



DECEMBER 2024



Hike dates: January 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th,
and February 1st

Join us for the second MetroParks of Butler County Winter Hike Series! This weekly hiking event will highlight the beauty of Butler County in winter by exploring a different park each week. These guided hikes will average about 3 miles and end with a hot beverage and a bowl of soup. We are looking for volunteers to act as hiking sweeps, working in pairs of two to bring up the rear of each group, and volunteers to help with the prep, cleanup, and serving of soup and hot drinks at the end of each hike. To sign up and for more details, visit the Opportunities tab on Better Impact!

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

Make sure you're logging your hours on Better Impact

- Chrisholm MetroPark (Woodsdale Park)
- Four Mile Creek MetroPark (Sycamore Bluff, Antenen Nature Preserve)
- Green Heron MetroPark
- Rentschler Forest MetroPark
- Salamander Run MetroPark
- Timberhill MetroPark
- Voice of America 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

STAY UP TO DATE ON WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR
PARKS ON FACEBOOK!

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR DECEMBER

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Little Learners - Wreaths

How are wreaths used during different holidays? Everyone will find their artistic ability to decorate a wreath to take home. Enjoy making one to share with the farm animals, too. We are looking for volunteers to help with the setup, teardown, and support staff during the program. Must be comfortable working with program participants.

- December 3rd - 9:00am-12:00pm
Chrisholm MetroPark

Discovery on the Farm - Holidays New and Old

How did the pioneer Augspurger Family that settled Chrisholm celebrate the holidays over 200 years ago? Learn about holidays both new and old on the farm through fun activities and a craft. We are looking for volunteers to help with the setup, teardown, and support staff during the program. Must be comfortable working with program participants.

- December 5th - 9:00am-12:00pm
Chrisholm MetroPark

Winter Tree ID Hike

How do you identify trees without their leaves? Use clues such as bark, branching, and buds to learn how to identify common trees during winter. Please dress for the weather. We are looking for volunteers to serve as sweeps walking at the back of the group to ensure nobody gets separated while on the hike.

- December 7th - 9:30am-11:30pm
Creekside Park

Little Learners - Soap

Do you know how soap was made in the 1800's? Let's make our own fun, safe soap bars to take home and share with friends and family. We are looking for volunteers to help with the setup, teardown, and support staff during the program. Must be comfortable working with program participants.

- December 10th - 9:00am-12:00pm
Chrisholm MetroPark

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!

- December 13th - 3:30pm-4:30pm
Chrisholm MetroPark

Annual Christmas Bird Count

Join us for a hike to participate in Audubon's 126th Christmas Bird Count. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced birder, you can help collect December bird species numbers for the longest-running community science survey in North America. Dress for the weather and prepare to walk on uneven trails and across fields. We are looking for volunteers to serve as sweeps walking at the back of the group to ensure nobody gets separated while on the hike.

- December 14th - 9:30am-12:00pm
Sebald MetroPark

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Little Learners - Tea Party

Do you know how to prepare, serve, and drink tea? We will make our own tea bags and celebrate with a tea party inside the beautiful Augspurger House. We are looking for volunteers to help with the setup, teardown, and support staff during the program. Must be comfortable working with program participants.

- December 17th - 9:00am-12:00pm
Chrisholm MetroPark

Discovery on the Farm - Presents for the Animals

How did the pioneer Augspurger Family that settled Chrisholm celebrate the holidays over 200 years ago? Learn about holidays both new and old on the farm through fun activities and a craft. We are looking for volunteers to help with the setup, teardown, and support staff during the program. Must be comfortable working with program participants.

- December 19th - 9:00am-12:00pm
Chrisholm MetroPark

TAPs Hiking Monitor Orientation

Looking for a new way to volunteer, get some exercise, and explore nature? Join us for our monthly Trail Ambassador Program Hiking Monitor meeting. This hour-long meeting is meant to introduce potential new volunteers to TAPs as we take a hike through one of our parks and go over the responsibilities of a Hiking Monitor!

- December 20th - 10:00am-11:00am
Line Hill Mound 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

- December 3 - 9:30am-11:30am
Green Heron MetroPark
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- December 10 - 9:30am-11:30am
Forest Run MetroPark
- December 13 - 9:30am-11:30am
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- December 17 - 9:30am-11:30am
Rentschler Forest MetroPark
- December 27 - 9:30am-11:30am
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