



Winter 2014-2015 Schedule



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A Rustle in the Quiet

In the wild spaces of Cuyahoga Valley National Park, the winter landscape is stark and hushed. With most branches naked, sounds carry farther on the crisp air. Flashes of movement stand out against the snow-draped ground and brittle brown remains of dormant plants. There are fewer places to hide.

As you travel the valley, scan grasslands and farm fields. Alert coyotes patrol their territories for small, distracted creatures. You might spot one loping in a direct line or following a meandering mouse trail. A high pounce becomes a full belly.

In the upland forests around Kendall Lake, small mixed flocks of songbirds twitter and dart between perches. Titmice, chickadees, nuthatches, and woodpeckers keep company for added protection. A high-pitched alarm call, *see*, gets everyone's attention. It's a hiker, not a hawk. All clear.

By late January, bald eagles near Station Road Bridge ready last year's nest for new eggs. The pair expands this bulky "aerie" and plugs gaps with grass. At the Bath Road Heronry, male great blues return en masse after Valentine's Day. They dicker over the colony's prime nests. Trip after trip, each enhances his treetop prize with sticks as spindly as himself. From here, he'll court passing females.

On warmer days at the Beaver Marsh, beavers emerge into the light. After long periods in their dark lodge, their internal clocks are confused. They break up melting ice so they can forage more widely. In the early morning, amorous great horned owls *hoo hoo*. At dusk, screech owls woo mates with their winnowing trills.

Abandon your cozy sofa for a few hours and indulge your curiosity. When winter lays the valley bare, wild lives are revealed.

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Take someone special on a winter train ride. There are holiday family programs, new meal services, and date nights.

Page 4 Winter Sports Center

Come to Kendall Lake Shelter to rent snowshoes, learn to cross-country ski, or warm up after sledding.

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Head out into the chill with binoculars or lanterns. Warm up inside with dramatic Campfire Tales.

Valley Highlights



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Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) encompasses 33,000 acres along the Cuyahoga River between Cleveland and Akron, Ohio. Managed by the National Park Service, CVNP combines cultural, historical, recreational, and natural activities in one setting.

Lyceum Distinguished Speakers

Fostering fresh perspectives and lasting connections, Cuyahoga Valley Institute's Lyceum series presents in-depth and engaging content from experts in history, adventure, and the natural world. Admission: \$6 adults, \$3 children ages 3 - 12. General seating. Advance sales available by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100. You may also register online at conservancyforcvnp.org. Click on Events for listings and registration links.

On lecture days, call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for up-to-date ticket availability and severe weather cancellations.

All lectures are held at Happy Days Lodge. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the program begins at 7 p.m.

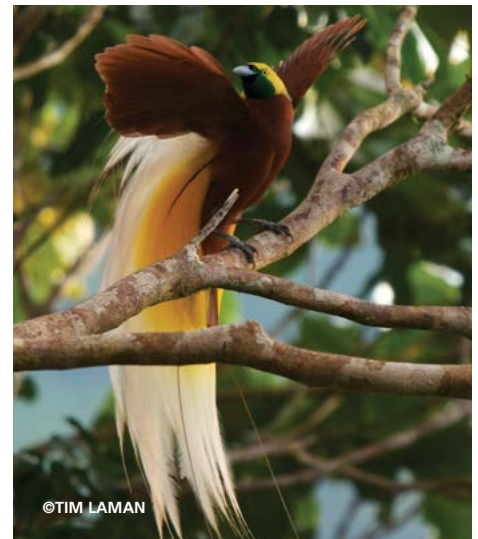
Friday, January 16 Dr. Lonnie G. Thompson: The Iceman

A paleoclimatologist and self-taught mountaineer, Dr. Lonnie Thompson has spent decades researching glaciers. His travels have taken him to some of the most rugged locations on the



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planet. Dr. Thompson states, "I believe ice is our best archive of the history of the Earth's climate. Understanding how the climate system works and has worked . . . is absolutely essential for any prediction of what's going to happen to the climate in the future." Join Dr. Thompson to discover what his work reveals. Hear about the adventure and challenge of first reaching study sites and then collecting, transporting, and interpreting sample ice cores.



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Friday, February 27 Dr. Edwin Scholes: Birds of Paradise

Dr. Edwin Scholes is a leading ornithologist at the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. In 2012 he and world-renowned photographer Tim Laman released *Birds of Paradise: Revealing the World's Most Extraordinary Birds*. This National Geographic book celebrates their monumental effort to create a complete "family portrait." It took eight years and 18 expeditions to Papua New Guinea to document all 39 species. Birds of paradise are known for extravagant plumage, crazy courtship dances, and bizarre behaviors. Join Dr. Scholes to gain insight into the challenges, adventure, and importance of cataloguing all species of one bird family.

Cuyahoga Valley National Park is part of the Ohio & Erie Canalway, a National Heritage Area. Congress designated the Canalway to help preserve and celebrate the rails, trails, landscapes, towns, and sites that grew up along the first 110 miles of the canal that helped Ohio and our nation grow. For more information, visit ohioanderiecanalway.com.



Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

“Ales on Rails” Beer-Tasting Trains

Sample five unique beers while you enjoy appetizers designed to complement each brew. Commemorative glass included. Ages 21 and older. Reservations required. Fee: \$49 - \$82. To register, call 800-468-4070 or visit cvsr.com.

Saturday, January 17
Akron Northside Station, 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 7
Rockside Station, 6:30 p.m.

“Grape Escape” Wine-Tasting Trains

Relax as you sample five unique wines, each served with a chef-prepared hors d'ouerves. Commemorative glass included. Ages 21 and older. Reservations required. Fee: \$59 - \$92. To register, call 800-468-4070 or visit cvsr.com.

Saturday, January 24
Akron Northside Station, 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 14
Rockside Station, 6:30 p.m.

The Polar Express™

Friday, November 14 through Sunday, December 21 (except November 26 and 27)

Don pajamas to hear *The Polar Express™* as we journey to the North Pole. Cookies and hot chocolate are served. Purchase tickets online at cvsr.com. See page 9 for volunteer opportunities. Presented with support from Pat Catan's/Darice.

National Park Scenic Winter Excursions

Saturdays, January 17 through February 28

Enjoy the frosty splendor of your national park from the comfort of Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad's heated vintage coach cars. Take a



Sunday Matinee: The Long, Hard Winter of 1881

Sunday, February 22
Imagine the Cuyahoga Valley Line chugging through the valley 134 years ago. Meet costumed travelers from 1881 and enjoy spectacular winter scenery. Fee: \$19 adults, \$14 seniors ages 55+ and children ages 3 - 12. Akron Northside Station, 10:45 a.m. To register, call 800-468-4070 or visit cvsr.com.

leisurely roundtrip, or get off in Peninsula to shop and dine then return on a later train. Rockside Station, 9 a.m. and 12:45 p.m. Peninsula Depot, 9:40 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 1:40 p.m. Akron Northside Station, 10:45 a.m. Fee: \$12 (ages 3 and over) includes the *Voices of the Valley* audio tour.

