The Voice of the Turtle



Friends of MetroParks of Butler County Monthly Newsletter

July, 2019

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July Board Meeting! Friends of MetroParks of Butler County

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Voice of America MetroPark

7850 VOA Park Dr, West Chester, OH 45069

6:00-6:45 PM



Letter from the President

June was an interesting month. Rain seemed intent on making Noah's flood seem like a summer shower. Farmers across the country were often delayed or prevented from planting corn or soybeans. Rice probably was not a viable alternative. Out of the first six Hump Day Concerts, it rained for 3 and threatened for the rest.

Rain held off for the Great Miami River First Peoples Celebration, but summer temperatures arrived just in time to make the dancers wish that their regalia were summer weight.

Anyone who has lived for any length of time in Ohio knows not to expect predictable weather. There is an old story of how the city of Cleveland came to be established on the banks of the Cuyahoga River. Seems that a wagon train was headed west. When they reached the river, the wagon master said "we'll just camp here until the weather clears". The rest, as they say, is history.

See you in the parks!

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: Water is Life, Batty About Bats, Compost Chums and Brave Bacteria, Pizza Parts, ABC's of Farm Life, Grass-head friends, Let's all Scream for Ice Cream, Ant's Go Marching Fun on the Farm is on Thursdays from 6:30-7:30pm and Sunday's from 2:00-4:00pm

Hump Day Concert Series



Need a little Mid-Week pick me up? Come out to Voice of America MetroPark and enjoy live Music, Food & Family Fun every Wednesday for the Hump Day concert series.

The Concert Series this month will feature: Dat Band, the Sunburners, Kavan, RoadTrip, and the McCartney Project

Family Fun Friday



It's time for Family Fun Fridays! Join MetroParks of Butler County with partners Butler Soil and Water Conservation District and Ohio State University Extension for some summer fun!

The theme is Red, White, and Blue. Learn about the most patriotic members of nature! This is a FREE program, snacks are included.

Friday, July 5th, 10:00-11:30AM

Rentschler forest Metro Park: Cummings Shelter-5701 Reigart Rd, Fairfield OH 45011

Wild about wildflowers Hike



Are you ready to get Wild? Join us for a wildflower hike in search of nature's gems like spring beauties, violet and trillium. Free

Saturday. July 6th, 10:00AM-12:30 PM Governor Bebb Metro Parks-Howe Shelter

Trail Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Scheduled

The dedication ceremonies for the new trail at Forest Run MetroPark are scheduled for Friday, July 12, from 3 to 5 PM. Meet at the White Shelter at 1976 Timberman Road, Hamilton, OH.

Crazy Cardboard Regatta



BOATS! BOATS! BOATS! Cardboard boats, that is. The MetroParks of Butler County presents the 10th Annual Crazy Cardboard Regatta on Saturday, July 20th from 11:00 AM-3:00 PM at Voice of America MetroPark in West Chester! Do you think you've got what it takes? Then, sign your team up to build your own cardboard boat and join the amazing race around the lake! Sea legs aren't quite ready; you say? No problem! Vendors,

entertainment, activities, and more await you upon shore. So, come on out for some summer family fun, and don't forget to keep calm and boat on! FREE for spectators!

Cash or check will be required for boats registering the day of the event.

To register your boat, head to: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/10th-annual-crazy-cardboard-regatta-boat-registration-tickets-55407428109

Saturday. July 20, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM Voice of America MetroPark: Lake and Surrounding Area

Trail Yoga

Harmonize your breath with the rhythm of nature and unwind from your busy day as we practice mindful movement with traditional yoga poses along the meandering forest trail. All body shapes, sizes, and experience levels are welcome. This is truly something you need to experience to appreciate!



Please note: Wear comfortable "old friend" closed-toed shoes, as we will be out on the trail. You will not need a yoga mat for this program.

Call (513) 867-5835 to register for all eight classes at a discount. \$48.00 for the series!

Tuesday. July 9 6:00-7:00 PM Rentschler Forest MetroPark - Stone House - 5701 Reigart Rd. Hamilton, OH

Photo Walks-Tips for Shooting Closer-Ups and intimate landscapes.



