



# Winter 2016–2017 Schedule



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## Page 3 Music & Arts

Tap your feet at concerts in Happy Days Lodge, Hines Hill Conference Center, or Sarah’s Vineyard. Enjoy a monthly get-together with Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society.

## Page 5 Winter Sports

Go snowshoeing, learn to cross-country ski, or rent equipment at our Winter Sports Center. Cheer on Special Olympians, go downhill skiing, or try a winter hike.

## Page 7 Food & Farms

Shop at a Countryside Farmers’ Market or participate in a local food swap. Dine in style on the scenic railroad. Holiday Lantern Tours and the Festival of Lights brighten the night.



# Plan Your Visit



National Park Service  
U.S. Department of the Interior  
Cuyahoga Valley National Park

## Mailing Address

15610 Vaughn Road  
Brecksville, OH 44141

## Boston Store Visitor Center

1550 Boston Mills Road  
Peninsula, OH 44264

## Canal Exploration Center

7104 Canal Road  
Valley View, OH 44125

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## Welcome

Please join us at Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) this winter. You can observe nature, exercise outdoors, ride our scenic railroad, visit a farm, enjoy local food, attend a concert, and connect with history.

**FIRST STOP! Boston Store Visitor Center** is where your adventure begins. Stop here to plan your park visit and pick up additional publications. There is a short park video available upon request. Daily, 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**Canal Exploration Center** is the park's newest attraction, located on America's Byway. Find out how the Ohio & Erie Canal helped shape the nation. Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.



**Hunt House** is closed for winter.

**Trail Mix stores** are operated by the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park. They sell food, clothing, and souvenirs, and provide visitor information. The Peninsula store offers unique holiday shopping. Check [forcvnp.org/stores](http://forcvnp.org/stores) for current hours. Trail Mix Boston is closed for winter.



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## Special Needs?

Are you or a loved one apprehensive about participating in park activities because of a mental or physical condition? 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](mailto:cuva_access@nps.gov). If you need a sign-language interpreter  or assistive listening device , please allow two weeks before the park program. For more pre-trip information, visit [nps.gov/cuva](http://nps.gov/cuva) and click Plan Your Visit. See page 4 for hikes that offer assistive listening devices on demand.

## Overnight Lodging and Reservable Sites

Want to stay overnight in the National Park? The Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park offers Historic Stanford House and the Environmental Education Center. For more information, fees, and reservations, call 330-657-2909 ext. 119 or visit [forcvnp.org/lodging](http://forcvnp.org/lodging).

Day groups may reserve the Ledges and Octagon picnic shelters by visiting [recreation.gov](http://recreation.gov). Bookings are taken up to a year in advance. Campsites are closed and will reopen in May.

To reserve outdoor locations for weddings or running and cycling events, contact 440-546-5991 or [cuva\\_info@nps.gov](mailto:cuva_info@nps.gov). For indoor space rentals, call 330-657-2909 ext. 130 or visit [forcvnp.org/lodging](http://forcvnp.org/lodging).

**Questions? Call 330-657-2752. Email [cuva\\_info@nps.gov](mailto:cuva_info@nps.gov). Click Plan Your Visit at [nps.gov/cuva](http://nps.gov/cuva).**

## 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. The series is made possible thanks to the generous support of Cascade Auto Group, Cable 9, and Ohio Arts Council. Single concert admission, unless otherwise noted: \$20 adults, \$15 Conservancy members, \$5 children ages 3 - 12. General seating. Advance sales available until 3 p.m. on the Friday before that weekend's show. Advance sales available by calling 330-657-2909, option 4, or purchasing online at [forcvnp.org/events/concerts](http://forcvnp.org/events/concerts). On Heritage Concert days, call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 440-546-5998 after 2 p.m., for current ticket availability and severe weather cancellations.

**Note:** The three-concert subscription series option will be discontinued as of January 1. Call advance sales at 330-657-2909, option 4 if you have questions.

See calendar pages for descriptions. Happy Days Lodge, 7 p.m. doors open, 8 p.m. concert begins unless otherwise stated.

