



Cleveland Metroparks

# EMERALD NECKLACE

MAY Program Guide 2017



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# 100 YEARS

# MAY PROGRAMS BY LOCATION

## Off Site

- 7 • Wade Park Jaunt
- 15 • Monday MeetUp: What's Up with Yellow Creek
- 17 • Wednesday Wildflower Walk
- 24 • Forest Hills Hike

## (AR) Acacia Reservation

- 7 • Birds of Acacia
- 29 • Acacia for the Young at Heart

## (BeR) Bedford Reservation

- 6 • Emerald Necklace Art Club: Monthly Meeting
- 7 • Spring Bird Walk
- 11 • Beginner Wildflower Hike
- 14 • Spring Bird Walk
- 19 • Woodlands of Bedford: Nighttime Experiences
- 21 • Spring Bird Walk
- 30 • Mountain Biking 1: Introduction

## (BCR) Big Creek Reservation

- 7 • Spring Bird Walk
- 13 • Macro Mayhem: Family Edition
- 14 • Spring Bird Walk
- 21 • Spring Bird Walk
- 28 • 50 Shades of Green
- 30 • Discovering Nature: Fossils

## (BWR) Bradley Woods Reservation

- 27 • Quarry Stories
- 31 • Nature Baby: Bunns Lake

## (BrR) Brecksville Reservation

- 7 • Spring Bird Walk
- 14 • Spring Bird Walk
- 17 • Animal Crackers
- 18 • Animal Crackers
- 21 • Spring Bird Walk
- 30 • Yoga and Hike

## (BNC) Brecksville Nature Center

- 7 • Alice Porter: Wildflowers
- 11 • Nurture with Nature
- 16 • Hiking for the Young at Heart
- 18 • Evening Exploration
- 20 • Extreme Hiking
- 28 • Afternoon of Play

## ABBREVIATIONS:

AR	Acacia Reservation
BCR	Big Creek Reservation
BeR	Bedford Reservation
BNC	Brecksville Nature Center
BrR	Brecksville Reservation
BR	Brookside Reservation
BWR	Bradley Woods Reservation
CMZ	Cleveland Metroparks Zoo
CWC	CanalWay Center
ECR	Euclid Creek Reservation
GPR	Garfield Park Reservation
HiR	Hinckley Reservation
HuR	Huntington Reservation
LR	Lakefront Reservation
MSRR	Mill Stream Run Reservation
NCNC	North Chagrin Nature Center
NCR	North Chagrin Reservation
OECR	Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation
RRNC	Rocky River Nature Center
RRR	Rocky River Reservation
SCR	South Chagrin Reservation
WCR	West Creek Reservation
WSC	Watershed Stewardship Center

## (BR) Brookside Reservation

- 21 • Brookside Bug Walk

## (CMZ) Cleveland Metroparks Zoo

- 3 • Preschool Safari – Australian Adventure
- 5 • Tiger Tracks Overnight
- 6 • Tiger Tracks Overnight
- 7 • Zoo Career Day
- 11 • Preschool Safari – Animal Care
- 12 • Tiger Tracks Overnight
- 13 • Tiger Tracks Overnight
- 14 • Mother's Day at Zoo
- 16 • Preschool Safari – Nature Explorers
- 19 • Tiger Tracks Overnight
- 20 • Tiger Tracks Overnight
- 24 • Zoo Career Day

## (CWC) CanalWay Center

- 1 – 31 • Hunt of the Month: Fish
- 1 – 31 • Nature in Watercolor Art Display
- 4 • Cleveland Astronomical Society – The Sun
- 4 • Eclipse Workshop
- 4 • PreSchool: Eggs
- 5 • Evening Cart Tour
- 7 • Spring Bird Walk
- 13 • Family Bike Ride
- 13 • 2-Hour Cart Tour
- 14 • Spring Bird Walk
- 14 • 2-Hour Cart Tour
- 15 • Lighthouse Bus Tour
- 16 • CanalWay Storytime
- 17 • Young Explorers
- 20 • 2-Hour Cart Tour
- 21 • Spring Bird Walk
- 23 • Stroller School
- 27 • An Introduction to Atlatl
- 27 • Hike the Mt Bike Trail
- 28 • Military Memorabilia
- 28 • Insect Inspection
- 29 • Military Memorabilia

## (ECR) Euclid Creek Reservation

- 3 • Wildflower Walk
- 5 • Friday Morning Bird Walks – Lakefront
- 12 • Friday Bird Walk
- 17 • Wildflower Walk
- 18 • Sunset at Euclid Beach
- 19 • Friday Morning Bird Walks – Lakefront
- 26 • Friday Bird Walk
- 31 • Wildflower Walk

## (GPR) Garfield Park Reservation

- 13 • Cleveland Metroparks Centennial Waterfall Excursion
- 19 • Spirited Spring Hike
- 20 • Drop-by Discovery Table

## (HiR) Hinckley Reservation

- 3 • Garlic Mustard Pull
- 7 • Wildflower Hike
- 7 • American Red Cross Pool/Waterfront Lifeguard Course
- 10 • Outdoor Adventures for Homeschoolers – Senior
- 10 • "Try-It" Activities: Rock Climbing
- 12 • Day into Dusk
- 13 • Wildflowers at Worden's
- 14 • Get Out...
- 21 • Worden's Ledges History Hike
- 22 • American Red Cross Pool/Waterfront Lifeguard Course
- 26 • Evening Dog Hike
- 27 • Ledges to Ledges Hike

## (HuR) Huntington Reservation

- 7 • Spring Bird Walk
- 14 • Spring Bird Walk
- 21 • Spring Bird Walk

## (LR) Lakefront Reservation

- 7 • Bluebirds at the Lakefront
- 13 • River Birding
- 14 • Birding Blitz
- 16 • Cuyahoga River By Boat
- 20 • Visit the Lorenzo Carter Cabin
- 23 • Cuyahoga River By Boat
- 25 • Dinner & a Chat: Mushrooms
- 28 • Lakefront Dog Walk
- 28 • Visit the Lorenzo Carter Cabin
- 30 • Cuyahoga River By Boat

## (MSRR) Mill Stream Run

- 20 • Children's Fishing Derbies
- 20 • Ride the Emerald Rim
- 21 • American Red Cross Waterfront Lifeguarding Skills Module
- 24 • Hikeathon Mini
- 27 • American Red Cross Waterfront Lifeguarding Skills Module
- 31 • Progress in the Parks
- 31 • American Red Cross Waterfront Lifeguarding Skills Module

## (NCR) North Chagrin Reservation

- 6 • The Novice Naturalist
- 11 • North Chagrin Origins
- 13 • Sunrise Hike
- 13 • Wildflower Hunt
- 14 • Breakfast at the Castle

## (NCNC) North Chagrin Nature Center

- 1 – 31 • North Chagrin Nature Photography Club: Print Show
- 6 • Woodpecker Walk
- 7 • Spring Bird Walk
- 7 • Snakes With Jake
- 7 • North Chagrin Nature Photography Club Reception
- 11 • Kids Explore the Ponds
- 13 • Native Plant Sale & Celebration
- 13 • Butterfly Gardening with Native Plants
- 13 • A Garden for Pollinators
- 13 • Flower Folklore
- 14 • A Flower Pot for Mom
- 14 • Native Plant Sale & Celebration
- 14 • Spring Bird Walk
- 18 • Your Parks, Their Stories
- 20 • Seven Wonders of Cleveland Metroparks Bus Trip
- 20 • Drop-in Upcycling Craft
- 20 • Live Animal Lessons
- 20 • We Love Toads Drop-in
- 21 • Spring Bird Walk
- 24 • Beginner Birders
- 24 • Sprouts: Growing Kids and Wonder, Naturally

## (OECR) Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation

- 7 • "Try-It" Activities: Fly Fishing
- 20 • Afternoon Archery for Adults
- 20 • Afternoon Archery for Kids
- 21 • Children's Fishing Derbies

## (RRR) Rocky River Reservation

- 6 • Olmsted Historical Society Farmers Market
- 11 • American Red Cross Lifeguard Instructor Course
- 12 • Frostville Architecture Tour
- 13 • Olmsted Historical Society Farmers Market
- 20 • Olmsted Historical Society Farmers Market
- 21 • Breakfast in the Park

- 27 • Olmsted Historical Society Farmers Market
- 30 • Fly Fishing 1: Introduction

## (RRNC) Rocky River Nature Center

- 1 – 31 • Gallery Wall: Gabe Leidy
- 1 • Southwest Camera Club
- 2 • Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society
- 4 • Little Explorers: Flower Power
- 6 • Nature Walk
- 7 • Drop-by: Wildflower Wonder
- 7 • Spring Bird Walk
- 7 • Your Piece of the Planet: Solar Energy at Home
- 8 • Cuyahoga Astronomical Association
- 10 • Full Moon Hike
- 10 • Greater Cleveland Beekeepers Association
- 13 • Centennial Conversations: Rangers
- 14 • Mother's Day Stroll
- 14 • Spring Bird Walk
- 14 • Wetland Bioblitz
- 18 • Homeschool Happenings: Aquatic Life
- 20 • Garden Gala Native Plant Sale
- 20 • Spring Wildflower Hikes
- 20 • Wicked Plants
- 20 • Wildflower Folklore
- 21 • Garden Gala Native Plant Sale
- 21 • Spring Bird Walk
- 21 • Spring Wildflower Walks
- 21 • Useful Plants
- 21 • Building Backyard Bird Habitat
- 27 • Nature Art: Pounded Flower Totes
- 27 • Plants at War
- 28 • Birding the Rock