Hungry? For an additional fee, breakfast and lunch are served in a deluxe dining car. A full-service concession car is also available. To purchase tickets, call 800-468-4070 or visit cvsr.com.

Hike Aboard!

Saturday, January 31
Climb aboard Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad for a one-way ride followed by a ranger-led hike back. We'll trek 5 miles on the hilly, unpaved Buckeye Trail. Fee \$3 per hiker. Boston Store Visitor Center, 9:10 a.m. - noon.



Dinner Along the Cuyahoga

Enjoy a delicious dinner on board the train while you view the scenic Cuyahoga Valley National Park. For upcoming dates and tickets, call 800-468-4070 or visit cvsr.com.

Winter Sports Center

Located within Kendall Lake Shelter, the Winter Sports Center offers equipment rental and instruction. The center will be open on the following dates only when there are at least 4 inches of snow. It may be open additional days during heavy snowfall. Saturdays and Sundays, December 6 through 21 and January 3 through February 22; daily, December 26 through 31; and the holidays of January 19 (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day) and February 16 (Presidents' Day). Hours are 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Call 330-657-2752 for current snowfall depth.

Equipment Rental

Try a new snow sport! There must be at least 4 inches of snow for snowshoe rental and 6 inches of snow for cross-country ski rental. Equipment for adults and children is available. Fees: snowshoe rental \$5 (full day); ski rental \$15 (full day) and \$7.50 (3 hours).

Winter Sports Center

See details above.

Boston Store Visitor Center

Snowshoe rentals only. Daily, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., except December 25 and January 1.



Cross-Country Ski Programs

Learn to cross-country ski with a certified ski instructor. When there is at least 6 inches of snow, additional classes may be offered. Kendall Lake Shelter. For updates and to register, call 330-657-2752.

Saturday, January 3

Ski Preparation

Get ready for the new season! We'll discuss key aspects of cross-country ski preparation, including methods for waxable and non-waxable skis. Bring your own equipment if you want to practice your new skills. Fee \$10. 1:30 - 4 p.m.

Saturdays, December 27, January 10, or January 31

Beginning Cross-Country Ski Workshop

Learn the basics of cross-country skiing at our beginning workshop, held with or without snow. Free ski time follows about 2 hours of instruction. Dress for the weather. Participants are encouraged to bring their own equipment. A limited supply is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Fee \$10 with own equipment, \$15 with 3-hour rental. 9:30 - 12:30 p.m.

Saturdays, January 24 or February 7

Handling Hills

Learn how to cross-country ski on hills and novice trails. Dress for outdoor instruction and bring your own equipment. If there isn't enough snow,

this workshop will be rescheduled based on instructor availability and favorable snow conditions. Fee \$10. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Saturday, February 14

Intermediate Workshop

This workshop is designed for skiers with a good wedge or snowplow. Learn a variety of intermediate skiing techniques. Come prepared with your own equipment and ready for outdoor instruction. If there isn't enough snow, this workshop will be rescheduled based on instructor availability and snow conditions. Fee: \$10. 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.



Evergreen Forest Snowshoe

Sundays, January 4 and February 15

Discover what it is like to snowshoe through large stands of eastern white pine. Join us on this 2.5 mile moderate snowshoe hike over hills and along a plateau. Location will be given upon registration. 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. To register call 330-657-2752.

Winter Wonderland Walks

Join Park Ranger Pamela Machuga for an introduction to hiking in a relaxed atmosphere. Along each route, we'll explore the beauty and value of nature through conversation and our senses.

Sunday, January 11

2.5 miles on the hilly, unpaved Cross Country Trail. Kendall Lake Shelter, 2 - 4 p.m.

Sunday, February 8

2.75 miles on the rolling, unpaved Tree Farm Trail. Horseshoe Pond, 2 - 4 p.m.

Full Moon Hikes

Explore your national park by the light of a full moon! Listen to night sounds, look for night animals, and experience the darkness without a flashlight. Dress warmly.

Saturday, December 6

Get into the holiday spirit by hiking around a Christmas tree farm. This 2.75-mile hike is on the rolling, unpaved Tree Farm Trail. Horseshoe Pond, 7 - 8 p.m.

Monday, January 5

Take a 3.5-mile roundtrip stroll to Lock 39 on the flat, firm Towpath Trail. Canal Exploration Center, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 3

Discover the winter world around Sylvan Pond. This 1.5-mile hike is on the flat, unpaved Oak Hill Trail. Oak Hill Trailhead, 7 - 8 p.m.

Off the Beaten Path

Join a park ranger for these off-trail explorations. Sturdy waterproof shoes and drinking water are recommended.

Saturday, December 13

Behind the Marsh

Hike the edges of the Beaver Marsh to explore what lies beyond. Come prepared for a cold, soggy adventure! This 3-mile hike may be shortened depending on conditions. Ira Trailhead, 9 - 11 a.m.

Saturday, January 10

Where Is Botzum?

Look for remnants of the former village of Botzum. This 1.5-mile roundtrip stroll on the flat, firm Towpath Trail may be shortened depending on conditions. Botzum Trailhead, 9 - 10 a.m.

Saturday, February 28

Ravines at Rest

Explore ravines and ridges, starkly revealed by the naked branches of slumbering trees. Come prepared for hill scrambling and winter weather on this 3-mile trek. Blue Hen Falls Trailhead, 9 - 11 a.m.

Winter Warm-ups

Warm up with biweekly hikes on CVNP's more challenging trails. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes. Featured trails are hilly and unpaved.

Sunday, December 7

7 miles on the Salt Run, Cross Country, and Lake trails. Kendall Lake Shelter, 9 a.m. - noon.

Sunday, December 21

5.5 miles on the Buckeye and Deer Run trails. Ira Trailhead, 9 - 11:30 a.m.

Sunday, January 4

7 miles on the Wetmore area trails. Wetmore Trailhead, 9 a.m. - noon.

Sunday, January 18

7 miles on the Ledges, Boston Run, and Haskell Run trails. Ledges Shelter, 9 a.m. - noon.

Sunday, February 1

5 miles on the Perkins and Riding Run trails. Everett Covered Bridge, 9 - 11:30 a.m.

Sunday, February 15

7 miles on the Buckeye and Valley trails. NPS Park Headquarters, 9 a.m. - noon.

Winter Camp-in

Enjoy your national park in a way that few can experience: winter camping. If temperatures are above 30 or below 10 degrees, the program will be rescheduled. Additional information will be emailed upon registration. To register call 330-657-2752.