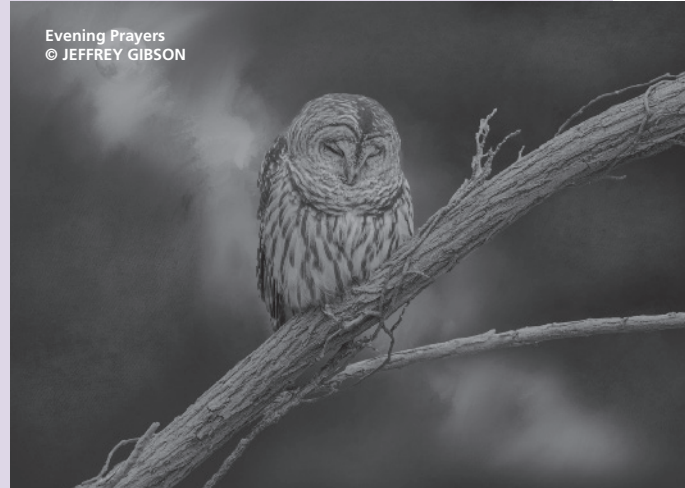
## Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society

Part of the Conservancy, the Photo Society sponsors monthly presentations by locally and nationally recognized photographers as well as workshops, photo walks, and an annual contest. See calendar pages for descriptions and locations. Free, 7 - 9 p.m. For more information contact the Photo Society at [info@cvps.org](mailto:info@cvps.org) or the Conservancy at 330-657-2909.

*Thursday, December 8*  
**Holiday Party**

*Wednesday, January 18*  
**Art with Your iPhone: Smartphone Photography**

*Wednesday, February 15*  
**Members' Show**



*Wednesday, December 14*  
**Cherish the Ladies**  
(plus Dinner in the Valley option)  
Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

*Friday, February 10*  
**Mountain Heart**

*Saturday, February 18*  
**The Honey Dewdrops**

*Thursday, February 23*  
**Solas**

## Cuyahoga Valley House Concerts

*Sundays, December 11, January 22, and February 19*

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 invites different guest musicians to perform with him each month. Admission: \$10 general public, \$8 Conservancy members. Advance sales available by calling 330-657-2909, option 4, or purchasing online at [forcvnp.org/events/concerts](http://forcvnp.org/events/concerts) Hines Hill Conference Center, 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Seating is limited. The facility is not wheelchair accessible.

## Solo at Sarah's Vineyard

*Wednesdays through April 27*

Enjoy the sounds of local musicians in our 1840s post-and-beam tasting room. The series at this Countryside Initiative farm continues through spring. Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m. Free admission. For more information, call 330-929-8057 or visit [sarahsvineyardwinery.com](http://sarahsvineyardwinery.com).







# I Like to Hike, Learn & Volunteer




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## Ranger-Led Hikes

We offer hiking series for a variety of skill levels and interests. Use the summaries below to decide what's right for you. Program details are on the calendar pages. The symbol  means assistive listening devices are available upon demand. For more information, call 330-657-2752.

 **Full Moon Hikes** let you experience the beauty of winter nights without a flashlight. Trails vary. Leisurely pace. December 13, January 12, and February 11.

 **Lantern Hikes** explore the wonders of the national park by lantern light. Afterwards, enjoy hot chocolate around a roaring campfire. Trails vary. Leisurely pace. January 20 and February 18.

**Off the Beaten Path** takes you off trail to explore the park's hidden gems. Trails vary. Moderate pace. December 10, January 7, and February 4.

**Winter Warm-ups** is a fitness series on CVNP's more difficult, hilly trails. Fast pace. Select Sundays.

See page 6 for Hike Aboard! See December 3 and 18, January 7, and February 4 on the calendar for volunteer-led Bird Watching. The Cookie Burner hike is December 28. Campfire Tales are January 13 and February 24.

## Become a Junior Ranger

Kids can earn a badge this winter. See calendar for program descriptions. To register, call 330-657-2796 ext. 100.

