

Cuyahoga Valley National Park Summer 2011 Schedule of Events Chronological Order

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Wednesday, June 1

Cuyahoga Challenge Begins

Challenge yourself to hike, run, or walk your dog on the designated trails. Complete 10 trails by September 30 to receive a commemorative patch designed by local artist Chuck Ayers. Registration forms are available online, at park visitor centers, and at Park Place in Peninsula and Trail Mix stores. The form lists the designated trails and their difficulty ratings. Once you have completed the Challenge, take your form to Trail Mix for validation and to receive your 2011 patch. Sponsored by North Akron Savings Bank, the Cuyahoga Challenge is presented free. Questions? Call 330-657-2909 ext. 106 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

CVSR Regular Excursions

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Countryside Farmers' Market at Highland Square

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Music in the Meadow - Mo' Mojo Mama

Grab a blanket and a picnic dinner and bring your family to hear FREE music in the national park! The celebrations begin with lawn games and a musical craft. The concert series is presented by CVNP and the Conservancy with promotional support by Audio-Technica. Alcohol prohibited. Donations to support this series will be accepted at each event. Howe Meadow, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. concert begins. After the concert, cap off your evening with a ranger-led walk or Twilight Talk with a Ranger. Concerts are cancelled during severe weather. Call 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for an update.

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Apollo's Fire: Plaine & Saucy

Members of the famed *Baltimore Consort* team up with *Apollo's Fire* for this romp through the hills and dales of the British Isles. From haunting lute songs to driving reels and bawdy ballads, this tour will set toes tapping. Admission: \$40, \$30, and \$20. For program details and tickets, call 800-314-2535 or visit www.apollofire.org. Happy Days Lodge, 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m.

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Early Evening at Oak Hill Hike

June 4 marks National Trails Day, and we are celebrating all weekend! Take an easy 1.5-mile hike on the Oak Hill Trail. Oak Hill Trailhead, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 4

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International Year of Forests Hike - Hemlock Forests

The dense hemlock forest of the Ledges provides ideal conditions for some unusual nesting birds, including blue-headed vireos and hermit thrushes. Grab your binoculars and go searching with Park Ranger Paul Motts. Ledges Shelter, 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Adopt-a-Trail Workshop

Join Adopt-a-Trail volunteers and park staff to learn trail maintenance techniques and perform an actual trail sweep. Breakfast snacks provided. Ledges Shelter, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. To register, contact the volunteer office at 330-657-2296.

Buckeye to the Extreme Hike

Celebrate National Trails Day by hiking the length of the Buckeye Trail within CVNP! Come prepared for this all-day, strenuous 15-mile hike with sturdy shoes, lunch, and plenty of water. Carpooling required. Pine Lane Trailhead, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Art @ M.D. Garage - Historic America

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Farm & Garden Day

Enjoy a family event featuring live animals, food, square dancing, children's activities, hayrides, and more! Garfield Park Nature Center, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information call 216-341-3152 or visit www.clemetparks.com.

Tunes Along the Trail - Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center

Stop by with a blanket to hear outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Styles range from ragtime and American Old Time to Celtic and country. Programs are 1 - 3 p.m. Cancelled during inclement weather.

Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Saturday in the Park - Cuyahoga Challenge Hike

Celebrate National Trails Day in your national park! Join a park ranger on this moderately difficult 3.3-mile hike on the Lake and Cross Country trails. Kendall Lake Shelter, 2 - 4 p.m.

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Beat the Heat Hike

Enjoy hiking CVNP's more difficult trails, but not under the hot sun? Burn calories, not skin, during this fitness series as we hike with a park ranger in the early morning hours. 4.5 miles on the moderately difficult Salt Run and Lake trails. Pine Hollow Trailhead, 8 - 10 a.m.

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Border Collie Herding Demonstration and Clinic

followed by a clinic on dog behavior and learning. Bring your own folding chairs. Reservations required for canine participants. Fee: \$35 dog and handler, \$15 adult spectator, \$5 children under 12. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 1 - 4:30 p.m. For more information call 330-657-2012 or visit www.thespicylamb.com.

***Let's Move Outside!* Family Hike**

Discover nature on this 0.5-mile hike on the Haskell Run Trail. All ages. Happy Days Lodge, 2 - 3 p.m.

Monday, June 6

No events scheduled.

Tuesday, June 7

Little Legs Hike

Join park rangers for an easy, less-than-one-mile discovery hike for ages 4 - 6. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - Seed's Journey

Children 4 - 6 can follow the amazing journey of a seed from small beginnings into a magnificent tree, and then a fallen log into soil. Explore a fascinating variety of bark, leaves, stumps, and nuts. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Early Evening Hike

Complete your Wednesdays with a little trail time as we step outside to enjoy the scenery, nature,

and history of CVNP. Join a park ranger during the cooler evening hours for these moderately paced hikes. 2.75 easy miles along the Tree Farm Trail. Horseshoe Pond, 7 - 9 p.m.

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CVSR Young at Heart - Summer in the Valley

During the warmest months, the park is alive with visitors and wildlife enjoying the sunshine and longer days. We invite the “The Young at Heart” (ages 55 and over) to join Park Ranger Paul Motts to uncover the beauty of summer in CVNP. Program is 3 hours. All ages are welcome. Fee: \$15 adults, \$10 children ages 3 - 12 and seniors ages 55 and over. Akron Northside Station, 10:40 a.m. Canal Visitor Center, 12:50 p.m. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.cvsr.com.

Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads the dancers while the band *Hu\$hmoney* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Comfortable clothing and shoes recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - The Hunt For Nature’s Treasures

Children 4 - 6 can explore the beautiful scenery of Cuyahoga Valley while hunting for nature’s hidden treasures. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

CVSR Beer-Tasting Train - A Taste of Belgium Beers

Sample five unique beers to learn about their appearance, bouquet, body, flavors, and finish while you enjoy appetizers designed to complement each brew. Ages 21 and older. Reservations required. Fee: \$45 coach/ club, \$65 first class, and \$80 executive class/dome seats. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.cvsr.com. Boston Mill Station, 7 - 9 p.m.

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Junior Ranger - Bird-Watching Adventure

Kids 7 - 12 can join a park ranger each month to explore different areas of the park in search of CVNP's feathered residents. Binoculars provided. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

International Year of Forests Hike - High Sandstone Forests

Walk through high sandstone ledges, reading the geological evidence that shaped the forests along the cliffs. Join Park Ranger Paul Motts on a 2-mile hike in search of unusual Ohio trees. Octagon Shelter, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

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Hang Out at Hunt

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Camp-In begins

Join park rangers for a relaxing evening of free play and stories around the campfire, followed by a night under the stars. Bring your own camping equipment. Free. Howe Meadow, Saturday 6 p.m. to Sunday 11 a.m. To register call 330-657-2752. Additional information will be e-mailed to participants upon registration.

