

Tamarack Wildlife Center



Annual Report 2017

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We envision a future where people and
wildlife share the environment of
Northwestern Pennsylvania in a
healthy and mutually supportive way.

From the President

Dear Friends of Wildlife,

What a year! So many things happened in 2017 at Tamarack, with the help of our many wonderful supporters and volunteers. Here are just a few highlights.

- We began to really settle in to our property, after purchasing it in late 2016. Education programs are now being held on site and for the first time, our late winter First Responders class was taught on our own premises. In June, with the help of a grant from the Erie Community Foundation, we removed the line of (dying) spruce trees along the road, and also trimmed the trees closest to the house. In the fall we hired a planner to help us develop a site plan and design a new entrance for admitting patients, with a ground

floor restroom that can be accessed from our event room. We hope to start construction on these improvements in 2019.

- We treated 15 Bald Eagles, the most ever! This is partially a result of the growing eagle population in our region, and the consequent higher chance of them running into problems with the humans who live here too. Seven of them had high lead toxicity, which is difficult to recover from, even with intensive treatment. Thrillingly, one nicknamed “Griffen” survived and was released in October.

- Tamarack is actively involved in public education to help prevent eagle illness and used the spate of eagle cases to further educate the public and policy makers about the dangers of lead ammunition in our environment. Facebook posts about one patient reached over 120,000, and there were 21 media stories highlighting the problem and prevention. We continue to work on this issue, and with our input, the Pennsylvania Game Commission has moved to develop education materials on this topic.
- Part of the board's strategic plan had been to increase staffing to enable us to provide more rehabilitation services and education programs. At the end of 2017, positions were advertised. As a sneak peek of the 2018 Annual Report, I'll just say that we hired a new full time Rehabilitation Manager as well as a part-time Office Manager who both

started in January. This has made such a difference in our ability to accept more patients, and improve handling of "behind-the-scenes" necessary office work.

- Finally, I want to mention the importance of several bequests that we have been fortunate to receive in the last two years. These have been instrumental to our ability to transform and grow Tamarack. A gift from the Alice K. Lancaster Charitable Remainder Trust and bequests from Slaney Walford and Rebecca Hodges have given the Board the confidence to take on the major expenses of purchasing the property and improving it. If you are in a position to leave a financial gift through your will, please know that these have made a huge difference to us, and yours can too in the future.

There are so many people to thank for the success we have had in 2017, and they are all listed in this Annual Report. I want to just

mention the big categories here- the Board of Directors, the staff, and especially, the many, many volunteers and donors. You all know who you are. Tamarack couldn't do its work without you!

Yours in wildlife,

Sarah Sargent
Board President



The Bald Eagle, "Griffen" was released after intensive care in October 2017.

Admissions and Rehabilitation

The Wildlife Helpline fielded 1,750 calls regarding wildlife

- 23% Resulted in admission
- 17% Resulted in referral to PA Game Commission or other centers
- 60% Resolved without admission or referral

Saegertown Center
485 Patients Admitted
68% Release Rate*

North East Center
114 Patients Admitted
74% Release Rate*

Top Ten Saegertown Species

Virginia Opossum	128
Eastern Cottontail	58
Red-Tailed Hawk	41
Eastern Screech Owl	20
Great Horned Owl	18
Rock Pigeon	16
Bald Eagle	15
American Crow	10
Mourning Dove	9
Barred Owl	8

