

A Beautiful Day on the River Big Darby Creek Float

Thirty-five (35) friends and supporters were fortunate to be able to enjoy a float trip on a picturesque section of upper Big Darby Creek. Our flotilla of 17 watercraft successfully navigated the many twists and turns of Central Ohio's spectacular Wild and Scenic River.

We stopped at AOA's Big Darby Oaks preserve, viewing the new beaver lodge and blooming swamp milkweed, while learning about the value of natural riparian corridors and the characteristics of a healthy river system. The many scenic and natural wonders we encountered inspired a sense of wonder and awe at the natural beauty of our local natural habitats – illustrating the importance of AOA's riparian corridor and water quality protection activities along Darby Creek and other watersheds in our region.

We are grateful to Bob Gable and Heather Doherty of ODNR's Scenic Rivers Program for leading this fun adventure and sharing their knowledge of the Big Darby and Ohio's river habitats.

