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April 2017

PROGRAMS & EVENTS



FARM ANIMAL BABY SHOWER

April Special Events

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

Daffodil Weekend

Fellows Riverside Gardens

April 7 & 8 | 10 am - 5 pm

Discover the delights of daffodils! Enter your prize bloom in the daffodil show, take the trolley to Daffodil Meadow, and stroll through the Gardens' Narcissus collection.

Daffodil Show:

Friday, April 7

Saturday, April 8

Sunday, April 9

Entries accepted: 3 - 5 pm

Entries accepted: 8 - 10 am

Judging: 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Show: 1 - 5 pm

Show: 10 am - 5 pm

DAFFODIL
MEADOW

EASTER BRUNCH

APRIL 16 • FELLOWS RIVERSIDE GARDENS

Fellows Riverside Gardens will be hosting an Easter Brunch with Inspired Catering by Kravitz. Reservations are required. Call 330.740.7116 for more information.

*Inspired
Catering*
BY KRAVITZ

Farm Animal BABY SHOWER

METROPARKS FARM

April 9 | 10 am - 4 pm

WELCOME NEW ARRIVALS TO THE BARNS
AND SEE WHO MIGHT STILL BE EXPECTING
THIS SEASON. ENJOY CAKE AND PUNCH
WHILE SUPPLIES LAST. FREE.

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PLANT THE SEED TO READ BOOK FESTIVAL

Fellows Riverside Gardens
April 29, 10 am - 3 pm

"Splish, Splash, Read" during the 11th annual book festival with authors, illustrators, book characters, storytellers, and hands-on activities for children.

FREE

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FRIENDS 
of Fellows Riverside Gardens

 **Plant the Seed
to READ**

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EXHIBITS

THE OWL AND THE WOODPECKER
Fellows Riverside Gardens – Weller Gallery
3/4 – 5/21 | Tuesday – Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm
The Owl and The Woodpecker introduces visitors to the incredible species of owls and woodpeckers in North America through the lens of Paul Bannick.

MILL CREEK METROPARKS HISTORY
Fellows Riverside Gardens – Melnick Museum
Ongoing | Tuesday – Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm
The Melnick Museum offers the visitor a peek into the unique history of Mill Creek MetroParks.

FOR THE BIRDS

DAZZLING FLIGHTS I
McGuffey Wildlife Preserve
4/1 | 7:30 – 8:30 pm
The first of two opportunities to witness the dazzling courtship flight of the woodcock. Call FNC for details. Easy, .5 mi.

EAGLE WATCH ♦
Mill Creek Wildlife Sanctuary
4/2 | 8 – 9 am or 9 – 10 am
Join Jeff Harvey of Wild Birds Unlimited to search to observe bald eagles. Space is limited. Registration required; no drop-ins. Register at FNC by 4/1.

DAZZLING FLIGHTS II
MetroParks Bikeway Trailhead at MetroParks Farm
4/6 | 7:30 – 9 pm
Spring is in the air and so are male woodcocks! Join us to witness the dazzling courtship flight of the woodcock. Call FNC for details. Moderate, 1.5 mi.

BIRDING THE SANCTUARY ♦
Mill Creek Wildlife Sanctuary
4/15 | 8 – 9:30 am
Enjoy an early morning bird walk at the Mill Creek Wildlife Sanctuary led by Jeff Harvey. Space is limited. Boots required. Register at FNC by 4/13. Moderate, 1.25 mi.

HORTICULTURE

MEN’S GARDEN CLUB TALK
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/5 | 7 – 8 pm
The Men’s Garden Club of Youngstown invites you to attend their general meeting. Drop-in. Free.

