Letter from the President

Just back from a family vacation to the Outer Banks of North Carolina. Sunday was a beautiful, sunny day with pleasant temperatures and gentle breezes—a perfect day for a wild horse safari. Bouncing along the sand dunes in the back of a Hummer beyond the end of paved roads is a good way to look for wild horses (or to send one off seeking a chiropractor).

As usual, we managed to schedule a visit at the same time that hurricane Maria was passing by offshore in a huff (and puff). Luckily, no significant storm damage or rains, just gusty winds. Trips to the beach were limited by high surf, rip tides, blowing seafoam, and risk of being sandblasted. (Good thing that the sun wasn't out or our shadows would have blown loose!) A few showers fell on Tuesday and Wednesday, but not enough to drown you if you looked up.
Letter from the President

Charles Donald (Don) Eberwine, age 81 of Ross, Ohio formerly of Hanover Township, passed away on Tuesday March 12, 2019. He was born at home in Keene Township near Coshocton, OH on July 4, 1937, the son of the late Fred and Laura (Garber) Eberwine. He was married to Marcella K. Huprich on July 16, 1961, she preceded him in death on April 16, 2007. He later met the second love of his life and was married to Emily Belle Young on January 2nd, 2010, who survives. He is a graduate of Keene High School, Keene, OH; The Ohio State University [B.S. Agriculture Education] and Miami University [M.Ed. in Educational Administration]. Additionally, he studied at Kent State University, University of Cincinnati and Xavier University where he received his Ohio Superintendent Certification. He also served in the U.S. Army. A lifelong educator, he initially taught Vocational Agriculture and served as the school chapter FFA Advisor at Miami Trace H.S 1964-68 (Washington C. H., OH), Rutherford B. Hayes H.S. 1968-69 (Delaware, OH), and Talawanda H.S. 1969-71 (Oxford, OH). In 1971, he joined the Great Oaks School District at its inception helping establish vocational agriculture programs at its various branch campuses. In 1975, he joined the Butler County Vocational School District as the Director of Adult Education and was instrumental in establishing the Adult Education program at D. Russell Lee Vocational School (now Butler Tech). In this position, he led year-round learning opportunities for the residents of Butler County and worked with area employers in providing job training. He was a motivated and talented individual and had a number of pursuits he enjoyed. He was a long-time member of the Oxford Farm Market where he sold a wide variety of fruits and vegetables from his garden; he worked as a security guard at the Cincinnati Reds and Bengals games where he provided security for the Ben-Gal Cheerleaders; he worked 15 years at the Ohio State University Butler County Extension Office, where many knew him for his weekly horticulture articles in local papers, and he started the Butler County Master Gardeners program (where he eventually met Emily) and he remained an active member as well as with the Village and Farm Garden Club. He was additionally a tax advisor at H & R Block for nearly 20 years. He was a Past President/Life member of the Ohio Vocational Association with a Distinguished Service Award. He was a member of the Ohio Farm Bureau, Darrtown Livestock Protective Association, Alpha Gamma Sigma Fraternity, Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, the Butler County and Morgan Township Historical Societies and a lifetime member of the Talawanda Chapter of FFA Alumni. He was currently serving on the boards of the Southwest Regional Water District where he served on the Board of Trustees since 1996 and Friends of Butler County Metro Parks. He was a past member of the boards for the Hamilton Area Red Cross, Butler County Republican Central Committee and the Selective Service System. He was a member and past trustee of the Oxford United Methodist Church where he also enjoyed serving as an usher. He also attended the Venice Presbyterian Church in Ross. He was a devoted fan of Ohio State football (O-H-I-O), attending most home games for several decades. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather, and had a passion for excellence in everything that he did. He is survived by his wife and her three children: Greg (Kim) Young of Ross, OH; Dan...
(Gayla) Young of Ross, OH; Becky (Pete) Berling of Fairfield, OH; and grandchildren Joseph, Kyle, Steven, and Christopher Young, Jennifer Garcia and Brian, Brent and Marcus Guenther and six great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his four children: Dr. Julia (Robert Molloy) Eberwine of Mason; CAPT Scott (Melissa) Eberwine of Oxford, OH; Stephanie (Greg) Bass of Greenville, SC; and Dr. Stephen (Amy) Eberwine of Indianapolis, IN; grandchildren, Emily (Shaun) Johannes, Gregory, Elizabeth, Elena, Hope and Gracelyn Eberwine, and Victoria and Jackson Bass; three step-grandchildren, Madeleine, Julia and Emma Wilson; one sister, Marilyn Wyler of Fresno, OH; and two brothers, James (Mildred) of Normal, IL and Paul of Mount Vernon, OH plus numerous nieces and nephews. A brother Bob and sister Ruth preceded him in death.

Don was a valuable member of the FOMPBC board of directors. He will be greatly missed. Please join me in offering our condolences to Don’s family.

Bill Walker, President FOMPBC

Upcoming Events

Show and Tell on the Farm

Come out and enjoy Show and Tell on the Farm at Chrisholm MetroPark. Topics this month include: Little Red Hen, Wee Little Ones, Tea Delight, Rabbit Roundup, Earth Day is Every Day, Tree-riffic, ABC’s of Farm Life, May Day

Fun on the Farm is on Thursdays from 6:30-7:30pm and Sunday’s from 2:00-4:00pm

Spring Blossoms: Trees

Spring is here!!!! Wake up and smell the air! Join the MetroParks for a relaxing Hike on our new paved trail at the Forest Run Welcome Center where we will learn how to identify trees in spring.