## (SCR) South Chagrin Reservation

- 4 • Spring Hike
- 6 • Spring Wildflowers of South Chagrin: Part II
- 6 • Cleveland Natural Science Club
- 7 • Spring Bird Walk
- 11 • Spring Hike
- 13 • Tales Around the Necklace
- 14 • Spring Bird Walk
- 18 • Spring Hike
- 20 • Historic Herb Drop-in
- 20 • Nature Journaling
- 21 • Last Chance Wildflower Walk
- 21 • Spring Bird Walk
- 25 • Spring Hike

## (WCR) West Creek Reservation

- 1 • Basking Butterflies: Flighty Fun
- 3 • West Creek Night Hike: Noises of the Night
- 10 • West Creek Night Hike: Flower Moon
- 11 • Amphibian Adventure
- 12 • Web of Tales Campfire
- 13 • Seeing Green
- 14 • Mother's Day Wildflower Walk

## (WSC) Watershed Stewardship Center

- 5 • Environmentalism Through Cartoons
- 6 • Macro Mayhem: For Adults
- 6 • Saturday Drop-by: Match the Nest
- 7 • Wonders of Water
- 14 • Sunday Drop-by: Build-a-Bird
- 17 • Zooniverse: Focus on Wildlife
- 20 • River Day Stream Model & Hike
- 25 • Tree Steward Training I
- 26 • Tree Steward Training II
- 27 • Tree Steward Training III

## (WR) Washington Reservation

- 26 • "Remember the Maine" Walk

# WE'RE EXPECTING AN ADDITION!



**Cleveland Metroparks Zoo is excited to introduce a new brand identity, and share news about its future.**

Kibbibi, a 13.5-year-old eastern black rhino is expecting a calf to arrive early Spring 2018! Listed as critically endangered, fewer than 750 eastern black rhinos remain in the wild due to poaching and habitat loss. To learn more or join our conservation community, visit [futureforwildlife.org](http://futureforwildlife.org).

## Announcing the return of KeyBank ZooKeys.



Children can insert a customized KeyBank ZooKey in over two dozen designated boxes throughout the Zoo and unlock an exclusive, educational message specific to each animal. The commemorative key will provide a special experience for kids of all ages and is sure to bring back memories for parents as well. Visit [clevelandmetroparks.com/Zoo](http://clevelandmetroparks.com/Zoo) to learn more!



Outdoor Recreation Program



Centennial Program

## MAY PROGRAMS BY DATE

### 1-31 MAY

#### Nature in Watercolor Art Display

Experience the wonder of nature through an exhibition of watercolor paintings by artists from Nancy Notarianni's adult watercolor class. On display through June 30. 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Mon. – Sat. Noon – 5 p.m. Sun CWC

#### Hunt of the Month: Fish

Spring is a great time to do some fishing. Stop by CanalWay Center and see how many paper fish you can find. Then go down to the canal and visit an excellent fishing spot. 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Mon. – Sat. Noon – 5 p.m. Sun CWC

#### Gallery Wall: Gabe Leidy

Ohio Traversed: Photographer Gabe Leidy captures the natural beauty of an under-appreciated state, one frame at a time. Through June 30. 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. RRNC

#### Nature in May Print Show

North Chagrin Nature Photography Club presents the sixth annual spring print show of their best work. Nature is inspiring, so catch our unique and inspirational views of the natural world, whether far from home or right in our own backyard. 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. NCNC

### 1 MONDAY

#### Basking Butterflies: Flighty Fun

Meet West Creek's spring meadow beauties. These important pollinators are critical to ecosystem health. We will identify butterflies and apply simple citizen science practices. Nets provided. Bring binoculars. 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. WCR Monarch Bluff Picnic Area Terrain: easy, 1 mile 440-887-1968

#### Southwest Camera Club

Award-winning photographer Jerry Jelinek's work has been published in Cuyahoga Valley National Park publications. He will present "A Year Long Tour of Locations and Photographic Possibilities in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park," one of his favorite places for photographing. 7:30 – 9 p.m. RRNC

#### North Chagrin Nature Photography Club: My Very Best Wildflower Shots Ever

Bring in your best shots to share, and explain to us why you think they're your finest. No cultivated blooms, please. 8 – 9:30 p.m. NCNC

### 2 TUESDAY

#### Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society

Club member, Kathy Murphy, is featuring over 200 bird species from Ohio. Join us for this kick off to spring migration as Kathy will share her personal thoughts on the abundance, beauty and variety in nature. 7:30 – 9 p.m. RRNC

### 3 WEDNESDAY

#### Preschool Safari – Australian Adventure

Bring your young jackaroos and jillaroos to the Zoo to discover what it's like to be a kid in Australia while exploring the Australian Adventure exhibit. 10 – 11:30 a.m. CMZ Meet at Reinberger Education Center Ages: 3 – 5 years with adult Fee: \$10 member/\$15 nonmember Register online

#### Wildflower Walk

In 2016, we witnessed over a dozen species of spring wildflowers in Euclid Creek Reservation. Join Naturalist Jake Kudrna this season in hopes to add more to the list. 10 – 11:30 a.m. ECR Highland Road Picnic Area Terrain: natural surface, some hills, 2 – 3 miles 440-473-3370

#### Garlic Mustard Pull

Help protect native habitat by pulling garlic mustard after learning about this invasive species and how to identify it. 6 – 8 p.m. HiR Hinckley Hills parking lot Terrain: off-trail, 1 – 2 miles Registration encouraged by phone or online 440-887-1968

#### West Creek Night Hike: Noises of the Night

Spring nights are anything but quiet at the reservation. Join a naturalist for a hike while listening to a chorus of birds, insects and frogs. 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. WCR Monarch Bluff Picnic Area Terrain: flat, unpaved, 2 miles 440-887-1968

### 4 THURSDAY

#### Spring Hike

Join a naturalist each Thursday morning this month to explore spring bursting forth at Jackson Field. We'll look up for birds, down for flowers and around for anything else that catches our eye. 9 – 10:30 a.m. SCR Jackson Field Terrain: easy pace, 1.5 miles 440-473-3370

#### Little Explorers: Flower Power

Bring your little explorer to learn how flowers grow. We'll have stories, crafts and songs for you and your child. Program includes a short hike near Rocky River Nature Center. 10 – 11 a.m. or 1 – 2 p.m. RRNC Ages: 3 – 5 years with adult Terrain: mostly flat, 0.5 mile Register online April 19 – May 2

#### PreSchool: Eggs

Spring is a time for eggs of all kinds, shapes and sizes. We'll learn about eggs by going outside to discover which animals lay eggs, investigating an old nest and listening to a book to complete our "egg" experience. 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. CWC Ages: 3 – 5 years with adult Terrain: paved and gravel trails, less than 0.5 mile Register online beginning April 20

#### Eclipse Workshop

Calling all educators and scout leaders. Get ready for the Solar Eclipse on August 21. Educators from Cleveland Astronomical Society and Cleveland Metroparks will demonstrate the basics, techniques and resources to safely view this very rare American Solar Eclipse. 6 – 7 p.m. CWC

#### Cleveland Astronomical Society: The Sun

Dr. Daniel A. Fleisch, Professor of Physics at Wittenberg University, will cover solar observation techniques including some new ones that he is using during the upcoming August 2017 solar eclipse that will be visible across the United States. 7 – 8:30 p.m. CWC



## 5 FRIDAY

### Friday Morning Bird Walks: Lakefront

Join Naturalist Natalie Schroder in search of migrants at one of Cleveland's hidden gems. Warblers, orioles and cliff swallows are just some of the birds that may be seen in the woodlots.  
10 – 11:30 a.m. ECR  
Wildwood Entrance parking lot  
Terrain: paved, natural surface, some inclines, up to 2 miles  
440-473-3370

### Environmentalism Through Cartoons

You can protect and show you care for the environment through art! Naturalist Matt Knittle will lead us through the history of environmental activism through cartoons, printed and animated.  
6 – 7:30 p.m. WSC  
Ages: adults

### Evening Cart Tour

Join a naturalist on an evening cart tour along the Ohio & Erie Canal. We'll look for signs of spring. We'll also discuss the animals both past and present that call the canal home.  
6:30 – 8 p.m. CWC  
Fee: \$5

Register online beginning April 20

### Tiger Tracks Overnight

Over the course of the evening, campers will track an Amur tiger through the taiga, look for clues that they have been in the habitat and explore the many ways tigers survive in the Russian Far East.  
7 p.m. – 10 a.m. CMZ  
Ages: 6 years and over with adult  
Fee: \$41

Register online

## 6 SATURDAY

### Olmsted Historical Society Farmers Market

Featuring local farmers, producers, vendors who grow and produce their goods. Each growing season represented by varieties of different farmers.  
9 a.m. – 1 p.m. RRR  
Frostville Museum  
frostvillefarmersmarket.com

