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The Canton Audubon Society is a non-profit organization, whose mission is to meet our members' varied interests in the field of nature. For some the focus is on birds and animals, for others it's on plants, and still others it's on waterways and diversities of the land. For all it is an interest to enjoy, to conserve, restore, share with others, and to educate both adults and students.

As a member of the **NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETY**, you are also a member of the **CANTON AUDUBON SOCIETY**, and are invited to attend our monthly meetings held at 7:00 p.m., the third Wednesday each month (September thru June), at the **STARK COUNTY PARK DISTRICT'S EXPLORATION GATEWAY**, 5712 - 12<sup>th</sup> St., NW, Canton. You will receive **AUDUBON NEWS & VIEWS** September/October issue with our calendar of activities for the entire year.

Visit our website: [www.cantonaudubon.org](http://www.cantonaudubon.org) or phone 330-209-1261 for further information about our activities.

## CALENDAR

### June

- Fri. 16 7:30 a.m. **Stark County Park District (SCPD) Adventures in Birding**, Metzger Park, Louisville.  
Pre-registration requested. Call 330-409-8096, or StarkParks.com.
- Sat. 17 7:00 a.m. **Bird Walk: Summer Songbirds**, Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP).  
Look for summer nesters, in variable habitat. Join Volunteer Naturalist Dwight Chasar and hike 2.75 miles on the rolling, unpaved Tree Farm Trail. Meet at the Horseshoe Pond.
- 9:00 a.m. **Wilderness Center (TWC) FOUNDER'S FESTIVAL**, Wilmot. See Founders Festival, page 3.
- Mon. 19 6:00 p.m. **Wildlife Walk**, CVNP. Opportunity to explore the many different animals calling CVNP home. Trails and topics vary and will be listed online, at the visitor center, and on social media. Mondays, at a leisurely pace.
- Tues. 20 1:30 p.m. **SCPD National Eagle Day**, Walborn Eagle Deck.  
Pre-registration requested. Call 330-409-8096, or StarkParks.com.
- Wed. 21 4:00 p.m. **CAS "Picnic in the Park"**. See "June 21 Meeting", page 2. Pre-registration requested.
- Mon. 26 6:00 p.m. **Wildlife Walk**, CVNP. See June 19.

### July

- Mon. 3 6:00 p.m. **Wildlife Walk**, CVNP. See June 19.
- Sat. 8 7:00 a.m. **Bird Walk: Challenging Times**, Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP).  
Join Dwight Chasar in search of newly fledged scarlet tanagers, rose-breasted grosbeaks, and other songbirds. Meet at Howe Meadow.
- Mon. 10 6:00 p.m. **Wildlife Walk**, CVNP. See June 19.
- Fri. 14 8:30 p.m. **TWC Creatures of the Night**, Wilmot.  
Learn about the wild animals that come out at night. Get up close and personal with some and hike to explore the forest nightlife!
- Sun. 16 1:00 p.m. **Summer Wildflowers**, Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP).  
Join Ranger Margaret Adams to learn some budding basics of wildflower identification and take a short hike to see what is blooming. Meet at the Ira Trailhead.
- Mon. 17 10:00 a.m. **Cleveland Museum of Natural History: QUAIL HOLLOW ADVENTURE**, Hartville.  
Join Larry Rosche and Judy Semroc for a jaunt through the 700+ acres of scenic woods, rolling meadows, marshes and wetlands. of this park formerly an Ohio State Park, and now part of the Stark County Park District System. Cost is \$10 for CMNH members, and \$14 for non-members. Limited to 16 registrants. To register, visit CMNH.ORG.



## July (continued)

- Mon. 17 6:00 p.m. **Wildlife Walk**, CVNP. See June 19.
- Wed. 19 6:00 p.m. **CAS Bird Walk**, Quail Hollow Park, Hartville. Leader: Matt Courtman. Meet in the main parking lot.
- Mon. 24 6:00 p.m. **Wildlife Walk**, CVNP. See June 19.
- Tues. 25 7:30 a.m. **SCPD Adventures in Birding: Summer Song Birds**, Towpath, John Glenn Trailhead  
Pre-registration requested. Call 330-409-8096, or StarkParks.com.
- Wed. 26 10:00 a.m. **TWC Turtle Day**, Wilmot.  
Look at the turtles who inhabit TWC's pond and lake. Will be catching and marking turtles at the lake.  
Learn about Barnaby the Box Turtle after your hike.
- Sat. 29 10:00 a.m. **TWC: Herpetology Day**, Wilmot. A chance to get up-close with native Ohio reptiles and amphibians. Meet Live frogs, salamanders, snakes, and turtles.. Take a hike to look for snakes, stop by the lake and look for turtles, watch snake and turtle feeding.
- 2:00 p.m. **Canton Audubon / The Wilderness Center Open House at Meyers Lake to turn over Sinclair Wildlife Sanctuary to TWC. See invitation on page 7.**
- Mon. 31 6:00 p.m. **Wildlife Walk**, CVNP. See June 19.

