

A vision of towers in our parks

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🦋 Latest in a series of posts on the Swifts 🦋



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ref: **Muhlenberg Lake Getting Chimney Swift Tower**

So as of the City Council meeting February 2, the Chimney Swifts are the official City Bird of Bethlehem.

In his remarks preceding the vote, Councilman Colon suggested the addition of “faux chimneys” [towers] in our parks as “low maintenance” and as “educational” pieces to go along with Council’s action now centered on the giant chimney at the Masonic Temple site.

Just like **Allentown** has.

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Councilman Colon suggests an extension, a widening of our desire to be a home for the Swifts.

What a great idea!

A mini-Swift industry here!



Gadfly has heard that Scott Burnet, Chair of the Habitat Committee of the Lehigh Valley Audubon Society, has built more than 100 such Chimney Swift towers and would be happy to advise us in the process.

Scott is part of the local steering committee for our Save Our Swifts campaign.

He's already in the house, as 'twere!

And he's part of the panel for the February 17 **“Chimney Swifts and their Adaptation to Urban Habitats,”** the first forum in **BAPL's series** on the saving Swifts project.



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