### Emerald Necklace Art Club: Monthly Meeting

Draw and paint with us! Members of the Emerald Necklace Art Club are invited to bring their favorite

medium as we appreciate the signs of the season. Not a member? Sign up by calling 440-473-3370.  
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. BeR  
Ages: adults

### Nature Walk

Each month, join Naturalist Marty Calabrese on an all-ages hike around West Channel Pond.  
10 – 11 a.m. RRNC  
Terrain: some stairs, 1 mile

### Macro Mayhem: For Adults

There are many creatures that live in our streams. Learn about macro-invertebrates and then explore the stream with Naturalist Matt Knittle. Wear shoes that can get muddy, some boots available to borrow.  
10 a.m. – noon WSC  
Ages: adults

### The Novice Naturalist

Join Naturalist Foster Brown as we explore the fascinating world of nature. May still offers us many gorgeous wildflowers that grace the woodland floor. Come observe, learn and live an outdoor experience.  
11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. NCR  
Strawberry Picnic Area parking lot  
Terrain: moderate, dirt, 1.5 miles  
440-473-3370

### Saturday Drop-by: Match the Nest

Have you ever found an empty nest and wondered what bird built it? Let's examine all of the evidence to match local birds to their nests.  
1 – 3 p.m. WSC

### Spring Wildflowers of South Chagrin: Part II

Join Naturalist Stefanie Verish for a series of three hikes following the unfurling of spring and the flowers it brings. Don't forget your camera and your Tour of Wildflowers checklist.  
1:30 – 3:30 p.m. SCR  
Jackson Field parking lot  
Terrain: flat, 1.5 miles  
440-473-3370

### Woodpecker Walk

Take a walk in the woods in search of our local woodpeckers. Identified by their unique calls and markings, these birds are frequent visitors to birdfeeders.  
2 – 3 p.m. NCNC  
Terrain: moderate, some hills, 1.5 – 2 miles

### Tiger Tracks Overnight

7 p.m. – 10 a.m. CMZ  
(see 5/5 for details)

### Cleveland Natural Science Club The Tall Bearded Iris

Join Pat Koch from the Master Gardeners Speaker's Bureau to learn about this intricate and colorful flower.  
7:30 p.m. SCR  
Look About Lodge  
Ages: adults  
440-473-3370

## 7 SUNDAY

### Zoo Career Day

Explore the professional fields of animal care, veterinary medicine, education and more. Get close with small animals, meet with Zoo staff, take a behind-the-scenes tour and get a closer look at the real work involved with these exciting careers.  
9 a.m. – 2 p.m. CMZ  
Ages: students grades 5-8  
Fee: \$45 member/\$50 nonmember  
 Register online

### Birds of Acacia

Join Naturalist Jake Kudrna as we search for birds throughout Acacia Reservation's ever-changing landscape. Join us for light refreshments following the hike. Bring binoculars, some available to borrow.  
9:30 – 11:30 a.m. AR  
Cedar Road parking lot  
Terrain: paved trails, 1 – 2 miles  
440-473-3370

### Wade Park Jaunt

Historical Interpreter Doug Kusak leads you on a spirited yet cursory survey of the former Wade Park grounds in order to highlight the myriad connections between the early days of Cleveland and your Cleveland Metroparks. Meeting location sent the week of program.  
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.  
Fee: \$5  
Terrain: paved, grass, slopes, 2.5 miles  
 Register by phone or online beginning April 20  
216-206-1000

### Drop-by: Wildflower Wonder

Stop by our Spring Wildflower Garden anytime between 10 a.m. and noon. Join Naturalist Lindsey Dukles to observe the spectacle of wildflowers in bloom and the important role they play in our everyday lives.  
10 a.m. – noon RRNC

### American Red Cross Pool/Waterfront Lifeguard Course

The Blended Learning class teaches the knowledge and skills to recognize and respond to aquatic emergencies, prevent drowning and injuries through online and on-site training. Must be 16 years on or before the last day of the course. Prerequisites include a swimming skills test.  
May 7 – 12 HiR  
Sunday, noon – 5 p.m.;  
Monday – Friday, 4 – 8 p.m.  
Ledge Pool and Recreation Area  
Ages: 16 years & over  
Fee: \$215  
 Register by phone or online by April 30  
440-331-8111

### Outdoor Recreation "Try-It" Activities: Fly Fishing

Discover how fun, yet challenging fly fishing can be during these one-hour long "Try-It" sessions. You'll have the opportunity to cast on dry land as well as in the Canal as it is a "Free Fishing Day," so no license is required.  
1 – 2 p.m., 2:15 – 3:15 p.m., or 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. OECR  
Ages: 10 years & over with participating adult  
Fee: \$5 (includes equipment)  
 Register online  
216-341-1704

### Snakes with Jake

Join Naturalist Jake Kudrna on a search for snakes around the nature center. You'll learn new techniques for locating and identifying these incredible reptiles.  
1 – 2 p.m. NCNC  
Terrain: paved, some natural surfaces, 0.5 – 1 mile

## Spring Bird Walks

### Sundays, May 7, 14 & 21 • 7:30 – 10 a.m.

Enjoy the return of spring migrants during the 84th Annual Series of Spring Bird Walks. Take advantage of Cleveland Metroparks varied habitats and visit various locations throughout the Park District, listed below.

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- BeR Hemlock Creek Picnic Area
- BCR Lake Isaac parking lot
- BrR Brecksville Reservation Station Road Bridge Trailhead
- CWC CanalWay Center
- HuR Beach parking lot, near water tower
- NCNC
- RRNC
- SCR Jackson Field




**Wonders of Water**

Did you know this is Drinking Water Week? Let's take our Girl Scout journey with a different twist as we learn how to love, save and share our drinking water.

1:30 – 3:30 p.m. WSC

Ages: Brownies, grades 2 and 3

 Register by phone or online by May 5

**Your Piece of the Planet: Solar Energy at Home**

Whether you are considering adding solar fixtures to your home or are curious about learning more on the topic of renewable energy, this presentation by Third Sun Solar will provide fascinating, practical information on residential solar features for Northeast Ohio.

2 – 3 p.m. RRNC

**North Chagrin Nature Photography Club Print Show Reception**

Come and meet the members of the club for a social hour of photographic talk and technique. Members will be on hand to discuss their passion and their prints. Refreshments will be served.

2 – 4 p.m. NCNC

 **Alice Porter: Wildflowers**

Take a step back in time and join Cleveland Metroparks first female naturalist, Alice Porter, for a hike to look for spring wildflowers.

2:30 – 3:30 p.m. BNC

Terrain: some hills, some stairs, 0.75 mile

**Wildflower Hike**

Hinckley Reservation has a stunning display of wildflowers. Join Naturalist Kelly McGinnis to admire their beauty on this hike through the valleys of Hinckley.

2:30 – 4:30 p.m. HiR

Hinckley Lake Boathouse & Store parking lot

Terrain: hills, 3 miles

440-526-1012

**Bluebirds at the Lakefront**

The Eastern bluebird breeding season is in full swing. We'll meet at the Upper Edgewater Shelter and work our way down to the bluebird box along the lake. We'll learn about the bluebirds along the way.

4 – 5 p.m. LR

Upper Edgewater Shelter

Terrain: paved, one hill, 1 mile

216-206-1000

**8 MONDAY**

**Cuyahoga Astronomical Association: Solar and Planetary Imaging**

From acquiring the images to final processing, club member Dave Watkins will walk us through the entire process. He will describe types of cameras, how to attach your telescope, and the software (often free) for capturing, sorting, stacking, and sharpening.

7:30 – 9 p.m. RRNC

**10 WEDNESDAY**

**Outdoor Adventures for Homeschoolers – Senior**

Learn the basics of rock climbing on natural rock at beautiful Whipp's Ledges. This program will be instructed by experienced Cleveland Metroparks Outdoor Recreation staff.


1:30 – 3:30 p.m. HiR

Top O' Ledges Picnic Area

Ages: 9th – 12th graders

Fee: \$15

Terrain: difficult, hilly, 1 mile

 Register online beginning April 24

440-526-1012

 **Outdoor Recreation "Try-It" Activities: Rock Climbing**

Discover how fun yet challenging outdoor/natural rock climbing can be during these 1.5-hour "Try-It" sessions.

4 – 5:30 p.m. or 5:30 – 7 p.m. HiR

Top O' Ledges Picnic Area

Ages: 10 years & over with participating adult

Fee: \$7.50

 Register online 216-341-1704

**Greater Cleveland Beekeepers Association: Population Dynamics within the Honeybee Hive**

Join us for speaker Dave Noble from the Stratford Ecological Center in Delaware, OH. He will present Population Dynamics within the Honeybee Hive: How seasonal changes affect the growth, health and make up of a hive.

7 – 9 p.m. RRNC

**Full Moon Hike**

Spring has sprung, so join us for a nighttime hike in search of nocturnal wildlife.

8 – 9:30 p.m. RRNC

Terrain: mostly flat, some stairs, 1.5 miles

**West Creek Night Hike: Flower Moon**

Did you know that May's full moon is known as the "Flower Moon?" Get out and enjoy West Creek's wildflowers under the moonlight. Please bring a flashlight.

