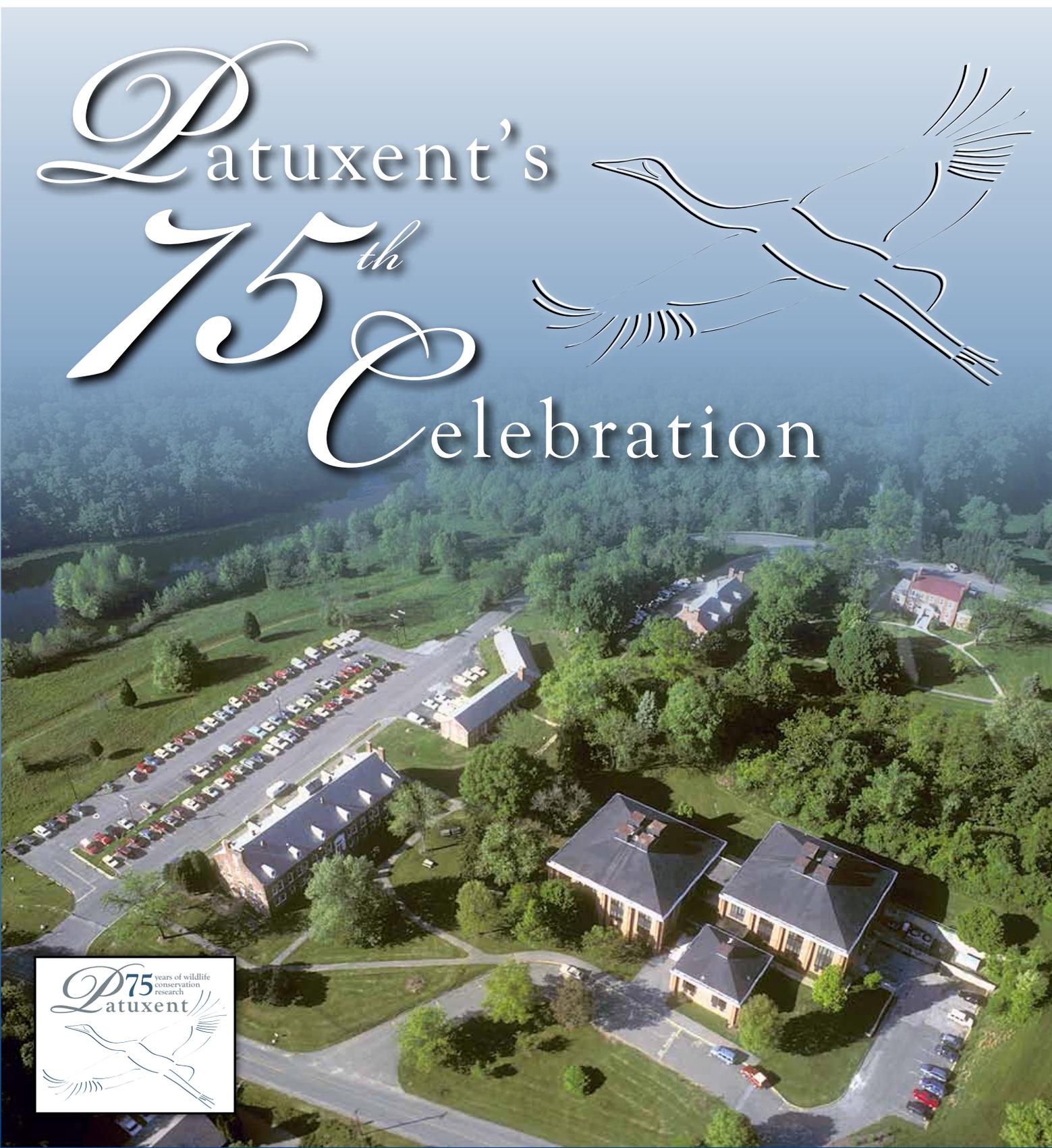
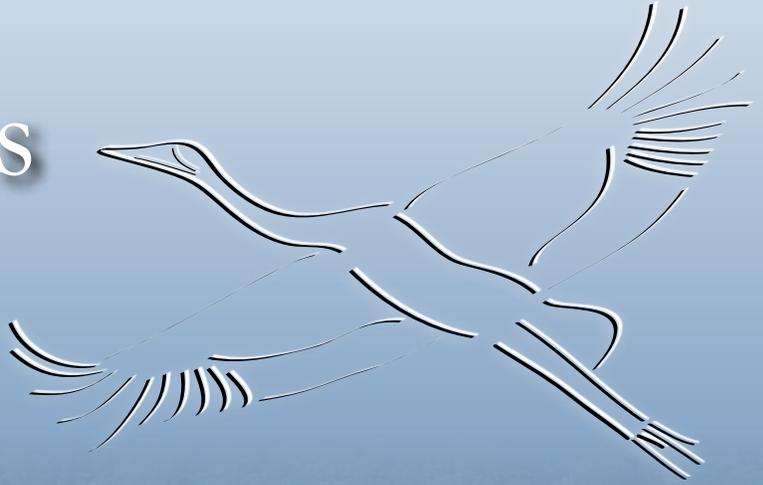


