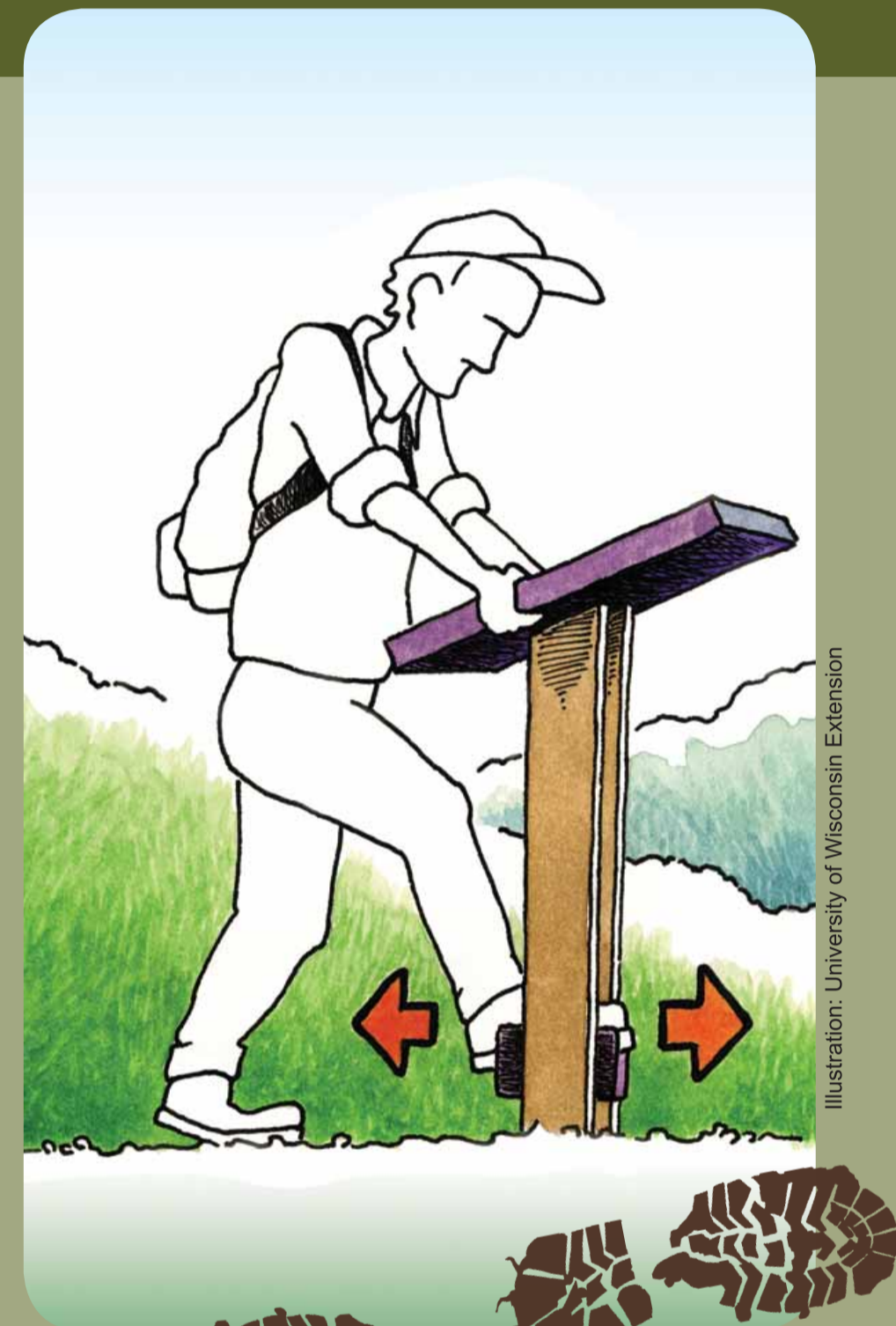


GIVE INVASIVE SPECIES THE BRUSH OFF.

Shoes can carry the seeds of invasive plants like Japanese Knotweed (*Reynoutria japonica* var. *japonica*). Please brush them off before entering and leaving this area.



What's The Problem?

Japanese Knotweed has been found on Lake Trail East.

