

Eco-Green & GM

General Motors has a long history of supporting Woldumar and its mission. We are grateful for their assistance in maintaining the trails, giving our outdoor classrooms a facelift, and supporting our educational programs throughout the year.



General Motors volunteers during their Earth Week service day.

Woldumar has run a water quality testing program for over 20 years. With the support of the General Motors Foundation and volunteers from local sites, Woldumar is able to provide equipment and expertise to support teachers in the field as they explore their local watersheds.

GM volunteers helped with 5 days of water quality testing this season. Joining us in the field, they provided assistance with the tests as well as sharing their career experiences and connecting with the students.



General Motors volunteers assistant students from Grand Ledge with macroinvertebrate sampling.

Thank you General Motors Foundation and the volunteers from the Lansing Delta Township & Lansing Grand River locations!

Volunteer Appreciation

Volunteers help keep Woldumar's trails and facilities an enjoyable space for everyone.





Woldumar was lucky to have volunteer projects happening nearly every month since spring. They helped us tackle jobs both large and small from removing invasives to giving facelifts to outdoor classroom spaces. Volunteers made a big impact on our spaces. There are lots of different ways to get involved!

Groups

Volunteer groups helped us accomplish a lot around the property. Woldumar appreciates these groups for all their hard work!



Ultium Cells creating a nature play area.

-  Lansing Catholic Central - mulch nature play, remove invasive plants
-  Keller Williams Reality - Preparing pollinator garden
-  Lansing Christian School - trail and rope course maintenance, invasive plant removal
-  Ultium Cells - creating a new nature play ground area



Keller Williams working on a pollinator garden.

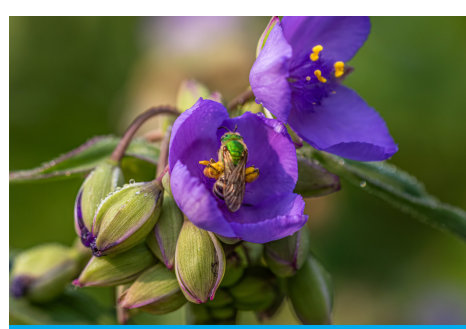
Individuals

Volunteers don't need to be part of a group to lend a hand. Read more about some volunteers that found their own project on the next page!

Are you interested in volunteering? Fill out the form on our website to get started!

A War on Bittersweet

One couple, Bill and Juanita, that frequents the property to take photos noticed an area in need. While capturing the beauty of some spiderwort plants on the property, they noticed the area was in danger of being overrun by oriental bittersweet. This invasive vining plant grows up and around anything in its path. It is capable of smothering plants and pulling down trees due to the weight of all the vines. Bittersweet is being tackled elsewhere on the property in



Spiderwort flower and a sweat bee taken by the Bill & Juanita.



Juanita holding up oriental bittersweet vines they removed.

targeted sections by the Stewardship Saturday group, however Bill and Juanita offered to clear up this section themselves. Look at their progress!



Pile of bittersweet removed by the couple.



Bill holding up oriental bittersweet vines they removed.

Sitting Pretty

Carlos Salais of local Lansing Scouts BSA Troop 111 completed his Eagle Scout project here at Woldumar. With the help of 13 fellow scouts and families, he was able to build and install three new benches along the trails.



Carlos and his volunteers moving a bench into place.



Carlos taking a break on one of the recently installed benches.

The Giving Society

Our Giving Society is for those interested in providing additional support for Woldumar's mission beyond their membership dues. Each of these annual donation levels includes a Household membership and benefits, as well as a level-specific vinyl car decal as a special recognition of your support.



Are you a Cabin Caretaker, a Pine Protector, a Bird Benefactor, a Discovery Donor, or a Garden Giver? Or perhaps over time... you'll collect them all! Visit woldumar.org/become-a-member

Giving Society Appreciation

We appreciate those who have joined the giving society and those who will join us in the future!

Vickie Crouch

Randolph Flick II

Ann Hasen

David Korman

Terri Edick

Constance Geissel

Margaret Holtschlag

Shelby Lamb

Martha & Thomas Faes

Kevin Goodwin

Susan Jones

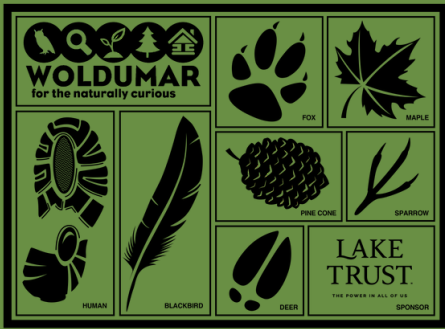
Renee & Bob Swanson

Liza & Sam Febba

Stephaney Guild

Joel King

John & Diane Revitte



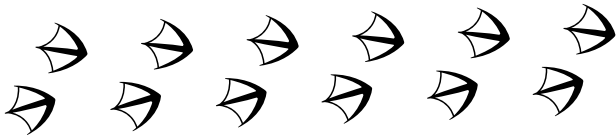
Woldumar Nature Association is excited to host its 15th annual Trail Run on Sunday, November 5th!

TRAIL RUN 2023

This event is possible courtesy of Lake Trust Credit Union. New this year, the Delta Dental Muskrat Mile is a one-mile trail course, which will begin at 9:00 am. The 5k distance will begin at 9:30 am. Both activities will be held at Woldumar's campus located at 5739 Old Lansing Rd. The routes will take participants on varied and natural terrain through beautiful wooded trails and along the Grand River.



The Woldumar Nature Association is the region's only 501c3 nonprofit nature center and we host more than 7,000 student learners annually through our year-round environmental education programs. All proceeds from the event support our mission "to educate people about the natural environment".



Enjoy a discounted rate of \$35 by registering before October 5th.



Registration is now open and can be completed at runsignup.com/woldumar or use this QR code to register today!



Those not interested in participating but who still wish to support the event may make a donation through the registration site or on Woldumar's website at woldumar.org/donate.



Sponsorship and volunteer opportunities are available; email development@woldumar.org for more information.





A container of macroinvertebrates

Dragonfly nymphs.

What is a macroinvertebrate?

A macroinvertebrate is an organism that has no backbone and can be seen with the naked eye. We often explore the pond or river to find aquatic macroinvertebrates such as dragonfly nymphs, mussels, and aquatic worms, to tell us important information about the waterways in which they live.

What can macroinvertebrates tell us?

Each species of macroinvertebrate has a different sensitivity to pollution, making them a great indicator of long term issues! Finding a diverse population tells us the system is healthy and stable.

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Stewardship Workdays

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED! ALL TOOLS PROVIDED! JOIN THE TEAM TO HELP WOLDUMAR REMOVE AND CONTROL INVASIVE PLANTS.

Looking for your own chance to volunteer? Stewardship Saturdays are a great opportunity for individuals or families to help fight invasive plants. Check our website for upcoming dates and more information!

To help support our mission, use a QR code or send a check to Woldumar Nature Association. Thank you to our donors for supporting our mission!