**Junior Ranger, Jr.** (for ages 4 - 6)  
*Saturdays, January 14 and February 11*

**Junior Ranger** (for ages 7 - 12)  
*Saturdays, January 14 and February 18*

## Lyceum Distinguished Speakers

This Cuyahoga Valley Institute series presents in-depth and engaging content from experts in history, adventure, and the natural world. Admission: \$8 adults, \$3 children ages 3 - 12. General seating. Advance sales are available by calling 330-657-2909, option 4. Purchase online at [forcvnp.org/events/lyceum](http://forcvnp.org/events/lyceum). See calendar for program descriptions. Happy Days Lodge, 6 p.m. doors open, 7 p.m. program.

*Friday, January 27*  
**Terry Seidel: Art and the Creation of the National Park Service**

*Saturday, February 25*  
**David Stradling:  
The Cuyahoga River Fire and  
Cleveland's Urban Crisis**

## Save the Date! Alternative Spring Break

*Friday through Sunday,  
March 24 - 26*  
College students can discover CVNP and make a difference. Lodging and meals included. For details and to register, visit [conservancy.org/alternativespringbreak](http://conservancy.org/alternativespringbreak). Applications and the \$65 fee are due by March 10.

Want to make a difference? To learn about CVNP's diverse seasonal and long-term volunteer opportunities, visit [nps.gov/cuva](http://nps.gov/cuva) and click Get Involved and Volunteer. New opportunities are posted year round. For more information, registration, and locations, call the volunteer office at 330-657-2299.

## Become a Trailblazer

*Monday, December 12*  
Learn about the park's hike, bike, and horse patrol that educates and assists visitors. Must be available for 27 hours of initial training and a 40-hour annual time commitment. Happy Days Lodge. 6 p.m.

## Volunteer Orientation

*Thursday, January 5*  
See calendar for description. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Register online at [forcvnp.org/events/volunteer-opportunities](http://forcvnp.org/events/volunteer-opportunities).

## Become a Park Ambassador

*Saturday, January 7 or Wednesday, January 11*  
Want to do the rewarding work of a park ranger? These volunteers may engage visitors in nature and history at trailside spots, invite visitors to the park at community events, handle snowshoe rentals, or assist with special events. Happy Days Lodge. See calendar for times.

## Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist Program Open House

*Thursday, January 26*  
Do you have a passion for the natural world and for sharing it with others? Consider becoming an Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist. Training begins in April. Hines Hill Conference Center, 7 - 8 p.m. For information, call 330-657-2909 ext. 133 or [cauerbach-brown@forcvnp.org](mailto:cauerbach-brown@forcvnp.org).



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 is at least 4 inches of snow. It may be open additional days during heavy snowfall. Saturdays and Sundays December 10 - 18, and January 7 - February 26. Daily, December 19 - January 1 (except Christmas). Also on Monday holidays, January 16 and February 20. 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Call 330-657-2752 for current snow depth.

## Equipment Rental

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

## Winter Sports Center

See details on the left.

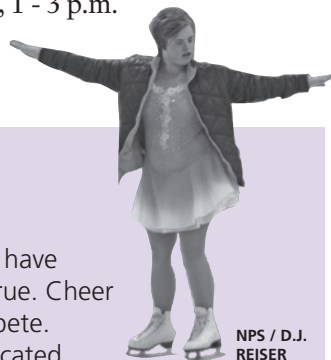
## Boston Store Visitor Center

Snowshoe rentals only. Daily, 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., except December 25 and January 1.

## Ranger-Led Snowshoe Hikes

Saturdays, December 17 through February 25

Learn a new skill or just get out and enjoy the winter's beauty on snowshoes. Trails vary. Moderate pace. Program is free. Rentals available. Program will be cancelled if there is less than four inches of snow. Kendall Lake Shelter, 1 - 3 p.m.



## Ohio Winter Special Olympics

Wednesday and Thursday, February 1 - 2

Once again, CVNP and Ohio Winter Special Olympics have partnered to help athletes make their dreams come true. Cheer them on 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 440-717-3840.

