

MARCH – MAY 2024

# *Centerville-Washington* **PARK DISTRICT** **NEWS & EVENTS**

Spring program  
registration begins  
**Monday, February 12.**

Summer camp  
registration begins  
**Monday, April 8.**



*Explore* your community's BIG backyard!

Grant Park

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### Office Hours

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8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
Office Closed on May 27

### Park Addresses

For more information and each park's address, visit [www.cwpsd.org](http://www.cwpsd.org).



#### Dog Park Closures

[www.cwpsd.org/parks/oak-grove/dog-park/dog-park-closure-status/](http://www.cwpsd.org/parks/oak-grove/dog-park/dog-park-closure-status/)



#### Athletic Field Conditions

[www.cwpsd.org/field\\_status/](http://www.cwpsd.org/field_status/)

### Area Youth

#### Athletic Organizations

Centerville Baseball Softball League  
[www.cbltoday.org](http://www.cbltoday.org)

Centerville Recreational Soccer  
[www.centervillesoccer.com](http://www.centervillesoccer.com)

Centerville Wee Elks  
Football Association  
[www.weeelks.org](http://www.weeelks.org)

Centerville Youth Lacrosse  
[www.cvlax.org](http://www.cvlax.org)

FC Dayton  
[www.fcdayton.org](http://www.fcdayton.org)

## Commissioners' Corner



As the colors of spring appear, I am delighted to share the latest news and exciting developments in your parks. We have lots of programs and projects

on the schedule to enhance your outdoor experiences.

This spring, we have a diverse array of programs designed to engage, educate and entertain park visitors of all ages. Perhaps the biggest event for the entire region is the Total Solar Eclipse on April 8! Staff have planned activities for the whole family, leading up to total darkness! Other fun programs include a 3.14 mile hike on Pi Day, several new gardening programs with Now and Zen Studio, pickleball leagues, Bike Centerville Community Rides and so much more.

Remember to sign up for camps in April. Staff have planned ten weeks of camp that include nature, recreation, art, STEM, and archery. Keep an eye on the event calendar on our website for details on upcoming activities.

In our continuing commitment to maintaining the beauty and functionality of our parks, we will embark on several improvement projects. One notable initiative is the **Grant Park** Master Plan. Staff will begin to improve trails for both access and better wayfinding. This will be a multi-year endeavor. The Park District received Clean Ohio grant funding to restore water quality to the pond at **Rosewood Park**. This project will take place later this year. Lastly, we are getting underway with renovations to the Sprayground at **Activity Center Park**. This amenity originally opened in 2006. Nearly 20 years later the sprayground needs upgrades to remain operational. This refresh will include updating mechanical equipment, as well as adding new spray features and additional picnic seating and shade. We are grateful for the sponsorship support from Dayton Children's Hospital.



### SAVE A TREE

To subscribe to the CWPD monthly e-newsletter visit [cwpsd.org](http://cwpsd.org) or scan the QR code to the left.

To stop home delivery of the printed newsletter, email your name and address to [mail@cwpsd.org](mailto:mail@cwpsd.org).

## DID YOU KNOW?

The Centerville-Washington Park District Board of Park Commissioners holds public meetings once a month.

View the schedule at

[www.cwpsd.org/about/public-meeting-schedule/](http://www.cwpsd.org/about/public-meeting-schedule/)

We believe in the power of community collaboration. This spring, we are excited to pursue projects that involve you. Participants in the Butterfly Survey programs continue to provide important population data on these crucial pollinator species. The teens who come out for the monthly Conservation Crew programming are doing hands-on work to improve habitats and ecosystems in your parks! And, we are excited to once again partner with Penbrooke Garden club to host their annual plant sale at **Yankee Park** in May.

As your Park Commissioner, I am genuinely excited about the spring season ahead and the positive impact staff and volunteers are making on the community through programs, projects and partnerships. I encourage you to explore, engage and embrace the spirit of spring in the great outdoors. And please let us know if you have any comments or suggestions about the parks or the programs. Your feedback is invaluable, and we welcome your thoughts on how we can continue to make our parks even better.

Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm for your parks. Together, we will make this spring a season to remember!

Jeff Senney  
Park Board President



## Summer Employment Opportunities



We are now accepting applications for part-time, seasonal employment.

Seasonal **program staff** can work at nature day camps, Recreation Day Camp or ACtivity Squad Camp, or as summer naturalists. All program staff must be enthusiastic about working with children, enjoy the outdoors and be willing to make an 11-week commitment beginning the last week of May. Program staff must be 16 years or older. Positions for applicants under age 18 are limited.

Seasonal **operations staff** assist with the day-to-day maintenance of 51 parks. Work includes mowing, trimming, painting, athletic field preparation, nature trail improvement, park clean-up, vehicle/equipment maintenance and building maintenance. Hours may include weekends and evenings. Second shift openings are available. Operations staff must be 18 or older and insurable to drive Park District vehicles.

All seasonal employees must pass a background screening. Visit [www.cwpd.org/careers/](http://www.cwpd.org/careers/) for the most up-to-date information on employment opportunities.

## Summer Camp Volunteers



Volunteer opportunities are available for ages 14 and up at CWPDP summer camps! Volunteering allows for a flexible schedule and is a great way to earn service hours, gain experience and learn job skills.

If you or your child are interested in volunteering at one of our summer camps this year, please visit our volunteer page at <http://www.cwpd.org/support/volunteer/> for more details and to find the volunteer application. Once you sign up, you will receive an email to sign up for an interview with Community Engagement Coordinator Ginger Clark. Volunteers must be screened and complete required training to become a camp

volunteer. We ask that volunteers commit to at least three or more days during the course of the summer. We will work around your schedule! You will be given different camp options in order to make it the best experience for you.

Interviews will begin on April 10 and continue on a rolling basis.

## Join the Path Finder or Trail Master Challenges!



Walk all the paved and crushed limestone paths (Path Finder Challenge) and/or the natural trails (Trail Master Challenge) within the Centerville-Washington Park District! Passwords are hidden along the paths. Record them on your password sheet. Once you have successfully completed the sheet, bring it to Park District Headquarters for your reward. Choose between a vinyl water bottle sticker, a car magnet or a sew-on patch (while supplies last). The challenge ends on November 30, 2024. It is suitable for all ages.

There is no registration for this challenge. Join anytime and keep track of the passwords you find! Find password sheets and additional information on our website:

[www.cwpd.org/programs-events/path-finder-and-trail-master/](http://www.cwpd.org/programs-events/path-finder-and-trail-master/)



## Volunteer Spotlight: Brian Code



Brian retired five years ago from an engineering career in sensor manufacturing, serving environmental, medical device and aerospace/satellite industries. During retirement, he has been motivated to keep learning, make new social connections, and to do meaningful work helping people and improving our environment. Volunteering with the Centerville-Washington Park District has been a great way to fulfill those goals.

Leading group hikes for the Wednesday Hike For Your Health adult wellness program has been a great social “exercise” for him. Brian has learned a lot about local wildflowers and trees and passes the knowledge on to his groups, and to his very patient family!

“I have added invasive species removal, focusing on Donnybrook Park, to help with wetland restoration efforts. Anyone who wants to help me rip out honeysuckle is welcome to join the volunteer team! It’s very satisfying and a great stress reducer!” Brian says.

**The Centerville-Washington Park District would like to thank Brian, and all volunteers for giving their time and talents to our community! If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact Community Engagement Coordinator Ginger Clark at 937-433-5155 x234 or [gclark@cwpd.org](mailto:gclark@cwpd.org).**

## SUMMER CAMPS



### JUMP ON THE SUMMER CAMP FAST TRACK!

In an effort to improve your camp registration experience, we have created a way for you to fill out the required camp forms PRIOR to the first day of camp registration. This will make your camp registration go faster, and decrease the chance that your child will be placed on a camp waiting list.

**STEP ONE:** Register your child for “2024 Forms Fast Track”

**STEP TWO:** At checkout, complete the required Medical History Form and Authorized Pick-Up Form as instructed.

By registering for this fast track “program”, you will bypass the forms step during the camp checkout process!

Please note, this does NOT register your child for any camps. It simply serves as a way to expedite your camp registration by completing the required forms ahead of time. Additionally, Park District staff will be able to send you updates and reminders leading up to camp registration by using the list of those who have completed the forms.

If you do not take this step, you can complete the Medical History and Authorized Pick-Up forms during regular camp registration. However, the registration system will not hold the camps/programs in your “cart” or hold your child’s spot until all forms have been completed and payment is received.

### Camp WILD Child

Ages 3 – 5

9:00 a.m. – noon

Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook

6588 McEwen Rd.

**Fee/week:** \$200 residents, \$220 nonresidents

**Week 1: June 3 – 7**

**Registration deadline:** Monday, May 27

**Week 2: June 17 – 21**

**Registration deadline:** Monday, June 10

Join the teachers of WILD Child Nature Preschool for a week of Wonder, Investigation, Learning and Discovery! This memorable week of camp will include unstructured nature play, creek romping and more! Your child will explore with their five senses through process art and sensory play, participate in cooperative games and investigation stations, and have the chance to truly let their imaginations run wild!

Camp held outdoors in all safe weather conditions! Remember to dress for the mess and prepare to be outdoors, rain or shine!

Campers will need to bring a small hiking backpack, reusable water bottle and a healthy snack. All campers will receive a WILD Child camp shirt. (JH)



### Recreation Day Camp

Ages 5 – 11

**Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – noon**

Forest Field Park, 2100 E. Centerville Station Rd. **OR**

Iron Horse Park, 6161 Millshire Dr.

**Fee/week:** \$65 residents, \$75 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Monday prior to the first day of camp

**Week 1: June 3 – 7, Splash Into Summer!**

**Week 2: June 10 – 14, Sunny and Starry Skies**

**Week 3: June 17 – 21, Recreation Camp Olympics**

**Week 4: June 24 – 28, Safari Adventure**

**Week 5: July 1 – 3 & 5, Superheroes Assemble! (No camp July 4)**

**Week 6: July 8 – 12, Magic and Mysteries of the Enchanted Forest**

**Week 7: July 15 – 19, Musical Celebration**

**Week 8: July 22 – 26, Camp Detectives**

**Week 9: July 29 – August 2, Wacky Water Days!**

Recreation Day Camp (RDC) offers a variety of recreation activities, sports, games, arts and crafts, guest speakers and more! All RDC sites are led by trained recreation leaders. This fun program keeps children outdoors and active all week! (AB)

**Inclement weather cancellations will be posted on [www.cwpd.org](http://www.cwpd.org). Opt-in for text alerts on your RecDesk account to receive weather cancellations via text message. Pro-rated refunds will be provided when two or more days of RDC are canceled due to weather.**

**All participants must be independent in the six activities of daily living: using the restroom, eating, bathing, dressing, transferring (i.e. walking) and continence. If your child requires an accommodation to participate, please let us know when you register.**



**Online resident camp registration begins Monday, April 8, 10:00 a.m.**

## Sugar Valley Day Camp

9:00 a.m. – noon, half-day (Weeks 8 & 9 only)

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., full-day

Bill Yeck Park, Smith House

2230 E. Centerville Station Rd.

**Registration deadline:** Monday prior to the first day of camp

*Before care is available 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. After care is available 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.*

Sugar Valley Camp encourages children to learn about nature and enjoy the outdoors by exploring Bill Yeck Park, learning new games and engaging in nature play. Each day of camp is predominately spent outdoors. Campers will be in the woods and exploring the creeks. Campers should wear clothing and shoes that can get wet and dirty. All campers will receive a t-shirt during their first week. Camp is held rain or shine. The Smith House will be used as an indoor option during severe weather. (KF)

### Week 1: June 3 – 7, Adventure Explorers

Ages 6 – 12

**Fee/week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

Explore Bill Yeck Park in a whole new way. Up the trails, through the woods and down the creek we go! Follow clues, games and other activities to get a feel for the park and summer fun.