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Horses in the Valley

Horses harnessed to the fronts of wagons, plows, or canal boats are pastoral images from Cuyahoga Valley's past. Of all the farm animals in the national park, the horse's role has changed most over the years. Today, on horseback is one of the many ways to explore the national park and to volunteer! Drop by to meet the horses and riders of the CVNP Trailblazer mounted patrol. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Music by Nature - Pizzicato 4

Enjoy the Conservancy's new music series. Admission: \$20, \$17 Conservancy members (includes a dessert and beverage). Three-concert subscription series is \$54 general public and \$45 Conservancy members. General seating. Advance sales are available until 3 p.m. on Friday, June 10, by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100. *Pizzicato 4* delights classical music audiences with the lush sound of four cellos and their broad repertoire. It's a spicy blend of classics infused with eclectic contemporary sounds. Hines Hill Conference Center, 6:30 p.m. Grounds open at 5 p.m. for picnicking.

Monday, June 13

Campfire Tales - Who's Out There?

Every summer people gather around national park campfires to hear stories of America. Bring a blanket and a picnic dinner. We'll play games on the lawn and then light the campfire (indoors if the weather is poor) and share some good old-fashioned campfire tales. Afterwards, walk to the Ledges Overlook for a beautiful sunset. Alcohol is prohibited. Ledges Shelter, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. campfire begins.

Tuesday, June 14

Junior Ranger, Jr. - Come Hide With Me

Who plays hide and seek? Children 4 - 6 can learn which animals are well camouflaged and how it helps these animals to survive. Enjoy games, activities, and a short hike. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Get Up, Get Out & Go! - Series Kickoff Train Ride

Get Up, Get Out & Go! (GGG) offers free outdoor recreational activities for kids ages 11 - 14 and their families to get out into their national park and Akron area Metro Parks. The series kicks off on Tuesday, June 14, with a ride on the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad, starting at 6:30 p.m. Regular programs are Tuesdays and Thursdays, June 14 - July 14, 7 to 9 p.m., and include wilderness training, night hiking, cycling, and fishing. Locations vary. On Wednesday, July 13, there will be a Music in the Meadow concert with family activities beforehand. The series concludes with a campout on Saturday and Sunday, July 16 - 17. Registration is encouraged. For more information and a schedule, call 330-657-2752 ext. 351 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

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Music in the Meadow - Carlos Jones & the PLUS Band

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Full Moon Hike

Explore your national park by the light of a full moon! Listen to night sounds, look for night animals, and experience the darkness without a flashlight. 1.5 miles on the easy-to-moderate Oak Hill Trail. Oak Hill Trailhead, 8:30 - 10:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 16

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Outrageous Exploration Hike

Park rangers lead a vigorous hike of up to 2.5 miles for ages 7 - 12. Octagon Shelter, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society Members' Spotlight

Two accomplished CVPS members present their work: Bodgan "Don" Pieniak, "The Treasure of St. Stanislaus Church," and Les Greenberg, "Abstract Images From Ordinary Photographs." Free. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m. For more information contact CVPS at info@cvps.org or the Conservancy at 330-657-2909.

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9th Annual Summer Solstice Wine, Art, and Blues Festival

Festival features over 30 artists, eight Ohio wineries, and seven exciting blues bands. Fee: \$8. Sarah's Vineyard, Friday, 4 - 10 p.m., Saturday noon - 10 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. For more information call 330-929-8057 or visit www.sarahvineyardwinery.com.

"Grape Escape" Wine-Tasting Express - Celebrate Ohio Wine Month

Enjoy an evening presentation of choice wines and tasty appetizers while experiencing the Cuyahoga Valley's scenic beauty by rail. Ages 21 and older. Reservations required. Fee: \$55 coach/ club, \$75 first class, and \$90 executive class/dome seats. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.cvsr.com. Boston Mill Station, 7 - 9 p.m.

Junior Ranger - Twilight Bat Flight

Kids 7 - 12 can join a park ranger to eavesdrop on the ultrasonic calls of these fascinating fliers using special detectors as we take an evening hike to a longtime roost. 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Saturday, June 18

TRAILS FOREVER: Topography

This second annual “trail chic” midsummer soiree features cocktails at the Ledges Overlook, twilight trails, gourmet dining, bonfires, and music under the stars. It’s an extraordinary celebration that benefits TRAILS FOREVER, a program to ensure that the trails of CVNP are maintained for all time, for all people. Tickets: \$250 per person (\$150 is tax deductible); sponsor packages start at \$2,500. Ledges Shelter, 7 - 11:30 p.m. To receive an invitation or become a sponsor, call 330-657-2909 ext. 222 or e-mail info@forcvnp.org. For more information on TRAILS FOREVER visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

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CVSR Abraham Lincoln Campaign Train and Rally

Celebrate the 150th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln’s 1860 presidential campaign by riding aboard CVSR with Abraham Lincoln (performed by Gerry Payn) to Hale Farm & Village. Once there, join in the rousing political rally and enjoy a Civil War picnic. Spend the rest of the afternoon visiting the site’s attractions before boarding the train for the return trip. Fee: \$35 adults, \$25 children ages 3 - 12 (includes train ride, admission, and picnic). Canal Visitor Center, 9:05 a.m. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.cvsr.com.

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International Year of Forests Hike - Legacy of the CCC

Imagine yourself as a Civilian Conservation Corps worker during the 1930s! Join a park ranger on this 2-mile trek as we explore the marks they left behind and celebrate the International Year of Forests. Octagon Shelter, 2 - 4 p.m.

Bird Watching - Displaying Songbirds

This is a great time to watch songbirds showing off their bright summer plumage. Hike the Tree Farm Trail with Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar as we search for nesting blue-winged warblers, golden-crowned kinglets, and red-breasted nuthatches. Horseshoe Pond, 7 - 10 a.m.

Junior Ranger, Jr. - Amazing Animal Senses

Children 4 - 6 learn how to nose around like a coyote, listen with their deer ears, and put their tongue to the raccoon test while exploring the forest with their five senses. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Big Bird Day

Celebrate this special area through bird walks, crafts, nature displays, and more. Deep Lock Quarry Metro Park, 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. For more information call 330-865-8065 or visit www.summitmetroparks.org.

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Train Day

Learn about trains and listen to train music. Fee for kids' crafts and train ride. Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation/ CanalWay Center, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information call 216-206-1000 or visit www.clevelandmetroparks.com.