## Winter Safety Tips

Winter can be a beautiful time of year to explore, but has its risks. Here are tips to keep you safe:

- Ski, snowshoe, or hike in groups.
- Always tell someone your destination and when to expect you back.
- Trails are often icy. Wear sturdy boots and consider hiking poles.
- Carry water in an insulated bottle, high-energy snacks, and an extra layer of clothing.



## Learn to Cross-Country Ski

Saturdays, January 7 and 21, and February 4 and 18

Learn the basics of cross-country skiing. No experience necessary. Program will be canceled if there is less than six inches of snow. Free instruction. Rentals are available on a first come, first-served basis. Kendall Lake Shelter, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. For updates and to register, call 330-657-2752.

## Boston Mills and Brandywine Ski Resorts

For details and fees, visit [bmbw.com](http://bmbw.com) or call 330-467-2242.

## Skiing and Snowboarding

Boston Mills and Brandywine serve skiers and snowboarders of all ages and skill levels. Take a gentle glide down the beginner slopes or challenge yourself on the advanced slopes and moguls. Equipment rental is available.

## Polar Blast Tubing

Snow tubing is like sledding, but better! Conveyors take you and your rental tube back to the top, making more time for fun.



# I Like Train Rides

Climb aboard for adventures in the national park and Ohio & Erie Canalway. To purchase Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad Tickets, call 800-468-4070 or visit [cvsr.com](http://cvsr.com). If someone in your party uses a wheelchair, call extension 1 to request seats in the car with a lift.

## Hike Aboard!

Journey through the national park by train and hike back. Fast pace. Fee: \$3 per hiker (pay upon boarding). Boston Store Visitor Center.

*Saturday, January 28*

5 challenging miles on the Buckeye Trail.  
9:15 a.m.

*Saturday, February 25*

6 challenging miles on the Buckeye Trail.  
11:20 a.m.



## The Polar Express™

*Daily through Tuesday, December 20*

Experience the magic of the holiday season! Wear pajamas to hear a reading of *The Polar Express™* as we journey to the North Pole. Tickets at [cvsr.com](http://cvsr.com).

## Schedule Your Own Holiday Party on the Caboose

Are you looking for a unique place to host your holiday party this year? Take a ride in our cozy caboose! This 10-seat car has a wood burning stove and offers an intimate space for your next get-together. Passengers can experience the magic of the North Pole from the comfort of a private car.

The caboose departs from the Akron Northside Station only and is NOT part of *The Polar Express™* program. To learn more about private rentals, contact 800-468-4070 ext. 1.



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## National Park Scenic Day Pass

*There are no National Park Scenic Excursions in December Saturdays January 21 through February 25*

Travel through Cuyahoga Valley National Park to view wildlife and scenery in the comfort of our climate-controlled train cars. The day pass allows you to get on and off. Spend a day exploring or just a few hours. Visit [cvsr.com](http://cvsr.com) for recommended itineraries to match your interests, fitness level, and schedule. Please arrive 20 minutes before the departure time. Fee (coach): \$ 15 adults, \$10 children ages 3 - 12. Includes *Voices of the Valley* audio tour.

Station	South	North	South	North
Rockside	9:00	12:20	12:55	4:15
Canal Exploration Center	9:05	12:15	1:00	4:10
Brecksville	9:20	12:00	1:15	3:55
Boston Mill	9:35	11:45	1:30	3:40
Peninsula	9:45	11:40	1:45	3:35
Indigo Lake	10:05	11:20	2:00	3:15
Botzum	10:15	11:10	2:10	3:05
Big Bend	10:25	11:00	2:20	2:55
Akron Northside	10:35	10:50	2:30	2:45

## Mornings on the Saint Lucie

*Saturdays, January 21 through February 25*

Enjoy a relaxing morning along the Cuyahoga River in the Saint Lucie Sound luxury car! Sit back, unwind, and have a continental breakfast as you make your way through Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Ages 21 and over. Coffee, juice, and other beverages are available throughout your train ride. A cash bar serves mimosas and Bloody Marys. Fee: \$35. Rockside Station, 9 a.m. and Akron Northside Station, 10:50 a.m.

