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.

Friends of MetroParks of Butler County Monthly Newsletter

September, 2018

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September Board Meeting and Members Only Cookout
Friends of MetroParks of Butler County

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Rentschlers Forest MetroPark
Riverview Shelter, 5701 Reigart Road
Hamilton, OH 45011

6:30-8:45 PM

Members please RSVP by Monday 9/10 to Bug_jock@yahoo.com
How many will attend and hotdog or hamburger preferences
Letter from the President

Labor Day has passed. Kids are back in school (come on, Mom, try to act a little sad). Only a few weeks of summer left before autumn officially arrives. Baseball competes with football for viewer attention. Sounds like a good time to join the Board of Directors for a cookout in Rentschler Forest MetroPark. Wednesday, Sep. 12, the Board of Directors of FoMPBC invites members to join us for the monthly board meeting and cookout. Meet us at 6:30 pm at Riverview Shelter. Bypass 4 ends at Route 4. Continue north past Bob Evans to Reigart Road. Turn right, then left on Reigart. Follow Reigart until it ends, then turn left into the park. Follow the road to Riverview Shelter. Be sure to let me know before Monday, 9/10, how many from your family will attend, and how many want hamburgers and how many hotdogs. Please let me know by email: bug_jock@yahoo.com

See you in the parks,
Bill Walker, President FOMPBC

Upcoming Events

Show and Tell on the Farm

Come out and enjoy fall on the farm with Show and Tell on the Farm at Chrisholm MetroPark. Topics this month include: Whose Tracks are These?, Colors on the Farm, Broom Swoosha Broom, Insects Alive!, Goober Peas on the Farm, ABC’s of Farm Life, Let’s take a Spin, and Backbone Bonanza.

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

Fun on the Farm

Are you ready for some old fashion fun? Experience life and activities down on the farm. Enjoy a petting zoo with the opportunity to feed the animals, Farmer’s market, barn dancing, hayrides, samples of open hearth cooking, tours of the 1974 Amish-Mennonite Augspurger home and more.

Saturday September 8th, 12:00-4:00pm at Chrisholm MetroPark Historic Farmstead.

Admission: $5.00 per vehicle.

Rethinking Porkopolis

At the Rethinking Porkopolis Exhibit, join Friends of Chrisholm and MetroParks of Butler County for an exhibition about how pigs and pork packing shaped the environment of Cincinnati and
Southwest Ohio during the 1800's, and connected the region to the cotton economy of the Deep South. This exhibit is made available for visitors of Chrisholm MetroPark by the Friends of Chrisholm. The program is made possible, in part, by the Ohio Humanities, a state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. Any views, findings, conclusions or recommendations expressed in this exhibition do not necessarily represent those of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The Ohio Open Doors event(s) held on Sunday September 9, 2018 and Sunday September 16, 2018 are sponsored by the Friends of Chrisholm and MetroParks of Butler County. Brought to you by the Ohio History Connection, Open Doors is a statewide event in which local sponsors open historic buildings and landmarks to the public for special tours and programs. Join us in honoring the history, design and stories of the Augspurger Home at Chrisholm Historic Farmstead at Chrisholm MetroPark.

September 9th and 16th from 1:00-4:00pm and Thursday September 13th, 5:00-7:00pm at Chrisholm MetroPark Historic Farmstead.

Come wander around Chrisholm Farm in search of Stunning fall colors and capture photographs of the historic farmstead. Photographer, Susan Milinkovich, will be on hand to give tips for capturing fall colors and share a little about how to use color theory in your photography. Bring your smartphone, point-and-shoot or DSLR camera. No photography experience is required.

Saturday September 15th, 9:00-10:30am. Chrisholm MetroPark Historic Farmstead.

