

ThorpeWood's Challenge to Youth through Apprenticeship (TCYA)

TCYA is a new ThorpeWood (TW) program that challenges youth, under the guidance of a skilled professional, to become qualified in a certain field, while developing a strong work ethic and pride of workmanship.

Each year, the TCYA project will produce a product of lasting value as we partner with groups committed to the same challenge goals.

This year, we are partnering with Our House and Fitzgerald Heavy Timber Construction to erect a 24'x130' timber frame equipment shed at TW's Stoney Lick Farm property.

The teaching and building process will begin in early July and conclude on Saturday, October 29th, with an old-fashioned Barn Raising for all to see! (Mark your calendar and watch for more details!)

To complete this project, we need your help. A generous donor has pledged a \$50,000 challenge grant, offering a dollar for dollar match.

Call us or visit our website for more information on this very worthwhile project.

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Happy 4th of July
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Mission Statement

Thorpe Foundation, a not for profit organization, serves youth, local and regional communities by modeling stewardship of natural resources and providing environmental

Tadpoles and Peeper

by Johnna Wheeler, Friend of ThorpeWood

As always the food at the April 10th community dinner was delicious and the conversation with neighbors was most enjoyable. I was happy to have the opportunity to meet some new families who recently moved to the mountain.

The evening's topic, Tadpoles and Peepers, was a great discussion on various amphibians that call the mountain and surrounding area home. Wayne Hildebrand was the guest presenter and shared many slides of these creatures we often hear...but do not often see. He played recordings of their calls, which I found to be very helpful. We always look forward to attending the activities at ThorpeWood and greatly appreciate the commitment of the staff to provide these nice programs.



ThorpeWood receives Baywise certification!!

The University of Maryland Cooperative Extension recently held Baywise classes for the Frederick County Master Gardeners at ThorpeWood. The Master Gardeners said, "What a wonderful place to have a Baywise class!!" and they had a special surprise for us! ThorpeWood was presented a certificate and Baywise sign designating ThorpeWood as a Baywise Landscape! When you visit ThorpeWood, look for the Baywise sign located in the garden near the main entrance!

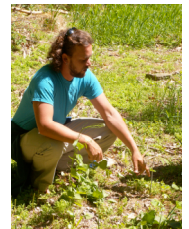
For those not familiar with the Baywise Certification program, Baywise landscape is one that contributes to a cleaner local waterway (Bussard Branch), Chesapeake Bay and the environment by using environmentally sound landscaping practices. The Baywise certification process is free and available to all Maryland residents. For more information about the Baywise program please contact the Maryland Cooperative Extension at 301-694-1596.



Terra, Landscape Manager for ThorpeWood, receives certificate from Jim Gallion, instructor Baywise training.



Adios to Aaron! On June 3, the ThorpeWood staff bid a sad farewell to Aaron Morehouse, TW's Program Director for the past three years. Aaron is heading to Catalina Island, California, for some amazing new opportunities for him and his family. We will certainly miss Aaron, and wish him all the best on his new island home!



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