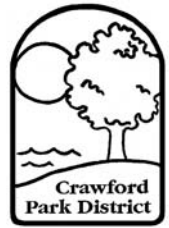




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Daughmer Bur Oak Savannah Is Saved!

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Areas and Preserves is to be congratulated for preserving Crawford County's Daughmer Bur Oak Savannah. This Bur Oak Savannah has state and national significance as a unique prairie habitat. The 35 acre preserve is the largest remaining parcel of the Sandusky Plains which at one time covered approximately 200,000 acres in Ohio. The land was purchased from Kepford Farms. The funds came from Ohioans who donated part of their state income tax refund to protect natural areas and to manage endangered wildlife. DNAP has plans to build a small parking lot, create a hiking trail and to manage the site with controlled burns and other invasive plant techniques. The Savannah will be open to the public for nature observation and the Crawford Park District will have the opportunity to conduct public programming there. Preserving Daughmer Bur Oak Savannah was an opportunity that couldn't slip away and we are fortunate that the State of Ohio met the challenge.



The above photo was taken at Daughmer Bur Oak Savannah during the Sixth North American Prairie Conference in 1978. Crawford County's celebrated ecologist, Paul B. Sears, is second from the left.

Research Project on Leesville Quarries:

Dana Batory, of Crestline, has agreed to research and compose a history of the Leesville sandstone quarries. If you know anyone who might be helpful with this research, please let Bill know. This would include personal interviews, photographs, news articles, information about employees or business operations and geologic data.

New Exhibit: Ohio Minerals

Local geologist, Tom Kottyan, has donated a display of Ohio minerals to the Crawford Park District. Tom is retired from the Bucyrus City Schools where he was an Earth Science teacher. He and his wife, Pam, have been collecting minerals for quite some time. Their business name is *The Mineral House*. You may be asking yourself, "What special minerals come from Ohio?" Tom's display will knock you off your feet! The specimens are beautiful and include crystals of celestite, pyrite, fluorite, calcite, sulfur, selenite and quartz. Stop out to the Nature Center and investigate this "must see" display. We would like to find a donor of heavy glass shelves for the display. Know someone who might help? Many thanks to the Kottyan's for our newest interpretive display.



"When one tugs at a single thing in nature, he finds it attached to the rest of the world."

John Muir

Jeebers Creepers,

Where'd Ya Get Those Peepers?

With Spring Peepers, it is not your eyes that alert you to their presence and their clue that spring has arrived. Your ears will be the sense organ that is inundated with their high pitched mating calls. Their call is said to sound like that of a young chicken; hence their name, Spring Peeper. A difference is that the Peeper's call will be much louder and will rise slightly in tone. When densities of them are high in a vernal pool, the chorus can resemble the sound of sleigh bells. Spring Peepers are heard early in the spring not long after the snow and ice melt on vernal pools and other wetland waters. Their calls can be heard from as far away as one mile to two and one half miles depending on the amount of peepers in one pond. Although the Spring Peeper is small enough to sit comfortably on a dime, its call is certainly not dime sized.

We got our Peepers at the vernal pool. Welcome spring!!

Crawford County Mastodon Bone Returns

A partnership with the Ohio State University Orton Geological Museum will allow the Crawford Park District to display a vertebral bone from the Sulphur Springs Mastodon. The Orton Museum Curator, Dale Gnidovec, has generously agreed to a long term loan of the first cervical vertebra which will be displayed at the Lowe-Volk Park Nature Center. The first cervical vertebra (C1) is commonly called the atlas because it holds up the skull. With a mastodon, that is no small task!

The Sulphur Springs Mastodon bone was donated to the Orton Museum by a private collector who excavated it in 1973. His excavation occurred two years after the Nauman brothers discovered two large teeth along the bank of the Brokensword Creek. The Nauman's took their find to school at Sulphur Springs and the teacher knew the teeth were something very special. At that time, OSU was contacted and OSU experts completed the first dig at the site. The two teeth that determined the mastodon's location are part

of OSU's research collections. We are working on a way to permanently display the atlas. Until the display is complete, if you stop by the Nature Center to see it, just ask for Bill or Josh.

