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MILL CREEK METROPARKS

December

2018 PROGRAMS & EVENTS



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



Winter Celebration
**FROZEN
IN TIME**

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FIRST NEWS**

Fellows Riverside Gardens
Tuesdays - Sundays, 12/1 - 12/30 | 10 am - 5 pm

Join us for Winter Celebration - Frozen in Time, a sparkling winter wonderland brought indoors as we celebrate the Garden's Diamond Anniversary! Plus, enjoy the annual holiday tree walk, scavenger hunt, and the seasonal blooms.



**NATURE
PHOTOGRAPHY
EXHIBIT**
Call for Photos

Ford Nature Center
12/18 - 1/6 | Tues - Sat, 10 am - 5 pm; Sun. Noon - 5 pm

The 2019 Nature Photography Exhibit will be displayed from January 19 through March 24 in the Weller Gallery of the Davis Education & Visitor Center at Fellows Riverside Gardens. Full details in application available for download at millcreekmetroparks.org. Submit photos and fee per entry between 12/18 & 1/6 at Ford Nature Center. \$4 R; \$6 NR.



*Winter
Nights*

Fellows Riverside Gardens
12/1, 12/8, 12/15, 12/22, 12/29 | 5 - 7 pm

Saturdays in December, we are open late until 7 pm. Experience the outdoor light display and the Toy Workshop and Reindeer Games. Plus, find that perfect gift at the Shop in the Gardens and savor refreshments available for purchase in the Garden Cafe. Craft fee: \$1, cash only



*Breakfast
WITH SANTA*

FELLOWS RIVERSIDE GARDENS
12/8 | 9 - 10:30 AM OR 11:30 AM - 1 PM

Celebrate the season with Santa as you enjoy a delicious kid-friendly breakfast by Inspired Catering by Kravitz. Santa will be available to pose with you and your family for photographs throughout the event while children can participate in fun holiday-inspired activities! Space is limited. Call Fellows Riverside Gardens, 330.740.7116, to make reservations. All children must be accompanied by a registered adult. All participants, including children younger than 2, must be pre-registered. \$16 ages 12 and older, \$10.50 ages 2-11, under 2 free.

Receive notices of MetroParks events by email! Sign up for our mailing list at millcreekmetroparks.org



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

Hikes & Walks

Call FNC for details.
PLACE OF PINES
Ford Nature Center
12/1 | 10 - 12 pm
The scent of pine is in the air! Enjoy the sights, sounds, and scents of the upcoming season of winter around the “place of pines”, Lake Cohasset. Moderate, 3 mi.

RECREATIONAL HIKES
12/5 | 9 - 10 am
Meet at MetroParks Bikeway Trailhead at MetroParks Farm. Easy, 2 or 4 mi.
12/19 | 9 - 10 am
Meet at Ford Nature Center. Moderate, 2 or 4 mi.

HIKE WITH A NATURALIST
McGuffey Wildlife Preserve
12/9 | 1 - 3 pm
Enjoy an afternoon hike through fields and forest looking for seasonal changes. Moderate, 1 mi.

GEMINID METEOR SHOWER HIKE
Vickers Nature Preserve
12/14 | 9 - 11 pm
It's a bird, it's a plane, no it's a shooting star! Come out and join us on a short hike to enjoy this annual meteor shower. Dress for the weather. Moderate, 1.5 mi.

WALKING IN A WETLAND WONDERLAND
Newport Wetlands parking lot
12/16 | 2 - 4 pm
Birds will sing, are you listening
In the lane, snow may be glistening
A beautiful sight, we're happy, alright!
Walking in a wetland wonderland. Moderate, 2 mi

WINTER SOLSTICE
Meet at Calvary Run Parking Area
12/21 | 6 - 7 pm
Astronomical Winter arrives at 5:23 pm. Join us as we walk beneath “The Long Night Moon.” Moderate 1 mi.

SIGNS OF WINTER
MetroParks Farm - Bikeway Trailhead
12/27 | 2 - 4 pm
Take a break from the festivities and join us as we search for signs of the winter season in nature. Moderate, 2 mi.

WINTER SCAVENGER HUNT HIKE
Ford Nature Center
12/29 | 1 - 3 pm
Join us for a Winter Scavenger Hunt. We'll hike together looking for nature's hidden treasures. Moderate, 2 mi.

Kids & Teens

CHILDREN'S NATURE HOUR: Pick a Pine Tree \$ ◆ G
Fellow Riverside Gardens
12/6 | 10 - 11 am
Ages 3-5, plus adult. Join us as we discover different types of pine trees and how some turn into Christmas trees! Story and craft included. Register/pay at FNC by 12/4. \$4 R; \$6 NR

SPROUT CLUB \$ ◆ G
Fellows Riverside Gardens
12/13, 1/17, 2/21 | 1 - 2 pm
Ages 3-5, plus adult. Join the Sprout Club this winter for learning and fun with hands-on activities doing science experiments, making ice cream and being a beaver. Deadline for series is 12/11. \$15/series; \$7/class

TALES FOR TOTS: The Snow Tree \$ ◆ G
Fellow Riverside Gardens
12/14 | 10 - 11 am
Ages 2-3, plus adult. Join us as we read and enact a holiday favorite, *The Snow Tree*! Outside discovery and a craft are part of the festivities. Register/pay at FNC by 12/12. \$4 R; \$6 NR

Exhibits

A DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH
Fellows Riverside Gardens – Outdoor Gallery
Through 12/31 | dawn to dusk
Local topiary artist, Mike Gibson creatively transforms trees and shrubs into whimsical living sculptures to be displayed in the Outdoor Gallery.

