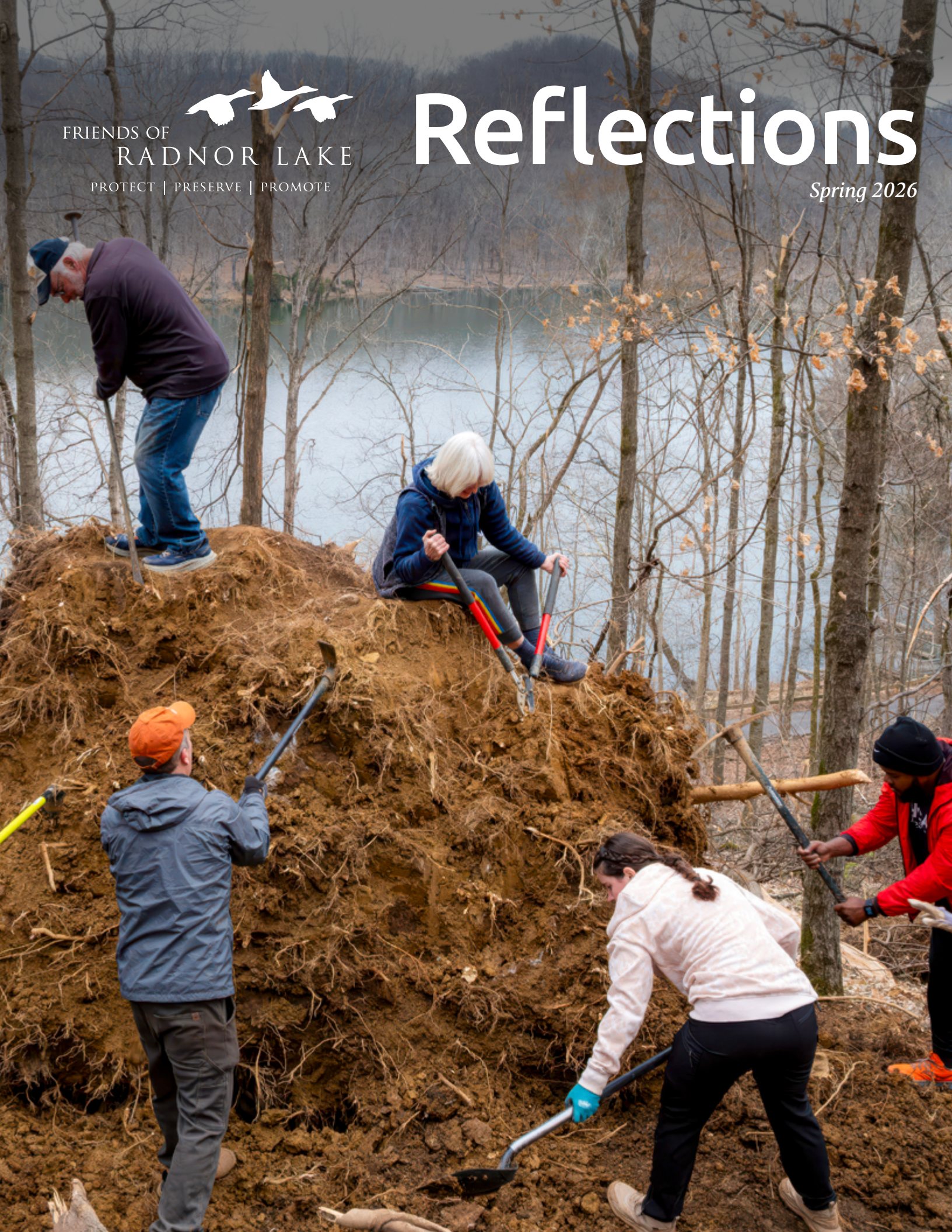




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From the Board President

Dear Friends,

As I reflect on the past few months at Radnor Lake, I am reminded that this special place has always been shaped not only by nature but by the people who care for it. That truth is reflected throughout this issue, beginning with the story of Winter Storm Fern and the remarkable recovery that followed. What began as a devastating ice storm that left trails impassable and much of the park unrecognizable quickly became a powerful example of what this community can accomplish together.

In the weeks that followed, **more than 300 volunteers** stepped forward alongside Park staff and our partners across Tennessee. **Their efforts made it possible for Radnor Lake to reopen on March 2, nearly two months ahead of schedule.** In the pages ahead, you will read more about that effort and the many individuals and organizations who helped make it possible.