Endowment Fund

The Friends of the Crawford Park District recently passed a resolution to enter into a contract with the Bucyrus Area Community Foundation to control our endowment fund investment. The bulk of the endowment was donated by former Park Commissioner, Jim Rhodebeck.

During the history of our Park District, the Bucyrus Area Community Foundation has supported our mission with both capital and special project grants. They have proven themselves worthy investors and are committed to improving the quality of life for the citizens of Crawford County.

The Trustees of the Friends have the responsibility of insuring that our endowment will provide funds for both the present and future needs of the Park District. A donation to an endowment will leave a legacy that continues to provide support long into the future. If you would like information on available options for endowment giving, you could either contact Bill Fisher at Lowe-Volk Park or Janet Pry of the Bucyrus Area Community Foundation.

When Thunder Roars Go Indoors

When Thunder Roars Go Indoors is a program promoted by the National Weather Bureau. The program has been recommended to the CPD by our newest Advisory Board member, Joy Etter-Link. Joy found this program for her Colonel Crawford Fourth Grade students. *When Thunder Roars Go Indoors* was developed to save lives by taking a new approach to educate the public about lightning dangers. Fear already exists for lightning, but thunder needs to be recognized as the early warning for lightning. This campaign encourages the public to take action when they hear thunder rather than waiting for lighting or rain. Joy will be leading a program at the Nature Center on the topic and has arranged for the placement of several warning signs at Lowe-Volk Park.

Programs

Please call 419-683-9000 with questions about programs. Most events are free. Donations for programs are appreciated.

Birds of Prey at Killdeer Plains

Saturday, March 5, 9AM Meeting at NC

The CPD has partnered with the Greater Mohican Audubon Society and the Wilderness Center for a birders outing at Killdeer Plains. You will certainly see birds of prey and other species at this protected habitat which is located in nearby Wyandot County. Bring your binoculars, spotting scopes and a sack lunch. Birding will start from the Sportsmen's Center and all groups will return there to eat lunch and to share sightings. Call and let us know if you intend to meet us at Killdeer.

Eagle Watch

Sunday, March 6 2PM Lowe-Volk Park



Recently removed from the endangered species list, Bald Eagles are the epitome of successful wildlife management. Join Josh as he discusses the life history of our nation's mascot at the nature center. The presentation will conclude with a field trip to Crawford County's three eagle nests to observe these majestic raptors.

Maple Syrup

Saturday, March 12 Noon-2PM Lowe-Volk

Come to Lowe-Volk Park to experience the making of real maple syrup. Follow the sap step-by-step from the tree to sweet treat. The process rooted in American History is tasty family fun!

Viewing the Night Sky

Saturday, March 12 7:30 PM Lowe-Volk Park

Join members of the Richland Astronomical

Society and CPD volunteers as they share their knowledge and telescope skills with all who are interested in the celestial sights.

This begins a monthly program which will meet on the second Saturday of each month. Note that start times may vary as sunset changes. Bring your own telescope or allow the volunteers to assist you with those provided. It is a spectacular universe!

Black Bears in Ohio

Wednesday, March 16 7PM Lowe-Volk Park

Coupled with loss of habitat and human persecution, Black Bears were extirpated from Ohio's landscape two hundred years ago. As forests replaced fields, they slowly emigrated back into Ohio from adjacent states. Division of Wildlife Biologist, Scott Butterworth, will discuss the habits and history of these bruins and what the future holds for the Black Bear in Ohio.



When Thunder Roars

Saturday, March 19, 1PM Lowe-Volk Park

Join Joy Etter-Link for a program on the national public safety initiative, *When Thunder Roars Go Indoors*. Not only will you learn about the program, you will receive some free items and find out how you can enter a poster contest. Like the scouts say, "Be prepared"!

