

## News for the Neighbors of Dusty Goldenrod Preserve

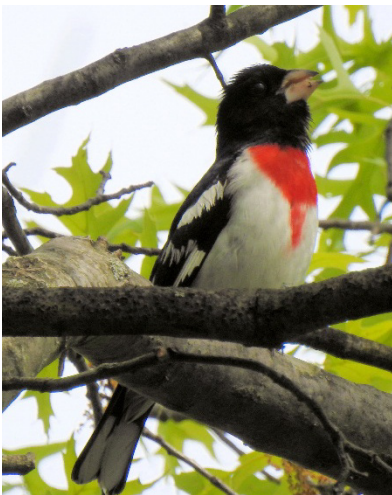
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### Preserve activities since the last newsletter (June 2023)

- A survey of the flora in Dusty Goldenrod preserve was completed and all the data collected is now being processed for publication. Detailing the location of invasive plants was part of the process.
- Volunteers have removed a number of small red maple trees to keep the meadow area containing some of the rare plants as a meadow.
- Water Quality monitoring is still ongoing. As in previous years Stream 2, which runs south to north at the east end of Hawthorne Road, had high levels of ammonia during the fall and into winter. This high level of ammonia results from excessive amounts of leaves piled up from yards on the stream bank.
- The construction of the crushed limestone path appears to be near completion.

The rest of this newsletter is dedicated to showing some of the **wonders** that can be found in the Preserve, right here in your neighborhood. All photos by Friends of Euclid Creek members.

Just a few of the 75 birds sighted in the Preserve.



Rose Breasted Grosbeak



Pileated Woodpecker



Eastern Bluebird



Red Bellied Woodpecker

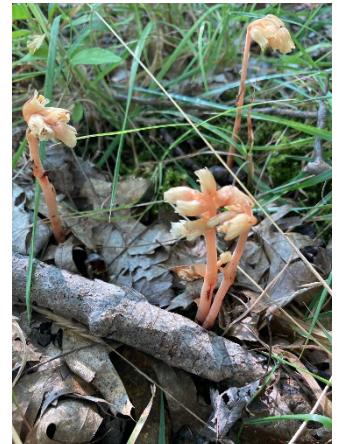
Just a small sample of the beautiful plants found in the Preserve.



Cardinal Flower  
(*Lobelia cardinalis*)



Turtlehead  
(*Chelone glabra*)



Pinesap  
(*Monotropa hypopitys*)

**Wonders of the Preserve cont.**

**Dusty Goldenrod (*Solidago puberula*)**



Pictured to the left is the plant that the Preserve is named for. Dusty Goldenrod Preserve is so named as this is the only known place where this plant grows in Ohio. Part of the efforts by our volunteers has been to preserve the wet meadow habitat where it grows.



Two mosses (*Lycopodium* sp) that are generally only found in the wet habitat that the Dusty Goldenrod preserve provides.



Fairy Cap Moss



Clubmoss

The beautiful fall color and an inspiring view of the wet meadow in late fall.



One of the 5 streams in winter

The intention of this issue was to give you a glimpse of the beauty of the preserve, found right in the middle of your neighborhood. Hopefully it instills a desire to help protect this special place. Join us in preserving the Preserve by becoming a member of the Friends of Euclid Creek. Sign up here <https://www.friendsofeuclidcreek.com>

Happy New Year to all from the Friends of Euclid Creek