# Share the Plate for April 2023

Share the Plate recipient for April is Friends of the Saugatucket. It is literally our natural neighbor just steps away from our Lily Pads' home. Their mission is "to promote and enhance the natural and cultural features of the Saugatucket River and its watershed for the benefit of the river and its surrounding lands and community". Our UU congregation knows that Peace Dale was home to the Narragansett people for millennia. It is not surprising that the word "Saugatucket" is a Narragansett word meaning "at the outlet of the tribal river".

Friends of the Saugatucket was formed in 2021 when it was learned that this watershed did not have a current advocacy group. In the short time this organization has been around, they are on the ground, and river, helping to make a positive difference in the lives of all. The following are some of the projects this group's members believe are important to improve the life of the Saugatucket:

- River Herring Restoration
- Water Quality Monitoring
- Stormwater Mitigation
- Advocacy at the state and local level
- Litter Cleanups (on Land and Water)
- Educational Programs
- Public programs

For more information about Friends of the Saugatucket you may check these websites:

https://friendsofthesaugatucket.org/

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100066511332666