The Trumpeter Swan

The Trumpeter Swan, the heaviest species of bird in Ohio, can be quite nit-picky when encountered in close proximity. Its beak resembles that of a duck, which might provide some insight into how the two species of birds are intertwined. On this particular Fourth of July, the temperature is warm enough that the swan can bathe in the sun, or enjoy a swim in the lake in search of nearby fish. “Tusssssssssssssssh...” goes a nearby fuse, then shortly afterwards, “pah-popopopop-BANG!”. This is not a familiar noise to birds.