

Greene County
PARKS
WINTER/SPRING ACTIVITY GUIDE

2011



Resident Registration Begins January 10

Non-resident Registration: January 12

937.562.7440 www.co.greene.oh.us/parks

Maple Sugaring at the Narrows Reserve

Rent-a-Sugar Bucket

Enjoy the excitement of seeing your own sugar bucket collecting sweet sap by renting a sugar bucket. A maple tree will be tapped and a sugar bucket will be labeled with your family name and placed in the Sugar Camp. Families are encouraged to tour the camp to see how much sap their bucket is collecting. At the annual Pancake Breakfast, families who rented buckets will receive a free breakfast for up to four (4) people.

■ **Section #150600**
\$50 per bucket

School, Scout & Group Tours

Do you have a group (10 or more) that would like a private tour of the Sugar Grove? The sweet smell of maple syrup lingers through the sugar camp inviting you to see how this sweet treat is created. This winter walk will include how sap is formed and the different processes used including Native American techniques to modern methods to turn it into sweet syrup. Samples of homemade syrup will reward you at the end of the tour. To schedule a tour, please call Cris Barnett at 937-562-7469.

School Note: Proficiency requirements are met during this tour.

■ **Weekdays, Feb 16 - March 9**

Narrows Reserve, Sperling Lane entrance, Beaver Creek
1 1/2 hour tours available; must be completed by 5 p.m.
\$3 (R), \$4 (NR) per person

Annual Maple Sugar Pancake Breakfast

Families can enjoy hot pancakes with maple syrup made at the Narrows Reserve, sausage, milk, coffee/tea and juice. After you fill your bellies, be sure to take a hike in the Sugar Grove to learn how sap is turned into sweet syrup. Tours are available throughout the day with the last tour beginning at noon. Please park at the Russ Research Center on Indian Ripple Road and a shuttle will take you to breakfast and the tour. Real Ohio maple syrup and maple candy will be available for purchase.



■ **Saturday, March 5, 8:30 am - 11:30 am**

Narrows Reserve, parking at Russ Research Center on Indian Ripple Rd., Beaver Creek

Ages 7+: \$5 (R), \$7 (NR)

Ages 3-6: \$3 (R), \$5 (NR)

Under age 3: FREE

Mark Twain Takes the Stage

Help save the Indian Mound Log Cabin by spending an evening with Mark Twain at the Cedarville Opera House. With a twinkle in his eye, white suit and that wild hair, you will think Mr. Twain himself walked on the stage. Stephen Hollen has taken his many years as a performer and award winning humorist & storyteller, added the wit and words of America's Greatest Humorist and Beloved Author to bring Mark Twain to life. All proceeds benefit the restoration of the Indian Mound Log Cabin. More details coming soon...



The Greene County Healthy Lifestyles Coalition
presents the 2nd annual

SPRING HAS SPRUNG

HEALTHY FAMILIES 5K RUN/WALK

MARCH 19, 2011

- 9:00am race begins; ends at the Greene County Combined Health District beside GMH.
- "Diaper Dash" Fun Run for ages 5 and younger at 8:00am.
- Medals for the top 3 male/female in each age category.
- T-shirts for all entries received by March 11, 2011.
- Healthy refreshments available.
- Great opportunity & fun for the whole family, as well as first-time runners/walkers.
- \$15 per person if registered by March 11, 2011
\$20 per person after 3/11, including day of race.



GCCHD
Greene County
PARKS

FOR MORE INFO:
Visit www.gcchd.org in January for a registration form
or register online at www.active.com.
Phone: 937-374-5669 • Email: lfox@gcchd.org

Community Gardens

Community Garden Open House

Enjoy a tour of the gardens and learn about the success gardeners had last season, more about the community gardens, how you can rent a plot and how to grow a variety of different plants.

■ **Saturday, April 2, 1 pm - 4 pm**
Karohl Park, 2940 Hol Dr., Beavercreek
Free



Community Garden Plots

Want fresh produce but don't have the space for a garden? Or are you concerned about where your fresh produce is coming from? Well, then reserve a plot today! Plots are 20' x 20' and available for planting the first of April. Reserve as many plots as you prefer; first come first serve. Free mulch on-site and monthly gardening classes are included in the fee for your plot. No water available on-site.

■ **Section #250320**
Karohl Park, 2940 Hol Dr., Beavercreek
\$25 per 20' x 20' plot

Touch-a-Truck

This spring, you and your children can climb in a ranger cruiser, big truck, emergency vehicle, or other large vehicle and get some "hands-on" experience. Sit in the driver's seat and explore how large vehicles work. Moms and Dads, be sure to bring the camera! Concessions available.