Wednesday, January 21 (meeting)

6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

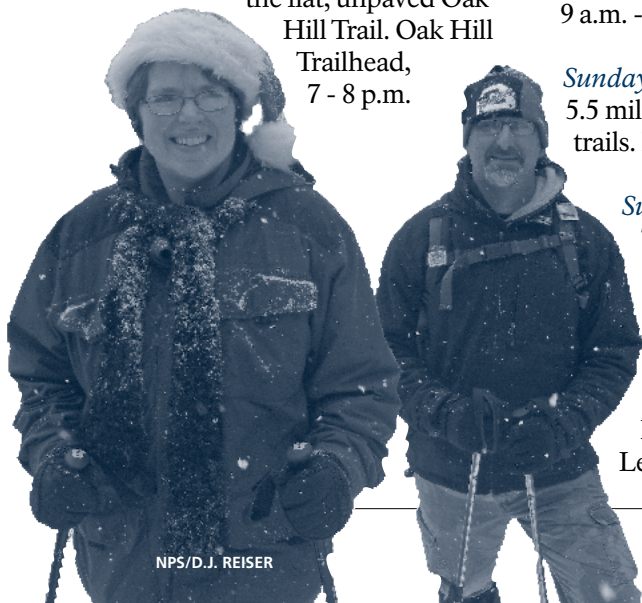
Saturday through Sunday, January 24 - 25 (trip)



Ohio Winter Special Olympics

Wednesday and Thursday, February 4 - 5

Once again, CVNP and Ohio Winter Olympics have partnered to help Special Olympians make their dreams come true. Cheer on these fine athletes as they brave freezing temperatures to compete. Special Olympics is an international organization dedicated to empowering individuals with intellectual disabilities to become productive, physically fit, and respected members of society through sports training and competition. Free to participate or to watch. Cross-country and downhill skiing events are at Brandywine Ski Resort and ice skating is at Kent State Ice Arena. For volunteer opportunities and an event schedule, call 440-717-3829.



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Music & Arts

Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Concerts

Presented by the National Park Service and the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park, Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Concerts celebrate our valley's cultural legacy. This series is made possible thanks to the generous support of Cable 9 Television, Cascade Auto Group, and the Lloyd L. and Louise K. Smith Foundation.

Single concert admission: \$17 adults, \$12 Conservancy members, \$5 children ages 3 - 12, unless otherwise noted. General seating. Pick any three regularly priced concerts in this 8-month series for one low price! Three-concert subscription: \$45 adults, \$30 Conservancy members, \$15 children ages 3 - 12. No cash refunds, but tickets may be exchanged up to 10 days before the concert. Advance sales available by calling 330-657-2909, option 4, or purchasing online at conservancyforcvnp.org. Click on Events for listings and registration.

On concert days, call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for up-to-date ticket availability and severe weather cancellations.

All concerts are held at Happy Days Lodge. Doors open at 7 p.m. and concerts begin at 8 p.m., unless otherwise noted.

Friday, December 5

Claire Lynch Bluegrass Holiday

Treat yourself to an amazing evening. Claire Lynch and her band interpret holiday classics mixed with a few unexpected tunes. Long recognized as a creative force in acoustic music, Claire Lynch continually pushes the boundaries of bluegrass. She is the reigning Female Vocalist of the Year for the International Bluegrass Music Association. Admission for this event is \$22 adults, \$17 Conservancy members, \$7.50 children ages 3 - 12.



Sunday, December 7

Cherish the Ladies: Celtic Christmas

Cherish the Ladies has shared Irish traditions with audiences worldwide for over 25 years. Tonight the Ladies put their signature on classic Christmas carols. Arrangements highlight the group's unique Celtic instrumentation, beautiful harmonies, and spectacular step dancing. Admission for this event is \$25 adults, \$23 Conservancy members, \$7.50 children ages 3 - 12. Note that this concert begins at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, January 14

The Duhks

Canadian fusion band, The Duhks, have a truly global range. They mix North American folk and bluegrass traditions with Celtic melodies and Afro-Cuban

and South American rhythms. After a two-year hiatus, the band is energized by the return of vocalist Jessee Havey and the addition of new members. Concert admission for this event is \$23 adults, \$18 Conservancy members, and \$7.50 children ages 3 - 12. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

You can extend your evening with an optional Dinner in the Valley before the concert. See page 8 for details. Register by January 7. Fee includes dinner, specialty beverage, dessert, and concert ticket.

Saturday, January 31

Billy Strings & Don Julin

This duo plays American string band music with the energy level of an extreme sport. Haunting Appalachian songs, righteous gospel standards, and blazing bluegrass instrumentals honor the musical traditions of Doc Watson, Bill Monroe, Ralph Stanley, and Jimmy Martin. This is your granddaddy's bluegrass delivered with the pedal-to-the-metal intensity of a moonshine runner.

Saturday, February 7

Mountain Heart

Mountain Heart's musical virtuosity, unmatched energy, and keen sense of entertainment have helped them forge a unique sound and stage show that appeals to broad musical tastes. It is one of the most highly awarded ensembles ever assembled and has appeared at the Grand Ole Opry more than 125 times.



Admission for this event is \$22 adults, \$17 Conservancy members, and \$7.50 children ages 3 - 12.

Friday, February 20

Mississippi Heat

The *Chicago Sun Times* has called blues band Mississippi Heat “quite simply the hottest band in Chicago.” For more than 20 years, the band has followed the unwavering vision of bandleader and composer Pierre Lacocque. Heat marries the golden sounds of 1950s Chicago Blues greats (think Muddy Waters, Howlin’ Wolf, and Jimmy Rogers) with a preference for writing original music.

Cuyahoga Valley Contra Dances

Thursdays, December 11, January 8 and 22, and February 12 and 26

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads dancers while the band Hu\$hmoney plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Comfortable clothing and shoes

recommended. Fee: \$7. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

Cuyahoga Valley House Concerts

Sundays, December 14, January 18, and February 15

For nearly two decades, violinist/fiddler Ed Caner has performed as a sideman for over 50 major acts. He is also a founding member of his own band, Hey Mavis. For our series, Ed

Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society

Part of the Conservancy, CVPS sponsors monthly presentations by locally and nationally recognized photographers as well as workshops, photo walks, and an annual show. Free, unless otherwise noted. For more information contact CVPS at info@cvps.org or the Conservancy at 330-657-2909.

Thursday, December 11

CVPS Holiday Party

Celebrate the holiday season with other CVPS members as you enjoy a casual evening with photo-loving friends. CVPS will provide pizza; members are invited to bring beverages and snacks. Guests welcome. Hines Hill Conference Center, 7 - 9 p.m.

