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Save the Date! CVNPA's *Bids for Kids* Online Auction to begin Nov. 21

Peninsula, Ohio - Join Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association (CVNPA) online on November 21, 2008 for the fourth annual *Bids for Kids* online auction to benefit the scholarship program at the Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center (CVEEC).

The online auction begins November 21, 2008 at 9 a.m. and continues through December 7, 2008 at 8 p.m.

Last year through the generous support of CVNPA members, park users, and local businesses, we raised over \$29,000. That assisted the CVEEC in providing over 9,000 children with an exciting outdoor experience that is fun and educational. In order to continue to fund the scholarship program and educational programs, and education support it is imperative that we encourage community involvement by: donating an item, asking a local business to donate an item, become an auction sponsor, and bidding high and bidding often.

The last day to make a donation of an auction item is October 31st. By making a donation, businesses will be able to obtain great marketing publicity at low cost, help provide scholarships for area urban youth, and an opportunity to obtain a tax deduction for their donations. For more information about *Bids for Kids* online auction and the donation process contact Lisa Meranti at lmeranti@cvnpa.org or (330) 657-2909 ext 136.

CVNPA would like to thank the following sponsors for their generous support of Bids for Kids: The Glenmede Trust Company, Hill 'n Dale Club, CommonGood Consulting, Old Trail School, Appalachian Outfitters, Squire Family, and Western Reserve Bank.

CVNPA is a nonprofit organization created to engage public support for the park and provide services to enhance public use and enjoyment of the park. For more information about CVNPA and its membership program, visit www.cvnpa.org or call (330) 657-2909

CVNP encompasses 33,000 acres along the Cuyahoga River between Cleveland and Akron. Managed by the National Park Service, CVNP combines cultural, historical, recreational, and natural activities in one setting. For more information about the park visit www.nps.gov/cuva/ or www.dayinthevalley.com or call (216) 524-1497 or (800) 445-9667.

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