### Week 2: June 10 – 14, Water Week

Ages 6 – 12

**Fee/week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

Let's spend a week doing all things water! Campers will learn about the water in the parks, explore all the splashtacular things water is capable of, and play a variety of water games.

### Week 3: June 17 – 21, A Tree-mendous Adventure

Ages 6 – 12

**Fee/week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

This week will be all things trees! Campers will learn the basics of tree identification and practice their skills in Bill Yeck Park. This week will feature themed games, crafts and challenges as campers learn all about the marvelous trees that surround us.

### Week 4: June 24 – 28, Survivor (Field Trip Week)

Ages 6 – 12

**Fee/week:** \$165 residents, \$185 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

It will be a competition all week long! We will participate in nature trivia, animal identification games and much more! Teams will tie-dye team bandanas that they are invited to wear on the last day for the ultimate challenge!

**Campers will meet one day at Oak Grove Park to learn about fishing and archery. The cost of the field trip is included in this week's fee.**

### Week 5: July 1 – 3 & 5, Taking Flight (No camp July 4)

Ages 6 – 12

**Fee/week:** \$129 residents, \$149 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

Let's explore all the nature above our heads. There are many critters that live in our treetops. We will spend the week learning all about which animals can fly and how they use flight to help them survive.

**All participants must be independent in the six activities of daily living: using the restroom, eating, bathing, dressing, transferring (i.e. walking) and continence. If your child requires an accommodation to participate, please let us know when you register.**

### Week 6: July 8 – 12, Mammal Mania

Ages 6 – 12

**Fee/week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

Mammals far and wide will find this week's camp fur-tastic! We will search the park for native mammals and talk about mammals from across the globe with guest speakers and games.

### Week 7: July 15 – 19, Geology ROCKS

Ages 6 – 12

**Fee/week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

This week, campers will focus on the wonders of rocks! We will learn about different types of rock, find and identify rocks in the woods, and paint rocks to hide in the park.

### Week 8: July 22 – 26, Little Critters (Preschool Week)

Ages 3 – 5, half-day only

**Fee/half-day week:** \$75 residents, \$85 nonresidents, \$30 before care

Ages 6 – 12, full-day only

**Fee/full-day week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

This week will be all things soft and fuzzy! Campers will spend the week learning about the little critters that live in our parks, from fuzzy rabbits to little grasshoppers. Fun games, creative crafts, and exciting challenges await campers as they look for little critters in the park. Campers in the morning session are welcome to bring their stuffed animal friends to camp!

### Week 9: July 29 – August 2, Colorful Creations (Preschool Week)

Ages 3 – 5, half-day only

**Fee/half-day week:** \$75 residents, \$85 nonresidents, \$30 before care

Ages 6 – 12, full-day only

**Fee/full-day week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

All the different colors in nature are what make your parks so beautiful! We will spend each day looking for a featured color. At the end of the week, we will explore all the colors we learned about. Campers are encouraged to wear the featured color each day to camp!



Online nonresident camp registration begins  
Monday, April 15, 10:00 a.m.

## Hidden Meadows Day Camp

9:00 a.m. – noon, half-day

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., full-day

Grant Park, 501 Normandy Ridge Rd.

**Registration deadline:** Monday prior to the first day of camp

*Before care is available from 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. After care is available from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.*

Hidden Meadows Day Camp encourages children to learn about nature and enjoy the outdoors by exploring Grant Park, learning new games and engaging in nature play. Each day of camp is predominately spent outdoors. Campers will be in the woods and exploring the creeks. Campers should wear clothing and shoes that can get wet and dirty. All campers will receive a t-shirt during their first week. Camp is held rain or shine. (KF)

### Week 1: June 3 – 7, Creek Week Camp

Ages 5 – 12

**Fee/half-day week:** \$75 residents, \$85 nonresidents, \$30 before care

**Fee/full-day week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

Start summer off with a splash! Learn all about our creeks and get your feet wet as you explore the wonders of Grant Park. Make sure to bring your creeking shoes for this adventure!

### Week 2: June 10 – 14, Pollinator Week

Ages 5 – 12

**Fee/half-day week:** \$75 residents, \$85 nonresidents, \$30 before care

**Fee/full-day week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

How much do you know about pollination? Your parks are full of flowers and unique pollinators. Campers will explore the park looking for signs of pollination and identify what pollinators are their favorite!

### Week 3: June 17 – 21, Creepy Crawlers

Ages 5 – 12

**Fee/half-day week:** \$75 residents, \$85 nonresidents, \$30 before care

**Fee/full-day week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

A week of all things bugs, insects and underground creepy crawlers. Campers will spend the week exploring Grant Park from the bug's eye view! We will learn about the creepy crawlers that roam your parks and spend time learning new insect-themed games and making bug crafts.

### Week 4: June 24 – 28, Nature Superheros

Ages 5 – 12

**Fee/half-day week:** \$75 residents, \$85 nonresidents, \$30 before care

**Fee/full-day week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

Grab your capes and your hiking shoes and get ready to learn about our home and how we can take care of it. This earth-focused week will be full of creative projects and activities to help us care for the earth and start making a difference — because you're never too old or young to be an earth superhero.

**All participants must be independent in the six activities of daily living: using the restroom, eating, bathing, dressing, transferring (i.e. walking) and continence. If your child requires an accommodation to participate, please let us know when you register.**



### Week 5: July 1 – 3 & 5, Wonders of Water (Preschool Week) (No camp July 4)

Ages 3 – 5, half-day only

**Fee/half-day week:** \$60 residents, \$78 nonresidents, \$30 before care

Ages 5 – 12, full-day only

**Fee/full-day week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

We will spend the week learning all about the types of water at your parks, playing a variety of water games, and searching for unique creatures in the water. Campers will also get the chance to learn about and test the water quality around Grant Park.

**Week 5 full-day campers will have the opportunity to participate in tree climbing if they would like. The cost of tree climbing is included in this week's fee.**

### Week 6: July 8 – 12, Fantasy Week (Preschool Week)

Ages 3 – 5, half-day only

**Fee/half-day week:** \$75 residents, \$85 nonresidents, \$30 before care

Ages 5 – 12, full-day only

**Fee/full-day week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

We will use our imaginations and search for our favorite mythical creatures in the woods. Campers will learn all about the mythical creatures lurking in the parks and create homes for fairies, gnomes and more!

### Week 7: July 15 – 19, Hidden Gems

Ages 5 – 12

**Fee/half-day week:** \$75 residents, \$85 nonresidents, \$30 before care

**Fee/full-day week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

Your parks are full of hidden gems! We will spend the week finding all the Grant Park gems! In order to find our hidden gems, we have to learn all about navigating the woods. We will learn tasks like hiking, orienteering, reading maps and trekking new terrain. On the last day, we will put our new knowledge to the test for a day full of adventure!

**Online resident camp registration begins Monday, April 8, 10:00 a.m.**



# They don't know they're making memories, they just know **THEY'RE HAVING FUN!**

## **Week 8: July 22 – 26, Survivor (Field Trip Week)**

Ages 5 – 12

**Fee/half-day week:** \$85 residents, \$95 nonresidents, \$30 before care

**Fee/full-day week:** \$165 residents, \$185 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

It will be a competition all week long! We will participate in nature trivia, animal identification games and much more! Teams will tie-dye team bandanas that they are invited to wear on the last day for the ultimate challenge!

**Week 8 full-day campers will meet at Oak Grove Park to learn about fishing and archery. The cost of the field trip is included in this week's fee.**

## **Week 9: July 29 – August 2, Nocturnal Animals**

Ages 5 – 12

**Fee/half-day week:** \$75 residents, \$85 nonresidents, \$30 before care

**Fee/full-day week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

Learn all about the creatures who explore our parks at night. This week will be focused on all things nighttime. Campers will make crafts, complete activities and play games all while learning about nocturnal creatures.

## **Week 10: August 5 – 9, Camp Conservation (Full-day Only)**

Ages 5 – 12

**Fee/full-day week:** \$155 residents, \$175 nonresidents, \$30 before and/or after care

This week will be focused on being responsible stewards. Campers will learn about how to be conservation superstars at home and in the parks, complete projects and crafts to help take care of the earth, and wrap up the summer in style.



**Online nonresident camp registration begins  
Monday, April 15, 10:00 a.m.**



## Junior Activity Squad Camp

Activity Center Park, Community Room, 221 N. Main St.

**Registration deadline:** Monday prior to the first day of camp

Let's stay active and healthy, all while trying new outdoor activities! We'll learn neat nature education topics along the way! Each week has different themes and activities. (AS)

### **Week 2: June 10 – 14, Fairy Tales and Artistic Adventures**

Ages 3 – 5

**Monday – Friday, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

**Fee/week:** \$99 residents, \$119 nonresidents

We are going to have lots of art projects and lots of fairy tales to explore. We will have a fairy tale storybook walk in the park, make a mini fairy house, and have lots of other abstract art projects and games inspired by our favorite tales!

### **Week 3: June 17 – 21, Camp Rocks! Silly Science and Ooey Gooey Fun**

Ages 4 – 6

**Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – noon**

**Fee/week:** \$99 residents, \$119 nonresidents

It's science week at camp! We will test lots of fun science experiments, explore nature, and make some ooey-gooey projects like slime and oobleck!

### **Week 4: June 24 – 28, Space Explorations!**

Ages 5 – 7

**Monday – Friday, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

**Fee/week:** \$99 residents, \$119 nonresidents

We are focusing on the final frontier this week! We are going to be exploring planets, stars and rockets for some exploration inspiration. Along the way, we are going to be making some really cool crafts and artwork — fun ways to develop our motor skills! What will we discover in the great unknown? Guest artist Kristin Bailey of the Purple Paintbrush, LLC will join us this week!