■ **Saturday, April 30**
10 am - 2 pm
Fairgrounds
Recreation Center
210 Fairground Rd.
Xenia
Free

Photo Contest

We had such a tremendous response last year, Greene County Parks is once again holding a photo contest. This year's theme is people enjoying parks. Photographers of all ages are encouraged to take photos in your Greene County Parks over the next few months. All photos need to include people in one of Greene County Parks and be no larger than 8 x 10.

Photos need to be turned in to the nature center no later than **May 15th at 4:30 pm**. Each photo needs to be labeled on the back with contestant's name, phone number, and name of the park where photo was taken. The top ten winning photos will be on display at the Nature Center from June 6 to August 26, 2011.



YOUTH and FAMILY ACTIVITIES



Toads 'n Tadpoles Night Out

Each month the group will play games that teach them about our environment, take a night hike and enjoy a snack. Tadpoles (ages 4-6) Section A and Toads (ages 7-12) Section B.

■ **Section # 120312 A # 120312 B**
Friday, January 21, 7 pm - 9:30 pm

■ **Section # 120313 A # 120313 B**
Friday, February 11, 7 pm - 9:30 pm

■ **Section # 120314 A # 120314 B**
Friday, March 18, 7 pm - 9:30 pm

■ **Section # 120315 A # 120315 B**
Friday, April 15, 7 pm - 9:30 pm
Narrows Reserve Nature Center,
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beaver Creek
\$10 (R), \$15 (NR) per child/per class

Nestlings



Each month children will explore nature while enjoying a hike and a story. *For ages 2 1/2 - 4 and their adult companion.*

■ **Section # 110312**

A: Wed, January 26 - Winter Birds

B: Wed, February 16 - Maple Sugaring

C: Wed, March 30 - Everything is Turning Green

D: Wed, April 20 - Earth Day
10 am - 11 am

Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beaver Creek
\$3 (R), \$5 (NR) per child/per class

Nature Nuts

Open children's eyes to nature. Each month we will take a hike, read a story and explore on a preschool level. *For ages 4 1/2 - 6 and their adult companion.*

■ **Section # 110313**

A: Wed, January 26 - Where do I go in winter?

B: Wed, February 16 - Maple Sugaring

C: Wed, March 30 - It's Spring

D: Wed, April 20 - Earth Day

1:00 pm-2:00 pm

Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beaver Creek
\$3 (R), \$5 (NR) per child/per class

Preschool Nature Play



This unique preschool program incorporates a preschool curriculum but in a nature

setting. Children will learn to interact with other children, work on their developmental skills, numbers, letters, colors, math and spelling all while experiencing the outdoors. Climbing logs, catching butterflies, searching for insects are just some of the ways this class will stay active. Exercise and nutrition will be part of each program through a snack and active educational games. Songs, nature crafts and stories will tie into the topic for the day. Let your child's wonder of nature be filled while learning and playing with friends. Sessions are six weeks in length. Parents are not required to stay. *For ages 4-6, must be potty trained.*

■ **Section # 110316**
Mondays, January 24 - March 7
(no class Feb 21)

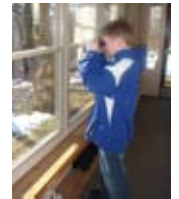
■ **Section # 110317**
Mondays, March 14 - April 18

■ **Section # 110318**
Mondays, April 25 - June 6 (no class May 30)

9:30 am - 11:30 am
Narrows Reserve Nature Center,
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beaver Creek
\$60 (R), \$70 (NR) per child/per session

Project Feeder Watch

Ever wonder what types of birds those are at your bird feeders? The naturalist staff has teamed up with Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology to monitor the type and number of birds that stay in the Greene County area over the winter. Join us to learn more about birds and bird feeding.



■ **Saturdays, January 8, 22, February 5, 19, 26, March 12, 26, April 2**
1 pm - 2:30 pm

Narrows Reserve Nature Center
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beaver Creek
Free

Winter Bird Watch

With a cup of hot coco and a fire in fireplace enjoy learning more about winter birds and bird feeding. Binoculars are recommended but not necessary. Young participants are welcome but as quiet participants.

■ **Saturday, January 29, 10 am**
Crooked Creek Nature Sanctuary, Spahr Rd., Sugar Creek Twp.
Free

Frozen Falls Hike



Enjoy the beauty of the falls and the crisp winter air on a hike along Massie Creek. This hike will take you

by the waterfall and into the limestone gorge. Cameras are recommended.

