

## ***Program Meetings...***

### **December 3, 2024 6:30 p.m., Visitor and Student Services Center, OSU Lima Campus Birds, Beaks and Adaptations**

Guest: Jennifer Elsworth of Metroparks Toledo

Why does a bird have the type of beak that it does? Are some beaks “general-purpose” while others very specific? As our climate changes, what might that mean for birds and their adaptations for eating.

Join us for a discussion about birds, beaks, and adaptations.

### **January 7, 2025 6:30 p.m., Visitor and Student Services Center, OSU Lima Campus Tri-Moraine Photo Safari**

Have you gone on any trips in the past year? Wilderness adventures? Do you have photos to share? Come share your photos of places you have been and critters you have seen!

Maybe you have nice photos of the natural world. Join us for food, friendship, and photo sharing. Let us know where you have been in touch with nature during the last year.

### **February 4, 2025 6:30 p.m., Visitor and Student Services Center, OSU Lima Campus Shorebirds and More**

Brendan Shirkey will be joining us from Winous Point Marsh Conservancy. Brendan is the research coordinator and oversees many research projects involving flora and fauna of the Conservancy. Brendan earned his undergraduate degree from Ohio State University and his master’s degree from Michigan State University. He has been involved in numerous bird surveys on Lake St. Clair and Lake Erie and assists with monitoring shore bird populations. Brendan will share with us what is going on with the Conservancy and birds you can look for there. *Submitted by Nancy Risner*



***A young Kingbird. Their beaks are used to catch insects on the wing, although they do feed upon some fruits.***

### **2025 EE-MOH Weekend planned... SAVE the date!**

Tri-Moraine Audubon Society will hold its 46th annual Environmental Education event at Myeerah Nature Preserve, SR 540 near Bellefontaine, on Saturday, May 3, 2025.

Environmental Education – Myeerah Open House (EE-MOH) provides an opportunity to learn about and experience nature in a unique environment. The Myeerah Nature Preserve contains 500 acres of diverse habitat with meadows, lakes, streams and woodland. The preserve, one of 66 sites in Ohio, is designated as an Important Bird Area (IBA). Look for further details for EE-MOH in upcoming newsletters.

*Submitted by Don Rosenbeck*



***A spring hike at an earlier Environmental Education Weekend.***