### **Week 7: July 15 – 19, Bubble-palooza and Water-ful Fun**

Ages 3 – 5

**Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – noon**

**Fee/week:** \$99 residents, \$119 nonresidents

It's water week! Throughout the week we will be participating in activities centered around bubbles and water! Not only will we play games that use water, we will also make some awesome water and bubble-inspired crafts. Get excited — it's bubble-palooza!

### **Week 8: July 22 – 26, Magician Mysteries and Circus Celebrations!**

Ages 4 – 6

**Monday – Friday, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

**Fee/week:** \$99 residents, \$119 nonresidents

Our youngest magicians are taking the center ring! We will be looking at great “magic tricks” in nature (and learning a few simple magic tricks we can show off ourselves). We will have fun with optical illusions and crafts with epic transformations! Campers will enjoy a variety of fun circus and carnival-themed games and crafts. Guest artist Kristin Bailey of the Purple Paintbrush, LLC will join us!

### **Week 9: July 29 – August 2, Imagination, Creation and Artful Investigation**

Ages 5 – 7

**Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – noon**

**Fee/week:** \$99 residents, \$119 nonresidents

This week our focus is on art and exploring our creative side! We will have a variety of art projects that incorporate a wide variety of materials. We'll throw in some STEM, process/active artwork, and some detective-theme crafts and activities!

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## Activity Squad Camp

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### **Week 2: June 10 – 14, Camp Battles! Adventure Games in the Great Outdoors**

Ages 9 – 13

**Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – noon**

**Fee/week:** \$99 residents, \$119 nonresidents

We will split into teams to play games outdoors! Activities will include laser tag, archery tag, water tag, capture the flag and a Nerf battle! We will learn about creatures in nature that also work in teams. We will mix up teams throughout the day.

### **Week 3: June 17 – 21, STEM-sational!**

Ages 8 – 12

**Monday – Friday, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

**Fee/week:** \$99 residents, \$119 nonresidents

Science, technology, engineering and math are taking center stage this week. From science experiments to design challenges, this week is action-packed and ready for fun (and some learning too!).

### **Week 4: June 24 – 28, Nature's Ninjas! (Field Trip Week)**

Ages 8 – 12

**Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – noon**

**Fee/week:** \$109 residents, \$129 nonresidents

We will be joined by special guest speaker Valor Martial Arts! Let's learn some ninja skills and practice our dexterity, agility and power! We will discuss animals with ninja-like skills and finish our week with a field trip to Ninjobstacles — an American Ninja Warrior-inspired obstacle course!

### **Week 6: July 8 – 12, Culinary Adventures**

Ages 10 – 15

**Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – noon**

**Fee/week:** \$99 residents, \$119 nonresidents

Calling all foodies! This week we will be joined by culinary professionals, including Power Plant Juice Bar, to learn healthy and yummy recipes and refine our cooking skills. We will learn about the life cycle of the foods we love, while learning different ways to prepare them! We will cook outside if weather permits! Campers will take home their culinary creations to enjoy and will get their very own herb garden!



### **Week 7: July 15 – 19, Artistic Adventures!**

Ages 10 – 15

**Monday – Friday, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

**Fee/week:** \$99 residents, \$119 nonresidents

It's time to break out the inner artist in us all! This week we will be focusing on artwork that challenges our creative side. Projects like paint pouring and rock art are on the agenda, and we will throw a few camp-favorite games into the mix as well!

### **Week 8: July 22 – 26, Outside C.S.I.: Campfires, Survival Skills and Innovation (Field Trip Week)**

Ages 8 – 12

**Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – noon**

**Fee/week:** \$109 residents, \$129 nonresidents

A week focused on building our outdoor skills! Learn how to cook over a campfire, make a walking stick, read a map and compass, tie knots and much more! We will throw in some outdoor detective skills and orienteering as well. We will finish our week with a field trip to Grant Park's Kennard Nature Nook for hiking and creeking!

### **Week 9: July 29 – August 2, Camp Olympians!**

Ages 8 – 12

**Monday – Friday, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

**Fee/week:** \$99 residents, \$119 nonresidents

The torch is lit! Join us for some friendly competition as we launch our camp Olympics. We will have a variety of activities including traditional Olympic sports, like archery and table tennis, and some camp-competition games that will have you going for gold!

### **Week 10: August 5 – 9, Camp Battles! Adventure Games in the Great Outdoors!**

Ages 9 – 13

**Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – noon**

**Fee/week:** \$99 residents, \$119 nonresidents

One of our most popular themes is back for round two!

We will split into teams to play games outdoors! Activities will include laser tag, archery tag, water tag, capture the flag and a Nerf battle! We will learn about creatures in nature that also work in teams. We will mix up teams throughout the day.



**Online nonresident camp registration begins  
Monday, April 15, 10:00 a.m.**

## Animal Grossology with Stemily Studios

Ages 8 – 12

**Monday – Friday, June 3 – 7**

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

*6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Fee:** \$145 residents, \$165 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Monday, May 27

Have you ever pondered the weird behaviors of animals, like why hippos fling their poop or why vultures pee on their legs? Unearth the answers to these questions and many more. Be guided through the fascinating and sometimes cringe-worthy world of animals, where “grossome” (gross but undeniably awesome) discoveries await! (KF)

## Animal Robot-Palooza with Stemily Studios

Ages 8 – 12

**Monday – Friday, July 29 – August 2**

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

*6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Fee:** \$180 residents, \$200 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Monday, July 22

The robots are coming! Each day we'll learn about a new animal and then build a robot inspired by it. Come hang out with Stemily Studios as we dive into the world of robots and build a total of five awesome bots — a fresh one every day! (KF)

## Classic Archery Camp

Ages 8 – 12

*Oak Grove Park, Archery Range*

*1790 E. Social Row Rd.*

**Fee:** \$40 residents, \$50 nonresidents

### Afternoon Camp

**Tuesday – Thursday, June 4 – 6**

**(Rain date: Friday, June 7)**

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**Registration deadline:** Monday, May 27

### Evening Camp

**Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, June 17 – 18 & 20**

**(Rain date: Friday, June 21)**

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

**Registration deadline:** Monday, June 10

This introductory archery camp will teach the basics of competition-style archery. Using technique, range safety and basic archery terms, campers will enjoy games and gain a new hobby to enjoy with friends. All equipment will be provided. (KL)



## Archery Adventures Camp

Ages 9 – 14

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

*6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Fee:** \$55 residents, \$65 nonresidents

### Camp A

**Monday – Wednesday, July 1 – 3**

**(Rain date: Friday, July 5)**

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**Registration deadline:** Monday, June 24

### Camp B

**Monday – Wednesday August 5 – 7**

**(Rain date: Thursday, August 8)**

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**Registration deadline:** Monday, July 29

Archery and nature education combined! Campers will learn the basics of archery, go creeking, learn about local wildlife, play archery tag and complete a work of art — archery style! (KL)

## Adventure Camp

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

*6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Monday prior to the first day of camp

### Adventure Camp A

Ages 10 – 12

**Monday – Friday, June 10 – 14**

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Fee:** \$165 residents, \$185 nonresidents

### Adventure Camp B

Ages 10 – 12

**Monday – Friday, June 24 – 28**

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Fee:** \$165 residents, \$185 nonresidents

### Adventure Camp C

Ages 12 – 15

**Monday – Thursday, July 8 – 11**

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Overnight: Friday – Saturday, July 12 – 13**

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 a.m.

**Fee:** \$195 residents, \$210 nonresidents

### Adventure Camp D

Ages 12 – 15

**Monday – Thursday, July 22 – 25**

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Overnight: Friday – Saturday, July 26 – 27**

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 a.m.

**Fee:** \$195 residents, \$210 nonresidents

Combine outdoor adventure and nature education with this week-long camp. Adventure Camp focuses on immersion in the outdoors and works to build confidence through activities, outdoor skills, hiking, creeking and a field trip to Aullwood Audubon Center and Farm.

Adventure Camps A and B include tree climbing with EarthJoy.

Adventure Camps C and D include an overnight at Bill Yeck Park. (KL)

**Adventure Camp registration is limited to one week per camper. Activities are similar.**



## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Eggstra Special Doggy Day

All ages

**Friday, March 29**

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

*Oak Grove Park, Dog Park*

*1790 E. Social Row Rd.*



This eggstra special dog day is back for an extra special 3<sup>rd</sup> annual egg hunt! Join us at the dog park for a dog-friendly egg hunt, fun dog-themed activities, giveaways and more! All activities will happen right outside the dog park and the off-leash areas will remain open for dogs to play. Egg hunt prizes available while supplies last.

Registration is not required. (KF)

**All are welcome, however, for their safety, children under 8 are not permitted within the off-leash areas of the dog park. Children ages 8 – 14 must be accompanied by an adult in the off-leash areas.**



### Planning your own special event?

Perfect for birthday parties, graduation parties, family reunions and more, large group shelters are available for reservations in eight CWPDParks — Activity Center, Forest Field, Iron Horse, Oak Creek South, Oak Grove, Robert F. Mays, Schoolhouse and Yankee Parks. Shelters are reservable beginning the first business day in January for the current year. Reservations may be made online for shelter use during the months of April through November.

Shelters are available for 6-hour rentals (11 am – 5 pm, 12 – 6 pm, 1 – 7 pm or 2 – 8 pm) for \$60 (residents) or \$90 (nonresidents).

### Eclipse Viewing with CWPDP

All ages

**Monday, April 8**

1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

#### Family Fun

*Forest Field Park*

*2100 E. Centerville Station Rd.*

Join the Centerville-Washington Park District to watch the historic full solar eclipse! There will be activities for the whole family leading up to total darkness.

Kona Ice will be available for purchase, weather permitting.

Registration is not required but is helpful for planning purposes. Registered participants will receive a cancellation email in the event of inclement weather. (AB)

**Bring your own chair(s) and safe sun viewing glasses. No pets, please.**

#### Nature Experience

*Oak Creek South Park*

*790 Miamisburg-Centerville Rd.*

Join the Centerville-Washington Park District to watch the historic full solar eclipse during a quiet event focusing on nature education. Enjoy a few quiet moments of peaceful darkness.

Registration is not required but is helpful for planning purposes. Registered participants will receive a cancellation email in the event of inclement weather. (AB)

**Bring your own chair(s) and safe sun viewing glasses. No pets, please.**



### Tools to Trek

Attend Tools to Trek programs to earn a free Trek Pack! Print your Tools to Trek tracking sheet on [www.cwpd.org](http://www.cwpd.org). Bring your tracking sheet to Tools to Trek programs to collect stamps. Once your sheet is full, turn it in to collect your prize! (KL)



### Pollinators and Flowers Colorful Fun Run

All ages

**Saturday, April 13**

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

*Forest Field Park*

*2100 E. Centerville Station Rd.*

Learn about pollinators and their favorite native flowers while you stop by stations with color powder! Visit all the stations to get all the colors and finish the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual colorful fun run! This will be a one-mile course with a 100-meter dash option for ages 10 and under. The 100-meter dash will begin promptly at 11:30 a.m. Use your favorite fitness tracking app to record your time and then share it to our Facebook event page!