Patuxent's 75th Celebration



75 years of research excellence





The Dedication of Patuxent Research Refuge June 3, 1939



Left to Right: Dr. W. B. Bell (Chief Division Wildlife Research - Biol Survey), Walter Frazier, Senator Lynn J. Frazier, Leo K. Couch, Dr. H. H. T. Jackson, Carl D. Shoemaker (National Wildlife Federation), Ira N. Gabrielson (Chief, U. S. Biological Survey), Senator Key Pittman (Chairman, U.S. Senate Committee on Conservation), and Hon. Henry A. Wallace (Secretary of Agriculture)





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75 years of wildlife conservation research

Welcome to the Seventy-fifth Anniversary Celebration of Patuxent. President Franklin D. Roosevelt established Patuxent Research Refuge as the nation's first wildlife research station through an Executive Order in 1936. The name for the research facility was later changed to Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, but the management of the lands and buildings remained as Patuxent Research Refuge. The research and wildlife conservation mission created in 1936 continues today with the close relationship and partnership between the U.S. Geological Survey and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Great conservation icons, such as Mr. J. N. "Ding" Darling and Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson were instrumental in establishing Patuxent and investing in America's great conservation future even as the country was in the midst of the Great Depression. Some of our early scientists, like Dr. Lucille Stickel, played a major role in elucidating the impacts of chemicals, such as DDT, on America's wildlife. Seminal work with migratory birds by scientists, such as Drs. James Nichols and Chandler Robbins, has aided in the management of game and non-game birds. Patuxent also has had a long history of research that supports endangered species recovery and was responsible, in part, for the major population increase of the whooping crane. New directions in wildlife science that increase knowledge of adaptive management, structured decision making, global climate change, and alternative energy have been developed by Patuxent scientists.

Over 200,000 people visit Patuxent every year to spend time in the outdoors, engaging in such activities as hiking, birdwatching, hunting, fishing, and environmental education and interpretation. The Refuge, in particular, makes efforts to connect the Nation's youth to nature and conservation through educational programs, scout workshops, outreach events, and more.

Patuxent evolved from its origin in the Bureau of Biological Survey to its current position as one of the major Research Centers of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) and as the only Research Refuge within the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). Both agencies are natural resource agencies of the Department of the Interior. Our vision and mission define our purpose and direction, and working with our partners, is our approach to ensuring relevant, high quality science that supports society's needs and defines our role as a Federal research institution.