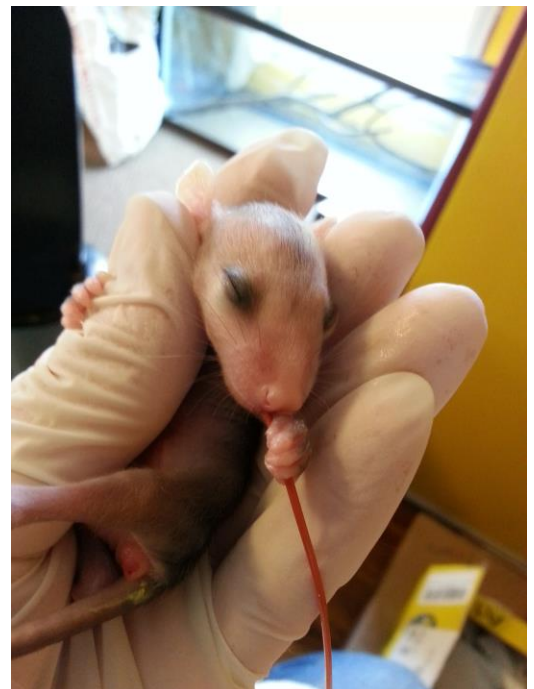
Top Ten Raptors

Red-Tailed Hawk	41
Eastern Screech Owl	20
Great Horned Owl	18
Bald Eagle	15
Barred Owl	8
Cooper's Hawk	8
American Kestrel	7
Red- Shouldered Hawk	6
Turkey Vulture	5
Broad- Winged Hawk	5

Top Twelve Species

American Robin	11
Mourning Dove	10
House Wren	10
Mallard Ducklings	8
Blue Jay	6
House Finch	6
Chimney Swift	5
Cedar Waxwing	4
American Goldfinch	4
Eastern Bluebird	3
Northern Flicker	3
Ruby- throated Hummingbird	3

* Release rates reflect those patients who survived the first 24 hours.



**Volunteers
provided 10,793
hours of direct
service to TWC in
2017!**

Live Bird of Prey Educational Programs

95 Presentations to a total audience of 8,709!

School Programs

St. Gregory's School
Northwestern High School
Stone Methodist Preschool
Grove City College
Ashtabula High School
Saltzburg Elementary
McKean Elementary
Edinboro Elementary
Great Lakes Institute of
Technology
Allegheny College
Titusville Homeschoolers
Harborcreek Preschool
Clarion University
Oil City High School
Forest County Elementary
Sandy Lake Preschool
Union City Elementary
Corry Elementary
St. James Elementary
North East Elementary
North East High School
Union City High School
Hermitage School District
St. John Paul Elementary

Public Events

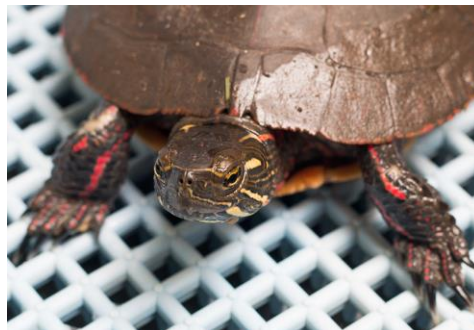
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Arundel"
Corry Public Library
Conneautville Library
Cambridge Springs Public
Library
Albion Fair
Edinboro Public Library
Mercer County
Conservation District
Corry Public Library
Erie Public Library
Goddard State Park
Shenango River Watchers
Oil Creek State Park
Corry Federal Credit Union
Raptor EXPERIENCE
Tamarack Open House
TREC the Halls
Warren County's July 4th
Fest

Clubs and Organizations

Girl Scouts
Clarks Mills Methodist
Church Seniors
Heather Garden Club of
Edinboro
Polk State Center
Juniper Village
Pittsburgh Zookeepers
Assoc.
Wesbury Retirement
Community
Camp Kon-o-kwee
Christian Critter Kids
Meadville Country Club
Creek Connections
Forest Green Estates
Union City Day Camp
Dahlkemper Camp
Kindercare Learning Center
Rolling Fields Eldercare
Community
St. Jude's
Camp SMILE
Conneaut Lake Garden Club
Presque Isle Garden Club
Sarah Reed Children's Center
GamSacMah Club
Fairview Cub Scouts