Canal Day

Enjoy live music, food, local artists, and our third annual Duck Derby! Schumacher Cascade Mills Park, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information call 330-374-5625. To purchase ducks, visit www.cascadelocks.org.

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CVSR Father's Day Special

Honor Dad on his special day by taking a vintage train ride through CVNP. Select any excursion on page 4 for one low price. Fee: \$10. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.cvsr.com.

Theatre Camp Begins

Camp runs Sunday, June 19 - Friday, June 24, is for those entering grades 4 - 10. Our faculty includes Conservancy staff, park rangers, and guest instructors. Camp is located at the Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center. Fee: \$425 overnight, \$325 days only. For more information call 800-642-3297 ext. 100 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

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9th Annual Summer Solstice Wine, Art, and Blues Festival

Festival features over 30 artists, eight Ohio wineries, and seven exciting blues bands. Fee: \$8. Sarah's Vineyard, Friday, 4 - 10 p.m., Saturday noon - 10 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. For more information call 330-929-8057 or visit www.sarahvineyardwinery.com.

Park Place Pop-in

Drop by the store for crafts, stories, games, and conversation. Park Place in Peninsula, noon - 4 p.m.

Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Little Legs Hike

Join park rangers for an easy, less-than-one-mile discovery hike for ages 4 - 6. Frazee House, 3 - 4:30 p.m.

Dinner in the Valley

Bring your dad for a Father's Day hike at the Ledges and a picnic dinner of burgers, brats, and local beer with all the fixings. Happy Days Lodge, 4:30 p.m. hike; 6 p.m. dinner. For pricing and reservations, call 330-657-2909 ext. 129 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

Monday, June 20

Junior Ranger - Ultimate Junior Ranger Challenge

Here's an adventure that requires speed, strength, and smarts for kids 7 - 12. Race against time as you compete in a series of challenges that test your outdoor skills. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Tuesday, June 21

Junior Ranger - Bring on the Bugs!

Kids 7 - 12 can hike with rangers to an upland forest as we discover bugs that have a big impact on our environment. 2 - 4 p.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Summer Solstice Yoga

As we welcome summer on the longest day of the year, join Free Akron Yoga to perform 108 "sun salutations." All ages and experience levels welcome. Chant, move, breathe, and relax together, strengthening your body, mind, and spirit. Wear loose, comfortable clothes and bring a mat or large beach towel. Water, blanket, blocks/straps, and/or eye pillow are optional. Free. Ledges Shelter, 6 - 10 p.m.

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - Seed's Journey

Children 4 - 6 can follow the amazing journey of a seed from small beginnings into a magnificent tree, and then a fallen log into soil. Explore a fascinating variety of bark, leaves, stumps, and nuts. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Boomerangs - Back Again

Join Dave Boehm of the Cleveland Boomerang School to try your hand at this aboriginal flying device in the open spaces of CVNP. Everyone welcome, from beginner to expert. Boomerangs provided or bring your own. Howe Meadow, 6 - 8 p.m.

Midsummer's Eve and Fairies

In celebration of Midsummer's Eve, Sarah Lahoski of Gatehouse Connections explores fairy legend and lore. Bring your own folding chairs and dress to be outdoors. Reservations required. Fee: \$15 adults, \$10 children under 12. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 7 - 9 p.m. For more information call 330-657-2012 or visit www.thespicylamb.com.

Early Evening Hike

Complete your Wednesdays with a little trail time as we step outside to enjoy the scenery, nature, and history of CVNP. Join a park ranger during the cooler evening hours for these moderately paced hikes. 5 miles on the strenuous Buckeye Trail, passing Deer Lick Cave. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 7:30 - 9 p.m.

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Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads the dancers while the band *Hu\$hmoney* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Comfortable clothing and shoes recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing

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Lyceum Lecture, Songs and Stories of the Civil War

The 2011 Lyceum series concludes with a commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the start of the Civil War, co-sponsored by the Summit County Historical Society. Bobby Horton is the multi-instrumentalist, composer, and music historian who produced and performed music scores for 13 PBS films by Ken Burns, including *The Civil War* and *The National Parks: America's Best Idea*. His recordings of authentic period music are internationally acclaimed. Admission: \$6 adults, \$3 children ages 3 - 12. Advance sales are available until 3 p.m. on Friday by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100. General seating. Happy Days Lodge, 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m.

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CVSR Abraham Lincoln Campaign Train and Rally

Celebrate the 150th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's 1860 presidential campaign by riding aboard CVSR with Abraham Lincoln (performed by Gerry Payn) to Hale Farm & Village. Once there, join in the rousing political rally and enjoy a Civil War picnic. Spend the rest of the afternoon visiting the site's attractions before boarding the train for the return trip. Fee: \$35 adults, \$25 children ages 3 - 12 (includes train ride, admission, and picnic). Canal Visitor Center, 9:05 a.m. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.cvsr.com.

Off the Beaten Path Hike - Following the Sagamore

Explore off trail with Park Ranger Rebecca Jones. For ages 12 and older. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Be prepared for all types of terrain. Dress for the weather, wear sturdy waterproof shoes, and bring drinking water. Space is limited. To register call 330-657-2752. This is a 5-mile strenuous hike that begins on the Buckeye Trail, but diverts to Sagamore Run. Frazee House, 8 - 11 a.m.

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Junior Ranger - Fossil Fun

Do some rocks look like strange creatures? Maybe it's a fossil from when warm, shallow seas covered Ohio millions of years ago. Kids 7 -12 can join us on a fossil-hunting adventure. 9:30-11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Junior Ranger, Jr. - The Hunt For Nature's Treasures

Children 4 - 6 can explore the beautiful scenery of Cuyahoga Valley while hunting for nature's hidden treasures. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Saturday in the Park - Cuyahoga Challenge Hike

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Tunes Along the Trail - Peninsula Depot Visitor Center

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Hang Out at Hunt

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Preserving the Seasons Class

Learn about simple ways you "can" preserve foods. Topics include drying, dehydrating, root cellaring, freezing, and canning. Fee: \$5. Basket of Life Farm, 4 - 6 p.m. To register contact heather@basketoflifefarm.com.

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Family Fun Days

Drop by the Beaver Marsh, Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, Park Place in Peninsula, Boston Store Visitor Center, Trail Mix, Station Road Bridge Trailhead, or Canal Visitor Center to participate in family activities. 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Junior Ranger - ExSTREAM Bugs

Kids 7 -12 can discover some of the animals living in park streams. Play a game and participate in an activity to understand how water's unique properties allow these creatures to survive. 2 - 4 p.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Monday, June 27

Campfire Tales - Coyote the Trickster

Every summer people gather around national park campfires to hear stories of America. Bring a blanket and a picnic dinner. We'll play games on the lawn and then light the campfire (indoors if the weather is poor) and share some good old-fashioned campfire tales. Afterwards, walk to the Ledges Overlook for a beautiful sunset. Alcohol is prohibited. Ledges Shelter, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. campfire begins.