8 – 9:30 p.m. WCR

Monarch Bluff Picnic Area

Terrain: paved, 1.5 miles

440-887-1968

**11 THURSDAY**

**Spring Hike**

(see 5/4 for details)

9 – 10:30 a.m. SCR

**Preschool Safari – Animal Care**

Learn what it takes to care for zoo animals. Budding veterinarians can learn about animal care through hands-on activities and tools-of-the-trade while having some fun caring for their favorite animal.

10 – 11:30 a.m. CMZ

Meet at Reinberger Education Center

Ages: 3 – 5 years with adult

Fee: \$10 member/\$15 nonmember

 Register online

**Kids Explore the Ponds**

Let's explore the ponds and wetlands at a curious child's pace.

10 a.m. – Noon NCNC

Ages: 4 – 9 years with adult

Terrain: easy, 0.5 mile

 **North Chagrin Origins**

North Chagrin Reservation saw the genesis of our trails, trailside museums and naturalists. On this hike we will explore the remnants and progress of our first 100 years.

1 – 2:30 p.m. NCR

A.B. Williams Memorial Woods

Terrain: natural surfaces, some hills,

2 – 3 miles

440-473-3370

**American Red Cross Lifeguard Instructor Course**


This course trains candidates to teach aquatics courses including: basic-level Lifeguarding, Water-front Lifeguarding, Waterpark Lifeguarding, Shallow Water Attendant, and Lifeguard Management. Must possess a current American Red Cross Lifeguarding/ First Aid certificate, and successfully pass a pre-course written examination and evaluation of skills.

May 11 – May 25, 4 – 7:30 p.m. RRR

Tuesdays at Park Operations Administration, Thursdays at Lakewood High School Pool

Ages: 17 years & over

Fee: \$215

 Register by phone or online by May 4

440-331-8111

**Beginner Wildflower Hike**

Take a slow hike at Bedford Reservation to see spring wildflowers. This walk is for beginners interested in learning names and identification tips for common wildflowers. We'll explore the Tinker's Creek floodplain where the terrain is rugged, but well worth the trip.

6 – 7:30 p.m. BeR

Egbert Trailhead parking lot

Terrain: hilly, muddy, uneven, 2 miles

216-206-1000

**Nurture with Nature**

Bring your family for a monthly program that explores nature through books, games, hikes and other activities. This month we'll learn about pollinators.

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. BNC

Ages: 3 years & over with adult

Terrain: flat, 0.5 mile

 Register by phone

beginning April 24

440-526-1012

**Amphibian Adventure**

Explore the wetlands at West Creek with Naturalist Joe Higgins in search of frogs and toads. We'll search for salamanders in the floodplain and keep our ears peeled for spring peepers.

7:30 – 9 p.m. WCR

Monarch Bluff Picnic Area

Terrain: mostly unpaved, 1.5 miles

440-887-1968

**12 FRIDAY**

**Friday Bird Walk**

Join Naturalist Jake Kudrna on the banks of Euclid Creek searching for woodpeckers, kinglets and sandpipers.

10 – 11:30 a.m. ECR

Highland Picnic Area parking lot

Terrain: natural, uneven surfaces, some hills, up to 2 miles

440-473-3370

 **Frostville Architecture Tour**

Celebrate our Centennial while exploring what life was like in early Ohio. We'll use buildings at our affiliate site, Olmsted Historical Society's Frostville Museum, to identify features of 19th-century architecture.

7 – 8 p.m. RRR

Frostville Museum

Terrain: mostly flat, 0.5 mile

440-734-6660



## Day into Dusk

Day is fading into dusk; this is the time that many wild creatures are active and visible. Hike with Naturalist Kathy Schmidt along a part of Hinckley Lake to enjoy the evening and see what animals reveal themselves.

7 – 8:30 p.m. HiR  
Hinckley Lake Boathouse & Store  
Terrain: hills, 1.5 miles  
440-526-1012

## Web of Tales Campfire

In fields, forests, streams and basements – our friends, the spiders – are everywhere. Naturalist Matt Knittle will spin tales of our many-legged neighbors while you enjoy the warmth of a fire. S'mores provided. Indoors in case of rain.

7 – 8:30 p.m. WCR  
Patio behind WSC  
Fee: \$2

Registration required online or 440-887-1968

## Tiger Tracks Overnight

(see 5/5 for details)  
7 p.m. – 10 a.m. CMZ

## 13 SATURDAY

### Sunrise Hike

Join Naturalist Foster Brown as we hike the stillness of the day. Catch a glimpse of the woodland early risers, and possibly hand feed a chickadee as we walk through A.B. Williams Memorial Woods to the historic Overlook Shelter.

5:30 – 6:30 a.m. NCR  
A.B. Williams Memorial Woods  
Trailhead  
Terrain: gravel, dirt, steps, 1.5 miles  
440-473-3370

### River Birding

Join Naturalist Marty Calabrese for bird watching along the riverside Towpath Trail on International Migratory Bird Day. How many of the nearly 350 species of migratory birds can we record in this urban haven?

9 – 10:30 a.m. LR  
Scranton Flats pier  
Terrain: flat, gravel, 0.5 mile  
440-734-6660

### Olmsted Historical Society

**Farmers Market**  
(see 5/6 for details)  
9 a.m. – 1 p.m. RRR

### Wildflowers at Worden's

Wildflowers grow in abundance among the sandstone of Worden's Ledges. Hike this beautiful area with Naturalist Kathy Schmidt to learn

the stories of flowers and ledges.  
9 – 11 a.m. HiR  
Worden Heritage Homesite  
Terrain: hills, 1.5 miles  
440-526-1012

### Cleveland Metroparks Centennial Waterfall Excursion

Join Naturalist Debra Shankland on a tour of Cleveland Metroparks largest waterfalls, as spring showers bring peak flows to these scenic and historical cataracts. This tour will be punctuated with short walks.

9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. GPR  
GPC parking lot  
Terrain: hard trail surfaces, stairs, 2 miles total  
Ages: adults  
Fee: \$55 (transportation and lunch)

Register by phone or online by May 10  
440-887-1968

### 2-Hour Cart Tour

Historical Interpreter Doug Kusak is your guide on an extended northern tour of Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation. We'll discuss the history of the park, area geography, watersheds, trails, industry, and some nature.

10 a.m. – noon or 2 – 4 p.m. CWC  
Fee: \$10

Register online beginning May 1

### Seeing Green

What's the value of a tree? Beyond just being beautiful, let's take a hike and assess the economic impact of having healthy trees in our neighborhood.

10 a.m. – noon WCR  
Monarch Bluff Picnic Area  
Terrain: paved and unpaved, 1.5 miles

### Wildflower Hunt

Spend the spring morning finding delicate flowers hidden in the forest. These rich woods are stunning in the spring.

10 a.m. – noon NCR  
Strawberry Pond Trailhead  
Terrain: steep, muddy trails, 3 miles  
440-473-3370

### Butterfly Gardening with Native Plants

Does your garden look as good to butterflies as it does to you? Learn how to best attract these stunning insects to your yard through gardening with native plants.

Noon – 1 p.m. NCNC  
Nature Education Building

### Wildflower Walk

With longer days and shorter nights, wildflowers are emerging and adding their spectacular color to the forest floor. Join a naturalist for a walk-in search of these beauties. Don't miss out, the sights change weekly.

1 – 2 p.m. RRNC  
Terrain: few stairs, 1 mile

### Centennial Conversations: Rangers

Hear the history of Cleveland Metroparks Rangers. There will also be an opportunity to personally meet some of the rangers, including our K-9 dogs, and mounted unit horses, and check out a couple of Ranger vehicles!

1 – 3:30 p.m. RRNC  
Next month: June 14 - Summer Camps

### Family Bike Ride

Load up your family, friends and bicycles, then head to the Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation for a casual bike ride along the Towpath. We'll stop along the way to discuss some of the wildlife that lives in the Cuyahoga Valley.

1 – 3 p.m. CWC  
Terrain: 1 hill, 8 miles

Register by phone or online beginning May 1  
216-206-1000

### Macro Mayhem: Family Edition

What's that crawling in our stream? Learn all about macroinvertebrates, play a game and find real, live macros in the stream. No splashing the naturalist! Some boots available for loan.

1 – 3 p.m. BCR  
Snow Road Picnic Area  
440-887-1968

### A Garden for Pollinators

Flowers are advertisements for insects and hummingbirds. What kind of "signage" is in your garden? Discover which blooms attract different animals to your garden.

1:30 – 2:30 p.m. NCNC  
Nature Education Building

### Flower Folklore

Wander through the gardens and natural habitat around the center learning about the spring wildflowers

and their fascinating stories.  
3 – 4 p.m. NCNC  
Terrain: paved trails, 1 mile

### Tales Around the Necklace

Excellent storytelling artists bring entertaining and enlightening stories to you. After hearing their tales, enjoy refreshments and enjoy tales shared by audience members

7 – 8:30 p.m. SCR  
Look About Lodge  
Ages: 13 years & over and adults  
440-473-3370

### Tiger Tracks Overnight

(see 5/5 for details)  
7 p.m. – 10 a.m. CMZ

## 14 SUNDAY

### Birding Blitz

Join Naturalist Jen Brumfield on the Lake Erie shore to scan the skies for migrating songbirds. Wendy Park's woodlots, fields and shoreline are a hotspot for birding in Ohio.

