Winter /Spring 2019

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• Spring Bird Excursion
• Native Plant Sale
GENERAL INFORMATION

Register early
Register as early as possible for programs. Activity fees cover costs incurred when activities are offered.

Cancellation Policy
This policy is for cancellations pertaining to programs, camps and events that require registration, a minimum enrollment and a fee. During periods of extreme heat, cold or threatening weather, GCP&T may cancel a program in the interest of safety. Pro-rated refunds will be provided to those who miss program/ event/ camp days due to the weather.

FACILITIES: (SHELTERS/GAZEBOS/LODGE/ CAMPING)
No refund for any shelter, gazebo, facility or park area will be given for a cancellation 30 days or less prior to rental date.

THE LODGE AT CLIFTON RESERVE
POLICY: NO refund given for rentals cancelled 1-30 days prior to the rental date. A refund of 1/3 the rental amount will be given 31-60 days prior to the rental date; 2/3 the rental amount will be given 61-90 days prior to the rental date.

Financial assistance
The Family Leisure Assistance Trust (FLAT) Fund was established in 1981 through donations to assist youth to participate in leisure activities who are financially unable to do so otherwise.

Volunteers needed
We are always looking for volunteers to assist with programs, work on special projects in the parks, assist at special events, office assistance, etc. For more information, call 937.562.6440 and ask about the FLAT Fund.

Gift certificates
Gift certificates are available in any amount for most activities and programs at the agency headquarters located at 575 Ledbetter Rd., in Xenia. Gift certificates make great birthday and special occasion gifts...

Seasonal employment
Come join our team of seasonal GCP&T park maintenance professionals. Applications are being accepted as needed. These positions are perfect for college students, teachers on break or retirees. Applications can be obtained from:
• Greene County Office of Personnel
  105 E. Market St., Xenia
  (7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., M - F)
• Online at www.co.greene.oh.us

Access to all
Reasonable accommodations for persons with a known disabling condition will be considered in accordance with State and Federal Law. Any person needing a reasonable accommodation should notify the department when registering for a program at least 72 hours prior to a special event or activity.
SELFIE SCAVENGER HUNT - INDIAN MOUND RESERVE
Do you like a challenge? Each month we will send you on a different scavenger hunt to a new location. Photos will be available on our Facebook page at the beginning of each month. Locate each place, or item depicted, in the photos and take a selfie at each spot. Upload your photos to Facebook, tagging Greene County Parks & Trails, or send them to info@co.greene.oh.us. Prizes will be awarded to those finding all the items/locations in the photos, staff will contact participants about prize pick-up. January 1-Thursday January 31 Indian Mound Reserve 2750 US Rt. 42E, Cedarville

VOLUNTEER TRAINING - MAPLE SUGARING
Let’s cook up a little magic-turning sap to syrup. We’ll discuss the history of maple syrup, how to lead a maple sugaring tour, and how to cook syrup. Please dress for the weather. Ages: 18 and up Monday January 14, 9:00 AM-Noon Narrows Reserve Sperling Lane 2575 Indian Ripple Road, Xenia

WELLNESS WALKERS - RUS Nature Reserve
In partnership with the City of Beavercreek Parks & Recreation, get out and enjoy our local parks and meet new people, all while getting some exercise. Get your heart rate up and get moving on these weekly walks that are guided and self-paced. Registration is required through the City of Beavercreek Parks & Registration. To register or inquire about the full schedule, please call 937-427-5514. Thursday January 17, 9:30-10:30 AM Russ Nature Reserve 2380 Kemp Rd., Beavercreek

FULL MOON NIGHT HIKE - WOLF MOON
Greene County Parks & Trails invites you for a night hike and a celestial show! Enjoy the sights and sounds of the woods beneath the Wolf Moon. Then watch the total lunar eclipse in the park. Ages: 11 and up Sunday January 20, 9:00-11:00 PM Russ Nature Reserve 2380 Kemp Rd., Beavercreek

WINTER PHOTO CONTEST
Show off your photography skills in our Winter Photo Contest. Categories include: Best Landscape Photo, Best Wildlife Photo, Best Pet Photo and People in Parks with all photos taken within a Greene County Parks & Trails site. All entries must be submitted to info@gcparkstrails.com (1 entry per category/person) and must be clearly labeled with participants name and category. Entries can be received between January 1st and February 28th. Submissions will be posted on Facebook the first week of March with the winner in each category eligible to be the Overall Winner. Prizes to be awarded to the winners in each category.

