

It's getting cooler but there's still plenty to do at the parks! As temperatures decline, you can spend time outdoors to let your body acclimatize for the colder winter weather. It can improve your immunity and make a "bad weather" day feel like a "good weather" day to you!

Nerding Out with Nature Trivia

Our first ever Nature Trivia Night was a hit! Thirteen teams tested their knowledge of the natural world, and the competition was truly fierce. A very special thanks to Little Miami Brewing Co. for hosting! Keep an eye out for another trivia night in the months to come- your team could be the next champions!

One question that no team answered correctly was "What is the largest moth species in Ohio?" Do you know the answer? Check the bottom of the newsletter to find out!



Management Moment





Over the last year, Park District staff has been working on designing and constructing sustainable hiking trails at Clingman Park. The key to building sustainable trails is to keep people on the trails and water draining well. To do this, we take into account the slope (angle) of the land we are building on and adjust the grade (steepness) of the trail we build. The publication titled "Trail Solutions" goes into great detail on the myriad of factors to account for when developing a sustainable trail that will provide a great trail experience while also being a responsible steward of the land. The trails at Clingman Park are still currently under construction but once they are complete, will connect to Pattison Park Lodgeside to provide a longer hiking experience. We are hopeful to have the first phase of trails completed before the end of 2023, with plans to expand the trails further in 2024.

Farewell to Glen Bailey - Glen Glen, now is the time for Happy Retirement. Every elin, new is the time for relaxing! Take time for yourself and do something fon t Exciting. Doith be a Stranger! -Sam This time! Hope to see you an GO Bucks! - Com 69 Have a great retirement! Dont 000 XX go camping to much Robbie happed Rhakhm For all you've done HANK YOU FOR ALL and all you've achieved, VO Salio HAG wishing you the time of your life. 000 Congratulations on Your Retirement Congrats blen Hope you are doing ok! GLEN, HAPPY RETIREMENT! ENJOY YOUR FREE 610 Lida 19 thank's for be TIME & TAKE CARE. WILL MISS YOU TAKING ARE OF THE PARKS. P ETTIF



It is with gratitude that we bid farewell to our Crew Leader, Glen, who retired from the Park District's Operations Team after 6 years of service with us and 20 years with Clermont County. He was passionate about all of our parks, and took great pride in his work to maintain their appeal and wonder. He helped grow the maintenance team by hiring several staff that have remain with us today. Glen designed and constructed our lighted tunnel for our Winter Solstice that patrons will enjoy for years to come. He was our first staff photographer, posting daily photos of the natural beauty within our parks. He will be missed. We send our heartfelt thank you to Glen for his many contributions to the Park District and wish him all the best in his retirement!



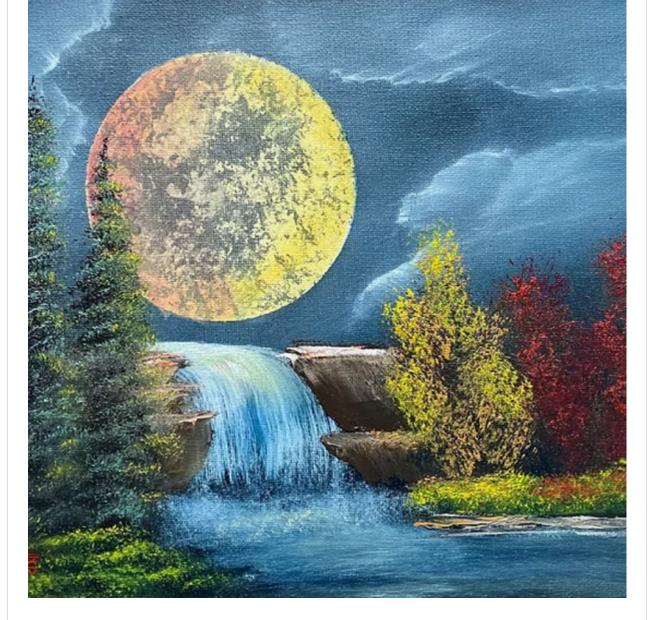
November Programs and Events

Looking for something fun to do? Join us to get out in nature or learn something new! We have indoor and outdoor programs available. All events are free with no registration required unless otherwise noted.



Do you have a class or group that's curious about the natural world? We provide private programs for groups of any age! We even have evening and weekend openings available. <u>Learn more or request a program here.</u>

Now's also the time to sign your group up for our maple syrup programs in February!