Gregory J. Smith
Director, USGS Patuxent Wildlife Research Center

Brad Knudsen
Manager, USFWS Patuxent Research Refuge



THURSDAY - OCTOBER 13, 2011

8:30 AM - Coffee and Re-acquaintance

9:00 AM - Gregory Smith & Brad Knudsen - Welcome and opening comments
David Trauger - Session Moderator

EARLY YEARS OF RESEARCH

9:15 - 10:15 AM

Matthew Perry - Patuxent's development and early land management research

Chandler Robbins - Early avian studies at Patuxent

Russell Hall - Early population and contaminant studies [Video Presentation]

10:15 AM - Coffee Break

MIGRATORY BIRD RESEARCH, MONITORING, AND MANAGEMENT

10:45 AM - 12:00 PM

Michael Erwin - Research, monitoring, and management of migratory birds

John Sauer - Research to support the Breeding Bird Survey

John Tautin - The Bird Banding Lab supporting research

12:00 PM - Lunch

ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINANT RESEARCH PROGRAM

1:00 - 2:30 PM

Susan Haseltine - The role of Patuxent in contaminant research

Jerry Longcore - Patuxent black duck studies from Chesapeake Bay to Maine

Gary Heinz - Research on heavy metals and their effects on wildlife

Harry Ohlendorf - Contaminant problems from agricultural drain water

2:30 PM - Coffee Break

3:00 - 4:30 PM

Charles Henny - Role of raptors in contaminant research

Elwood Hill - Standard procedures for wildlife toxicology studies

Thomas Custer - Contaminant research using colonial waterbirds

Donald Sparling - Eco-toxicology of amphibians and reptiles

4:30 PM - Conclude First Day Symposium

4:30 - 9:00 PM - Posters describing research of Patuxent scientists are available for viewing throughout Visitor Center

**5:30 PM
to
9:00 PM**

PATUXENT 75th Gala Celebration and Film Premier



FRIDAY - OCTOBER 14, 2011
(Come Dressed for Outdoor Activities)

8:30 AM - Coffee

8:55 AM - Welcome and Introduction

Judd Howell - Session Mederator

ENDANGERED SPECIES RESEARCH PROGRAM

9:00 - 10:15 AM

Glen Smart - The initiation of the endangered species program at Patuxent

Roddy Gabel - Eagle propagation at Patuxent and the release program

Noel Snyder - Conserving California Condors in the 1980s

10:15 AM - Coffee Break

10:45 AM - 12:00 PM

James Wiley - Endangered species research in the Caribbean

Michael Scott - Endangered Species Hawaii 1974: what's the question?

David Mech - Wolf research in North America [Presentation Provided]

12:00 PM - Lunch

CURRENT AND FUTURE RESEARCH AT PATUXENT

1:00 - 2:30 PM

Robert Reynolds - Patuxent's Biological Survey Unit at the National Museum of
Natural History

Donald Cahoon - Coastal ecosystem research at Patuxent

B. Ken Williams - Adaptive management research supporting USFWS

2:30 PM - Coffee Break

3:00 - 5:30 PM

Brad Knudsen - Refuge support of wildlife science at Patuxent

Glenn Olsen - Research with avian diseases from a global perspective

Alicia Berlin - Impacts of alternative energy on wildlife

Samuel Droege - Utilization of Patuxent's extensive databases

5:30 PM
to
9:00 PM

PATUXENT REFLECTIONS: Evening Social and Campfire





You are Cordially Invited
TO ATTEND
THE DEDICATION
OF THE
Patuxent Research Refuge

UNDER THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE
U. S. BIOLOGICAL SURVEY
NEAR BOWIE, MARYLAND
ON
SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 1939, AT 3 P. M. SHARP

DEDICATION SPONSORED BY THE
NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.



