

Campus Appreciation Day Keynote Speaker: Dr. John C. Marlin

The Present Day Impact of Student Conservation Efforts from the 1970s
with An Overview of Campus Sustainable Native Plantings

When: April 11th, 5:00pm

Where: Room 1092 Lincoln Hall



Dr. John C. Marlin is a research affiliate at the Illinois Sustainable Technology Center, semiretired research professor in the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences, and an affiliate of the Illinois Natural History Survey. For the past 5 years he has volunteered as the manager of several campus native plantings including the 2.3 acre prairie on Florida Avenue next to the president's house and the 22 acre woods on the Southern portion of the Arboretum. He is a former member and chair of the Illinois Pollution Control Board, which promulgates Illinois' environmental regulations. Over the years he has had a leading role in several state legislative and regulatory matters.

Dr. Marlin will speak on how student initiated projects in the 1970s carried over to the present including recycling, river protection, highway policy and bikeways. The majority of his presentation will focus on student involvement in local native planting projects to help preserve biodiversity, especially of pollinators such as bees and butterflies.