

## Wild Ones Middle Tennessee Chapter Meeting

Monday, February 25, 2019 at 7:00 pm Brentwood Library, Meeting Room A 8109 Concord Rd, Brentwood, TN 37027

Guest Speaker: Cynthia Rohrbach Project Manager and Biologist, Swan Conservation Trust

## Conserving and Restoring Native Habitats on Private Lands: Hardwood Forests, Remnant Grasslands, and Wetlands

Swan Conservation Trust is a 501c3 land trust founded in 1992. Its original focus was conservation in the headwaters of Big Swan and Big Bigby Creeks in Lewis County. Its mission now extends to the Western Highland Rim. Swan Trust has had great success in fundraising to purchase and conserve large tracts of deciduous forest; obtaining grants to convert bottomland hayfields to native



warm season grasses; partnering with private landowners to cooperatively restore and manage a remnant prairie; and obtaining TDOT mitigation funds to pre-



serve and enhance wetlands on Big Swan Headwaters Preserve. Educating the public through outings to their own Preserves as well as numerous natural areas in Middle Tennessee is now being expanded to include water quality studies, birding, and botanizing with children. Cynthia Rohrbach, one of the original founders, will show and tell about Swan Trust.

Doors open at 6:30 -- Everyone welcome! This event is not a Library program