■ **Saturday, February 5, 10 am**
Indian Mound Reserve, Cedar Cliff Falls parking lot, 2750 SR 42 E, Cedarville
Free

Events and activities may be cancelled due to inclement weather. If Beaver Creek Schools are cancelled due to inclement weather, activities at the Nature Center will also be cancelled. Stay tuned to your local radio and television stations for updates or call the office at 937-562-7440.



FAMILY ACTIVITIES



Family Fun Day



Spend a fun day at the nature center with the whole family. The naturalists have put together hands-on activities, experiments and exploration.

■ **Section # 120301**

A: Saturday, February 12, 1 pm

Geology

B: Sunday, March 27, 2 pm

Frogs, Turtles, Oh My!

C: Sunday, April 17, 2 pm

Fun with Science

Narrows Reserve Nature Center

2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beaver Creek

\$20 per family of 4 (R); \$25 (NR) each additional person \$5 per class

Full Moon Hike

By the light of the Snow Moon join the naturalist to enjoy a snowy winter evening in the woods. Flashlights are not necessary.

■ **Friday, February 18, 7 pm**

Sara Lee Arnovitz Preserve, 350 Kinsey Rd., Xenia

Free

Beaver Hike

Although it is winter, beaver are still active, busily building dams. This morning hike will take us past two active beaver dams. Learn more about this fascinating rodent and how easily they can change a habitat.



■ **Saturday, February 19, 10 am**

Beaver Creek Wetlands Reserve, park at Phillips Park, Dayton-Xenia Rd., Beaver Creek Twp.

Free

Vernal Pool Hike

Join us for a hike around this amazing habitat. Without this temporary stand of water many of our amphibians and invertebrates would have no place to breed. Salamanders, fairy shrimp, toads and even some frogs can be found in this temporary wetland.

■ **Saturday, February 26, 10 am**

Narrows Reserve Nature Center

2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beaver Creek

Free

Let's Go Geocache

Enjoy the coming of spring with a treasure hunt in the park. Geocaching requires a gps unit. Once given a set of coordinates, participants then search for clues. The final clue will lead to a treasure. Geocaching is great for all ages.

■ **Saturday, March 12, 9 am - 1 pm**

Narrows Reserve Nature Center,

2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beaver Creek

Free

Snow Trillium Hike

One of the first sure signs that spring is just about here is when the snow trillium begins



to bloom. This protected state flower blooms for only a short time just as the last of the winter snow melts away.

■ **Sunday, March 13, 1:30 pm**

Indian Mound Reserve, log cabin parking lot, SR 42 E, Cedarville

Free

Full Moon Hike

With winter behind us and spring just beginning to warm the ground, many animals are stretching from their winter torpor. Enjoy this evening hike in the wetlands as we look and listen for local wildlife beginning to establish new territories and build new homes.

■ **Saturday, March 19, 8 pm**

Beaver Creek Wetlands, park at Phillips Park, Dayton-Xenia Rd., Beaver Creek Twp

Free

Knock, Knock, Knocking - Woodpecker Hike



Whose knocking? Woodpeckers use their drumming to communicate, to locate a mate, to tell others their location and to find nesting cavities. Each species of woodpecker has a different sound.

Binoculars are recommended but not necessary.

■ **Sunday, March 20, 2 pm**

Indian Mound Reserve, log cabin parking lot, SR 42 E, Cedarville

Free

Spring Beekeeping Clinic

Join the Greene County Beekeepers Association during their spring beehive management clinic. Demonstrations include spring housecleaning, inspection, treatment for mites, swarm prevention and methods of honey production.

■ **Saturday, April 9, 12 pm**

Narrows Reserve Nature Center, 2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beaver Creek

Free

Earth Day Park Clean Up

Celebrate Earth Day by greening up the park. Help us remove some of those unwanted "treasures" that have made their way into the park over the winter. Long sleeves and gloves are recommended.



■ **Saturday, April 23, 10 am**

Creekside Reserve, meet at Beaver Creek Community Park, Factory Rd., Bvrck

Free

Sportsman's Seminar Series



These monthly seminars incorporate local outdoor pros from Stamper's Boat Barn of Miamisburg and the surrounding area to bring you tips, pointers and the "how-to's" on fishing, boating, hunting and

more.

- **Tuesday, January 4** - Greater Dayton Fishing Association
 - **Tuesday, February 1** - What's New in Crappie Fishing
 - **Tuesday, March 1** - Fishing Forecast by ODNR and Boat Inspections by Division of Watercraft
 - **Tuesday, April 5** - Caesars Creek Lake Preview and Boat Inspections by Division of Watercraft
- 7 pm**
Greene County Highway Department,
615 Dayton-Xenia Rd., Xenia
Free

Night Riders



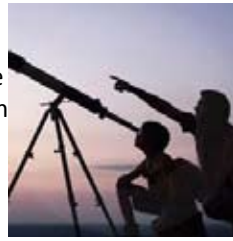
Enjoy the beauty of spring on an evening ride along the bike trails. All riders must be 18+, wear a helmet

and have lights on their bike. All rides are less than 20 miles round trip and begin at 7 pm.