- Originally from Japan, this plant has a hollow stem and looks similar to bamboo.
- It was brought to the United States in the late 1800s as an ornamental plant.
- Japanese Knotweed can regrow from nearly any part of the plant, even mowed fragments. It often spreads through underground rhizomes, making it very difficult to contain once established.



Other Invasive Plants On The Move...

Autumn Olive
(*Elaeagnus umbellata*)



Autumn Olive was originally introduced to the US from Asia in the 1800s for ornamental and erosion control purposes and is now threatening the Preserve's ecosystems. Its simple, oval leaves have a shiny, silvery underside.

False Spirea
(*Sorbaria sorbifolia*)

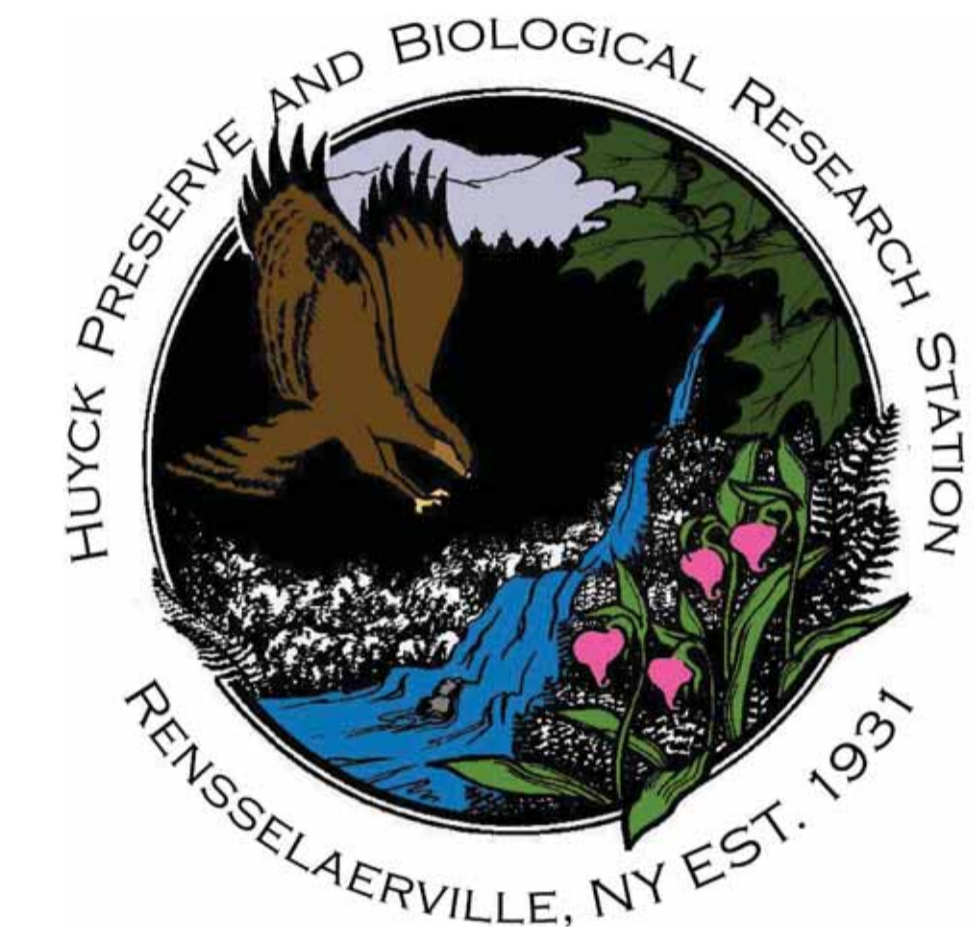


False Spirea has double-toothed, alternate leaves that resemble those of sumac or fern, and has showy, white flowers. It was likely originally planted for ornamental purposes. There are two known populations at the Preserve: at Wheeler Watson Cemetery and Loop Three Trail.

Bishop's Goutweed
(*Aegopodium podagraria*)



Bishop's Goutweed (aka Snow-on-the-Mountain) is native to Eurasia and was identified for the first time at the Preserve in 2019. It is widely found in gardens in the area and has mitten-shaped, toothed leaves with white, umbrella-shaped flowerheads.



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