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MARCH 2016 PROGRAMS & EVENTS



MARCH SPECIAL EVENTS

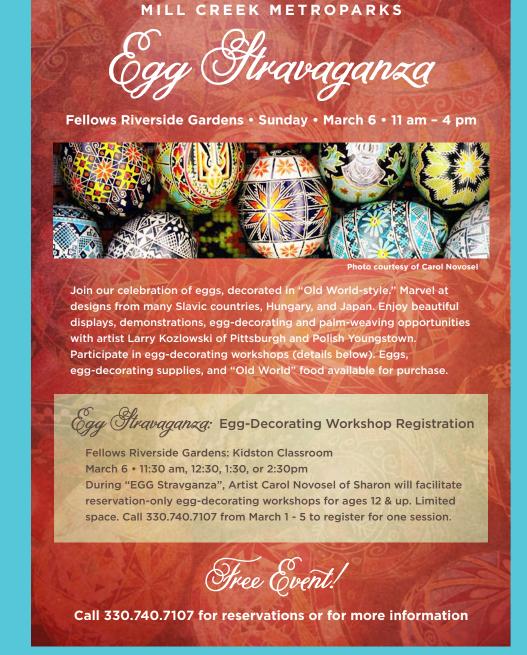
Take a look inside the MetroParks Calendar for a wide variety of programs.



FEBRUARY 2 - MARCH 13
TUESDAYS - SUNDAYS, 9 AM - 5 PM

Orchids are the jewels of the plant world, let them dazzle you with their brilliance and splendor. During the heart of winter, find the spirit of the tropics here at the Davis Center as you observe these exotic beauties on display. Bring your camera, as there will be plenty of amazing flowers to photograph.

CALL FELLOWS RIVERSIDE GARDENS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION 330.740.7116



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HORTICULTURE

ORCHID WALK-UP CLINIC

Fellows Riverside Gardens

3/2 | 6 – 8 pm

Bring your orchids and have an orchid expert look at your plant, talk about its culture, help you repot it if necessary. Drop-in.

MVLNA SPRING SEMINAR

Fellows Riverside Gardens 3/9 | 8 am - 4 pm

Sponsored by the Mahoning Valley Landscape & Nursery Association, MCMP, and OSU Extension - Mahoning County. Topics will focus on innovative ideas for the green industry. Call 330.398.7710 or visit www.mvlna.org for details. \$70; MVLNA, FFRG & Garden Club members and Master Gardeners \$40

ORCHIDS OF CHINA \$ •

Fellows Riverside Gardens 3/10 | 6 - 8 pm

Tom Sampliner, noted native flower photographer and native orchid specialist, will present a slideshow tour of his visit to China. \$8

ADVANCED MASTER GARDENER SERIES I \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens 3/19, 6/11 & 8/13 | 10 am - Noon

The series led by Ellen Speicher will focus on pruning, plant names, and fall gardening. Deadline for series is 3/17. \$42/series; \$16/class

SPRING CLEANING IN YOUR GARDEN

Fellows Riverside Gardens

3/24 | 6:30 - 8 pm Weeding — a much needed spring clean for your

garden. Learn simple ways to keep weeds out of the garden, as well as benefits you can get from those "weeds". Register/pay by 3/22. \$14; FFRG \$12

BOTANICAL MORNINGS \$

Fellows Riverside Gardens 3/25 | 9 - 10 am

Discover the joy in the blossoming spring here at FRG with one of our knowledgeable staff members. Register/pay by 3/23. \$5

EXPRESS YOURSELF

FLORAL DRAWING WORKSHOP \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens 3/5, 3/12 & 3/19 | 10:30 am - 1 pm

Journey into floral drawing. Learn techniques and problem solving then delve into two projects, one with graphite and one with watercolor. Supply list will be provided. Register by 3/1. \$44; FFRG \$36

STONEWARE WINDOWSILL VASE \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens 3/15 | 5:30 - 8 pm

Lynn Cardwell will help students create a stoneware vase for the windowsill. It will be glazed, fired and ready for pick up in approximately five weeks. Register/pay by 3/13. \$34; FFRG \$28

SPRING IS IN THE AIR

ARRANGEMENT \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens

3/22 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm Embrace this spring holiday with colorful floral. Design an arrangement with fresh pink, white, and yellow carnations, white, yellow, and purple daisies, and baby's breath with seasonal accents. Register/pay by 3/20. \$34; FFRG \$28

EXHIBITS

ORCHIDS AT FELLOWS RIVERSIDE

GARDENS

Fellows Riverside Gardens - Weller Gallery **2/26 – 4/10** | 9 am – 5 pm Jamie Kirkell's silk paintings bring a fun, fresh perspective to the study of the orchid and the iris.