## August

- Fri. 4 7:00 p.m. **A Concert of Katydid and Crickets in the Dark**, Conservancy of the Cuyahoga Valley National Park, the Ledges Shelter. Presented by Lisa Rainsong and Judy Semroc – Conservation Specialist at Cleveland Museum of Natural History. Explore several different habitat, take notes on the behavior of the critters you spot, and learn to identify common songs. This is a 5 hour session. Cost is \$35 for adults, \$30 Conservancy members. Register: [forcvnp.org/events](http://forcvnp.org/events).
- Sat. 5 7:00 a.m. **Bird Walk: Linger Songbirds**, Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP).  
Late summer is essential time for songbirds to build up fat reserves for their long journey south.  
Search with Dwight Chasar for lingering warblers. Meet at the Wetmore Trailhead.
- 8:00 p.m. **TWC Creatures of the Night**, Wilmot. See July 14 for description.
- Mon. 7 6:00 p.m. **Wildlife Walk**, CVNP. See June 19.
- 8:30 p.m. **SCPD Full Moon Hike**, Iron Horse Trail, First Christian Church, Alliance.  
Pre-registration requested. Call 330-409-8096, or StarkParks.com.
- Mon. 14 6:00 p.m. **Wildlife Walk**, CVNP. See June 19.
- Wed. 16 6:00 p.m. **Purple Martin / Portage Lakes Pre-Migratory Roost Canoe/Kayak Float.**  
See PM-PL PMBF page 3 and reservation form on page 7.
- Mon. 21 6:00 p.m. **Total Solar Eclipse.** See Eclipse, page 3.
- Wed. 23 6:00 p.m. **Wildlife Walk**, CVNP. See June 19.
- SCPD Adventures in Birding: Birding by Boat**, Deer Creek Reservoir.  
Pre-registration requested. Call 330-409-8096, or StarkParks.com.
- Sat. 26 1:00 p.m. **SCPD Fry Family Park Grand Opening**, see Fry Family Park on page 2.
- Mon. 28 6:00 p.m. **Wildlife Walk**, CVNP. See June 19.
- Tues. 29 7:30 a.m. **SCPD Adventures in Birding: Shorebirds**, Walborn Reservoir Reservoir.  
Pre-registration requested. Call 330-409-8096, or StarkParks.com.

## **"Picnic in the Park"**

June 21, 2017 – 4 p.m. - ??

Join us for our traditional "end of the previous fiscal year/beginning of the new fiscal year picnic at the Stark County Park District's Picnic Pavilion at the Perry-Sippo/Exploration Gateway facility. We can celebrate the start of our 56<sup>th</sup> year as an organization.

You can join those interested in a 4:00 p.m. bird walk, followed by the covered dish/potluck dinner beginning at 6 p.m. It will be followed by fellowship and/or another bird walk – whatever you wish.

Canton Audubon will provide the meat and beverage. Those attending are asked to bring your favorite, or new, covered dish to share; your own plate, cup and utensils.

We ask that you sign up to attend. Call Linda Chen (330-494-9026), so we know how many to prepare for.

## **SCPD Fry Family Park Grand Opening**

Located in East Sparta, at 2533 Farber St., SE, this park will be opening to the public on August 26, at 1 p.m. with a FREE family day and concert beginning at 3 p.m..

This 348.62-acre park honors the family of the park district's first director, Richard Fry, and has rolling topography with a mixture of grasslands, forests, a pond, wetland, and stream. Construction is underway for a 108-person pavilion that will be reservable.

Future plans for the site include the renovation of the Fry family home, rustic barn, and creation of a nature play area.

