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MILL CREEK METROPARKS

February

2018 PROGRAMS & EVENTS

February Special Events

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

JEWELS OF WINTER

FEBRUARY 6 - MARCH 11

TUESDAYS - SUNDAYS, 10:00am - 5:00pm

FELLOWS RIVERSIDE GARDENS

Orchids are the jewels of the plant world, full of color, 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.

TWICE LOVED BOOK SALE

FEBRUARY 17 - 25

TUESDAYS - SUNDAYS, 10AM - 5PM

FELLOWS RIVERSIDE GARDENS

Peruse the tables in the Antonucci Horticulture Library for much loved books on gardening, cooking, crafts, and nature. There will also be magazines for sale. Donations of related used books are appreciated at any time. All proceeds benefit the Maxine Antonucci Library.

Winter Seminar

February 17, 9 am - 4 pm
Fellows Riverside Gardens

The annual Winter Seminar is presented by the Men's Garden Club of Youngstown and Mill Creek MetroParks. The seminar includes a continental breakfast, engaging lectures on "how to create the garden that lives inside of us big or small" from garden experts: Marianne Willburn and Scott Beuerlein, lunch, and door prizes.



Cuisine

BEGINNER COOKIE DECORATING: Valentines \$ ♦

MetroParks Farm
2/10 | 11 am – 1 pm
Hands-on. Adults & ages 10+ with paid adult. Learn decorating techniques to create a set of colorful cookies to take home with Cindy Velt. Register/pay at FRG by 2/7. \$36 R; \$40 NR

A CUP & BEYOND \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens
2/20 | 6 – 7:30 pm
Hands-on. Explore different herbs that go into tea making and create your own blend with Herbalist Shannon Blackshire. Register/pay by 2/17. \$12; \$10 FFRG

LAID BACK COOKING: Bagel Making \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens
2/27 | 6:30 – 8:30 pm
Learn how to make bagels with Jack Kravitz. Register/pay by 2/24. \$16; FFRG \$14

Exhibits

NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT

Fellows Riverside Gardens – Weller Gallery
Through 4/1 | Tuesday – Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm
The skills of amateur photographers will be readily apparent as you stroll through the Weller Gallery.

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.

Horticulture

MEN'S GARDEN CLUB TALK

Fellows Riverside Gardens
2/7 | 7 – 8 pm
The Men's Garden Club of Youngstown invites you to attend their general meeting. Drop-in.

WALK-IN ORCHID REPOTTING CLINIC

Fellows Riverside Gardens
2/10 | 10 am – Noon
Bring your orchids for some TLC and have the experts repot them for you. Cost includes orchid mix, pots, loving care, and free advice. Three plant limit per person. Drop-in. \$3+

BOTANICAL MORNINGS \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens
2/23 | 9 – 10 am
Discover the progress of seasons here at Fellows Riverside Gardens. Register/pay by 2/21. \$5

INDOOR GARDENING COURSE \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens
2/27, 3/20, 4/17, 4/24 | 5:30 – 8:30 pm
Over four sessions, the course will cover houseplant basics, including light levels and temperatures, plus unique indoor specimens, such as orchids, succulents, and more. Register/pay by 2/13. \$45 R; \$55 NR



Program Key

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

Healthy Living

YOGA IN THE GARDENS

Fellows Riverside Gardens
2/1, 2/6, 2/8, 2/13, 2/15, 2/20, 2/22, 2/27 | 9:30 – 11 am
Enjoy yoga with Marina Perdos that will help you keep a healthy outlook. Bring a mat and small blanket. Drop-in. \$12/class

SACRED STILLNESS \$ ♦

2/3 | 10 am – Noon or **2/11** | 11:30 am – 1:30 pm
Birch Hill Cabin
Join Marina Perdos in a special guided Restorative Yoga class. Bring a yoga mat, 2 yoga blocks, 4 thick yoga blankets, 1 hand towel, yoga strap, eye bag, pen and paper/personal journal and water. Space is limited. Register/pay at FRG by 1/29. \$20 R; \$22 NR

T'AI CHI STEP ONE IN THE GARDENS \$

Fellows Riverside Gardens
2/7, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28 | Noon – 1 pm
Warm-ups, breathing exercises and movements with Marie Lew will ease stress, improve health, and increase vitality. Drop-in. \$10/class



Hikes & Walks

Call FNC for details.

NAKED TREE HIKE

East Golf Hike & Bike – Park across from Golf Course Field House
2/4 | 2 – 4 pm
The trees might be bare, but you can still tell who's there! Come join us on a hike and learn how you can identify trees even when there are no leaves. Easy, 2 mi.

OWL PROWL

East Cohasset Hike & Bike Trail - Meet at Ford Nature Center
2/9 | 7 – 8:30 pm
Ever find the nocturnal nature of owls uncanny? Join in to demystify the lives of owls and go on an exploration. Dress for the weather. Moderate, 2 mi.

RECREATIONAL HIKES

2/14 | 9 am – Meet at MetroParks Bikeway Trailhead at Kirk Road. Easy, 2 or 4 mi.
2/28 | 9 am – Meet at East Newport Dr. Boat Launch Parking Lot. Moderate, 1 or 3 mi.

STONE QUARRIES OF MILL CREEK PARK

Ford Nature Center
2/18 | 2 – 4 pm
What US president invested in Bears Den Quarry? Learn about the stone quarries of Mill Creek Park with Bob Coggeshall. A hike to several quarries will follow. Moderate, 3 mi.