AMERICA'S SCHOOLMASTER: The Early Days of William Holmes

McGuffey Fellows Riverside Gardens - Melnick Museum Through 1/2017 | 9 am – 5 pm Learn more about the early days of McGuffey and

his boyhood homestead located in Coitsville and now known as the McGuffey Wildlife Preserve.

PROGRAM

\$ Fee charged for this program

Registration Required

R = Mahoning County Resident NR = Non-Resident FFRG = Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens

G Guardian/adult must accompany child

THIS & THAT

KEY

SWING DANCE CLASS \$

Pioneer Pavilion

3/1 | 6 – 7 pm Come out and have fun learning this easy to follow popular dance. No partner? No problem! It is a paired dance, but everyone learns together. Beginners welcome and encouraged! Led by dance expert, Lynda McPhail. Call FNC for details. \$5/class



SALSA DANCE CLASS \$

Pioneer Pavilion

3/1 | 7 – 8 pm

Enjoy learning this easy to pick up fun Latin dance. No partner? No problem! It is a paired dance, but everyone learns together. Beginners welcome and encouraged! Led by dance expert, Lynda McPhail. Call FNC for details. \$5/class

CHA-CHA DANCE CLASS \$

Pioneer Pavilion

3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5 | 6 – 7 pm

Learn this fun and versatile Latin dance. No partner? No problem! It is a paired dance, but everyone learns together. Beginners welcome and encouraged! Led by dance expert, Lynda McPhail. Call FNC for details.

RUMBA DANCE CLASS \$

Pioneer Pavilion 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5 | 7 – 8 pm Enjoy learning the easy-to-follow Latin dance of love! No partner? No problem! It is a paired dance, but everyone learns together. Beginners welcome and encouraged! Call FNC for details. \$5/class

METROMUTTS: St. Patrick's Hike \$ Pioneer Pavilion 3/12 | 11 am

Join us for the "wearin' of the green" as we hike Artist's Trail along Mill Creek. Dress your hound in a bit o' color to celebrate the day. Enjoy cookies and treats after the hike. MetroMutts members receive a special gift! Moderate, 2 mi. Share the luck! Please bring along an item to donate to Friends of Fido-Mahoning County Dog Pound. Hike: FREE for all.
Refreshments: MetroMutts Members FREE; Not-yetmembers \$1

BOOK DISCUSSION: The Weather Makers: How Man Is Changing the Climate and What It Means for Life on **Earth**

Ford Nature Center 3/19 | 10:30 am

Sydney Morning Herald praises this Tim Flannery book for "...extraordinary range of argument... vivid imagery...wealth of research, quick wit and richness of detail." Read The Weather Makers, and join our discussion to share your thoughts and conclusions.

HEALTHY LIVING

YOGA IN THE GARDENS \$

Fellows Riverside Gardens

3/1, 3/3, 3/8, 3/10, 3/15, 3/17, 3/22, 3/24, 3/29, 3/31

Enjoy yoga that will help you keep a healthy outlook. Bring a mat and small blanket. \$12/class

T'AI CHI STEP ONE IN THE GARDENS \$ Fellows Riverside Gardens

3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30 | Noon – 1 pm Warm-ups, breathing and movements will ease stress, improve health, and increase vitality. \$10/class

CHAIR TO MAT MOVEMENT \$

Fellows Riverside Gardens

3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30 | 9 – 10 am Increase mobility and flexibility for those who find seated floor movement challenging. Accessible to anyone for health, fitness, and relaxation. Movement is done seated in chairs, and in standing positions. Drop-in. \$10/class

T'AI CHI FOR BEGINNERS COURSE \$ •

Fellows Riverside Gardens

3/10 – 5/12 | Thursdays, Noon – 1 pm Learn this art of energy balancing, coordination, flexibility and leg strength during this ten week course. \$100; 10% discount (\$90) if registered by 3/5

YOGA BASICS COURSE \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens

3/20 – 5/8 | Sundays, 9 – 10 am or **3/22 – 5/10** | Tuesdays, 6 – 7 pm

Choose Sunday mornings or Tuesday evenings for this relaxing eight week yoga course. \$80; 10% discount (\$72) if registered by 3/15

MEDITATION & MINDFULNESS \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens

3/20 | 10:30 am - Noon Explore a diversity of mindfulness methods with Karres Cvetkovich. Register/pay by 3/18. \$15; \$18 drop-in

FAMILY FUN

FORD HUNT & HIKE: Cardinals

Ford Nature Center

3/1 - 3/31 | Tuesday - Saturday, 10 am - 5 pm; Sunday, Noon - 5 pm; Closed Monday 2016 is our park district's Quasquicentennial (125th anniversary). Try to locate 25 cardinals hidden to commemorate this milestone, then go for a hike of your choice. Maybe you'll spot a cardinal!

