

OHIO NATURAL HISTORY CONFERENCE

February 20, 2010

Sponsored by the Ohio Biological Survey & the Ohio Division of Wildlife

The 6th annual Ohio Natural History Conference will take place on February 20th, 2010 at Big Walnut High School, 555 South Old 3C Road, Sunbury, Ohio, 43074.

Encompassing the broad range of topics inherent in the term “natural history,” the conference includes short papers in areas such as biodiversity, field biology, systematics and related areas. Individuals interested in applying for the opportunity to give a 15-20 minute oral presentation or to present a poster should submit an abstract and a biographical sketch of no more than 250 words each **for all authors** by e-mail to ohiobiosurvey@rroho.com, or by mail to the address below **by December 4th, 2009. This is a strict deadline for oral presentations, and any submission after then will be considered only for a poster.** From the submitted abstracts for oral presentations, eight (8) will be selected by the Conference Committee for inclusion in the Conference. All applicants will be notified by December 18th of the Committee’s decisions, and a conference agenda will be available shortly thereafter. Submissions for poster presentations will be accepted **through January 29th, 2010.**

We are pleased to announce our keynote speaker, **Kenn Kaufman**, presenting “Fresh Fields: the World View of a Perpetual Beginner”. Kenn is a world-renowned naturalist best known for his North American *Focus Guides* series on Birds, Butterflies, Insects and Mammals, with more titles to come. Kenn writes regularly for *Audubon*, *Bird Watcher’s Digest* and *Birder’s World*, and leads natural history field trips worldwide. We are fortunate that he has chosen to live in northwestern Ohio. Refreshments and social time will begin at 9:00, and the keynote presentation will commence at 10 AM. Registrations fees are \$20, or \$10 for students. A special fee of \$5 will be offered to students of Big Walnut High School. On-site registration fees will be an additional \$5 per registration (\$25, or \$15 for students). The Conference concludes at 4 PM.

Schedule: Saturday, February 20, 2010 at Big Walnut High School

- 9-9:45 Refreshments and Registration; set up posters
- 9:45 Welcome (auditorium)
- 10:00 Keynote presentation: Kenn Kaufman,
“Fresh Fields: the World View of a Perpetual Beginner”
- 11:00 Paper presentations begin (Auditorium)
- 12:00 Award presentations
- 12:15 Lunch on your own
- 1:30 Poster presentations with author(s) in attendance
- 2:00 Paper presentations resume (Auditorium)
- 3:00 Break (15 minutes)
- 3:15 Paper presentations resume (Auditorium)

3:55 Closing remarks

4:00 Adjournment



For poster presentations, please complete the following (please also provide an abstract of no more than 250 words, and a brief biography **for each author**):

Author(s):

Title:

Affiliation(s):