**Photo Walks-Tips for Shooting Fall Color**

**Movies in the Parks**

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Cost:
$5/Ages 5+, FREE/Under 5
Saturday. September 22, 10:00 AM-5:00 PM
Governor Bebb MetroPark

Trail Yoga

Hiking and Yoga, what could be better? It is a great way to reduce stress through awareness and increase positive emotions. In fact, being present in nature has been proven to lower heart rate/blood pressure and even boost immunity! Join us on Tuesday evenings with Laura Lejeune for a time of relaxation in and around Rentschler Forest MetroPark.

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. Open to all fitness levels.

Call (513) 867-5835 to register for all six classes at a discount. $36.00 for the series!

Great Outdoor Weekend

September is a GREAT time to get outdoors and explore the parks. Make sure to mark your calendars for these events that are taking place during the great outdoor weekend.

Early Fall Blooms
Sign up for a hike through one of MetroParks' hidden gems. Davidson Woods is only open for special programs such as this. Hike through this park which has no trails looking for the early fall wildflowers. Reservations required, and space is limited. Saturday, September 29th, 10:00AM-12:00PM

Tracks, Scats & Signs
Bring Your Best Detective Senses to look for clues of animals in the park on a guided hike. The trail is unpaved so wear sturdy shoes. September 29th, 2:00-4:00PM Forest Run MetroParks.

Geocaching
Be a part of this national event and try something new! Geocaching is almost like a treasure hunt when you’re looking for caches. This is a drop in, walk-up program FREE to anyone who wants to give it a try. You’ll be provided some instruction before you set off to find the caches and earn little rewards along the way! September 30th, 10:00-12:00pm at Forest Run MetroParks.
Dear Friends of Metro Parks of Butler County (TM866),

The Kroger Co. Family of Stores is committed to bringing hope and help to the local neighborhoods we call home. Our stores are on a mission to not just part of, but to help create a stronger community. We recognize that every community has unique causes that need support. Thank you for being such an important organization in our community.

We have recently upgraded our system, and as a result your Non-Profit Organization (NPO) has a new account number. We recommend communicating this new number to your members, and updating any marketing materials with this change. Please reference the new number when contacting us for assistance. The previous number will continue to be associated with your organization, however, it will not be visible to your members when enrolling.

The upgrade process created a delay in the delivery of the last quarter statement. We apologize for the delay, and assure you that future quarterly statements will be delivered in a timely manner.

We encourage you to ask your supporters to link their rewards card to your organization. Community Rewards is easy to use, The more your supporters shop with us, the more money your organization will earn!

We are committed to carefully protecting our customer's personal information. In order to meet their expectation of privacy, we have adopted a simple policy to never share a customer's personal information. Our privacy policy applies to Community Rewards participation as well.

Thank you for being such an important organization in our community,

Community Rewards Staff

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.

Hump Day Concert 9,
The SunBurners
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Hump Day Concert 11,
DV8 Band
Hump Day Concert 12,
Stagger Lee Band
Mud Mania
Mutt Mania
River Center Ribbon Cutting
2018 Summer Wrap Up

It’s hard to believe that summer is coming to a close and schools are back in session. It has been a busy summer at MetroParks of Butler County. Visitor Services answered over 3,200 phone calls and had
over 2,270 personal interactions with our park customer/owners.

Despite hot temperatures, the Crazy Cardboard Boat Regatta was a hit with all 1,500 spectators and participants that came out, and next year we will celebrate the event’s 10th year.

Mud Mania wrapped up with a new twist to the event, Mutt Mania! 50 dogs came out to roll around in the mud and all 2,000 participants were happy and muddy by the end of the weekend.

Voice of America MetroPark was home again to the USA Triathlon Youth and Junior National Championships during the first weekend in August. Thousands of athletes and spectators gathered in park for this 2-day event.

September holds more exciting MetroParks events as we gear up for Fun on the Farm at Chrisholm MetroPark on Saturday, September 8th and our brand new event, Great Miami River First Peoples Celebration, at Governor Bebb MetroPark on Saturday, September 22nd.