MAHONING VALLEY WATERCOLOR SOCIETY
Fellows Riverside Gardens – Weller Gallery
Through 1/6/19 | Tuesday – Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm
The MVWS show demonstrates the variety of styles and interests of the artists in this local painting group.

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.

This & That

MILL CREEK PHOTO CLIQUE: Photo walk - Capturing Volney's Special Spots ◆
Ford Nature Center
12/1 | 10 am - Noon
Bring your camera to capture Volney Rogers' favorite areas of MCP. On this walk, held on the birthday of the founder of MCP, you will be introduced to the locations that were special to him. Free, but please call FNC to reserve your spot.

NATURALIST SERIES: Backyard Bird Feeding ◆
Fellows Riverside Gardens
12/2 | 4 - 5 pm
Join the Audubon Society of Western Pennsylvania to take a look at some of the best techniques in attracting birds in your backyard, from feeder types and seeds, to native plants and cover, and what birds you can expect. Registration requested, not required. Register at FRG by 12/1.

JINGLE MUTTS \$ ◆
Pioneer Pavilion
12/8 | 11 am
Jingle all the way past the festive evergreens of East Cohasset. Moderate, 1 mi. Hike is free for all. Refreshments afterward. MetroMutts Members free, not-yet-members \$2. Call FNC to register by 12/5. Additional fee after deadline.

MILL CREEK PHOTO CLIQUE: Mounting & Matting Photos ◆
Ford Nature Center
12/15 | 10 am - Noon
Learn photo matting and mounting techniques that will assist in preparation for entering competitions or just for displaying them at home. Specific guidelines for MCMP annual Nature Photography Exhibit will be covered. Free, but please call FNC to reserve your spot.

Express Yourself

HOLIDAY EVERGREEN WREATH \$ ◆
Fellows Riverside Gardens
12/1 | 10 am - Noon
Adorn your entrance with a wreath of fresh pine, greens and seasonal colors, led by Judy Stanislaw. Register/pay by 11/29. \$28; FFRG \$26

WINTER WHITE WREATH \$ ◆
Fellows Riverside Gardens
12/4 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Enjoy designing this white grapevine wreath with Marie Borocz, which can be displayed all winter long. Register/pay by 12/2. \$34; FFRG \$28

FRESH BOXWOOD TREE \$ ◆
Fellows Riverside Gardens
12/11 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Marie Borocz will guide you in the design of a fresh boxwood tree to decorate your home for the holidays. Register/pay by 12/9. \$34; FFRG \$28

HOLIDAY CENTERPIECE \$ ◆
Fellows Riverside Gardens
12/18 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Create a beautiful addition for your holiday table with Marie Borocz. Register/pay by 12/16. \$34; FFRG \$28



For the Birds

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT 2018
Ford Nature Center
12/15 | 9 - 11 am
Participate in a century old tradition, The Great Christmas Bird Count. Our census will begin at the Ford Nature Center and we will work our way over to the Lily Pond. Moderate, 2 mi.

Golf

THE 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS SALE
Mill Creek Golf Shop
12/ 9 – 12/20 | 10 am - 4:30 pm
Annual Golf Shop Holiday Sale. Each day a special sale price will be revealed on a select item. The savings will be too low to advertise, so stop in each day and check out the great savings.

4TH ANNUAL “BIG” CHRISTMAS GOLF SHOP SALE
Mill Creek Golf Shop
12/21 | 10 am – 5 pm
Annual Golf Shop Holiday Sale. An abundance of special savings for the upcoming golf season. Free gift wrapping with any purchase. Free cookies, snacks and drinks while supplies last.

Family Fun

FROZEN IN TIME WORKSHOP \$ ◆
Fellows Riverside Gardens
12/15 | 1 - 3 pm
Adults & ages 10+ with paid adult. You and your family will learn how to create ornaments featured in this year's Winter Celebration display. Register/pay by 12/13. \$5/ person

WINTER SCAVENGER HUNT
Ford Nature Center
12/26 – 12/30 | Tuesday – Saturday, 10 am – 5 pm, and Sunday, Noon – 5 pm
Enjoy a winter scavenger hunt. Stop by Ford Nature Center to pick up your list, then go outside to track down nature's hidden treasures. Bring your camera or phone to document your findings. (Inside hunt also available).



Cuisine

LAID BACK COOKING: Strudels \$ ◆
Fellows Riverside Gardens
12/11 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Hands-on. Learn how to make strudels, fruit to vegetable, with Jack Kravitz with some Laid Back Cooking. Register/ pay by 12/8. \$19; FFRG \$17