



July Notes from the DCLT

Service on the Cape with AmeriCorps



Have you been out around the Cape and seen an 'A' emblem at the start of a trail? Or a group of workers along the road in matching blue shirts? It's likely that you have at one point or another stumbled upon AmeriCorps Cape Cod members out serving the community.

AmeriCorps is a federal program that allows young individuals to obtain national service experience.

AmeriCorps Cape Cod (ACC) centers around environmental service with four focus areas that include natural resource management, disaster preparedness and response, environmental education, and volunteer engagement.

- It is an 11-month full-time volunteer commitment to the Cape
- Our time here starts September 7th and ends July 29th;
- Each year 24 national service members are recruited;
- Members serve across the 15 towns of the Cape;
- It is a residential program with four houses that serve as our residences in Wellfleet, Chatham, Barnstable, and Bourne; and
- Whether removing invasive plant species on conservation land, propagating oysters with a local shellfish department, staffing regional emergency shelters during a Nor'easter, or educating kids about the importance of water quality, we strive to meet the diverse and dynamic needs of the Cape Cod community.

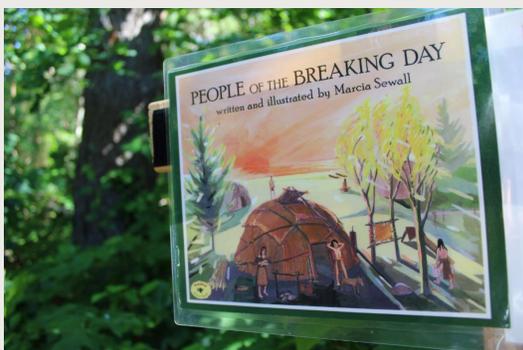
Recently DCLT hosted an ACC workday:

With the help of our AmeriCorps member Korri, six other ACC members, and eight DCLT volunteers, we were able to improve current trails on DCLT property near Fresh Pond. We worked along the circuit of connecting paths, removed trash dumping, and took out several hazardous trees.

In the afternoon we moved to DCLT's Coles Pond Bog property and cut back vegetation encroaching on the sides of the trail and assisted Dr. Dave (Fryxell) with vernal pool sampling. This consisted of benthic sweeps, zooplankton captures, turbidity measurements, and tadpole hunting (we did find one!).



Visit DCLT's Story Walk! *July 2022*



[Sesuit Neck Trail](#)
[89 Sesuit Neck Road, Dennis](#)

For K-12 youth and adults.

Walk the short loop trail (1/4 mile) along Sesuit

TerraCorps /AmeriCorps - position open at DCLT! *Apply Today!*

The Dennis Conservation Land Trust is hiring!

Are you energetic and outdoor-oriented with a desire to protect Cape Cod's natural environment? DCLT is looking for a TerraCorps Land Stewardship Coordinator for 2022-2023. This is an 11-month paid position where you will gain field experience, learn about Cape wildlife, woodlands, marshlands and waters, and participate in DCLT's Land Stewardship team! For more information click [here](#) or contact: Dave

Marsh and read the beautifully illustrated book, [People of the Breaking Day](#) by Marcia Sewall about the Wampanoag Tribe's current and historic connection with the Cape. Please park with care on the roadside.

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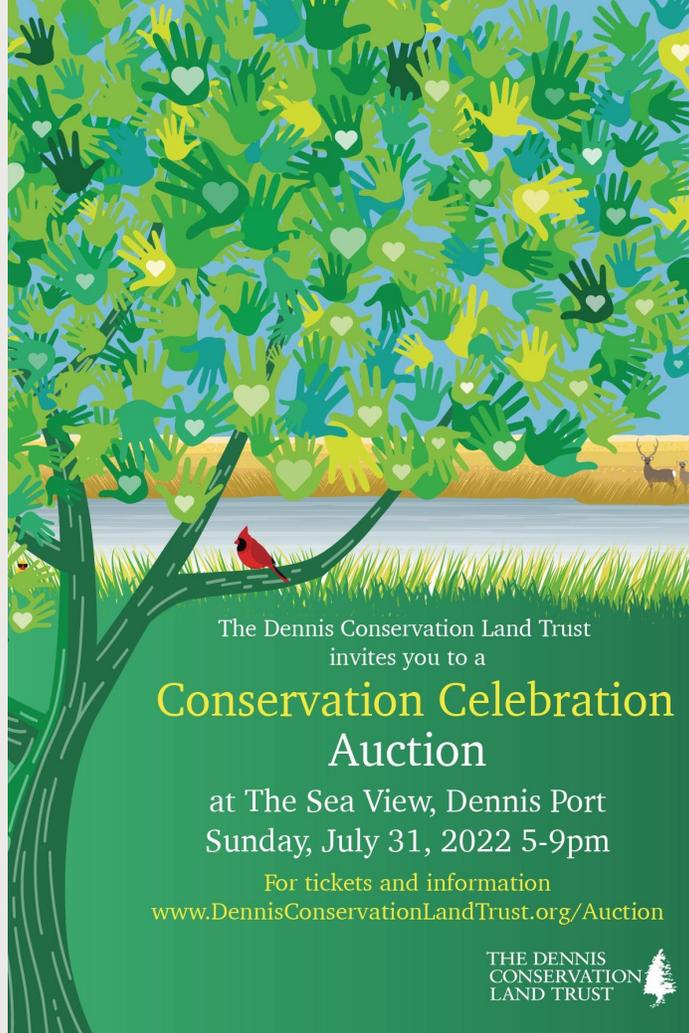
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Butterfly Weed

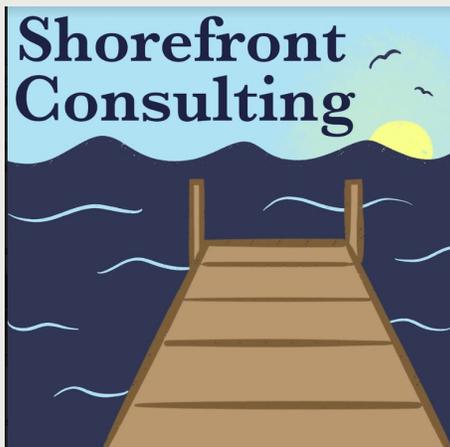
Did you know that butterfly weed or *Asclepias tuberosa*, is native to areas from Newfoundland to Florida? It is a common plant in meadow and prairie gardens with a long root system, and can be grown by seed. Butterflies are attracted to the plant due to its vibrant orange color and nectar it produces. This plant also attracts honeybees, bumble bees and other helpful pollinators.

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