FREE and open to all ages.

Saturday. April 6, 10:00 AM-11:30AM
Forest Run Welcome Center-Timberman Ridge Shelter-1976 Timberman Rd, Hamilton, Ohio 45013

Egg Orienteering.

Join orienteering Cincinnati, Inc (http://Ocin.org) to learn this fun sport. Start times are available from noon-2:00pm with course from beginner through advanced difficulty being offered.

The Beginner’s course will have baskets for plastic eggs at each checkpoint. Children collect the eggs and exchange them for candy
and toys at the finish. Adults may accompany young children on the egg course at no additional charge.

A MetroParks of Butler County vehicle permit is required and will be available at the event.

**Saturday, April 6th, 12:00-2:00 PM**
Voice of America Park - Overlook parking lot - 7850 VOA Park Dr, West Chester, OH

**Flashlight Egg Hunt!**

Start the morning with a short presentation on compositional tools in the Welcome Center. Then we’ll go outside and search for good photo opportunities in the fields and around the ponds. Photographer Susan Milinkovich will share some tips on composition to help you frame and capture spring flowers and early morning light. Bring your iPhone, Point-and-shoot or DSLR camera - no photography experience needed. Registration required by 4/12/19.

**Saturday. April 13, 8:30-10:00 AM**
Forest Run MetroPark - Welcome Center - 1976 Timberman Rd. Hamilton, OH

**Dog-Gone Bone Hunt**

Bring your pooch for an egg hunt designed for dogs! Put their nose to the test as they sniff out a dozen treat filled plastic eggs. They will a receive a new toy as an extra reward. Some activities include: shopping at dog-friendly vendors, dog obstacle course, socializing time, and photo opportunities!
The Voice of the Turtle, April, 2019

Hunt times are scheduled by weight:
12:00 p.m. - Registration/Check-In Opens
1:00 p.m. – Dogs Under 30 pounds
1:15 p.m. – Dogs 30-50 pounds
1:30 p.m. – Dogs 50 pounds and over

Event Rules: We ask that all dogs are well-behaved, socialized, and current on vaccinations. One dog per handler. Stoop and scoop rules apply – we will provide poop bags and garbage cans at the event for your use. Dogs must remain on a leash at all times during the event.

Sunday, April 14, 12:00-3:00 PM
Rentschler Forest MetroPark - Reigart Road Area - 5701 Reigart Rd. Hamilton, OH

Medicinal and Edible Plants Workshop
Could you survive off the land? Come to the Medicinal and Edible Plants Workshop and learn the various edible plants of Ohio and their medicinal properties. Enjoy an experiential hike to find edible plants and create your own edible/medicinal plant supplement to take home!

Open to ages 13 and up. Participants under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
Registration required by 4/26/19.

Saturday, April 27, 1:00-4:00 PM
Governor Bebb MetroPark- Pioneer Village School House Cabin- 1979 Bebb Park Lane, Okeana, Ohio

Earthstock: Earth Day Festival
Celebrate Earth Day and move closer to nature at Earthstock | Earth Day Festival! Guests will have

the chance to experience lectures and demonstrations on a variety of environmental topics, try out various recreation equipment, view natural artwork in the Reduce-Reuse-Recycle art competition, check out all the vendors and opportunities for service around MetroParks... plus MORE!

Sunday, April 28, 12:00-5:00 PM
Voice of America MetroPark: Lake and Surrounding Area

Big Week of Birding Events

Gilmore MetroPark
Is a treasure trove of birds. With the rookery of cormorants, egrets and great blue herons, as well as, an abundance of spring warblers, this is a great park to visit! Meet at the Gilmore Road entrance.

Saturday, April 27, 7:00-9:00 AM
Gilmore MetroPark - Gilmore Road Area Parking Lot -7950 Gilmore Road, Hamilton OH 45015

Indian Creek MetroPark
Cerulean Warblers, Crested Flycatchers, and Waterthrush greet you when you bird here. All levels of birding experience welcomed! Come and have fun!

Saturday, April 27, 6:30-8:30 PM
Indian Creek MetroPark 6500 Springfield Road Oxford OH 45056
Forest Run Timberman Ridge

Take a relaxing stroll on the new paved trail at Forest Run Timberman Ridge while looking for beautiful birds! Grab your binoculars and boots to join us in the search! All levels of birding experience welcome!

Sunday, April 28, 7:00-9:00 AM
Forest Run MetroPark - Timberman Ridge Shelter-
1976 Timberman Rd., Hamilton, Ohio 45013

Just a few of the many big week of Birding events. Check out the MetroParks website for a full list of events at
http://reservations.yourmetroparks.net/programs/

Did You Know

Kroger Community Rewards Update
FOMPBC organization # TM866

Kroger is committed to helping our communities grow and prosper. Year after year, local schools, churches and other nonprofit organizations earn $4 million in Greater Cincinnati, Dayton and Northern Kentucky through their Community Rewards program. FOMPBC is one of the Many wonderful organizations that benefit from this program.

How Can YOU Help Us?

In April 2017 Kroger’s updated their Community Rewards process and software. As of April, supporters will no longer have to re-enroll their Kroger Plus Card to earn dollars for your organization. This will make it easier for you to support us! Please take a moment and make sure you are enrolled and supporting FOMPBC.
https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow

Once you’re enrolled you will earn rewards for FOMPBC every time you shop and use your Plus Card.