**Visit [StarkParks.com](http://StarkParks.com) for details**



## TWC Founders' Festival

Saturday, June 17, 9:00 - 4:00

TWC is throwing a party to kick-off the summer and celebrate another, its 53rd year connecting our community with nature! Remember, Canton Audubon Society was founded in 1962, and in 1964, members of CAS founded the Stark Wilderness Center - which was later changed to The Wilderness Center. So The Wilderness Center is the child of the Canton Audubon Society.

We hope you will join everyone for the Founders' Festival on Saturday, June 17, for a full day of fun.

Bird Walk 9:00 - 10:00

Farmer's Market 9:00 - 1:00

Native Plant Nursery 9:00 - 4:00



THE WILDERNESS CENTER



Wild Edibles 10:00 - 11:00

Animals of Ohio 11:00 - 12:00

Wilderness Walk 11:00 - 2:00

Pond Dip-netting 11:00 - 2:00

Concert. Sam Sapp 1:00 - 2:00

Wilderness Walk 2:00 - 3:00

Animals of Ohio 2:30 - 3:30

Historical photos and scrapbooks will be on display, and, TWC's Native Plant Nursery will be open with native plant sales from 9:00 - 4:00.

Our neighbors and local artists will be offering their wares at a farmers market beneath the Arnold Fritz Solar Array from 9:00 - 1:00. We will also have refreshments available for those who want to stay and enjoy the day! TWC's Prairie Shelter will become a beer garden serving Lockport Brewery's Gateway XPA and Lockporter. Flamingo Jack's food truck will be serving up amazing, eclectic comfort food. And those wishing for a salty and sweet treat can grab a bag of Best Batch Kettle Corn. We hope that you will join us in celebrating! So plan to stay for the day.

## Purple Martin - Portage Lakes

### Pre-Migratory Boat Float

August 16, 2017 - 6 p.m.

This activity is dependent upon enough participants renting canoes and kayaks. In the past the Portage Lakes Purple Martin Association has had a pontoon boat available to organizations. At a cost of \$25 per person - maximum of 8 per boat. That has changed this year due to circumstances not under their control.

Ernie's Bicycle Shops of Massillon has stepped in and will rent and transport canoes and kayaks to Nimisila Reservoir.

**Reservation deadline to committing to this August 16 activity is Saturday, July 6.**

Use the form on page 7 to secure your reservation,

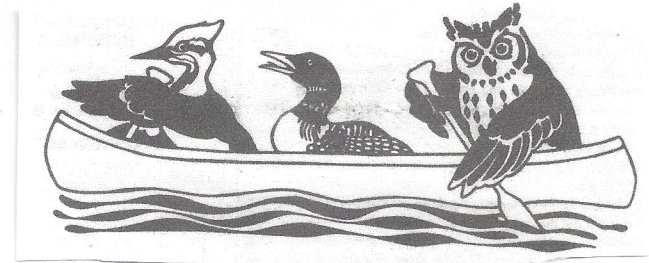
Canoes can accommodate 2 adults and one child. Kayaks are single seaters, exception, one tandem (2 people) kayak is available - first reservation requesting gets it.

We will also try to have a naturalist or two as part of our group. So the only difference from past years will be - you will get some upper body exercise with this CAS activity..

Questions??? Contact Alan Dolan, 330-832-2491, or [leealandolan@yahoo.com](mailto:leealandolan@yahoo.com)

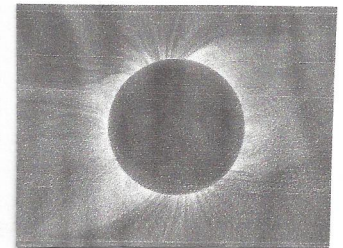
With that being laid out, some of you might be asking, "what is a pre-migratory roost that these purple martins are doing". Read on.

Purple Martins at Nimisila have a habit of massing nightly during the month of August, near or around water. In the case of Nimisila Reservoir, they drop out of the sky, at dusk, into several circular gassy areas to spend the night. Before that they are flying all different directions above boaters, and sometimes at eye level. Until last year they were thousands of them. Last year was sort of a bust. Analysis offered an explanation of an owl or two patrolling the area, and their presence may have contributed to the birds alternant their normal activity. Not sure if they took any martins as meals!



## A Day When the Sun Will Disappear - For a Short Time

People in every state will be able to witness a total Solar Eclipse, but only those in the path of totality (Oregon to South Carolina) will see the complete blackout, where the moon completely blocks the sun. It will begin around 10:15 a.m. Pacific Daylight Time off the Oregon coast.