For the Birds

WINTER BIRDING

Mill Creek Preserve
2/10 | 8:30 – 10 am
Enjoy the morning exploring grasslands and wetlands in search of winter bird residents at Mill Creek Preserve. Dress for the weather. Moderate, 1.5 mi.

COFFEE WITH THE BIRDS ♦

Ford Nature Center
2/17 | 8 – 8:45 am or 8:45 – 9:30 am
This weekend is the Great Backyard Bird Count! Watch our feathered friends at our feeders with Jeff Harvey. Bring your favorite mug. Limited space. Register by 2/16.

Family Fun

MOTHER/SON GAME NIGHT \$ ♦

Birch Hill Cabin
2/10 | 5 – 7 pm
Boys and their “mother figure” (mother, aunt, grandmother, guardian) are invited to enjoy a fun evening of games, hot chocolate, and snacks. All ages welcome. A variety of family board games will be provided for all skill levels. Every boy must have a “mother figure” present. Call FNC to register/pay by 2/8. R\$3 NR \$5

UNPLUG ♦

MetroParks Farm
2/16 | 10 am – Noon or 2 – 4 pm
Ages 8+. Unplug from electronic devices for a couple hours with some good ole' fashion Board Game fun! We will provide a variety of traditional, as well as farm-themed, game sets such as Rich Farmer/ Poor Farmer, Monopoly, Pass the Pigs, and Moo to You. You may register as a family unit or kids will be grouped together with an adult volunteer. No electronic devices are permitted and will be checked at the door. Snacks are provided. Space is limited. Register by 2/14.

This & That

METROMUTTS: Barks-atony Phil Hike

Scholl Recreation Area
2/3 | 11 am – Noon
Did he see his shadow? Are we going to have 6 more weeks of winter? Who cares, let's go on a hike! We'll wander down Chestnut Hill Dr. to the scenic Lanterman's Mill. Call FNC for details. Easy, 2 mi.

SALSA DANCE CLASS \$

Pioneer Pavilion
2/6 | 6 – 7 pm
Learn this fun and versatile dance. No partner? No problem! It's a paired dance, but everyone learns together. Beginners welcome and encouraged. Led by dance expert Lynda McPhail. Call FNC for details. \$6/class at the door.

WEST COAST SWING \$

Pioneer Pavilion
2/6 | 7 – 8 pm
Learn this slower paced form of swing dance. No partner? No problem! Everyone learns this paired dance together. Beginners welcome and encouraged. Led by dance expert Lynda McPhail. Call FNC for details. \$6/class at the door.

SWING DANCE CLASS \$

Pioneer Pavilion
2/13, 2/20, 2/27 | 6 – 7 pm
Learn this fast paced form of swing dance. No partner? No problem! Everyone learns this paired dance together. Beginners welcome and encouraged. Led by dance expert Lynda McPhail. Call FNC for details. \$6/class at the door.



Kids & Teens

CHILDREN'S NATURE HOUR: No Two Alike \$ ♦

Ford Nature Center
2/8 | 10 – 11 am
Ages 3-5, plus adult. We'll discover no two snowflakes are exactly alike - just like birds, trees, and people! Outside adventure is part of the fun. Register/pay by 2/5. \$4 R; \$6 NR

Express Yourself

CERAMIC RELIEF TILES \$ ♦

Fellows Riverside Gardens
2/13 | 6 – 8 pm
Learn how to work with sculptural ceramic clay with sculptor Dan Dinsio. This is a beginner's course so anyone wanting to learn can join. Discover how to manipulate the clay with clay tools and your hands to create a relief sculpture. Once the clay is fired, it can be hung on the wall or placed on a shelf. In order for the clay to be fired, this project will not be ready to take home the day of the program. It will be ready to pick-up in three weeks. Register/pay by 2/10. \$40; FFRG \$36

MILL CREEK PHOTO CLIQUE: Winter Shot Critique/Potluck \$

Birch Hill Cabin
2/18 | 3 – 5 pm
Bring a photo or two for a group critique of your favorite winter photos and a covered dish to share. We will provide a main entree, and beverages. Call Ford Nature Center for details. Members: free. Not yet members: \$2

WALTZ DANCE CLASS \$

Pioneer Pavilion
2/13, 2/20, 2/27 | 7 – 8 pm
Learn this timeless dance. No partner? No problem! Everyone learns this paired dance together. Beginners welcome and encouraged. Led by dance expert Lynda McPhail. Call FNC for details. \$6/class at the door.

METROMUTTS: Year of the Dog Party \$ ♦

MetroParks Bikeway Trailhead at MetroParks Farm
2/17 | 11 am – 1 pm
This year is the year of the dog so let's celebrate it in true MetroMutts style! Join us for a hike followed by refreshments afterward. Members receive a special gift. Hike is free for all. Refreshments afterward: MetroMutts Members free, not-yet-members \$2. Register/pay at FNC by 2/14.

WINTER SURVIVAL SKILLS \$ ♦

MetroParks Farm
2/24 | 1 – 3 pm
Learn some survival skills for the winter season from primitive survival to pre-planned emergency items. Register/pay at FRG by 2/22. \$2 R; \$3 NR

NATURALIST SERIES: Introduction to Mushrooms

MetroParks Farm
2/24 | 5 – 6 pm
Discover the beauty, variety and interesting ecology of mushrooms with Summit MetroParks naturalist Dave Brumfield. Registration requested, not required. Register at FRG by 2/23.

