NOVEMBER 2026

Bebb in the Shadows and Davidson Woods Opening



Immerse yourself as a traveler to a mid-1800s village to experience the dark realities of pioneer hardships not mentioned in your typical history books. Historical research and consulting support provided by the Butler County Historical Society to help bring our past to life. This interactive program is rain or shine.

On October 22nd the MetroParks opened Davidson Woods MetroParks. A 168-acre natural area in Hanover Township along Four Mile Creek. Acquired by MetroParks in 2007 from Hueston Farms, Inc. and the Isabelle Davidson family, the property has remained largely untouched by modern agriculture and contains some of the largest remaining acreage of old-growth forest in Butler County. While weve put in a ton of work to get things ready keep an eye out for future volunteer opportunities at the park!

TRAIL AMBASSADOR UPDATES

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

In the case of an emergency, please call 911 before contacting MetroParks staff. In the case of safety or security hazards, volunteers should contact the Butler County Non-Emergency line **513-785-1300**

Make sure you're logging your hours on Better Impact

- Angst Nature Preserve MetroPark
- Davidson Woods MetroPark
- Forest Run MetroPark
- Indian Creek MetroPark
- Salamander Run MetroPark

Share you volunteer story!

Do you have a story or message from a volunteer experience you'd like to share? 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!

FACEBOOK

MetroParks of Butler County

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR NOVEMBER

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Women Who Wander Hike

Join us each month for a casual one-hour walk for women to find community.

- November 4, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
  Davidson Woods MetroPark

Animals in Winter

Meet live animals as we talk about how nature prepares for and survives winter. Who sleeps, who leaves town, and who adapts to the conditions?

- November 6, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
  Fairfield Community Arts Center

Sourdough Journey

Participants will learn where to source sourdough starter, how to feed and maintain it, and the fermentation process, as well as basic techniques for mixing, shaping, and baking. The class is designed for those with little to no experience and aims to provide a solid foundation for baking sourdough at home.

- November 7, 9:30 am - 11:30 am
  Fairfield Community Arts Center

Bebb in the Shadows: Check-in Table

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- November 14, 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
  Governor Bebb MetroPark

Bebb in the Shadows: Program Assistant

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Bebb in the Shadows: Traveling Group Guide

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Operation Fresh Air

This experience, in partnership with MHARS and Butler County Veterans Services Commission, is an opportunity to unwind, recharge, and find peace in nature.

- November 19 - 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm
  Davidson Woods MetroPark

Farm Animal Orientation

Looking for a new way to get involved with the parks, curious about what it takes to raise farm animals? See what it takes to work with the farm animals living at Chrisholm Historic Farmstead!

- November 20, 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
  Chrisholm MetroPark

Fairfield Township Lane Library Opening

Join Metroparks Staff for a live animal tabling event at the grand opening of Lane Libraries newest location in Fairfield Township!

- November 21, 12:30 pm - 5:30 pm
  2950 Hamilton Mason Rd

Nature in a Blink: Migratory Waterfowl watch

While we may not associate Ohio with the coast, many waterfowl and shorebirds fly their way across the state heading south for the winter. The wetlands at Gilmore Ponds make for a perfect stopover, depending on water level - come join us to see what we can find!

- November 21, 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm
  Gilmore Ponds MetroPark

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Trail Work Days

Join MetroParks staff to do trail work on our trails, developing more sustainable trails, and improving hiking conditions for all park users for future generations to come.

- November 4, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm - Davidson Woods 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!

- November 3 - 10:00 am-12:00 pm Rentschler Forest MetroPark

1800's Farm Life - Field Trip

What was life on the Augspurger farm like for a child in the 1800s? From farm chores to agricultural advancements, we'll even take a break for some traditional toe-tapping fun. Travel back in time and learn from the perspective of standout members of this groundbreaking Butler County family and their community.

- November 19, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm Chrisholm MetroPark

Living Like Pioneers - Field Trip

What was life like for pioneer children during the 1800s in southwestern Ohio? Travel through this reconstructed historical village, meet the inhabitants, and even go to school! Learn skills and trades of the time, such as spinning yarn for clothes, making candles, and becoming an apprentice at the forge.

- November 6, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
- November 9, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
- November 10, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
- November 11, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Governor Bebb MetroPark

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