To experience the longest duration of totality, a 70-mile-wide band that spans 14 states across the Continental United States will witness the rare and stunning total solar eclipse. Head to southern Missouri, Illinois or Kentucky, where the blackout will last about 2 minutes and 40 seconds - longer than anywhere else along the track. Nashville, Tennessee, is the largest city in the path of totality, and Charleston, South Carolina, is the last large city the TSE will touch before its exit.

The last total solar eclipse to cross our nation was 1918!





## **TOP 10 Favorite National Parks**

As voted by members of the National Parks Foundation

### **#1: YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK**

In Yellowstone, the wonders surrounding you are unlike anything else. Our first national park is a true marvel to behold; visiting Yellowstone is like stepping into another world. **Discover Yellowstone National Park!**

### **#2: YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK**

Stand amongst the granite cathedrals and appreciate the true reach of what we can do to save our special places. When ordinary citizens mobilized to save this iconic landscape, the spirit of the National Park Foundation was born. Today, we carry forward their enthusiasm as we work to inspire the next generation of park lovers. **Discover Yosemite National Park!**

### **#3: GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK**

"Let this great wonder of nature remain as it now is. You cannot improve on it. But what you can do is keep it for your children, your children's children, and all who come after you, as the one great sight which every American should see." Teddy Roosevelt on the Grand Canyon in 1908. President Roosevelt declared the Grand Canyon a national park, understanding more than most it can only be seen to be understood. **Discover Grand Canyon National Park!**

### **#4: GLACIER NATIONAL PARK**

Glaciers cut through stone, creating valleys and filling rushing rivers. Fields of wildflowers fill the spaces between mountains in the warm summer months. Sparkling stars fill the darkness of the night. In the stillness of these moments, absorb the astonishing reflections of the jagged peaks in the crystal clear mountain lakes. **Discover Glacier National Park!**

### **#5: ACADIA NATIONAL PARK**

Venture to the rugged coast of Maine—replete with volcanic rocks and crashing waves, creating the impression of stepping back in time to the creation of Earth.

**Discover Acadia National Park!**

### **#6: ZION NATIONAL PARK**

The Virgin River cuts through the sandstone on her journey home, taking with her rocks and pebbles, widening and reshaping the canyons that define Zion. The intensity of the colors – the vivid ruby of the rocks, the clear sapphire of the sky, the emerald of the grass – make Zion National Park a treasure of the West. **Discover Zion National Park!**

### **#7: ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK**

Walk in solitude amongst aspens and pines. Open yourself to the serenity of a clear mountain lake. Push past boundaries as you summit a mountain. Take in breathtaking views as far as the eye can see. Watch spectacular sunrises over rocky mountain peaks. **Discover Rocky Mountain National Park!**

### **#8: GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK**

A truly living mountain range, the Great Smoky Mountains

are constantly re-inventing themselves as wind, water, and erosion continuously shape these ageless mountains. Wander the tranquil woods and hills to appreciate what your support can do to protect our nation's beauty. **Discover Great Smoky Mountains National Park!**

### **#9: GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK**

Tall and proud, the Tetons rise dramatically from the grasslands cutting through bluest skies and brightest sunrises. Snowcapped in the winter and stark gray in summer, these granite masterpieces are home to all seeking serenity in mountains. **Discover Grand Teton National Park!**

### **#10: BRYCE CANYON NATIONAL PARK**

Pillars of red, white, and orange cut through bluest skies. Erosion and rain constantly evolve nature's amphitheater at Bryce. Wind your way through the canyons, peaceful, stunning, and immense. **Discover Grand Teton National Park!**

## **CAS BUSINESS SUPPORTERS**

### **THE LADY BUG GARDEN CENTER & GIFT SHOP**

**Donna Matako Landscape Services**

8361 Portage St., NW Massillon  
330-832-7080

Lawn care, Hardscapes, Snow Removal  
Spring/Fall Cleanup, Tree & Shrub Services  
M - F 8-6 Sat. 9-5 Sun. 10-3

