



Centerville-Washington PARK DISTRICT

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Subject: Pull your weight to protect your parks



Garlic mustard in second year of life cycle

CENTERVILLE, OH: Garlic mustard is an aggressive invasive plant taking over local natural areas. Once garlic mustard takes hold, it dominates and overtakes native plants local wildlife rely upon to survive.

Help restore and protect your native ecosystems by participating in the Third Annual Centerville-Washington Park District “Pull Your Weight” Garlic Mustard challenge. Over the past two years, teams have pulled over 1,500 lbs. of garlic mustard from the parks!

Drop off 13-gallon garbage bags filled with garlic mustard to Park District headquarters, 221 N. Main St., April 15 through June 10. All participants who bring at least five full bags will receive a free Pull Your Weight t-shirt at the end of the challenge! The team or individual to bring the most filled bags will earn a grand prize! Limit six people per team.

Attend an information session at the Bill Yeck Park Smith House, 2230 E. Centerville Station Rd., on Monday, April 15 at 6 p.m. to learn more. Attendance is not required in order to participate. If you cannot attend, contact Ginger Clark at gclark@cwpd.org for more information.

The Pull Your Weight Challenge is open to individuals, families, scouting groups, corporate service groups and students. Anyone who would like to help combat this rapidly spreading threat to our native species is welcome to participate. Learn more on www.cwpd.org.

The Centerville-Washington Park District operates eight community parks, nine nature parks, and 33 neighborhood parks encompassing more than 1,000 acres in Centerville and Washington Township. For more information about the Centerville-Washington Park District, please call (937) 433-5155 or visit www.cwpd.org.

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