Tuesday, June 28

Junior Ranger, Jr. - Come Hide With Me

Who plays hide and seek? Children 4 - 6 can learn which animals are well camouflaged and how it helps these animals to survive. Enjoy games, activities, and a short hike. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

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Farm Business Class - Land for Your Farm Business

Suitable for beginning/prospective farmers, this session discusses ways to hold land in Ohio, determine goals, and evaluate what the property can support. Fee: \$25. Boston Store Visitor Center, 6 - 9 p.m. For more information and to register, visit www.cvcountryside.org.

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Junior Ranger - They're Back

In Ohio's past, some of today's common animals were absent from the Cuyahoga Valley. Kids 7 - 12 can hear their comeback stories as we hike in search of wildlife. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - Forest Mystery

Children 4 - 6 can hike with a park ranger to solve a mystery in the forest. Act like a detective as we search for clues to uncover just which animals might live among the trees. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Lee, Jackson, and Longstreet: Traitors All?

This lecture by William F.B. Vodrey commemorates the Civil War sesquicentennial. Free. G.A.R. Hall Museum, 7 p.m. For more information, visit www.peninsulahistory.org.

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Astonishing Astronomy - Summer Constellations

Learn the principal summer constellations and how to find them in the night sky. Afterwards, look through telescopes to observe some very distant celestial objects. Oak Hill Trailhead, 9:30 - 11 p.m.

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Junior Ranger - Hit the Trail!

Kids 7 - 12 can take a moderate-to-difficult 3-mile roundtrip hike to Brandywine Falls. Bring a daypack, lunch, and water bottle. For ages 10 - 12 only. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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International Year of Forests Hike - Evergreen and Upland Forest Discovery

Celebrate the International Year of Forests with a park ranger! Discover plant and animal communities along the 1.5-mile Oak Hill Trail. Oak Hill Trailhead 2 - 4 p.m.

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Monday, July 4

CVSR Fourth of July Special

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Tuesday, July 5

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - Really Big Rocks

Children 4 - 6 can step into a wondrous place of huge rocks, evergreens, and moss. Take a hike below the Ledges to find out how these rocks were made and if they change. 9:30-11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Music in the Meadow - *The Speedbumps*

Grab a blanket and a picnic dinner and bring your family to hear FREE music in the national park! The celebrations begin with lawn games and a musical craft. The concert series is presented by CVNP and the Conservancy with promotional support by Audio-Technica. Alcohol prohibited. Donations to support this series will be accepted at each event. Howe Meadow, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. concert begins. After the concert, cap off your evening with a ranger-led walk or Twilight Talk with a Ranger. Concerts are cancelled during severe weather. Call 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for an update.

Dinner in the Valley

Come for fun and games and a summer concert cookout featuring grilled meats from local farms accompanied by summery side dishes and a mixed berry dessert. Howe Meadow, 6 p.m. For pricing and reservations, call 330-657-2909 ext. 129 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - All Aboard For Fun!

Children 4 - 6 can travel by train to Canal Visitor Center where we'll explore a 19th-century lock, play historic games, and find out what kids did for fun during the canal era. Bring a lunch and dress for the weather. Fee: \$15 per child (\$12 Conservancy members), \$6 per additional passenger. 11:20 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Friday, July 8

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Junior Ranger - Bird-Watching Adventure

Kids 7 - 12 can join a park ranger each month to explore different areas of the park in search of CVNP's feathered residents. Binoculars provided. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Saturday, July 9

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Bird Watching - Challenging Times

Many juvenile birds are exploring and learning to catch their own meals. Identification can be challenging! Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar for some tips on identifying immature birds. Howe Meadow, 7 - 10 a.m.

Countryside Farmers' Market at Howe Meadow

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Saturday in the Park - Explore Boston

The stories of Boston remind us of the Cuyahoga Valley's past and help us better enjoy the park today. Boston Trailhead, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Art @ M.D. Garage - The Streams of Our Valley

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Music in the Valley Folk Festival

Bring a chair, bring your family, and make a day of music. This is a Civil War 150 event. Fee. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information call 330-666-3711 or visit www.halefarm.org.

Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Canalway Questing

Stop by to chat with park rangers and Quest Crew volunteers about the new Canalway Questing program. Pick up quest clues and carve your own signature stamp. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Camp-In begins

Join park rangers for a relaxing evening of free play and stories around the campfire, followed by a night under the stars. Bring your own camping equipment. Free. Howe Meadow, Saturday 6 p.m. to Sunday 11 a.m. To register call 330-657-2752. Additional information will be e-mailed to participants upon registration.

Sunday, July 10

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CVSR Hike Aboard!

Journey through CVNP aboard CVSR and then hike 7 miles back along challenging bridle trails. Fee: \$2 per hiker. Peninsula Depot, 9:40 a.m.

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Park Place Pop-in

Drop by the store for crafts, stories, games, and conversation. Park Place in Peninsula, noon - 4 p.m.

Tunes Along the Trail - Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center

Stop by with a blanket to hear outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Styles range from ragtime and American Old Time to Celtic and country. Programs are 1 - 3 p.m. Cancelled during inclement weather.

Hang Out at Hunt

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Monday, July 11

Campfire Tales - Silly Songs and Stories

Every summer people gather around national park campfires to hear stories of America. Bring a blanket and a picnic dinner. We'll play games on the lawn and then light the campfire (indoors if the weather is poor) and share some good old-fashioned campfire tales. Afterwards, walk to the Ledges Overlook for a beautiful sunset. Alcohol is prohibited. Ledges Shelter, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. campfire begins.

Tuesday, July 12

Junior Ranger - They're Back

In Ohio's past, some of today's common animals were absent from the Cuyahoga Valley. Kids 7 - 12 can hear their comeback stories as we hike in search of wildlife. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Junior Ranger, Jr. - Forest Friends

The forest is home to many living things. Children 4 - 6 can join a park ranger to discover the creepy, crawly creatures among the trees. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Wednesday, July 13

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Music in the Meadow - *HeartBEAT Afrika*

Grab a blanket and a picnic dinner and bring your family to hear FREE music in the national park! The celebrations begin with lawn games and a musical craft. The concert series is presented by CVNP and the Conservancy with promotional support by Audio-Technica. Alcohol prohibited. Donations to support this series will be accepted at each event. Howe Meadow, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. concert begins. After the concert, cap off your evening with a ranger-led walk or Twilight Talk with a Ranger. Concerts are cancelled during severe weather. Call 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for an update.