GUIDED DAFFODIL WALK
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/8 | 2 – 3 pm
Delight in the beauty, diversity, and fragrance of daffodils on this guided walk with Gordon Vujevic, daffodil expert. Meet in the Davis Center Lobby. Drop-in. Free

BOTANICAL MORNINGS \$ ♦
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/28 | 9 – 10 am
Discover the progress of seasons here at Fellows Riverside Gardens with one of our knowledgeable staff members. Register/pay by 4/26. \$5

EXPRESS YOURSELF

FUSED GLASS SUNCATCHER \$ ♦
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/4 | 5:30 – 7 pm
Create a nature-inspired fused glass suncatcher with Lynn Cardwell. It will be fired and available to pick up in approximately four weeks. Register/pay by 4/2. \$32; FFRG \$28

MOSAIC GARDEN STEPPING STONE \$ ♦
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/18 | 5:30 – 9 pm
Barbara Arndt will guide you in creating a mosaic stepping stone for your garden. The stone will be ready in approximately two weeks. Register/pay by 4/16. \$42; FFRG \$36

FOR FULL EVENT DETAILS, VISIT millcreekmetroparks.org

Program Key

- \$ Fee charged for this program
- ♦ Registration Required
- G Guardian/adult must accompany child
- R = Mahoning County Resident
- NR = Non-Resident
- FFRG = Friends of Fellows Riverside Gardens

HEALTHY LIVING

SPRING CLEANING WITH ESSENTIAL OILS \$ ♦
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/1 | 10 am – Noon
Join Lauralee Zelesnak Lees for this fun and informative workshop on how to transform your home into a non-toxic sanctuary! Register/pay by 3/30. \$28; FFRG \$26

CHAIR TO MAT MOVEMENT \$
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/4, 4/11, 4/18, 4/25 | 11:30 am – 12:30 pm
Chair to Mat Movement™ with Michelle O'Brien is designed to increase mobility and flexibility for those who find seated floor movement challenging. Drop-in. \$10/class

THE PILLARS OF HEALTH & WELLNESS: Spirituality — Gratitude & Nature \$ ♦
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/4 | 6 – 8 pm
Join Dr. Kathy Padgitt to learn more about the value of a plant-based diet and gratitude. Register/pay by 4/2. \$10

T’AI CHI STEP ONE IN THE GARDENS \$
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/5, 4/12, 4/19, 4/26 | Noon – 1 pm
Warm-ups, breathing exercises and movements with Marie Lew will ease stress, improve health, and increase vitality. Drop-in. \$10/class

FRAGRANT FRIDAYS: Musculoskeletal Restoration Oils \$ ♦
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/7 | 10 – 11:30 am
Fragrant Fridays offer a space to learn about the power of restoration oils for musculoskeletal ailments with Marina Perdos. Register/pay by 4/4. \$22; FFRG \$20

SOUND BATH EXPERIENCE \$ ♦
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/11 | 6 – 7 pm
Ages 13+. Enjoy a meditative experience with vibrations of gongs and crystal singing bowls led by Maria and Calvin Wagner. Register/pay by 4 pm on 4/11. Space is limited. \$25

YOGA IN THE GARDENS \$
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/13, 4/18, 4/20, 4/25, 4/27 | 9:30 – 11 am
Enjoy yoga with Marina Perdos that will help you keep a healthy outlook. Bring a mat and small blanket. \$12/class

GOOD FOODS, GOOD TIMES \$ ♦
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/21 | 6 – 8 pm
Join us for a delightful evening hosted by Dr. Kathy Padgitt. Experience a plant-based cuisine of three courses and music that will enhance your senses. Registration required; no drop-ins. Deadline is 4/18. \$35; FFRG \$30

EARTH DAY MEDITATION RETREAT \$ ♦
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/22 | 9:30 am – Noon
Get in touch with yourself and with the goodness and bounty of the earth. Enjoy yoga, meditations with Swami Dharmakirti and a tea ceremony. Register/pay by 4/20. \$38

FAMILY FUN

TRACTOR-WAGON RIDES
MetroParks Farm
4/23 & 4/30 | 1 – 4 pm
Bring the family for a guided tractor wagon tour of the farm leaving approximately every ½ hour. Barns are open to visit the animals. Craft fee \$1

STAR PARTY
MetroParks Farm
4/1 | 8 - 10:30 pm
View the night sky through telescopes with the Mahoning Valley Astronomical Society. Solar Eclipse presentation included. Weather dependent. Call FNC for details.