Fresh Water: A limited Resource

Tuesday, March 22, 7PM Lowe-Volk Park

March 22 is designated World Water Day. Join Brian Armitage for an informative program on the environmental problems that affect the world's supply of fresh water. Brian is a noted entomologist whose specialty is caddisflies. His work has taken him world wide and he has first hand experience seeing man's effect on fresh water. We can't bury our heads in the sand. This issue is critical to survival! Not to be missed!

Vernal Pools

Saturday, March 26 2PM Heckert Nature Preserve

While providing much needed breeding grounds for amphibians, vernal pools contribute greatly to biodiversity. Join Warren and Josh for this exciting program that will look at the life cycle stages of the animals that call Heckert home. Rubber boots recommended; all ages welcome; some difficult terrain.

Arrowhead/Indian Artifact Hunt

Saturday, April 2, 10 AM Nature Center

Join members of the Johnny Appleseed Chapter 19 of the Archaeology Society of Ohio to learn techniques and strategies that will increase your chances of finding American Indian artifacts. Be the first human to touch an arrowhead since it was used thousands of years ago! Don't miss this popular annual event. Bring the whole family and don't forget the boots if the ground is wet.

The Art of Fly Tying

Sunday, April 3 Noon Lowe-Volk Park

Dave Meadows will head up a team from the Mohican Fly Fishers who will lead an informative class on Fly Tying. Dave and friends will cover the basic tools, and demonstrate the skills needed to construct the flies that fish attack as food. A knowledge of matching the correct fly with the correct fishing goal is central to the process. You will not be dissatisfied!



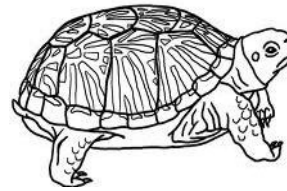
I think that as a species we're more resilient than we may seem and our best hope lies with nature, to understand it, to live in accord with it.

William Allen

Amazing Animal Extravaganza

Saturday, April 9, Noon to 3 PM

Lowe-Volk Nature Center



Animal lovers are in for a treat! Come to experience snakes, turtles, salamanders, and many more. Various pet owners will be on hand to answer your questions and to allow you to "hold and touch" when appropriate. Animals will be on display so that you can get "up close and personal." A great family event!

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Wildflower Walk

Sunday, April 10 3PM Sears Woods

Early spring brings with it an explosive growth within our woodlands. Spring blooming wildflowers must complete their life cycle before the trees leaf out and cut off the light necessary for photosynthesis. Meet Warren Uxley at the Sears Woods parking lot.

To Dye For...

Tuesday, April 12, 7PM Lowe-Volk

Did you know that you can make dye out of tree bark, onions and more? This program will teach you how to make natural dyes out of simple items that you can find in nature or the produce aisle at the grocery store! You can use these dyes to color Easter eggs, yarn and even fabric. During this program you will learn how to make a simple loom from cardboard and then we will start to weave a small tapestry using the dyed yarn. This program is lead by CPD volunteer Suzanne Blank.

Spring Wildflower Walk

Saturday, April 16, 2PM Heckert

Come, enjoy the spring show of color put on by our local wildflowers. What better way to celebrate the coming of spring than to admire the beautiful display of blooms in the woods?

Bring the whole family for a hike at Heckert Nature Preserve on SR 19 and discover spring wildflowers with Wendy Peyton.



High Tech Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, March 28, 1-3 PM Lowe-Volk Park

Kids! Bring your GPS or borrow one from us. Join Don Hatfield from the North Central Ohio Geocachers, for an Easter Egg Hunt around Lowe-Volk Park. Using your GPS you will find the eggs hidden in the park, and answer a nature based question in the egg.



Kids finding eggs and answering the most questions will receive a small prize. Come join the fun!

Walk & Woof: Birds and Botany

Wednesday, April 20 7PM Heckert Nature Preserve

Flowers and feathers will be the highlight of this walk. This hike is sure to be packed full of nature at its best. Join Josh and Carley to hike the Heckert loop, to see the sights and to hear the sounds. All ages and breeds welcome.