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Early Evening Hike

Complete your Wednesdays with a little trail time as we step outside to enjoy the scenery, nature,

and history of CVNP. Join a park ranger during the cooler evening hours for these moderately paced hikes. 5.25 miles on the moderately difficult Stanford Trail, featuring a great view of Brandywine Falls. Stanford Trailhead, 7 - 9 p.m.

Thursday, July 14

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Junior Ranger - Hit the Trail!

Kids 7 - 12 can take a moderate-to-difficult 3-mile roundtrip hike to Brandywine Falls. Bring a daypack, lunch, and water bottle. For ages 10 - 12 only. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads the dancers while the band *Hu\$hmoney* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Comfortable clothing and shoes recommended. Fee: \$6. Everett Road Covered Bridge, 7 - 9 p.m. dancing.

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - Amazing Animal Senses

Children 4 - 6 learn how to nose around like a coyote, listen with their deer ears, and put their tongue to the raccoon test while exploring the forest with their five senses. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Junior Ranger - All About Owls

Whooooo are we? Kids 7 - 12 can join a park ranger to learn about owls' nocturnal habits and dissect owl pellets to discover their favorite foods. 6 - 8 p.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

CVSR Beer-Tasting Train - Ales from Thirsty Dog Brewery

Sample five unique beers to learn about their appearance, bouquet, body, flavors, and finish while you enjoy appetizers designed to complement each brew. Ages 21 and older. Reservations required. Fee: \$45 coach/ club, \$65 first class, and \$80 executive class/dome seats. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.cvsr.com. Akron Northside Station, 7 - 9 p.m.

Full Moon Hike

Explore your national park by the light of a full moon! Listen to night sounds, look for night animals, and experience the darkness without a flashlight. 2.75 miles on the easy-to-moderate Tree Farm Trail. Horseshoe Pond, 9 - 11 p.m.

Saturday, July 16

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Canoe Adventure

Canoe the canal from Nesmith Lake to downtown Akron. Fee. Richard Howe House, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. To register call 330-374-5657 or visit www.ohioeriecanal.org.

Hobo Day

Learn about our hobo history and enjoy breakfast, hikes, woodcarving, hobo stew, campfire music, and more. Deep Lock Quarry Metro Park, 9 a.m. - 10 p.m. For more information call 330-865-8065 or visit www.summitmetroparks.org.

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Village of Peninsula's Annual Python Day

Park rangers and Wildlife Watcher volunteers provide a close-up look at local reptiles and help you make a slithering snake craft. For more event information, see www.explorepenninsula.com. Park Place in Peninsula, noon - 4 p.m.

Saturday in the Park - Celebrate Python Day!

Stop by during this community celebration to hear the story of the Peninsula Python and discover the world of reptiles. Enjoy crafts and games, too. Park Place in Peninsula, noon - 4 p.m.

Tunes Along the Trail - Park Place in Peninsula

Stop by with a blanket to hear outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Styles range from ragtime and American Old Time to Celtic and country. Programs are 1 - 3 p.m. Cancelled during inclement weather.

Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Fun on the Farm

Join us for family fun on the farm! Enjoy playing games, learning about food, and tasting fresh veggies. For children ages 4 - 10 with a parent or guardian. Fee: \$5 per child; adults are free. Basket of Life Farm, 4 - 6 p.m. To register contact heather@basketoflifefarm.com.

Sunday, July 17

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Beat the Heat Hike

Enjoy hiking CVNP's more difficult trails, but not under the hot sun? Burn calories, not skin, during this fitness series as we hike with a park ranger in the early morning hours. 8 miles on the moderate Ledges, Lake, and Cross Country trails. Ledges Shelter, 8 - 10:30 a.m.

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Family Fun Days

Drop by the Beaver Marsh, Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, Park Place in Peninsula, Boston Store Visitor Center, Trail Mix, Station Road Bridge Trailhead, or Canal Visitor Center to participate in family activities. 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Little Legs Hike

Join park rangers for an easy, less-than-one-mile discovery hike for ages 4 - 6. Stanford House, 3 - 4:30 p.m.

Music by Nature - *Northwind Trio*

Enjoy the Conservancy's new music series. Admission: \$20, \$17 Conservancy members (includes a dessert and beverage). Three-concert subscription series is \$54 general public and \$45 Conservancy members. General seating. Advance sales are available until 3 p.m. on Friday, July 15, by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100. The chamber music continues with the unique and soulful combination of flute, English horn, and guitar, creating a fresh palette of tonal colors. Enjoy the premiere of a new French work. Hines Hill Conference Center, 6:30 p.m. Grounds open at 5 p.m. for picnicking.

Monday, July 18

Junior Ranger Day Camp Begins

Camp runs Monday, July 18 - Friday, July 22. For ages 6 - 11. Fee: \$200. Happy Days Lodge, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. daily. Before and after care is offered the week of July 25 for an additional fee. Registration deadline for day camp is July 1. For more information call 800-642-3297 ext. 100 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

Junior Ranger - Ultimate Junior Ranger Challenge

Here's an adventure that requires speed, strength, and smarts for kids 7 - 12. Race against time as you compete in a series of challenges that test your outdoor skills. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Tuesday, July 19

No events scheduled.

Wednesday, July 20

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Junior Ranger - Leave No Trace

Junior Rangers 7 - 12 pledge to learn about and help care for America's national parks. As we explore, find out how to "Leave No Trace." 6 - 8 p.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Thursday, July 21

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Junior Ranger - Fabulous Forests

Kids 7 - 12 can climb aboard the train for a journey through CVNP, then get off to take a short hike. Pack a lunch for the return trip. Fee: \$15 per child (\$12 Conservancy members), \$6 per

additional passenger. 8:30 a.m. - noon. A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society Dick Baznik

Dick shares his stunning black-and-white images of nature, architecture, and found objects. Dick produces film-based black-and-white images in a traditional wet-chemistry darkroom. He works in all film formats and dabbles in digital. Free. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m. For more information contact CVPS at info@cvps.org or the Conservancy at 330-657-2909.

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Junior Ranger - Forest Night Hike

Kids 7 - 12 can join a park ranger for an easy hike in the moonlit woods and learn about nocturnal wildlife. No flashlights for this adventure! 8 - 10 p.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Bird Watching - Mixed Woodland Nesters

Rich broadleaf forests provide the ideal habitat to several late-nesting birds, including scarlet tanagers, ovenbirds, and hooded warblers. Join Park Ranger Paul Motts to discover how forests

of different ages are essential nesting places. Oak Hill Trailhead, 7:30 - 10 a.m.