Fun on the Farm is a chance to experience life and activities away from the city and down on the farm - farm fun the old fashion way! Enjoy a petting zoo with the opportunity to feed the animals, a farmer's market, barn dancing, hayrides, samples of open hearth cooking, tours of the 1874 Amish-Mennonite Augspurger Home, and MORE!

Then, venture out to the west of the county as we introduce our newest event, the Great Miami River First Peoples Celebration! Butler County is rich with cultural history! So, come experience first-hand the vibrant culture of Native Americans while embracing the opportunity to honor their traditions. Activities will include a drum circle, dancers dressed in regalia, and intertribal traditional/contemporary dance & song demonstrations! Food, beverages, and Native American vendors will also be available to delight guests outside of the dance ring. And dive even deeper into Butler County's history by exploring the Pioneer Village with our historical interpretation tours running throughout the day!

And that’s not all because we are looking forward to many more events yet to come in the remainder of 2018!
Like our Facebook Page for updates on:
- Upcoming members events & meetings
- Volunteering with MPX
- MPX programming
2018 Crazy Cardboard Regatta at VOA MetroPark

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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

September Birthday Corner!

- Melissa Gaerke  9/4  Patricia Gay  9/17
- Karen Smith    9/6  Barney Riesbeck  9/17
- Jackson Dygert 9/8  Susan Milinkovich  9/20
- Stephen Holman 9/8  Rich Owens      9/21
- Isaiah Morgan   9/8  Fredrick Rubolu   9/23
- Anne Jantzen   9/10  Dave Hagedorn   9/30
- Jack Feenstra   9/12
- Michael Bonamer  9/14

We love our Volunteers!!
Bill Walker - Friends of MetroParks, President

How long have you lived or worked in Butler County? Moved to area in '95. Still a newcomer.

Tell me a little about your family: Married Alice in '71. Son, Jim, works for same company from which I retired.

Do you have any hobbies? Cooking, photography, travel, and bad puns.

What do you like to do for fun or is there a fun fact about yourself you would like to share? Presently researching family tree. Planning to visit old family stomping grounds in Tennessee in September.

What do you love most about volunteering for MetroParks? Any opportunity to lead/participate in a nature walk, events providing photo opportunities are favorites, Hump Day Concerts are always fun.
September Volunteer Opportunities

Butterfly Garden Weeding
When: May through September
Where: Forest Run MetroPark, Timberman Ridge Area
1976 Timberman Road, Hamilton OH 45013
What: A volunteer is needed to help care for the butterfly garden at the Timberman Ridge Area of Forest Run MetroPark. The butterfly garden volunteer will be responsible for removing weeds from the garden every 1-2 weeks and watering during dry periods, as needed. Strong skills in native prairie plant identification is required in order to successfully differentiate weeds from desired pollinator plants. This is an ongoing opportunity that would require a commitment from May-September.

Fun on the Farm
When: September 8, 2018
Where: Chrisholm MetroPark-Chrisholm Historic Farmstead
What: Experience life and activities away from the city and down on the farm at this year’s Fun on the Farm while you help event guests experience farm fun the old fashion way! Opportunities to get involved include assisting with a petting zoo, farmer’s market, barn dancing, hayrides, open hearth cooking, historical tours, and MORE!

