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**Friends of Wetlands** will assure the highest quality of habitat protection for wetlands by

- Providing education on the functions and values of wetlands;
- Training citizen scientists to report data on local wetlands; and
- Promoting strongly protective public policy.

### Why Wetlands are Important

They are the most endangered habitat on the planet. In Ohio more than 90% of wetlands have been destroyed. Wetlands play a critical role in the water cycle, to store water, for recharging ground water and filter impurities from surface water. They reduce stress on the environment when extreme weather descends, by slowing the flow of flood waters. Their contribution to wildlife biodiversity is comparable to the great tropical rain forests and precious ocean reef systems. The recreational uses for wetlands include hunting, fishing, and hiking.

### Membership Levels

**Student/Senior \$10**      **Standard \$20**

Also, consider giving a gift membership to someone who shares an interest in wetlands.

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