

# SET YOUR SIGHTS

Progress on the Birding Accessible Trail—HOPE for an Accessible Trail for Willow Grove Nature Center and surrounding areas



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## THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR TRAIL "FOR ALL"!

In celebration of their Centennial Celebration, the Halten Garden Club donated \$10,500 towards the construction of a small birding path for those with mobility and accessibility challenges. Those funds, along with donations by the Jenifer Family, CVPC and a State Highway Grant for educational signage, will be allocated to this small trail. Our hope is that a larger mobility area will be constructed at Willow Grove Nature Center and its surrounding area with support from Baltimore County.

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2018

### ASSETS \$122,067.33

Checking	\$ 75,622.68
Savings	\$ 46,132.49
Petty Cash	\$ 312.16

### LIABILITIES & EQUITY \$122,067.33

Equity Restricted	\$ 62,082.15
Equity Unrestricted	\$ 51,497.13
Net Surplus	\$ 8,488.05

### RESTRICTED FUNDS \$123,014.62

Accessible Trail	\$ 250.00
Deady Funds	\$ 300.00
Friends of Cromwell Valley	\$ 3,355.62
Ft. Garrison Funds	\$ 3,659.21
France-Merrick Lime Kilns	\$ 46,022.47
Friends of Sherwood	\$ 4,622.07
Jenifer Memorial	\$ 1,232.52
Koininia (Butterfly)	\$ 746.80
Sign Vandalism	\$ 1,437.97
Summer Camp Fund	\$ 292.63
Towson Rotary Trail	\$ 2,000.00
Weed Warrior Fund	\$ 833.35

## PHOTOGRAPHY CREDITS

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| 1) Sherwood House from Above | Michael Keyser |
| 2) Storage Shed & Cupola     | Mia Walsh      |
| 3) Mushroom in the Forest    | Randall Peck   |
| 4) Community Egg Hunt        | Mia Walsh      |
| 5) Summer Nature Camp        | Michael Keyser |
| 6) Children's Garden         | Michael Keyser |
| 7) Pileated Woodpecker       | Dennis Murphy  |

## CHECK OUT ALL OUR AMAZING PHOTOS ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM!



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54% increase in Facebook followers to 2,044 in 2018

61% of our Instagram followers are ages 25-43

Complete website redesign launched in December 2018

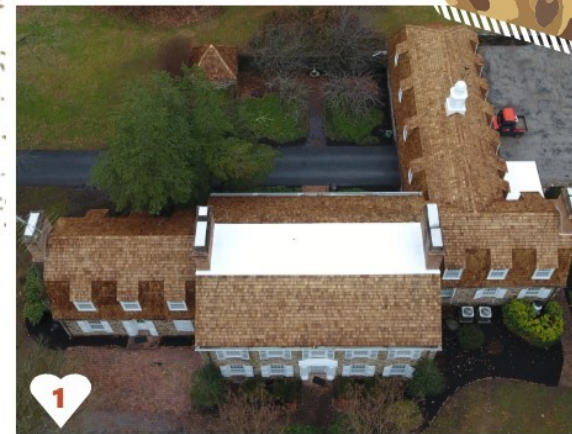
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Sherwood House received a facelift thanks to Baltimore County Property Management and its project leader, Derrick Guilbault.

# restore RENO VATE SHERWOOD HOUSE

## Cedar Roof, Shutters & More

Sherwood House was constructed in 1935 for Mr. Donald Henry Sherwood (1898-1989) and his wife, Frances Wellington Sherwood (1899-1992), at an approximate cost of \$37,000. The English manor style mansion, consisting of 27 rooms, was placed on the Baltimore County Landmarks List on July 23, 2006, thus affording it an additional measure of protection and requiring the owner (Baltimore County) to preserve it.

After working directly with the Baltimore County Historic Preservation section of the Department of Planning, proposed improvements were requested and approved. In a rather quick 3-month period, Baltimore County repaired or replaced all of the wooden shutters and window frames, installed an entire cedar roof, stripped and repainted the cupola and put copper finishes on areas of the house, which are both protective and decorative.

WE THANK Baltimore County for the stellar improvements on this historical property.



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# CVP 2018 UPDATES

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# GRATITUDE LIST OF DONORS 2018

## \$ 2,500 +

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## \$ 1,000 - \$2,499

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT *Nia Potthast Walsh*

### An endless supply of **THANK YOU!**

**2018 bestowed upon us a record number of park visitors. Each day, I try to greet a new face while walking my dogs, hiking with a friend or roaming with my binoculars and camera. We would not be the jewel we are without YOU, our loving community.**

#### DONORS

Our generous donors permit us to address special needs which may not be a priority for the County and its limited available funding for parks and nature centers. We are able to serve a wider audience while improving the natural setting enjoyed by so many.  
**THANK YOU!**

#### PARK VISITORS

Old and young. Canine and human. Hikers, picnickers, photographers, birders, filmmakers, summer campers. People who care about nature and value the restorative power of being surrounded by trees and fields, while listening to the babbling streams. You understand the importance of environmental education.  
**THANK YOU!**

#### VOLUNTEERS & STAFF

Your commitment to the park enables our community to be exposed to a world filled with tranquility. You bring your talents, your passions and your valuable time to ensure our park is shared with thousands and thousands of visitors each year. No one works harder than you!  
**THANK YOU!**

## WEBSITE REDESIGN

**Launched in December 2018! If you haven't visited us on-line yet, please go to**

**www.cromwellvalleypark.org** asap!

- (1) Downloadable calendar of low-cost and free events being held at CVP. Syncs with Outlook and iCalendar.
- (2) On-line registration for all of our park activities—no need to phone and send in a check!
- (3) Historical information on our National Register lime kilns, Merrick log house and buildings from the 1800's.
- (4) Hiking and birding trail information.
- (5) Volunteer opportunities and more!

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**24 DONORS ADDED  
WITH ON-LINE  
CAMP OR PROGRAM  
REGISTRATION!**

## NEW TECHNOLOGIES CAMP & PROGRAM REGISTRATION

CVPC launched a new on-line registration system for our summer camp and all programs. This has enabled our park visitors to enroll in our events from the comfort of their homes on their computers. With record number of visitors participating in our programs, this system provides on-line privacy secured records of our health and waiver forms, processes all payments and refunds automatically via

credit card, waitlists people based on registration time, to the second and enables our park staff to utilize their time focus on other office and planning tasks.

Though the annual cost of this system is \$2,000, the Council feels that this is money well-spent to increase the efficiency of our office staff and program managers.



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CVPC hosts annual events for the entire Community: Egg Hunt, Fall Harvest Festival, Holiday Open House and more! Our Summer Nature Camps were a sell-out success again in 2018.



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