### **HARTVILLE ELEVATOR**

111 Prospect Ave., N Hartville  
330-877-9320

M - F 8 - 5 Sat. 8 - Noon Sun. Closed

### **THE WILDLIFE GARDEN**

4930 Portage St., NW North Canton  
330-966-7666

M - F 9 - 8 Sat. 9 - 6 Sun. 10 - 4

### **HUSTON-BRUMBAUGH NATURE CENTER**

University of Mount Union  
16146 Daniel St., NE Minerva  
330-823-7487

M - F 9 - 4 Sat. 1 - 5 Sun. 1 - 5  
Mon. - Closed

### **STARK COUNTY PARK DISTRICT**

Administration:

5300 Tyner St., NW Canton 44708  
330-477-3552

The Exploration Gateway (EG):  
5712 - 12<sup>th</sup> St., NW Canton 44708  
330-409-8096  
**StarkParks.com**



## **Your "Canton Audubon Society" Board Member Bio's**

Since June 1, 2016, Canton Audubon has made many changes to their board makeup. With Myra McCoy and Alan Dolan, you are meeting board members numbers 9 and 10. in this series.

### **Myra McCoy**

I grew up in Canton but moved to Atlanta after two years at Ohio State University and one year in Boston.

After a few years in Atlanta I spent some time at Nantahala Outdoor Center in the Smokey Mountains in North Carolina. This organization's mission was protecting the environment by facilitating training for Olympic whitewater paddlers, accommodating thru-hikers of the Appalachian Trail, providing limited guided raft trips down the Chattooga, Ocoee and Nantahala Rivers and providing lots of recreational programs for outdoor activities.

I returned to Atlanta to complete my undergraduate and graduate degrees in accounting at Georgia State University always intending to return to Western North Carolina. I worked as a CPA having my own practice for most of my career and also served as a volunteer accountant with nonprofit organizations whose focus was primarily on child care for low-income families, agencies supporting families who were homeless and refugee resettlement issues.

After 40 years in Atlanta I purchased a ½ interest in 23 acres of the most beautiful property on the planet in Western North Carolina between Boone and Asheville where I intended to retire. Enjoying that property is where I became interested in birding as our cherry tree attracted lots of Indigo Bunting, Goldfinch and Warblers and seems to be a migrating resting place for Scarlet Tanager and Rose-breasted Grosbeak. On weekends we would celebrate with an extra cocktail when we spotted a Goldfinch, Indigo Bunting and Cardinal all on the feeder at the same time peacefully ignoring each other.

As both my brother's and mother's health began to fail, I moved back to Canton so my trips to North Carolina have been very infrequent.

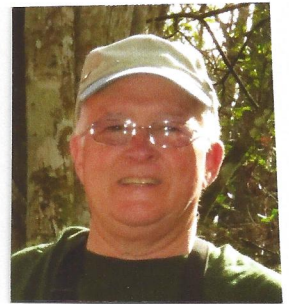
I joined the board of CAS in June 2016. I am currently serving as Treasurer of the Canton Area League of Women Voters and am a fourth generation member and Treasurer of The North Canton Ladies Literary Club. I continue to maintain a limited practice for clients with whom I have worked for over 30 years and just can't seem to move them on to another CPA firm.

In the summer I enjoy volunteering in the butterfly house at Beech Creek Botanical Gardens & Nature Preserve and am working on trying to improve my quilting skills.



### **Alan Dolan**

Having spent my formative years in northern New Jersey, in the middle of a large metropolitan area (just 7 miles west of NYC), then going to college in rural West Liberty, WV, I have spent the rest of my life discovering that there are more than just asphalt & concrete habitats. I never really discovered the true outdoors until Lee (a country girl) and I were married in 1969, and lived in California on our own – away from family – for 2 ½ years.



After college, I became a computer programmer for American Electric Power for 20 months before enlisting in the U.S. Air Force and spending 4 years as a computer operator for the super-secret 9<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Technical Squadron at Beale Air Force Base in Marysville, CA. Upon my discharge, we came back to Canton, where I worked at AEP until 1988 when my job went to Columbus and we opted to stay in Stark County because we didn't need to move to a large city.

After 20 years working at Ernie's Bicycle Shop, I retired in 2007 – officially.

During all of the time from 1976 until 2007, I discovered and was discovering nature and the environment. It was around 1976 when we joined the Stark Wilderness Center and National (and Canton) Audubon Societies. To say that we became involved would be an understatement. Over the years I have been Canton Audubon's chapter president for 30 years, and I am finally the immediate past president board member; Ohio Audubon Council president for two years; Wilderness Center board member, representing Canton Audubon for over 30 years; regionally elected board member

to the National Audubon Society's board of directors, representing Audubon members in the eight states making up the Mississippi Flyway North,; and, a member of the Friends of Stark Park's board.