Thursday, January 8

Tim Cooper: Creating the Realistic HDR Image

Professional photographer and master educator Tim Cooper returns to the Cuyahoga Valley. He discusses how to create true-to-life High Dynamic Range imagery with results that are beautiful and believable. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m.

Friday through Sunday, January 9 - 11

CVPS Workshop: Lightroom-Crafting the Fine Photograph

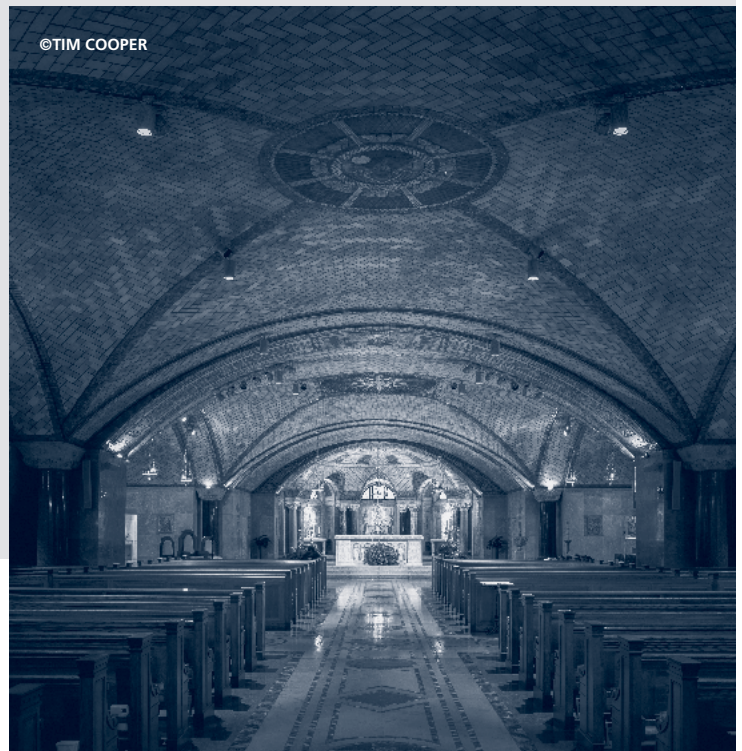
Do you want to take your post-processing skills to the next level? Join Tim Cooper, a nationally recognized photography instructor, for this hands-on workshop using Adobe Lightroom. Space is limited. Fee: \$460, \$395 CVPS members. Hines Hill Conference Center, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. daily. For additional information, visit cvps.org. To register, visit conservancyforcvnp.org and search under Events.

Thursday, February 19

Members' Show

Members of the CVPS are invited to bring up to three recent images to share. Professional photographers will be on hand to offer an optional critique. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m.

invites different guest musicians to perform with him each month. Seating is limited. Admission: \$8 general public, \$6 Conservancy members. Hines Hill Conference Center, 7 p.m. The facility is not wheelchair accessible. On concert days, call the Cultural Arts Hotline at



330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for up-to-date ticket availability and severe weather cancellations.

See page 11 for concerts and theatre on Countryside Initiative farms.

Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park



Dinner in the Valley

Each month Chef Larkin Rogers creates a delightful themed meal served in a unique park setting. For pricing and reservations (at least seven days in advance), call 330-657-2909 ext. 100 or visit conservancyforcvnp.org.

Thursday, December 4

Olde English Yuletide Celebration

Start the holiday season in grand style with our traditional English feast, complete with boar's head and plum pudding. Hines Hill Conference Center, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, January 14

Dinner and The Duhks Concert

The Duhks are coming to town! Join us before the concert for a casual winter's repast. Cost includes dinner, specialty beverage, dessert, and concert ticket. Happy Days Lodge, 6 p.m. See page 6 for concert details.

Thursday, February 12

Dinner and a Movie

Join us for the ultimate date night in CVNP. Our historic venue will be transformed into a lovely dinner theater. Come watch the romantic drama *Chocolat* while enjoying a fantastic meal by Chef Larkin Rogers. Happy Days Lodge, 6 p.m.



Trail Mix Peninsula Celebrates the Holidays

Trail Mix Peninsula and the surrounding village are celebrating the holidays. Find unique gifts from our assortment of park, train, children's, and local items. Purchase a Conservancy gift membership or create your own gift bag filled with CVNP keepsakes, including the 2015 park calendar. See conservancyforcvnp.org/stores for special holiday hours.

Saturdays and Sundays, November 29 through December 21

Join us for holiday activities including a visit with Santa and crafts for kids. Trail Mix Peninsula, 1 - 3 p.m.

Festival of Lights

Thursday, December 18 or Friday, December 19 (members only)

Light up the darkest day of the year at Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Learn why many cultures observe seasonal days of celebration during December. Enjoy a delicious meal in one of our cozy dining halls, take a magical stroll through candlelit woods, and sample holiday traditions of cultures near and far. Reservations are required. Fee: \$30 per person ages 12 and older, \$25 for Conservancy members, \$10 children ages 5 - 11. Free for children ages 4 and under. Friday night is for Conservancy for CVNP members only. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, 5:30 - 9 p.m. Dinner served at 6 p.m. on Thursday; 6 and 7:30 p.m. on Friday. To register, contact Connie Dages at 330-657-2796 ext. 100 or cdages@forcvnp.org.

Girl Scout Cadettes Weekend

Friday through Sunday, January 23 - 25

Bring your Girl Scout Cadettes for a weekend of fun! Troops will work toward their MEdia Journey, exploring the world around them and how personal stories influence perceptions. All troops must meet the required adult-to-scout ratio, and chaperones must be trained for an overnight. Cost: \$95 per scout, \$50 per adult chaperone. Fee includes programming, meals, snacks, and lodging. To register, contact Connie Dages at 330-657-2796 ext. 100 or cdages@forcvnp.org.

Save the Date!

Girl Scout Juniors Weekend

Fridays through Sundays, April 17 - 19 or May 1 - 3

Plan ahead for a fun spring getaway for your troop. Girl Scout Juniors can work toward their Get Moving! Journey. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, Friday 6 p.m. - Sunday 1 p.m. Starting in January, call 330-657-2796 ext 100 or click Events at conservancyforcvnp.org for more information and to register.

Stanford House Lodging

After a busy day of national park adventures, put your feet up and relax at Stanford House, built in 1847. The remodeled historic house is available for overnight visitor accommodations and group rentals. For more information, fees, and reservations call 330-657-2909 ext. 119.

Volunteer Opportunities

Make a Difference

Learn about CVNP's diverse volunteer opportunities including trail maintenance, resource management, and visitor services by visiting conservancyforcvnp.org and applying online. New opportunities are posted year round. For more information, contact the volunteer office at 330-657-2299 or volunteer@forcvnp.org. Winter recruitment includes the following positions.