This is a Tools to Trek Program. (AS)

This event is sponsored by Dayton Children's Hospital.



**Online resident registration begins  
Monday, February 12, 10:00 a.m.**

**Online nonresident registration begins  
Monday, February 19, 10:00 a.m.**

**Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise indicated.**

## Movie Party in the Park:

### *Star Wars: The Clone Wars*

All ages

**Saturday, May 4**

7:00 – 10:30 p.m.

*Forest Field Park*

*2100 E. Centerville Station Rd.*



May the fourth be with you! Enjoy an evening in the park watching the animated 2008 movie “Star Wars: The Clone Wars” — perfect for any age Star Wars fan. We will start out with interactive games

and crafts before showing the movie under the stars. Grab dinner from Claybourne Grill and have Kona Ice for dessert or bring your own dinner and snacks. Please bring chairs and/or blankets for seating. (This movie is rated PG.)

Registration is requested. (KF)

This event is sponsored by Dayton Children’s Hospital.



## Sunshine and Feathers Adapted Fun Run

All ages

**Saturday, May 11**

10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook  
6588 McEwen Rd.*

A fun run for everyone to enjoy! Participants can enjoy the paved path at the Kennard Nature Nook while stopping at various booths along the way. Each booth will have interactive games, giveaways, and all things sunshine and feathers! The event falls on World Migratory Bird Day and will feature birding activities for all! The Kennard Nature Nook will also have various activities. Participants are encouraged to travel along the path visiting booths at their own pace. The last time to start is noon.

This is a Tools to Trek Program. (AS)

This event is sponsored by Centerville Diversity Council.



## Penbrooke Garden Sale

All ages

**Saturday, May 11**

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

*Yankee Park*

*7500 Yankee St.*

The annual sale includes perennials, herbs, gardening books, other gardening-related items and baked goods. Since the plants are from members’ own gardens, they are hearty for this planting zone. Proceeds go to local organizations to support and promote gardening. (JH)

## PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS (AGES 6 AND UNDER)



## Early Adventures Hikes

Ages 0 – 5 years with adult companion  
6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

**Fee/session/child:** \$4 nonresidents

### March Adventures

**Tuesday, March 5**

*Holes Creek Park*

*8575 Yankee St.*

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, March 3

### April Adventures

**Tuesday, April 2**

*Grant Park, Normandy Entrance*

*501 Normandy Ridge Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, March 31

### May Adventures

**Tuesday, May 7**

*Forest Walk Park*

*1193 Deer Run Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, May 5

Hit the trail with us! These exploratory hikes foster curiosity and confidence in young children. Your leader will point out seasonal changes and other natural points of interest in the parks. Lanterns will be available to borrow.

Backpacks and front carriers are appropriate if your child is not walking.

These are Tools to Trek programs. (KL)

**Online resident registration begins  
Monday, February 12, 10:00 a.m.**



## Crafts with Nature

Ages 18 months – 4 years with adult companion  
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.  
**Fee/session/child:** \$4 residents, \$6 nonresidents

### March Sessions

**Tuesday, March 19 OR Wednesday, March 20**  
*Forest Field Park*  
2100 E. Centerville Station Rd.  
**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, March 12

### April Sessions

**Tuesday, April 16 OR Wednesday, April 17**  
*Yankee Park*  
7500 Yankee St.  
**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, April 9

### May Sessions

**Tuesday, May 14 OR Wednesday, May 15**  
*Schoolhouse Park*  
1875 Nutt Rd.  
**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, May 7

Let's get together and do a nature craft! We will complete crafts with sensory themes and take short hikes in the park — sparking a love of nature in our youngest community members! This program is limited to one adult companion per registrant.

Backpacks and front carriers are appropriate if your child is not walking. Strollers are not recommended at parks with natural terrain.

(KF)

**The Crafts with Nature programs are identical within each month. Please only select one.**

## Creative Kids Corner:

### Take Home Kits

Recommended for ages 3 – 5  
**Thursdays, March 14, April 11 & May 9**  
**Fee/child:** \$12 residents, \$16 nonresidents  
**Registration deadline:** Thursday, March 7

This take-home kit features crafts and activities revolving around a fun nature-based seasonal theme! There will be three different kits — one for each month! (AB)

## Preschool Nature Series

Ages 3 – 5 with adult companion  
6:00 – 7:00 p.m.  
**Fee/child:** \$4 nonresidents

### Maple Sugaring

**Thursday, March 14**  
*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*  
6588 McEwen Rd.

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, March 12  
Let's celebrate and learn about sugar maples! We will learn how and why these trees are used for maple syrup production. Then we will visit some tapped trees and take a taste of some real syrup. (KL)

### Finding Frogs

**Thursday, April 18**  
*Bill Yeck Park, McGuffey Meadow*  
7893 Wilmington-Dayton Rd.

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, April 16  
Frogs are becoming active in our ponds and wetlands. We will learn about the amazing lifecycle of our local frogs and toads. Then, we will hike to the wetland and see how many we can spot! (KL)

### Skunk School

**Thursday, May 9**  
*Schoolhouse Park*  
1875 Nutt Rd.  
**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, May 7

Do you have what it takes to be a successful skunk? We will learn about skunk behavior and adaptations before putting our skills to the test! Activities and the hike are on a paved path. (KL)



## Amazing Athletes at the Park

Ages 3 – 6  
*Activity Center Park, Community Room*  
221 N. Main St.  
**Fee/session/child:** \$80 residents, \$100 nonresidents

### Session A

**Wednesdays, March 6 – April 10**  
5:30 – 6:15 p.m.  
**Registration deadline:** Sunday, March 3

### Session B

**Wednesdays, April 17 – May 22**  
5:30 – 6:15 p.m.  
**Registration deadline:** Sunday, April 14

Balance! Run! Jump! Catch! Kick! Join Amazing Athletes as we practice our coordination, fine motor skills and gross motor skills! This program uses the fundamentals of 10 different sports to help build and develop motor skills, nutritional knowledge and body awareness. Sign up for both sessions and receive an Amazing Athletes t-shirt!

This class will be held outdoors when possible with the option to go inside for inclement weather, so please dress accordingly.

Visit [amazingathletes.com](http://amazingathletes.com) for more information on the Amazing Athletes program. (AS)



**Online nonresident registration begins  
Monday, February 19, 10:00 a.m.**

**Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise indicated.**

## Young Gardeners:

### Grow a Sunflower

Ages 3 – 6 with adult companion

**Wednesday, April 17**

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

6588 McEwen Rd.

**Fee/child:** \$10 residents, \$13 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Wednesday, April 10

Come learn about sunflowers with us! We will learn about the life cycle of a sunflower and how they grow before planting our own seeds. This program will be outside, weather permitting.

Please register individually if your group would like more than one flowerpot. (LP)

*New!*

## A Day with Mom! Jr. Reckit

Recommended for ages 3 – 6

**Monday, April 22**

**Fee/kit:** \$15 residents, \$20 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Monday, April 15

Mother's Day is just around the corner! Let's celebrate a special person in your life on this special day! This kit includes activities for quality time together. The crafts double as gifts and cards great for letting moms, grandmas, aunts or anyone else you want to know just how much they mean to you! (LP)



## Canvas Painting & Storytime: Hello, Spring!

Ages 4 – 6 with adult companion

**Thursday, March 21**

4:00 – 5:15 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room*

221 N. Main St.

**Fee/child:** \$27 residents, \$35 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Monday, March 18

Children will design their own spring-themed canvas and enjoy an interactive story during this fun evening with Kristin Bailey from The Purple Paintbrush. (AB)

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS (AGES 4 – 17)



## Eat the Rainbow!

Ages 4 – 8

**Saturday, March 9**

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

6588 McEwen Rd.

**Fee/child:** \$21 residents, \$28 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Monday, March 4

Join instructor Katie Blauser from Eat Pretty Darling to explore the colors of the rainbow with food! Participants will enjoy a colorful taste test and will cut up fruit to make kebabs with "cloud" dip. (AB)

**Please note: all major food allergens could be present in this class.**

## Mother's Day Brunch

Ages 4 – 10 with adult companion

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

6588 McEwen Rd.

**Fee/pair/brunch:** \$26 residents, \$34 nonresidents

### Brunch A

**Sunday, May 5**

Noon – 1:00 p.m.

**Registration deadline:** Monday, April 29

### Brunch B

**Saturday, May 11**

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**Registration deadline:** Monday, May 6

Katie Blauser from Eat Pretty Darling will lead each pair through making mini quiche, yogurt parfait and fresh orange juice. (AB)

**Please note: all major food allergens could be present at these programs.**



## Art & Imagination

Ages 6 – 8

**Tuesdays, March 12, April 9 & May 14**

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room*  
221 N. Main St.

**Fee/child:** \$12 residents, \$16 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, March 5

Does your child love art time? This drop-off program is designed to give your child an opportunity to get creative! They will try new techniques and design unique projects based on a monthly nature theme. (AB)

## Explorers

4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

*Grant Park, Normandy Entrance*

501 Normandy Ridge Rd.

**Fee/child:** \$11 residents, \$14 nonresidents

### Junior Explorers

Ages 6 – 8

**Wednesdays, April 3 – May 8**

**Registration deadline:** Wednesday, March 27

### Outdoor Explorers

Ages 9 – 12

**Mondays, April 1 – May 6**

**Registration deadline:** Monday, March 25

Outdoor play is vital to child development and well-being. Children will learn about nature and the outdoors in this program designed to allow children to interact with nature in unique ways. Activities include discovery, games and creek. (KL)

## Kids Create: Flower Cookies

Ages 6 – 10

**Saturday, April 13**

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

6588 McEwen Rd.

**Fee/child:** \$21 residents, \$28 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Monday, April 8

Celebrate spring with a tasty treat and join instructor Katie Blauser from Eat Pretty Darling to bake sugar cookies. Decorate them to look like flowers! (AB)

**Please note: all major food allergens could be present in this class.**

**Online resident registration begins  
Monday, February 12, 10:00 a.m.**

## Foodie Adventures!

Ages 6 – 12 with an adult companion

**Friday, March 29**

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

*6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Fee/child:** \$30 residents, \$39 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, March 26

Calling all foodies! Join us during spring break to try fruits and vegetables enjoyed around the world. In this food-tasting adventure, explore (potentially) new-to-you foods as you expand your palate and experience global cuisine. Led by Michelle Daniel of the Lifestyle Technique. (AS)

*New!*

## Mixed Media Art Workshop with The Purple Paintbrush

Ages 7 – 10

**Wednesday, March 27**

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room*

*221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/child:** \$42 residents, \$55 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Wednesday, March 20

