## **Opportunities Week of 9/30/16**

**Pitch Pine Cone Gathering Days:** The Central Pine Barrens Joint Planning and Policy Commission's Protected Lands Council, in cooperation with Suffolk County Department of Parks, Long Island Native Plant Initiative, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Mid-Atlantic Regional Seed Bank and the National Seeds of Success Program is excited to announce the hosting of three Pitch Pine Cone Gathering Days to support Pitch Pine restoration within the Central Pine Barrens Region:

October 6, 2016 1PM-4PM Hubbard County Park, Black Duck Lodge, Red Creek Road, Hampton Bays October 20, 1PM-4PM Spinney Road Trailhead, Route 24, Flanders NY

<u>November 9, 2016 1PM-4PM</u> Dward Pine Plains Trail Head @ CPBC Office, 624 Old Riverhead Road, Westhampton Beach

This important event is being conducted to help ensure that ready sources of Pitch pine seed are available help to support tree production and restoration of Central Pine Barrens especially in response to the recent arrival of the southern pine beetle. Harvested seed will be banked at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Seed Bank and provided to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Saratoga Tree Nursery for immediate tree propagation.

RSVP by the Tuesday prior to each individual volunteer event: Call Commission office at (631) 288-1079 or email Polly Weigand at <a href="mailto:Pweigand@pb.state.ny.us">Pweigand@pb.state.ny.us</a>

For more info, see attached flyer

**Free Kaplan GRE Challenge Event:** Thinking about the GRE in the future? Kaplan is hosting a **free** GRE Challenge event for Stony Brook students with the Center for Inclusive Education. This event will cover all you need to know about the GRE and the grad admissions timeline. You'll even go through a timed practice session and question/strategy review plus learn about Kaplan's GRE resources. This event will be presented by James Polulach, Kaplan Grad Programs Manager.

The event will be in room 2401 Computer Science Building, 1-2pm on Wednesday, October 5th. To register your interest, please fill out this form: <u>bit.ly/kapeventsignup</u> (please use *SB CIE GRE Challenge* as the Event name)

Any questions, reach out to <u>James.Polulach@kaplan.com</u> or call <u>917 565 4966</u>. Visit <u>bit.ly/kapevents</u> to view upcoming Kaplan events

**IT Events and Workshops:** The Division of Information Technology is offering class designed by students for academic success. Workshops in Ocotober include eportfolio workshops, creating charts and graphs for biology labs in EXCEL, creating a resume in Microsoft word, etc.

For a list of all workshops and registration, please see https://it.stonybrook.edu/events/home

Kaplan Pre-Med Series: The Pulse: Learnings from the First 2 Years of the New MCAT: On this month's Pulse, we will dive into what we have learned after the first two years of the new MCAT. We will explore how the test has evolved since its first administration in 2015 and look at survey data to see what students who took the exam have been saying.

We will also be joined by some of Kaplan's most veteran MCAT faculty to discuss what they have been hearing from their own students. We will share with you what Kaplan has learned about how to better prepare for the MCAT and how we have used that information to improve the Third Edition of our MCAT program.

We look forward to sharing with you what we have learned and answering all of your questions! So join us for another great episode of The Pulse!

Monday, October 3, 8pm ET

For more info and to register go to: <u>https://www.kaptest.com/mcat/kaplan-mcat-prep/the-pulse-event-series</u>

**Southern Teachers Job Opportunities:** Southern Teachers is recruiting seniors to be <u>biology teachers</u>! **Who should apply?** The schools we work with seek students with a strong content knowledge and the potential to motivate and inspire teenagers in and out of the classroom as a teacher. They do NOT need a teaching license or education major to be successful.

How can I help? Encourage your students with those qualities to apply to become a Southern Teachers candidate. They simply complete the <u>online application</u> and submit a resume and cover letter to be considered. Why Southern Teachers? Southern Teachers has helped private/independent K-12 schools find qualified teachers since 1902. Today we work with over 600 schools from Maryland to Miami and west to Midland, TX. Don't forget, our service is free to our teacher candidates!



The Central Pine Barrens Joint Planning and Policy Commission's Protected Lands Council, in cooperation with Suffolk County Department of Parks, Long Island Native Plant Initiative, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Mid-Atlantic Regional Seed Bank and the National Seeds of Success Program is looking for volunteers to assist in the picking of pitch pine cones. Harvested seed will be banked at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Seed Bank and provided to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Saratoga Tree Nursery to grow Pitch pines in order to support future forest restoration within the Central Pine Barrens region.

### **Seed Collection Dates and Locations**

(\* Directions below)

<u>Date:</u> October 6, 2016	<u><b>Time:</b></u> 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	Location: Hubbard County Park, Black Duck Lodge* Red Creek Road, Hampton Bays
October 20, 2016	1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	Spinney Road Trailhead* Route 24, Flanders, NY
November 9, 2016	1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	Dwarf Pine Plains Trail Head @ CPBC Office* 624 Old Riverhead Road, Westhampton Beach

Rain dates are Oct. 7th, Oct 21st, and Nov 10th which is the following day after the originally schedule date.

#### **RSVP**:

Please RSVP by the Tuesday prior to each individual volunteer event date if you would like to attend by calling the Commission office at (631) 288-1079 or by emailing Polly Weigand at: Pweigand@pb.state.ny.us.

#### **Meeting Place and Registration:**

Meet promptly at 1:00 p.m. at respective locations. Park in a safe location and sign in. No one will be permitted to enter the woods before registering, without protective gear, and without a safety briefing. If you cannot arrive on time, please call Polly Weigand at (631) 258-0316.

#### To bring/wear:

Please wear long pants, long socks and sturdy footwear and bring work gloves, tick protection, hand clippers, drinking water, hardhat and fluorescent safety vest. We will have some extra gear and equipment to loan out. Safety equipment must be worn at all times.

# **Directions to Meeting Locations:**

**Black Duck Lodge, Hubbard County Park -** From NY-27 (Sunrise Hwy), take exit 65N to merge onto NY-24 North toward Riverhead (aka Riverhead-Hampton Bays Rd/Flanders Rd), continue to follow NY-24 North approximately 2 miles. Turn right on Red Creek Rd. Proceed about 500 feet turn left into dirt driveway, go through gate and past Hubbard County Park Sign, and proceed 1/2 mile to lodge. (**October 6, 2016—1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**)

**Spinney Road Flanders:** From NY-27 (Sunrise Hwy), take exit 65N to merge onto NY-24 North toward Riverhead (aka Riverhead-Hampton Bays Rd/Flanders Rd), continue to follow NY-24 North approximately 3 miles. Turn left into the Spinney Road turn out and trailhead on the South side of Route 24. (**October 20, 2016 - 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**)

**Dwarf Pine Plains Trailhead:** From Route NY-27 (Sunrise Hwy), take exit 63S to merge onto Old Riverhead Rd (County RT 31) towards Westhampton Beach. Go 500 feet South and turn left into the Suffolk County Water Authority Parking lot. (November 9, 2016—1:00 p.m. to 4:00