## “Grape Escape” Wine-Tasting Train

*Saturdays, January 21 and February 11*

Sample five delicious wines, paired with chef-prepared appetizers.

Commemorative glasses are included with your ticket. See the calendar for times and the website for themes. Tickets required. Ages 21 and older. Fee: \$60 - \$96. Rockside Station, 7 - 9 p.m. To register visit [cvsr.com](http://cvsr.com).

## “Ales on Rails” Beer-Tasting Train

*Saturdays, January 28 and February 18*

Climb on board and experience the park in a new way! Sample five different brews while you enjoy chef prepared appetizers. Commemorative glasses are included with your ticket. See the calendar for times and the website for themes. Tickets required. Ages 21 and older. Fee: \$50 - \$94. Rockside Station, 7 - 9 p.m. To register visit [cvsr.com](http://cvsr.com).

See page 7 for Breakfast and Lunch Along the Cuyahoga

## Countryside Initiative Farms

There are currently 11 active Countryside Initiative farms within the national park. Committed to sustainable agriculture, the farms' products vary seasonally. For more information visit [cvcountryside.org](http://cvcountryside.org).

## Countryside Farmers' Market

*Saturdays, December 3, 10, and 17; January 14 and 28; and February 18*  
Come taste winter's harvest at our indoor market. Ohio farmers and food entrepreneurs produce local, healthy foods year-round - even fresh produce! Old Trail School, 9 a.m. - noon. For details visit [cvcountryside.org](http://cvcountryside.org).

## Holiday Lantern Tours

*Saturdays, December 3, 10, and 17; Fridays, December 9, 16, and 23; Sunday, December 18; Tuesday, December 20; Wednesday, December 21; and Thursday, December 22*

Stroll by candlelight. Experience the sights, sounds, and flavors of the holiday season as celebrated in the 1800s Western Reserve. Afterwards, sample holiday treats. Fee: \$20 adults, \$12 children ages 3 - 12, \$15 WRHS members. Hale Farm & Village. Tours depart every 20 minutes beginning at 5:40 p.m. Reservations required. Call 330-666-3711 ext. 1720, or email [halereservations@wrhs.org](mailto:halereservations@wrhs.org).

## Dinner in the Valley

*Wednesday, December 14, Thursday, January 26, and Tuesday, February 14*  
Enjoy a meal featuring local foods, crafted by the Conservancy's Chef Larkin, in a gorgeous park setting. See calendar for locations, descriptions, and fees. 6 p.m. Reservations required; call 330-657-2909 ext. 100 or visit [forcvnp.org/div](http://forcvnp.org/div).

## Festival of Lights

*Thursday, December 15, or Friday, December 16 (Conservancy members only)*  
Learn why many cultures observe



seasonal days of celebration during the month of December. Take a magical stroll through candlelit woods. Sample the holiday traditions of cultures near and far. Reservations required. Fee: \$30 per person ages 12 and older, \$25 Conservancy members, \$10 children ages 5-11. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center. See calendar for times. For more information and to register, visit [forcvnp.org/festivaloflights](http://forcvnp.org/festivaloflights) or call 330-657-2796 ext. 100.

## A Cold, Cold Reading of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol

*Saturday, December 17*  
Enjoy a production of Dickens' groundbreaking novella at the Big Red Barn. Carols, hot cocoa, baked goods, and Christmas cheer sweeten the night. Dress warmly. Fee: \$12 adults, \$8 children ages 12 and younger. Canal Corners Farm & Market, 6 - 8 p.m. For details and reservations, call 216-401-5131.

## Visit The Spicy Lamb Farm

*Sunday, December 18*  
*Saturdays, January 21 and February 25*  
For details and directions to this Countryside Initiative farm, visit [thespicylamb.com](http://thespicylamb.com). See calendar for program dates and descriptions. 2 - 4 p.m.