Off the Beaten Path Hike - Misty Morning Ramble

Explore off trail with Park Ranger Rebecca Jones. For ages 12 and older. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Be prepared for all types of terrain. Dress for the weather, wear sturdy waterproof shoes, and bring drinking water. Space is limited. To register call 330-657-2752. This is a 5-mile ramble between the Buckeye Trail and Blue Hen Falls. This trek includes creek crossings and ravines, so be prepared for wet, off-trail hiking conditions. Columbia Run Picnic Area, 8 - 11 a.m.

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Junior Ranger - Nature Journaling

Famous naturalists, artists, and writers have kept journals to use in their work. Kids 7 – 12 learn to capture a scene or fleeting thought in your own naturalist journal. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Junior Ranger, Jr. - Polliwogs and Water Bugs

The pond is busy in summer. Children 4 – 6 can get their fingers wet as we get a close-up look at the creatures that live here. 9:30-11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Saturday in the Park - Evening Marshlands

Join a park ranger to explore a beaver marsh at dusk, a time when many animals are most active. Ira Trailhead, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 24

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Junior Ranger - Bring on the Bugs!

Kids 7 - 12 can hike with rangers to an upland forest as we discover bugs that have a big impact on our environment. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Carriages in the Park

This competition is for pleasure carriage drivers and competitors. Come and cheer them on! Fee. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information call 330-666-3711 or visit www.halefarm.org.

Tunes Along the Trail - Canal Visitor Center

Stop by with a blanket to hear outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Styles range from ragtime and American Old Time to Celtic and country. Programs are 1 - 3 p.m. Cancelled during inclement weather.

Hang Out at Hunt

Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Boomerangs - Boomerang Fun

Join Dave Boehm of the Cleveland Boomerang School to try your hand at this aboriginal flying device in the open spaces of CVNP. Everyone welcome, from beginner to expert. Boomerangs provided or bring your own. Howe Meadow, 2 - 4 p.m.

Outrageous Exploration Hike

Park rangers lead a vigorous hike of up to 2.5 miles for ages 7 - 12. Oak Hill Trailhead, 3 - 4:30 p.m.

Monday, July 25

Junior Ranger Day Camp Begins

Camp runs Monday, July 25 - Friday, July 29. For ages 6 - 11. Fee: \$200. Happy Days Lodge, 9

a.m. - 3 p.m. daily. Before and after care is offered the week of July 25 for an additional fee. Registration deadline for day camp is July 1. For more information call 800-642-3297 ext. 100 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

Campfire Tales - Discover Bats

Every summer people gather around national park campfires to hear stories of America. Bring a blanket and a picnic dinner. We'll play games on the lawn and then light the campfire (indoors if the weather is poor) and share some good old-fashioned campfire tales. Afterwards, walk to the Ledges Overlook for a beautiful sunset. Alcohol is prohibited. Ledges Shelter, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. campfire begins.

Tuesday, July 26

Farm Business Class - Follow Up With Your Farm Business

We'll revisit several business topics and see how participants are coming along. Fee: \$25. Boston Store Visitor Center, 6 - 9 p.m. For more information and to register, visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Wednesday, July 27

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Junior Ranger - Green Alien Invaders

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Countryside Farmers' Market at Highland Square

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Summer Fun Run

This free noncompetitive run offers cross-country-style routes from 3 to 6 miles. Runners and walkers of all levels are welcome. To add to the fun, details and route options will remain a secret until that evening. Run takes place regardless of weather conditions. Blue Hen Falls (overflow lot), 7 p.m.

Early Evening Hike

Complete your Wednesdays with a little trail time as we step outside to enjoy the scenery, nature, and history of CVNP. Join a park ranger during the cooler evening hours for these moderately

paced hikes. 4.5 miles of easy terrain on the Oak Hill and Plateau trails, passing Meadow Edge and Sylvan ponds. Oak Hill Trailhead, 7 - 9 p.m.

Thursday, July 28

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CVSR Ride with a Ranger

Climb aboard CVSR and discover the beauty of your national park. Along the route you'll enjoy the company of a park ranger who will point out interesting sites and the stories behind them. Fee: \$15 adults, \$10 children ages 3 - 12. Akron Northside Station, 10:40 a.m. Canal Visitor Center, 12:50 p.m. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.cvsr.com.

Junior Ranger - ExSTREAM Bugs

Kids 7 -12 can discover some of the animals living in park streams. Play a game and participate in an activity to understand how water's unique properties allow these creatures to survive. 2 - 4 p.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads the dancers while the band *Hu\$hmoney* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Comfortable clothing and shoes recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing

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Farm Camp Ends

Camp runs Sunday, July 24 - Friday, July 29, is for those entering grades 4 - 10. Our faculty includes Conservancy staff, park rangers, and guest instructors. Camp is located at the Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center. Fee: \$425 overnight. For more information call 800-642-3297 ext. 100 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

Junior Ranger Day Camp Ends

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Astonishing Astronomy - Gazing on Saturn

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to fly to Saturn and land on its surface? It certainly would not appear anything like here on Earth! Join a park ranger for a talk followed by an opportunity to observe the ringed planet through a telescope. Oak Hill Trailhead, 9 - 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, July 30

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8th Annual Fiber Arts Show Begins

This competitive show includes any medium that contains or speaks to fiber. Free. Peninsula Library & Historical Society. For library hours visit www.peninsulalibrary.org.

Countryside Farmers' Market at Howe Meadow

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - Forest Mystery

Children 4 - 6 can hike with a park ranger to solve a mystery in the forest. Act like a detective as we search for clues to uncover just which animals might live among the trees. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Saturday in the Park - Rocks and Ravines

Join a park ranger as we discover how the rock cliffs and special community of plants and animals came to be at the Ledges. Ledges Shelter, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

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Beat the Heat Hike

Enjoy hiking CVNP's more difficult trails, but not under the hot sun? Burn calories, not skin, during this fitness series as we hike with a park ranger in the early morning hours. 6.5 miles on the challenging Buckeye and Valley trails. Pine Lane Trailhead, 8 - 10:30 a.m.

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Hang Out at Hunt

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Monday, August 1

Junior Ranger - Ultimate Junior Ranger Challenge

Here's an adventure that requires speed, strength, and smarts for kids 7 - 12. Race against time as you compete in a series of challenges that test your outdoor skills. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Tuesday, August 2

No events scheduled.