Participants will use a variety of materials to create a 3D nature scene, including air dry clay, to sculpt pieces. Kristin Bailey from The Purple Paintbrush will bring all the supplies needed and discuss art terms and how to create 3D projects. (AB)

*New!*

## Toad Abode with Stemily Studios

Ages 8 – 14

**Thursday, March 7**

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

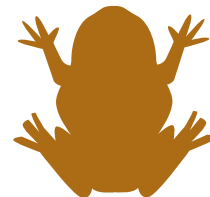
*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

*6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Fee/child:** \$25 residents, \$33 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Friday, March 1

Craft a gorgeous mushroom-shaped toad home, resulting in a lovely and weather-resistant toad abode, ideal for all croaking critters! (KF)



## Build and Grow: Mini Treehouse with Stemily Studios

Ages 8 – 14

**Tuesday, April 9**

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

*6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Fee/child:** \$25 residents, \$33 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, April 2

Build and decorate your own wooden tree house! Then, add a touch of magic by sprouting easy-grow chia seeds to bring your treehouse to life! (KF)

## Solar Spectacular! with Stemily Studios

Ages 8 – 14

**Thursday, May 9**

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

*6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Fee/child:** \$20 residents, \$26 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Wednesday, May 1

Let's have some sun-soaked fun! Discover the incredible potential of the sun's rays as you create a solar cooker, sun print art and more exciting projects! (KF)



## An Evening at Camp

Ages 6 – 12

**Thursday, May 16**

5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

*6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Fee/child:** \$10 residents, \$13 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Thursday, May 9

Summer camp is just around the corner and we are so excited! Join us for an evening of all our favorite camp games, hikes and activities to celebrate the start of summer. Finish the night sharing your favorite camp stories around a campfire with s'mores. (KF)

## A Day with Mom! ReckKit

Recommended for ages 7 – 10

**Monday, April 22**

**Fee/kit:** \$15 residents, \$20 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Monday, April 15

Mother's Day is just around the corner! Let's celebrate a special person in your life on this special day! This kit includes activities for quality time together. The crafts double as gifts and cards great for letting moms, grandmas, aunts or anyone else you want to know just how much they mean to you! (LP)

## Mad Science University

Ages 8 – 12

**Wednesdays, May 1 – 22**

7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room*

*221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/child:** \$29 residents, \$38 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Monday, April 22

Science is all around us! Children will experience science firsthand through hands-on, and sometimes messy, activities! We will explore fascinating science concepts with a new theme each week. We are putting science to the test as your child learns about chemistry, biology and physics. (KL)

**“In the spring, at the  
end of the day, you  
should smell like dirt.”**

~Margaret Atwood

Online nonresident registration begins  
Monday, February 19, 10:00 a.m.

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise indicated.

## Spring Into Archery

Ages 8 – 15

**Wednesday, May 22**

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

*Oak Grove Park, Archery Range*

*1790 E. Social Row Rd.*

**Fee/child:** \$15 residents, \$20 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Wednesday, May 15

We will learn the basics of archery and put the skills learned to practice. Participants will compete against each other in friendly competition. All equipment is provided. (KF)

## Creative Crafting

Ages 9 – 13

**Thursdays, March 21, April 18 & May 16**

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room*

*221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/child:** \$12 residents, \$16 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Thursday, March 14

Level up from Art & Imagination with this crafting program based on nature themes. We will teach new art skills and let participants get creative together! (AB)

## Young Birders Club:

### Southwest Chapter Meetings

Ages 11 – 18

4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

### March Meeting

**Tuesday, March 5**

*Bill Yeck Park, Smith House Entrance*

*2230 E. Centerville Station Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, March 3

### April Meeting

**Tuesday, April 2**

*Bill Yeck Park, McGuffey Meadow Entrance*

*7893 Wilmington-Dayton Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, March 31

### May Meeting

**Tuesday, May 7**

*Grant Park, Normandy Entrance*

*501 Normandy Ridge Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, May 5



Bird watching and identification are fascinating subjects. You will walk away with a greater knowledge of birds and their role in the

ecosystem. Club activities are based on participant feedback, so you direct the focus of the study. Participants must be members of the Ohio Young Birders Club. (KL)

## Teen Clay Workshop

### with The Purple Paintbrush

Ages 11 – 15

**Monday, March 25**

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room*

*221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/child:** \$48 residents, \$63 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, March 19

Join Kristin Bailey from The Purple Paintbrush to get creative with clay. This program will include a review of clay tools and techniques as well as time for participants to sketch potential creations using their two pounds of clay. Glazing will be done during this session as well. Projects will be functional, but not food safe. (AB)

## Teen Drawing Workshop

### with The Purple Paintbrush

Ages 11 – 15

**Tuesday, March 26**

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room*

*221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/child:** \$36 residents, \$47 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Wednesday, March 20

Join Kristin Bailey from The Purple Paintbrush to learn different drawing techniques, including anime-style drawing, life drawing (cosplay is 100% welcome), and last but not least, a fun drawing game. Participants will be using recycled book pages as a drawing surface and pen/ watercolor markers, pencils and colored pencils with blenders. (AB)

## Capture the Flag & Bonfire

Ages 12 – 17

**Saturday, April 20**

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

*Grant Park, Normandy Entrance*

*501 Normandy Ridge Rd.*

**Fee/child:** \$5 residents, \$7 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Friday, April 12

The ultimate game of capture the flag! Participants will be broken into two teams. Each team will have to make it back to their side of the field with the other team's flag while protecting their own. After the winning team is determined, we will enjoy s'mores by the fire. (KF)

## Conservation Crew

Ages 12 – 17

### Wildflower Rescue

**Tuesday, April 9**

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

*Oak Creek South Park*

*790 Miamisburg-Centerville Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, April 7

Native wildflowers are growing over the path at Oak Creek South. We will dig them up and prepare to transplant them at another park. (KL)

### Wildflower Relocation

**Wednesday, April 10**

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

*Bill Yeck Park, Smith Entrance*

*2230 E. Centerville Station Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Monday, April 8

We will be transplanting spring wildflowers that were removed from Oak Creek South. (KL)

### Caterpillar Team

**Thursday, May 2**

6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room*

*221 N. Main St.*

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, April 30

Learn how to take care of the CWPD caterpillar cage residents. In addition to learning about the caterpillars and their needs, participants will have the opportunity to sign up to feed caterpillars for additional hours. (KL)



**Online resident registration begins  
Monday, February 12, 10:00 a.m.**

**Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise indicated.**

## FAMILY PROGRAMS



### Light Hike: Reptiles

Recommended for ages 8 and up

**Friday, March 8**

7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

*Hithergreen Park*

*5900 Hithergreen Dr.*

Drop in anytime from 7 – 8 p.m. for a lighted hike! In addition to the lights on the path, there will be fun reptile facts to light up with a blacklight. Bring your own flashlight. Blacklight flashlights will be available to borrow. This is a Tools to Trek program.

Registration is requested. (KL)

### National Plant a Flower Day!

All ages

**Tuesday, March 12**

6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

*6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Fee/flowerpot:** \$15 residents, \$20 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, March 5

March 12 is National Plant a Flower Day! Join us to decorate a flowerpot as a family. While it dries, we will take a hike through the meadows to look for signs of spring! We will return to our flowerpots to plant a flower of your choice.

Please register individually if your group would like more than one flowerpot. This is not a drop-off program. (KF)



### It Comes Full Circle:

#### The "Pi Day" Hike

All ages

**Thursday, March 14**

5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

*Forest Field Park*

*2100 E Centerville Station Rd.*



It's Pi Day! A whole day to celebrate our favorite never-ending number: 3.14159265... and a favorite dessert!

Join us for either an approximately 3.14-mile hike on natural and paved trails or a 1-mile hike on crushed limestone and paved paths. Staff and volunteers will guide you through the park, perfect for those just getting acquainted with Bill Yeck and Forest Field Parks and for those who have been hiking in the park for years. A limited number of custom CWPD Pi Day stickers and special treats will be available at the end!

Walk-up registration is permitted for this program. Preregistration is requested so we can plan accurately.

Please dress for natural trails and bring water. Strollers are not recommended on natural trails. This is a Tools to Trek program. (AS)



### Eggstravaganza!

Recommended for families with children ages 8 and under

**Saturday, March 16**

9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (staggered start times)

*Bill Yeck Park, Smith House*

*2230 E. Centerville Station Rd.*

**Fee/family:** \$9 residents, \$12 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, March 12

Celebrate spring by learning about animals that lay eggs. Search for and collect an egg from twelve stations and turn them in for a prize! Each egg will represent an animal you can find in your parks. Glen Helen Raptor Center will be bringing some feathered friends. The trail and stations will take about 45 minutes to 1 hour to complete. (KL)



### Beaded Jewelry

Ages 13 – 17

**Tuesday, April 16**

5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room*

*221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/child:** \$15 residents, \$20 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Thursday, April 9

This hands-on program will give participants the opportunity to create their own jewelry using a variety of techniques and supplies — including necklaces, bracelets and more. No previous experience of any kind is needed to participate. (LP)

### DIY Vase and Flower Arrangement

#### with The Purple Paintbrush

Ages 16 and up

**Friday, May 10**

4:00 – 5:45 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room*

*221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/person:** \$39 residents, \$51 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, May 5

Kick off Mother's Day weekend with a unique floral program with Kristin Bailey from The Purple Paintbrush. Students will use enamel paints to decorate glass vases and then arrange a wildflower bouquet! (AB)

Online nonresident registration begins  
Monday, February 19, 10:00 a.m.

## Wooden Egg Painting

All ages

**Tuesday, March 19**

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. **OR** 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room  
221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/family:** \$23 residents, \$30 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, March 12

Wooden eggs can be reused in your holiday traditions or used as décor. Your family will get one dozen wooden eggs to paint and personalize. During the painting process, the instructor will showcase replica bird eggs. Price includes one dozen 2.5-inch flat-bottomed eggs. Paint is provided. (KL)



## Dancing Woodcocks

Ages 8 and up

**Wednesday March 20**

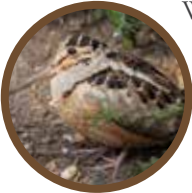
7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

*Grant Park*

*501 Normandy Ridge Rd.*

**Fee/family:** \$4 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Monday, March 18



We will head out at dusk to search for the American Woodcock and observe their spectacular dance! This is a Tools to Trek program. (KL)

## Outdoor Photography Scavenger Hunt

All ages

**Wednesday, March 27**

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

*Bill Yeck Park, Smith House*

*2230 E. Centerville Station Rd.*

**Fee/family:** \$4 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Wednesday, March 20

A fun evening for the whole family! Participants will explore the park through a photography scavenger hunt. Following the scavenger hunt, families will share photos with one another and the team with the most items found on the list will receive a prize!

