcoming programs in 2020 include:

Growing Healthy Trees Workshop

Invasive Species Workshop

Sub-committee chairs will organize special events such as:

Earth Day Clean Ups

Bike Rides

Sangamon River Watershed Celebration

Booth at Petersburg Harvest Fest

Sangamon River Fall Float

Wayside Maintenance

Chair: Guy Sternberg

Cmt members: Dave Hedrick, Ben Kingingham, Mark

Jones, Karen Erchinger, Logan Dudley, Alana McKean, Terri Treacy

This committee maintains the Wayside Park and includes weekly mowing during the growing season, tree care and pollinator waystation care.

Adopt-a-Highway

Chair-Lars Hillesheim

The Trails & Greenways Adopt-a-Highway segment runs 2 miles allow Rt. 97 from the south edge of town to the top of the hill at the south end of New Salem State Historic Site. Litter is picked up on average 4 times per year.

Trails (Land & Water)

Co-Chairs: Kent Massie & Jenn Satorious

Cmt members: Libby Shawgo, Doug VanAtten, Mark Jones, Mike Wiant

Land trail work include projects such as Sangamon Valley Trail Extension, Petersburg/NS trail, New Salem Trails, Menard County Bike Routes & signage, etc.

Water trail work includes projects such as National Water Trail Designation, Sangamon River Access and river clean up sweeps.

Finance & Compliance

Chair-Edie Sternberg

Cmt member: Karen Erchinger

this committee is responsible for making sure the organization is in compliance with filing deadlines, etc.

Nominating

Chair: 3 members appointed by the President

The Committee prepares a slate of nominees for the board positions to be presented at the last monthly meeting of the fiscal year.



Sangamon River at New Salem State Historic Site boat ramp