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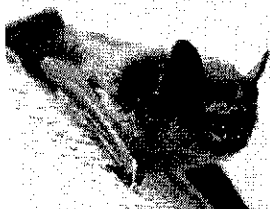
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Get Up Close With Bats

August 12, 2014 by Kristen Wicker

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Step into the exciting and mysterious world of bats with the Organization for Bat Conservation (OBC) at Possum Creek MetroPark Farm Saturday, Aug. 16, from 7:30 to 9pm during the Live Bat Experience. The event includes an exploration of the importance of bats, habitat and conservation, as well as of the amazing adaptations bats have made to navigate their nocturnal lifestyle. Attendees will get a chance to meet African fruit bats, a local insect-eating bat and a Jamaican leaf-nosed bat.

In addition, attendees will investigate the many amazing features of bats — including echolocation, flight and feeding habits — and explore the unique roles these nocturnal mammals play in our world. Staff from the OBC also will discuss how to help these local mosquito eaters. Afterward, attendees will take a short hike in search of bats in the wild.

"We are excited to sponsor OBC's rescued bats and bring these misunderstood creatures to Five Rivers MetroParks," said David Kugler, president of Propestmnen of Ohio Inc., a branch of Critter Catchers, provides wildlife control services in Columbus, Cincinnati, Dayton and surrounding areas and specializes in humane bat removal and other attic pests. Visit the website at www.propestmnen.com or call 614-944-4278.

Ohio Inc. "Many nature centers are struggling with the effects of the economy, and we feel that the OBC's programs bring a necessary component to the community because they inspire children to learn about science. We hope to get a lot of attendance from the public to help support MetroParks."

Reservations are required and limited for this free program: Visit metroparks.org to register or call 937-275-7275.

ABOUT PROPESTMEN CRITTER CATCHERS

Founded in 2005, the Ortonville, Michigan-based Critter Catchers Inc. was formed by David Kugler, an Oakland University graduate holding a bachelor of science in biology and a master's degree in environmental engineering from Wayne State University. Propestmnen of Ohio Inc., a branch of Critter Catchers, provides wildlife control services in Columbus, Cincinnati, Dayton and surrounding areas and specializes in humane bat removal and other attic pests. Visit the website at www.propestmnen.com or call 614-944-4278.

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About Kristen Wicker

Kristen has fancied herself a writer since she was able to make scribbles with a crayon, and particularly since winning the Miami Valley's Young Author's Contest in grade school with her debut novel, *The Twixies' Journey to Fantasy Castle*, a Smurfs rip-off, and since "self-publishing" (on a dot-matrix printer) a collection of poems in high school titled *101 Ways to Depress Yourself*. Growing up the daughter of a military civilian, and later in life being a loose cannon, Kristen has lived in such places as Tehran, Iran; Cairo, Egypt; Grand Canyon, Arizona; and Myrtle Beach, S.C. These days, she lives, works, works out and hangs out in downtown Dayton and feels quite exotic when she ventures to the far-off locales of Piqua and Beavercreek.

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