Join us for a summer evening looking for the "small stuff". Photographer Susan Milinkovich will share tips for shooting close-ups and intimate landscapes. When you start to look for "small stuff", you'll discover all kinds of interesting new subjects. Bring your iPhone, Point-and-shoot or DSLR camera - no photography experience needed. Registration is required by 7/17/2019.

Thursday. July 18, 7:00-8:30 PM Elk Creek MetroPark - Meadow Ridge Area Shelter - 5101 Circle Pkwv., Middletown, OH

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/enrollCommunity RewardsNow

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.

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

Farm Animal Fund

Chrisholm Farmstead MetroPark is almost ready to begin adding livestock to the new pens. Because MPX can only make purchases from pre-approved vendors, this red tape makes it difficult to buy animals from individual farmers. Our status as a 501C3 tax-exempt non-profit group makes it possible to streamline livestock purchases for Chrisholm. We have set aside a special account for such purchases. Please send your tax-free donation Friends of MetroParks of Butler County to:

PO Box 691, Hamilton, OH 45012

Please make sure to make a note on the memo line of your check "Chrisholm Animal Fund" to make sure your donation helps populate the new FarmScape..

Boats, Boats! Cardboard Boats that is...

The Crazy Cardboard Regatta is ready to set sail for its 10th year on July 20, 2019 from 11:00am – 3:00pm at Voice of America MetroPark in West Chester, Ohio. Build your own cardboard boat or enjoy the show from the comforts of shore...either way you are sure to have a blast at this family fun event!



Recruit your neighbors, friends, family & coworkers to build a boat & join the craziness. The race will include a timed category, "The Fast & the Floundering," with the fastest boats continuing to the semi-finals. Boats can also enter "The Soggy Bottom Battle," where the last boat floating wins in this crash-derby style competition! Cardboard boats can come in all shapes & sizes and a variety of themed awards will be presented (Best Titanic, Team Spirit, and Judge's Choice, etc).

Sea legs aren't quite ready; you say? No problem! Shore enough, there is so much to do on land as well, including food, drinks, entertainment, kids' games, activities, and more! There's something for everyone to enjoy, land-lovers included. All these fun pieces create plenty of room for helping hands. Each year, we rely on nearly 100 volunteers to help pull together this exciting event, so there are a variety of tasks available for those who are interested in contributing their time.

If you are interested in building a boat, sponsoring, or volunteering, information can be found on MetroParks of Butler County website. For more information call MetroParks at 513-867-5835.

Volunteering with MetroParks

Did you know that volunteering with MetroParks has a multitude of benefits and rewards? Along with the selfsatisfaction of improving the community and helping Metroparks carry out it's mission to "...provide an exceptional park system that maximizes the community's quality of life through conservation, education, and recreation", YOU can receive incentives and rewards!

Some of the rewards include free admission to MetroParks facilities for special events and/or programs, invitation to special Volunteer events, as well as, an extensive list of rewards including: shelter/facility rentals, camping, water recreation rentals, and new this year- Volunteer clothing options!

Non-Butler County Volunteers who volunteer at least 10 hours within a calendar year and log them with MetroParks can receive **one** annual motor vehicle permit for the following calendar year, as well as, qualify for the other volunteer rewards!

To see our current list of rewards, please visit our website at

www.YourMetroParks.net/supportus/volunteering. On the Volunteer page, you can see the current Volunteer Policy (rewards are listed on page 8), apply to be a volunteer either individually or as a group and have access to commonly used forms for the department.

There is also access to Volgistics where you can log your hours. If you need help doing this, let the Manager of Volunteer Resources know so you can schedule a training. You can also send in monthly timesheets to log your hours. To redeem the rewards, print off the Volunteer Rewards Application and submit to the volunteer manager.

Volunteering with MetroParks is a gratifying way to give back to your community. It is an integral part of the park system and provides valuable resources to the organization. Our goal is to grow and develop rewarding partnerships between our volunteers and staff to promote and expand the MetroParks mission. Oh, and there are snacks too!