Rethinking Porkopolis
When: *Sunday, September 9, 1:00 - 4:00 pm
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Thursday, September 20, 5:00 - 7:30 pm
Sunday, September 23, 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Thursday, September 27, 5:00 - 7:30 pm
Sunday, September 30, 1:00 - 4:00 pm
* The dates of Sunday the 9th and Sunday the 16th will be part of the statewide “Open Doors” event sponsored by the Ohio History Connection. During “Open Doors”, historic buildings and landmarks are open to the public for special tours and programs.
Where: Chrisholm MetroPark Augspurger House
2070 Woodsdale Road
Trenton OH 45067
What: The Friends of Chrisholm are seeking volunteers to act as hosts for the Rethinking Porkopolis exhibit that will be on display at the Chrisholm MetroPark. Seeking individuals who enjoy learning about local history and meeting new people. A brief orientation for volunteer hosts will be provided by the exhibit creator, Robert Gioielli, on Sunday September 9, 2018 at noon. A light lunch will be provided to volunteer hosts after the training. The exhibit will formally open at 1:30 with a talk by Mr. Gioielli. Rethinking Porkopolis, curated by Robert Gioielli, explores how the pork industry shaped the local environment and connected Cincinnati to the global economy in the 19th century. While at Chrisholm MetroPark, the exhibit will highlight the roots of America’s pork industry in Butler County. This Ohio Humanities funded exhibit is made available for visitors of Chrisholm MetroPark by the Friends of Chrisholm, MetroParks of Butler County, the Harriet Beecher Stowe House, and a grant from the W.E. Smith Family Charitable Trust.
**Great Miami River First People’s Celebration**

**When:** September 22, 2018  
**Where:** Governor Bebb MetroPark  
**What:** Come experience first-hand the vibrant culture of Native Americans while embracing the opportunity to honor their traditions. Volunteers are needed for demonstrations in the Pioneer Village and to facilitate historical interpretation tours throughout the day.

**Ongoing Service Opportunities**

**Welcome Center – Middletown River Center  **NEW OPPORTUNITY**

**When:** Tentatively M/W/F/Saturday  
**Where:** Middletown River Center  
120 South Carmody Blvd., Middletown OH 45044  
**What:** Volunteers are needed at the Welcome Center at the Middletown River Center. Welcome park customer/owners with a smile, provide information about programs and the parks. Training provided. Contact Sara Schapman sschapman@YourMetroParks.net.

**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.

**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 for more information.

**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 and volunteer for the program itself. Contact Amy Pellman apellman@YourMetroParks.net.
Welcome Center - Voice of America MetroPark

When: Weekends
Where: Voice of America MetroPark
       Ronald Reagan Lodge, 7850 VOA Park Drive, West Chester OH 45069
What: Volunteers are needed at the Welcome Center at Voice of America MetroPark.
       Welcome park customer/owners with a smile, provide information about programs
       and the parks. Training provided. Contact Sara Schapman sschapman@YourMetroParks.net.

“Remember that the happiest people are not those getting more, but those giving more.”

H. Jackson Brown Jr.
Garden Explorers & Junior Master Gardeners Camps

**WHEN**
April 28, 2018
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.
September 15, 2018
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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

**PRICE**
$10/Butler County Resident Child
$15/Non-Resident Child
Pre-registration is required.

**ABOUT**
Let’s dig, plant and sow seeds of wonder. Perfect way to explore our natural world through interactive gardening activities on the farm. A craft and a snack are included.

Garden Explorers Camp, for ages 3-5 and their adult chaperones, and Junior Master Gardeners Camp, for ages 6-12, will run concurrently on each day. The April camp and September camp will be different, so children are encouraged to sign up for both. Camps are co-sponsored by Ohio State University Extension, Butler County and MetroParks of Butler County.

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WHEN
Sunday, October 28, 2018
12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Doggy Dash Registration 11:00 a.m.
Parade & Trick-or-Treat Trail Registration 11:30 a.m.
Doggy Dash 12:00 p.m.
Pupper Costume Parade 1:30 p.m.
Trick-or-Treat Trail Open 12:00 – 3:00 p.m.

WHERE
Voice of America MetroPark
7850 Voice of America Park Drive
West Chester OH 45069

PRICE
$6.00/dog + $6.00/dog to add the Doggy Dash*
Register online or day of the event.
Pre-register for $5.00/dog by Monday, October 22, 2018.

ABOUT
Bark your calendars for a Pupper Costume Parade, a trick-or-treat trail designed for both dogs and children, ruff-ruff obstacle course, vendors, and more. Get tail wagging teamwork by adding the 2.4 mile Doggy Dash around the lake. Rescue centers will have adoptable dogs to borrow if you do not have your own pet.