Countryside Farmers' Markets

Grow your connection to local foods in your community. Opportunities include parking assistance, setting up and tearing down, taking photographs of market activities, performing cooking demonstrations, and playing music.

Park Ambassadors

Set up information stations in the park to talk about nature and history, go into the community for public outreach, handle snowshoe rentals, or assist with special events. Orientations are as follows at Happy Days Lodge. Preregistration is recommended.

Wednesday, February 25

7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 28

10 a.m. - noon

Polar Express Elves

Daily through Sunday, December 21

Merry individuals and groups needed to serve as elves at the North Pole (aka Peninsula). Apply online at cvsr.com/volunteer.aspx or call 800-468-4070 ext. 236.

Rail Rovers

Climb aboard CVSR and visit with passengers as they journey through the national park. Distribute brochures, share information about the valley, and answer questions as you enjoy this historic railroad.

Volunteer Orientation

Tuesday, December 2 or

Saturdays, January 10 or March 7

Do you want to volunteer at your



national park? Attend an orientation for an overview of the national park and our current volunteer opportunities. To register, call 330-657-2299 or email volunteer@forcvnp.org. 7 - 9 p.m. on 12/2; 10 a.m. - noon on 1/10 and 3/7.

certified. Program begins in March. Open house is free; program fee is \$250. Hines Hill Conference Center, 7 - 8 p.m. To register, contact Connie Dages at 330-657-2796 ext. 100 or cdages@forcvnp.org.

Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist Program Open House

Thursday, January 22

Do you have a passion for the natural world and for sharing it with others? Join us for an open house to learn about becoming an Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist. This 40-hour program covers a wide range of local natural history topics through classroom and field-based instruction. Participants must then complete 40 hours of volunteer service to become

Save the Date!

Alternative Spring Break

Friday, March 27 through Sunday, March 29

Are you a college student looking for a unique spring break experience? Discover CVNP and make a difference through service projects, guided hikes, and fun around the campfire. Lodging and meals included. For details and to register, visit conservancyforcvnp.org. Applications and the \$65 fee are due by Friday, March 13.



Nature & History



Campfire Tales

CVNP invites you to join us around a roaring fire inside Happy Days Lodge as we share tales of triumph, danger, adventure, and discovery. 7 - 8 p.m.

Friday, January 9

Roaring 20s!

Grab your flapper dress and sport your pin striped suit for this lively event. Our costumed volunteers will bring the past to life as they explore the 1920s, from prohibition to bootlegging.

Friday, February 6

Lessons in the Underground Railroad

The Underground Railroad was part historical facts, part myth. Park Ranger Pamela Machuga and costumed volunteers explore what it took to help enslaved people seeking freedom.

Lantern Hikes

Join a park ranger to explore the wonders of CVNP by lantern light. Afterwards, enjoy hot chocolate around a roaring campfire.

Friday, January 23

2.2 miles along the hilly, unpaved Ledges Trail. Ledges Shelter, 7 - 9 p.m.



Saturday, February 14

1 mile along the mostly flat, unpaved Lake Trail. Kendall Lake Shelter, 7 - 9 p.m.

Bird Watching

The stark winter landscape makes active birds easier to spot. Venture outdoors with expert and novice birders to discover for yourself why the Audubon Society of Ohio has designated CVNP as an Important Bird Area. Bring binoculars and a field guide.

Saturday, December 6

December Birds

Despite cold temperatures and limited food supplies, there are permanent residents and several northern visitors this time of year. Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar to search for wintering birds within the mixed forests surrounding Kendall Lake. Kendall Lake Shelter, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, December 14

Christmas Bird Count

Annual counts help monitor bird populations, establish which species are in the area, and alert scientists to unusual changes. Participate as a park volunteer, counting birds in the southern portion of CVNP for the Greater Akron Audubon Society. Kendall Lake Shelter, 7:30 a.m. - noon.

Saturday, January 10

Hardy Residents

Wintering birds such as purple finches, red-breasted nuthatches, and white-throated sparrows often feed on the hardwood forest edges. Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar leads the

search for northern birds along the trails surrounding Oak Hill. Oak Hill Trailhead, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, February 7

Cuyahoga Waterfowl

Despite the harsh winter weather, several aquatic birds are starting to appear in the Cuyahoga Valley. Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar to look for the common merganser, common goldeneye, and other early returning waterfowl along the Cuyahoga River. Red Lock Trailhead, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Winter Marshlands

Saturdays, December 6, January 3,

and February 7

Winter quiets the warm-weather crowds of people, calming the valley. At Beaver Marsh, some wild residents stay active while others retreat, waiting for spring. Join a park ranger for this 1.5-mile walk along the firm, flat Towpath Trail. Ira Trailhead, 2 - 3:30 p.m.



Winter at the Ledges

Saturdays, December 13, January 17, and February 21

Come see firsthand how forces in nature created and continue to change the Ledges landscape. Enjoy a 1.75-mile hike along hilly, unpaved trails of Virginia Kendall Park. Ledges Shelter, 2 - 3:30 p.m.

At ohioanderiecanalway.com, find a listing of events at partner sites throughout the Ohio & Erie Canalway. Here are highlights in and near the Cuyahoga Valley.

Peninsula Candlelight Walk

Thursday, December 4

Celebrate the Heart of the Holidays with a traditional Candlelight Walk through the Village of Peninsula. Shops, organizations, churches, museums, and restaurants will greet you with festive holiday treats, music, special activities, and good cheer. 5 - 9 p.m. For more information, visit explorepeninsula.com.

Christmas in Peninsula

Saturdays, December 6, 13, and 20

Holiday memories for the entire family are made here, with unique gift items from our galleries and shops. Meet a live reindeer, do *The Elf on the Shelf* scavenger hunt, enjoy adventures with the Grinch™, pick out a Christmas tree, and take pictures with Santa. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information, visit explorepeninsula.com.

Holiday Lantern Tours

Saturdays, December 6, 13, and 20

Sundays, December 14 and 21

Monday and Tuesday, December 22 and 23

Fridays, December 12 and 19

This 90-minute evening tour transports guests to the sights, sounds, and flavors of a long-ago Christmas Eve. Walk with lantern in hand through the village, discovering seasonal traditions and lore. Afterward, enjoy Victorian-era holiday treats in the Hale House. Fee: \$20 per person, \$15 WRHS members, \$12 children ages 3 - 12. Hale Farm & Village. First tour starts at 6 p.m. For reservations call 330-666-3711 ext.1720 or email halereservations@wrhs.org.

Mustill Store Holiday Gift Shop

Saturday, December 13 through

Tuesday, December 23

Enjoy the Cascade Locks Park

Association's annual holiday gift shop. Browse our selection while sampling complimentary holiday treats and beverages. Mustill Store. For hours and other details, call 330-374-5625 or visit cascadelocks.org.