- **Saturday, April 9** - Xenia Station, 150 Miami Ave., Xenia to Cedarville - 15 miles
 - **Saturday, April 23** - Old Town Reserve, 1360 Old Springfield Pike, Xenia to Young's Jersey Dairy - 18 miles
 - **Saturday, May 14** - Xenia Station, 150 Miami Ave., Xenia to Fifth Third Park, Beavercreek - 20 miles
 - **Saturday, May 28** - Yellow Springs Station to I-70 to Young's Dairy - 15 miles
- Free**

Star Gazing and Astronomy Workshop

Winter is the best time to explore the night sky. Although the nights may be crisp, the air is clear and the stars are easily seen. This series of classes includes constellations, planets, unusual astronomical phenomenon's, telescopes and more. Weather permitting, part of each class will be held outdoors. Please dress appropriately. *For ages 14+*



- **Section# 130511**
- Wednesdays, January 19 - March 16, (no class March 2) 7 pm**
- Narrows Reserve Nature Center,
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beavercreek
\$50 (R), \$60 (NR) per person

Shutterbugs

This class is for beginning and intermediate level of photographers. Everyone will learn something new and share their blunders. John Sheehan, local photography instructor, will be teaching these classes. Each month the class will be learning different photography techniques. Please bring your camera to class. Students may be asked to share their photos with Greene County Parks for use in promotional pieces.

- **Section# 430500**
 - A: Saturday, January 22** - Basic Camera Functions
 - B: Saturday, February 19** - Maple Syrup Making - Photographing Winter Scenes*
 - C: Saturday, March 26** - Lenses & Their Effects - Apertures & Exposures
 - D: Saturday, April 16** - Lighting & Using a Flash
- 9 am - 11 am**
Narrows Reserve Nature Center,
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beavercreek
*The February class will be held at the Narrows Reserve, Sperling Lane entrance
\$10 (R), \$15 (NR) per person/per class

Volunteer Naturalist Training

These training sessions are open to anyone interested in becoming a volunteer naturalist and current volunteers. Each session will be held both indoors and outdoors.

- **Monday, January 24** - Winter Birds & Their Habitats
 - **Monday, February 7** - Maple Sugaring
 - **Monday, March 14** - Bees
 - **Monday, April 11** - Worms, Slugs, Snails, Nature in an Inch
- 9 am - noon**
Narrows Reserve Nature Center,
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beavercreek
Free

Introduction to Fly Fishing

Rick McMahan Owner/Operator of Denali Fly Fishing Guides, Cantwell, Alaska will be sharing his expertise on fly fishing. Participants are encouraged to bring along their rod and equipment to class. Class will cover types of equipment, how to set up rods, and types of flies. A good part of the class will be spent on learning the basics of casting. Equipment will be available to try if you do not have your own.

- **Tuesday, February 1, 7 pm**
- Media Room, 541 Ledbetter Rd., Xenia
Free

Beginning Beekeeping Workshop

This 6-week course will include everything from raising bees and setting up hives to equipment, products of the hive and more. Featuring hands-on experience with the on-site apiary. Instructed by Bill Starrett. *For ages 14+.*

- **Section# 130525**
- Thursdays, February 3 - March 17 (no class March 2) 7 pm - 8:30 pm**
- Narrows Reserve Nature Center,
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beavercreek
\$40 (R), \$50 (NR) per person



ADULT ACTIVITIES



Intermediate Beekeeping Workshop

Need a little more beekeeping instruction? This class is for those who already have hives or have taken our beginning workshop. We will answer some of the questions and concerns you have experienced, provide additional information to better hives and cover harvesting the honey. Instructed by Bill Starrett. *For ages 14+.*

■ **Section # 130526**

Thursday, March 24 - April 7

7pm - 8:30 pm

Narrows Reserve Nature Center,
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beaver Creek
\$40 (R), \$50 (NR) per person

Naturalist Workshops

This series is for those that want to learn



more about Ohio's wildlife and to volunteer as a naturalist.

Classes will cover mammals, birds, fish and other wildlife, as well as plants, habitats and teaching techniques. Classes will be taught by a combination of our staff naturalists and local experts. Once completed, participants are asked to assist with a minimum of 5 naturalist programs. For ages 16+. For more information on the program, contact our Chief Naturalist, Cris Barnett, at 937-562-7469.