This issue also looks forward. In December, we announced **the acquisition of 9 additional acres**, an important step in protecting the land surrounding Radnor Lake. As you will see in our feature on the Harris Ridge property, this addition opens the door to new trail opportunities, new parking and new ways to experience the Park. It is an exciting chapter in Radnor Lake's ongoing story of growth and preservation.

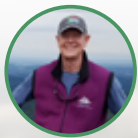
Here you will also read about the reopening of Otter Creek Road and the South Lake Trail, a long-awaited milestone that improves both safety and accessibility. You will also find an update on the Barbara J. Mapp Aviary Education Center, which has reopened following careful restoration work and continues its important mission of conservation and education.

And, as always, we have included a look at the moments that make Radnor Lake so special. This winter brought not only the return of bald eagles, but the **exciting arrival of eaglets born in March**, a powerful reminder of the impact of long-term conservation efforts. Alongside this milestone, ranger-led hikes and volunteer days continue to connect so many of us to this place in meaningful ways.

On behalf of the Board, I want to thank all who have contributed their time, resources and passion in support of Radnor Lake. Your generosity sustains this Park and makes possible everything from storm recovery and trail restoration to land acquisition, aviary care and critical conservation work. **A special thank you goes to Park Manager Steve Ward and his staff for their tireless efforts on behalf of the Park, especially leading the way in the recovery efforts.**

We hope you will take time to read the stories in this issue and consider supporting Friends of Radnor Lake. Your gift today helps ensure that this remarkable place continues to thrive, both now and for generations to come.

See you at the Lake.



Norm Miede
President, Friends of Radnor Lake



Photo by Robin Conover

Save the Dates for Our Upcoming Events!



Photo provided by The Chestnut Group



Chestnut Artist Sarah Clinton

Chestnut Art Show *July 17–19, 2026*

The beloved Radnor Lake Art Show, presented by The Chestnut Group in support of Friends of Radnor Lake, returns this summer to the Walter Criley Visitor Center. **The Patron's Party will kick off the event on Thursday, July 16, (invitation only) followed by the public sale Friday, July 17, through Sunday, July 19.**



Artists are already at work throughout the Park, painting "en plein air" and capturing Radnor's beauty in real time. It is a rare opportunity to witness the creative process and to bring home a piece inspired by this remarkable landscape.

We are offering a variety of sponsorship opportunities in support of this much anticipated event, including a new Patron Host that will receive early access to the art. Please contact Brooke@radnorlake.org for detailed information.



Photo by Weatherly Photography



Radnor in the Round *Oct. 18, 2026*

Radnor in the Round returns again this fall on Sunday, October 18 to Vanderbilt Dyer Observatory. Join us for a magical evening of music, nature and community at this family-friendly outdoor concert, surrounded by Radnor Lake property, featuring songwriters in the round.



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Photo by Steve Ward



Photo by Randall Greenwell, The Tennessean

Radnor Recovers from Winter Storm Fern: A Community Effort

Beginning after dark on Saturday, Jan. 24, 2026, Winter Storm Fern rolled across Middle Tennessee, soon coating everything with a layer of ice not seen in this area in decades. By daylight, Radnor Lake State Natural Area was unrecognizable. Trails were buried under fallen timber. Access roads were blocked. Power was out and the Aviary had trees on the roof. The damage was so extensive that Park staff and Tennessee State Parks officials estimated the Park might not reopen until late April or May—a closure of three months or more.

What happened next is a story about this community.



Photo by Steve Ward

In what felt like a blink, crews of dedicated supporters—neighbors, families, corporate teams, first-time volunteers and longtime friends of the lake—soon showed up with work gloves and a willingness to do whatever was needed. Friends of Radnor Lake worked with Hands On Nashville to coordinate volunteer days throughout February and into March, including outreach to Spanish-speaking volunteers who joined the effort in meaningful numbers. Friends of Radnor Lake board members and their families also worked side by side with Park staff and teams from the state.

On March 2, 2026—nearly 60 days ahead of schedule—Radnor Lake reopened.

More than 300 volunteers made that possible. So did the unwavering support of the State of Tennessee, whose resources and commitment were critical to the accelerated timeline.

The landscape of the Park has changed. Some of it will take years to fully recover. Yet, thanks to the resilience of the natural world, there is a silver lining. Fallen trees will become food sources and habitat for birds and small mammals, creating new opportunities for wildlife to thrive. And, later this summer some of the hardest-hit areas will be transformed into native grasslands—strengthening habitat and supporting pollinators like Monarch butterflies.