Santa Breakfast

Saturday, December 13

Camp Manatoc invites your family to enjoy a holiday breakfast and Christmas Train display in their historic "wormy chestnut" dining hall. Fee: \$10 adults, \$6 children ages 5 - 12, free for ages 4 and under. Pictures with Santa are \$5 and include a gift. To register, leave a message with your group size at 330-657-2418 by December 10. Camp Manatoc, 8 - 11 a.m.

Countryside Conservancy

Solo at Sarah's Vineyard

Wednesdays, November 5 through April 29 (except December 24 and 31)

This Countryside Initiative farm presents solo and duo performances by local musicians. No cover charge. No outside food allowed. Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m. For more information and a complete schedule, visit sarahsvineyardwinery.com.

Countryside Farmers' Market

Saturdays, December 6, 13, and 20;

January 17 and 31; and

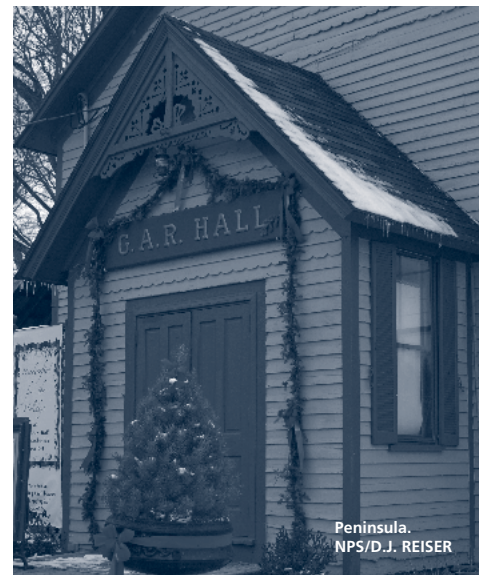
February 14 and 28

Join us at winter's warmest gathering place. Find fresh produce, sustainably raised meats, artisan bread and cheese, holiday gifts, and more—all from local vendors. Old Trail School, 9 a.m. - noon. For more information, visit cvcountryside.org.

A Cold, Cold Reading of A Christmas Carol in the Big Red Barn

Saturday, December 20

Enjoy a production of Dickens' groundbreaking novella accompanied



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by carols, hot cocoa, and Christmas cheer. Dress warmly. Fee: \$12 adults, \$8 children ages 12 and under. Canal Corners Farm & Market, 6 - 8 p.m. For more information and reservations, call 216-401-5131 or visit lanterntheatreohio.com.


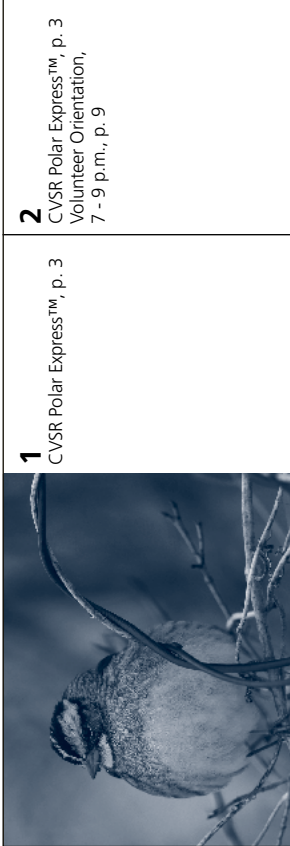
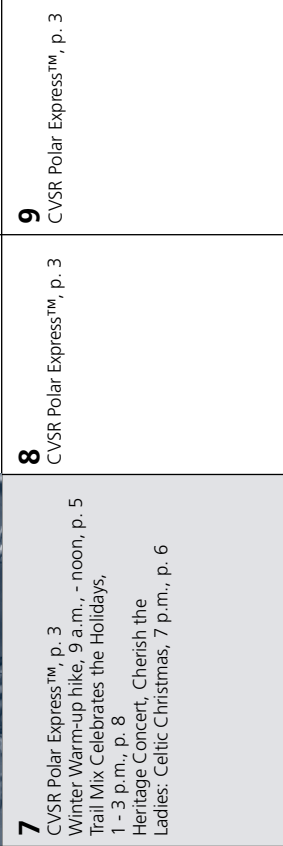
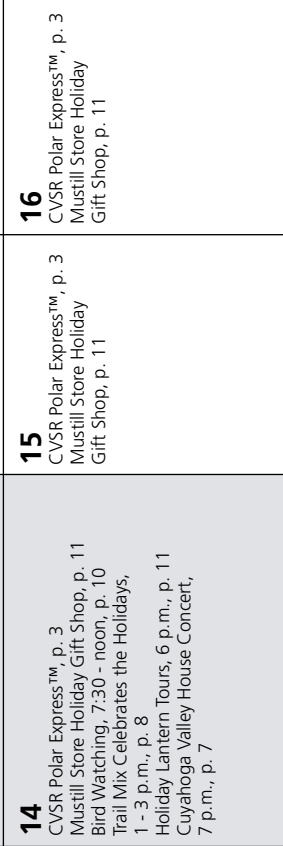
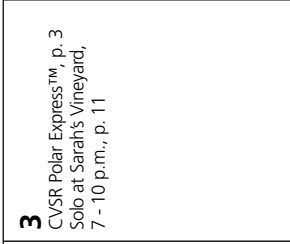
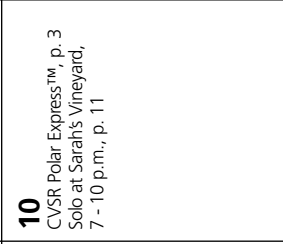
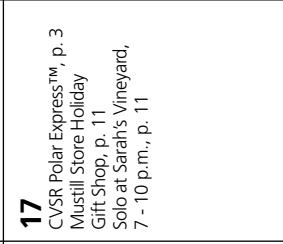




Year of the Sheep

According to the Chinese zodiac, 2015 is the Year of the Sheep. Come celebrate with The Spicy Lamb Farm. For details and directions, visit thespicylambfarm.com.

Countryside U

Countryside U is designed to inspire and inform gardeners, home cooks, farmers, and food producers in Northeast Ohio. With classes ranging from Cheesemaking 101 to Exploring the Small Farm Dream, there is something for all food enthusiasts. For a list of upcoming classes, visit cvcountryside.org.

