



Rehabilitated Chimney Swifts to be released tonight from King's roof

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Five baby Chimney Swifts will be released from the roof of King's at 5:15 – 6 p.m. August 18, 2015 by Swift Care Ontario. The birds were found in Goderich and Oshawa, were hand-reared by Debbie Lefebvre, Co-Director, Swift Care Ontario, and are now ready to re-join the flock. The threatened Chimney Swift is flourishing at King's University College, in a chimney on top of the Wemple building, 266 Epworth Ave., London. The goal is to have the baby birds join the King's family of Chimney Swifts as they return to roost this evening. *weather permitting (no release in heavy rain).

In August, waves of migrating swifts have been overnighting in the Wemple building chimney on their way south. "We keep the young birds in their enclosure with an eye to the sky. They hear the adults calling and once they are released, shoot up like rockets to join them. It is quite a sight," says Carolyn Denstedt, Co-Director, Swift Care Ontario. King's is proud to support the initiative as part of its commitment to the protection of the environment.

Media are invited tonight, Tuesday August 18, 2014, to see the release of rehabilitated Chimney Swifts. Media will be escorted to the roof of Wemple building at 5:15 p.m. for an optimum view.

Please rsvp if you want a spot on the Wemple Roof tonight. Wemple Building is located at 266 Epworth Ave, just east of Richmond and the Western gates. Parking is available in Lot 1. We will gather at the front door of Wemple at 5:15 p.m.

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