Formal Dedication of the Refuge Will Be by

HONORABLE HENRY A. WALLACE
Secretary of Agriculture

Addresses Will Be Made by

HONORABLE KEY PITTMAN
Chairman, U. S. Senate Committee on Conservation

HONORABLE HARRY B. HAWES
Former Vice-Chairman, U. S. Senate Committee on Conservation

HONORABLE A. WILLIS ROBERTSON
Chairman House Committee on Conservation

HONORABLE EBERT K. BURLEW
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DR. IRA N. GABRIELSON
Chief, U. S. Biological Survey



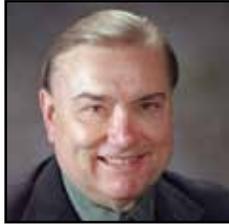
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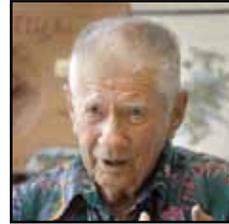
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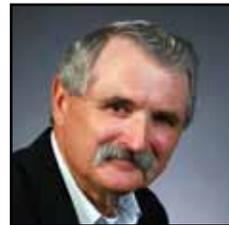
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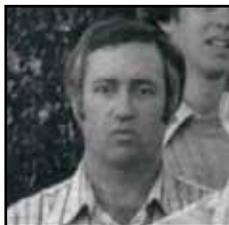
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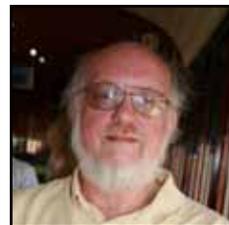
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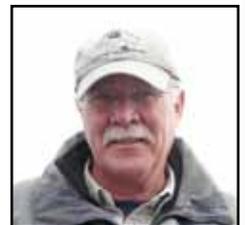
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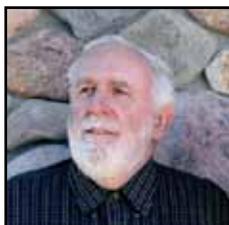
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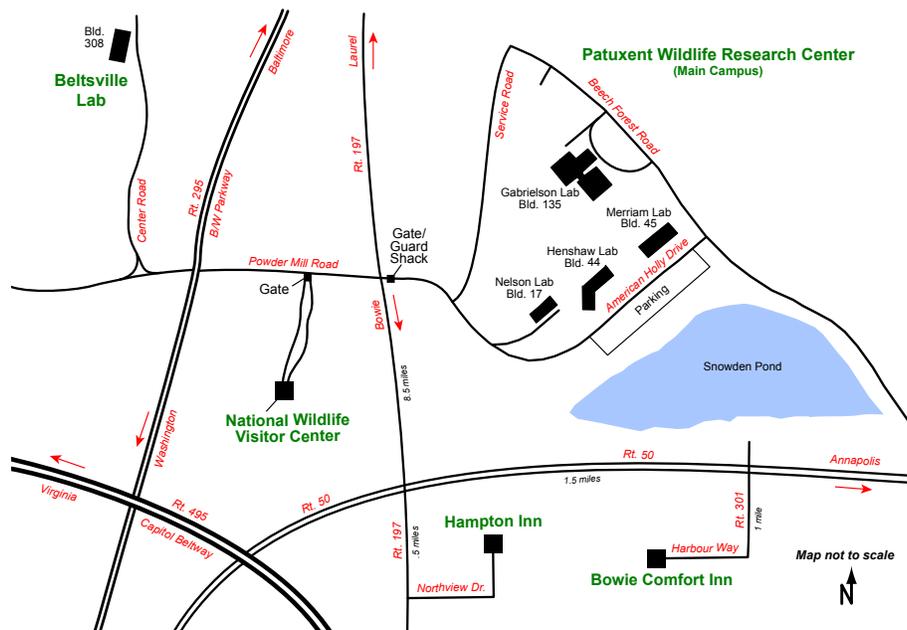


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The Patuxent 75th Gala Celebration sets the stage for

The Patuxent Wildlife Festival
 Saturday, October 15
 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
 Open to the Public

National Wildlife Visitor Center
 10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop
 Laurel, MD 20708

Please join us for both the Gala and the Festival
 Response is requested for the Gala Celebration Only

Enjoy live animals, children's crafts, live music, scientific demonstrations, and behind-the-scenes research tours of the USGS Patuxent Wildlife Research Center. Explore a new exhibit on Patuxent's history. A ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. dedicating a new Whooping Crane Research Observatory