Wednesday, August 3

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Music in the Meadow - Copus Hill

Grab a blanket and a picnic dinner and bring your family to hear FREE music in the national park! The celebrations begin with lawn games and a musical craft. The concert series is presented by CVNP and the Conservancy with promotional support by Audio-Technica. Alcohol prohibited. Donations to support this series will be accepted at each event. Howe Meadow, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. concert begins. After the concert, cap off your evening with a ranger-led walk or Twilight Talk with a Ranger. Concerts are cancelled during severe weather. Call 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for an update.

Junior Ranger - Twilight Bat Flight

Kids 7 - 12 can join a park ranger to eavesdrop on the ultrasonic calls of these fascinating fliers using special detectors as we take an evening hike to a longtime roost. 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Thursday, August 4

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Friday, August 5

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Junior Ranger - Bird-Watching Adventure

Kids 7 - 12 can join a park ranger each month to explore different areas of the park in search of CVNP's feathered residents. Binoculars provided. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Saturday, August 6

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CVSR Fiber Train Car

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Crooked River Fiber Fling

Visit the Village of Peninsula for a weekend of fiber demonstrations, workshops, art shows and sale, live animals, and family activities. At The Spicy Lamb Farm, make arts and crafts from wool and learn about raising sheep. Event fee: \$5 per person, \$15 per family. Tickets are available at several locations, including The Spicy Lamb Farm and Peninsula Depot. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more about this venue, call 330-657-2012 or visit www.thespicylamb.com. For full event information, call 330-657-2248 or visit www.fibercafe.org.

Bird Watching - Fattening Up for the Long Haul

In late summer many songbirds build up fat reserves for their long journey south to Central America and beyond. Search with Park Volunteer Dwight Chaser for lingering warblers along the Wetmore trail system. Trails are often muddy. Wetmore Trailhead, 7 - 10 a.m.

Junior Ranger, Jr. - Really Big Rocks

Children 4 - 6 can step into a wondrous place of huge rocks, evergreens, and moss. Take a hike below the Ledges to find out how these rocks were made and if they change. 9:30-11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

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Junior Ranger - Picking Pizza

Farmers can grow pizza? Kids 7 - 12 can come to a farm to pick their own pizza makings and discover just where some of your food comes from. 1 - 3 p.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Hang Out at Hunt

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International Year of Forests Hike - Forest Invaders

Join a park ranger to explore the upland forests of the Ledges in search of intruders on this special landscape. Ledges Shelter, 2 - 4 p.m.

Sunday, August 7

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - Forest Friends

The forest is home to many living things. Children 4 - 6 can join a park ranger to discover the creepy, crawly creatures among the trees. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or

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Park Place Pop-in

Drop by the store for crafts, stories, games, and conversation. Park Place in Peninsula, noon - 4 p.m.

Tunes Along the Trail - Park Place in Peninsula

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Horses in the Valley

Horses harnessed to the fronts of wagons, plows, or canal boats are pastoral images from Cuyahoga Valley's past. Of all the farm animals in the national park, the horse's role has changed most over the years. Today, on horseback is one of the many ways to explore the national park and to volunteer! Drop by to meet the horses and riders of the CVNP Trailblazer mounted patrol. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Music by Nature - Helen Welch

Enjoy the Conservancy's new music series. Admission: \$20, \$17 Conservancy members (includes a dessert and beverage). Three-concert subscription series is \$54 general public and \$45 Conservancy members. General seating. Advance sales are available until 3 p.m. on Friday, August 5, by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100. Helen Welch and her talented trio of musicians perform Broadway love songs from *Wicked*, *A Chorus Line*, *Carousel*, *Guys and Dolls*, *My Fair Lady*, *Chicago*, and *South Pacific*. Happy Days Lodge, 6:30 p.m. Grounds open at 5 p.m. for picnicking.

Monday, August 8

Campfire Tales - American Indian Night Legends

Every summer people gather around national park campfires to hear stories of America. Bring a blanket and a picnic dinner. We'll play games on the lawn and then light the campfire (indoors if the weather is poor) and share some good old-fashioned campfire tales. Afterwards, walk to the Ledges Overlook for a beautiful sunset. Alcohol is prohibited. Ledges Shelter, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. campfire begins.

Tuesday, August 9

Little Legs Hike

Join park rangers for an easy, less-than-one-mile discovery hike for ages 4 - 6. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, August 10

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Thursday, August 11

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Junior Ranger, Jr. - Polliwogs and Water Bugs

The pond is busy in summer. Children 4 – 6 can get their fingers wet as we get a close-up look at the creatures that live here. 9:30-11:30 a.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8

per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs

Civil War Reenactment

Look behind the scenes on Friday. On Saturday and Sunday, stroll among soldier tents and experience a re-created Civil War battle. Dance at the Civil War Ball on Saturday evening. This is a Civil War 150 event. Fee. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily, 8 - 10:30 p.m. Saturday evening. For more information call 330-666-3711 or visit www.halefarm.org.

Saturday, August 13

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Bird Watching - Marshland Niches

If we watch a bird long enough, we can sometimes observe its feeding patterns and ecological role, or "niche." Birders are often fascinated by the tremendous variety of niches in wetlands. Explore this topic with Park Ranger Paul Motts. Ira Trailhead, 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Tour-du-Towpath

Families, come bicycle the Towpath Trail in Summit and Stark counties. Fee. Canal Fulton Canalway Center, 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. For registration information call 330-374-5657 or visit www.ohioeriecanal.org.

Saturday in the Park - Explore Kendall Hills

Join a park ranger for a moderately challenging 2-mile naturalist's walk, exploring the Kendall Hills and Kendall Lake shore. Kendall Lake Shelter, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

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Bug City

Learn what insects do, why we need them, and even what they taste like! Garfield Park Nature Center, 11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. For more information, call 216-341-3152 or visit www.clevelandmetroparks.com.

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Stop by to enjoy activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

Camp-In begins

Join park rangers for a relaxing evening of free play and stories around the campfire, followed by a night under the stars. Bring your own camping equipment. Free. Howe Meadow, Saturday 6 p.m. to Sunday 11 a.m. To register call 330-657-2752. Additional information will be e-mailed to participants upon registration.

Full Moon Hike

Explore your national park by the light of a full moon! Listen to night sounds, look for night animals, and experience the darkness without a flashlight. 2.2 miles on the moderate Cross Country Trail. Kendall Lake Shelter, 8 - 10 p.m.