DECEMBER 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>7 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Winter Warm-up hike, 9 a.m., - noon, p. 5 Trail Mix Celebrates the Holidays, 1 - 3 p.m., p. 8 Heritage Concert, Cherish the Ladies: Celtic Christmas, 7 p.m., p. 6</p>	<p>1 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3</p>	<p>2 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Volunteer Orientation, 7 - 9 p.m., p. 9</p>	<p>3 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Solo at Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m., p. 11</p>	<p>4 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Peninsula Candlelight Walk, 5 - 9 p.m., p. 11 Dinner in the Valley, 6 p.m., p. 8</p>	<p>5 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Heritage Concert, Claire Lynch Bluegrass Holiday, 8 p.m., p. 6</p>	<p>6 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Bird Watching, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m., p. 10 Countyside Farmers' Market, 9 a.m. - noon, p. 11 Christmas in Peninsula, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., p. 11 Trail Mix Celebrates the Holidays, 1 - 3 p.m., p. 8 Winter Marshlands, 2 - 3:30 p.m., p. 10 Holiday Lantern Tours, 6 p.m., p. 11 Full Moon Hike, 7 - 8 p.m., p. 5</p>
<p>14 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Mustill Store Holiday Gift Shop, p. 11 Bird Watching, 7:30 - noon, p. 10 Trail Mix Celebrates the Holidays, 1 - 3 p.m., p. 8 Holiday Lantern Tours, 6 p.m., p. 11 Cuyahoga Valley House Concert, 7 p.m., p. 7</p>	<p>8 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3</p>	<p>9 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3</p>	<p>10 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Solo at Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m., p. 11</p>	<p>11 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 CVPS Holiday Party, 7 - 9 p.m., p. 7 Contra Dance, 7 - 10:30 p.m., p. 7</p>	<p>12 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Holiday Lantern Tours, 6 p.m., p. 11</p>	<p>13 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Mustill Store Holiday Gift Shop, p. 11 Santa Breakfast, 8 - 11 a.m., p. 11 Off the Beaten Path hike, 9 - 11 a.m., p. 5 Countyside Farmers' Market, 9 a.m. - noon, p. 11 Christmas in Peninsula, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., p. 11 Trail Mix Celebrates the Holidays, 1 - 3 p.m., p. 8 Winter at the Ledges, 2 - 3:30 p.m., p. 10 Holiday Lantern Tours, 6 p.m., p. 11</p>
<p>21 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Mustill Store Holiday Gift Shop, p. 11 Winter Warm-up hike, 9 - 11:30 a.m., p. 5 Trail Mix Celebrates the Holidays, 1 - 3 p.m., p. 8 Holiday Lantern Tours, 6 p.m., p. 11</p>	<p>15 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Mustill Store Holiday Gift Shop, p. 11</p>	<p>16 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Mustill Store Holiday Gift Shop, p. 11</p>	<p>17 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Mustill Store Holiday Gift Shop, p. 11 Solo at Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m., p. 11</p>	<p>18 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Mustill Store Holiday Gift Shop, p. 11 Festival of Lights, 5:30 - 9 p.m., p. 8</p>	<p>19 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Mustill Store Holiday Gift Shop, p. 11 Festival of Lights, 5:30 - 9 p.m., p. 8 Holiday Lantern Tours, 6 p.m., p. 11</p>	<p>20 CVSR Polar Express™, p. 3 Christmas in Peninsula, p. 11 Mustill Store Holiday Gift Shop, p. 11 Countyside Farmers' Market, 9 a.m. - noon, p. 11 Trail Mix Celebrates the Holidays, 1 - 3 p.m., p. 8 Holiday Lantern Tours, 6 p.m., p. 11 A Cold, Cold Reading of A Christmas Carol in the Big Red Barn, 6 - 8 p.m., p. 11</p>
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JANUARY 2015

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

<p>4 Winter Warm-up hike, 9 a.m. - noon, p. 5 Evergreen Forest Snowshoe, 12:30 - 3:30 p.m., p. 4</p>	<p>5 Full Moon Hike, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., p. 5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 Solo at Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m., p. 11</p>	<p>8 CVPS Tim Cooper: Creating the Realistic-HDR Image, 7 - 9 p.m., p. 7 Contra Dance, 7 - 10:30 p.m., p. 7</p>	<p>9 CVPS Workshop: Lightroom-Crafting the Fine Photograph begins, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., p. 7 Campfire Tales, 7 - 8 p.m., p. 10</p>	<p>10 Bird Watching, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m., p. 10 Off the Beaten Path hike, 9 - 10 a.m., p. 5 Cross-Country Ski Program, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., p. 4 Volunteer Orientation, 10 a.m. - noon, p. 9</p>
<p>11 CVPS Workshop: Lightroom-Crafting the Fine Photograph ends, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., p. 7 Winter Wonderland Walk, 2 - 4 p.m., p. 5</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 Dinner in the Valley, 6 p.m., p. 8 Solo at Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m., p. 11 Heritage Concert, The Duhks, 8 p.m., p. 6</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16 Lyceum Distinguished Speaker, Dr. Lonnie G. Thompson: The Iceman, 7 p.m., p.2</p>	<p>17 CVSR regular excursions, p. 3 Countryside Farmers' Market, 9 a.m. - noon, p. 11 Winter at the Ledges, 2 - 3:30 p.m., p. 10 CVSR Beer-Tasting Train, 7 p.m., p. 3</p>
<p>18 Winter Warm-up hike, 9 a.m. - noon, p. 5 Cuyahoga Valley House Concert, 7 p.m., p. 7</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 Winter Camp-in meeting, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., p. 5 Solo at Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m., p. 11</p>	<p>22 Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist Program Open House, 7 - 8 p.m., p. 9 Contra Dance, 7 - 10:30 p.m., p. 7</p>	<p>23 Girl Scout Cadettes Weekend begins, p. 8 Lantern Hike, 7 - 9 p.m., p.10</p>	<p>24 CVSR regular excursions, p. 3 Winter Camp-in begins, p. 5 Cross-Country Ski Program, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., p. 4 CVSR Wine-Tasting Train, 7 p.m., p. 3</p>
<p>25 Winter Camp-in ends, p. 5 Girl Scout Cadettes Weekend ends, p. 8</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 Solo at Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m., p. 11</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31 CVSR regular excursions, p. 3 CVSR Hike Aboard!, 9:10 a.m. - noon, p. 3 Countryside Farmers' Market, 9 a.m. - noon, p. 11 Cross-Country Ski Program, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., p. 4 Heritage Concert, Billy Strings & Don Julin, 8 p.m., p. 6</p>