PROJECT FEEDER WATCH
Throughout the winter we will be collecting information about birds that frequent our feeders. Enjoy a cup of coffee, relax in our bird viewing area and help us count the birds that come to our feeders. All data goes to the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology.
Saturday January 5, 10:00-11:30 AM Narrows Reserve Nature Center 2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia

MAPLE SUGAR CAMP TOURS- GROUPS OF 8 OR MORE
What is sap? What does it do for trees? How did the Native Americans learn to turn it into sugar? What is a sugar camp? These questions and more will be answered as you hike along the Sugar Bush Trail. Groups of 8 or more can schedule a private tour of our sugar maple camp. The tour will end at our sugar camp where participants can see syrup as it is being made and get a free sample! There is no fee for this program. Tours need to be completed by 5 p.m.
Tuesday January 22-Friday March 8, 8:00 AM-4:00 PM Pre-registration required before January 22 Narrows Reserve Sperling Lane 2575 Indian Ripple Road, Xenia
Rent-A-Sugar Bucket
Create family memories during this winter adventure! Maple sugaring excitement begins by hearing the “drip, drip, drip” as the first droplets of sap go into your bucket. Bring your whole family to learn all about the history of maple sugaring. Along the way you will find out how to identify sugar maple trees in winter, take turns drilling a hole and tapping a spile, then your family have a special bucket that can be checked throughout the season. Sap from the bucket will be cooked into syrup for the Pancakes in the Park event. Families who rent a bucket will receive a free breakfast for up to 4 people at the event.

Tuesday January 22-Friday March 8, 8:00 AM-4:00 PM
Fee $25.00, pre-registration required before January 22
Narrows Reserve Sperling Lane
2575 Indian Ripple Road, Xenia

Selfie Scavenger Hunt - Mill Bridge Launch
Do you like a challenge? Each month we will send you to a new location on a different scavenger hunt. Photos will be available on our Facebook page at the beginning of each month. Locate each place or item depicted in the photos and take a selfie at each spot. Upload your photos to Facebook, tagging Greene County Parks & Trails or send them to info@co.greene.oh.us . Prizes will be awarded to those who find all the items/locations in the photos; staff will contact participants about prize pick-up.

February 28, 8:00 AM-8:00 PM
Mill Bridge Launch
2754 Graf Mill Rd., Bellbrook

Project Feeder Watch
Throughout the winter we will be collecting information about birds that frequent our feeders. Enjoy a cup of coffee, relax in our bird viewing area and help us count the birds that come to our feeds. All data goes to the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology.

Saturday February 16, 10:00-11:30 AM
Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia

Beginning Beekeeping
Interested in learning about beekeeping? During this six-week class, participants will learn everything from equipment (what is needed and what is not), setting up hives, bee pests, products of the hive and much more. Interested class participants will have the opportunity to order equipment from a major bee supply company (not required).

Snow Date: March 14th
Thursday January 31-Thursday March 7, 7:00-8:30 PM
Fee $50.00, pre-registration required before January 31
Greene County Media Room
541 Ledbetter Road, Xenia

Birds Do It, Bees Do It
The sex lives of animals can be fascinating, wild and sometimes downright comical! Bring your valentine to this peek into their secret lives. A catered candlelit dinner will precede the presentation. Due to the adult content, this program is strictly for those 18 years and older.

Friday February 15, 6:00-9:00 PM
Fee $25.00, pre-registration required before February 8
The Lodge at Clifton Reserve
2762 S. River Road, Clifton

Project Feeder Watch
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Saturday February 2, 10:00-11:30 AM
Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia

Winter Birding Excursion
Join our top notch birders on an excursion to one of Ohio’s best winter birding hotspots- Killdeer Plains Wildlife Area. From waterfowl, to raptors, to songbirds, few places boast as many winter specialties. You won’t find a better opportunity to see the hardy birds that spend the winter in Ohio; we are even staying late to have a chance to spot Short-eared Owls. Please dress for cold weather and bring binoculars. Lunch and dinner will be provided.