■ **Section # 130515**

Tuesday's, March 15 - May 3

9 am - 3:30 pm

Narrows Reserve Nature Center,
2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beaver Creek
\$75 (R), \$100 (NR)

Spring Bird Workshops



The woods are alive with spring bird song and the vibrant colors of migrating birds. Join the naturalist to learn how to identify these birds by both sight and song. Binoculars are recommended.

■ **Section # 130410**

Wednesday, March 23 - Early Spring Migrates & Songs

■ **Section # 130411**

Wednesday, April 20 - Orioles, Tanagers, Vireos & More

7 pm - 9:30 pm

Narrows Reserve Nature Center, 2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beaver Creek
\$25 (R), \$30 (NR) per class

Narrows Reserve

Situated along the Little Miami State and National Scenic River, the Narrows Reserve has much to offer outdoor enthusiasts of all types. The main parking lot contains a convenient canoe launch complete with a set of steps and boat shoots. Primitive camping is available in two locations by permit. Fishing is allowed along the river with a valid state fishing license. Other amenities at the main lot include picnic tables, a drinking fountain and restroom facility.

One of the best ways to fully enjoy the Narrows Reserve is on foot. Over 4 miles of hiking trails lead through a variety of habitats and terrains. By following the River Trail, hikers will parallel the Little Miami River. This corridor of riparian habitat is a prime location to spot migratory birds. The Meadow Trail encircles a meadow habitat where deer, rabbits and many songbirds can be seen. The Big Woods Trail contains some of the parks' oldest trees. The Sugar Bush Trail leads to the grove of Sugar Maple trees which are tapped each winter by the park staff to make sweet maple syrup. A natural spring that was once part of an old homesite in the park can be found along the Cold Springs Trail. The Vista Trail leads hikers up a steep hill and along a ridge through oaks, maples, and hickories. The Old Road Trail provides a short paved hike overlooking one of the park's scenic ravines.

No visit to the Narrows Reserve is complete without a visit to the nature center located just up the hill from the main lot. The nature center houses a collection of native Ohio wildlife such as snakes, turtles, and salamanders. There is a bird viewing room for indoor bird watching, educational displays, an outdoor raptor center and honey bee apiary. Many nature programs are offered for all ages by the naturalist staff.

The Narrows Reserve is located at 2575 Indian Ripple Road in Beaver Creek. For more information contact the nature center at 937-429-9590.





SHELTER & FACILITY RENTAL INFORMATION



SHELTERS & GAZEBOS

SMALL SHELTERS - \$25 (R), \$50 (NR)

Rental hours are 8 am - Dusk

- Fairgrounds Recreation Center
- Old Town Reserve

MEDIUM SHELTERS - \$35 (R), \$70 (NR)

Rental hours are 8 am - Dusk

- Indian Mound Reserve
- Massie Creek Park
- Spring Lakes Park

LARGE SHELTERS - \$50 (R), \$100 (NR)

Rental hours are 8 am - Dusk

- Fairgrounds Recreation Center
- Twin Towers Park
- Frank Seaman Park
- Pierce Park



GAZEBOS

Perfect for an intimate wedding ceremony or renewal of vows.

Rental hours are 8 am - Dusk

- James Ranch Park (electric) - \$35 (R), \$70 (NR)



- Peterson Park (part of Indian Mound Reserve) - \$25 (R), \$50 (NR)
- Frank Seaman Park - \$25 (R), \$50 (NR)

No refund for any shelter, gazebo, facility or park area will be given for a cancellation 30 days prior to the rental date.

CAMPING

Primitive camp sites (no running water or restrooms) are available by advance reservations only. Cost is \$15 for up to 4 people and \$2 for each additional person.

- Constitution Park
- Jacoby Road Launch
- Mill Bridge Launch
- Narrows Reserve
- Old Town Reserve

SPORTS FACILITIES

Sports facilities are available at various parks (see next page for listing).

- Tennis (per court, per hour) - \$15 (R), \$20 (NR)
- Soccer (per field, per 2 hours) - \$20 (R), \$25 (NR)
- Volleyball (per court, per hour) - \$15 (R), \$20 (NR)
- Baseball (per diamond, per hour) - \$25 (R), \$30 (NR)
- Basketball (per court, per hour) - \$15 (R), \$20 (NR)

HOBSON FREEDOM PARK

Fourteen tournament quality soccer fields (or similar sports fields) are available for reservations. Contact Robin Gregory at 937-562-7446 or rgregory@co.greene.oh.us.