Photo by Steve Ward

Thank You to Our Winter Storm Fern Partners

Radnor Lake's recovery from Winter Storm Fern was a truly remarkable community effort. Park staff worked tirelessly alongside teams from Tennessee State Parks and Natural Areas, as well as more than 300 volunteers, to clear trails and restore safe access throughout the Park.

Businesses and organizations across Middle Tennessee also stepped forward in meaningful ways—and we have so many incredible stories to share.

Brentwood restaurants provided daily meals for our crews throughout the recovery effort.

Jonathan's Grille donated over \$600 in meals to first responders, and Hard Rock Cafe fed our final group of more than 50 volunteers in the days just before we reopened on March 2.

To keep our facilities running through the cold, TVA and Home Depot Franklin donated and delivered emergency firewood—and Home Depot went a step further, providing tools for urgent water repairs.

When communication was critical, Hi-Tech Signs and AlphaGraphics rushed out essential signage, while Friendly Arctic turned around our volunteer T-shirts in just two days.

And a special thanks goes to Parke Tree Service, who chipped every Christmas tree on-site and delivered more than 20 truckloads of mulch for our trail restoration.

Every one of these acts of generosity helped sustain the daily work required to restore the Park safely. Thanks to this extraordinary collective effort, Radnor Lake was able to reopen nearly two months ahead of the timeline originally anticipated.



Photo by Steve Ward

Thank You for Telling Our Story

We are also deeply grateful to the media outlets that reached out to help tell our story. Thanks to your getting the word out, we were able to secure the help we needed to reopen early!



Scan here to see the media coverage,
or visit radnorlake.org/SN26.



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Please join us in thanking the many partners who made this recovery possible!

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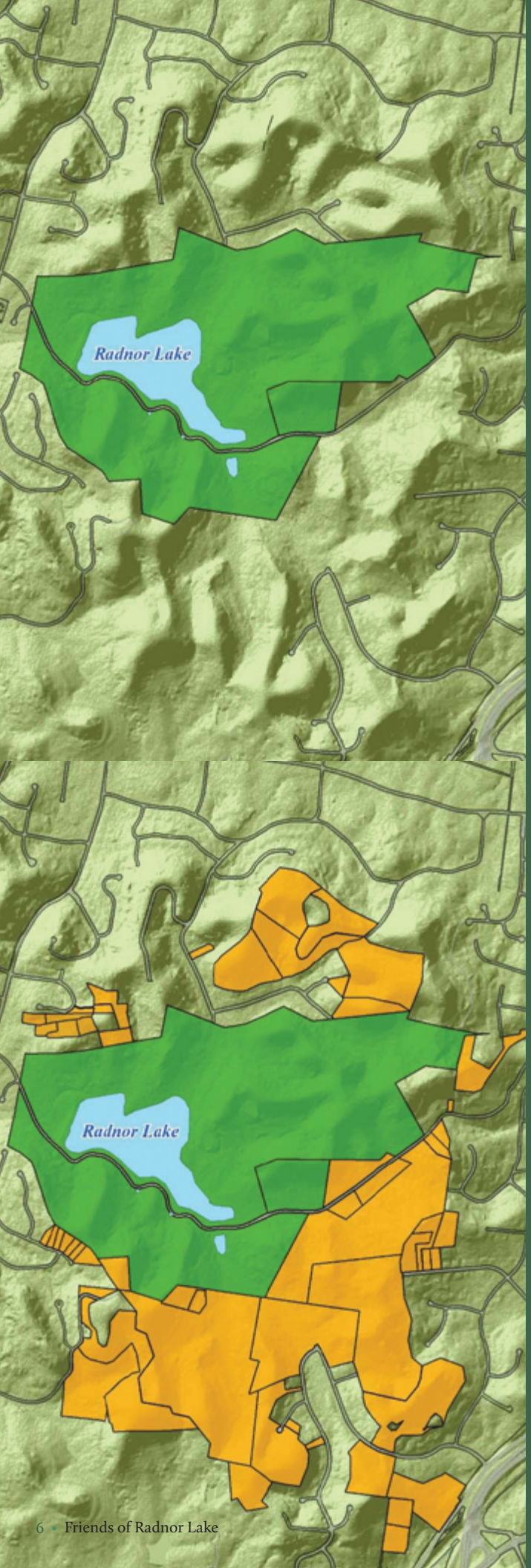


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Growing Forward: 9 New Acres and the Harris Ridge Trail

Radnor Lake has always been more than a Park. It is a living promise—that wild places can be protected, that natural beauty can be preserved and that a community committed to stewardship can make a difference for generations to come. This past December, that promise grew by 9 acres.

