

# Nature Walk/Snowshoe Tour Guide

**Purpose:** Nature Walk and Snowshoe Tour Guides serve as the naturalist and guide for our Saturday morning tours of the Preserve. Volunteer Guides represent the Swaner Preserve and EcoCenter to the public.

## Key Responsibilities:

- Preparation and set-up
- Greets guests and prepares them for a one-hour preserve walk/snowshoe tour
- Leads guests on a tour of the preserve
- Provides information and answers questions about the preserve

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**Length of Appointment: Minimum three month time commitment:** Following orientation and training, tour guide volunteers may be appointed for an additional three month period where he/she will be working independently in the position.

## Time Commitment:

- Minimum one Saturday per month
- Time commitment, including prep and clean-up ---- Saturdays, 8:00am-10:00 am.

## Qualifications:

- Must be 18 year or over
- Must pass a background check
- Must be somewhat physically fit
- Pleasant manner, patient and dependable
- Must feel comfortable leading people of all ages and abilities

## Support and Training:

- Prior to training, guide candidates must read through our nature walk tour narrative
- Training includes the following:
  1. Attend a minimum of two Saturday, 8:30 a.m., preserve tours with a Swaner staff person
  2. Lead a Saturday, 8:30 a.m. preserve tour accompanied by a Swaner staff person
  3. Receipt of instructional materials

## Benefits:

- Invitation to events or activities for volunteers
- Rewards for number of hours of service completed
- Gain new skills and work with a great team of staff and volunteers
- Make a difference and have a positive impact on the community!