*Doggy Dash participants will receive a t-shirt. Register by 10/19/18 to guarantee t-shirt size and availability.
Great Miami River First Peoples Celebration

WHEN  Saturday, September 22, 2018
      10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

WHERE  Governor Bobb MetroPark
        1979 Bebb Park Lane
        Okeana OH 45053

PRICE  $5/Ages 5+
       FREE/Under 5
       No registration required

CHECK IT OUT!
INTRODUCING A NEW METROPARKS EVENT!

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Please note: Grand entry will be at noon
# MOVIES IN THE PARKS

**MetroParks**

![Image of people watching a movie in the park]

## Movies in the Parks

**ABOUT**

Grab your lawn chair or blanket and join us for an evening out in the parks! Feel free to pack a picnic to make it a dinner and a movie. The feature film will begin at 8:30 p.m., but join us at 8:00 p.m. for environmental and conservation related short films from the Wild & Scenic Film Festival!

**WHEN**

Every Friday from August 24, 2018 to September 28, 2018
8:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

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**PRICE**

FREE
Registration Not Required

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Meteor Showers
Join us after dark to explore the stars at MetroParks! Bring a blanket/chair for your star-gazing comfort.

**PERSEID METEOR SHOWER WATCH**

*Saturday, August 11, 2018*
9:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.

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

Enjoy the Perseid Meteor Shower. Be on the lookout for the constellation Perseus, as the showers will be coming from that direction. Explore the stars and enjoy sensory activities.

**Pre-registration required by Friday, 8/10/18.**

**LEONID METEOR SHOWER WATCH**

*Saturday, November 17, 2018*
9:00 pm – 12:00 am

**Governor Bebb MetroPark**
**Howe Shelter**
1979 Bebb Park Lane
Okeana, OH 45053

The Leonid Meteor Shower is here! It's been about 30 years since this meteor shower has been witnessed. Explore the stars and enjoy sensory activities.

**Pre-registration required by 11/16/18.**

*Both are FREE Programs open to all ages.*
Photo Walks: Seasons in MetroParks

Join Photographer Susan Milinkovich as she shares different tips on photography in nature in a hands-on setting.

**TIPS FOR COMPOSING A GREAT PHOTOGRAPH**

Join us for a summer morning walk around Forest Run MetroPark as we search for good photo opportunities in the fields and around the ponds. Learn tips on composition to help you frame and capture summer flowers and early morning light.

**Saturday, July 21, 2018**
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Forest Run MetroPark
Wildlife Preserve Area
1810 New London Road
Hamilton, OH 45013

**TIPS FOR SHOOTING FALL COLORS**

Join us as we wander around 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, September 15, 2018**
8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Chrisholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
2070 Woodsdale Road
Trenton, OH 45067

**TIPS FOR SHOOTING CLOSE-UPS AND INTIMATE LANDSCAPES**

Join us as we explore the Pioneer Village and look for close-up photographs. As you start to look for the “small stuff”, you discover all kinds of interesting new subjects. Learn tips for shooting close-ups and intimate landscapes.

**Saturday, November 10, 2018**
9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Governor Bebb MetroPark
Pioneer Village
1979 Bebb Park Lane
Okeana, OH 45053

*All programs are FREE. Registration is required by the Friday before each program. Bring your iPhone, Point-and-shoot or DSLR camera - no photography experience needed.

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Rethinking Porkopolis & “Open Doors” Event

Presented By

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ABOUT
We are excited to announce the special exhibit, Rethinking Porkopolis, that will open Sunday, September 9, 2018 at Chrisholm MetroPark. Rethinking Porkopolis, curated by Robert Gioielli, explores how the pork industry shaped the local environment and connected Cincinnati to the global economy in the 19th century. While at Chrisholm MetroPark, the exhibit will highlight the roots of America’s pork industry in Butler County. This Ohio Humanities funded exhibit is made available for visitors of Chrisholm MetroPark by the Friends of Chrisholm, MetroParks of Butler County, the Harriet Beecher Stowe House, and a grant from the W.E. Smith Family Charitable Trust.