Pines

Wednesday, April 27 8PM Lowe-Volk Park

Worldwide there are just over 100 species of pine trees. In large areas of the globe they are the dominant forest species. Learn about the pines of North America. Meet Warren Uxley at the Lowe-Volk Park Nature Center.

Nature Story and Craft

Saturday, April 30, 1PM Lowe-Volk

Celebrate spring with Joy Etter-Link as you listen to a nature story and then have fun making a spring time craft. Geared for a younger crowd, but all youth are welcome.

Spring Bird Walk

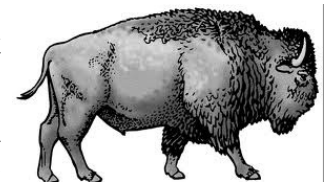
Sunday, May 1 9AM Sears Woods

The first week of May is the most active time for bird migration in Ohio. Vireos, Thrushes, Flycatchers, Tanagers, and Warblers are more numerous in May than at any other time of the year. In their full breeding colors, many more are spectacularly beautiful. Meet Warren Uxley at the Sears Woods parking lot.

Bison: They're Big!

Tuesday, May 3 7PM Lowe-Volk Park

Bison were a sight to behold to the first explorers of North America. Join Josh for a hands-on experience that will explore the beasts that gave "Buffalo" Bill his moniker. Local Bison rancher Ron Treisch will also be on hand to discuss other aspects of Bison.



Woodland Ecology

Saturday, May 7, 9AM Sears Woods

Join Wynford High School senior, Cody Kent, for an informative hike covering some of the ecological connections that can be found in Sears Woods. May is a beautiful time at Sears. Don't miss this program by a CPD Junior Naturalist!

Tellin' Tales:

Annapolis aka Sulphur Springs

Saturday, May 7, 2PM Nature Center

A special focus for this Tellin' Tales will be Sulphur Springs which was laid out in 1833 as the village of Annapolis. If you have special connections to Sulphur, come tell what you know! Tellin' Tales is a meeting to share information about Crawford County's Natural History. Share your stories of our county's geology, farming history, weather catastrophes or other happenings. Personal anecdotes make history come alive. Help us preserve our Natural History events. Moderated by Jim Croneis, former publisher of the Bucyrus Telegraph Forum and local history buff.

Leesville History: Roundtable Discussion

Saturday, May 7, 3:15PM Nature Center

Anyone who has a connection to Leesville or is interested in the history of our area is welcome to participate in this discussion lead by local resident and Leesville promoter, Joe Everly. Bring pictures to be shared, stories to tell and a listening ear. Leesville's rich history needs told, retold and updated!

Resthaven Wildlife Area

Sunday, May 8 10AM Meet @ Lowe-Volk Park

This program will explore the botanical treasures of Resthaven Wildlife Area. It will include one of the largest populations of the endangered White Lady Slipper Orchid. Meet Warren Uxley at the Lowe-Volk Nature Center parking lot.

Pancakes in the Park

Saturday, May 14, 8 AM- 1 PM

Come and support your Parks while satisfying your appetite. Pancakes with REAL maple syrup! Delicious ham too. See the flier in this newsletter.

Bird Banding on the Porch

Saturday, May 14 7AM - 1PM Lowe-Volk Park

For the fourth year in a row, Bob Scott Placier will string up mist nets to see what birds reside in or pass through Lowe-Volk Park. Vital to the long-term study of bird trends, banding is scientific and fun! Join Bob and Josh at the Nature Center to see birds up close and personal. A bird in the hand is better than two in the bush! All ages welcome.

Viewing the Night Sky

Saturday, May 14, 9:30PM Lowe-Volk

Let's Go Fly A Kite

Sunday, May 15, 1 PM Unger Park

Do you have an old kite that has been in storage for a long time? Now is the time to get it out for a good time at Unger Park. It's nothing fancy, just some old-fashioned fun on a Sunday afternoon. Come and join the excitement which will be lead by CPD volunteers, the Steve Meadows family. All ages welcome!