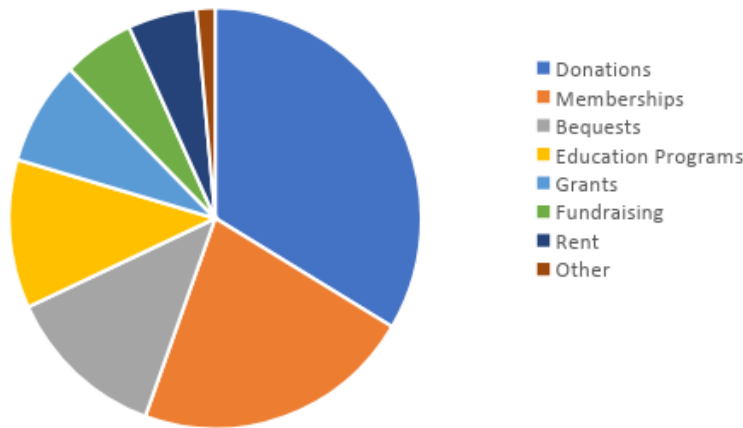
Rick Wyman, who is a Board Member & Educator, is leading a Live Bird of Prey Education Program.



Midland Painted Turtle.

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Revenues

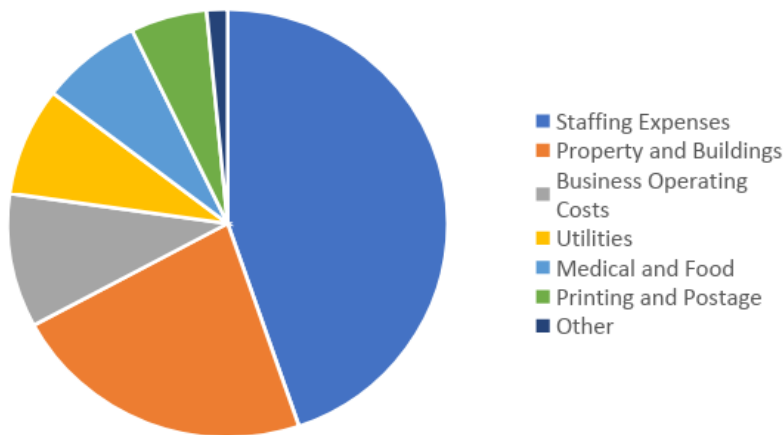


2017 Total Revenues: \$99,685.

Percentages of Revenues:

Donations:	33.6%
Memberships:	21.9
Bequests:	12.6
Education Programs:	11.4
Grants:	8.0
Fundraising:	5.6
Rent:	5.4
Other:	1.5

Expenses



2017 Total Operating Expenses: \$79,572.

Percentages of Expenses:

Staffing Expenses:	44.7%
Property & Buildings:	22.4
Operating Costs:	10.1
Utilities:	8.2
Medical & Food:	7.4
Printing & Postage:	5.6
Other:	1.5

Gifts In Kind

Alan Johnson
 Animal Friends Cremation
 Barb Noakowski
 Betsy Schruers
 Blue Heron Inn
 Brenda Reibel
 Brownie Troop 36650
 Chris, Sam & Jesse Green
 Cindy Lou Snyder
 Daniele & Randy Moffat
 Dave Koloskee
 David Anderson
 Dean Zeller
 Donna Werle
 Dr, Cheropovich of Craw. Co.
 Humane Soc.
 Drs. Consla, Stanton and Waid of
 Conneaut Lake Vet Hospital

Dr. Lindstrom of Animal Clinic
 Northview
 Dr. Ramey of Animal Kingdom
 Pet Hospital
 Erie Zoo
 Greener Pastures Veterinary
 Clinic
 Gregg Semian
 H & H Supermarket
 Jack Mahoney
 Janelle Harrawood
 Jenna Wagner
 JoAnn Lyons
 Joanna Zurn
 Karen's Taxidermy
 Kate Arkwright
 Larrv & Linda Slomski

Linda & Bob Gleeson
 Lynne Martin
 Melissa McCracken
 Michelle & Steve Curtze
 Pat & Jen Knapp
 Patti Larson
 Paul Gold
 Renee Rice and Family
 Ridge Road Taxidermy
 Rita Gannoe
 Sallie Fulton
 Tom & Kathy Schruers
 Unique Cakes
 Wild Birds Unlimited
 Wyman Family
 Yvonne Ceslak

Report of Gifts

\$5,000 and Above

Sheila Bain
GE Foundation

\$2,500 - \$4,999

Pymatuning Sportsmen's Club
Northern Allegheny Conservancy
Joao & Delores Tavares
Richard Wyman

\$1,000 - \$2,499

Fraternal Order of Eagles, Aerie 328
Carol Holmgren
Nancy Komlenic
John Lane
Billie Ann and Thomas Moser
Pittsburgh AAZK Chapter
John & Helen Timo Foundation
Sarah Sargent
Vineyard Oil & Gas Company
Walt Robertson

\$500 - \$999

Bliley Technologies Employees
Jeffrey & Carol Buetikofer
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Laurel Hirt
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Cathy & Kip Mostowy
Craig & Cindy Newell
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Tamarack Packaging LTD
Washington Companies
Donald Watts
Capt. William Yetman

\$250 - \$499

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Dale & Karen Barnard
Linda Beige

Patricia Larson
Patti Loomis
Michelle Kosko
Marcia Plocharsky
Jeffrey Threlfall
Adrian Wagner
Mary Wagner

\$100 - \$249

Trautel Albertin
Gayle Arent
Sheila Bain
Aleksey & Luydmila Balabanov
Sandra & Robert Bazylak
Brenda & Michael Biedrzycki
Kim Marie Bissett
Thomas Blance
Diana Boone
Hilma & Tom Beuchert
Rick Caldwell
Jane & Bill Campbell
Cynthia Chase
Mary Chatfield
Carol Cicero
Sandra Cupper
Rachel Davis
Qi Dunsworth
Edinboro Industries
Teva Eiler
Jodi & Douglas Erdley
Pamela Fox
Richard Friedberg
Theresa Gamble
Bob & Bill Behmke Hartman
Bea & Bernie Hawn
Benjamin Haywood
Faith Heath
Darla Marie Held

Steve Humpal
Barbara Johns
Nancy Komlenic
Mark Kovac
Pamela Kranz
William Leffingwell
Cynthia Leonard
Harry & Karen Leshner
Jason & Nicole Lester
Jane Levin
Linesville Rotary Club
Lynne Martin
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Jane & James McNally
Marilyn Michalski
Renee Minnick
Mary Mulligan- Haines
Tomas Nonnenmacher
Mary O'Day
Kylie & Mark Pellegrino
Karen Petulla
Beverly Pucher
Veronica Reeher
Karen Reichel
Tammy Royer
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Nancy Sheridan
Diana & Leonard Simoni
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Lawson & Meredith Smart
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Caitlyn Stowe
Wendy Swanson
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Christopher Temple
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Jean & Fiorenzo Vasaio
Maarit Viscusi
Adrian Wagner
Jonathan & Patricia Walker

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Glen Wurst
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Deborah Yuran
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Aundra Zack
Joanna Zurn

\$50 - \$99

Lynn Ackerman
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Joseph & Nanette Burbules
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Cambridge Springs Public Library
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Linda Corey
Dennis & Elizabeth Davis
Marlene Dexter
Eva Duggins
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Erie Clerical Group of National Fuel
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Ann Sheffield
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Nancy Sheridan
Sally Shutts
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Ronald Steger
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Toni Wade
Mark & Diane Wagner
Ed & Kirsten Peterson Walsh
Donald Ward



Chimney Swift nestlings.

Donna Werle
Lois Wiley
Deborah Yuran

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William Brown
Jazzmine Bunting
Darry Butray
Ginny Buttray
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Lyman Cohen
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Tina DeBaise
Michael DeCorte
John DePaul
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Ellen Douglass
Allison Dudenhoeffer
Greg Duffin

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Sue Gallagher
Debbie Hahn
Rebecca Hall
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Patricia Harwood
Scott Hendrickson
Kathleen Herron
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Donnelle Jageman
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Sarah Latimer
Matthew Lebowitz
Kathy Lee
Bill & Dorothy Leffingwell
Katherine Leone
John Levandowski
Terry Lobdell
Garret Love
Rickie Lowers
Katie Lubresky
Howard Lyon

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Justin Mason
Roberta McCall
Barbara & Richard McCartney
Martin McQuillan
Mary Meade
Jackie Meinhart
Patty Menz
Myrle Michel
Nancy Mindek
Danielle Moffat
Peggy Mogush
Mike Mogush
Deborah Morvay
Mark Mullinger
Susan Murawski
John Nesbitt
Shawn Nichols
Donna O'Brien
Laura O'Connel
Pat Palmiero
Bob Pardee
Ron Petersen
Carol Peterson
Danielle Petrone
Greg Phillips
Jeremy Powers
F. Ruth Prest
Stephen Radack
Suzanne Raeke
Thomas Reilly
LeeAn Reiners
Lawrence Robertson
Joseph Rudler
Kathleen Ryan
Patty & Jim Schoening
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Dana Shawgo
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Shepp
Korie Sherman
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Sharon Smith

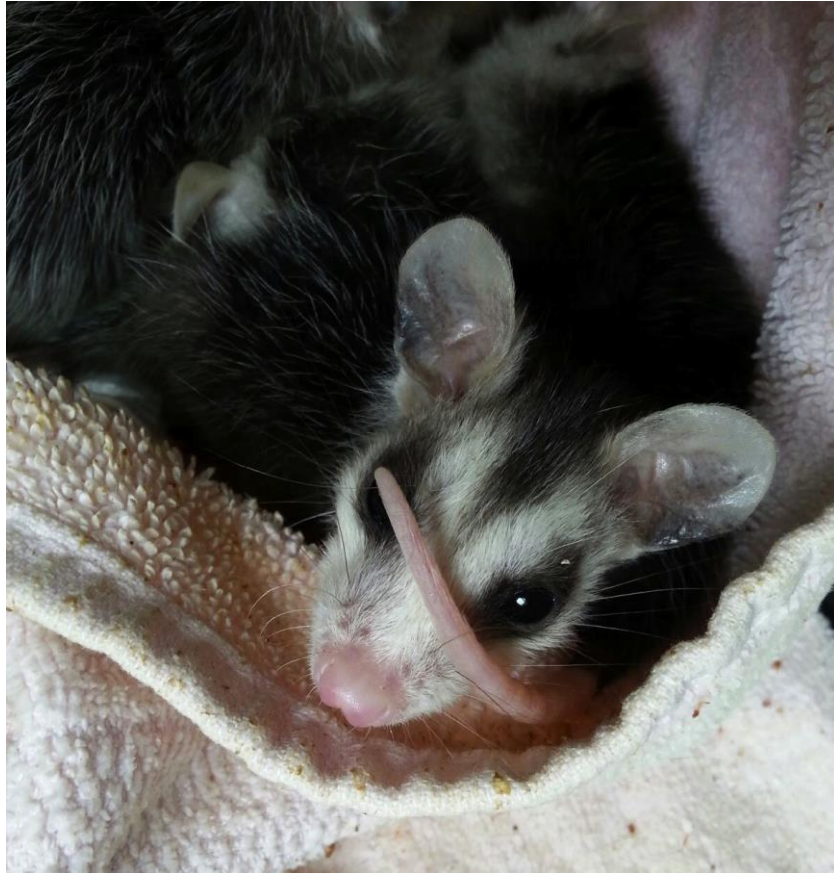
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Greg Swabb
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Janice Toth
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**Thank you for a great year in service to the wildlife of
northwestern Pennsylvania!**



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Cover photo is the Bald Eagle, Griffen,
released after treatment for lead poisoning.