9:30 – 11 a.m. LR  
Wendy Park  
Terrain: flat, 0.5 mile  
440-734-6660

### Breakfast at the Castle

Start your Mother's Day by enjoying nature. We'll explore the stunning wildflowers and listen for birds on the trails, then return for a light breakfast at Squire's Castle.

9:30 – 11 a.m. NCR  
Squire's Castle parking lot  
Fee: \$5  
Terrain: moderate hills, 2 miles

Register online between April 23 and May 10  
440-473-3370

### Mother's Day Stroll

Come on out with your loved ones to enjoy a leisurely stroll in the park with Naturalist Lindsey Dukles. We'll look at the changing flora and fauna and experience some of the joys of spring.

10 – 11 a.m. RRNC  
Terrain: mostly flat, 1 mile

### 2-Hour Cart Tour

(see 5/13 for details)  
10 a.m. – noon or 2 – 4 p.m. CWC

## Native Plant Sale and Celebration

May 13 & 14 • 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

### North Chagrin Nature Center

Buy your own native plants to help attract butterflies, hummingbirds and other wildlife to your yard. Learn about how to grow your own native plant garden from native plant experts, go on a wildflower walk and more!

**Mother's Day at**


**Cleveland Metroparks Zoo**

Bring mom to Cleveland Metroparks Zoo to celebrate Mother's Day! All moms receive FREE admission! 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. CMZ

**A Flower Pot for Mom**

Kids are invited to decorate a special flower pot for mom this Mother's Day. Inside we will plant a seed from one of our native plants to nurture and watch grow—just as Mom does for us.

12:30 – 1:30 p.m. NCNC  
Nature Education Building  
Age: 6 – 12 years with adult  
Fee: \$5

 Register online between April 23 and May 8

**Mother's Day Wildflower Walk**

Skip buying expensive flowers this year and come see West Creek in spring bloom. Share the afternoon with your mom on a nice, easy hike and learn to identify common wildflowers.

1 – 2 p.m. WCR  
Monarch Bluff Picnic Area  
Terrain: paved, 1 mile

**Sunday Drop-by: Build-a-Bird**

Stop by to make a fun craft in honor of International Migratory Bird Day. And be sure to watch the feeders, as some of the most beautiful birds are visiting now.

2 – 3:30 p.m. WSC

**Get Out...**

...and get active. Join Naturalist Kelly McGinnis to explore the trails in Hinckley Reservation. Over the next months, we'll hike all of the trails starting with the shortest. Every month will be progressively longer. Meeting locations will vary.

2 – 3 p.m. HiR  
Whipp's Ledges Picnic Area  
Ages: adults  
Terrain: hill, rocky, 1.25 miles  
440-526-1012

**Wetland Bioblitz**

Join Naturalist Jen Brumfield on a search for dragonflies, birds, snakes, turtles, frogs, mushrooms and more. In one hour, we'll see how many species we can find around West Channel Pond's wetlands.

3 – 4 p.m. RRNC  
Terrain: mostly flat, 20 stairs, 0.75 mile


**15 MONDAY**

**Lighthouse Bus Tour**

Travel with us along Lake Erie's western coast to visit three historic

lighthouses. We'll explore the oldest continuously operating lighthouse on the Great Lakes, and learn each lighthouse's unique history. We'll have a boxed lunch at Marblehead Lighthouse.


9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. CWC  
Ages: adults  
Fee: \$65 includes boxed lunch  
Terrain: paved trails, stairs, less than 1 mile

 Register online beginning April 20  
216-206-1000

**Monday MeetUp: What's Up with Yellow Creek**

Meet Friends of Yellow Creek to learn about the Yellow Creek watershed and take a tour of wetland and stream restoration projects. Light refreshments provided.

6 – 8 p.m.  
University of Akron Field Station at Bath Nature Preserve (4160 Ira Road, Bath)

 Register online by May 12  
216-780-9750

**16 TUESDAY**

**Hiking for the Young at Heart**


Up, down and all around, today we will head over to Deer Lick Cave. We may find the last of the spring wildflowers in bloom.

9:30 – 11:30 a.m. BNC  
Ages: adults  
Terrain: natural surface trails & hills, 4 miles

**Preschool Safari – Nature Explorers**


Experience the joys of connecting to nature at the Zoo's Nature Discovery Ridge. Children are invited to climb, splash, imagine and have fun while we discover some of the amazing things nature has to offer.

10 – 11:30 a.m. CMZ  
Meet at Reinberger Education Center

Ages: 3 – 5 years with adult  
Fee: \$10 member/\$15 nonmember  
 Register online

**CanalWay Storytime**


Eggs are all around us. Under logs and up in trees. Let's "crack the case" by learning all about eggs through reading stories and singing songs.

11 – 11:45 a.m. CWC  
Ages: 6 years & under with adult  
 Register by phone or online beginning May 1  
216-206-1000

**Cuyahoga River By Boat**

Historical Interpreter Doug Kusak is your guide on a boat ride going "up the river." We'll discuss the Cuyahoga River, bridges, area geography, watersheds, trails, and industry. River traffic may affect route.

4 – 6 p.m. or 7 – 9 p.m. LR  
Merwin's Wharf  
Fee: \$15


 Register online beginning April 20  
216-206-1000

**17 WEDNESDAY**

**Young Explorers**

Bring your little ones to meet the turtles of CanalWay Center. Learn about the different turtles who call this area home and make a turtle craft to take home.

10 – 11 a.m. or 1 – 2 p.m. CWC  
Ages: 3 – 5 years with adult  
Terrain: easy, 0.5 – 1 mile

 Register by phone or online beginning May 1  
216-206-1000

**Wildflower Walk**

(see 5/3 for details)  
10 – 11:30 a.m. ECR

**Animal Crackers**

Join Miss Jenny to celebrate the end of the Animal Crackers school year with nature games, a hike, and more.


10 – 11:15 a.m. or 1 – 2:15 p.m. BrR  
Oak Grove Picnic Area  
Ages: 3 – 5 with adult, no siblings  
Terrain: flat, 0.5 mile

 Register by phone starting May 1  
440-526-1012

**Zooniverse: Focus on Wildlife**

Come see secret lives of animals revealed through pictures. Learn how to contribute to Cleveland Metroparks from the comfort of your own home. Bring a laptop. Limited quantity available to borrow.

6 – 7:30 p.m. WSC  
Ages: adults, 14 years & over with adult

 Register by phone or online  
440-887-1968

**Wednesday Wildflower Walk**

Join us on the Treadway Trail, a City of Cleveland connector trail to the Towpath. This path is known to have beautiful wildflowers along its hillside. Call for directions for our meeting location: Harmody Park.

6:30 – 7:30 p.m.  
Terrain: paved, hill, 1 mile  
216-206-1000

**18 THURSDAY**

**Spring Hike**

(see 5/4 for details)  
9 – 10:30 a.m. SCR

**Animal Crackers**

(see 5/17 for details)  
10 – 11:15 a.m. BrR

**Homeschool Happenings: Aquatic Life**

What lives in the water? Fish, of course, but that is not all! Homeschoolers will have an opportunity to use the tools of the trade while they investigate what other creatures call the water their home.

1:30 – 3:30 p.m. RRNC  
Ages: 1 – 3 grade, 4 – 6 grade, 7 – 9 grade

 Cuyahoga County residents register by phone May 1 – 7, out of county register May 3 – 7  
440-734-6660

**Evening Exploration**

Hiking is nature's medicine. We'll explore the marvels of nature on this hike along the Hemlock Loop Trail.

6 – 7:30 p.m. BNC  
Terrain: hills, 2.5 miles

 **Sunset at Euclid Beach**

Embrace the dimming of the sun over the lake as we remember shadows of the past. We'll learn about Euclid Beach Amusement Park and enjoy the spring sunset.

7:30 – 8:30 p.m. ECR  
Euclid Beach parking lot  
Terrain: paved trails, 1 mile  
440-473-3370

 **Your Parks, Their Stories**

Come learn more fascinating stories of people associated with Cleveland Metroparks. Experience and hear all about John Huntington, who Huntington Beach is named for, and his influence on the city of Cleveland and Greater Cleveland.

7:30 – 8:30 p.m. NCNC

**19 FRIDAY**

**Friday Morning Bird Walks: Lakefront**

(see 5/5 for details)  
10 – 11:30 a.m. ECR

**Spirited Spring Hike**

Witness the reawakening of the woods as you enjoy a brisk hike through the forest. Let the warming weather and the swiftness of the flowing water set you in motion this spring.

2 – 3 p.m. GPR  
Garfield Park Center  
Terrain: gravel, paved, steps, hills, 2 miles  
216-206-1000



## Woodlands of Bedford: Nighttime Experiences

Bring your lawn chair and join Fred Losi as we quietly sit at the peak elevation of Circle Emerald Field. We'll focus our senses outward and upward to detect American woodcock, coyote, owls and migrating birds. If the night sky is clear, we'll examine Jupiter, stars and galaxies.

