



# Gwynne Conservation Area Landowner Programs

Conservation Area

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## Wildlife Presentations

Wildlife Pests Around the Home *Brian MacGowan, Purdue Extension*

Whether you live on the farm or downtown, you have probably experienced nuisance wildlife issues in the past. Learn how to deal with backyard damage caused by deer, rabbits, groundhogs, voles, and moles. Damage identification, trapping, repellents, and habitat modification will be discussed. **Tuesday 1:30-2:30, Thursday 11:30-12:30**

Native Grass & Wildflower ID *Rob Chapman, Purdue Extension*

Learn how to identify the most common grasses and wildflowers recommended for prairie and CRP. Discussions will also include brief information on planting and management. **Tuesday 11:30-12:30, Wednesday 1:30-2:30**

Wildlife ID: Ohio's Mammals *Marne Titchenell, OSU Extension*

Learn how to identify many Ohio mammals by their fur, tracks, scat, and signs they leave behind, as well as populations status updates and natural history! **Wednesday 11:30-12:00**

One Hour of Habitat How-To! *John Rockenbaugh, Union Co. SWCD*

Learn about a variety of wildlife habitat how-to's such as vernal pool management, planting native grasses, brush piles construction, and the 'holesome' habitats of trees...all in one hour! **Tuesday 10:30-11:30, Wednesday and Thursday 12:30-1:30**

Enhancing Wildlife Food (Mast) Production in Your Woodlands *Dave Apsley, OSU Extension*

Learn methods to improve wildlife food production in your woodland, including Crop Tree Management. **Tuesday 11:30-12:30, Thursday 12:00-1:00**

Ohio Bats and the Threat of White Nose Syndrome (WNS)

*Marne Titchenell, OSU Extension*

You may not know it - but bats do a lot for us and the ecosystem. Come learn about Ohio's bats, how they spend their days, and the new big-bad threatening their lives. We will talk about how you can help, and take a short walk to check out some real bat houses! **Tuesday 12:30-1:30, Thursday 10:30-11:30**

Wildlife Sounds of The Night *Rob Chapman, Purdue Extension*

Have you ever wondered what makes that weird sound at night? Find out what it is through pictures and sounds of mammals, birds, amphibians, and insects! Learn when, where, and what to listen for including tips on how to remember certain sounds. **Wednesday 11:30-12:30**

Habitat Management for Bobwhite Quail *Adam Janke, Mark Wiley, & Marjorie Liberati, Ohio State University*

The whistle of the bobwhite was once characteristic of rural Ohio, but recent declines have left most farms across the state silent. During this program OSU bobwhite researchers will discuss what bobwhites need throughout the year and how you can provide the right habitat on your farm to give quail an edge and bring back "bob-WHITE"! **Wednesday 10:30-11:30**



## Water Presentations

Coping With Aquatic Plants & Algae *Jim Lopshire, OSU Extension*

Aquatic plants and algae often reach nuisance levels for many pond owners. There a number of management options to reduce problems associated with excessive growth of aquatic plants, including aeration, pond dyes, grass carp, and herbicides. **Tuesday 10:30-11:30, Wednesday 11:30-12:30**

Pond Wildlife: The Good and the Bad! *Marne Titchenell, OSU Extension*

Would you like wildlife around your pond but not wildlife conflict? Learn how to attract wanted wildlife such as frogs, turtles, dragonflies, birds, and salamanders, and how to deter unwanted wildlife, like Canada geese. **Tuesday 2:00-3:00, Wednesday 1:30-2:30, Thursday 11:30-12:30**

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## Water Presentations (cont.)

Healthy Wetlands Don't Bite! *John Rockenbaugh, Union Co. SWCD*  
Healthy wetlands are not "mosquito holes"; but rather ultra-effective wildlife habitats and excellent enhancers of water quality. Discover the many predators of mosquitoes that thrive in wetlands! **Tuesday 12:30-1:00, Wednesday and Thursday 10:30-11:00**

Conservation Programs for Landowners *Jerry Iles, OSU Extension*  
Hear opinions from Ohio farmers about existing conservation programs. Following the presentation, opinions will be sought from the audience concerning how to improve conservation programs for the upcoming 2012 Farm Bill. **Tuesday 1:30-2:00**

Quality Fishing in Ponds and Small Lakes *Mike Greenlee, ODNR Division of Wildlife*

Ponds can provide for excellent fishing, but require some management effort by the owner, such as stocking the correct fish species and numbers, determining your desired management goal, and making sure the harvest that you allow is conducive to achieving that goal. **Tuesday 11:30-12:30, Wednesday 12:30-1:30**