HIKE WITH A BABY \$ ♦
MetroParks Farm – Classroom A
4/23 | 10:30 am – Noon
0 – 24 mo. + adult. Enjoy a hike and a fun craft! Baby carrier only. No strollers. Register at FNC by 4/20 \$2 R; \$4 NR. Add'l fee after deadline. Mod, 2 mi.

KIDS & TEENS

TALES FOR TOTS: Frogs \$ ♦ G
Ford Nature Center
4/7 | 10 – 11 am
Ages 2-3, plus adult. Join us as we leap into the world of frogs! Plus, enjoy a story and craft. Register/ pay by 4/5. \$4 R; \$6 NR. Add'l fee after deadline.

SPRING ADVENTURE \$ ♦
Ford Nature Center
4/11 | 10 am – 3 pm
Ages 8-12. Spring Break is here! Join us for a day of adventure, exploring and discovering nature. Register/ pay by 4/7. \$20 R; \$25 NR. Add'l fee after deadline.

SPROUT CLUB: Worms \$ ♦ G
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/13 | 1 – 2 pm
Ages 3-5, plus adult. Explore the world of plants through the lives of worms. Register/pay by 4/11. \$7

LECTURES

WOODLAND WONDERS FROM THE WILD WITH BARRY GLICK
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/2 | 6:30 – 8 pm
Join native plant expert, Barry Glick for a fascinating wild wander into the wonderful world of woodland wildflowers. Registration requested, not required.

WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/9 | 1 – 2 pm
Paul Bannick, wildlife photographer, will focus on photography in the field, covering compositional guides, depth of field, and more. Registration requested, not required.

OWL: A Year in the Lives of North American Owls
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/9 | 2:30 – 4:30 pm
Award winning photographer Paul Bannick, takes you on a year-long journey of 19 species of owls in their distinct habitats. Registration requested, not required.

VOLUNTEERS

GARDEN GUIDE TRAINING ♦
Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/6 & 4/7 | 9 am – 3 pm
If you like to be outdoors, if you love plants, and would be willing to share your enthusiasm for both, then you should volunteer as a Garden Guide. Call FRG for details.



GOLF

EASTER GOLF SHOP SALE \$
Mill Creek Golf Course
4/12 – 4/16 | 9 am – 6 pm
Holiday Sale in the Mill Creek Golf Shop.

FAMILY FUN SUNDAY GOLF \$
Mill Creek Golf Course
4/23 | Tee time start – 5 pm
Golf for the entire family. Call 330.740.7112 for tee times or book online. \$25/Family

GET READY GOLF CLINIC \$
Mill Creek Golf Course
4/26 | 6 – 7 pm
Adult golf lesson clinic. Sign-ups are available in the Mill Creek Fieldhouse or by calling the Golf Shop at 330.740.7112. \$15

LADIES NIGHT OUT AT THE GOLF COURSE \$
Mill Creek Golf Course Practice Range & Putting Green
4/27 | 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Ladies Only Golf Clinic. Sign-ups are available in the Mill Creek Fieldhouse or by calling the Golf Shop at 330.740.7112. \$10/Lady

TROLLEY TOURS

COHASSET EXPRESS NOSTALGIA TOUR \$ ♦
Boards at Ford Nature Center
4/2, 4/13, 4/20, 4/23 | 2 - 3 pm, or 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Enjoy views of historic Mill Creek Park aboard the trolley. Limited seating. Register/pay at least 2 days ahead at FNC. Adults: \$7 R, \$10 NR; seniors/youth: \$5 R, \$8 NR. Add'l fee after deadline.

DAFFODIL WEEKEND TROLLEY \$ ♦
Boards at Fellows Riverside Gardens
4/8 | 10:30 – 11:30 am or 1 – 2 pm
Take the trolley from FRG to Daffodil Meadow in celebration of daffodils. Register/pay at FNC by 4/6. Adults: \$7 R, \$10 NR; 12 & under/60 & over: \$5 R, \$8 NR. Additional fee after deadline.