All families need to bring a device to take photos, preferably one that has a screen to view the photos. Cell phone cameras are acceptable! (KF)



## Beautiful Blooms Wildflower Tour

All ages

**Saturday, April 6**

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

*Bill Yeck Park, McGuffey Meadow Entrance  
7893 Wilmington-Dayton Rd.*

**Fee/family:** \$4 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Thursday, April 4

These tiny treasures can only be seen for a short time! An instructor will lead you along the path to search for all the spring wildflowers the forests have to offer. This is a Tools to Trek program. (KL)



## Butterfly Surveys

Recommended for ages 8 and up

**Saturdays, April 20 AND/OR May 18**

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

*Grant Park*

*501 Normandy Ridge Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Thursday, April 18

**AND/OR** Thursday, May 16

Help contribute to research by joining the naturalist on butterfly surveys. Identify and count butterflies while observing other seasonal wildlife as we stroll. No experience is necessary. Trail is approximately one mile in length on uneven terrain. These are Tools to Trek programs. (KL)



## Owlexander's Tyke Hike

Recommended for ages 5 and under

**Saturday, April 20**

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

*Schoolhouse Park*

*1875 Nutt Rd.*

Follow Owlexander through the park as he helps build early literacy skills and improve physical motor skills for busy early learners. Participants will make an owl puppet to take with them on the short hike. This program is offered in partnership with the Washington-Centerville Public Library.

Registration is not required but is recommended. (KF)



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## Spring Stargazing

Ages 6 and up

**Saturday, April 20**

6:15 – 7:45 p.m. **OR** 8:00 – 9:30 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

*6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Fee/family/session:** \$5 residents, \$7 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, April 14

Let's enjoy an evening of stargazing! Boonshoft Museum of Discovery will have an indoor planetarium to view the night sky inside the Nature Nook. There will also be opportunities for various outdoor stargazing activities, including a short night hike with a naturalist.

Please register each member of the family who will be attending. The dome has limited space. (KF)



Online resident registration begins  
Monday, February 12, 10:00 a.m.

## Chalk on the Block!

All ages

**Sunday, April 21**

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

*Bill Yeck Park, Smith House  
2230 E. Centerville Station Rd.*



Welcome spring by decorating the path around the Smith House with chalk designs! Stencils and chalk are provided along with additional activities for families.

Registration is requested for planning purposes. Registered participants will receive a cancellation email in the event of inclement weather. (AB)

## Spring Into Archery:

### Family Battles

Ages 8 and up

**Sunday, April 21**

3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

*Oak Grove Park, Archery Range  
1790 E. Social Row Rd.*

**Fee/family:** \$30 residents, \$35 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Thursday, April 11

Looking for some family-friendly competition? We will learn the basics of archery and will use the skills you learn in a friendly competition against your own family! Please register just one family member. Maximum four people per family. All equipment is provided. (KF)



## Nature Fun:

### An Outdoor Family Storytime

All ages

**Mondays, April 22 & May 20**

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook  
6588 McEwen Rd.*

Families are invited to join us outside to listen to a story brought to you by the Washington-Centerville Public Library! Participate in nature-themed activities following the story. Families are encouraged to bring a blanket to sit on. All sessions are Tools to Trek programs.

Registration is not required, but is recommended. (LP)



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## Where Are Oakley and Owlexander?

All ages

**Friday, May 3 – Friday, May 31**

**Registration deadline:** Friday, May 24

Oakley and Owlexander are loose in the parks again! With the warmer weather, the two took off in hopes to find all their friends at their favorite parks. Solve the riddles to find them hidden in the parks and share your pictures with us on Facebook for a chance to win the grand champion hide-and-seek prize!

The first clue will be presented on the Centerville-Washington Park District Facebook page on Friday, May 3. Or, register to receive clues via email and get your family started on this park adventure!

(KF)



## Homesteading Ohio

Recommended for families with children ages 5 and up

**Saturday, May 4**

1:00 – 4:00 p.m. (staggered start times)

*Bill Yeck Park, Smith House  
2230 E. Centerville Station Rd.*

**Fee/family:** \$11 residents, \$15 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Thursday, May 2

Did you play Oregon Trail as a child? Join the Park District and Centerville-Washington History to experience a simulation of Centerville's founders! Your family will meet some of Washington Township's early citizens and learn about the hardships they faced traveling to the area! Pack your wagons, encounter scenarios and challenges and hunt for food. The trail is approximately one mile in length on a crushed limestone path. (KL)



## World Migratory Bird Walk

Recommended for ages 9 and up

**Saturday, May 11**

8:00 – 9:30 a.m.

*Grant Park, McEwen Entrance  
6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Thursday, May 9

Celebrate World Migratory Bird Day on a leisurely walk through the park to focus on bird identification. Bring binoculars if you have them; a limited supply will be available to borrow. This is a Tools to Trek program. (KL)



## Create Together Workshop with Now and Zen

Ages 6 and up with an adult companion  
(Adults can register as well to create their own terrarium)

**Saturday, May 11**

11:00 a.m. – noon

*Activity Center Park, Community Room  
221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/person:** \$29 residents, \$38 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, May 5

This adult and child sand art workshop is a perfect opportunity to have a fun bonding experience with your favorite little one just before Mother's Day! Kids and adults alike will enjoy being creative with sand art — with the bonus of adding live air plants. All materials are included for this fun project, including the choice of a vertical or horizontal vessel. (AB)

**New!**

Online nonresident registration begins  
Monday, February 19, 10:00 a.m.

Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise indicated.

## ADULT PROGRAMS

### Living Wall Art with Now and Zen

New!

Ages 12 and up

**Saturday, March 9**

11:00 a.m. – noon

*Activity Center Park, Community Room  
221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/person:** \$59 residents, \$77 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, March 3

Join local business Now and Zen Terrariums to create a one-of-a-kind 8" x 10" wall art project with live air plants. You will be able to select from a variety of unique embellishments to add to your piece to reflect your style and vibe! (AB)



### Succulent Terrarium with Now and Zen

New!

Ages 12 and up

**Saturday, April 6**

11:00 a.m. – noon

*Activity Center Park, Community Room  
221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/person:** \$59 residents, \$77 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, March 31

In this fun and creative workshop with Now and Zen Terrariums, you'll fill a beautiful 8" round glass vessel with an array of succulents, cacti and embellishments to create a unique indoor landscape design. All materials, care information and a box to carry your project home are included. (AB)

### Watercolor Waterfall Painting

Ages 18 and up

**Saturday, March 16**

1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room  
221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/person:** \$30 residents, \$39 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Friday, March 8

We are going to create a waterfall painting using resistance techniques. We will start with a quick warm-up exercise, then a black and white watercolor and wrap up with a full-color watercolor. Leave the class with two versions of your waterfall. Studio materials are provided to use while in the class. (KF)

### Watercolor & Ink:

*Tulips & Daffodils*

Ages 18 and up

**Saturday, April 20**

1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room  
221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/person:** \$30 residents, \$39 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Friday, April 12

Familiar with watercolor, but want to take your skills to the next level? Join us in this class and learn techniques like how to add interest to backgrounds, work with a limited palette to improve mixing skills, and work with limited brushes to improve dexterity. Studio materials are provided to use while in the class. This program is beginner/intermediate level. (KF)



### Watercolor Cactus Class

Ages 18 and up

**Saturday, May 18**

1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room  
221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/person:** \$30 residents, \$39 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Friday, May 10

Let's warm things up! We are going to create loose watercolor paintings focusing on expressive brushwork and vibrant colors. Leave the class with your finished painting. Studio materials are provided to use while in the class. (KF)

### Glass Fusing: *Wind Dancers*

Ages 16 and up

**Thursday, March 28**

6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room  
221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/person:** \$33 residents, \$43 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, March 24

Kick off the spring season with this brand-new glass fusing class. Kathy Woodruff from Busy Beaver will lead participants through the basics of glass fusing. Create three 3" squares that will be hooked together with mirrors in between to capture the spring breeze! (AB)

New!



### Glass Fusing: *Whimsical Garden Décor*

Ages 16 and up

**Thursday, April 18**

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room  
221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/person:** \$33 residents, \$43 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, April 14

Prepare your spring garden with glass décor in this brand new glass fusing class. Kathy Woodruff from Busy Beaver will lead participants through the basics of glass fusing. Create two small pieces to stake in your garden. (AB)

New!

Online resident registration begins  
Monday, February 12, 10:00 a.m.

## Glass Fusing: Spring Birch Trees

Ages 16 and up

**Thursday, May 16**

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room  
221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/person:** \$50 residents, \$65 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, May 12

Take in the sunshine and colors of spring through a 10.75" square of glass that you design with a beautiful spring birch tree scene. Kathy Woodruff from Busy Beaver will lead participants through our biggest glass fusing project of the season! (AB)



## Hike with a Naturalist

Ages 18 and up

6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

**Fee/household:** \$4 nonresidents

### April Hike

**Thursday, April 11**

*Bill Yeck Park, McGuffey Meadow Entrance  
7893 Wilmington-Dayton Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, April 9

### May Hike

**Thursday, May 16**

*Grant Park, Normandy Entrance  
501 Normandy Ridge Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, May 13

Join us on this monthly stroll through your parks. A naturalist will point out seasonal changes and discuss the wildlife we observe. Hikes are on natural paths. (KL)

## Garden Gnome Pottery Painting with The Purple Paintbrush

Ages 16 and up

**Tuesday, April 16**

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

*Bill Yeck Park, Smith House  
2230 E. Centerville Station Rd.*

**Fee/person:** \$27 residents, \$35 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Thursday, April 11

Decorate your garden! Join Kristin Bailey from The Purple Paintbrush to paint your own garden gnome. If weather allows, we will paint under the shelter and enjoy the fresh air and beautiful views. (AB)

New!



## Painting in the Landscape with The Purple Paintbrush

Ages 16 and up

**Friday, May 31**

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook  
6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Fee/person:** \$32 residents, \$42 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, May 26

Join Kristin Bailey from The Purple Paintbrush for a relaxing evening overlooking the meadow. No painting experience is required. This class is a fun and enjoyable way to learn color theory, basic drawing and observational painting with helpful tips and guidance! (AB)

## Native Plant Gardening Restores Nature (& People)

Ages 14 and up

**Saturday, April 6**

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook  
6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, April 2

We are thrilled to welcome Susan and Jon Cross! Gardening with native plants is not just a passing fad. It's a recipe for restoring habitats right in your own yard. The Crosses have successfully restored their 20 acres to its native state. Their experience models how everyone, no matter where they live, can contribute to healthy environments, clean water and the return of native species. After their presentation, we will stroll around the park and take in the beauty of nature. (KL)

New!

Online nonresident registration begins  
Monday, February 19, 10:00 a.m.