Toddler Trot

Saturday, May 21, 2PM Lowe-Volk

Come and hike with Joy-Etter Link then make a craft at the Nature Center. The focus is the younger crowd through second grade, but all youth are welcome! Fun, Fun, Fun!

Camp Fire Cooking

Saturday, May 21 1PM Lowe-Volk

Do you and your family enjoy camping? Knowing how to cook outside over a camp fire can make your next camping trip fun and tasty. People have been cooking with dutch ovens and cast iron pans for hundreds of years and now you can learn how. Come join Wendy Peyton and give this cooking method a try and a taste.

Nature Center Hours Beginning in April
Tuesday – Saturday, 9AM to 4PM.
Sunday – Noon to 4PM

The Scenic Sandusky:

Let's Make It Official!

By Jim Pry

What is the scenic river designation?

The Scenic River designation is a special declaration by the Director of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources for the highest quality rivers in Ohio. Only 13 rivers have been designated as scenic rivers since the program's inception in 1968, with the passage of the nation's first scenic river's act.

The scenic river designation reflects stewardship of the land by the residents of the county where a scenic river runs through and should be viewed as a source of community pride. Scenic river designations identify a river as possessing outstanding natural resources.

There is no financial commitment required to have a river designated a State Scenic River. Funds from the sale of scenic river license plates may be used for projects where a scenic river is located. These projects include purchasing property, conservation easements, research concerning water quality or in-stream habitat, canoe floats, restoration projects, educational programs/presentations and providing match for grants. Scenic River designation does not result in any loss of private property rights.

The Sandusky River is approximately 130 miles long and is Ohio's longest river draining into Lake Erie. There are approximately 430 square miles in its watershed. It has the second largest watershed in Ohio's Lake Erie basin and is the least populated watershed of Ohio's 10 major rivers. The river was originally named "Sahunduskee" by the Wyandot Indians, meaning "clear water."



Four cities, Bucyrus, Upper Sandusky, Tiffin and Fremont all draw their drinking water from the Sandusky River.

The Sandusky River was designated as a scenic river in 1970 and is Ohio's second State scenic river. The current designation starts at Harrison Smith Park in Upper Sandusky and ends at Roger Young Park in Fremont, a total of 65 miles.

The Sandusky River which starts at Lowe-Volk Park with the junction of Allen Run and Paramour Creek is a beautiful river that runs through Crawford County. It supports a diverse, healthy habitat and that by identification as a scenic river, Crawford County will be known state-wide for its beauty and importance.

Even though it was cold, CPD programs continued!!!



Snow Snoopin' kids decorated their snowman at Heckert Nature Preserve.

A Wednesday afternoon hike at Sear Woods.....



A great Cabin Fever Reliever for a score of folks.

One of the many magnificent minerals on display.



This is Celestite with iron stains. The Ohio Mineral display was donated by Tom Kottyan.

A common shrub of Craw. Co. is Spicebush.



This is the flower of Spicebush in early spring. The leaves, when crushed, smell of citrus. Look for Spicebush along the trail at Lowe-Volk Park.

Even wildlife remains active!



This pair of Crawford Co. Bald Eagles were incubating eggs by February 18.

Even though insects are scarce for these attractive flyers,



Bluebirds still find food and shelter in winter, albeit occasionally in Crawford Co.

Lichen are a mix of algae and fungus.



The Ohio Moss and Lichen Assc. will host its "Fall Foray" in Crawford Co. to determine distributions and county documentation of mosses and lichens.

Fungi can come in many shapes and colors.



This fungus emerged in Heckert Nature preserve. ID of some fungi involves the spores and frills under the cap.



A hike in Lowe-Volk Park during the winter months can yield exceptional scenery!



Other Crawford Co. scenes are beautiful as well, such as this sunrise looking towards North Robinson.



Dutchman's Breeches are a common woodland wildflower. Note the wide "V" shape of the flower.