8:30 – 10:45 p.m. BeR  
Circle Emerald Field

Register by phone beginning May 1  
216-206-1000

## Tiger Tracks Overnight

(see 5/5 for details)  
7 p.m. – 10 a.m. CMZ

## 20 SATURDAY



## Ride the Emerald Rim

Celebrate Cleveland Metroparks Centennial with a half century bike tour through sections of the Emerald Necklace – 20, 30 or 50-mile ride options are available. Enjoy the camaraderie of fellow cyclists as you enjoy a healthy lunch, slacklining and disc golf. Participants will share the roadway and sections of all-purpose trails. Helmets required.

9 a.m. – 4 p.m. MSRR  
Chalet

Ages: 14 years & over with participating adult  
Fee: \$25 (includes lunch and t-shirt while supplies last)  
After April 30: \$30

Register online  
216-341-1704

## Extreme Hiking

Join us for this quick paced monthly hike as we cover ground through the forest and floodplains of Brecksville Reservation.

9 a.m. – noon BNC  
Terrain: natural surface trail,  
8 – 9 miles

## Olmsted Historical Society Farmers Market

(see 5/6 for details)  
9 a.m. – 1 p.m. RRR

## Spring Wildflower Walks

See what's blooming on the trails near the nature center, and get a tour of recent garden additions. 10 – 11 a.m. and 3 – 4 p.m. RRNC  
Terrain: mostly flat, some stairs,  
0.5 mile

## Historic Herb Drop-in

Look About Lodge, on the National Register of Historic Places, once featured an herb garden. Herbs played an important role throughout history, from insect repellents, to medicinal uses, and culinary seasonings. Learn a little about these plants, and make a simple craft to take with you.

10 a.m. – noon SCR  
Look About Lodge  
440-473-3370

## 2-Hour Cart Tour

(see 5/13 for details)  
10 a.m. – noon or 2 – 4 p.m. CWC

## Seven Wonders of Cleveland Metroparks Bus Trip

Join Naturalist Natalie Schroder for a day of wonder as we discover some of the top sights of spring within Cleveland Metroparks. This full day bus tour will take you to all the wondrous sights around the Emerald Necklace.

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. NCNC  
North Chagrin Nature Center parking lot  
Fee: \$59 (includes bus ride, lunch and snacks)  
Terrain: paved, natural surface, stairs,  
5 miles

Register online between April 23 and May 15

## Drop-in Upcycling Craft

In this morning of fun, we will take old discarded maps and make cool bookmarks and gift tags. Upcycling is just another creative way to repurpose throw away items

## Children's Fishing Derbies

Saturday, May 20 • Wallace Lake, Mill Stream Run Reservation  
Sunday, May 21 • Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation

Fishing sessions: Ages 4 – 8 • 9 a.m. to noon, Ages 9 – 15 • 1 to 4 p.m. Rainbow trout and catfish will be ready for young anglers to try their luck while competing for prizes. Bring a rod, tackle and a cooler to store your catch. Bait and loaner rods provided while supplies last. Golf cart shuttles available for seniors and persons with disabilities. Call 216-206-1010 or visit [clevelandmetroparks.com](http://clevelandmetroparks.com)

and get a second use out of them. Join us for this free activity. 10:30 – noon p.m. NCNC

## Wildflower Folklore

Wildflowers are known for their curious names and dubious folk uses. Enjoy this entertaining indoor program that takes a look at some of these unique plant stories. 11 a.m. – noon RRNC

## Visit the Lorenzo Carter Cabin

The cabin is open so come look inside. Learn about the man for whom the cabin is named and the story behind its construction and plans for the future. Located along the Cuyahoga River on Merwin Avenue, near Center Street in the Flats.

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. LR  
Lorenzo Carter Cabin  
216-206-1000

## Live Animal Lessons

Everyone likes live animal programs, right? Join Naturalist Foster Brown as we take an up-close look at a big brown bat. Bring your knowledge about bats and we will discuss new information about bat survival in Ohio.

1 – 2 p.m. NCNC

## Drop-by Discovery Table

Urban animals can be many, varied and secretive. Drop by to lift the mysterious veil on a few of Northeast Ohio's common species. 1 – 2:30 p.m. GPR  
Red Oak Shelter area  
216-206-1000

## Afternoon Archery for Kids

Bring your child to the valley to discover the fun of archery. Enjoy a new activity surrounded by nature. We'll have all supplies available for you.

1 – 2:30 p.m. OECR  
CanalWay Center  
Fee: \$5  
Ages: 9 years & over  
Terrain: one hill, 0.5 mile

Register online beginning May 1  
216-206-1000

## Nature Journaling

Experience nature through the seasons. We will record our observations in a journal of our own creation. You may want to bring a camera.

1 – 3 p.m. SCR  
Look About Lodge  
Ages: adults  
Fee: \$20 (includes supplies)

Register online beginning April 23 and May 17  
440-473-3370

## Wicked Plants

From wicked thorns to toxic killers, dive into the curious world of plant defense traits with Naturalist Marty Calabrese. Indoor program.

2 – 3 p.m. RRNC  
Ages: teens, adults

## We Love Toads Drop-in

Stop by today to meet a toad and learn more about these wonderful creatures. A naturalist will be on hand in the nature center and a self-guided toad-trail will be set-up nearby.

2 – 4 p.m. NCNC  
Terrain: muddy trail, 0.25 mile

## River Day Stream Model and Hike

Celebrate the 26th Annual River Day by taking a tip or two from a stream. First we'll look at some sedimentary action on our stream table: indoors. Then we'll take a hike along West Creek to experience some of the lessons we learned.

2 – 4 p.m. WSC  
Terrain: varied, 1 mile

## Afternoon Archery for Adults

Have you ever wanted to try archery? Join us in the valley to discover the fun of archery. Enjoy a new activity surrounded by nature. We'll have all supplies available for you.

3 – 4:30 p.m. OECR  
CanalWay Center  
Fee: \$5  
Ages: adults  
Terrain: one hill, 0.5 mile

Register online beginning May 1  
216-206-1000

## Garden Gala Native Plant Sale

May 20 & 21 • 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

## Rocky River Nature Center

Attract pollinators, beautify your yard and represent Ohio's beautiful natural heritage! Over twenty species of plants designed to fit all types of sun, soil, and water conditions will be available while supplies last. Credit accepted; cash or check preferred.

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. RRNC



**Tiger Tracks Overnight**

7 p.m. – 10 a.m. CMZ  
(see 5/5 for details)

**21 SUNDAY**

**Breakfast in the Park**

Enjoy a beautiful morning in the park. Our volunteer chefs whip up a delicious breakfast while we search for blooming wildflowers at Willow Bend Picnic Area. Food items will be assigned when you register; don't forget your place setting.

9 – 11 a.m. RRR

Willow Bend Picnic Area

Terrain: flat, 1 mile

☎ Register by phone May 1 – 10  
440-734-6660

**Spring Wildflower Walks**

See what's blooming on the trails near the nature center, and get a tour of recent garden additions.

10 – 11 a.m. and 3 – 4 p.m. RRNC

Terrain: mostly flat, some stairs, 0.5 mile

**Last Chance Wildflower Walk**

Search for the last blooms of spring on the Scenic Loop trail with Naturalist Selby Majewski. We'll try to fill any gaps in your Tour of Wildflowers and may even spot amphibians enjoying the change in seasons.

10 a.m. – noon SCR

Sulphur Springs Picnic Shelter

Terrain: steep hills, stream crossings, 2 miles

440-473-3370

**Brookside Bug Walk**

The scents of spring blooms draw butterflies, beetles, bees and other pollinating insects. Join Naturalist Joe Higgins to sneak a peek into the wild world of insects.

11 a.m. – noon BR

Meadow Ridge Picnic Area

Terrain: some pavement, stairs, 1.5 miles

440-887-1968

**Useful Plants**

Plants have been key to human health and survival for thousands of years. Learn about some local Ohio plants that have been used in unique ways as medicine, food, and tools during this indoor program.

11 a.m. – noon RRNC

**American Red Cross Waterfront Lifeguarding Skills Module**

This course is for individuals currently possessing an American Red Cross Lifeguarding/First Aid certification and need to update their skills to become certified

to work at a waterfront location. Successful participant will be certified in Waterfront Lifeguarding, First Aid and CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer.

Noon – 6 p.m. MSRR

Wallace Lake

Fee: \$85

☎ Register by phone or online by May 17  
440-331-8111

**100 Worden's Ledges History Hike**

Many people know about Whipp's Ledges in Hinckley, but have you heard of Worden's Ledges? Join Historical Interpreter Beth Robb for a hike to the carved sandstone ledges.

1 – 2 p.m. HiR

Worden's Homestead parking lot

Terrain: hills, 1 mile

440-526-1012

**Building a Backyard Bird Habitat**

Bring your yard to life with beautiful blooms and amazing birds, all it takes is incorporating the right plants into your landscape. Naturalist Jen Brumfield will share top picks that provide food, water and shelter for feathered friends. Indoor program.