SPRING RIDE! \$ ♦
Boards at Ford Nature Center
4/29 | 2 – 3:30 pm or 4 – 5:30 pm
Enjoy Spring in Mill Creek MetroParks. Limited seating. Register/pay at least 2 days ahead at FNC. Adults: \$8 R, \$11 NR; Seniors/youth: \$6 R, \$9 NR. Add'l fee after deadline.



THIS & THAT

BOOK DISCUSSION: End of Country
Ford Nature Center
4/1 | 10:30 am
Read Seamus McGraw's engaging look at economics, politics and social issues involved in a community's experience with fracking, then join our discussion to share your thoughts about the book.

CHA-CHA DANCE CLASS \$
Pioneer Pavilion
4/4, 4/11, 4/18, 4/25 | 6 – 7 pm
Learn a fun and versatile Latin dance. No partner? No problem! Everyone learns this paired dance together. Beginners encouraged. Call FNC for details. \$6/class

POLKA DANCE CLASS \$
Pioneer Pavilion
4/4, 4/11, 4/18, 4/25 | 7 – 8 pm
Enjoy learning a fun, energetic social dance. No partner? No problem! It is a paired dance, but everyone learns together. Beginners encouraged! Call FNC for details. \$6/class

METROMUTTS: Hoppin' Hounds \$
Yellow Creek Park
4/8 | 11 am – 12:30 pm
Enjoy a hike, pictures with the Easter Bunny and snacks. Gifts for member dogs. Mod, 1 mi. Bring donations for New Lease on Life. Hike: free. Snacks and pictures: M free; NM \$2. Call FNC for details.

TRAVELING NATURALIST
Lily Pond
4/15 | 1:30 – 3:30 pm
Explore the Lily Pond's habitat and wildlife while chatting with a Naturalist. Call FNC for details.

OHIO BOATING EDUCATION COURSE \$ ♦
Yellow Creek Park Lodge
4/22 | 8 am – 4 pm
Basics of safe boating presented by ODNR Division of Watercraft. Includes exam & satisfies OH Boater Education Requirement. Register in advance at FNC. \$10 fee.

BOY SCOUT EARTH DAY CLEAN-UP ♦
Ford Nature Center
4/22 | 9 am – Noon
Local Scout Units will spend the morning helping to clean winter's accumulation of litter across the MetroParks. Call FNC by 4/11 to reserve a work area.

METROMUTTS: Tail Waggin' Trolley Tour ♦
Ford Nature Center
4/30 | 10 – 11:30 am
An exclusive MetroMutts members-only ride through the park on our popular Cohasset Express trolley. Please call FNC to register by 4/23. MetroMutts members only, please.

HIKES & WALKS
Interpretive Hikes – Slower paced with stops
Call FNC for details.

FROG WALK CALL-IN ♦
Vickers Nature Preserve
TBD | 8 – 9 :30 pm
Join the frog serenade! Call FNC to be put on the list. You will receive a call/email a day or two prior to when the frogs are expected to be hoppin'. Boots required. Easy, 1 mi.

IT’S EPHEMERAL!
Newport Wetlands Parking Lot
4/2 | 2 – 4 pm
Nature in spring is ephemeral or fleeting. We'll explore for vernal pools — temporary pond habitat for spring breeding. Wear boots. Call FNC for details. Moderate, 1.5 mi.

TREES IN BLOOM
Lily Pond parking lot
4/23 | 2 – 4 pm
Spring is in the air, quite literally! Look for the first signs of spring with the trees on the Old Tree Trail. Call FNC for details. Moderate, 1.5 mi.

HOW TO TAKE BETTER NATURE PHOTOGRAPHS: Spring Wildflowers
Ford Nature Center
4/30 | 2 – 4 pm
Learn how to take better nature photographs with Bob Coggeshall as we hike around Lake Cohasset focusing on spring wildflowers. Call FNC for details. Moderate, 3.5 mi.

Recreational Hikes – Faster paced
Call FNC for details.

VOLUNTEER-LED RECREATIONAL HIKES
4/5 | 9 am. Meet at MetroParks Bikeway Trailhead at Kirk Road. Easy, 2 or 4 mi.
4/19 | 9 am. Meet at MetroParks Bikeway Trailhead at MetroParks Farm. Easy, 2 or 4 mi