Saturday February 23, 10:00 AM-9:00 PM
Resident $50.00, pre-registration required before February 2
Begin/End: Narrows Reserve
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia
Wellness Walkers—Phillips Park
Each week, we will get our heart rate up and get moving while enjoying the outdoors in our beautiful parks. Walks are guided and self-paced. Get to know the parks better and meet new people. Greene County Parks & Trails and City of Beavercreek have partnered to provide more walk locations in 2019. Contact City of Beavercreek to register at 937-427-5514. Advanced registration is required.
Thursday February 28, 9:30-10:30 AM
Phillips Park
2132 Dayton Xenia Rd., Beavercreek

Selfie Scavenger Hunt—Scout Dog Park
Do you like a challenge? Each month we will send you to a new location on a different scavenger hunt. Photos will be available on our Facebook page at the beginning of each month. Locate each place, or item depicted in the photos and take a selfie at each spot. Upload your photos to Facebook, tagging Greene County Parks & Trails or send them to info@co.greene.oh.us. Prizes will be awarded to those who find all the items/locations in the photos; staff will contact participants about prize pick-up.
Saturday March 2-Sunday March 31, 8:00 AM-8:00 PM
Pierce Park: Scout Dog Park
618 Dayton-Xenia Road, Xenia

Pancakes in the Park
Time to savor the sweet goodness of real maple syrup as it drips off of fresh, hot pancakes! Enjoy a delicious breakfast of pancakes, maple syrup, and sausages while enjoying late winter in the park. After breakfast, join us for a tour to learn the history of maple sugaring and see how it is made. Local maple syrup and candies will be available for purchase. An inside look at upcoming Russ Nature Reserve renovations will also be available during the event.
Saturday March 2, 8:30-11:30 AM
Russ Nature Reserve
2380 Kemp Rd., Beavercreek

Project Feeder Watch
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Saturday March 9, 10:00-11:30 AM
Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia

Bluebird Nest Box Monitor Training
Do you enjoy observing birds? Would you like to help nesting birds and the scientists who study them? Do you have one free hour a week this summer? Then join our volunteer monitoring team and help us keep bluebirds singing in Greene County Parks & Trails. Training is required for all new monitoring volunteers.
Saturday March 9, 12:00-2:00 PM
Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia

Full Moon Night Hike—Worm Moon
It’s the first day of spring! This full moon hike will focus on finding the natural signs that prove spring is here. Get out and enjoy with Beavercreek Wetlands Association and Greene County Parks & Trails. Ages: 11 and up
Wednesday March 20, 8:00-9:30 PM
Koogler Wetland Prairie Reserve
2279 Beaver Valley Rd., Beavercreek

The Great Salamander Search
Explore the wiggly and slimy secrets of salamanders! We will make salamander crafts and enjoy a salamander storybook, then we will search the woods and ravine for wild salamanders. Ages: 3-5
Friday March 22, 9:30-11:00 AM
Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia

Volunteer Training—Native Americans
Learn the amazing histories of the Adena and Hopewell peoples and learn more about the earthworks at Indian Mound Reserve. We will also be explaining how to lead Native American programs at the park. Meet us at the Williamson Mound Lot or RSVP for carpooling from the Nature Center. Ages: 18 and up
Monday March 25, 9:00 AM- Noon
Indian Mound Reserve: Williamson Mound lot
2750 US Rt. 42 E, Cedarville
SELFIE SCAVENGER HUNT - CAESAR FORD PARK
Do you like a challenge? Each month we will send you to a new location on a different scavenger hunt. Photos will be available on our Facebook page at the beginning of each month. Locate each place, or item depicted in the photos and take a selfie at each spot. Upload your photos to Facebook, tagging Greene County Parks & Trails or send them to info@co.greene.oh.us. Prizes will be awarded to those who find all the items/locations in the photos; staff will contact participants about prize pick-up.