2 – 3 p.m. RRNC

**Garden Gala Native Plant Sale**

(see 5/20 for details)

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. RRNC

**22 MONDAY**

**American Red Cross Pool/Waterfront Lifeguard Course**

The Blended Learning class teaches the knowledge and skills to recognize and respond to aquatic emergencies, prevent drowning and injuries through online and on-site training. Must be 16 years old on or before the last day of the course. Prerequisites include a swimming skills test. May 22 – May 26

9 a.m. – 2 p.m. HiR

Ledge Pool and Recreation Area

Ages: 16 years and over

Fee: \$215

☎ Register by phone or online by May 15  
440-331-8111

**23 TUESDAY**

**Stroller School**

Spring has sprung. We'll hear a story and explore the shapes and sounds of the season's eggs and seeds.

1:30 – 2:15 p.m. CWC

Terrain: paved, hill, 1 mile

Ages: 2 years & under with adult

☎ Register by phone or online beginning May 1  
216-206-1000

**Cuyahoga River By Boat**

(see 5/16 for details)

4 – 6 p.m. or 7 – 9 p.m. LR

**24 WEDNESDAY**

**Zoo Career Day**

Explore the professional fields of animal care, veterinary medicine, education and more. Get close with small animals, meet with Zoo staff, take a behind-the-scenes tour and get a closer look at the real work involved with these exciting careers.

9 a.m. – 2 p.m. CMZ

Ages: students grades 9-12

Fee: \$45 member/\$50 nonmember

☎ Register online

**Beginner Birders**

Learning to identify birds can be a challenge! Join a naturalist on a hike around the wetlands to kick-start your life with our feathered friends.

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. NCNC

Terrain: paved, 1 mile

**Sprouts: Growing Kids and Wonder, Naturally**

Join Natalie the Naturalist to discover pollinators. We will have discovery time, a craft and go on a short hike.

10:30 – 11:45 a.m. or 1 – 2:15 p.m.

NCNC

Nature Education Building

Ages: 3 – 5 years with adult

Terrain: paved, natural surface, 0.75 mile

☎ Register by phone between April 23 and May 22  
440-473-3370

**Hikathon Mini**

Join Naturalist Marty Calabrese for a face-paced hike through the multi-habitat woodlands of Royalview.

3 – 4:30 p.m. MSRR

Royalview Trailhead A

Terrain: hilly, strenuous, 4 miles

440-734-6660

**Forest Hills Hike**

Join a naturalist to explore the trails of Forest Hills. We will discuss the natural and cultural history of the area as we search for flowers and creatures that come out at dusk.

7 – 8:30 p.m.

1 Monticello Blvd., Cleveland Hts.

440-473-3370

**25 THURSDAY**

**Spring Hike**

(see 5/4 for details)

9 – 10:30 a.m. SCR

**Tree Steward Training I**

Learn about urban forestry and how to participate in volunteer tree care. Urban and community foresters from Holden Arboretum and Western Reserve Land Conservancy will help you plan for trees, explain how they work and guide you in tree care during outdoor practice. Space is limited, and participants must attend all sessions:

May 25 – 27.

5:30 – 9 p.m. WSC

Ages: adults

☎ Register by phone by May 22  
440-887-1968

**Dinner & a Chat: Mushrooms**

A Natural Resource researcher will talk with us about the important role the mushrooms have in the overall health of our local forests while we dine on a meal that showcases a variety of mushrooms available this time of year.

6:30 – 8 p.m. LR

Merwin's Wharf Restaurant

Fee: \$30

☎ Registration by phone or online beginning April 20  
216-206-1000

**26 FRIDAY**

**Friday Bird Walk**

(see 5/12 for details)

10 – 11:30 a.m. ECR

**Tree Steward Training II**

(see 5/25 for details)

5:30 – 9 p.m. WSC

**100 "Remember the Maine" Walk**

Observe Memorial Day by taking a walk with Historical Interpreter Karen Lakus to the USS Maine Memorial. Hear the story of the ill-fated ship and why parts of it are scattered all over the country including Washington Reservation.

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. WR

Arborview Picnic Shelter parking lot

Terrain: flat, paved, 1 mile

216-206-1000

**Evening Dog Hike**

Join us with your furry friends for a moderately paced hike around Hinckley Lake, just in time for the holiday weekend.

6:30 – 8 p.m. HiR

Hinckley Lake Boathouse parking lot

Terrain: some hills, some stairs, 3.4 miles

440-526-1012



## 27 SATURDAY

### American Red Cross Waterfront Lifeguarding Skills Module

(see 5/21 for details)  
9 a.m. – 3 p.m. MSRR

### Olmsted Historical Society Farmers Market

(see 5/6 for details)  
9 a.m. – 1 p.m. RRR

### Tree Steward Training III

(see 5/25 for details)  
9 a.m. – 2 p.m. WSC

### Plants at War

Botany played an important, but often overlooked, role in both world wars. From victory gardens to milkweed drives, this indoor presentation will examine how people, parks and plants mobilized for victory at home and abroad.  
11 a.m. – noon RRNC

### An Introduction to Atlatls

Learn the history of the atlatl, an ancient spear-throwing device that has been used around the world for thousands of years. Try your hand at throwing darts using various styles of atlatls.

1 – 2 p.m. CWC  
Ages: 8 years & over with adult  
Fee: \$5

Terrain: one hill, 0.5 mile

Register online beginning May 1

### Nature Art: Pounded Flower Totes

Learn how to use pigments from nature's flora to create art. Using a pounding technique we will transfer these pigments creating beautiful patterns on a canvas tote that you can take with you.

1 – 2:30 p.m. RRNC  
Ages: adults, 10 years & older with adult  
Fee: \$5

Register online  
May 1 – 19

### Quarry Stories

Hidden quarries exist in Cleveland Metroparks. Hike with Naturalist Marty Calabrese and find these sandstone pits. Explore how this swampy land was used in the past, and how it became a park for the people.

2 – 3 p.m. BWR  
Codrington Shelterhouse  
Terrain: flat, wet, 1 mile  
440-734-6660

### Hike the Mt. Bike Trail

Join us as we hike the Mountain Bike Trail. We'll look for signs of

spring and some wildflowers along the trail. Wear sturdy hiking shoes.  
2 – 3:30 p.m. CWC  
Terrain: dirt trail, several hills, 2.5 – 3 miles

Register online beginning May 1

### Ledges to Ledges Hike

We'll carpool to our starting location for a fabulous hike through Worden's Ledges, down to Hinckley Lake and up through Whipp's Ledges back to our cars, while discovering the stories written in stone along the way.

2 – 4:30 p.m. HiR  
Top O'Ledges Picnic Area  
Terrain: steep hills, uneven, 4 miles  
440-526-1012

## 28 SUNDAY

### Lakefront Dog Walk

Bring your furry friend for a morning walk at the lakefront. We'll stroll on the trails to see the sights and sounds of Edgewater Park and let the dogs swim at the dog beach.  
9:30 – 10:30 a.m. LR  
Edgewater Park Fishing Pier  
216-206-1000

### Visit the Lorenzo Carter Cabin

(see 5/20 for details)  
11 a.m. – 1 p.m. LR

### Military Memorabilia

View WWI, CCC camps, WWII, Korea and Vietnam military items from Joseph Woyma's family collection. Veteran's come and place a pin in a map to show where you served.  
Noon – 4 p.m. CWC

### Insect Inspection

You can find insects almost anywhere, but what makes them insects? Learn about insects, explore the many places they live and try to find as many species as possible.

2 – 3 p.m. CWC  
Ages: 7 – 9 years  
Terrain: easy, 0.5 – 1 mile

Register online or by phone beginning May 1  
216-206-1000

### Afternoon of Nature Play

Come out to Brecksville the day before Memorial Day for an afternoon of nature based fun and games. Please wear closed toe footwear.

2 – 4 p.m. BNC  
Ages: 9 – 11

Register by phone beginning May 7  
440-526-1012

### Birding the Rock

Join Naturalist Jen Brumfield on a search for late migrants and early nesting birds in the Rocky River Valley. We'll listen for visiting and territorial orioles, tanagers, vireos, warblers and more.

3 – 4 p.m. RRNC  
Terrain: mostly flat, 20 stairs, 0.75 mile

### 50 Shades of Green

Leaves, grasses, mosses, and more! Green is the color we will look for, in plants and animals we all adore! Join Naturalist Patti Donnellan on this walk along Big Creek.

3 – 4:30 p.m. BCR  
Snow Road Picnic Area  
Terrain: paved, 2 miles  
440-887-1968

## 29 MONDAY

### Military Memorabilia

(see 5/28 for details)  
9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. CWC

### Acacia for the Young at Heart

Slow down and enjoy a leisurely walk with Naturalist Natalie Schroder as we explore all that Acacia Reservation holds during spring. All abilities are welcome.

10 – 11 a.m. AR  
Meet at the kiosk  
Terrain: paved, some hills, up to 2 miles  
440-473-3370

## 30 TUESDAY

### Discovering Nature: Fossils

Join Naturalist Bev Walborn on an outdoor adventure just for preschoolers. We will explore how fossils are formed then play at the Prehistoric Play Pit.