ENTERTAINMENT

STRUTHERS WINTER CONCERT SERIES

Yellow Creek Lodge 3/10 | 7 - 8:30 pm

MetroParks Farm

View the beauty of the night sky through high powered telescopes with the Mahoning Valley



Enjoy an evening of entertainment with the Rex

UPCOMING EVENT

STARRY NIGHT

4/2 | Time to be determined

Astronomical Society. More details in April's calendar.

Armstrong. Enjoy brunch for dinner with smoothies, asparagus scrambled eggs, pecan wood smoked bacon, sour cream coffee cake, and sparkling beverage. Register/pay by 3/13. \$36; FFRG \$30

Fellows Riverside Gardens

3/19 | Noon - 4 pm

Grab an apron and learn to make bread that tastes like Grandma's with Sara Scudier. Register/pay by 3/17. \$24; FFRG \$20

Fellows Riverside Gardens

3/27 | Call for reservations

Contact FRG at 330.740.7116 for more information. Reservations are required.

FOR THE BIRDS

BIRDING THE SANCTUARY ♦

Mill Creek Wildlife Sanctuary

Search for birds with Jeff Harvey of Wild Birds

AUDUBON SOCIETY/MAHONING VALLEY: Ohio Birds

Jeff Harvey, President of the Audubon Society/ Mahoning Valley, will discuss some of the common, uncommon, and rare birds of our state.

This preserve offers excellent habitat for an oddlooking bird named the Woodcock. Witness the amazing mating flight of the males. Call FNC for details. Easy, .5 mi.

HIKES & WALKS

Interpretive Hikes - Slower paced with stops Call FNC for details.

MAPLE SAP TO SYRUP

Ford Nature Center

2016 marks the fourth season of the Rocky Ridge Neighborhood Association's maple sugar project. Join our hike to see it in action. Moderate, 2.5 mi.

EGG HIKE

Lily Pond

3/6 I 2 - 3:30 pm

Hike to our Egg Stravaganza & back with Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist Jim Thornton. Moderate with steps & hills, 2 mi.

SAME TRAIL TWELVE TIMES

Lanterman's Mill parking lot

3/13 | 2 - 3:30 pm

Mill Creek Gorge inspired Volney Rogers to establish our park district 125 years ago. We'll celebrate the Quasquicentennial by hiking the Gorge every month this year. Moderate, 2.5 mi.

THE AWAKENING MOON

Ford Nature Center

3/18 | 7 – 8:30 pm

Been hibernating all winter? Join us and discover why North American Indian tribes referred to this month's moon as "The Awakening Moon." Moderate, 2 mi.

SEASONS CHANGE

Ford Nature Center

3/20 I 2 – 4 pm

Enjoy the first day of spring as we look and listen for signs of the new season and remnants of the old. Moderate, 3 mi.

Recreational Hikes – Faster paced Call FNC for details.

VOLUNTEER-LED RECREATIONAL HIKES

3/9 | 9 am - Meet at FNC. Moderate, 2 or 4 mi. 3/23 | 9 am - Meet at overflow parking lot on West Golf Drive. Easy, 1 or 3 mi.



KIDS & TEENS

WHOOO'S THAT? \$ ♦ G

Pioneer Pavilion

3/10 | 10 – 11 am Ages 3-6. Children will discover all about these silent flyers through a story, feathered craft, and activities. It's going to be a hoot! Register/pay at FNC by 3/8.

SPROUT CLUB \$ ♦ G

\$4 R; \$6 NR. Add'I fee after deadline.

Fellows Riverside Gardens 3/17, 4/21 & 5/19 | 1 - 2 pm

Ages 3-5. Join the Sprout Club this spring to learn about the amazing world of plants with topics that include: pizza plants, moss pets, and herbs! Each class will include an activity and snack. Attend all three classes and receive a plant-related prize. Deadline for series is 3/15. \$15/series; \$7/class

SPRING INTO FUN! \$ ♦

Ford Nature Center

3/30 I 10 am - 2 pm Ages 6-7. Spring into fun as we look for signs of the season while discovering nature. Hikes, scavenger hunts, crafts and games are all part of the fun. Please bring a lunch and dress for the weather. \$15 R, \$20 NR. Register/pay by 3/26. Additional fee after deadline.

SPRING INTO NATURE! \$ ♦

Ford Nature Center **3/31** I 10 am – 3 pm

Ages 8-12. Spring into Nature as we explore and discover the new season. We'll hike, look for signs of spring, make a craft, play games, and more. Please bring a lunch and dress for the weather. \$20 R, \$25 NR. Register/pay by 3/26. Additional fee after deadline

CUISINE

FROM THE GARDEN: Spring Brunch \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens 3/15 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Demonstration and tasting led by Chef David

SANDWICH BREAD 101 \$ ♦

EASTER BRUNCH \$ ♦

3/19 | 8 – 9:30 am

MetroParks Farm

3/22 | 7 – 8 pm

WOODCOCK WATCH I

McGuffey Wildlife Preserve **3/25** | 7:30 – 8:30 pm