Monday April 1-Tuesday April 30, 8:00 AM-8:00 PM
Caesar Ford Park
520 S. Stringtown Road, Xenia

FUNCTIONAL MOBILITY TRAINING
Taught by Travis Ballman, certified functional movement and mobility coach with a bachelor’s degree in health and sports science, this class is designed to provide participants with foundational movement skills to include squatting, bending at the waist, general upper body strength and core stability. These movements can be transferred to activities in everyday life, such as, household chores, hiking, playing with your kids, gardening, etc. No experience is needed and the class will be modified depending on athletic ability. Please bring a yoga mat and towel along with a water bottle.

Thursday April 4, 5:00-6:00 PM
Russ Nature Reserve
2380 Kemp Rd., Beavercreek

PLANTS FOR POLLINATORS
Do you like butterflies, bees, or hummingbirds? Want to turn your backyard into a pollinator haven? Join us for a presentation on how to make your yard irresistible to some of Ohio’s most beautiful wildlife.

Thursday April 4, 7:00-8:00 PM
Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia

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Saturday April 6, 10:00-11:30 AM
Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia

NIGHT RIDE: XENIA STATION TO CEDARVILLE
Join the GCP&T Trail Sentinels for a moonlight ride along the region’s bike trails. GCP&T Trail Sentinels are an elite volunteer group who patrol the trails and coordinate several cycling events. All night riders must be 18 and older, wear a helmet and have lights on their bikes. Rides will be cancelled in the event of a thunderstorm.

Thursday April 11, 7:00-8:00 PM
Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia

GET TO KNOW THE BUTTERFLIES
Summer is coming, which means our fluttering neighbors are coming soon! Get to know their traits and identifying marks in this hands-on workshop. All participants will receive a free butterfly guide.

Thursday April 11, 7:00-8:00 PM
Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia

EXTREME EGG HUNT
Easter egg hunts aren’t just for kids anymore! This egg hunt is AMPED up and sure to be a wild time! Can you find Easter eggs in the dark? If you can, you could win prizes! Participants must have a flash light to participate.

Friday April 12, 7:30-9:00 PM
Fee $5.00, pre-registration required before April 12
Russ Nature Reserve
2380 Kemp Rd., Beavercreek

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Thursday April 18, 5:00-6:00 PM
Russ Nature Reserve
2380 Kemp Rd., Beavercreek
MIRACLE MIGRANTS
Every spring Greene County welcomes back a tiny wonder, the Ruby-throated Hummingbird. We will explore the amazing journey of our smallest bird and look at the special adaptations they use to survive. One lucky participant will win a hummingbird attracting plant!
Thursday April 18, 7:00-9:00 PM
Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia

NIGHT RIDE: OLD TOWN RESERVE TO YOUNG’S DAIRY
Join the GCP&T Trail Sentinels for a moonlight ride along the region's bike trails. GCP&T Trail Sentinels are an elite volunteer group who patrol the trails and coordinate several cycling events. All night riders must be 18 and older, wear a helmet and have lights on their bikes. Rides will be cancelled in the event of a thunderstorm.
Saturday April 20, 7:00-9:00 PM
Old Town Reserve
1360 Old Springfield Pike, Xenia

FUNCTIONAL MOBILITY TRAINING
Taught by Travis Ballman, certified functional movement and mobility coach with a bachelor’s degree in health and sports science, this class is designed to provide participants with foundational movement skills to include squatting, bending at the waist, general upper body strength and core stability. These movements can be transferred to activities in everyday life, such as, household chores, hiking, playing with your kids, gardening, etc. No experience is needed and the class will be modified depending on athletic ability. Please bring a yoga mat and towel along with a water bottle
Thursday April 25, 5:00-6:00 PM
Russ Nature Reserve
2380 Kemp Rd., Beavercreek