## Countryside Local Food Swaps

*Tuesdays, December 20, January 17, and February 21*

Swaps are gatherings of cooks, bakers, brewers, growers, and general DIYers. Participants bring homemade and homegrown items to swap via silent-auction-style bidding. Swaps are held on the third Tuesday of each month and are free. 7 p.m. Go to the Countryside Local Food Swap page on our website to learn more about the swaps and get answers to frequently asked questions. Visit [cvcountryside.org](http://cvcountryside.org).

## Breakfast and Lunch Along the Cuyahoga

*Saturdays, January 21 through February 25*  
Enjoy a four-course breakfast or lunch, catered by Creekside Restaurant, while you travel the rails through Cuyahoga Valley National Park! Join us on Saturdays or Sundays for a beautifully prepared meal. Fee (breakfast/lunch): \$30/\$32 adult, \$25/\$27 children ages 12 and under. Rockside Station, 9 a.m. or 12:55 p.m., Akron Northside Station 10:50 a.m. For tickets, visit [cvsr.com](http://cvsr.com).

See page 3 for Solo at Sarah's Vineyard. See page 6 for Ales on Rails and Grape Escape.



# December Calendar

## Thursday, December 1

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

### Peninsula Candlelight Walk

Celebrate the heart of the holidays with a traditional candlelight walk through the historic Village of Peninsula. Shops, organizations, churches, museums, and restaurants provide festive holiday treats, music, activities, and good cheer. Wear your “ugly” Christmas sweaters, start your holiday shopping, and join us for the official lighting of the village tree. 4 - 8 p.m. For more information visit [explorepenninsula.com](http://explorepenninsula.com).

## Friday, December 2

### The Polar Express™

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## Saturday, December 3

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

### Christmas in Peninsula

Visit with live reindeer, go on a vintage elf scavenger hunt, and enjoy adventures with the Grinch. Buy your Christmas tree, do holiday shopping, attend a craft show, and take pictures with Santa. The G.A.R. “Holiday Hall” will serve cookies, host Mrs. Claus, and provide holiday music. For details, visit [explorepenninsula.com](http://explorepenninsula.com).

### Bird Watching: December Birds

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.



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### Countryside Farmers' Market

9 a.m. - noon. See page 7.

### Holiday Lantern Tours

First tour starts at 5:40 p.m. See page 7.

## Sunday, December 4

### The Polar Express™

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## Monday, December 5

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

## Tuesday, December 6

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

## Wednesday, December 7

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

### Solo at Sarah's Vineyard

7 - 10 p.m. See page 3.

## Thursday, December 8

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

### Photo Society: Holiday Party

The Photo Society provides pizza. Members are invited to bring additional snacks and beverages. Guests and new visitors are welcome. Hines Hill Conference Center, 7 - 9 p.m. See page 3.

## Friday, December 9

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

### Holiday Lantern Tours

First tour starts at 5:40 p.m. See page 7.

## Saturday, December 10

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

### Christmas in Peninsula

See December 3.

### Off the Beaten Path: Farmstead Footprints

Join Ranger Rebecca Macko to explore the remnants of farms and learn their stories. Moderately strenuous 3.5-mile hike on and off trail. Be prepared to carpool. NPS Headquarters, 9 - 11 a.m. See page 4.

### Countryside Farmers' Market

9 a.m. - noon. See page 7.

### Holiday Lantern Tours

First tour starts at 5:40 p.m. See page 7.



Hike at Park Headquarters  
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# December Calendar

## Sunday, December 11

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

### Winter Warm-ups Hike

Challenge yourself on the unpaved, hilly terrain of the Salt Run, Cross Country, and Lake trails. Fast pace. 7 miles. Kendall Lake Shelter, 9 a.m. - noon. See page 4.

### Cuyahoga Valley House Concert

7 p.m., see page 3.

## Monday, December 12

### Trailblazers Informational Meeting

Happy Days Lodge. 6 p.m. See page 4.

