

Conservancy seeks help planting seedlings

Volunteers will gather on March 24

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Woodlands Conservancy in Lower Coast Algiers/Belle Chasse area is seeking volunteers to plant seedlings on March 24.

Residents are asked to form groups of friends or co-workers to help Woodlands get seedlings in the ground.

The day will include an interpretive hike from 9 to 10 a.m. with National Wildlife Federation's State Director David Muth, as Woodlands Conservancy, 449

F. Edward Hebert Blvd., Belle Chasse, kicks off activities to celebrate National Wildlife Week.

Seedling and tree planting will start at 10 a.m.

For more information, call: 504.433.4000. Register online to help with planting at woodlandtrail.bizland.com/Education.htm.

After Hurricanes Katrina and Rita damaged up to 90 percent of the forest canopy at Woodlands, invasive species of trees, such as Chinese tallow, expanded exponentially. Woodlands Trail and Park, in partnership with California State University Channel Islands and Oregon State University, have developed methods to remove the invasive species and reforest with native species to restore native habitat.