In late 2025, Friends of Radnor Lake and the State of Tennessee announced the acquisition of 9 new acres located near the intersection of Franklin Road and Old Hickory Boulevard in Brentwood. **The \$8 million purchase represents one of the most significant expansions in the Park's recent history—and it sets the stage for something visitors have long hoped for: *more trails and parking*.**

Plans call for the development of the Harris Ridge Trail, a new 2.5- to 3.5-mile hiking route that will connect to the existing Park and offer some of the longest hikes and most expansive views available anywhere in the Greater Nashville metropolitan area. A new 1-acre parking area is also planned to accommodate the Park's growing number of visitors.

The excitement was immediate. Before the year was out, ranger-led volunteer hikes to the new property were already drawing early risers eager to walk the land and imagine what it would become.

- In November and December 2025, groups hiked the Harris Ridge tract to see the acquisition firsthand.
- On New Year's Day 2026, Ranger Brandon Jarratt led an annual hike across the new property, a tradition that felt especially meaningful this year.

Cleanup and demolition of existing structures on the new land will take place throughout 2026, with volunteer opportunities to be announced on the website and via our social media channels.



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Help Build the Harris Ridge Trail

The acquisition of 9 new acres near Brentwood is only the beginning. Cleaning up the property, removing existing structures and building the new Harris Ridge Trail will require sustained financial support and volunteer hours in the months and years ahead. **Your gift today helps make tomorrow's trail a reality.**



Scan here for more information, or visit radnorlake.org/land-acquisition.



Welcome Back: Otter Creek Road and the South Lake Trail Reopen

Before Winter Storm Fern arrived, Radnor Lake had already been celebrating a quiet but significant milestone—one that had been a long time coming.

On Nov. 9, 2025, Otter Creek Road and the South Lake Trail officially reopened to visitors following the completion of a state-funded repair project. The work addressed damage caused by landslides during historic flooding more than 15 years ago.

The improvements go well beyond simply fixing what was broken. A new wooden guardrail, framed by native plantings, now lines the restored sections of the trail, enhancing both safety and the natural character of the corridor. **Critically, the project also significantly improved accessibility for visitors using wheelchairs and mobility devices**—a meaningful step toward making Radnor Lake’s beauty available to everyone.

The State of Tennessee project was completed ahead of its original schedule, delivering good news to visitors earlier than expected. It was a reminder that patient, sustained investment in the Park’s infrastructure pays off—and a fitting prelude to the months of determined recovery work that would follow.

Photo by Steve Ward

Barbara J. Mapp Aviary Update: Recovery, Reopening and Improvements Ahead

After several weeks of recovery work following the winter ice storm, the Barbara J. Mapp Aviary Education Center officially reopened to visitors. Thanks to the dedication of Park staff, arborists and volunteers, the area is once again safe and welcoming for guests and the birds that call it home.

The storm left a number of trees damaged or leaning precariously near the Aviary. A professional arborist team worked carefully to remove hazards while protecting the surrounding habitat. In several cases, trees were pruned rather than removed so they could continue providing shade and natural cover for the birds. Their work ensured that the Aviary could reopen safely while preserving the character of the landscape.



Photo by Brandon Jarratt

The boardwalk and viewing areas are fully operational, allowing visitors to return and experience the Aviary up close. The reopening marked an important milestone in the Park’s broader storm recovery efforts. Park staff moved quickly to inspect the facility, address damage and coordinate repairs so that visitors could safely return to one of the park’s most popular educational spaces. **Thank you to all who support the Aviary. Your support has continued to make a difference!**

Looking ahead, additional improvements are already underway. Planning continues for a redesigned entrance and driveway that will make the Aviary more accessible to visitors with mobility challenges. The project will improve the steep approach to the facility and create a smoother, more inclusive path so that everyone can access the Aviary comfortably.

As always, the Aviary remains focused on its core mission: providing a safe home for birds of prey that cannot survive in the wild while helping visitors learn about raptors, conservation and the importance of protecting wildlife.