## Request a Chat With a Naturalist

Does your special interest group want to learn more about Centerville and Washington Township wildlife? Groups of 10 or more can book a naturalist to speak at their gatherings for 45 minutes to an hour. Groups are limited to two requests per year and six weeks notice is required for planning purposes. Please call (937) 433-5155 for a list of topics.



## ADULT WELLNESS



### Strollers in Motion

Adult caregivers with child 6 weeks – Pre K  
9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

*Activity Center Park  
221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/adult/session:** \$25 residents, \$33 nonresidents

#### Session A

**Mondays, March 4 – April 1**

#### Session B

**Mondays, April 15 – May 13**

Strollers in Motion is a stroller-based workout for moms, dads or other caregivers. Each total body workout incorporates power walking and strolling, strength training, balance work and toning. Strollers in Motion is an awesome way to get fit, meet new people and have fun with your little ones! And, after some classes, special activities will be planned for the children! Strollers in Motion is led by Casie Boebinger.

This program will be adapted to be outdoors, indoors, or a combination of the two depending on the weather conditions and temperatures for each day. In the event of inclement weather or freezing conditions, the program will move inside the community room. For days with above-freezing temperatures, be prepared for short periods of outdoor activity.

(AS)

### A Walk in the Park

Ages 18 and up

**Tuesdays & Thursdays, March 5 – May 30**  
9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Get outdoors, enjoy sunshine and fresh air while meeting other walking enthusiasts. These are self-guided walks around your community parks! Walking helps maintain a healthy weight, increases energy, lifts your spirits, strengthens memory and protects from heart disease and high blood pressure. Enjoy reduced stress, improved quality of sleep and the many benefits from an improved quality of life. It will be A Walk in the Park!

There is no registration deadline for this program. Join anytime!

Tuesday A Walk in the Park locations will be the same as the Trail Trekking program. View the schedule for A Walk in the Park on <https://cwpd.recdesk.com/Community/Program/> (AS)

### Hike for Your Health

Ages 18 and up

**Wednesdays, March 6 – May 29**  
9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

**Fee/person:** \$15 nonresidents

Let's get you moving outdoors this spring! What better way than through guided hikes in your parks? Staff and volunteers will lead groups for different paces. Hike for Your Health is a wonderful opportunity to meet new people and get to know some of your parks better. All hikes are on natural trails. Please wear appropriate shoes for trails that may be muddy or slick.

There is no registration deadline for this program. Join anytime!

View the schedule for Hike for Your Health on <https://cwpd.recdesk.com/Community/Program/> (AS)



### Trail Trekking Meet-Up

Ages 18 and up

**Tuesdays & Fridays, March 5 – May 31**  
9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Trekking with Nordic poles is a wonderful way to cross-train or try something new. The American Nordic Walking Association notes that this form of exercise engages 80% of your muscles while still remaining low impact.

Meet up with other trail trekking enthusiasts to trek through the parks during this self-guided meet-up program! Staff and volunteers will join in periodically.

There is no registration deadline for this program. Join anytime!

Tuesday Trail Trekking locations will be the same as the A Walk in the Park program. View the Trail Trekking schedules on <https://cwpd.recdesk.com/Community/Program/> (AS)

**You must bring your own Nordic poles if you sign up for this option.**

### Trail Trekking Meet-Up with Nordic Pole Rentals

Ages 18 and up

**Tuesdays & Fridays, March 5 – May 31**  
9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

**Fee/person:** \$15 nonresidents

Sign up to rent Nordic poles before you purchase your own set. You will be contacted to sign a borrower's permit and pick up your set for the spring. A limited number of rental poles are available. (AS)

### Trail Trekking Evening Skill Sessions

Ages 18 and up

**Tuesdays, March 12, April 16 & May 14**  
6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Meet up with other trail trekking enthusiasts to focus on refining a particular skill for each session.

**March (Oak Creek South Park):** Engaging the Core/Improving Posture

**April (Schoolhouse Park):** Stretching, Balance and Flexibility

**May (Forest Field Park):** Arm Day! Building Up Arm Muscles

Please preregister so we have an accurate prediction of attendees. (AS)

*New!*

**Online resident registration begins  
Monday, February 12, 10:00 a.m.**



**"Yoga strengthens parts of the brain that play a key role in memory, attention, awareness, thought, and language. Think of it as weightlifting for the brain."**

**Source: Harvard Health Publishing, Harvard Medical School**

## Gentle Yoga

Ages 18 and up  
10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook  
6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Fee/session/person:** \$36 residents, \$47 nonresidents

### Session A

**Tuesdays, March 5 – April 9**

**Registration deadline:** Friday, March 1

### Session B

**Tuesdays, April 16 – May 21**

**Registration deadline:** Friday, April 12

Join us for a gentler, more adaptable yoga program. This class will feature additional guidance, modifications and props to assist in supporting postures and a slower pace. Taught by certified yoga instructor Kathleen Crosby. Please bring a yoga mat and water. (AS)

## Fitness Yoga

Ages 18 and up  
6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook  
6588 McEwen Rd.*

**Fee/session/person:** \$36 residents, \$47 nonresidents

### Session A

**Wednesdays, March 6 – April 10**

**Registration deadline:** Monday, March 4

### Session B

**Wednesdays, April 17 – May 22**

**Registration deadline:** Monday, April 15

You will get it all in one fitness class — a challenging workout, yoga practice, as well as mindfulness and functional movement for vitality and longevity. All levels welcome. Taught by certified yoga instructor Dan Loofboro. Please bring a yoga mat and water. (AS)

## Yoga in the Park

Ages 18 and up

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook  
6588 McEwen Rd.*

### Session A

**Saturdays, March 9 – April 13**

7:45 – 8:45 a.m.

**Fee/person:** \$52 residents, \$67 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Wednesday, March 6

### Session B

**Saturdays, March 9 – April 13**

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

**Fee/person:** \$52 residents, \$67 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Wednesday, March 6

### Session C

**Mondays, March 11 – April 15**

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

**Fee/person:** \$52 residents, \$67 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Friday, March 8

### Session D

**Saturdays, April 20 – May 25**

7:45 – 8:45 a.m.

**Fee/person:** \$52 residents, \$67 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Wednesday, April 17

### Session E

**Saturdays, April 20 – May 25**

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

**Fee/person:** \$52 residents, \$67 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Wednesday, April 17

### Session F

**Mondays, April 22 – May 20**

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

**Fee/person:** \$43 residents, \$56 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Friday, April 19

Method Studio's Megan Lees leads these yoga classes for all levels. Classes include warm-up, breath work, standing poses, flowing poses and end with relaxation. (AS)

## Wildflower Yoga

Ages 18 and up

**Thursday, April 25**

**(Rain date: Thursday, May 2)**

6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

*Bill Yeck Park, Smith House Fire Circle  
2230 E. Centerville Station Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, April 23

Enjoy a relaxing evening of yoga while we watch the flowers bloom! Learn about our native ephemeral (short-lived) forest wildflowers after practicing breath work, standing poses, flowing poses and ending with relaxation surrounded by the spring forest. (AS)



## Campfire Yoga

Ages 18 and up

**Thursday, May 16**

**(Rain date: Thursday, May 23)**

7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

*Bill Yeck Park, Smith House Fire Circle  
2230 E. Centerville Station Rd.*

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, May 14

Celebrate the spring season with Method Yoga Studio's Megan Lees! Enjoy some downtime next to the warm and cozy fire! This outdoor yoga class will include warm-up, breath work, standing poses, flowing poses and end with relaxation around the campfire. (AS)



**Online nonresident registration begins  
Monday, February 19, 10:00 a.m.**

**Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise indicated.**

## Fitness Fusion

Ages 18 and up

**Wednesdays, March 6 – April 17**

(No class March 27)

6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room  
221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/person:** \$29 residents, \$38 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, March 3

Fitness Fusion incorporates cardio, circuit training, resistance training, pilates and compound exercises. Each class will vary in the types of exercises and will help you build speed, power, strength and endurance. We will target different muscle groups using different methods of training, allowing you to experience a jump start in fat loss and muscle definition. Modifications provided. No guts, no glory! Taught by Emily Chandler, a certified group fitness instructor. You will need a light set of weights and a towel or yoga mat. (AS)

## Dance Fitness with Emily

Ages 18 and up

**Tuesdays, April 16 – May 21**

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

*Activity Center Park, Community Room  
221 N. Main St.*

**Fee/person:** \$29 residents, \$38 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, April 14

This class is a total body workout designed to bring people (like you!) together through music and dance. We dance to various styles of music (Latin, hip hop, pop, global rhythms, etc.) which provides a good mix of low to high-intensity moves. There are no wrong moves ... just keep moving with the cues! Instructor Emily Chandler strives to make this class high-energy and a lot of fun! We can guarantee you'll leave this class feeling great! (AS)



There is another park option designed to meet your outdoor fitness needs! Try the fitness equipment at **Oak Grove Park!**

There are two types of outdoor exercise equipment at the park. The complete ENERGI™ system is for active individuals ages 13 and up. The LifeTrail® system is geared toward those ages 50 and over. The LifeTrail® system includes ADA accessible pieces.

Instructions are on the equipment. You can also use your mobile device to watch instructional videos for each piece.

Oak Grove Park, located at 1790 E. Social Row Rd., is open during daylight hours.

## Tai Chi for Wellness

Ages 18 and up

*Grant Park, Kennard Nature Nook*

*6588 McEwen Rd.*

Harvard School of Integrative Medicine tells us that the slow meditative movements, deep breathing and relaxation that is characteristic of Tai Chi practice creates a special biological state that activates our own capacity for body/mind wellness and healing. Great for stress relief, post-illness or with managing a chronic health condition. Improves coordination, balance and attention. Facilitates cardiac rehab, lowers blood pressure and helps maintain strong bones.

Tai Chi is held outdoors, moving indoors for inclement weather. (AS)

### Tai Chi Beginner

**Thursdays, March 14 – April 18**

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

**Fee/person:** \$29 residents, \$38 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Tuesday, March 12

An introduction to Tai Chi and Qigong (pronounced Chi Kung) principles and form through Tai Chi Easy — a form created by Roger Jahnke, O.M.D. — to make Tai Chi accessible and fun for everyone. Taught by Judy Wilson, Certified Integral Qigong and Tai Chi Instructor.

### Tai Chi Intermediate

**Mondays, March 11 – April 15**

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

**Fee/person:** \$29 residents, \$38 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Friday, March 8

Continuing to develop Tai Chi and Qigong principles moving from Tai Chi Easy into Dr. Jahnke's Integral Tai Chi Form. Taught by Judy Wilson, Certified Integral Qigong and Tai Chi Instructor.

## Trail Running Group

Ages 18 and up

**Wednesdays, March 13 – October 30**

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.



