

2008 Bio Blitz Summary

Liberty Park – Pond Brook South

June 27-28, 2008

Find Birds and Frogs in Swamps and Bogs

More than 25 volunteer biologists participated in the 3rd annual bio blitz held this year at Liberty Park – Pond Brook South on June 27 and 28. The 24-hour event yielded nearly 300 different types of plants and animals in the 250-acre parcel adjacent to Liberty Park in Twinsburg. Fourteen rare species were documented including smooth green snakes, state listed sora and Virginia rails and 11 plants.

New locations were found for the Ohio endangered Bush's sedge. The weak sedge, which was not previously known to Pond Brook South was documented for the first time during the blitz.

Pond Brook South Conservation Area was purchased in cooperation with The Trust for Public Land and a grant from Clean Ohio. The conservation area connects the 1,500 acre Liberty Park with Tinker's Creek State Nature Preserve serving as a valuable green corridor for wildlife in the region.