Related to Dutchman's Breeches is this flower, Squirrel Corn. Note the differences in the petal shape.

Pancakes in the Park



Saturday, May 14
8am to 1 pm

Enjoy an all you can eat
breakfast of:
pancakes with real maple syrup,
ham, orange juice and coffee.

Donation of \$5.00 per meal.

Sponsored by
The Crawford Park District
Assisted by Galion Rotary

Animal Extravaganza

Saturday, April 9
12 - 3 pm

Great Family
Event!



Be sure to bring
your camera!



Meet a Bearded
Dragon, Snakes, Hissing
Cockroaches and much
more!



Living History Celebration

Saturday, June 4
10am to 4pm

Hands-on kids
activities!



Encampment of
Col. Crawford's
Company

Lunch will be
available



Historical
re-enactments



Eastern
Woodland Indian

FRIENDS MEMBERSHIP'S**Kinglet** (student/senior)

Dixie Lee Stineman
 Robert Shroyer
 Ivan & Louise Ulmer
 Robert & Shirley Snyder
 Summer Burrer
 Doris Young
 Dan & Martha Schroeder
 Rebecca Farson
 Carol Palenshus
 Doris Bopp
 Dick & Betty Vance
 Victor Wimsett

Cardinal (individual)

Rich & Anita Henry
 Mabel Hipp
 Dolores Geiger
 Marge Carnahan
 Art & Mary Thompson
 Sharon Fishpaw
 Juanita Young
 Miriam Holtshouse
 June Cundiff
 Ruth Adams
 Martha Flohr
 Donald Walter
 Lois Vance
 Gary Cowell
 John Depinet
 Annabel Kehres
 Elizabeth Teynor

Flock (family)

Nate & Amanda Ratcliff Family
 Tom & Pat Plack
 Dave & Bonnie Fisher
 John & MaryJane Kelley
 Bill & Kathy Halter
 Allen & Sandy Stuckey
 Roger & Janice Scott
 Steve & June Gebhardt
 Jeff & Becky Laipply
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 Dean & Hazel Hunter
 Lawrence & Annabelle Frank
 Jim & Pat Miller
 Richard & June Cope
 Gene & Bettie Luidhardt
 John & Marge Connors

Bur Oak Circle (supporting)

Frances Flora
 Scott & Bonnie Donnenwirth
 Doug & Sue Horsely
 Roger & Sue Daniel
 Ned & Donna Bauer
 Mark & Pat Murphy
 Elaine Hottenroth
 Leonard & Katie Kocher
 Bill & Donna Fisher
 Stan & Cindy Eusey
 Dale & Marline Garverick
 Martha Kozik
 John & Joyce Kennedy
 Michael & Nancy Hocker
 Steve & Trudy Eckstein
 Dale Riedel
 Steve & Kathy Krichbaum

Bald Eagle Club (sustaining)

Vera Imhoff
 James & Janet Pry
 Annette McCormick
 Michael & Marcie Nye
 Russ & Dorothy Vose
 Steve & Nancy Pifher
 Donna Daniel
 Mike & Joy Link
 Janice Shuck - In Memory of
 Jack B. Shuck
 Jim & Myrna Bricker
 Jim Gehrisch
 Doug & Joanne Weisenauer
 Bob & Dot Hubble
 Jan Maddy
 Galion Elks #1191

Tallgrass Prairie Club (sponsoring)

Mike & Nancy Kolehmainen
 Peoples Savings & Loan

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Sycamore Club:

Candace Jones

Other Donations:

Kroger
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 Harmon & Julie Guss
 Wal-Mart Foundation
 Bill & Donna Fisher

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 John Clary
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 Mike & Nancy Hocker
 Maxine Keller -
 In Memory of Darl Keller
 Aiden Scott

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 Dick Cooper
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 Marjorie Harter
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 Charles & Mary Scott
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 Ed & Joan Wise
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 Tom & Jane Garrett Family
 David Cory
 John Ewing
 Bucyrus Moose Lodge #669
 Glen Cole

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