SPRING BIRDING EXCURSION
Some of Ohio’s most elusive migrants call the ridges and hills of Tar Hollow State Park home. Join us on a quest to find Scarlet Tanagers, Cerulean Warblers, Worm-eating Warblers, and many other bird species. Please bring binoculars. A picnic dinner will be provided.
Ages: 18 and up
Saturday April 27, 2:00-10:00 PM
Fee $25.00, pre-registration required before April 27
Begin/End: Narrows Reserve
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia

VOLUNTEER TRAINING - OHIO’S WARBLERS
The gems of Ohio’s bird life are the warblers. These little dynamos fly from Colombia to Ohio and back each year. We’ll learn how to identify them and then watch them bebop around from the tops of the trees to the forest floor- all in search of caterpillars.
Ages: 18 and up
Monday April 29, 9:00 AM-Noon
Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beavercreek

SPRING BIRD COUNT
Greene County’s woodlands, prairies, and wetlands are full of birds! Our goal is to find as many of them as we can in 12 hours. Last year we spotted 90 species, can you help us break that record? Join us by watching for Facebook updates or by calling 937-971-9319 for our current location.
Ages: 11 and up
Saturday May 4, 6:30 AM-6:30 PM
Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia

NIGHT RIDE: XENIA STATION TO FIFTH-THIRD GATEWAY PARK
Join the GCP&T Trail Sentinels for a moonlight ride along the region's bike trails. GCP&T Trail Sentinels are an elite volunteer group who patrol the trails and coordinate several cycling events. All night riders must be 18 and older, wear a helmet and have lights on their bikes. Rides will be cancelled in the event of a thunderstorm. Incentives will be offered for those participants completing either half or all of the miles available for the season.
Saturday May 4, 7:00-9:00 PM
Xenia Station
150 S. Miami Avenue, Xenia

NATIVE PLANT SALE
Native plants are a fabulous way to bring color and wildlife to your yard. Build a healthy backyard habitat with plants native to and grown in Ohio. Order forms can be picked up at Narrows Reserve Nature Center (2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Xenia) or the Parks & Trails Office (575 Ledbetter Rd., Xenia). Order forms will also be posted on Facebook. Preorders due April 12 by 4 pm. Plants can be picked up at James Ranch Park on Sunday May 5, Noon-4:00 PM
James Ranch Park
177 Fairground Road, Xenia
# Registration Form

Complete one form per registrant. This form may be duplicated. Please print clearly and fill out completely. You are not officially registered for any activity until your completed form and fee are received by Greene County Parks & Trails. Mail or drop off with payment to the address below. (NOTE: All credit or debit card transactions accrue a 2.2% plus $1 processing fee for each transaction.)

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**Total Fees:** __________

**Release of Liability Consent:**

By signing this form, I agree to hold harmless and release the Board of Greene County Commissioners and the Greene County Park District, their individual members and all of their officers, agents, assignees and employees from any and all loss, damage, liability, injuries, medical conditions, and costs or expenses as may arise, or may be caused in any way by participation in Greene County operated park programs or activities in which I or my child/ward may participate. I further understand that I assume all responsibility for any loss, damage, liability, injuries or medical complications from participation in Greene County operated park programs in which I or my child/ward may participate. I have read and understand the above conditions for participation in Greene County Parks and Trails programs and activities.

**Medical Consent:**

I also consent to emergency medical treatment for me or my child/ward if necessary. I agree to waive and relinquish all claims of medical treatment against the Greene County Park District and the Board of Greene County Commissioners.

**Photo Consent:**

By participating in a Greene County Parks & Trails program or event, I agree to allow publication of any photos/media taken, in future program publications or local newspapers.

I recognize that my signed signature will be deemed the same as an original. I have read and fully understand the program waiver and the emergency medical treatment consent. This waiver form is completed and signed of my own free will.

**Signature of registrant (parent or guardian if under 18):** ____________________

| Date: __________ |

Please mail completed form with credit card information, check or money order payable to:

Greene County Parks & Trails
575 Ledbetter Road, Xenia, OH 45385

Phone: (937) 562-6440 Fax: (937) 562-6455 Web: www.greencountyparks.com

Monday–Friday 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

For Office Use Only: Receipt= ______ Check/MO= ______ Cash= ______ Charge= ______ Confirmation Sent? ______

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