We’re grateful to everyone who helped make the reopening possible—and we have loved welcoming you back to the Aviary.



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The Barbara J. Mapp Aviary Education Center is open to the public on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.



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Radnor Roundup: Winter at Radnor Lake

Even in a season defined by a major storm and an extraordinary recovery, Radnor Lake was full of the quieter moments that make this place so special. Here is a look back at some of the highlights.



Photo by Steve Ward

FirstBank Volunteers at Our New Land Acquisition

Jan. 17, 2026

On Jan. 17, 2026—just one week before Winter Storm Fern struck—a crew of FirstBank volunteers spent the day giving back at the new Harris Ridge project. Their work was a welcome reminder of the corporate community’s ongoing commitment to the Park and a fitting tribute to a partnership that has supported Radnor Lake’s mission for years.



Photo by Steve Ward

Bald Eagles at Radnor Lake

Jan. 14, 2026

Every winter, one of Nashville’s most spectacular—and *completely free*—wildlife experiences unfolds at Radnor Lake. In January 2026, The Tennessean’s beloved “Ms. Cheap” column shone a spotlight on the bald eagle sightings that draw visitors to the Park each season, calling it a priceless experience available to anyone willing to rise early and walk the trails. It was a timely reminder of what makes Radnor Lake irreplaceable.



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Ranger-Led Hikes Ring in the New Year & Celebrate Spring

Dec. 31, 2025 – Jan. 3, 2026

Radnor Lake has a wonderful tradition of welcoming the new year on the trail, and 2026 was no exception. Five ranger-led First Hikes drew enthusiastic crowds over New Year’s week, including the Big Trees of Radnor Lake Hike with Ranger Paul Schauer and Ranger Alexia Shore, a Birding in the Hall Farm Walk with Ranger Matthew Bowling, and the always-popular New Year’s Day Hike with Ranger Brandon Jarratt across the newly acquired Harris Ridge property. And, to celebrate the first day of spring on March 21, a group of 21 visitors hiked and picked up trash on the Mantra Tract, the latest addition to our Harris Ridge Trail Project.



Photo by Shelley Mays

Honoring the Endangered Species Act at 52

Dec. 28, 2025

On Dec. 26, 2025, Radnor Lake marked the 52nd anniversary of the Endangered Species Act—a law that has played a meaningful role in protecting the species that call this Park home, including the bald eagles soaring over the lake each winter. It was a moment to reflect on why conservation work matters and what is at stake if we stop paying attention.



Photo by Steve Ward

“City Cast Nashville” Lends a Hand

Dec. 26, 2025

In December 2025, the team at “City Cast Nashville” traded their microphones for work gloves and spent a volunteer day at the new Harris Ridge project. We are grateful for their enthusiasm and their commitment to this community treasure.

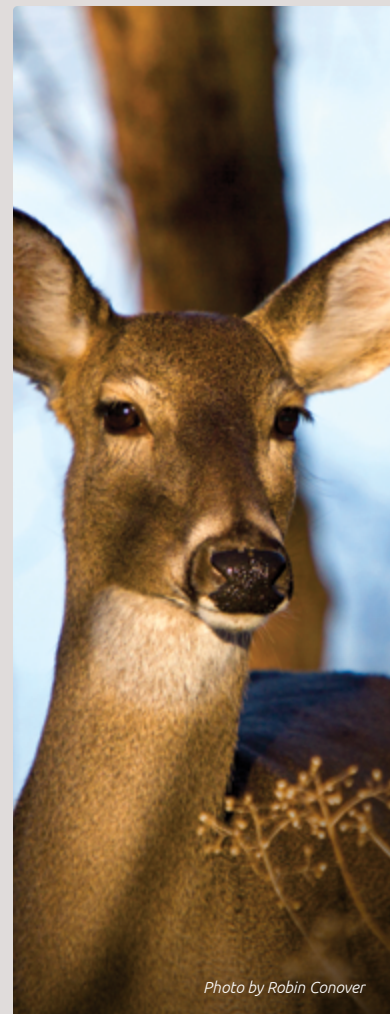


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Please note: While we strive to recognize every contributor, we apologize for any accidental omissions.