Junior Ranger - Forest Night Hike

Kids 7 - 12 can join a park ranger for an easy hike in the moonlit woods and learn about nocturnal wildlife. No flashlights for this adventure! 8 - 10 p.m. Program location given upon registration. Fee: \$8 per child, \$5 Conservancy members (unless otherwise noted). A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children; no charge for adults. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

Sunday, August 14

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Civil War Reenactment

Look behind the scenes on Friday. On Saturday and Sunday, stroll among soldier tents and experience a re-created Civil War battle. Dance at the Civil War Ball on Saturday evening. This is a Civil War 150 event. Fee. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. daily, 8 - 10:30 p.m. Saturday evening. For more information call 330-666-3711 or visit www.halefarm.org.

Camp-In Ends

Join park rangers for a relaxing evening of free play and stories around the campfire, followed by a night under the stars. Bring your own camping equipment. Free. Howe Meadow, Saturday 6 p.m. to Sunday 11 a.m. To register call 330-657-2752. Additional information will be e-mailed to participants upon registration.

Tunes Along the Trail - Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center

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Hang Out at Hunt

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Monday, August 15

No events scheduled.

Tuesday, August 16

No events scheduled.

Wednesday, August 17

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Music in the Meadow - Keith McKelley & Audible Distraction

Grab a blanket and a picnic dinner and bring your family to hear FREE music in the national park! The celebrations begin with lawn games and a musical craft. The concert series is presented by CVNP and the Conservancy with promotional support by Audio-Technica. Alcohol prohibited. Donations to support this series will be accepted at each event. Howe Meadow, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. concert begins. After the concert, cap off your evening with a

ranger-led walk or Twilight Talk with a Ranger. Concerts are cancelled during severe weather. Call 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for an update.

Thursday, August 18

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Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society Members' Show

This show gives members an opportunity to present up to five digital images or 35 mm slides. Two professional photographers offer an optional critique. Guests are welcome. Digital image requirements are available at www.cvps.org. Free. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m. For more information contact CVPS at info@cvps.org or the Conservancy at 330-657-2909.

Friday, August 19

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“Grape Escape” Wine-Tasting Express - A Taste of New Zealand Wines

Enjoy an evening presentation of choice wines and tasty appetizers while experiencing the Cuyahoga Valley's scenic beauty by rail. Ages 21 and older. Reservations required. Fee: \$55 coach/ club, \$75 first class, and \$90 executive class/dome seats. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.cvsr.com. Boston Mill Station, 7 - 9 p.m.

Saturday, August 20

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Boomerang Practice Day

Join Dave Boehm of the Cleveland Boomerang School to try your hand at this aboriginal flying device in the open spaces of CVNP. Everyone welcome, from beginner to expert. Boomerangs provided or bring your own. Howe Meadow, 2 - 4 p.m.

Saturday in the Park - Canal by Lantern Light

Join costumed volunteers and a park ranger for an easy, 3-mile walk on the Towpath Trail to explore the Ohio & Erie Canal and Lock 38 by lantern light. No tolls charged this evening. Canal Visitor Center, 8 - 10 p.m.

Sunday, August 21

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Family Fun Days

Drop by the Beaver Marsh, Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, Park Place in Peninsula, Boston Store Visitor Center, Trail Mix, Station Road Bridge Trailhead, or Canal Visitor Center to participate in family activities. 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Tunes Along the Trail - Trail Mix Store

Stop by with a blanket to hear outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Styles range from ragtime and American Old Time to Celtic and country. Programs are 1 - 3 p.m. Cancelled during inclement weather.

Hang Out at Hunt

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Little Legs Hike

Join park rangers for an easy, less-than-one-mile discovery hike for ages 4 - 6. Octagon Shelter, 3 - 4:30 p.m.

Monday, August 22

Campfire Tales - Men Behind the Myths

Every summer people gather around national park campfires to hear stories of America. Bring a blanket and a picnic dinner. We'll play games on the lawn and then light the campfire (indoors if the weather is poor) and share some good old-fashioned campfire tales. Afterwards, walk to the Ledges Overlook for a beautiful sunset. Alcohol is prohibited. Ledges Shelter, 5:30 p.m. family activities, 6:30 p.m. campfire begins.

Tuesday, August 23

Farm Business Class - Your Farm Business Opportunities

How can you access markets? We'll hear from several veteran farmers about unique ways to grow and sell local foods. Fee: \$25. Boston Store Visitor Center, 6 - 9 p.m. For more information and to register, visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Wednesday, August 24

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Early Evening Hike

Complete your Wednesdays with a little trail time as we step outside to enjoy the scenery, nature, and history of CVNP. Join a park ranger during the cooler evening hours for these moderately paced hikes. 3.4 miles on the easy Towpath and Hale Farm trails. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 25

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CVSR Young at Heart - Stories of the River

The Cuyahoga River has flowed through the Cuyahoga Valley for thousands of years. We invite the “The Young at Heart” (ages 55 and over) to join Park Ranger Kerry Muhl to explore its stories. Program is 3 hours. All ages are welcome. Fee: \$15 adults, \$10 children ages 3 - 12 and seniors ages 55 and over. Akron Northside Station, 10:40 a.m. Canal Visitor Center, 12:50 p.m. To register call 800-468-4070 or visit www.cvsr.com.

Contra Dance

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads the dancers while the band *Hu\$hmoney* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Comfortable clothing and shoes recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing

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Off the Beaten Path Hike - Blue Hen Trek

Explore off trail with Park Ranger Mike Kosmos. For ages 12 and older. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Be prepared for all types of terrain. Dress for the weather, wear sturdy waterproof shoes, and bring drinking water. Space is limited. To register call 330-657-2752. Trek 4 miles on and off trail to explore the highs and lows of the Blue Hen Falls area. Boston Store Visitor Center, 8 - 10 a.m.

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Tunes Along the Trail - Peninsula Depot Visitor Center

Stop by with a blanket to hear outdoor music along the Towpath Trail. Styles range from ragtime and American Old Time to Celtic and country. Programs are 1 - 3 p.m. Cancelled during inclement weather.

Hang Out at Hunt

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Saturday in the Park- Evening Marshlands

Join a park ranger to explore a beaver marsh at dusk, a time when many animals are most active. Ira Trailhead, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

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8th Annual Fiber Arts Show Ends

This competitive show includes any medium that contains or speaks to fiber. Free. Peninsula Library & Historical Society. For library hours visit www.peninsulalibrary.org.

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Monday, August 29

No events scheduled.

Tuesday, August 30

No events scheduled.

Wednesday, August 31

Dinner in the Valley

Enjoy a Summer Crop Festival with an all-vegetarian dinner highlighting Countryside Farmers' Market produce and local wine. Greenfield Berry Farm, 6:30 p.m. For pricing and reservations, call 330-657-2909 ext. 129 or visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org.

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