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The Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park Adds Betty Rider and Alex Schmitt to Board of Directors

PENINSULA, Ohio (Friday, January 13, 2012) – The Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park has elected Betty Rider and Alex Schmitt as new members of the board of directors. Schmitt and Rider begin their positions this year.

“We’re excited to welcome two extremely talented members to our board of directors,” said Deb Yandala, CEO of the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park. “They each bring a unique skill set that will help us continue to make our vision and mission a reality.”

Rider brings a valuable blend of education and business experience. She is currently a senior lecturer at the University of Akron and consultant for Leadership Akron, where she facilitates customized leadership training for corporations. She earned a doctorate degree in industrial education from Texas A&M.

Schmitt serves as a senior manager at Ernst & Young. He is also a board member for Cleveland Bridge Builders and John Carroll University, where he received a bachelor’s degree in accounting.

Rider and Schmitt will hold their positions as board members for three years when their terms expire in 2014.

About the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park

The Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park is a non-profit 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 the Conservancy and its programs, visit www.conservancyforcvnp.org or call 330-657-2909.

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