Agenda

Returning Natural Areas to the Landscape
- J. Barzen
- Natural land systems before development
- How much natural area has been lost to development?
- Benefits of restoring natural areas
- Micro and macro benefits of restoration
- Restoration on micro and macro scales
- Raising the issue of restoration with clients

Prairie Identification, Characteristics and Functions
- C. Ritterbusch
- Prairie characteristics and identification
- Site evaluation and project planning
- Site preparation and planting
- Long term planning and maintenance

Forest Management
- C. Frazer
- Definition of forest types and oak-hickory woodlands
- Ecological function of oak-hickory systems
- Woody invasive species management
- Woodland fire ecology - prescribed fire as a critical management tool in woodlands
- Comprehensive woodland management – herbaceous layer, shrub layer, overstory canopy layer
- State programs that help fund woodland management
- Managing woodlands for wildlife habitat

Wetland Identification, Characteristics and Functions
- J. Larson
- Wetland characteristics and identification
- Site evaluation and project planning
- Site preparation and planting
- Long term planning and maintenance

Learning Objectives

You’ll be able to:
- **Identify** how much natural area has been lost to development.
- **Describe** the benefits of restoring natural areas.
- **Explain** long term prairie restoration planning and maintenance.
- **Discuss** comprehensive woodland management – herbaceous layer, shrub layer, overstory canopy layer.
- **Examine** prescribed fire as a critical management tool in woodlands management.
- **Explore** wetland site evaluation and project planning.

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Faculty

Jeb Barzen  Ecologist at Private Lands Conservation LLC in Spring Green, WI
Mr. Barzen has a B.S. degree from the University of Wisconsin at Madison and a M.S. degree from University of North Dakota. Both degrees are in Wildlife Biology. For more than 28 years he directed the Field Ecology Department at the International Crane Foundation. That work focused linking crane conservation to private landowners and to meeting the needs of both groups as the needs of ecosystems in which both cranes and people live. Such efforts were based in the concepts of ecosystem restoration. Projects occurred in Wisconsin, China and throughout Southeast Asia. After leaving ICF, Mr. Barzen has used his experience through Private Lands Conservation LLC to focus on developing the economic drivers that will help people implement conservation at ecologically meaningful scales while incorporating ecosystem restoration into those goals.

Cory Ritterbusch  Ecologist at Prairie Works, Inc. in Galena, IL
Mr. Ritterbusch has been restoring, installing and stewarding native ecosystems since the late 1970s. In 2006, he started PrairieWorks, Inc. Mr. Ritterbusch has been involved in all aspects of natural area projects including sales, design, implementation, long-term care and consultation. He also teaches at the University of Wisconsin – Platteville and has published a biography on conservationists H.S. Peponis. He is also experienced in the restoration of Native American burial mounds. He carries many certifications in prescription fire. Mr. Ritterbusch lives in Shullsburg, Wisconsin.

Clayton Frazer  Senior Ecologist at Eco-Resource Consulting, Inc. in Stoughton, WI
Mr. Frazer received his bachelor of science degree in Zoology/Wildlife Ecology from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale in 1996. Following a two-year Peace Corps Volunteer post in West Africa working in the agro-forestry sector, he began his professional career as a wildlife ecologist at Private Lands Conservation LLC to focus on developing the economic drivers that will help people implement conservation at ecologically meaningful scales while incorporating ecosystem restoration into those goals.

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