Spend a Sunday afternoon painting in a beautiful park on Nov. 5th from 1 -4:30 p.m. at Pattison Lodge. Learn Bob Ross techniques and take home your own finished painting of the "Autumn Super Moon" in oils. <u>Register</u> <u>here.</u>

All supplies and instructions provided by Yes You Can Paint for \$55 per person.

Event Calendar



Nature Play Days

Sycamore Park

Friday, Nov. 3 and 17 at 1 p.m.

Come by for an open-ended, creative play session with a variety of naturebase activities to encourage meaningful experiences in nature. Best for ages 3 - 12. Free, no registration required.

Critter Feeding: Where did they go?

Clingman Park

Saturday Nov. 4 at 3 p.m.

See our cold-blooded critters eat their lunch and learn where local wildlife have gone for the winter. All ages. Free, no registration required.

Paint Like Bob Ross

Pattison Park Lodge

Sunday Nov. 5 at 1 p.m.

Learn to paint like Bob Ross! Bring a friend and enjoy an afternoon of painting. Light bites and all supplies provided. Open to adults and teens.

\$55 per person, <u>pre-registrer here</u> by Nov. 3rd.

Knee-High Naturalist: Animal Homes Shor Park

Tuesday Nov. 7 at 4:30 p.m.

Get outside and explore nature with your 3-5 year old at the park! Read a book, make a craft, and have a mini adventure exploring animal homes. Free, no registration required.

The Nature of Film: Dr. Seuss's The Lorax (2012)

Pattison Lodge

Wednesday Nov. 8 at 6:30 p.m.

Who will speak for the trees? Through movie clips and discussion, we will explore our connection to nature and how every person can help protect it! Free, all ages welcome.

Homeschool Discovery Days: Shelter Building

Sycamore Park

Friday Nov. 10 at 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.

Shelter building is one of the basic skill needed for wilderness survival. Take a hike to see where to build, learn why you might need a shelter, and try building a few kids of shelters. Ages 5 to 13. Free, pre-registration required.

Explore the Outdoors: Finding Fossils Sycamore Park

Saturday Nov. 11 at 1 p.m.

Did you know that Cincinnati is famous for the fossil history? Learn about the ancient creatures that lived in Clermont County, how to identify fossils, and hunt for fossils and rocks in the creek. All ages. Free, no registration required.

Let's Talk Turkey Sardinia Public Library

Monday Nov. 13 at 5:30 p.m.

Seen any turkeys lately? Get to know the critter that's on everyone's Thanksgiving guest list! All ages. Free, no registration required.

Evening Lecture: Exploring Ohio's Fungal Wonders Pattison Lodge

Wednesday Nov. 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Ohio is home to thousands of species of mushrooms--some of which can feed you, some can heal you, and a few can even alter your brain chemistry. You'll be introduced to many of these as we explore the "mycouniverse" with Doug Gilbert, ecologist with Love Our Land. Geared for adults. Free, no registration required.

Knee-High Naturalist: Animal Homes Chilo Lock 34 Park

Thursday, Nov. 16 at 10 a.m.

Get outside and explore nature with your 3-5 year old at the park! Read a book, make a craft, and have a mini adventure exploring animal homes. Free, no registration required.

Morning Nature Walk

Chilo Lock 34 Park

Saturday, Nov. 18 at 9 a.m.

Take a walk with the naturalist through Crooked Run State Nature Preserve to experiences the happenings along the river and changes of fall. Afterward, stop by the museum for a hot drink and a treat. All ages. Free, no registration required.

History Museum Tour Chilo Lock 34 Park

Saturday Nov. 18 at 2 p.m.

Connect with our River Museum, see how the river has changed, and learn about living on the Ohio River. All ages. Free, no registration required.

Ohio Snakes Miami Township Library

Tuesday Nov. 28 at 6:30 p.m.

Slither into the world of snakes and learn what species roam Ohio. Learn about the adaptations that make snakes special and how to identify the 3 venomous snakes in Ohio. All ages. Free, r<u>egister here.</u>

Backyard Birds

Batavia Branch Library

Thursday Nov. 30 at 3 p.m.

Ever wonder about the birds outside your window? This program will help you get acquainted with many of Ohio's common backyard birds and how to attract them to your yard. Geared for adults. Free, <u>register here.</u>



Trivia Answer: The Cecropia moth is the largest moth not only in Ohio but in all of North America. They spend about 10 months of the year encased in a cocoon that resembles a cluster of dead leaves.

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