SPRING LAKES FISHING PERMITS

Greene County Parks fishing permits are required to help offset the cost of stocking the lakes. The lakes are stocked once per month with trout October - February and catfish March - September. Fishing permits may be purchased from our administrative office or through the self-permitting process located on the outside of the bait house at Spring Lakes Park. No refunds.



- 1 Day Permit \$10 (R), \$15 (NR)
- Annual Individual Permit \$30 (R), \$35 (NR)
- Annual Senior Permit (age 60+) \$20 (R), \$25 (NR)
- Kids (12 and under w/paid adult) FREE
- Annual Family of 4 \$80 (R), \$100 (NR)
- Each addt'l member \$10 (R), \$15 (NR)
- Groups \$100 (R), \$110 (NR)

EQUESTRIAN FACILITIES

Equestrian facilities are available at Twin Towers Park. Facilities include a show ring, two dressage rings, temporary stabling facilities, cross country course with water feature available for schooling and events. Contact Robin Gregory at 937-562-7446 or rgregory@co.greene.oh.us.



THE LODGE AT CLIFTON RESERVE

This rustic lodge with its magnificent wood ceiling beams would provide the perfect backdrop for an indoor wedding ceremony, renewal of vows, anniversary celebration, holiday gathering, birthday party, dance, business retreat or seminar. Nestled in an inviting park setting next to the Little Miami Scenic River, this premier lodge offers:



- Kitchenette/bar area
- Refrigerator & microwave
- Gas fireplace
- Seating for 60 (10 round tables, 2 rectangular tables)

■ **Non-Prime Time Hours (Mon - Thur) - \$200 (R), \$225 (NR)**

■ **Prime Time (Fri - Sun & Holidays) - \$275 (R), \$300 (NR)**

■ **Refundable Deposit to be paid upon key pick-up for all rentals**

Refund Policy: No refund will be given for a rental 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. A fee will be charged for all other cancellations.



PARKS & FACILITIES



	Acreage	Baseball/Softball	Basketball	Multi-Purpose Trails	Canoe Access	Dog Park	County Permit Required for Fishing	Drinking Water	Fishing w/State License	Handicap Access	Hiking Trails	Equestrian Facilities	Horseshoe Pits	Picnic Area	Playground	Primitive Camping w/Permit	Limited Access-Permit Only	Restrooms	Shelter, Lodge or Gazebo	Soccer Fields	Tennis Courts	Volleyball Courts	
Beaver Creek Wetlands <i>Thru Phillips Park, Dayton-Xenia Rd., Beavercreek</i>	77								✓		✓												
Cemex Reserve <i>Sanctuary Dr. off of Garland Ave., Fairborn</i>	164										✓												
Clifton Reserve & Lodge <i>2762 S. River Rd., Clifton</i>	10								✓	✓				✓				✓	✓				
Constitution Park <i>SR 42 & SR 725, Spring Valley</i>	4				✓				✓	✓				✓		✓							
Creekside Reserve <i>US 35 b/w Factory & Fairfield Rds., Beavercreek</i>	136								✓		✓												
Creekside Trail	122			✓							✓												
Crooked Creek Nature Sanctuary <i>2565 Spahr Rd., Sugarcreek Township</i>	18																✓						
Fairborn's Wright Brothers' Huffman Prairie Bikeway	16			✓							✓												
Fairgrounds Recreation Center <i>210 Fairground Rd., Xenia</i>	58		✓	✓				✓		✓			✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Frank Seaman Park <i>4730 Cottonville Rd., Jamestown</i>	40	✓		✓				✓		✓				✓				✓	✓	✓	✓		
Glenn Thompson Reserve <i>US 35 at Trebein Rd., Beavercreek</i>	49				✓				✓		✓			✓									
Indian Mound Reserve <i>2750 SR 42 N., Cedarville</i>	169								✓		✓			✓				✓	✓				
Jacoby Road Canoe Launch <i>Off of Clifton Rd., Xenia Township</i>	22				✓				✓	✓				✓		✓		✓					
James Ranch Park <i>177 Fairground Rd., Xenia</i>	4			✓					✓	✓				✓				✓	✓				
Jamestown Connector	94			✓							✓												
Little Miami Scenic Trail	108			✓							✓												
Massie Creek Park <i>3422 Barber Rd., Cedarville</i>	16	✓		✓				✓		✓				✓				✓	✓	✓			
Mill Bridge Launch <i>Washington Mill Rd., Bellbrook</i>	11				✓				✓	✓	✓					✓							
Narrows Reserve & Nature Center <i>2575 Indian Ripple Rd., Beavercreek</i>	162				✓			✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓		✓					
Ohio To Erie Trail	170			✓							✓												
Old Town Reserve <i>1360 Old Springfield Pike, Xenia</i>	7			✓				✓		✓				✓	x	✓		✓	✓				
Pierce Park <i>618 Dayton-Xenia Rd., Xenia</i>	33					✓		✓		✓	✓			✓				✓	✓				
Sara Lee Arnovitz Nature Preserve <i>350 Kinsey Rd., Xenia</i>	43								✓	✓	✓												
Spring Lakes Park <i>2191 Ferry Rd., Bellbrook</i>	23						✓	✓		✓	✓			✓				✓	✓				
Twin Towers Park <i>501 Yellow Springs-Fairfield Rd., Bath Twp.</i>	102			✓				✓		✓		✓		✓				✓	✓				



