

JUNE 2025

Help Needed: Big Backyard Bash!

Kick off the Great American Campout with us in June! Don't know a trilobite from a damselfly? Looking for new recipes to step up your s'mores game? We've got you covered as your family samples some of our favorite outdoor activities to get you exploring nature all summer long. From your first step on the trail until the last dying campfire ember, this will be one bash to remember!

We're looking for volunteers to help run the CHeckin Table and serve as Program Assistants supporting staff.

> June 28. 7:00 PM -10:30 PM Rentschler Forest MetroPark



TRAIL AMBASSADOR UPDATES

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

To Join the Trail Ambassador program email us at volunteering@yourmetroparks.net Make sure you're logging your hours on **Better Impact**

- Angst Nature Preserve MetroPark
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- Forest Run MetroPark
- Green Heron MetroPark
- Indian Creek MetroPark
- Salamander MetroPark
- Sycamore Bluffs MetroPark
- Timberhill MetroPark
- Timberman Ridge MetroPark

Share you volunteer story!

Do you if 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!

https://www.yourmetroparks.net volunteering@yourmetroparks.net volunteering@yourmetroparks.net volunteering@yourmetroparks.net

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR JUNE

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Trenton Springfest

School's out... so let's start summer the right way - with fun, food, and EPIC attractions made just for kids and teens!

• June 7 - 9:30am-12:30pm **Trenton Community Park**

Toddler Sensory Nature Hike

Join MetroParks and MidPointe Library staff on a toddler sensory nature hike. We will explore the area utilizing our senses with fun hands-on activities along the trail.

 June 13 - 9:00am-11:30am Meadow Ridge MetroPark

Creeking in the Parks

Thursdays - Get your feet in the water and see what critters you can find! Butler Soil & Water **Conservation District and MetroParks** educators will provide their expertise and everything you need for creeking. Saturdays - What's hidden under the rocks and in the sediment of your favorite MetroParks creeks? Explore the living and fossilized creatures found in our creeks and see if you would also be proud to call these bodies of water home.

- June 5, 9:30am-12:00 pm Sebald MetroPark Middletown OH 45042
- June 7, 9:30am-12:00pm Sebald MetroPark
- June 12, 9:30am-12:00pm Governor Bebb MetroPark
- June 14. 9:30am-12:00pm Governor Bebb MetroPark
- June 21, 9:30am-12:00pm Indian Creek MetroPark
- June 26, 9:30am-12:00pm Indian Creek MetroPark

Monarch Fest

Since 2019, Monarch Fest has given away over 2900 native pollinator plants to the community. At this fun, family-friendly event you will learn how to create a pollinator friendly habitat in your own yard. The population of monarch butterflies and other pollinators is declining in devastating numbers due to habitat loss.

 June 14, 9:30am-12:30pm Christ the King Lutheran Church

ID 70: Wildflowers

Celebrate MetroParks' 70th Anniversary as we reveal our 70 favorite elements of the park experience. From the fossil-filled creeks to the tops of the towering trees and constellations beyond, get an inside view of what makes the history and nature of your MetroParks so unique.

• June 20, 6:30pm- 8:30pm Sebald MetroPark

Fireflies

In the evening twilight, join us on a short and easy hike to search for fireflies. Learn from MetroParks educators about why and how they make their light and how you can attract them to your own backyard as you take part in a tradition as old as time.

- June 20, 8:00 pm-10:00 pm Harbin Park
- June 21, 8:00 pm-10:00 pm Meadow MetroPark

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

- June 3 10:00am-12:00pm Green Heron MetroPark
- June 10 10:00am-12:00pm Forest Run MetroPark
- June 17 10:00am-12:00pm Rentschler Forest MetroPark
- June 24 10:00am-12:00pm Miami Woods

Program Animal Orientation

Looking for a new way to get involved with the parks, curious about what it takes to care for regional reptiles and amphibians? Meet with Metroparks staff for a monthly orientation of our Program Animal Care. See what it takes to work with the farm animals living at our Programming and Education Office.

• June 20 - 3:00pm-4:00pm **Program and Education Office**

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!**

• June 20 - 10:00am-11:00am Sebald 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!

• June 27 - 3:30pm-4:30pm Chrisholm MetroPark

Color Powder Party

Join MetroParks and MidPointe Library staff at Voice of America MetroPark for some fun. colorful powder games. Wear white clothing for best results. Immerse yourself and others in beautiful colors. Powder and safety glasses will be provided.

• June 27, 11:00am- 2:00pm Voice of America MetroPark

Gilmore Ponds Cleanup

Join MetroParks and the Butler County Soil and Water District on foot or by kayak as we work to clean up litter around the wetlands at Gilmore Ponds MetroPark. Volunteers can bring their kayak or canoe and venture out into the wetlands to collect litter that would otherwise be inaccessible, or hike along the trails to gather litter that hasn't made its way into the wetlands.

• June 28, 9:00am-12:00pm Gilmore Ponds MetroPark

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