

Dear Friends of The Nature Institute,

On behalf of The Nature Institute's board and staff, I am writing to request your kind support for our Annual Trivia Night and Silent Auction scheduled for February 22, 2025. We are a non-profit land conservation and environmental education organization. We are raising funds to continue our mission to foster an awareness and appreciation of the natural world through education, restoration, and preservation. The Nature Institute is an Illinois nature preserve protecting over 450 acres. In addition to over 7 miles of hiking trails which are open to the public, we offer field trips, afterschool programming, kids drop off programs, adult programming, and summer camps for a wide variety of ages.

This past summer we were able to give scholarships to 25 children in the community for our summer day camp. Our summer camp is one of the most impactful programs we offer. It cultivates a love for the natural world in children starting at a young age. These scholarships were a direct result of funds received through donors, program fees, and fundraising events like Trivia Night.

There are three, mutually beneficial ways you can help make this years trivia night and silent auction a success:

- Make an item or service donation that highlights services your business provides.
- **Make a cash donation** to help provide tools and resources for our education and stewardship teams.
- Advertise your business to the many people that attend our event.

All donors will be recognized on our website event page and during the event. Donations of goods, services, and cash are tax-deductible. For your records our Federal Tax ID is 37-1091053.

To ensure your generosity is acknowledged on our auction website, please complete the form included and send it with your donation no later than February 1, 2025, to The Nature Institute, 2213 South Levis Lane, Godfrey, IL 62035. For questions or to arrange pick-up of your donation, please email Ramona Pollard at <u>rpollard@thenatureinstitute.org</u>.

Thank you for helping make this year's event a great success!

Angela Moan Executive Director Ramona Pollard Outreach Director



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