

Monthly Report

Northwest Michigan Invasive Species Network April 2014

Meetings/Presentations:

- 4/I—Presented Habitat Matters at Manistee Public Library; audience of 12
- 4/2—Hosted ISN Partner Meeting; 19 attendees
- 4/8—Attended & updated at Betsie River Restoration meeting; 14 attendees
- 4/16—Presented Habitat Matters to Sierra Club; audience of 4
- 4/17—Attended Oryana Natural Food Market's General Meeting; ~30 people reached
- 4/18—Cohosted Green Fire event with Friends of Betsie Bay
- 4/25—Presented Habitat Matters at Onekama Arbor Day Celebration; audience of ~20
- 4/26—Hosted Oryana Workbee to remove trash & garlic mustard; ~25 volunteers
- 4/29—Attended & updated at Manistee Conservation District Board Meeting; audience of 10
- 4/30—Held table at Oryana Natural Foods Market as local partner for Member Appreciation Month; >50 contacted

Other Accomplishments:

- Submitted abstract for portion of Special Session (*Update from the Front Line*) to Upper Midwest Invasive Species Conference
- 4/15—"Attended" Callery pear webinar
- Ordered native plant signs for Go Beyond Beauty participants
- Sent update/permissions letters to garlic mustard property owners; ~100 sent
- Prepared for and welcomed seasonal crew. Welcome, Chris Garrock, Sarah Green, and Lindsay Sutherland!

Ongoing Work:

- Publicizing garlic mustard events
- Dispersing Go Beyond Beauty participant signs & materials
- Updating ISN website, Facebook page, and resources
- Updating and consolidating GIS data
- Surveying for priority species in each county
- Education & outreach
- Creating & sharing materials with partners