

# You're Invited

## Wildlife Weekend 2014

### A Celebration of 50 Years of Natural History at Steele Creek Park

Friday October 10<sup>th</sup> and Saturday October 11<sup>th</sup>  
Steele Creek Park Lodge  
Bristol, Tennessee

#### Friday evening reception at 6:30 pm

Awarding of Photography and Art Contests Winners

Keynote presentation by Dr. Kevin Hamed

**“Discovering our Ecological Treasure - 50 Years of Natural History Research”**

#### Saturday luncheon and panel discussion

**“The Value of Steele Creek Park as a Setting for Natural History Study & Research”**

Anticipated presenters include

**J. Wallace Coffey**, Long-time Local Naturalist and Amateur Ornithologist

*Wallace is one of the most ardent supporters of Steele Creek Park as a natural resource, and has served as mentor and role model for a large number of students doing research in the Park.*

**Kevin Hamed**, Assistant Professor, Department of Biology, Virginia Highlands Community College

*While working as the Steele Creek Park Naturalist, Kevin conducted a study of a population of Tennessee dace located in Steele Creek Park for his Master's thesis at ETSU.*

**Joe Jackson**, Retired Systems Manager, GlaxoSmithKline

*As a student in the early 1970's, Joe (along with Brent Rowell) conducted the earliest systematic natural history surveys of Steele Creek Park.*

**Phillip Klahs**, Current Master's Candidate in Biology at ETSU

*Philip is currently documenting and compiling the most extensive botanical specimens ever collected in Steele Creek Park.*

**Brent Rowell**, Extension Professor, Department of Horticulture, University of Kentucky

*As a student in the early 1970's, Brent (along with Joe Jackson) conducted the earliest systematic natural history surveys of Steele Creek Park.*

**Please RSVP (for the luncheon only) by e-mail ([mail@friendsofsteelecreek.org](mailto:mail@friendsofsteelecreek.org)), by USPS (Friends of Steele Creek Park, P.O. Box 1763, Bristol, TN 37620), or by phone (423- 764-3336).**

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### Schedule of Events

#### Friday, 10 October 2014

6:30 pm – Opening Reception

6:45 pm – Art and Photography Contest Awards

7:00 pm – Keynote Presentation by Dr. Kevin Hamed

*“Discovering our Ecological Treasure - 50 years of Natural History Research”*

#### Saturday, 11 October 2014

8:30 am – Early Bird Walk

8:30 am – Bird Banding Demonstration with Richard Lewis and Rack Cross

10:00 am – Animal Tracking with Marty Silver

10:00 am – Mushroom Foray with Gabrielle Zeiger

11:30 am – Luncheon

Recognition of Steele Creek Park Naturalists and Researchers over the past 50 Years

Roundtable Discussion

*“The Value of Steele Creek Park as a Setting for Natural History Study & Research”*

1:00 pm – Wildflower Walk with Connie Deegan

2:30 pm – Geology Hike with Jeremy Stout

#### Ongoing Outdoor Exhibits and Activities (Lodge Parking Lot, Saturday 10:00 am – 2:00 pm)

Fossils (J.R. Arnold)

Bugs (Eric Smith)

Skins and Skulls (Gray Fossil Site)

Fossil Casting (Mick Whitelaw)

Birds of Prey (Bays Mountain)

Nature Crafts for Children

#### Ongoing Exhibits Inside the Lodge (Friday 6:30 – 9:00 pm, Saturday 8:00 am – 3:00 pm)

SCP Photography Show

Roots and Sprouts Art Show

Herbarium Display

Bristol Bird Club

Friends of Steele Creek Nature Center and Park