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Butler County Stream Team

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Oops, Sorry It's Late

Sorry this is late. I'm not sure if it was a computer malfunction or a brain malfunction, but I am sure I hit send on Wednesday morning. I guess it's better late than never.

Lynn

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Still Looking for a New Sampler on East Side of Hamilton

If you know of anyone that could that may be interested, [please contact Lynn](#).

Cooler Location

Due to construction activity at Pearson, the cooler has permanently moved to outside of Schideler Hall. You can drive through horseshoe shaped road/parking alongside.

Lab Needs Volunteers

We are still short of volunteers this month and next. See <http://doodle.com/poll/y95ptqhpakn6pub>

Butler SWCD is 75 and wants to invite you to their party!

This year, Butler Soil and Water has turned 75 and we are having an open house on Tuesday, August 29 from 3:30 - 7 pm to celebrate. There will lots of displays, and free food.

Stream Team Sampling Dates

Sept 9
Oct 14
Nov 11

Save The Date

Clean Sweep of the Great Miami River

Saturday, October 28 from 9 am - 12 noon

We are still confirming all of the locations and the online registration will be available soon. All info will be posted at <http://greatmiamirivercleanup.org/>

Day in the Country

Saturday, Sept. 16th

Izaak Walton League's Day in the Country Saturday, Sept. 16th Gates open at 8:00am, fishing derby starts at 9:00am to 12 noon. Poles, bait available, prizes for all. Hayrides, archery lessons, b-b gun shooting, exhibits, games and programs all day. See <https://www.facebook.com/hamiltonchapterIWLA/>

Horse Dayz

Saturday, Sept. 16th

Elk Creek MetroPark, Sebald Area

Hikeathon

Saturday, September 23

Next to DeWitt Cabin <4824 Oxford Rd Oxford, OH 45056> See <http://miamioh.edu/student-life/natural-areas/index.html>

Upper Mill Creek Cleanup

Saturday, September 23. Please visit

<http://millcreekwatershed.org/> to find out more as the date nears.

Volunteer for the Butler County Children's Waterfest

Friday, Oct 13

From about 8 am - 1:30 pm

Bob and Lynn work on this great event for over 1000 elementary students each year. the kids learn about

We are located at 1802 Princeton Rd, Hamilton, OH 45011 ([map](#)).

Free Well Water Testing

Local residents can have their water tested for nitrates during the Butler SWCD open house. They can also learn at the open house how to receive a free test for bacteria. [Find out more...](#)

Roads Closed

Its orange barrel season and several roads are closed. Please see www.bceo.org/roadclosings.html for a full list. Ones to watch out for:

- St Rt 73 at Shollenbarger (supposed to open this week, but work started late, so....)
- Princeton at Yankee

Water News

New Data Added to EPA's Report on the Environment

EPA's Report on the Environment (ROE) is an interactive resource that shows how the conditions of the environment and human health in the United States are changing over time. Over 80 indicators, detailing the status or trend of various aspects of the nation's environment or human health, are organized into five themes—Air, Water, Land, Human Exposure and Health, and Ecological Condition. The latest update to the ROE includes updated data for 31 indicators.

Data used in the ROE are gathered from EPA, state and federal agencies, and non-governmental organizations, and are peer-reviewed to meet high standards for accuracy, representativeness, and reliability. EPA updates the ROE indicators on a rolling basis to provide the latest available data and adds new indicators when relevant.

[Explore the latest version of the ROE.](#)

A new Way to Remove Agricultural Pollutants

https://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2017-07/uoic-nsc073117.php

New Jersey-Size 'Dead Zone' Is Largest Ever in Gulf of Mexico

<http://news.nationalgeographic.com/2017/08/gulf-mexico-hypoxia-water-quality-dead-zone/>

A Garbage Patch The Size Of Mexico Was Just Discovered In The Pacific Ocean

<http://www.iflscience.com/environment/yet-another-huge-plastic-garbage-patch-has-been-found-in-the-pacific/>

water pollution, safety, and much more. We are always looking for volunteers to lead a class of children and their teacher around campus to different presentations. We also need other volunteers to help with logistical things such as unloading presenters, delivering school lunch boxes, etc. [Contact Lynn](#) or visit to find out more and register online at <http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07eecs04kt80a9b0bb&llr=ljrobcoab>
All volunteers receive lunch and a t-shirt

Present at the Butler County Children's Waterfest Friday, Oct 13

From about 9 am - 1:30 pm

If you have ever worked with students that are 4-6 grade level, [contact Lynn](#) to discuss presenting at the festival. Presentations run 25 minutes and are repeated 5 times. All presenters receive lunch and a t-shirt.

Three Valley Conservation Trust Summer Events

Three Valley Conservation Trust is sponsoring a series of community outreach and outdoor education events/activities this summer, free to all! Check out our web site for more details on each of the following programs (www.3vct.org):

- **Beautiful Biking** - (mostly) 2nd Thursday evenings, through Sept 14th – Join Amy Weber in biking to beautiful local properties in Butler and Preble Counties. Routes will vary in difficulty, but all will be OK for teens to adults.
- **Silvoor Saturday – Sept 24th** – Join us for a BioBlitz in Silvoor Biological Sanctuary! Children, families, and experts will work together to find and identify different animals, insects, and plants in order to update the catalogue of species that call the sanctuary home.



Fast-moving wetland plague, which destroys marshlands, now in 11 Louisiana parishes and around Lake Ponchartrain

http://www.nola.com/environment/index.ssf/2017/07/fast-moving_wetland_plague_now.html

7 Animals That Freak Out During Eclipses

I had to include something about the eclipse!

https://www.buzzfeed.com/danvergano/animals-that-freak-out-during-eclipses?utm_term=.akkJo233p#.dgqAOB779

Dragonflies

Dragonflies are able to target, pursue and capture tiny flying prey in mid-air at speeds of up to 60 km/h—even if that target attempts to disappear within a seething swarm—with an incredible hit-rate of over 95%.



<http://bestanimations.com/Animals/Insects/dragonfly-animated-gif-2.gif>

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