Join Up and Running trail leaders as you enjoy running on natural trails. This

running group is for experienced runners and includes meadows, trails and hills. Meet at the Normandy Entrance (501 Normandy Ridge Rd.) of Grant Park or the Smith Entrance (2230 E. Centerville Station Rd.) of Bill Yeck Park. Please check online schedule for dates and locations for each week. Sign up once for the entire year!

There is no registration deadline for this program. Join anytime! (AS)

**If running group is canceled due to inclement weather, Up and Running will post a notification on social media.**



## Bike Centerville Community Rides

Ages 18 and up

4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

### Ride A

**Sunday, May 5**

*Concept Park  
345 Clareridge Ln.*

**Registration deadline:** Thursday, May 2

### Ride B

**Sunday, May 19**

*Hithergreen Park  
5900 Hithergreen Dr.*

**Registration deadline:** Thursday, May 16

Take advantage of this opportunity to explore Centerville and Washington Township by bicycle. The ride will be led by trained and experienced bike leaders and will help you learn routes to shopping, parks and more! Rides will be an easy-paced 10 to 15 miles that start and end at a park. (AS)

**Online resident registration begins  
Monday, February 12, 10:00 a.m.**

**Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise indicated.**

## Pickleball Any Doubles Leagues

Ages 18 and up

6:00 p.m.

Activity Center Park

221 N. Main St.

**Fee/person:** \$20 residents, \$26 nonresidents

### Session A

**April 8 – May 8**

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, March 24

Join a Park District pickleball league and play pickleball in the parks this spring! Several levels of play allow opportunities for all abilities. All leagues are five weeks long. Five Franklin X-40 pickleballs per team are included and can be picked up from Park District Headquarters prior to league play. These for-fun leagues are open to any doubles teams (men's, women's, or mixed doubles). (AS)

Day	Level of Play
Monday	Intermediate+
Wednesday	Beginner

**There are no refunds after the pickleball schedules have been posted.**

## Pickleball Mixed Doubles Leagues

Ages 18 and up

6:00 p.m.

Activity Center Park

221 N. Main St.

**Fee/person:** \$20 residents, \$26 nonresidents

### Session A

**April 9 – May 9**

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, March 24

Join a Park District pickleball league and play pickleball in the parks this spring! Several levels of play allow opportunities for all abilities. All leagues are five weeks long. Five Franklin X-40 pickleballs per team are included and can be picked up from Park District Headquarters prior to league play. (AS)

Day	Level of Play
Tuesday	Intermediate+
Thursday	Beginner

**There are no refunds after the pickleball schedules have been posted.**

### Session B

**May 20 – June 24**

(No scheduled matches on Memorial Day)

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, May 5

**NEED A PICKLEBALL PARTNER?**  
Sign up for the 'Will Call' list and we'll match up partners when we can!

### Session B

**May 21 – June 20**

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, May 5

## Tennis Leagues

Ages 18 and up

**April 7 – June 17**

(No scheduled matches Memorial Day Weekend)

6:00 p.m.

*Various locations*

**Fee/person:** \$25 residents, \$33 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, March 24

Join a Park District tennis league and play tennis in the parks this spring! Several levels of play allow opportunities for all abilities. All leagues are 10 weeks long. (AS)

Day	Level of Play
Sunday	Men's Advanced
Monday	Men's Intermediate
Wednesday	Men's Advanced

## Kombucha Workshop

Ages 18 and up

**Saturday, April 13**

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Activity Center Park, Community Room

221 N. Main St.

**Fee/person:** \$20 residents, \$26 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Wednesday, April 10

Learn all about kombucha's health benefits and how to make it yourself! Join Holistic Health Coach Michelle Daniel of The Lifestyle Technique as you walk through the basics of kombucha, nutrition, and a healthy lifestyle. (AS)

## Healthy Charcuterie Boards and Small Bites How-To

Ages 18 and up

**Thursday, May 9**

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Activity Center Park, Community Room

221 N. Main St.

**Fee/person:** \$38 residents, \$50 nonresidents

**Registration deadline:** Sunday, May 5

Learn how adding or swapping simple nutritional options can add up to a healthier lifestyle: charcuterie style! Join Holistic Health Coach Michelle Daniel of The Lifestyle Technique as you learn some basics of nutrition and how you can incorporate them into your next board. Gather with others and have fun preparing your own make-and-take charcuterie board and learning a few small bites recipes! (AS)



Online nonresident registration begins  
Monday, February 19, 10:00 a.m.

The Park District is made up of 51 community, nature and neighborhood parks. Visit [www.cwpd.org](http://www.cwpd.org) for detailed information and a map to each park.

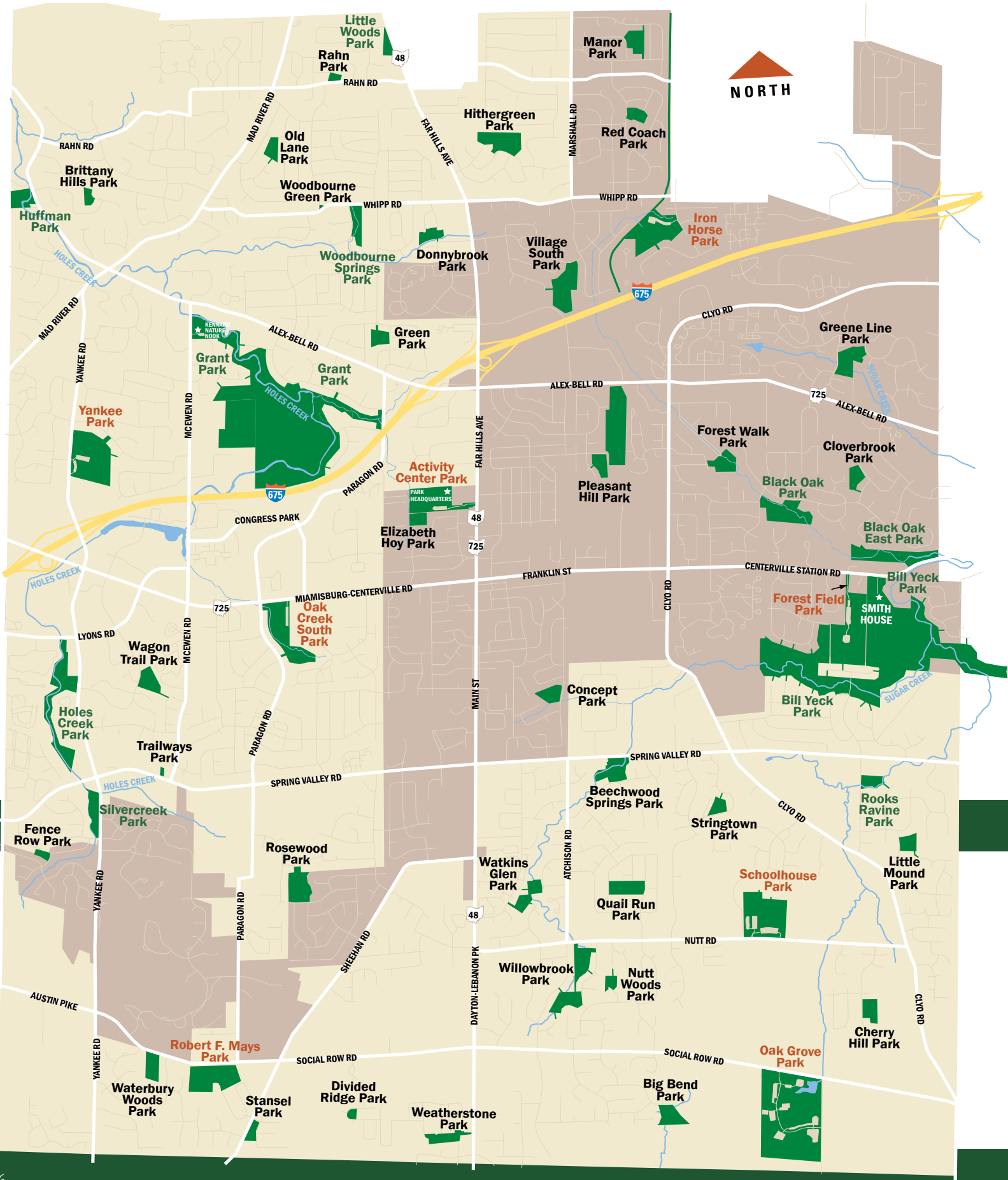
Community Park

Nature Park

Neighborhood Park

City of Centerville

Washington Township



## HOW TO REGISTER



### WHY REGISTER ONLINE?

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#### You're first in line!

Online registration takes place the day before phone or walk-in registration.

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#### It's convenient

The flexibility to register and pay at your convenience, anytime, from anywhere.



#### It saves time

In less than five minutes, you can set up your account and enroll in your program.



#### It's easy

Three simple steps, and you'll be enrolled in the program of your choice.



#### It's environmentally friendly

No need to use gas driving over to register in person.

**Online resident registration  
begins February 12.**

### Online (first day of registration is online only)

Visit <https://cwprd.recdesk.com> to register. To expedite your registration, create an account prior to 10:00 a.m. on February 12. This site can be used for free programs and for fee-based programs with a debit or credit card.

**Registration for the camps on page 4 – 10 begins online April 8. The first day of registration is online only.**

### By Phone

Call us at (937) 433-5155 Monday – Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please have your credit card ready for fee-based programs. Phone registration begins one day after online registration.

### In Person

Visit Park District headquarters at 221 N. Main Street Monday – Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. You may pay with cash, check or credit card. Make checks payable to CWPDP or Centerville-Washington Park District. In person registration begins one day after online registration.

### Registration and Refund Policy

Residents may register members of their family and one other resident family.

If a program is canceled by the Park District, you will receive a full refund. If you can no longer attend a program, you may cancel seven days prior to the program's start date to receive a full refund as household credit or back to the original payment method. Cancellations made less than seven days prior to the program's start date will be offered household credit. Cancellations made during or after the program are not eligible for a refund.

### Access to All

We are committed to providing programs, services and facilities that ensure inclusive and adapted access for all. Please contact us if you require any additional modifications or support because of a disability.

### Centerville-Washington Park District Program Release

When registering for or attending any Park District program, you are required to agree to the following statement:

*In consideration of your accepting my entry or my child's entry, I hereby, for myself or my child, release, indemnify, and hold harmless the Centerville-Washington Park District, its Commissioners, Agents, Employees and Assignees from any and all liability claims, actions, demands and judgments arising out of injury or loss sustained by me or my child while participating in activities or using facilities of the Centerville-Washington Park District.*

**Online Resident Registration Begins  
Monday, February 12  
at 10:00 a.m.**

**Online Nonresident Registration Begins  
Monday, February 19  
at 10:00 a.m.**

 Please recycle this issue of News & Events when it is no longer of use to you. Thank you!

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Look inside for even more programs, including popular series programs like Outdoor Explorers and Yoga in the Park!