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* Sunday, September 30, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

WHERE
Chrisholm MetroPark
Augspurger House
2070 Wooddale Road
Trenton OH 45067

PRICE
FREE
No registration required

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SEPTEMBER EVENTS

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
WHOS TRACKS ARE THESE?
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., September 6, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
FREE

MOVIES IN THE PARK
ATLANTIS: THE LOST EMPIRE
Rentschler Forest MetroPark
Regent Road Area
Fri., September 7, 8:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.
FREE

FUN ON THE FARM
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sat., September 8, 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
$5/vehicle

OHIO OPEN DOORS EVENT
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 9, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FREE

RETHINKING PORKOPOLIS
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 10, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FREE

SHOw & TELL ON THE FARM
COLORS ON THE FARM
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Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 9, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
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SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
BROOCOM SWOOSH S BROOM
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., September 13, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
FREE

RETHINKING PORKOPOLIS
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., September 13, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
FREE

MOVIES IN THE PARK
BROTHER BEAR
Rentschler Forest MetroPark
Regent Road Area
Fri., September 14, 8:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.
FREE

PHOTO WALKS
TIPS FOR SHOOTING FALL COLORS
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sat., September 15, 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
FREE
Registration Required by 9/14/18

GARDEN EXPLORERS CAMP
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sat., September 15, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
$10/Butler County Resident, $15/Non-resident
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JUNIOR MASTER GARDENS CAMP
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sat., September 15, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
$10/Butler County Resident, $15/Non-resident
Registration required by 9/15/18

OHIO OPEN DOORS EVENT
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 16, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FREE

RETHINKING PORKOPOLIS
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 16, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FREE

SHOw & TELL ON THE FARM
INSECTS ALIVE!
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 16, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FREE

RETHINKING PORKOPOLIS
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., September 20, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
GOODBE PEAUS ON THE FARM
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., September 20, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
FREE

MOVIES IN THE PARK
THE JUNGLE BOOK
AK Pavilion near River Center
Fri., September 21, 8:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.
FREE

GREAT MIAMI RIVER FIRST
PEOPLE'S CELEBRATION
Governor Bobb MetroPark
Pioneer Village
Sat., September 22, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
$5/person
FREE/Children under 5

RETHINKING PORKOPOLIS
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 23, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
ABC'S OF FARM LIFE
Chriskoym MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 23, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FREE

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SEPTEMBER EVENTS

**MetroParks**

of Butler County, OH

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**SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM**

**WHO’S TRACKS ARE THESE?**

Christoholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., September 6, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
FREE

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**MOVIES IN THE PARK**

**ATLANTIS: THE LOST EMPIRE**
Rentzchler Forest MetroPark
Keigart Road Area
Fri., September 7, 8:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.
FREE

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**FUN ON THE FARM**

Christoholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sat., September 8, 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
$5/vehicle

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**SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM**

**COLORS ON THE FARM**
Christoholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 9, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FREE

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**SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM**

**BROOCH SWOOSHA BROOM**
Christoholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., September 13, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
FREE

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**MOVIES IN THE PARK**

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Rentzchler Forest MetroPark
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FREE

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**PHOTO WALKS**

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**SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM**

**INSECTS ALIVE!**
Christoholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 16, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FREE

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**SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM**

**GOOBER PEAS ON THE FARM**
Christoholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., September 20, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
FREE

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**MOVIES IN THE PARK**

**THE JUNGLE BOOK**
AK Pavilion near River Center/ Bicentennial Commons
Fri., September 21, 8:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.
FREE

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**GREAT MIAMI RIVER FIRST PEOPLE’S CELEBRATION**
Governor Bebb MetroPark
Pioneer Village
Sat., September 22, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
$3/person
FREE/Children under 5