REGISTRATION INFORMATION



3 EASY WAYS TO REGISTER

Please note: Residents can begin registering on Monday, January 10; Non-residents on Wednesday, January 12.

1. MAIL IN

Check/Money Order/Household Credit
Fill out the registration form in this guide, include your payment via check or money order and mail to:

Greene County Parks
Activity Registration
651 Dayton-Xenia Road
Xenia, OH 45385

2. WALK IN

Check/Cash/Money Order/Household Credit

Walk-in registration begins on the dates as noted in #1 above. You are welcome to come to our administrative office and register for your chosen activities during regular business hours, Monday-Friday, 7:30 am - 4:30 pm.

3. DROP OFF

Check/Money Order/Household Credit
Our secure Registration Drop Box is located at our administrative office on the right side of the front door located on the large, covered porch for those who wish to drop off registrations after hours, instead of using the Mail or Walk In options. Drop Off registrations will be processed in the order in which they are received.

CONFIRMATIONS

After processing your registration, we will mail you a confirmation listing the activities in which you are enrolled. If we are unable to place you in an activity, we will notify you by phone.

COST OF ACTIVITIES

Full payment for activities must be made at the time of registration. Resident costs are for participants residing in Greene County and are designated by (R); (NR) for non-residents. Our activity fees are put in place to cover costs incurred when activities are offered. Fees are not charged to use the parks and/or park facilities.

PAYMENT METHODS

Greene County Parks accepts cash, personal checks, money orders or household credits for activity registrations. *A \$25 service fee will be charged for all checks not honored for any reason by the bank.* Checks or money orders should be made payable to **GREENE COUNTY PARKS**.

REFUNDS & CANCELLATIONS

1. NO CASH REFUNDS

All refunds will be in the form of a household credit or check to be paid according to Greene County's payment schedule.

2. CANCELLED ACTIVITY

If an activity is cancelled due to insufficient registration, you will receive a full refund in the form of a household credit (see below) or check. In the event of inclement weather, watch local television stations, listen to local radio stations or call 937-562-7440 for program updates or cancellations.

3. REGISTRATION CANCELLATIONS

Household credits, refunds or transfers will only be made prior to the start of an activity (except Motorcycle Ohio) for the following reasons:

- When the refund is requested at least 7 days in advance of the first class, provided the request does not drop the enrollment below the required minimum.

- When a participant becomes ill. You must present a written doctor's statement and notify Greene County Parks prior to the start of class.

4. HOUSEHOLD CREDIT

Household credit is only valid 12 months after the date it was issued.

NOTICE TO PARTICIPANTS

REGISTER EARLY to be sure to get the activities that you want. On occasion, due to insufficient registration, programs may be cancelled.

It is our desire to provide you with safe, exciting, and fun opportunities that you can enjoy with your friends and family. Please recognize that all activities of a physical nature involve some risk and by registering for an activity of this nature, there is an assumption of risk by the participant. We are dedicated to providing safe facilities and equipment for all participants, as well as qualified, trained staff. Every effort is made to ensure the safety of the participants and to provide them with first-class recreation and nature activities, facilities and parks.

PHOTO POLICY

On occasion, members of the park staff or park volunteers will take photos of participants in our activities and at our events, people in parks, or on park properties. Please be advised that these photos are for Departmental use only and may be used in future activity guides, web sites, brochures, media releases or flyers.



PLEASE NOTE: A 25% or \$5 fee (whichever is greater, not to exceed \$10) will be charged to cover processing costs on all refunds unless a household credit is utilized.



REGISTRATION FORM



One form per registrant, please. This form may be duplicated. Please print clearly and fill out completely to ensure a smooth transaction. You are not officially registered for any activity until your completed form and fee is received by Greene County Parks.

Mail or drop off registration form and payment to address below. A drop box on front porch is available after hours.