FEBRUARY 2015

Sunday

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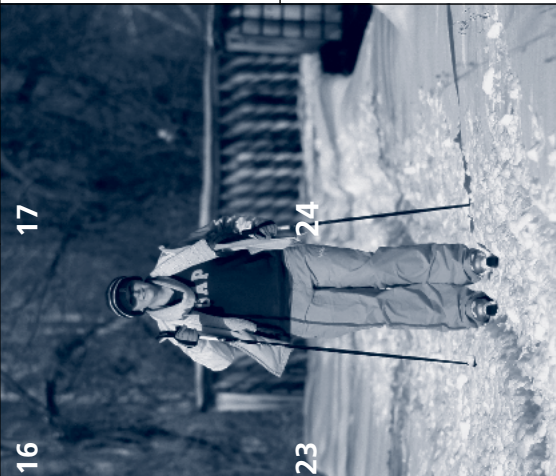
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<p>1 Winter Warm-up hike, 9 - 11:30 a.m., p. 5</p>	<p>2 </p>	<p>3 Full Moon Hike, 7 - 8 p.m., p. 5</p>	<p>4 Special Olympics, p. 5 Solo at Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m., p. 11</p>	<p>5 Special Olympics, p. 5</p>	<p>6 Campfire Tales, 7 - 8 p.m., p. 10</p>	<p>7 CVSR regular excursions, p. 3 Bird Watching, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m., p. 10 Cross-Country Ski Program, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., p. 4 Winter Marshlands, 2 - 3:30 p.m., p. 10 CVSR Beer-Tasting Train, 6:30 p.m., p. 3 Heritage Concert, Mountain Heart, 8 p.m., p. 6</p>
<p>8 Winter Wonderland Walk, 2 - 4 p.m., p. 5</p>	<p>9 </p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 Solo at Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m., p. 11</p>	<p>12 Dinner in the Valley, 6 p.m., p. 8 Contra Dance, 7 - 10:30 p.m., p. 7</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 CVSR regular excursions, p. 3 Countryside Farmers' Market, 9 a.m. - noon, p. 11 Cross-Country Ski Program, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., p. 4 CVSR Wine-Tasting Train, 6:30 p.m., p. 3 Lantern Hike, 7 - 9 p.m., p. 10</p>
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<p>22 CVSR Sunday Matinee: The Long, Hard Winter of 1881, 10:45 a.m., p. 3</p>	<p>23 </p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25 Solo at Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m., p. 11 Park Ambassador Orientation, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., p. 9</p>	<p>26 Contra Dance, 7 - 10:30 p.m., p. 7</p>	<p>27 Lyceum Distinguished Speaker, Dr. Edwin Scholes: Birds of Paradise, 7 p.m., p. 2</p>	<p>28 CVSR regular excursions, p. 3 Off the Beaten Path hike, 9 - 11 a.m., p. 5 Countryside Farmers' Market, 9 a.m. - noon, p. 11 Park Ambassador Orientation, 10 a.m. - noon, p. 9</p>
						

Program Locations



Kendall Hills.
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Akron Northside Station - 27 Ridge Street, off Howard Street in downtown Akron 44304

Blue Hen Falls Trailhead - 2001 Boston Mills Road, Peninsula 44264

Boston Store Visitor Center - 1550 Boston Mills Road, east of Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

Boston Township School House - 1775 Main Street, northeast corner of SR 303 and Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

Botzum Trailhead / Station - 2928 Riverview Road, south of Bath Road, Akron 44313

Brandywine Ski Resort - 1146 West Highland Road, Sagamore Hills 44067

Camp Manatoc - 1075 Truxell Road, just east of Akron Peninsula Road, Peninsula 44264

Canal Corners Farm & Market - 7243 Canal Road, at Tinkers Creek Road intersection, Valley View 44125

Canal Exploration Center - 7104 Canal Road, at Hillside Road intersection, Valley View 44125

Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center - 3675 Oak Hill Road, south of Major Road, Peninsula 44264

Everett Covered Bridge - 2370 Everett Road, 0.5 mile west of Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

Hale Farm & Village - 2686 Oak Hill Road, north of Ira Road, Bath 44210

Happy Days Lodge - 500 West Streetsboro Road (SR 303), 1 mile west of SR 8, Peninsula 44264

Hines Hill Conference Center and Campus - 1403 West Hines Hill Road, Peninsula 44264

Horseshoe Pond - 2075 Major Road, 1 mile west of Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

Ira Trailhead - 3801 Riverview Road, north of Ira Road, Peninsula 44264

Kendall Lake Shelter / Winter Sports Center - Truxell / Kendall Park Road, 2 miles west of Akron Cleveland Road, Peninsula 44264

Kent State Ice Arena - 650 Loop Road, Kent 44242

Ledges Shelter - Truxell / Kendall Park Road, 1 mile west of Akron Cleveland Road, Peninsula 44264

Mustill Store - within Cascade Locks Park, off West North Street, just west of Howard Street, Akron 44304

NPS Park Headquarters - 15610 Vaughn Road, at Riverview Road intersection, Brecksville 44141

Oak Hill Trailhead - 3901 Oak Hill Road, 1.3 miles south of Major Road, Peninsula 44264

Old Trail School - 2315 Ira Road, south of Oak Hill Road, Bath 44210

Peninsula Depot - 1630 Mill Street, off Akron Peninsula Road, north of SR 303, Peninsula 44264

Red Lock Trailhead - 1175 Highland Road, across from Brandywine Ski Resort, Sagamore Hills 44067

Rockside Station - 7900 Old Rockside Road, one block north of Rockside Road off Canal Road, Independence 44131

Sarah's Vineyard - 1204 West Steels Corners Road, across from Blossom Music Center, Cuyahoga Falls 44223

The Spicy Lamb Farm - 6560 Akron Peninsula Road, accessible only from Boston Mills Road, Peninsula 44264

Stanford House / Trailhead - 6093 Stanford Road, off Boston Mills Road, Peninsula 44264

Trail Mix Peninsula - 1600 West Mill Street, adjacent to Peninsula Depot, Peninsula 44264

Wetmore Trailhead - 4653 Wetmore Road, 2 miles east of Akron Peninsula Road, Peninsula 44264

Winter Sports Center - see Kendall Lake Shelter

Most park facilities and the Towpath Trail are wheelchair accessible. For accessibility information, contact 440-546-5992 or cuva_access@nps.gov.



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Plan Your Visit

FIRST STOP! Boston Store Visitor Center is where your adventure begins. Stop here to plan your park visit. There is a short park video available upon request. Daily, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. CLOSED on December 25 and January 1.

Canal Exploration Center is the park's newest attraction with exciting exhibits on the Ohio & Erie Canal. Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Winter Sports Center, located within Kendall Lake Shelter, offers winter equipment rental and instruction on select dates when there is adequate snowfall. See page 4 for details.

Special Needs?

Are you or a loved one apprehensive about participating in park activities due to a mental or physical condition? Park Ranger Arrye Rosser, the park's accessibility coordinator, can help you plan a great visit. Contact her at 440-546-5992 or cuva_access@nps.gov. Please request a sign-language interpreter two weeks before your CVNP program.

For more pre-trip information, visit nps.gov/cuva and click Plan Your Visit.

Questions?

Call 330-657-2752.



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