

Title: Northern Saw-whet Owls

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Abstract:

The Northern Saw-whet owl is a common, but elusive, species of owl with a range that extends across the northern half of North America. Their small size and penchant for nesting and roosting in dense evergreen forests make them difficult to find. Their migration biology is even more mysterious! Local bird bander Al Eibel and naturalist Adam Zorn will share what they've learned about Saw-whets from their banding efforts over the past 4 years at the Huston-Brumbaugh Nature Center.

Biographies:

Adam Zorn is currently the program manager at the University of Mount Union's Huston-Brumbaugh Nature Center. He has been an educator/naturalist for 15 years and enjoys sharing his passion for birds with others. Bird banding, nestbox monitoring, and bird counts are just a few of the bird-related activities that he has participated in or organized over the years. Join Al and Adam to learn more about one of North America's smallest species of owls.

Al Eibel is a retired Alliance High School biology teacher and coach. He became involved with bird banding in 2003 with master bander Gary Fowler on a First Energy grant that monitored birds in power line corridors in Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Al monitors nestbox trails at his home, Molly Stark Park, Quail Hollow Park, Alliance Middle School, and the Castle in Alliance. Al also bands rehabbed birds at Stark Parks' Sommer Wildlife Conservation Center.