

Thanks to volunteers, the Trail is ready for Summer

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Along with the great weather, a steady stream of volunteers from various organizations showed up to help the Friends of the Upper Charles Trail with their clean up on April 18.

Twice a year, the group holds a clean up for the bike and walking trail and the areas surrounding it. Volunteers cover the distance of the trail picking up various debris and removing overgrown vegetation and branches on the trail.

Pat Rosenthal, president of the Friends of the Milford Upper Charles Trail, said they were very pleased with the turn out. She said they had 18 people from various organizations to help out with the clean up. The organizations included Boston Cares, Boston University, Blackstone Leadership Project, and the Italian Vets Post 40 of Milford.

The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection litter source count was performed during the trail clean up. The items counted were non-carbonated drink bottles and fast food drink containers and other items.

The Worcester Chapter of The Appalachian Mountain Club was on hand to help where needed during the Earth Day events.

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Members of the Italian Vets Post 40 who include L-R Back Row--Henry Bertulli, Arthur Gattozzi, Ed Rizioli, David Michelson and Vinny Squiciari and Front Row--Jerry Hiatt and Marcia Hiatt helped cleanup the Upper Charles Trail in mid-April.

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Sorting through some of the trash they collected during the Upper Charles Trail were from the Blackstone Valley Youth Leadership Academy L-R Bill Sanborn and Amy Sanborn, both of Milford; Corinne Sanborn and Kayla Patterson, both of BVT class of 2011; and Pauline Auger, Mt St. Charles Class of 2013