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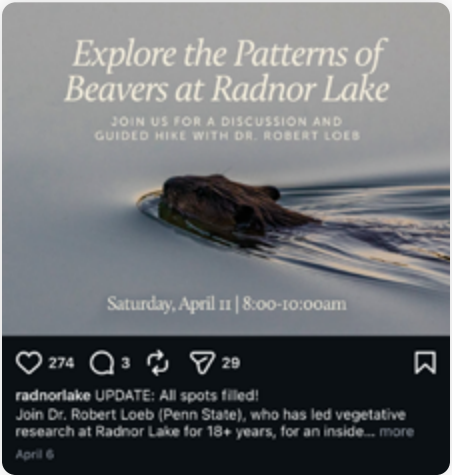
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This Valentine’s, we celebrated the many ways Friends love Radnor Lake. Thank you for sharing your stories!

“Radnor has been a haven for me throughout my life. Whether a need for quiet or a conflicting relationship with hiking after getting Lyme disease, Radnor has consistently helped me heal my relationship with my soul, my body, and even nature. Endlessly grateful for this place!”

“Me and my siblings all went there all the time growing up with our parents. I’m 46 and that all started at least 40 years ago! Such wonderful memories!”

“My husband grew up in Nashville and has countless memories of hiking at Radnor Lake. We went together many times when we were dating, took maternity photos there with our first born (a boy), and when we realized we were having a second boy, we named him Radnor. 🥰💙 People often ask if he’s named after the lake, and we proudly say yes.”



Thank You to Dr. Robert Loeb of Penn State for Educating Us!

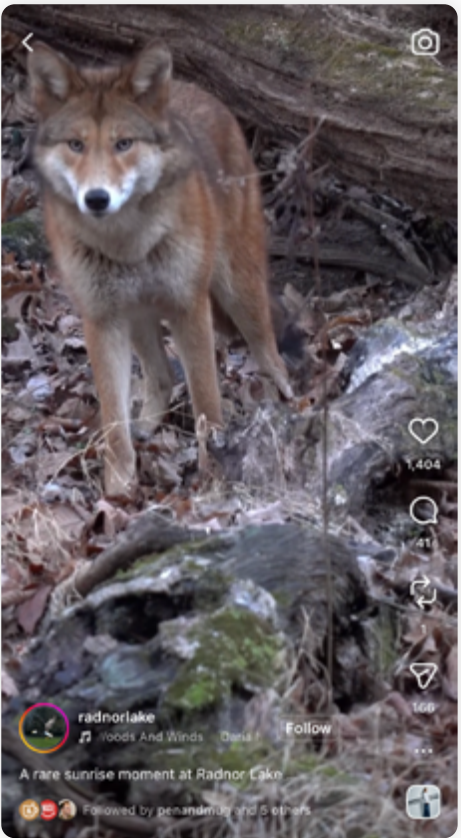
We were joined by Dr. Robert Loeb (Penn State), who has led vegetative research at Radnor Lake for 18-plus years, for an inside look at the beaver population and its impact on plant life, water quality and the evolving landscape.

Following the talk at the Walter Criley Visitor Center, Dr. Loeb and Ranger Brandon Jarratt guided a hike along the Lake Trail to explore active beaver areas, tagged trees and expanding wetlands firsthand.

This long-standing research, funded annually by Friends of Radnor Lake, has shaped key conservation efforts, including the 2021 Lake Trail reroute and bridges project.

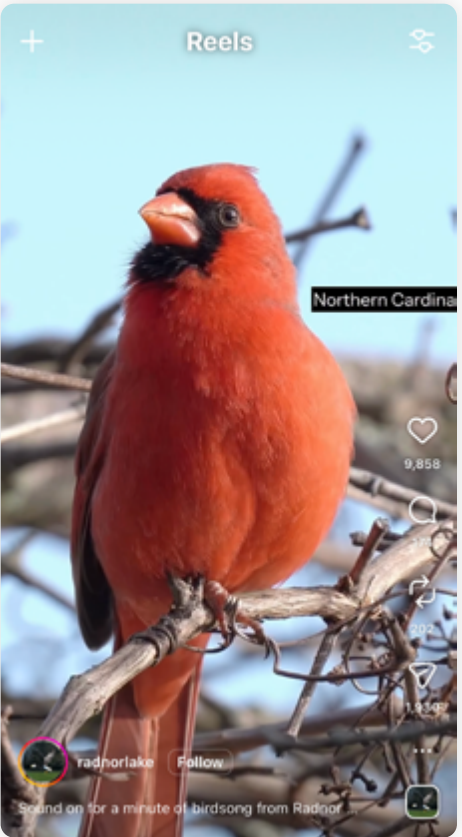
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