

# October 2021

## Master Naturalist Course

Ten people completed this year's Master Naturalist course. Trainees learned about the following topics:

- Botany
- Environmental Ethics
- Archaeology
- Entomology
- Prairie Ecosystems
- Wildlife and Mammology
- Illinois Natural Divisions and Geology
- Soils
- Weather and Climate
- Forestry



In addition, 4 field trips were conducted at Meredosia Wildlife Refuge, Starhill Forest Arboretum, the McCully Heritage Farm, and at the wetland education area of Mary Lou Lael, a Master Naturalist.

Trainees are now interns, working towards full Master Naturalist Certification. To do so, they must complete 60 hours of volunteer service by the end of 2022. Interns are encouraged to find activities that allows them to educate others in aspects of the natural world.

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