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

## Tuesday, December 13

### Full Moon Hike

Extend 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, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. See page 4.

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

## Wednesday, December 14

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

### Solo at Sarah's Vineyard

7 - 10 p.m. See page 3.



### Heritage Concert: Cherish the Ladies

With their spectacular blend of virtuoso instrumental talents, beautiful vocals, captivating arrangements, and stunning step dancing, Cherish the Ladies combines all the facets of Irish traditional culture and presents it in an immensely humorous and entertaining package. They have shared the stage with such visionaries as James Taylor, Joan Baez, Emmy Lou Harris, and The Chieftains. Named after the title of a traditional Irish jig, Cherish the Ladies is one of the most engaging musical groups in music today. Fee: \$28 adults, \$25 Conservancy members, \$7.50 children ages 3 - 12. 8 p.m. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. See page 3.

Extend your evening with an optional **Dinner in the Valley: Holiday Cocktail Soirée**. Enjoy cocktails and generous hors d'oeuvres while Chef Larkin shows how to make trucs, lagniappes, and festive cocktails for your own shindig. Our parting gifts to you: a book of recipes and tips from our kitchen to yours and priority seating at the concert. Register by December 7. Fee: \$85, \$77 Conservancy members (includes concert ticket). Must be 21 years or older. Happy Days Lodge, 6 p.m.

## Thursday, December 15

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

### Festival of Lights

5:30 - 9 p.m. Dinner served at 6 p.m. See page 7.

## Friday, December 16

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

### Festival of Lights

5:30 - 9 p.m. Dinner served at 6 and 7:30 p.m. See page 7.

### Holiday Lantern Tours

First tour starts at 5:40 p.m. See page 7.

## Saturday, December 17

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

### Christmas in Peninsula

See December 3.

### Countryside Farmers' Market

9 a.m. - noon. See page 7.

### Snowshoe Hike

1 - 3 p.m. See page 5.

### Holiday Lantern Tours

First tour starts at 5:40 p.m. See page 7.

### The Lantern Theatre: A Cold, Cold Reading of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*

6 - 8 p.m. See page 7.





# December Calendar



Hiking on the Lake Trail  
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## Sunday, December 18

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

### Annual 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.

Walking terrain will vary by location.  
Kendall Lake Shelter, 7:30 a.m. - noon.

### Winter Warm-ups Hike

Challenge yourself on the unpaved, hilly terrain of the Buckeye and Deer Run trails. Fast pace. 5.5 miles. Ira Trailhead, 9 - 11 a.m. See page 4.

### Away in the Manger

Stop by and see the sheep “away in the manger.” Enjoy last-minute holiday discounts on our products and gift certificates. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 2 - 4 p.m. See page 7.

### Holiday Lantern Tours

First tour starts at 5:40 p.m. See page 7.

## Monday, December 19

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

## Tuesday, December 20

### The Polar Express™

See page 6.

### Holiday Lantern Tours

First tour starts at 5:40 p.m. See page 7.

### Countryside Local Food Swap

7 p.m. See page 7.

## Wednesday, December 21

### Holiday Lantern Tours

First tour starts at 5:40 p.m. See page 7.

### Solo at Sarah's Vineyard

7 - 10 p.m. See page 3.

## Thursday, December 22

### Holiday Lantern Tours

First tour starts at 5:40 p.m. See page 7.

## Friday, December 23

### Holiday Lantern Tours

First tour starts at 5:40 p.m. See page 7.

## Saturday December 24

### Snowshoe Hike

1 - 3 p.m. See page 5.

## Wednesday, December 28

### Cookie Burner

Burn off the holiday cookies and calories on a 7-mile roundtrip hike. Sturdy shoes and appropriate cold weather gear recommended. Fast pace. NPS Headquarters. 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

### Solo at Sarah's Vineyard

7 - 10 p.m. See page 3.

## Saturday December 31

### Snowshoe Hike

1 - 3 p.m. See page 5.