1 – 1:30 p.m. BCR  
Eastland Road Trailhead, Lake to Lake Trail  
Ages: 2 – 6 years with adult  
Terrain: flat, 0.5 mile  
440-734-6660

### Cuyahoga River By Boat

(see 5/16 for details)  
4 – 6 p.m. or 7 – 9 p.m. LR

### Outdoor Recreation Yoga and Hike

Hike and pause with certified yoga instructor, Kim Scott Sowinski. Yoga mats will be provided, but you can bring your own. Late fee after May 22. Register by May 28.

6 – 7:30 p.m. BrR  
Oak Grove Shelter  
Ages: 14 years & over with participating adult  
Fee: \$15

Register online  
216-341-1704

### Outdoor Recreation Mountain Biking 1: Introduction

This field based skills clinic will focus on the fundamental elements of riding off-road focusing on body position, braking, and basic maneuvers. All skill levels welcome. Bring your own bike or reserve one by calling 216-341-1704 for no additional fee; sizes limited. Helmets required. Late fee after May 22.

6 – 8 p.m. BeR  
Egbert Picnic Area  
Ages: 14 years & over with participating adult  
Fee: \$15 (includes equipment)

Register online  
216-341-1704

### Outdoor Recreation Fly Fishing 1: Introduction

Combines classroom and dry land casting to introduce you to basic fly fishing equipment and techniques. Led by Jeff Liskay. Late fee after May 22.

6 – 9 p.m. RRR  
Cottonwood Shelter  
Ages: 14 years & over with participating adult  
Fee: \$25 (includes equipment)

Register online  
216-341-1704

## 31 WEDNESDAY

### American Red Cross Waterfront Lifeguarding Skills Module

(see 5/21 for details)  
9 a.m. – 3 p.m. MSRR

### Nature Baby: Bunns Lake

Nature is awaiting you, so let's get baby out to explore. Grab a baby backpack or just carry your child for a walk around Bunns Lake. We will start with a story then hit the trail for a hike.

10 – 11 a.m. BWR  
Codrington Shelterhouse  
Ages: 0 – 3 years with adult  
Terrain: flat, 0.5 mile

Register online May 1 – 29  
440-734-6660

### Wildflower Walk

(see 5/3 for details)  
10 – 11:30 a.m. ECR


### Progress in the Parks

Learn about the impact of 1930s New Deal work programs like the WPA and the CCC on the Cleveland Metroparks. We'll walk the trails around Wallace Lake, one of the largest WPA projects of that era.

2 – 3 p.m. MSRR  
Wallace Lake Picnic Area  
Terrain: mostly flat, 1 mile  
440-734-6660

## Ledge Pool & Recreation Area Opening Saturday, May 27, 2017

Splash into summer at Ledge Pool & Recreation Area. Swimming season at Ledge Pool starts May 27 through August 20. Daily pool use fees are \$7 per adult, \$6 per child ages 5 – 12 years, and free for seniors 65 & over, and children 4 & under.

 Online Registration for Learn-to-Swim begins May 1, 2017.

### Learn-to-Swim Programs

Water Safety Instructors offer an American Red Cross Learn-to-Swim program for preschoolers and beginners to intermediate level swimmers. Classes meet 10 times per session. Fees per session are \$45 for season pass holders and \$65 for all others.

### Morning Swim Classes:

Session I – June 12 through 23  
Session II – July 10 through 21  
Session III – July 31 through August 11

### Evening Swim Classes:

Session I – May 30 through June 29 (T & Th evenings)  
Session II – July 10 through August 9 (M & W evenings)  
Session III – July 11 through August 10 (T & Th evenings)

### Parent and Child Swim Classes:

June 3 through August 5 - Saturday Mornings



## LOOK AHEAD TO JUNE

### Healthy Planet, Healthy People 5K Run/Walk

Saturday, June 3 • 9 a.m.

#### Rocky River Nature Center

Celebrate your health while you support Cleveland Metroparks programs with this challenging 5K course.

Pre-registration fee: \$20, Race-day registration fee \$25

Register at [hermescleland.com](http://hermescleland.com)

### Fish Frenzy

Saturday, June 10 • noon – 4 p.m.

#### Watershed Stewardship Center

Discover the fascinating world of fish. Play games that are fishy fun, create scaly crafts, and seine for live fish in West Creek. Learn all about the fish we seek to catch in Cleveland Metroparks fishing areas.

### Mountain Bike Time Trials

June 8, 15 & 22 • 6 – 9 p.m.


#### Mill Stream Run Reservation


Challenge yourself with this off-road time trial. Categories will be broken into men, women, beginners, and advanced. Choose to register for one or all three to see if you can improve your time. Event is weather permitting; park will close at noon the day of the trials.

Royalview Shelter

Ages: 14 years & over with participating adult

Fee: \$15 per race

 Register online  
216-341-1704

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## ACADEMY OF GOLF

### Beginner Courses & Fundamentals

#### Beginner I "Ladies Only"

A hands-on series covering the basics of the full swing, chipping and putting. Basic golf terms, rules and etiquette are reviewed.

**Thursdays, June 1 – June 29**  
Washington • 6 – 7:30 p.m.

#### Beginners I

A hands-on series covering the basics of the full swing, chipping and putting. Basic golf terms, rules and etiquette are reviewed.

**Thursdays, June 8 – July 6**  
Shawnee Hills • 6 – 7:30 p.m.

#### Beginners II

This class is suggested for graduates of the Beginners I series reinforcing the fundamentals and advancing the skill levels needed to be more confident on the golf course.

**Tuesdays, June 6 – July 27**  
Shawnee Hills • 6 – 7:30 p.m.  
**Saturdays, June 10 – July 1**  
Washington • 9 – 10:30 a.m.

#### Golf Swing Fundamentals

Do your shots curve to the right for right handed players and to the left for left handed players? This clinic will teach you how to lessen or eliminate your slice by addressing set up, aim, alignment and squaring the clubface at impact.

**Tuesday, June 20**  
Washington • 1 – 2:30 p.m.

#### Short Game – Putting

Want to make more putts? This clinic will review your grip, stance and technique while ensuring your putter is properly fitted.

**Thursday, June 8**  
Sleepy Hollow • 6 – 7:30 p.m.

#### Short Game – Pitching & Sand

Want to refine your skills around the green? You will discover the similarities between pitching and green-side bunker shots. Learn the variables of loft and lie that determine the best sand wedge for you.

**Tuesday, June 13**  
Washington • 6 – 7:30 p.m.

#### Short Game – Chipping

This clinic focuses on the fundamentals of proper chipping and will teach you how to play shots from different lies and conditions.

**Wednesday, June 14**  
Washington • 6 – 7:30 p.m.

### Pee Wee, Cadet & Junior Leagues

#### Junior Clinics

Classes meet Tuesday, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Fundamental instruction for entry level and beginner level junior golfers. Hands-on full swing, pitching, chipping and putting stations will be covered.

Ages 6 – 10 • 9 – 10:15 a.m.  
Ages 11 – 17 • 10:30 – 11:45 a.m.  
**June 6 – June 8** • Shawnee Hills  
**June 13 – 15** • Sleepy Hollow  
**June 20 – June 23** • Manakiki

#### Junior Fundamental Series

Class meets four times. A hands-on series covering full swing, putting and chipping, along with all the golf basics!

**Saturdays, June 3 – June 24**  
Manakiki • 11 a.m. – noon  
**Wednesdays, June 28 – July 19**  
Seneca • 4 – 5 p.m.

#### Junior/Cadet Golf League

This league is a combination league for both Cadet and Junior skill level players. Different tee makers will be used to make the course "length appropriate" for all players.

**Tuesdays, June 13 – August 1**  
Seneca – 10 a.m.

#### Pee Wee Golf League

This entry level league is designed to introduce new players to the on-course golf experience.

**Thursdays, June 15 – July 20**  
Mastick Woods • 6:30 a.m.  
**Fridays, June 16 – July 21**  
Shawnee Hills • 7 a.m.

#### Cadet Golf League

This league is for transitional junior golfers with some experience, who seek a greater challenge than the 3-hole Pee Wee League, but not ready for a longer golf course. Golfers will play the Par 3 course.

**Mondays, June 12 – July 24**  
Shawnee Hills • 9 a.m.  
**Tuesdays, June 13 – August 8**  
Mastick Woods • 10 a.m.

#### High School Prep

A class for the experienced teen golfer who is looking to make the high school golf team. This class will cover course management and assess the player's strengths and weaknesses.

**Tuesdays, June 6 – June 27**  
Seneca • 3 – 5 p.m.

Visit [clevelandmetroparks.com](http://clevelandmetroparks.com) for more information on course/ tournament fees and to register.



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Cleveland, OH 44109  
clevelandmetroparks.com/zoo

**Cleveland Metroparks Golf**  
Golf Services/440-232-7247  
(general course info & inquiries)  
clevelandmetroparks.com/golf

**Chalet Recreation Area**  
16200 Valley Parkway  
Strongsville, OH 44136  
Mill Stream Run Reservation  
440-572-9990

**Outdoor Recreation**  
216-341-1704  
clevelandmetroparks.com/or

**Outdoor Experiences Administration**  
216-881-8141 ext. 3005

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Brecksville, OH 44141  
Brecksville Reservation  
440-526-1012

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4524 E. 49th Street  
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Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation  
216-206-1000

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North Olmsted, OH 44070  
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