I do have other interests – mainly photography (serving as president of Canton Camera Club for a number of years) and a member of two other camera clubs – and riding bicycles. Lee and I are tandem bicycle riders. I have served as president of the Stark County Bicycle Club, and as secretary and board member of the Eastern Tandem Rally – which Lee and I have attended for 33 straight years. August will be our 34<sup>th</sup> straight as we head to Hanover, NH.

While Lee and I are birders, I count myself more as a public policy activist, whether it be for Audubon, bicycles, or cancer. Lee and I, both having been diagnosed with different forms of cancer, and are active with the American Cancer Society's Jackson-Canton Relay For Life – me serving a co-chair of the event for 5 years.

To sum up my philosophy, I guess – "if I'm going to join an organization, I'm going to be an active member – not an attend the meeting only person". Who knows where that will lead in our future.

As many of you know, Lee and I also like to travel. We are always asked, "don't you two ever stay home?" Not if we can help it! We like to travel the U.S, having been in 48 of the 50 states. It is the best country and landscape in



the world. We have lots of friends, in many places in the U.S., We never want to stop visiting people and places.

## Chapter Member's Happenings

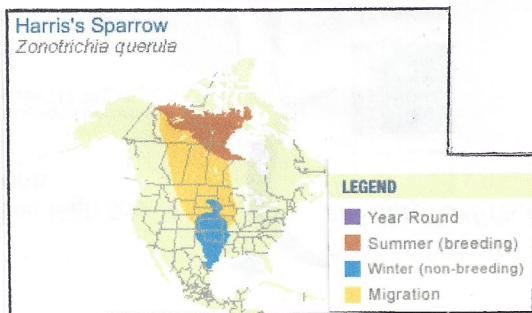
### # 1 Harris' Sparrow

#### Seen at Wayne County: Nussbaum's Feeder

Arlene and Dale Nussbaum reported a rare sight for this area, a Harris' Sparrow frequenting their feeder in May. The accompanying picture was taken by Arlene during one visit.

They asked for confirmation from several CAS members before venturing into the realm of e-Bird to report the sighting. Alan forwarded the picture to Laura Dornan. Laura's immediate confirmation confirmed Arlene's initial thoughts

It's not often that a sparrow takes center stage, but the Harris's Sparrow is a showstopper with its handsome black bib and pink bill. It's North America's largest sparrow and the only songbird that breeds in Canada and nowhere else in the world. In winter it settles in the south-central Great Plains, where it is a backyard favorite (unless it ventures to Dalton, OH). Unfortunately, Harris's Sparrow populations are declining; its restricted range make it vulnerable to habitat loss on the wintering and breeding grounds. The bird looks like a House Sparrow on steroids. It is the largest of the Sparrow family, and its territory is usually in Oklahoma, Nebraska, Kansas area., not Ohio.



The bird has been reported to e-Bird.

### # 2 Stark County Park District's Wildlife Conservation Center

Ground has been broken on the Wildlife Conservation Center (Animal Rehabilitation Center) which is replacing the old building off Genoa Rd.

The ceremonial ground breaking was held on April 12. The \$2.8 million, 12 room – 9,400 square foot facility, has been named The Joseph J. and Helen M. Sommer Wildlife Conservation Center, and is scheduled to be ready for occupancy in the latter part of 2018. Current animal care is being handled in Hartville at the Fichtner Center.

Joe Sommer is the former Director of the Ohio Dept of Natural Resources in 1985, as well as serving as chief of staff for Ohio Governor Richard Celese in the 1980's. . He is a former Stark County commissioner, and in 1967 when the Stark County Park District was formed, he was one of the first three Stark County park commissioners.

Joe is also a member of the Canton Audubon Society. Congratulations Joe – an honor well-deserved. We all look forward to frequenting a building with yours and Helen's name on it, with indoor plumbing too!! (The replaced facility did not have this luxury for the volunteers and staff).

Another part of the ground breaking was the announcement that the bird room in the new facility will be named for Lee and Alan Dolan, Canton Audubon's active members. A surprise – and a big THANK YOU to Stark Parks.

### # 3 Stark Parks / Safe Communities Gardens

Stark Parks and Stark County Safe Communities dedicated a trio of new gardens on June 3 including one honoring the lives of those who lost theirs in traffic crashes, at the Molly Stark Park grounds.