Taking Stream Stewardship and Water Quality Basics for Homeowners and Landowners *Joe Bonnell, Jerry Iles, Robert McCall, Andy Ward, & Jessica D'Ambrosio, OSU Extension*  
Learn principles of stream stewardship and actions homeowners and landowners can take to reduce their impact on and improve the health of their local streams. **Tuesday 1:00-2:00, Wednesday 12:30-1:30**

Harmful Algal Blooms (HAB's) – What You Need to Know! *Eugene Braig, Ohio Sea Grant*

Cyanobacteria (blue-green algae) are not just a problem in Grand Lake St. Marys or Lake Erie. They occur in ponds and small lakes as well and are capable of producing toxins that can sicken humans and potentially kill pets. Learn what causes HAB's and strategies a pond owner can use to prevent them from occurring. **Wednesday 1:30-2:30**

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## Woodland Presentations

Hobby Maple Syrup Production *Gary Graham, OSU Extension*

Learn all about the tools of the industry and what it will take to get started producing maple syrup as a hobbyist or growing a current hobby operation. **Tuesday 10:30-11:30, Wednesday 12:30-1:30**

Invasive Plant Species in Ohio's Woodlands *Steve McGinnis & Brad Wireman, ODNR Division of Forestry*

Do you have bush honeysuckle, garlic mustard, autumn olive, celery pear, or privet invading your land or woodland? Learn how to put out the 'Not Welcome' sign for these woodland invaders! **Tuesday 1:00-2:00, Wednesday 10:30-11:30**

Saving the Ash - How to Collect Ash Seeds *Amy Stone, OSU Extension*

You can make a difference! Learn ways to collect and submit ash seeds for research and the future seed bank. You will leave with materials illustrating seed collecting methods and everything you need to know how to collect and submitting seeds.

**Thursday 1:00-1:30**

First Detectors and the Non-Native Watch List *Amy Stone, OSU Extension*

Interested in the environment and the threats invasive species pose? OSU's Plant and Pest Diagnostic Clinic is looking for extra eyes to be first detectives out in the field. This session will introduce the program and how you can get involved! Awards will be given to the top plant detectives involved! **Tuesday 2:00-2:30**

Conservation Tree Plantings *Lenny Farlee, Purdue Extension*

This talk will provide landowners with a stepwise process to plan and implement their tree planting project and improve their conservation tree planting success rate. **Tuesday 12:00-1:00, Wednesday 2:00-3:00**

Consider This Before Selling Your Timber *Dave Apsley, OSU Extension & Bob Mulligan, ODMR Soil & Water*

Thinking of selling some trees? Learn everything you need to know and consider when having a timber sale at this session! **Tuesday 2:00-3:00, Thursday 10:30-11:30**

The Alphabet Soup of Invasives—ALB, HWA, BMSB, TCD, EAB, GM, and VLB *Amy Stone, OSU Extension*

Learn about the many different species of invasive insects threatening Ohio's urban and rural trees and how you can help! **Tuesday 2:30-3:00**

The New Forest Threat: Asian Longhorned Beetle (ALB) *Kathy Smith, OSU Extension*

Asian Longhorned Beetle has now been found in southwest Ohio. Come learn what you need to know about this latest non-native invasive insect. **Tuesday 11:00-11:30**

Attracting Pollinators to Your Landscape *Cindy Meyer, OSU Extension*

Learn general guidelines on how to design a garden that will attract native pollinators. Specific plants to include will also be discussed. **Tuesday 11:30-12:00, Thursday 10:30-11:00**



Wood Utilization - Reclaiming Ash and Other Trees *Amy Stone, OSU Extension*

Million of ash trees that were killed by the emerald ash borer are standing dead, or have made their way through a chipper, but there are other options and success stories of wood utilization projects across Ohio and the Midwest. This session will get you thinking about the possibilities when it comes to reclaiming ash and other trees. **Tuesday 12:30-1:00**

Pruning Woody Ornamentals *Cindy Meyer, OSU Extension*

Learn the correct techniques and tips to prune woody ornamentals in your own landscapes. **Wednesday 1:30-2:00**

Wood ID: Ten Woods You Need To Know *Eric McConnell, OSU Extension*

Learn how you can use various wood structural characteristics, such as rays, tyloses, resin canals, and more, to help you identify ten common Ohio wood species. **Wednesday 11:30-12:30, Thursday 12:00-1:00**

Tree ID *Kathy Smith, OSU Extension*

This session will walk you through some of the key characteristics of identifying trees. **Thursday 11:00-12:00**

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