Name of Registrant: _____

Date of Birth: _____ M / ___ F Grade (if applicable): _____ First time Registrant: ___ Y / ___ N

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Address: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____

Day Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____ Alternative Emergency Contact & Phone: _____

Title of Activity	Section #	Activity Fee(s)
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____
7. _____	_____	_____
8. _____	_____	_____

___ Greene County Resident (R) ___ Non-Resident (NR) **Cash/Check/Money Order/Household Credits Only** **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, assigns 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 programs and activities.

MEDICAL TREATMENT 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 program or event, I agree to allow publication of any photo/media taken, in future program publications or local newspapers.

I recognize that my fax 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 age 18): _____ Date: _____

Please make checks or money orders payable and mail with completed form to:

Greene County Parks, 651 Dayton-Xenia Rd., Xenia, OH 45385

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

www.co.greene.oh.us/parks ● 937-562-7440 ● 937-562-7441 (fax)

Your completed waiver and payment is due at the time of registration.

For Office Use Only: Receipt # _____ Cash ___ Check/MO # _____ Confirmation Sent: _____

Wanted: Volunteers

To volunteer is to give of one's time and talent freely. Greene County Parks has many talented volunteers, people who use their knowledge and interests to make the parks and programs the best they can be. You can be part of this group and share your talents with others.

We are always searching for people who have time or a talent that they would like to share. Benefits to volunteering include: being a part of a group of dedicated individuals, having fun while providing a service to the public, receiving a bi-monthly newsletter, attending annual volunteer recognition dinner and much more.

What can you do as a volunteer for Greene County Parks?

- Help in our administrative office with data processing and filing
- Assist at the nature center with programs and events
- Teach nature or history programs
- Help with the special events
- Take photographs – in our parks and at our events and programs
- Use your talent to create a new event or program



Currently, one of the biggest needs we have is for volunteers to help us staff our bait house at Spring Lakes Park. The park gets hundreds of fisherman annually. We need help with the selling of fishing permits, bait and tackle, snacks and providing park information. If you like talking with people, like to fish or are just looking for something to do, we could use your assistance. You could volunteer a few hours a day, one day a week or whatever your schedule allows. Ultimately, we would like to have the bait house open from 6:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. If you are interested in volunteering for the bait house, please contact Chuck Frazier at 937-562-7442.

These are only a few of the things that you can do as a volunteer in the parks. Join us as we make Greene County a recreation destination. For more information on volunteering, please contact Cris Barnett at 937-562-7469.

Our deepest gratitude and heartfelt thanks goes out to all of the 2010 volunteers listed below.

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Cris Banks	Angelique Burns	Janice Gray	Theresa Kleinfelder	Vivian Pitstick	Richard Swigart
Dan Beckman	Ann Byrd	Tom Gray	Grace Kline	Lisa Price	Peggy Taylor
Roger Beehler	James Byrd	James Griffith	Erica Knost	Anna Proietti	Doug Thomas
Debra Bentley	Gerry Coen	Troop 68	Leah Knost	Calvin Pyle	Linda Thomas
John Berning	Alyssa Crawford	Wayne Gulden	Sandi Knost	Brian Rauch	Richard Tool
Ed Bice	David Crawford	Bob Gustin	Marcie Knox-Hart	Buzz Reed	Dallin Toronto
Diane Bish	Lee Crawford	Donald Haddox	Clifton Knodle	John Rhodehamel	Troop 847
Ken Bish	Dennis Dalton	Darrell Hannah	Daniel Landwehr	Julie Sanderson	Terri Trimbach
Adam Bistrek	Jen Dalton	Barb Hawk	Henry Lapp	Jim Schneider	Cheri Trombino
Alyssa Bistrek	Aaron Deckard	Alicia Heidorn	Ruth Lapp	Jane Scott	James VonHandorf
Cindy Bistrek	Ted Deis	Abby Holloran	Carol Mahaffey	David Scott	Mary Waite
Sam Black	Bobbie DeLotelle	Elaine Hughes	Nikk Mallow	Susan Scott	Aaron Weaver
Tim Blair	Shawn Delotelle	Rebecca Ingebo	Nelda Mattison	John Sheehan	Troop 870
Brittany Boggs	Jon Dobney	Becky Jarvi	Kyle McMurray	Ben Siva Troop 362	Britt Wells Troop
Joe Bond Troop	Jenney Dray	Dennis Jarvi	Troop 870	Pat Smith	870
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Alan Bradley	Woody Ensor	Brenda Kahlo	Bill Morgan	Terry Smith-Lieberman	Becky Williamson
Tina Bradley	Rob Evans	Debbie Karr	Edward Mosher	Bill Spahr	Dr. Worthen