



Coffee Creek  
Watershed  
Conservancy, Inc.

## **Press Release**

*For Immediate Release*

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### **Flowers, Birds Usher in Spring at Coffee Creek Preserve**

Chesterton, IN - Calling all novice nature hikers! There are two great opportunities open to people of all ages on Saturday May 7 at the Coffee Creek Watershed Preserve.

Beginning at 8:30 a.m. participants in the annual spring bird monitoring walk will learn to identify different bird species throughout the Preserve by sight and sound while enjoying an unhurried one-mile hike. Special attention will be given to birds of this area's nesting habits. This hike will be led by local bird experts, Don and Peg Mohar.

Volunteer birders are asked to meet by 8:30 a.m. at the water plaza and pond area in the Coffee Creek Watershed Preserve located at State Route 49 and County Road 1050 North, in Chesterton.

At 10:00 a.m. adventurers will set out for the annual spring flower hike. Led by botanists Barbara Plampin, a local resident, and Nicole Kalkbrenner of JF New in Walkerton, Indiana, participants will learn about different plant and flower species and the role they perform in the Preserve during this leisurely one mile trek.

Those interested in the flower hike are asked to meet by 10:00 a.m. at the water plaza and pond area in the Coffee Creek Watershed Preserve located at State Route 49 and County Road 1050 North in Chesterton.

For more information about the bird monitoring or flower hikes or for general information about the Coffee Creek Watershed Preserve please contact Steve Barker, Executive Director at (219) 879-2547 or visit the web site at [www.coffeecreekwc.org](http://www.coffeecreekwc.org).