

MAY



2024

SYNERGY HEADSTONE CLEANING

On April 16th, staff from Synergy came out to the FAIRFIELD BAPTIST/LINE-SHAFER FARM CEMETERY at Line Hill Mound MetroPark to help clean the 41 headstones standing in the cemetery. This cemetery accepted burials from the 1810s through the 1850s. The MetroParks is home to four separate historic cemeteries. All of these require regular annual care to ensure the headstones don't degrade and remain legible, through clearing off biological growth and applying a biocide to keep it from coming back.

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TRAIL AMBASSADOR UPDATES

Looking for new trails to explore? The following parks haven't seen many Ambassadors!

To Join the Trail Ambassador program email us at volunteering@yourmetroparks.net

- Meadow Ridge Area - Elk Creek MetroPark
- Sebald Park - Elk Creek MetroPark
- Wildlife Preserve - Forest Run MetroPark
- Timberhill Area - Rentschler Forest MetroPark
- Salamander Run MetroPark
- Antenen Nature Preserve - Four Mile Creek MetroPark
- Woodsdale Park - Chrisholm MetroPark

Share your volunteer story!

Do you have a story or message from a volunteer experience? We want to hear about it! Your stories, will be featured in the monthly newsletter. So everyone will get a chance to see all the different projects going on in the MetroParks! To submit a story, messages and any photos you want to share send them to volunteering@yourmetroparks.net

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR MAY

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Run the Parks 5k Series

We are looking for volunteers to provide general support assist with the setup, teardown of the 5k markers and registration/snack tables, manage participant check-in, keep the snack table stocked, and possibly manning the turnaround point aid station.

- May 4 - 8:30am-12:30pm
Elk Creek MetroPark

TAPs Hiking Monitor Orientation

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- May 10 - 10:00am-11:00am
Gilmore MetroPark

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Gilmore MetroPark

Spring Migration Birding

Spring is one of the best times to go birding because you can see birds who pass through Ohio, not just the ones who stay for a season. Join us for a hike through the forest at Harbin Park as we look for these brightly colored visitors. Birders of all skill levels are welcome and a limited supply of binoculars will be available for use.

- May 11 - 8:00am - 10:00am
Harbin Park

Farm Helper Orientation

Looking for a new way to get involved with the parks, curious about what it takes to raise farm animals? Meet with Metroparks staff for a monthly orientation of our Farm Animal Care program. See what it takes to work with the farm animals living at Chrisholm Historic Farmstead!

- May 24 - 3:30pm-4:30pm
Chrisholm MetroPark

Community Service Day - Public Mural Prep

This Summer the MetroParks will be getting a new public mural painted on the Kestrel Shelter at Forest Run MetroPark! We need your help to prepare the shelter for the artist as we prep and prime the shelter wall for the artist.

- 9:00am-1:00pm
Forest Run MetroPark

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BioBlitz

Want to help the MetroParks Identify what plants and animals are living in our parks? Angst Nature Preserve MetroPark is an 84-acre former farm that was opened up to the public in October 2021. In 2023, we seeded a 6-acre prairie, 42-acre native grassland, and began the riparian reforestation project. We are calling all citizen scientists to help see what pollinators, native trees and other wildlife are living in the park. Through the use of the app iNaturalist, you can help collect and record data on the Park!

- May 17 12:00pm-1:00pm (Orientation)
- May 18 - June 16 (Observations)

Angst Nature Preserve MetroPark

Chopportunities - Invasive Species Removal

Join MetroParks staff as we meet to continuously work on beating back the invasive species in our parks making room for natives to thrive

- May 7 - 9:30am-11:30am
Green Heron MetroPark
- May 14 - 9:30am-11:30am
Forest Run MetroPark
- May 16 - 3:30pm-5:30am
Forest Run MetroPark
- May 23 - 3:30pm-5:30pm
Rentschler Forest MetroPark
- May 28 - 9:30am-11:30am
Elk Creek MetroPark
- May 30 - 3:30pm-5:30pm
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