## Wednesday, January 4

**Solo at Sarah's Vineyard**  
7 - 10 p.m. See page 3.

## Thursday, January 5

### Volunteer Orientation

This orientation is for new and prospective volunteers. Learn about CVNP's mission, vision, and partners, as well as the park's expectations and standards in this classroom-style orientation. Complete within your first six months of volunteering, but it is not required before you get started. 6:30 p.m. See page 4.

## Saturday, January 7

### Bird Watching: Hardy Residents

Wintering birds such as purple finches, red-breasted nuthatches, and white-throated sparrows often feed on the hardwood forest edges. Volunteer Naturalist Dwight Chasar leads the search for northern birds along the trails surrounding Oak Hill. Oak Hill Trailhead, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

### Become a Park Ambassador

Happy Days Lodge, 10 a.m. - noon. See page 4.

### Off the Beaten Path:

#### Winter Waterways

Follow the Buckeye Trail to find winter waterways and frozen falls on this on and off trail hike with Ranger Rebecca Jones Macko. This is a moderate 3-mile hike. Dress for the weather and conditions. Hike may be shortened depending on weather. Carpooling required. Canal Exploration Center, 9 - 10:30 a.m. See page 4.

### Learn to Cross Country Ski

9:30 - 11:30 a.m. See page 5.

### Snowshoe Hike

1 - 3 p.m. See page 5.

## Sunday, January 8

### Winter Warm-ups Hike

Challenge yourself on the unpaved, hilly terrain of the Wetmore Trail System. Fast pace. 7 miles. Wetmore Trailhead, 9 a.m. - noon. See page 4.



White-throated Sparrow  
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## Wednesday, January 11

**Solo at Sarah's Vineyard**  
7 - 10 p.m. See page 3.

### Become a Park Ambassador

Happy Days Lodge, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. See page 4.

## Thursday, January 12

### Full Moon Hike

Take an easy 3.5-mile hike on the Towpath Trail between Boston and Jaite. Boston Store Visitor Center, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. See page 4.

## Friday, January 13

### Campfire Tales: Nice and Notorious

Meet the nice and the notorious characters who once lived in the Cuyahoga Valley. From bootleggers to farmers to counterfeiters, everyone had a nice and a notorious side. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 8 p.m.

## Saturday, January 14

### Junior Ranger: Snowshoe Hike

Learn about snowshoes and experience what it's like to go "snowshoeing" as we discover who else is out and about on a winter day. Must have at least 4 inches of snow. Ages 7 - 12. 10 - 11:30 a.m. See page 4.

### Countryside Farmers' Market

9 a.m. - noon. See page 7.

### Snowshoe Hike

1 - 3 p.m. See page 5.

### Junior Ranger, Jr:

#### Hibernation Happens

When the weather turns cold and snow blankets the ground, where are the animals? Find out who is sleeping and who is awake. Be prepared for a short hike to explore the pond, forest, and meadow in winter. For ages 4 - 6. 10 a.m. - noon. See page 4.

## Tuesday, January 17

### Countryside Local Food Swap

7 p.m. See page 7.

## Wednesday, January 18

### Photo Society: Art with Your iPhone—Smartphone Photography

The best camera is the one you have with you. Ian Adams has taught more than a dozen smartphone photography workshops since 2013. He will share tips on capturing, editing, and sharing your best smartphone photographs. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m. See page 3.

### Solo at Sarah's Vineyard

7 - 10 p.m. See page 3.



# January Calendar

## Friday, January 20

### Girl Scout Weekend: Cadettes

Complete activities towards Animal Helpers, Woodworker, and Field Day badges. Fee: \$95 per scout, \$50 per chaperone (includes programming, meals, snacks, and lodging). Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, Friday 5:30 p.m. to Sunday 1 p.m. For more information and to register, call 330-657-2796 ext. 100 or visit [forcvnp.org/education](http://forcvnp.org/education).

### Lantern Hike

This 2.5-mile hike by lantern light is on the rolling, unpaved Tree Farm Trail. Horseshoe Pond, 7 - 9 p.m. See page 4.

## