

# Alum Creek Sheets

## Why Join FACT?

By Kimberly Williams, FACT Watershed Coordinator

As I was preparing for the membership drive this fall/winter, I asked myself the question “why do people join Friends of Alum Creek and Tributaries (FACT)?” Of course who better to ask, but FACT members. Some of the responses I received:

*“Alum Creek is my “home creek.” I grew up exploring this stream and have many fond memories of catching fish, crayfish and frogs in a segment of this stream near my childhood home. My experiences in Alum Creek are a key factor in my lifetime love of nature.” -Mark Dille.*

*“FACT is a grass roots volunteer organization that is making a huge difference environmentally. The positive results for the litter clean ups, removal of invasives and planting native trees creekside will enhance the future, not to mention the removal of the low head dams. For me, FACT has a story to tell and sell. I’m happy to have raised some money for FACT the past two years.” -Kitty Morton Epler.*

*“As you know, I am incredibly impressed with the efforts of the FACT organization. The many dedicated volunteers coupled with your professional expertise have really made this organization a role model for other non profits.” -Susan Quintenz.*

*“I believe in protecting the environment, and FACT gives me the opportunity to help protect our local waterway and nearby habitat. Along with the hands on work, I also benefit from our members sharing their first hand knowledge. In turn, I pass along the information to others, who are not members, but live in the Alum Creek watershed.” -Tamara Evans.*

Within these statements there is a sense of connection to Alum Creek and an understanding that to have a healthy community we must have a healthy environment. Also, there is a feeling that the organization itself is worthy and does good work. If you have not already, please join or renew your FACT membership donation to help us protect and preserve Alum Creek.

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## Lowhead Dam Removal Update: Dam...What Dam?

By Kimberly Williams, Watershed Coordinator

Anyone who has recently visited Nelson Park, Wolfe Park, or Academy Park would have noticed that the two lowhead dams that have been the focus of three years worth of effort by FACT are gone.

After receiving the access agreement and finalizing the staging site plans with Columbus Recreation and Parks (CRPD), our subcontractor The Righter Company mobilized and breached the Wolfe-Academy Park lowhead dam on October 6<sup>th</sup>. In order to break up the dam, the pool behind it had to be drained which was done with two pipes at both ends of the dam. Working back from Wolfe Park bank, the individual stone blocks were pulled up—to be recycled for CRPD's further use. The derrick—large boulder rocks that were long ago placed along the dam's lower side to lessen the possibility of drowning from the vortex of cascading water, was moved to shore up the streambanks and strategically inserted within Alum Creek to help maintain the streambed elevation. The removal took two weeks to complete in October.

The access agreement from the Bexley private property owners was signed by early November. Nelson Park lowhead dam, breached on November 11, was completely removed by November 19<sup>th</sup>. This dam was originally thought to consist of concrete with rebar, however only  
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## FACT Mission Statement

*The mission of Friends of Alum Creek & Tributaries (FACT) is to preserve and protect the quality and beauty of Alum Creek watershed and promote environmentally responsible recreation, educational opportunities, and citizen participation at many levels.*



## Lowhead Dam Removal Update Dam...What Dam?

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a portion of it was. The rest was stone and boulders covered with a concrete shell. This allowed The Righter Company to utilize more variety of stone in and along both sides of the streambank stabilization.

What has been a pleasant surprise is the natural riffle and water features that have been hidden by the continuous pool of water for approximately a mile each behind each dam. FACT celebrates this restorative achievement; however, we know that there is more to be done. In 2009, we will be looking to continue our mission efforts to "preserve and protect the quality and beauty of Alum Creek watershed." For more pictures including videos visit our website [www.friendsofalumcreek.org](http://www.friendsofalumcreek.org) - 'Lowhead Dam Removal' section.

Stay tuned...FACT anticipates producing a special edition newsletter which will highlight the lowhead dam removal project as well as the native plant restoration efforts that we undertook during Fall 2008.



*Nelson Park lowhead dam gone*

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## Education Events Committee

*By Jerry Holloway*

Throughout the year, FACT Education and Outreach gives informative presentations to schools, businesses, community organizations, Scouting groups, etc. to underscore the environmental decisions that we as citizens face daily. During the summer I was hosting an information table at the Capital University Community Service Fair where I met their Student Service Coordinator Emily Locy. She had organized this event and approached me about a student service project with FACT. During our conversation, I mentioned working with Whitney Prose, the Otterbein College Coordinator of an environmental student group called Plan-It Earth. After putting the two of them in contact, I was impressed at the rapid network and exchange of ideas and initiatives between these two environmental student coordinators. This experience reinforced for me that environmental education and outreach can occur in many ways. Please consider contacting FACT if you too are interested in volunteering to help improve your environment or have a group that would like hear about FACT.

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## Watershed Watch Committee

*By Margaret Ann Samuels*

FACT, along with other watershed advocates, is encouraging the City of Columbus to incorporate green infrastructure measures in its Wet Weather Management Plan (WWMP). We are pleased that Columbus is taking steps to do that.

What does that mean? The WWMP is the city's 40-year, multi-billion dollar plan to reduce millions of gallons of raw sewage overflows from its sanitary system into the stormwater system. This occurs when heavy rainfall allows stormwater and sewage to mingle at older parts of the system. The "combined sewer overflow" (CSO) ends up in Franklin County streams, including Alum Creek, several times a year. The WWMP is the city's response as part of the 'consent decree' to the EPA's mandate that Columbus comply with the Clean Water Act and prevent the CSOs.

Columbus's plan emphasizes building huge underground tunnels - below our rivers - to store sewage and minimize overflows. FACT has urged that green infrastructure measures are effective in minimizing stormwater runoff into sewer systems and into streams. We filed written comments and members spoke at the September 23, 2008 OEPA public hearing.

The city's Division of Sewers and Drains has subsequently contracted for a study of ways to adopt environmentally beneficial measures in its sewer management. FACT members and other watershed supporters spoke in support and provided constructive input during Columbus City Council's Andrew Ginther Public Utility Committee meeting on November 11. We look forward to continued progress in this area.

Green infrastructure refers to many ways to decrease stormwater runoff that carries pollutants into streams. Buffer strips of increased greenways along streams and next to parking and other impervious areas are among the most effective

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ways to absorb and minimize runoff.

Columbus requires new developments to provide preserved buffer strips of natural setbacks (75-150 feet) along all streams, per 2006 Revised Stormwater Manual. Developers often request waivers, negating this vital stream protection. With the Sierra Club, which originally sued OEPA to enforce cleaner water, Friends of the Lower Olentangy Watershed, Friends of Big Walnut and FACT are asking Columbus to adhere to its stormwater manual, and to give public notice when developers ask for waivers. A delegation of five of our watershed group representatives met with five Columbus Department of Public Utility leaders on December 11, 2008 to set in motion a variance notification and public comment process.

Another green infrastructure practice is installing pervious pavement. Impervious surfaces such as streets and especially parking lots cover increasing portions of urban areas such as the Alum Creek watershed. Recent improvements in design make it feasible now to install pervious pavement in parking lots. Pervious concrete allows water to permeate down into below soils rather than running off the surface. Within the Alum Creek watershed, Columbus Recreation and Parks recently built a lot using pervious pavement at Krumm Recreation Center and Roush Honda in Westerville installed 1-acre pervious concrete parking lot (by I-270 & SR-3). The City of Bexley plans to use it at the planned new police station.

FACT members who know of plans for constructing or replacing parking areas can contact the owners and encourage utilizing pervious pavement in part or all of the lot!

## Service Committee

*By David Hohmann, David Roseman, and Kim Williams*

This fall we have undertaken a series of native planting and honeysuckle bush removal efforts as part of our Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) 319 Implementation grant objectives to improve the habitat and address erosion concerns along the corridor of Alum Creek.

September 27<sup>th</sup> Volunteers dug in Academy Park on National Public Lands Day to plant 35 trees, Sycamore, Red Maple, Redbud and River Birch. We also removed invasive honeysuckle and cleaned up trash. The soil proved so challenging that a kind volunteer left and returned with a gas powered auger. With this equipment and the tenacity of helpers, we were able to plant in the area previously cleared by volunteers led by Columbus Recreation & Parks Department (CRPD), Elayna Grody.



*Adam Selhorst and Ola Williams help FACT at Bexley's Jeffrey Park on October 25, 2008.*

October 11<sup>th</sup> FACT moved on to Wolfe Park and again planted trees and shrubs in a previously cleared area by Ernst and Young volunteers led by CRPD. Ninebark, flowering Dogwood, Arrowwood Viburnum, Redbud, River Birch, Red Maple and Sycamore were planted along Alum Creek's streambank covering 500 linear feet in total.

October 25<sup>th</sup> Thanks to the efforts of the City of Bexley Recreation Department, Doug Jackson and Ron Gould, the Jeffrey Park area for the planting had already been prepared for the native plants along Alum Creek's eastern bank. Our planting holes were predug and clearly marked with cones, 80% of the honeysuckle was already cut, and a large chipper, along with two gators were at our disposal. With FACT volunteers on-hand, working for 4 to 5 hrs, we filled up 1 1/2 dump truck fills of chips from the invasives, easily planted, watered all the trees and shrubs. Thanks to FACT's chainsaw we managed to cut out some more Honeysuckle to the south, which Bexley crew kindly handled removing the debris.

On November 22<sup>nd</sup> which was a brisk morning, seven volunteers cleared out about 300-400 feet of Honeysuckle - from Clifton Rd to the beginning of the Nelson Park's lot. David Roseman dulled all three of our chain saw blades during his five hours of cutting. Volunteers also planted ten bushes - Coppertina & Viburnum - in the area between the riparian corridor and Alum Creek bike trail.

In addition to the above, 18 volunteers from FACT, Capital University and Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Bexley worked for 3 hours on a forested floodplain area along the creek south of Main Street that is owned by Capital, and removed about 350 honeysuckle. This extended the benefits of efforts in 2007 by Bexley, FACT and Capital to restore the corridor in this area, which we hope to continue in 2009. December 14<sup>th</sup> 250 live stakes of Willow and Elderberry were inserted

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along newly exposed muddy streambank areas from the removal of lowhead dams. Unseasonably mild temps and low water levels helped make our labor enjoyable.

Overall these restoration projects have been successful thanks to added efforts of Columbus Recreation and Parks, Bexley Recreation Department, as well as volunteers who watered the plants afterwards, Leslie Fowler, Brad Hauser and LaDene Mayville. Extreme thanks to the Little Garden Club of Columbus, who awarded FACT a grant to continue our streambank reforestation and habitat improvements, and to Susan Quintez for her generous contribution for FACT's chainsaw purchase.

## Fundraising and Membership Development Committee

*By Joe Bonnell, outgoing FACT Chair, and Fundraising/Membership Committee Chair*

FACT had a successful year of fundraising and our membership numbers increased over 2007. On September 21 - the last day of summer— we had our first "Wrap-up the Summer Benefit Luncheon" with guest speaker Rebecca Rose, Field Conservation Coordinator with the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium. The purpose of the event was to bring together FACT members and supporters to celebrate our accomplishments and raise money to support our continuing efforts to protect Alum Creek. Guests enjoyed crepes with lots of delicious fillings, music from the Columbus Guitar Society, a silent auction, and a wrap-up presentation on the many conservation efforts FACT has accomplished in 2008.

The highlight of the day was the presentation by Rebecca Rose with amazing pictures of wildlife and ecosystems from around the world! It gave us all an opportunity to reflect on how our efforts in central Ohio connect with a global effort to protect endangered species and maintain biodiversity and valuable ecological services. FACT's event raised close to \$3,000 for educational programming, river protection programs, and salary for our Watershed Coordinator.



*Rebecca Rose speaks at FACT's Benefit*

We still have a long way to catch up and achieve our fundraising needs for 2009. If you have not already renewed your membership, please consider increasing your contribution this year to help us meet our goal of raising \$21,000 in 2009. Membership has always been the foundation of our revenue efforts and every dollar helps us move closer to our goal. Your donations help make possible this newsletter, our many service events, ecological restoration projects like the removal of the two lowhead dams, monitoring of construction and development around the watershed, and they support the magnificent work of our Watershed Coordinator, Kim Williams who has been an environmental hero for the Alum Creek Watershed.

## Communication News

*By David Roseman, Communications Chair*

Please visit FACT's web-publications and archives at  
[www.friendsofalumcreek.org](http://www.friendsofalumcreek.org)

In case you don't read, watch television or listen to the radio, FACT has been all over the broadcast media news and many local newspapers throughout 2008, thanks to the positive environmental contributions our organization has given back to the community via a healthier watershed. Assorted environmental groups featured our lowhead dam removal restoration project accomplishments in their newsletters, including Central Ohio Sierra Club Group, Ohio Water Management Association, EarthWatch Ohio, Columbus City Council Tyson's Corner Newsletter.

We held a public "celebration event" on October 14 at Academy Park to recognize our momentous first lowhead dam removal underway and mutually thank every supporting group and individuals possible. Over 40 people attended on a beautiful morning featuring distinguished speakers: Russ Gibson, Ohio EPA's Nonpoint Source Section Manager, Columbus Councilmember Priscilla Tyson, Alan McKnight, Director of Columbus Recreation & Parks Department; FACT's Jerry Holloway, Kim Williams, and myself.

The FACT Board of Directors and our members were honored by the entire City of Columbus Council on November 10, 2008. A city resolution, introduced by Councilmember Priscilla Tyson, recognized FACT for our volunteer stewardship work over the past ten years. I had the privilege of addressing the entire Council expressing our thanks.

While it'll be challenging for FACT to top our tenth year of accomplishments we know there are many more miles of watershed to improve, collaborations to be made, municipal development codes to be improved, your help and grants to request!



**FACT Fall Bike Ride:** On October 18th, participants enjoyed a brisk bike tour along Alum Creek Greenway trail.

## New Educational Brochure

Be on the look out for FACT's new color brochure covering non-point source pollution and what we can do about it. While there are a number of materials published on this topic, it just so happened that the Mid Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) was hoping to update their watershed group listing. Thus, working together we created a combined piece that covers both non-point source pollution and also includes a map and contact information on the 13 watershed organizations in Central Ohio. The latter is what makes this literature unique. MORPC's kind effort undertaken to help produce the brochure was counted as match for our OEPA 319 Implementation Grant.

**More about NPS and other conservation best practices:** check out FACT's 'backyard conservation' web page on [www.friendsofalumcreek.org](http://www.friendsofalumcreek.org).

## RIVER VOICES: Kyle Kirker and Tamara Evans

By **Kyle Kirker**, a senior at Ohio State University majoring in Environmental Geography. A lifelong Bexley resident and FACT member.

I relentlessly tossed my Rapala Husky Jerk (a suspending minnow-like lure) into the babbling tail waters of the broken remnants of Old Refugee Rd. near Three Creeks Park. While reminiscing aloud with a fellow Alum angler, only a strand of my concentration was directed towards what lurked and stalked around my submerged lure. As I gave the lure an erratic jerk to simulate a dying baitfish, my motion is met by a resistance of greater strength, almost jerking the rod from my hand. Big fish on!

The fish then leaped into the air, thrashing about in its predatory magnificence. I now knew that I had hooked into an Ohio angler's greatest reward, the Muskie (Ohio Muskellunge). After some a series of breathtaking leaps, this state threatened species was landed, photographed, and released back into Alum Creek to continue its existence.

Experiences like this can be enjoyed along Alum Creek throughout many of its lower stretches with only basic fishing knowledge. Alum Creek holds healthy populations of smallmouth/largemouth bass, rockbass, sunfish, white bass, freshwater drum, longnose gar, saugeye, sauger, carp, various catfish, and even more! To be continued....

To read Kyle's entire story and learn his tips on how to fish our Alum Creek, visit the 'newsletters' section of [www.friendsofalumcreek.org/sitev2/docs.html](http://www.friendsofalumcreek.org/sitev2/docs.html)



Kyle Kirker's caught Muskies in Alum Creek

### **Tamara Evans**, FACT's new At Large Board Member

As a life long resident of Columbus I attended Columbus public schools, and have an Associate degree in Accounting from Columbus State. I work for a local home builder, in the accounting dept., which I enjoy. In the past I have volunteered with Metro Parks, and I am currently the Treasurer of my Home Owners Association. For free time, I like being outdoors. From my home near Strawberry Farms, I enjoy riding the Alum Creek trail and I also enjoy lake kayaking. For vacations, I like to hike and camp and this past summer, I spent a week at the Appalachian Mountain Club (AMC) camp in Acadia, Maine. My volunteer work with FACT has been fulfilling, and it is great to see all of our successes.



Tamara Evans, FACT's new Board Member At-Large.





## November 13th Annual Meeting, Elections & Recognitions

By Kimberly Williams, Watershed Coordinator

On November 13, 2008 FACT held our Annual Meeting at St. Mary of the Spring's Martin de Porres Center. Members and guests enjoyed a complimentary potluck dinner with delicious dishes and deserts. Joe Bonnell, FACT Chair, provided an overview of FACT's mission, goals and how we operate as an organization. David Hohmann, Service Committee Chair, summarized the numerous service clean-ups and native planting projects that FACT has undertaken during 2008. The final presentation, by Kim Williams showed pictures and videos of the Wolfe Park-Academy Park lowhead dam removal as well as the breach of the Nelson Park lowhead dam.

FACT honored and awarded Tamara Evans as Outstanding Individual FACT Volunteer of the Year, the Otterbein Lake Project for Outstanding Community Partner (Mark Dilley, Lindalee Brownstein, Michael Hooper), and Susan Quintenz as Outstanding FACT Member of the Year. Outgoing FACT Board Members, Carol Elder and Joe Bonnell were also recognized for their years of service, leadership and guidance. The meeting was concluded with the election of Board members and officers for FACT's 11th year including, Dave Hohmann, Chair; Jerry Holloway, Vice Chair; Leslie Fowler, Treasurer, and David Roseman, Secretary. See page 8 for the entire listing of FACT's Board of Directors.



*Carol Elder and Joe Bonnell accept Board recognition awards from Kim (C)*



*Kim Williams with Tamara Evans, 'Outstanding Volunteer'*



*Susan Quintenz, 'Outstanding FACT Member' honoree*



*Mark Dilley, Lindalee Brownstein, Mike Hooper of Otterbein Lake Project*

### THANK YOU FOR JOINING FACT! \*

**Student, Senior, Individual, & Family Members:** Arlene & Mike Armstrong, David Baker, Helen Barber, Nancey & George Boas, Charlotte & Andrew Bobay, Alan & Sunny Borer, Judy & Merom Brachman, Lindalee Brownstein, Larry & Shirley Cox, Hugh Crowell & Julie Cronk, Heather Doherty, Terrance & Elizabeth Eddy, Carol & Mike Elder, Tamara Evans, Jill Evans, Celia Forker, Christian Cillikin, Charles & Carol Glaser, Sister Rosalie Graham, Steve Grossman, Jeffrey & Elizabeth Hawthorne, Suzanne Head, Luanne Hendricks, Janet Hofman & Jim Sisson, Mike Hooper, David Horn, Marie & Jeff Hurt, Dan Jax, Nahaliel Kanfer, Mary Kiser, Dr. Terry Lahm, Phillis Lemert, Marilyn Ann Logue, Pat Marida, Paul & Linda Miller, Bill Morgan, Cheryl & John Powles, Ralph Ramey, SJ Ravelly & AJ Faubel, Bill & Sheila Riat, Eric Saas & Dragana Pjevac, David & Barbara Smith, Mark Steiner, Hank Stonerook, Leslie & Adam Strader, Jan Tague, Jeff Turner & Nancy Belay, James Welsh, Janet & Rick Williams, Mark & Jill Young.

**Organization/Business Members:** Acorn Farms, Del-Co Water, Morrow Gravel Co., Whitehall-Bexley Rotary Club, Saint Mary of the Spring, Franklin County Water Conservation District.

**Supporting Personal Members:** Barbara Chuko, Lisa Dahill, Gretchen Hummel, Malcolm Jeffrey; Gwen, Chad & Hayden King, Susan & Kenneth Quintenz, David Roseman family, Margaret Ann Samuels, Shirle Westwater.

**Supporting Organization/Business Members:** The Monte Foundation.

**Lifetime Members:** Roberta Cook, Paige & Michael Crane, David & Becky Hohmann, Robert Jeffrey.

*We appreciate your support. If you have not renewed for 2009, please do so. Thanks!*  
*\*Above are membership donations effective for 2009, as received through Dec. 31, 2008.*



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Barbara Bhattacharya.....At-Large Board Member

Dick Lorenz.....At- Large Board Member

Tamara Evans.....At-Large Board Member

Staff: Kimberly Williams....Watershed Coordinator

### Current and Past Board Members



**Front Row (L-R):** Leslie Fowler, Kim Williams (Staff), Jerry Holloway, Tamara Evans (Incoming), Margaret Ann Samuels. **Top Row (L-R) :** David Roseman, Carol Elder (Outgoing), Joe Bonnell (Outgoing), Chad King, David Hohmann, Dick Lorenz **Not pictured:** Barbara Bhattacharya.



## Support the Friends of Alum Creek & Tributaries – Become a Member!

Your contribution is tax deductible and enables FACT to pursue its mission of stewardship and citizen enjoyment of Alum Creek. Please make checks payable to **FACT**, return with this completed form to: FACT, 2820 Watkins Rd., Columbus, Ohio 43207.

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**Free public tour of Westerville Water Treatment Plant**, hosted by FACT**Saturday January 17th starting 1:00 pm (ending 2:30 pm)**

Location: 312 W. Main St., Westerville, OH.

-Entrance is north at Collegeview, behind the COTA Park & Ride lot. Drive through the open gate, meet in center building.-  
Westerville processes their water directly from Alum Creek river for more than 15,000 homes and businesses. Dress accordingly for indoor and outdoor walking tour of the entire facility, led by Water Director and FACT's own Board member, Dick Lorenz.

**"Flow" the movie** a special Green Drinks screening**Thursday, February 19** Doors open **6:00 PM**, movie at **7:00 PM**, then a panel discussion. \$5 admission.

Location: Studio 35, 3055 Indianola Ave., Columbus, OH.

Come early for pizza and drinks. Stay afterward for a panel discussion with Sierra Club, Friends of the Lower Olentangy Watershed, Global Gallery and a guest sponsored by Green Columbus. This film digs deep into the world water crisis, providing perspective on the politics, pollution and human rights issues involved in the struggle for safe, accessible drinking water. The film includes interviews with activists and scientists who speak to the building water crisis, and it exposes the political and corporate culprits behind the growing world water cartel. Water is a \$400 billion dollar global industry; the third largest behind electricity and oil.

**www.studio35.com****Sunday morning, February 21 9 AM—Noon****FACT Volunteer Service Project—honeysuckle removal**

Location: Cooper Park (subject to change) Cooper Rd. Columbus, OH (just west of SR-3)

Come out to help us remove invasive Honeysuckle bushes from along the Alum Creek corridor &amp; Greenway trail.

For more information on these and other future events, check out [www.friendsofalumcreek.org](http://www.friendsofalumcreek.org)  
or call our FACT office: 614-409-0511.

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