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. Mud Mania, good clean fun
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.

Photo Walks-Tips for Shooting Fall Color

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.

Movies in the Parks

Friday nights were made for the Movies!! Bring the Family out for a FREE movie outdoors on a nice fall evening every Friday in September. Grab your lawn chair or blanket and join us for an evening out in the parks, and maybe even 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!

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Miami Valley First People Celebration

Butler County is rich with cultural history! 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!

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

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, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

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, 2:00-4:00 PM 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, 10:00-12:00 pm at Forest Run MetroParks.
YOUR ORGANIZATION NUMBER HAS CHANGED.
NEW NUMBER IS TM866

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
Hump Day Concert 11, DV8 Band
Hump Day Concert 12, Stagger Lee Band
Mud Mania
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

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!

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We Love our Volunteers!!
Volunteer Spotlight

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 fashioned 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
*Thursday, September 13, 5:00 - 7:30 pm
*Sunday, September 16, 1:00 - 4:00 pm
*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**

Christholm MetroPark
Christholm 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. Use 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.

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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!**

Butler County is rich with cultural history! 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!

Please note: Grand entry will be at noon.
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.

**PRICE**
FREE
Registration Not Required

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**BRAVE**
August 24, 2018
Rentschler Forest
MetroPark
5701 Reigart Rd.
Fairfield Township, OH
45011

**WALL-E**
August 31, 2018
Rentschler Forest
MetroPark
5701 Reigart Rd.
Fairfield Township, OH
45011

**ATLANTIS: THE LOST EMPIRE**
September 7, 2018
Rentschler Forest
MetroPark
5701 Reigart Rd.
Fairfield Township, OH
45011

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**BROTHER BEAR**
September 14, 2018
Rentschler Forest
MetroPark
5701 Reigart Rd.
Fairfield Township, OH
45011

**THE JUNGLE BOOK**
September 21, 2018
AK Pavilion near
River Center
120 S. Carmody Blvd.
Middletown, OH
45044

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**A BUG’S LIFE**
September 28, 2018
AK Pavilion near
River Center
120 S. Carmody Blvd.
Middletown, OH
45044

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STARS IN THE PARKS

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 Chisholm Farm as we search for fall colors and capture photographs of the Historic Farmstead. Learn tips on capturing fall colors and share a little about how to use color theory in your photography.

Saturday, September 15, 2018
9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Chisholm 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

**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 23*, 1:00 - 4:00 pm
- *Thursday, September 27*, 5:00 - 7:30 pm
- *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
WHO’S TRACKS ARE THESE?
Chriskholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., September 6, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
FREE

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

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

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

RETHINKING PORKOPOLIS
Chriskholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 9, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
COLORS ON THE FARM
Chriskholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 9, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
BROCOM SIVOSHA BROOM
Chriskholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., September 13, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
FREE

RETHINKING PORKOPOLIS
Chriskholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., September 13, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
FREE

MOVIES IN THE PARK
BROTHER BEAR
Rentchler Forest MetroPark
Reigart Road Area
Fri., September 14, 8:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.
FREE

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

GARDEN EXPLORERS CAMP
Chriskholm 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

JUNIOR MASTER GARDENS CAMP
Chriskholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sat., September 15, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
$10/Butler County Resident,
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Registration required by 9/15/18

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

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

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
INSECTS ALIVE!
Chriskholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 16, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
FREE

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

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
GOODIES PLEAS ON THE FARM
Chriskholm 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
Chriskholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 23, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
ABCS OF FARM LIFE
Chriskholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 23, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 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.ourMetroparks.net or call 513.887.3835
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SEPTEMBER EVENTS

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PHOTO WALKS
TIPS FOR SHOOTING FALL COLORS
Chrstholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sat., September 22, 5:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
FREE
Registration Required by 9/14/18

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

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
COLORS ON THE FARM
Chrstholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Sun., September 9, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
FREE

SHOW & TELL ON THE FARM
BROOMS WOOOSH!
BROOM
Chrstholm MetroPark
Historic Farmstead
Thurs., September 13, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
FREE

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

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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

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**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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513.867.5835 | YourMetroParks.net  
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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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<td>Channel Cat</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>Tilapia</td>
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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
2018 WHEELHOUSE
OPERATING DATES AND HOURS

March 31, 2018 Wheelhouse opens for weekend operation.

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<th>Monday-Thursday</th>
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May 25, 2018 Wheelhouse opens for daily operation.

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<td>11:00am - 8:00pm</td>
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Aug 17, 2018 Wheelhouse ends Monday-Thursday daily operation.

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October operating hours TBD

HOLIDAY HOURS

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<th>Memorial Day  (Monday, May 28th)</th>
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<td>Independence Day  (Wednesday, July 4th)</td>
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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
1. GOVERNOR BEBB METROPARK
   1979 Bebb Park Lane Okemos OH 45053
   Bebb Natural Area
   Dry Fork Campground
   Pioneer Village

2. INDIAN CREEK METROPARK
   2A. Bunker Hill Cemetery
       5351 Millville Road Oxford OH 45056
   2B. Oxford Road Area
       1899 Oxford-Reily Road (CR 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 London Mills Road Hamilton OH 45011
   3D. Davidson Woods Area
       1200 Huguey Road Hamilton OH 45013

4. SALAMANDER RUN PRESERVE
   4821 Leyhigh 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. Riegert Road Area
       5701 Riegert 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
       207 Wooddale Road Trenton OH 45067
   9B. Wooddale Regional Park
       1917 Wooddale 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 Riegert 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 Boulevard at Central Avenue
**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  

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