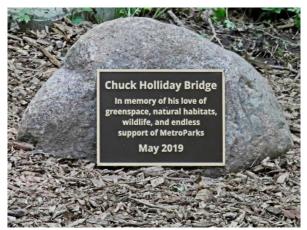
Third Hump Day Concert The Jayme Band







Dedication of the Chuck Holliday Suspension Bridge







Hump Day 4 – Modern Behavior







Hump Day 5 – Parrots of the Caribbean







Hump Day 6 – Dat Band







Great Miami River 1st Peoples Celebration















Like our Facebook Page for updates on:

-Upcoming members events & meetings
-Volunteering with MPX
-MPX programming









Show and Tell on the Farm

WHEN

Sundays 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Thursdays 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.

July 7 Water is Life

July 11 Batty about Bats

July 14 Compost Chums & Brave Bacteria

July 18 Pizza Parts

July 21 ABC's of Farm Life

July 25 Grass-Head Friends

July 28 All Scream for Ice Cream

August 1 Painting with Veggies

August 4 Ants Go Marching

August 8 Mudpies Mayhem

August 11 Pioneer Farmers

August 15 Herbalicious

August 18 ABC's of Farm Life

August 22 Cellar Food is Survival

August 25 Goober Peas & Soybeans

August 29 Barnyard Boot N Scoot

*There will be no Show & Tell on the Farm program on July 4.

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WHEN **Every Wednesday**

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. May 29th - August 22nd (excluding July 4th)

WHERE

Voice of America MetroPark Gazebo on the Lake

7850 VOA Park Drive West Chester, OH 45069

PRICE

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

REGISTER YourMetroParks.net Registration Not Required

May 29 Stagger Lee (Country Rock)

June 5 The Belairs (50s, 60s, Vegas-style Show)

June 12 JAYME (Country, Classic Rock)

June 19 Model Behavior (80s Party Rock)

June 26 Parrots of the Caribbean (Jimmy Buffett Tribute)

July 3 Dat Band (Funk, Soul, Rock & Roll)

FEATURING

- Free music
- Midweek relaxation
- · Food & adult beverages for purchase
- Lake activities
- · Bike & boat rentals
- · Playground for the kids

July 10 The SunBurners (Island Party)

July 17 KAVAN (Elvis Tribute)

July 24 RoadTrip (Classic Rock)

July 31 The McCartney Project (Beatles Tribute)

August 7 Ryan Broshear (Country)

August 14 The Barefoot Movement (Americana, Folk, Bluegrass)











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 Creeking 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 1/26/19 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 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. 9/7/19 Amazing Animals 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. 10/6/19

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



Nature Craft





Crazy Cardboard Regatta

WHEN Saturday, July 20, 2019 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

WHERE Voice of America MetroPark

7850 VOA Park Drive West Chester OH 45069

PRICE FREE for spectators

REGISTER YourMetroParks.net

Boat, Vendor, & Sponsorship Information under About, Special

Event Forms

COME CELEBRATE THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF CRAZY CARDBOARD REGATTA!

FEATURING

- Vendor

The Fast & The Floundering

Boats built for speed or for show...the fastest boats move on

Soggy Bottom Battle

The last boat floating wins in this "crash derby" style competition

Awards for speed, creativity, & presentation in each category

Benefiting *The Water Recreation Fund* at The Community Foundation



West Chester Hospital





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Rentschler Forest MetroPark

Reigart Road Area | 5701 Reigart Road Fairfield Twp OH 45011

MUD MANIA

- Obstacle Course
- Water Slide
- Muddy Pools
- · Little Mudders' Area
- · Vendors and MORE!

Friday, August 9 & Saturday, August 10

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

\$5/day ages 5 & up Under 5 years old/FREE

MUD VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENTS

- · All the Fun of Mud Mania!
- Bandanna for each team member
- 1st & 2nd Place Awards each day

Friday, August 9 & Saturday, August 10

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

\$50/day/6-player volleyball team

NEW! MUTT MANIA

- · Doggy Obstacles
- · Muddy Pools
- Dog Vendors

Sunday, August 11, 2019

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

\$5/dog OR 3-lb bag of dog food





PLEASE NOTE: Come prepared to get wet & dirty. All Participants must wear shoes (no flip flops). All dogs must be on a leash.

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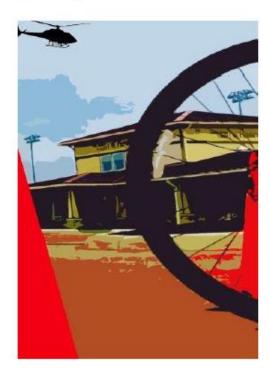
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BIKE AND SAFETY RALLY 2019

Calling All Kids In The Community!

You and your family are cordially invited to the Fifth Annual Bike and Safety Rally, presented by UC Health Public Safety and MetroParks of Butler County.





Don't forget to bring your bicycle <u>and</u> your helmet for FREE bike inspections and helmet fittings!

> Saturday, August 10 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

> > UC Health Fieldhouse 7850 VOA Park Drive West Chester, OH 45069





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:

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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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 you 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 Ploneer VIIIage

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.

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River Center Series

WHERE

Bicentennial Commons River Center

120 S. Carmody Boulevard Middletown OH 45044

PRICE FREE

All About Water

Saturday, March 30, 2019 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Let's get crazy about water! World Water Day is March 22nd, so let's celebrate. Learn about the importance of water and all that it does for us at the River Center. Read a story, engage in an activity, and have fun.

Amazing Animals

Saturday, June 1, 2019 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Want to learn all about Ohio Wildlife? Come check out the River Center while you experience an animal story and see a live animal presentation with our native program ambassadors!

Build a Butterfly Garden

Saturday, August 24, 2019 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Can't miss the butterflies when they are out and about. Their vibrant colors always catch your eyes. Let's learn how to build a garden to support our beautiful butterflies. Join us at the River Center for a fun program on How to Build a Butterfly Garden including a craft.

Ready...Set...Recycle!

Saturday, November 9, 2019 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Happy America Recycles Day! America Recycles Day is November 15th and we are ready to celebrate. Join us at the River Center for some fun recycling-based activities and a craft.

* Pre-registration required by the Friday before program

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THE FARM

WHEN Sunday, September 8, 2019

12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

WHERE Chrisholm MetroPark
Chrisholm Historic Farmstead

2070 Woodsdale Road Trenton, OH 45067

PRICE \$5 per vehicle



Experience life and activities away from the city and down on the farm at this year's Fun on the Farm—farm fun the old fashion way!

Featuring:

- Petting zoo with the opportunity to feed the animals
- · Farmer's market
- · Wagon rides
- · Samples of open hearth cooking
- Tours of the 1874 Amish-Mennonite Augspurger Home
- And MORE!



Movies in the Parks

ABOUT

What's better than going out to a movie on Friday night? How about a FREE movie outdoors on a nice summer evening! Grab your lawn chair or blanket and join us for an evening out in the parks. Feel free to pack your dinner to make it a dinner and a movie. The movie will begin at dark.

WHEN

Every Friday from August 16, 2019 to September 20, 2019

PRICE

FREE TO THE PUBLIC Registration Not Required



MARY POPPINS RETURNS August 16, 2019 Rentschler Forest MetroPark 5701 Reigart Rd. Fairfield Township, OH 45011



YOUR DRAGON: THE HIDDEN WORLD August 23, 2019 Rentschler Forest MetroPark 5701 Reigart Rd. Fairfield Township, OH 45011



CHRISTOPHER ROBIN August 30, 2019 Rentschler Forest MetroPark 5701 Reigart Rd. Fairfield Township, OH 45011



CHARLOTTE'S WEB September 6, 2019 Rentschler Forest MetroPark 5701 Reigart Rd. Fairfield Township, OH 45011



THE INCREDIBLES 2 September 13, 2019 Rentschler Forest MetroPark 5701 Reigart Rd. Fairfield Township, OH 45011

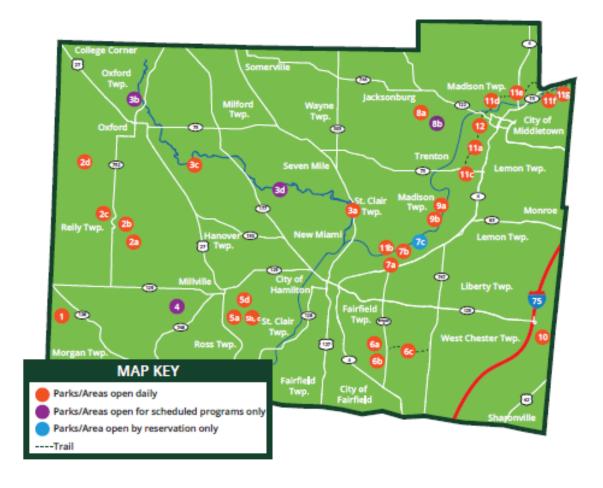


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1. GOVERNOR BEBB METROPARK

1979 Bebb Park Lane Okeana OH 45053 Bebb Natural Area Dry Fork Campground Pioneer Village

2. INDIAN CREEK METROPARK

2A. Bunker Hill Cemetery 5351 Reily-Millville Road Oxford OH 45056 2b. Oxford Road Area 1899 Oxford-Reily Road (SR 732) 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. Antenen Preserve

2385 Treiber Road Hamilton OH 45011 3B. Mill Race Area 5911 Morning Sun Road Oxford OH 45056 3C. Sycamore Bluffs Area 3742 Lanes Mills Road Hamilton OH 45011 3D. Davidson Woods Area 1200 Hogue Road Hamilton OH 45013

4. SALAMANDER RUN PRESERVE

4821 Layhigh Road Hamilton OH 45013

5. Forest Run MetroPark 5A. Engle House - Little Dry Run -Administrative Office

2051 Timberman Road Hamilton OH 45013

5B. Welcome Center

1976 Timberman Road Hamilton OH 45013 5C. Timberman Ridge

1976 Timberman Road Hamilton OH 45013

5D. Wildlife Preserve Area

1810 New London Road Hamilton OH 45013

6. GILMORE METROPARK

6A. Gilmore Road Area

7950 Gilmore Road Hamilton OH 45015

6B. Bilstein Boulevard Area

8500 Bilstein Boulevard Hamilton OH 45015

6C. Port Union Trail Area

7. RENTSCHLER FOREST METROPARK

7A. Riegart Road Area

5701 Riegart Road Fairfield Township OH 45011

7B. Line Hill Mound Area

3620 Hamilton-Middletown Road Fairfield Township OH 45011

7C. Timberhill Area

3976 Hamilton-Middletown Road Fairfield Township OH 45011

8. Elk Creek MetroPark 8A. Sebald Park Area

5580 Elk Creek Road Middletown OH 45042 8B. Meadow Ridge Area 5101 Circle Parkway Middletown OH 45042

9. Chrisholm MetroPark

9A. Chrisholm Historic Farmstead 2070 Woodsdale Road Trenton OH 45067

9B. Woodsdale Regional Park

1917 Woodsdale Road Trenton OH 45067

10. Voice of America MetroPark

7850 VOA Park 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 Riegart Road Fairfield Township OH 45011

11C. Parking Areas

50 Oxford State Road, Middletown OH 45044

26 North. Carmody Boulevard,

Middletown OH 45044

2399 North Carmody Boulevard.

Middletown OH 45042

3801 North Verity Parkway,

Middletown OH 45042

4401 North Verity Parkway,

Middletown OH 45042

12.Bicentennial Commons

Carmody Bouldvard at Central Avenue

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

Become a Friend!	Pick an Annual Membership	
Simply fill in this form, detach and mail it with your check. Made payable to:	☐ Individual - \$10	
Friends of MetroParks of Butler County	☐ Family - \$15	
PO Box 691	☐ Group/Business -\$100	
Hamilton, OH 45012	☐ Donation - \$	
Name(s)/Contact	Date	
Name(s)/Contact	Date	
Group or Business Name		
Address		
City	State Zip	
Home/Business Phone		
Email (required to receive newsletter)		