Amazon Smile

What is Amazon Smile?

Amazon Smile is a simple and automatic way for you and your family to support FOMPBC every time you shop from Amazon, at no cost to you. Instead of shopping at Amazon.com you go to https://smile.amazon.com. You will find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to FOMPBC.

Save the Date

Friends of MetroParks Butler County is pleased to announce it will be having its 2019 Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 10, 6 pm, at the River Center – Bicentennial Commons MetroPark, 120 South Carmody Boulevard, Middletown, Ohio 45044. Please plan on attending. Ms. Emily Archibald, Private Lands Biologist, Ohio Department of Natural Recourses, Division of Wildlife will present, “The Re-introduction of Quail in Ohio, Successes and Failures”. A delicious meal will be provided. The desserts will be homemade and fresh by the members of the Friends of MetroParks Board of Directors.

To make a reservation please see the annual meeting invitation in the April issue of the Voice. Or, call 513.593.2735, or email koctrees@gmail.com.

Earthstock | Earth Day Festival

On Sunday, April 28th from 12:00 – 5:00 p.m. at Voice of America MetroPark, come celebrate Earth Day and move closer to nature as Earthstock | Earth Day Festival debuts! Event festivities will take place in the Ronald Reagan Lodge, on the Gazebo, and around the lake of the park. Guests will have
the chance to experience lectures and demonstrations on a variety of environmental topics, try out various recreation equipment and activities, check out all the Earth-friendly vendors and opportunities for service around MetroParks... plus MORE at this FREE event!

Some of the great lectures lined up during the day include: Tree ID by Bill Walker of the Friends of MetroParks of Butler County, Tree Communication by Bull’s Run Sanctuary & Arboretum, native Ohio plants by OSU Extension’s Master Gardeners, the energy and food web by MetroParks of Butler County’s Land Stewardship, and how to build a butterfly garden and amazing animals by MetroParks of Butler County’s Park Connections. But, that’s not all! Some of the exciting activities that will be running throughout the day include: Leave No Trace activities with Miami University’s Outdoor Pursuits, kite flying with PIGS Aloft, fly tying and fly fishing with Buckeye United Fly Fishers, recycled art making with Margie Homan, orienteering with Orienteering Cincinnati, Butler County Soil & Water’s conservation trailer, crafts, and music. So, there will truly be something for everyone to experience, learn, and enjoy at Earthstock!

More groups, organizations, lectures, and activities are being added daily as this new, exciting event nears its debut. Not to mention, all the unique vendors that will be coming out with items like goat milk soap, lotion, non-toxic cleaning materials, reusable Tupperware, crystals & gems, jewelry, art, wood workings, and so much more! Food and beverages will also be available for purchase throughout the event.
Like our Facebook Page for updates on:

- Upcoming members events & meetings
- Volunteering with MPX
- MPX programming
2019 Annual Meeting
Friends of MetroParks of Butler County

The River Center at Bicentennial Commons MetroPark
120 South Carmody Boulevard, Middletown, Ohio 45044
Wednesday, April 10, 2019, 6:00 – 8:30 pm
Dinner (6:30) - Business Meeting - Program

Dinner with Drinks and Homemade Dessert, $20/person, $5 under 12

Speaker:
Emily Archibald, "Re-Introduction of Quail in Ohio - Success and Failures"

Deadline for Reservations is Monday, April 8.

Please make your check payable to:
Friends of MetroParks of Butler County, PO Box 691 Hamilton, OH 45012

Name: _____________________________________________________________
Address: ___________________________________________________________
Email: ____________________________ Phone: _____________________________
# Attending: ________ Amount Enclosed: ________ Pay at the Door ________

*Or RSVP by responding to this email with name and number attending,

**Or e-mail your RSVP to kochtrees@gmail.com (state name, # attending)
March Service Days

Beta Theta Pi Fraternity cleared non-native species from meadow at Forest Run 3/17/19.

JROTC members, THRC & BSA Troop 902 put up tents at Timberhill 3/23/19.

Contact Us
Give us a call or visit us on the web for more information about service opportunities.

MetroParks Of Butler County
2051 Timberman Road
Hamilton OH 45013
513.867.5835
www.YourMetroParks.net

Or email Amy Pellman at apellman@YourMetroParks.net

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Did you know?
• Did you know that you can sign up online and view various opportunities to serve within MetroParks?

Visit www.YourMetroParks.net, select “Support”, then under “Current Volunteers” click the link. Once you sign in you can view openings to serve by month. Anywhere you see “Help Wanted” you can click to see opportunities.

April Birthday Corner!
Bob Higgins 4/1
Jeff Twardowski 4/2
Ashley Gierzak 4/5
Darryl Young 4/7
Doris Yelton-Coding 4/8
Angela Rivera 4/10
Braden Kimbrough 4/11
Nancy Graf 4/12
Chris Pihir 4/12
Jennifer Lee 4/13

Natima Harrison 4/14
Jacob Snyder 4/14
Carissa West 4/17
Benjamin Wolf 4/17
Kelsi Holden 4/19
Salam Mawas 4/19
Travis Dean 4/21
Jennifer Schulz-Mann 4/22
Eli Holman 4/23
Veronica Woodson 4/30

We Love our Volunteers!!

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Volunteer Newsletter April 2019
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Volunteer Spotlight

Nick Lengyel –

How long have you lived or worked in Butler County? 20 years

Tell me a little about your family: Wife - Judith, Daughter - Janelle (including three grandchildren Taralyn and twins Collin and Kaylen) in Greenwood Indiana, and son - Nathan in Cincinnati.

Do you have any hobbies? Motorcycle riding including trail riding and long-distance touring.

What do you like to do for fun or is there a fun fact about yourself you would like to share? Spending time with the grandchildren

What do you love most about volunteering for MetroParks? Satisfaction derived from giving support to MetroParks.

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Flash Light Egg Hunt

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
When: April 12, 2019
Shifts available: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.
Where: Forest Run MetroPark, Wildlife Preserve
1810 New London Road Hamilton OH 45013

When: April 19, 2019
Shifts available: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.
Elk Creek MetroPark, Sebald Park Area
5580 Elk Creek Road Middletown OH 45042
What: Looking for 10-12 volunteers ages 14 and up. Will work with children. Able to work in the dark on uneven ground. Please bring your own flashlight or headlamp. Setup and cleanup help needed the day of the event as well as help hiding eggs, filling eggs, registration, collection of eggs at end of hunt.

Dog Gone Bone Hunt 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
When: April 14, 2019
Shifts available: 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Where: Rentchler Forest MetroPark, Reigart Road Area
5701 Reigart Road, Fairfield Township OH 45011
What: Looking for 8-10 volunteers ages 12 and up to work with people and dogs. Setup and cleanup help needed day of the event, as well as, help with hiding the eggs, registration, prize table, and performing as the Easter Bunny!

Earthstock | Earth Day Festival 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
When: April 28, 2019
Shifts available: 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Where: Voice of America MetroPark
7850 VOA Park Drive, West Chester OH 45069
What: 10-15 volunteers needed teen+ to assist with crafts, zero waste stations, setup, and teardown. Come help out at this NEW event!

Ongoing Service Opportunities

Trail Ambassadors – Great Miami River Trail
When: Flexible
Where: Great Miami River Trail – Trenton to Middletown Section
What: Trail Ambassadors monitor the trail at least 4 hours a month on their bicycle. Trail Ambassadors report maintenance and safety concerns to MetroParks staff, assist trail users when necessary, provide information to trail users, and perform light trail maintenance. Contact Amy Pellman apellman@YourMetroParks.net for more information.

Nest Box Monitor
When: March – August 2019
Where: Monitoring sites throughout MetroParks
Register: by emailing Joe Dumyahn at jdumyahn@YourMetroParks.net.
What: Learn about becoming a volunteer Nest Box Monitor with MetroParks! Volunteers are needed to monitor nest boxes twice per week with 3-4 days between visits from the beginning of March through the end of August. Monitors will record data to be submitted to the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. Monitoring sites are available in several parks. Nest Box Monitoring is a great way to learn about nesting birds and enjoy the outdoors.

**Group Service Projects**

**When:** Flexible

**Where:** Flexible

**What:** MetroParks always has various projects for groups to complete! If you have a youth group, church group, student group, or business group that is interested in scheduling a private service day, contact Amy Pellman [apellman@YourMetroParks.net](mailto:apellman@YourMetroParks.net) for more information. Please allow 3-6 months for planning.

**Program/Event & Preparation Support**

**When:** Flexible

**Where:** Multiple Locations

**What:** Park Connections staff presents multiple education, recreation, and conservation programs and events throughout the year. Volunteers are needed to help with preparing for MetroParks events and programs. Volunteers may create crafts, prepare signage, organize materials and supplies, clean materials and supplies, and other general tasks, as well as, volunteer for the program itself. Contact Amy Pellman [apellman@YourMetroParks.net](mailto:apellman@YourMetroParks.net).

**Wheelhouse and Concessions - Voice of America MetroPark**

**When:** evenings and weekends end of April through the summer.

**Where:** Voice of America MetroPark

Ronald Reagan Lodge. 7850 VOA Park Drive, West Chester OH 45069

**What:** Volunteers are needed to assist at the Wheelhouse with rental(s) and information. We are also looking for volunteers to assist with concessions on the Wednesday evening Hump Day Concert series and occasional weekends. Please indicate if you are interested in either or both when responding. Contact Amy Pellman at [apellman@YourMetroParks.net](mailto:apellman@YourMetroParks.net).

"It’s easy to make a buck. It’s a lot tougher to make a difference.” – Tom Brokaw
Show and Tell on the Farm

**WHEN**
Sundays 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
**Thursdays in March**
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.
**Thursdays in April**
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**WHERE**
Chrisholm MetroPark
Chrisholm Historic Farmstead
2070 Woodsdale Road
Trenton, OH 45067

**PRICE**
FREE programs for all ages
No Registration Necessary

**ABOUT**
Come on over to Chrisholm Historic Farmstead for Show and Tell on the Farm. Each day will feature different themes with special guest stars — some furry & some feathery — crafts, and games! Come for any amount of time. Designed to delight kids and kids at heart.

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*There will be no Show & Tell on the Farm program on April 21. Happy Easter!*
Show and Tell on the Farm

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Thursdays 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

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May 2  May Day
May 5  Farm Games
May 9  Magnificent Moms
May 16  Rainbow Gardens
May 19  ABC’s of Farm Life
May 23  Busy Bees
May 30  3-Sisters Garden
June 2  Goat Jamboree
June 6  Dandelion Delight
June 9  ABC’s of Farm Life
June 13  Fabulous Fathers
June 20  Summer Solstice
June 23  Yoga on the Farm
June 27  Bug Bites
June 30  Bingo on the Farm

*There will be no Show & Tell on the Farm program on May 12, May 26, and June 16.

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Motor Vehicle Permit Required. FREE to Butler County Residents. Non-Residents $5/daily or $10/annually.

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APRIL EVENTS

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
LITTLE RED REN
Chrisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., April 4, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
FREE

SPRING BLOSSOMS: TREES
Forest Run MetroPark
Timberman Ridge
Sat., April 6, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
FREE

EGG ORIENTEERING
Voice of America MetroPark
Sat., April 6, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
$4.00/child
Advanced Course:
$10.00/OCCIN Member
$15.00/Non-Member

SPRING BABIES!
Gilbert Farms Park
6181 Ross Road, Fairfield 45014
Sat., April 6, 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Pre-register by calling 513.867.5348
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
WEE LITTLE ONES
Chrisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., April 7, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
TEA DELIGHT
Chrisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., April 11, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
FREE

FLASHLIGHT EGG HUNT
Forest Run MetroPark
Wildlife Preserve Area
Fri., April 12, 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
$5.00/participant
Pre-registration Required
by April 10th

PHOTO WALK
TIPS FOR COMPOSING
A GREAT PHOTOGRAPH
Forest Run MetroPark
Welcome Center
Sat., April 13, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
FREE

OPENING DAY ON THE TRAILS
WILDFLOWER HIKE
Indian Creek MetroPark
Springfield Road Area
Sat., April 13, 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
FREE

DOG-GONE BONE HUNT
Rentschler Forest MetroPark
Reigart Road Area
Sun., April 14, 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
$5.00/dog through 4/19
$6.00/dog after 4/19

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
RABBIT ROUNDUP
Chrisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., April 14, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
EARTH DAY IS EVERY DAY
Chrisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., April 18, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
FREE

The mission of the MetroParks of Butler County is to provide a superior park system that maximizes the community's quality of life through conservation, education, and recreation. For more information visit us at www.YourMetroParks.net or call 513.867.5348

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FLASHLIGHT EGG HUNT
Elk Creek MetroPark
Sebaid Park Area
Fri., April 19, 8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
$5.00/participant
Pre-registration Required by April 17th

LET'S GO HIKING SERIES
SPRING WILD/FLOWERS
Huffman Park
2100 John Gray Road, Fairfield 45014
Sat., April 20, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Pre-register by calling 513.867.5348
FREE

EGG ORIENTEERING
Forest Run MetroPark
Timberman Ridge
Sat., April 20, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
$4.00/child
Advanced Course:
$10.00/OCCN Member
$15/Non-Member

RICHTER DAY CELEBRATION
Roundabout at Busenbark & Hamilton-Trenton Roads
Thurs., April 25, 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
TREE-RIFIC
Christholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., April 25, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
FREE

BIG WEEK OF BIRDING
Gilmore MetroPark
Gilmore Road Area
Sat., April 27, 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
FREE

BIG WEEK OF BIRDING
Indian Creek MetroPark
Springfield Road Area
Sat., April 27, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
FREE

BIG WEEK OF BIRDING
Forest Run MetroPark
Timberman Ridge
Sun., April 28, 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
FREE

EARTHSTOCK
EARTH DAY FESTIVAL
Voice of America MetroPark
Sun., April 28, 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
ABCS OF FARM LIFE
Christholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., April 28, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
FREE

BIG WEEK OF BIRDING
Salamander Run Preserve
Sun., April 28, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
FREE

BIG WEEK OF BIRDING
Forest Run MetroPark
Wildlife Preserve Area
Mon., April 29, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
FREE

BIG WEEK OF BIRDING
Hueston Woods State Park
Bird Banding Station
Tues., April 30, 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Rain Date: Thurs., May 2
FREE

BIG WEEK OF BIRDING
Elk Creek MetroPark
Meadow Ridge Area
Tues., April 30, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
FREE

PARK LOCATIONS

1. GOVERNOR BEBB METROPARK
1979 Bebb Park Lane Oakley OH 45053
Bebb Natural Area
Dry Fork Campground
Pioneer Village

2. INDIAN CREEK METROPARK
2a. Bunker Hill Cemetery
5551 Bunker Hill Road Oxford OH 45056
2b. Oxford Road Area
1899 Oxford Road (SR 712)
Oxford OH 45056
2c. Springfield Road Area
6500 Springfield Road Oxford OH 45056
2d. Pioneer Church
3000 Indian Creek Road Oxford OH 45056

3. FOUR MILE CREEK METROPARK
3a. Antoon Preserve
1200 Ely Road Hamilton OH 45011
3b. Mill Race Area
5911 Morning Sun Road Oxford OH 45056
3c. Syxmore Bluff Area
3742 Lanes Mill Road Hamilton OH 45011
3d. Davidson Woods Area
1200 Huenal Road Hamilton OH 45013

4. SALAMANDER RUN PRESERVE
4621 Leyleigh Road Hamilton OH 45013

5. CHRISTHOLM METROPARK
6a. Engle House – Little Dry Run
Administrative Office
2065 Timberman Road Hamilton OH 45013
6b. Welcome Center
1976 Timberman Road Hamilton OH 45013
6c. Timberman Ridge
1976 Timberman Road Hamilton OH 45013
6d. Wildlife Preserve Area
1810 New London Road Hamilton OH 45013

6. GILMORE METROPARK
6a. Gilmore Road Area
7950 Gilmore Road Hamilton OH 45015
6b. Biltstein Boulevard Area
8500 Biltstein Boulevard Hamilton OH 45015
6c. Port Union Trail Area

7. RENTSCHLER FOREST METROPARK
7a. Riegert Road
5701 Riegert Road Fairfield Township OH 45011
7b. Line Hill Mound Area
3420 Hamilton-Middletown Road
Fairfield Township OH 45011
7c. Timberhill Area
3976 Hamilton-Middletown Road
Fairfield Township OH 45011

8. ELK CREEK METROPARK
8a. Seland Park Area
5580 Elk Creek Road Middletown OH 45042
8b. Meadow Ridge Area
5101 Cereal Park Middletown OH 45042

9. CHRISTHOLM METROPARK
9a. Chirstholm Historic Farmstead
2070 Woodside Road Trenton OH 45067
9b. Woodsdale Regional Park
1917 Woodside Road Trenton OH 45067

10. VOICE OF AMERICA METROPARK
7930 VOA Drive West Chester OH 45069
Athletic Complex
Ronald Reagan Lodge
Natural Areas & Chill Hill Sledding Hill
Wiggly Field Dog Park
Wheelhouse Outdoor Area

11. GREAT MIAMI RIVER TRAIL
11a. North Section
50 Oxford State Road Middletown OH 45044
11b. South Section
5701 Reiget Road Fairfield Township OH 45011
Parking Area
11c. 50 Oxford State Road Middletown OH 45044
11d. 26 North Camden Boulevard
Middletown OH 45042
11e. 2399 North Camden Boulevard
Middletown OH 45042
11f. 3800 North Verity Parkway
Middletown OH 45042
11g. 4400 North Verity Parkway
Middletown OH 45042

12. BICENTENNIAL COMMONS
12a. River Center
120 South Camden Boulevard
Middletown OH 45044
MAY EVENTS

BIG WEEK OF BIRDING
Rentschler Forest MetroPark
Reigart Road Area
Wed., May 1, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM MAY DAY
Chrisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., May 2, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
FREE

BIG WEEK OF BIRDING
Four Mile Creek MetroPark
Mill Race Area
Thurs., May 2, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Pre-registration Required by 5/1/19
FREE

BIG WEEK OF BIRDING
Four Mile Creek MetroPark
Dawson Woods Area
Fri., May 3, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Pre-registration Required by 5/2/19
FREE

RIVERCON
Bicentennial Commons
Sat., May 4, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
FREE

BIG WEEK OF BIRDING
Governor Bebo MetroPark
Sat., May 4, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM FARM GAMES
Chrisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., May 5, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM MAGNIFICENT MOMS
Chrisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., May 9, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM RAINBOW GARDENS
Chrisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., May 16, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
FREE

RIDE WITH A RANGER
Bicentennial Commons
River Center
Sat., May 18, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Pre-registration Required by 5/17/19
FREE

LET’S GO HIKING! SPRING BIRDING
Hardin Park
1300 Hunter Road Fairfield 45014
Sat., May 18, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Pre registration by calling 513.867.5348
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
ABC’S OF FARM LIFE
Chrisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., May 19, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
FREE

ANNUAL SALUTE TO PIONEERS
Indian Creek MetroPark
Pioneer Church
Sun., May 19, 2:30 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM BUSY BEES
Chrisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., May 23, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
THE 3-SISTERS GARDEN
Chrisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., May 30, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
FREE

The mission of the MetroParks of Butler County is to provide a superior park system that maximizes the community’s quality of life through conservation, education, and recreation. For more information visit us at www.YourMetroParks.net or call 513.867.5835
Motor Vehicle Permit Required. FREE to Butler County Residents. Non Residents $5/daily or $10/annually.
Join MetroParks of Butler County and the City of Fairfield for some exciting programming at Fairfield Parks!

**LET’S GO HIKING SERIES**
Free & Open to the Public
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
2019 Locations to be determined

- 10/20/18 Fall Blooms
  Harbin Park
- 11/17/18 Habitat Hike
  Huffman Park
- 12/15/18 Surviving Winter
  Harbin Park
- 1/19/19 Winter Tree ID
- 2/16/19 Tracks, Scats & Signs
- 3/16/19 Eastern Bluebirds
- 4/20/19 Spring Wildflowers
- 5/18/19 Spring Birding Hike
- 6/15/19 Creaking
- 7/20/19 Summer Wildflowers
- 8/17/19 Invasive Species
- 9/21/19 Autumn Birding Hike
- 10/19/19 Fall Wildflowers
- 11/16/19 Animal Homes
- 12/21/19 Surviving Winter

**PRE-SMARTIES & SMARTIES**
Programming for City of Fairfield Registered Preschool Students Only

- 11/13/18 Amazing Animals
- 2/5/19 Calling All Farm Hands
- 4/9/19 Animal Games

**NATURE PROGRAMS**
Free & Open to the Public
2019 Locations to be determined

- 11/3/18  2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
  Autumn Leaves
  Huffman Park
- 1/25/19  6:00 – 7:30 p.m.
  Owl Hike
- 3/24/19  2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
  Fossils
- 4/6/19   2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
  Spring Babies
- 6/1/19   9:00 – 10:30 p.m.
  Night Hike
- 7/2/19   6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
  Water Conservation
- 9/7/19   2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
  Amazing Animals
- 10/6/19  2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
  Nature Craft

Registration is requested for the Let’s Go Hiking Series and Nature Programming. Call 513.867.5348 to save your spot!
Flashlight Egg Hunt

**WHEN**
Friday, April 12, 2019
8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Friday, April 19, 2019
8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**WHERE**
Forest Run MetroPark
Wildlife Preserve Area
1810 New London Road
Hamilton, OH 45013

Elk Creek MetroPark
Sebald Park Area
5580 Elk Creek Road
Middletown, OH 45042

**PRICE**
$5.00 per participant
Pre-registration required by April 10th

Pre-registration required by April 17th

**ABOUT**
When the park is dark, your flashlight will be your guide! Bring your own flashlight and join in the fun! Egg cartons will be provided for collecting. All participants will hunt for one dozen eggs to turn in for a goodie bag. Check-in opens at 8:30 p.m. Crafts will be available in between hunt times.

8:30 p.m.: 3- to 5-year-old hunt
8:45 p.m.: 6- to 8-year-old hunt,
9:00 p.m.: 9- to 12-year-old hunt
9:15 p.m.: Family Hunt (if you have multiple aged children that want to participate together)
Dog-Gone Bone Hunt

**WHEN**
Sunday, April 14, 2019
12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**WHERE**
Rentschler Forest MetroPark
Reigart Road Area
5701 Reigart Road
Fairfield Township OH 45011

**PRICE**
$5/dog through April 7, 2019
$6/dog on and after April 8, 2019
Pre-registration Requested,
Walk-ups Welcome

**ABOUT**
Bring your pooch for an egg hunt designed for dogs! Put their nose to the test as they sniff out a dozen treat filled plastic eggs. They will even receive a new toy as an extra reward. Some activities include: shopping at dog-friendly vendors, concessions, dog obstacle course, socializing time, and photo opportunities!

Hunt times are scheduled by weight:
12:00 p.m. – Registration/Check-in Opens
1:00 p.m. – Dogs Under 30 pounds
1:15 p.m. – Dogs 30-50 pounds
1:30 p.m. – Dogs 50 pounds and over

Event Rules: We ask that all dogs are well-behaved, socialized, and current on vaccinations. One dog per handler. Stoop and scoop rules apply – we will provide poop bags and garbage cans at the event for your use. Dogs must remain on a leash at all times during the event.

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Nest Box Monitor Volunteer

Want to learn more about the birds in your area while earning volunteer hours? Become a nest box monitor for one of our numerous park locations! Boxes are monitored from March through August, and are checked every 3-4 days. The data that you record will be submitted to Cornell Lab of Ornithology. If you would like more information, please email Madeline Pruszenski at mpruszenski@YourMetroParks.net.
Star Series

WHEN
Saturday Evenings
Starting in February and running through November of 2019
See dates below

PRICE
FREE programs for all ages
Registration required by the Friday before each program

ABOUT
Enjoy the night sky at MetroParks! A few nights this year, we will be exploring the stars with local astronomers. You'll have the chance to observe the planets, moon, stars, and a few meteor showers through the lens of some amazing telescopes. Plus, you'll be able to participate in fun family crafts at our Meet the Planet programs! Bring a blanket or chair, relax, and enjoy the night like you have never before!

MEET THE PLANET:
MOON & MARS
Rentschler Forest MetroPark
Riegart Road Area
Saturday, February 16, 2019
5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

MEET THE PLANET:
JUPITER
Elk Creek MetroPark
Sebald Park Area
Saturday, June 8, 2019
8:30 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.

PERSEID METEOR
SHOWER WATCH
Forest Run MetroPark
Wildlife Preserve Area
Saturday, August 10, 2019
9:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.

MEET THE PLANET:
SATURN
Forest Run MetroPark
Timberman Ridge
Saturday, September 7, 2019
7:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

ORIONID METEOR
SHOWER WATCH
Governor Bebb MetroPark
Saturday, October 19, 2019
7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

LEONID METEOR
SHOWER WATCH
Elk Creek MetroPark
Meadow Ridge Area
Saturday, November 16, 2019
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

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8th Annual Richter Day Celebration

**WHEN**
Thursday April 25, 2019
11:00 am – 11:45 am

**WHERE**
Richter Ohio Historic Marker
Roundabout at Hamilton-Trento Road and Busenbark Roads
Trenton OH 45067
Across from Edgewood High School

**PRICE**
FREE
No registration required

**ABOUT**
Come celebrate the birthday of Butler County native and creator of the Richter Scale, Charles Francis Richter. Participants are invited to place a rock at the Richter Marker as a tribute.

Pam Pratt, graduate of Edgewood High School and Miami University, will be the guest speaker. Pam serves as the Public Relations Director of Edgewood City Schools.
MEDICINAL AND EDIBLE PLANT WORKSHOP

Medicinal and Edible Plant Workshop

WHEN
Saturday, April 27, 2019
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

WHERE
Governor Bebb MetroPark
Pioneer Village
1979 Bebb Park Lane
Okeana, OH 45053

PRICE
FREE

REGISTER
YourMetroParks.net
Registration Required by 4/26/19

ABOUT
Could you survive off the land? Come to the Medicinal and Edible Plants Workshop to learn about the various edible plants of Ohio and their medicinal properties. Enjoy an experiential hike to find edible plants and create your own edible/medicinal plant supplement to take home!

Open to ages 13 and up. Participants under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

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Earthstock | Earth Day Festival

WHEN
Sunday, April 28, 2019
12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

WHERE
Voice of America MetroPark
7850 VOA Park Dr.,
West Chester OH 45069

PRICE
FREE

REGISTER
YourMetroParks.net
Reduce-Reuse-Recycle art competition,
Vendor, & Sponsorship information
under About. Special Event Forms

ABOUT

NFW! Celebrate Earth Day and get closer to nature at Earthstock | Earth Day Festival! Guests will have the chance to experience lectures and demonstrations on a variety of environmental topics, try out various recreation equipment and activities, view natural artwork in the Reduce-Reuse-Recycle art competition, check out all the Earth-friendly vendors and opportunities for service around MetroParks... plus MORE!

Want to enter the Reduce-Reuse-Recycle art competition? Just head to Special Event Forms at www.YourMetroParks.net for rules and registration.

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Photo Walks: Seasons in MetroParks

Join Photographer Susan Milinkovich as she shares different tips on photography in nature in a hands-on setting. Bring your mobile phone, Point-and-shoot or DSLR camera – no photography experience needed.

**COMPOSING A GREAT PHOTOGRAPH**

Start the morning with a short presentation on compositional tools in the Welcome Center. Then we’ll go outside and search for good photo opportunities in the fields and around the ponds. Learn tips on composition to help frame and capture spring flowers and early morning light.

**Saturday, April 13, 2019 | 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. | Forest Run MetroPark Welcome Center**

**IT’S ALL ABOUT THE LIGHT**

Join us for a summer evening at VOA as we search for good compositions that capture the evening light. Learn tips on the different types of light, how that light can impact your image, and how to use light correctly to create great photographs.

**Monday, June 17, 2019 | 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. | Voice of America MetroPark Ronald Reagan Lodge**

**SHOOTING CLOSE-UPS AND INTIMATE LANDSCAPES**

Spend a summer evening looking for the “small stuff”. When you start to look for the “small stuff”, you’ll discover all kinds of interesting new subjects on a summer evening.

**Thursday, July 18, 2019 | 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. | Elk Creek MetroPark Meadow Ridge Area**

**PHOTOGRAPHING HISTORICAL BUILDINGS**

Join us as we wander around the Pioneer Village and capture photographs of the historic buildings. Learn tips for telling a story with your photographs and capturing architectural features.

**Saturday, September 7, 2019 | 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Governor Bebb MetroPark Pioneer Village**

**SHOOTING FALL COLORS**

Embrace Autumn at Chrisholm Farm as we search for fall colors and capture photographs of the historic Farmstead. Learn tips for capturing fall colors and share a little about how to use color theory in your photography.

**Saturday, November 9, 2019 | 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. | Chrisholm MetroPark Historic Farmstead**

All programs are FREE. Registration is required by the Friday before each program.
Big Week of Birding in Butler County

First Things to Expect with Dave Russell

Tuesday, April 23, 2019
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Chisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead

Big Week of Birding Dates

Saturday, April 27, 2019
7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Gilmore MetroPark
Gilmore Road Area

Saturday, April 27, 2019
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Indian Creek MetroPark
Springfield Road Area

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7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Forest Run MetroPark
Timberman Ridge

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Hueston Woods State Park
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6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Elk Creek MetroPark
Meadow Ridge Area

Wednesday, May 1, 2019
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Rentschler Forest MetroPark
Riegart Road Area

Thursday, May 2, 2019
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Four Mile Creek MetroPark
Mill Race Area
Pre-registration required by 5/1/19

Friday, May 3, 2019
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Four Mile Creek MetroPark
Davidson Woods Area
Pre-registration required by 5/2/19

Saturday, May 4, 2019
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Governor Bebb MetroPark

About
It's the time of year to keep our eyes open for some amazing spring migrants like warblers, vireos, and orioles. Join us with members of the Audubon Miami Valley in celebration of these birds and many other species during the 6th annual Big Week of Birding. Enjoy bird hikes at various MetroParks locations lead by birding experts. Binoculars will be available to those who need them. All programs are FREE and most do not require pre-registration.

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**Friends of MetroParks of Butler County**

| Our Mission | To improve and preserve the parks for future generations, to educate and inform the public about the unique qualities of each MetroPark, and to encourage individuals and groups to participate in volunteer programs |
| Member Benefits | - Invitations to Member-only events  
- Opportunity to apply for funding to support MetroParks programs and projects  
- Attend Annual Meeting and have a voice in Friends activities and direction |
| Who Are We? | Private citizens who have come together to:  
- Sponsor programs & activities, promoting the use of MetroParks for conservation, education and recreation  
- Encourage volunteerism toward support of MetroParks of Butler County  
- Identify and implement improvements to the park  
- Assist in raising funds, securing donations, and obtaining grants monies to further MetroParks’ mission |

**Yes, I/We want to be a member of Friends of MetroParks of Butler County!**

Detach the form below and Mail it with your check to the address below

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**Become a Friend!**
Simply fill in this form, detach and mail it with your check. Made payable to:

**Friends of MetroParks of Butler County**  
PO Box 691  
Hamilton, OH 45012

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