

**Sauk Valley Community College  
October 24, 2022**

**Agenda Item 3.1.1**

**Topic:** Acknowledgement – Tim Keller

**College Health Metric:** Campus Environment – College facilities and grounds are clean and updated; the campus is safe, secure, and welcoming.

**Presented by:** Dr. David Hellmich

**Presentation:**

Sauk Valley Community College remembers Tim Keller, a friend to the College and a renowned naturalist.

A major passion of Tim's was the prairie. There is not a prairie in Whiteside and surrounding counties without his footprint, including the SVCC prairie. Tim was co-founder of the Whiteside County Natural Area Guardians and the Prairie Preservation Society of Ogle County. He served on the board of the Natural Land Institute and was a vital force in the restoration of the Nachusa Grasslands. Among his many recognitions for his dedication to prairie was having the Keller Education Center named in his honor at the Byron Forest Preserve.