Nachusa Grasslands

The 3,600-acre Nachusa Grasslands Preserve is run by the Nature Conservancy, and is located just north of Franklin Grove, Illinois. This preserve consists of 3,600-acres of large remnant prairie, woodlands, and wetlands. Working with Conservancy staff, Master Naturalist volunteers recently began a partnership with the Preserve and have worked to collect native plant seeds and manage invasive species.



Above: Master Naturalist volunteer Bob Chinn assists with the removal of invasive honeysuckle at Nachusa Grasslands Preserve.



Above: Master Naturalist Volunteer Vicki Stacy and Master Gardener Volunteer Betsy Secor assist with native plant seed collection at Nachusa Grasslands

Preserve in November 2018.



Above: University of Illinois Master Naturalist volunteers and community members worked together at Nachusa Grasslands to collect and sort native wildflower seeds for a seeding event that occurred in November 2019.