

FOR INFORMATION

Fishing is only allowed at the Lower Swan Pond located at the Manlius Village Centre, and requires a Village permit issued at the Clerk's Office, One Arkie Albanese Ave.

Village residents may apply for a free fishing permit. A permit-holding village resident may apply for a one-day guest permit at a nominal fee.

Residents of some local areas just outside the village limits are also allowed to purchase seasonal permits. Call the Village Clerk's Office for more information 315-682-9171.

AGE LIMITS FOR PERMITS:

Children.... ages 5 to 15

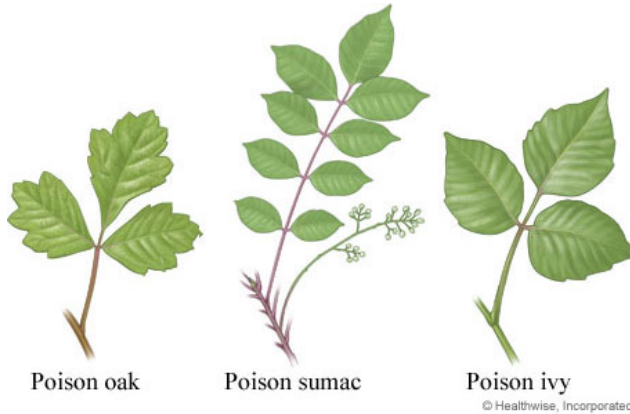
Seniors....55 and over



Emergency: 911

Poison Control:
1(800)-222-1222

Poison plant Identification:



Avoid Ticks:

- Wear repellent to avoid ticks.
- Always conduct a tick check after walking in the woods.
- If you see signs of a fever or bull's eye rash, call a doctor immediately.



Perry Springs is a smoke-free facility.

Perry Springs is a carry in/carry out park. Please be sure to remove garbage and dispose of it properly.

Perry Springs Trout Hatchery



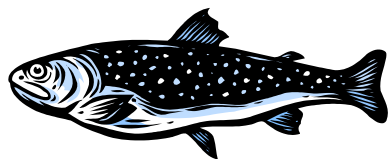
Located on Park Drive in Manlius
A volunteer program for the benefit of Manlius seniors and children

ABOUT OUR HATCHERY

The springs at Perry Springs were originally the water supply for the Village of Fayetteville. Today, the water starts from a spring on a hillside near Park Dr., flows through the Perry Springs Park, under Eureka Dr. and Fayette St. into the Swan Pond and Lower Swan Pond. It then flows on through the Ledyard Dyke and into Beard Park in Fayetteville. Water tests show pristine, pollution free, conditions that provide an ideal environment in which to raise trout.

Besides Perry Springs being a beautiful place to visit, it is also the home to the fish hatchery which was started in 1986 by Richard Everhart and Tom Sullivan. This hatchery is supported by the Village of Manlius and is the only hatchery in the state that is owned by a Village.

Each fall the Village of Manlius purchases 25,000 Rainbow trout eggs called eyed eggs. Perry Springs partners with the Carpenter's Brook Fish Hatchery. Each year, Carpenter's Brook gives Perry Springs 10,000 brook trout eggs, if they are available. The eggs are kept in floating baskets for three to four weeks until they hatch. Once hatched, they are called "Fry" and are moved to the tanks where they are taken care of on a daily basis by either Village of Manlius Department of Public Works or hatchery volunteers. The volunteers come in on weekends to tend to the fish, the tanks, and ponds. **Please remember, fishing is not allowed at the hatchery.**



HATCHERY OPPORTUNITIES

The goal of the program is to provide a recreational fishing program for the children and seniors of Manlius. The joyful sounds heard around the pond on fishing days attests to the attainment of that goal.

Since the Lower Swan Pond location is near senior citizen housing, it was hoped the fishing program would encourage skip-generation involvement, with grandparents and grandchildren enjoying each other in a recreational activity. Not only did this concept work out well, but the seniors warmly welcomed the interactive social aspects.

Several times a year, fishing derbies are held at the pond for seniors and children, handicapped persons, and all residents.

Educational tours of the hatchery facilities are guided by volunteers for local school classes, college classes, and any group that requests it. Tours are scheduled by appointment only through the Manlius Village office at 682-9171. The hatchery grounds have been developed into a park with walking trails winding through the thick woodlands surrounding the historic spring complex. All persons are welcome to visit the park during daylight hours.

Thank you to our numerous Scout and volunteer groups that have created wonderful additions to Perry Springs Park and Hatchery throughout the years. Please contact our office for more information about creating your own project or to hear more about the past projects in the park.

HATCHERY FACTS

- The temperature of the water in the tanks and ponds is between 43-46° F. That consistent temperature aids in the growth rate of the trout. The rate is about double that of a trout in a natural setting.
- The hatchery has a hut with tanks where the youngest fish are kept until they are old enough to be moved into the first pond. Each of the four ponds holds different age fish.
- The tanks are cleaned daily, and the ponds are cleaned twice a year.
- The fish at the hatchery have natural predators. Osprey, Kingfisher, and Blue Heron are three birds most frequently seen poaching fish from the ponds. To prevent a lot of poaching, the volunteers have put nets over all four ponds.
- The fish hatch and then have a yolk sack that feed them until that is absorbed. They are then fed powder until they are big enough to eat fish food.
- The fish are fed daily, and their food lasts approximately 12 hours. The fish food ranges from powder to a 3/16 pellet.
- The food consists of fish meal, de-hulled soybean, wheat, blood meal, fish oil, vitamins, and minerals.
- A fish will spend about three years at the hatchery, transferring to each pond as they grow, before being moved to the Lower Swan Pond.
- The Swan Pond and Lower Swan Pond are both stocked a couple times a year using fish from the hatchery.

Anyone interested in joining the hatchery volunteers list can get more information by calling the Manlius Village office at 315-682-9171