The site also features a celebration garden, a memorial garden, and the new Traffic Victim Memorial Garden where families and friends of crash victims can honor them.

A large rock with a plaque sits on the left side of the Gardens entrance. The plaque credits Brian Beck, who was killed in a Sept. 12, 2009 auto accident near Marietta, with being the initial reason for the park. Kristen and David Beck, Brian's parents donated money to Stark Parks when Kristen was employed as an animal rehabber with the park district. The interim time since the donation has been spent brainstorming ways to honor Brian and use the donation. Kristen and David are Canton Audubon members, and Kristen is also a Canton Audubon board member. She now has her own animal rehabilitation business – Clover Field Wildlife Care, 7221 Elmhurst Ave., NW, North Canton. Congratulations Kristen & David!!!



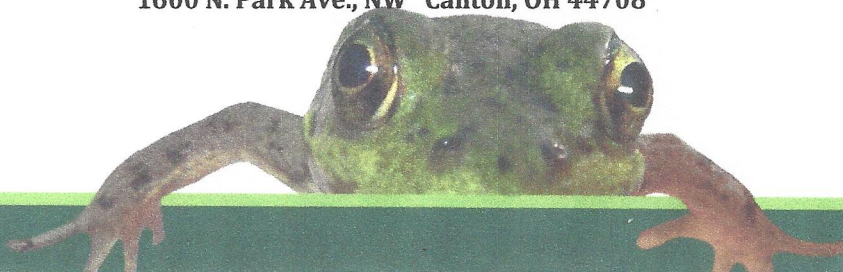
## Hop over to our new pad!

The Wilderness Center & Canton Audubon Society

invite you to an  
**OPEN HOUSE** at  
**MEYER'S LAKE**  
**VILLAGE HALL**

Saturday afternoon  
**JULY 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**2:00 until 5:00**

1600 N. Park Ave., NW Canton, OH 44708



Join Canton Audubon Society as they donate an 11-acre wetland on Meyer's Lake to the care and protection of The Wilderness Center.

Come meet TWC staff, visit with your neighbors, and learn more about the conservation work happening in your backyard!

*We hope to meet you!*



### OHIO BEE ATLAS

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Ohio Field Office is pleased to help spread the word about the new **Ohio Bee Atlas!** The Ohio Bee Atlas is a new statewide citizen science project initiated through *iNaturalist* by the cooperative efforts of land conservation organizations and local universities in northeast Ohio. The Ohio Bee Atlas was primarily established to document the distribution and identity of Ohio's bumble bees in response to the recent listing of the rusty patched bumble bee (*Bombus affinis*) as a federally endangered species.

Ohio's native bumble bees are not only important pollinators of crops and necessary for native wildflower reproduction, but also for creating seeds and fruits that feed wildlife. The rusty patched bumble bee was once common throughout Ohio, occupying a variety of habitats including prairies, woodlands, marshes, agricultural landscapes, and residential parks and gardens. Disease, pesticides, the effects of climate change, habitat loss, and the effects of small population dynamics have all contributed to the dramatic decline of this species which is now in danger of becoming extinct.

Contribute to science! Help create the Ohio Bee Atlas by submitting your photo observations of all bees to the project at <https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/ohio-bee-atlas>. For further information visit our project site at <http://u.osu.edu/beelab/ohio-bee-atlas/>. Follow the project using #ohiobees

### CAS Dues Are DUE!!

If you are a Chapter Supporter member of Canton Audubon, your 2017-18 dues are due. We run on a fiscal year, which start June 1 and runs through May 31.

You can use the renewal form on the back side of this page.

If you are a National Audubon member, they will send you reminders, at least 3 times. You will automatically be a Canton Audubon member when renewing with them if you reside in one of our assigned zipcodes.

We thank you for your support.

### Canoe / Kayak Reservation August 16 Nimisila Reservoir

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email/Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Preference: Canoe \_\_\_\_ Kayak Single \_\_\_\_

Kayak Double \_\_\_\_

Payment of \$25 to accompany reservation. Make checks payable to Canton Audubon Society, and mail to:

Canton Audubon Society  
P.O. Box 9586  
Canton, OH 44711

**Reservation Deadline, July 6, 2017**



Canton Audubon Society  
P.O. Box 9586  
Canton, OH 44711-9586

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