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Season's Greetings to all the Forest Hero! Volunteers

This is a special edition newsletter for the end of the year. Quarterly newsletters will come out for January, April, July and October 2019. Let me know if there is any content or news you'd like to share in any of those newsletters with the Network!

Cheers,
Elizabeth Spinney



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New York Invasive Species Research Institute

NYISRI was established in 2008, at Cornell University, and hosts monthly presentations, available for later viewing on their website. The topics cover invasive species research, best management practices, and relevant publications. [Watch the recorded presentations](#)



Woods, Wildlife and Warblers

WWW provides southern Vermont landowners with the knowledge, tools, and resources they need to enhance and/or protect the health of forests now and into the future. It is a collaboration between Audubon Vermont, Vermont Tree Farm Committee, Vermont Woodlands Association, American Forest Foundation, Vermont Coverts, VT NRCS, and the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources. They recently hosted a presentation, led by Elizabeth Spinney, titled "Common Invasive Plants of Vermont: Identification, Impacts and What You Can Do". [Watch the recorded presentation](#)



Planning Your Outreach Event

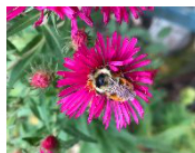
This winter is a great time to brainstorm ideas for your outreach event in your community. [Check out these resources for planning your outreach event](#)



News

Q&A: Bob Popp knows Vermont's plants

And the threats they face, including invasive species. [Grab a warm cup of coffee and check out this compelling article.](#)



Tell Me More Community Forum on Invasives

Conversations with Agency of Natural Resources Secretary Moore and Agency Staff - recording available on Facebook. [View the recording of the Agency of Natural Resources Community Forum.](#)



Events

Looking for volunteers

Talk at the Waterbury Library in collaboration with Master Gardeners and A River Runs Through It

Wednesday April 3rd, 6:30pm-8:00pm
A Discussion on Invasive Plants

Contact Elizabeth Spinney for more details, chance to tailor this presentation to your interests, would count as your community outreach event



Spread the Word, Not the Plant

New Recruits for Spring 2019

If you know of anyone that may be interested in participating in the Spring 2019 Forest Hero! training (just like yours!), [have them watch this website for the latest news.](#) Tentative Date early April, in Rutland, VT.



VT Coverts announces 2019 training dates

May 17 – 19

September 6 – 8

Annual Meeting September 7th

To learn more about this training opportunity, and this Forest Hero! Network partner, [check out their website.](#)





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