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**SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM**

**BACKBONE BONANZA**
Christoholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 30, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FREE

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**SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM**

**ABC’S OF FARM LIFE**
Christoholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 30, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FREE

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**SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM**

**LET’S TAKE A spin**
Christoholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., September 27, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
FREE

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**MOVIES IN THE PARK**

**A BUG’S LIFE**
AK Pavilion near River Center/ Bicentennial Commons
Fri., September 28, 8:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.
FREE

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**EARLY FALL BLOOMS**

**GREAT OUTDOOR WEEKEND**
Four Mile Creek MetroPark
Davidson Woods
Sat., September 29, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Registration Required by 09/27/18
FREE

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**TRACKS, SCATS & SIGNS**

**GREAT OUTDOOR WEEKEND**
Forest Run MetroPark
Wildlife Preserve Area
Sat., September 29, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FREE

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**GEOCACHING**

**GREAT OUTDOOR WEEKEND**
Forest Run MetroPark
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Sun., September 30, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
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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.
Through the end of October

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 September 2nd

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VOICE OF AMERICA METROPARK
Fishing Information

Rules and Regulations

Bank fishing is permitted from the south, east, and north shores, and east of the boat launch ramp.

No fishing from the west shore, boat docks, bridges, Gazebo, or immediately below the Gazebo.

No purchasing or trading fish.

All vehicles must be parked in the parking lot.

All fish must be checked in at the Wheelhouse prior to leaving the park.

Each person fishing is limited to two poles.

Persons possessing fish over the daily limit may be charged with a minor misdemeanor.

Cleaning of fish on VOA MetroPark Property is prohibited.

Throw nets and lines are prohibited. Use of live fish as bait is prohibited.

No alcoholic beverages may be into the park

For more information, call (513) 755-4402.

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Daily Permit

- Single: $8.00
- Child (6 & under): Free
- Group/Family: $20.00

Annual Permit

- Adult: $100.00
- Youth (7-16): $50.00
- Group/Family: $135.00 per year

Fishing Permit Discounts

- Senior: 20% (6.40 daily, $80.00 annually)
- Military: 20% (6.40 daily, $80.00 annually)

Fishing Pole Rental (Does not include Fishing Permit)

- 1 Hour: $7.00
- 3 Hours: $12.00
- Daily: $20.00

Live Bait

- Night Crawlers, Red Worms, Wax Worms: $4.00

EGB.CSW 3/6/2018
2018 WHEELHOUSE
OPERATING DATES AND HOURS

March 31, 2018 Wheelhouse opens for weekend operation.

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May 25, 2018 Wheelhouse opens for daily operation.

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Aug 17, 2018 Wheelhouse ends Monday-Thursday daily operation.

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October operating hours TBD

HOLIDAY HOURS

Memorial Day (Monday, May 28th) 11:00am – 6:30pm
Independence Day (Wednesday, July 4th) 11:00am – 6:30pm
Labor Day (Monday, Sept 3rd) 11:00am – 6:30pm

Wheelhouse operation is weather dependent.

- For rental questions, lake conditions, or if inclement weather is expected, please contact the VOA Welcome Center Monday-Friday 8:30am-5:00pm or call 513-755-4402.
- Live bait and tackle machine located at the Ronald Reagan Lodge open dawn to dusk.
- Wheelhouse closed during MetroParks Special Events
**Friends of MetroParks of Butler County**

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| **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

| **Pick an Annual Membership** |  
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Individual | $10  |
| Family | $15  |
| Group/Business | $100  |
| Donation | $ _____________  |

Name(s)/Contact ___________________________________________ Date ________

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Group or Business Name________________________________________

Address____________________________________________________

City _______________________________ State ______ Zip _______

Home/Business Phone _______________________________ Cell Phone _______________________________

Email (required to receive newsletter) _______________________________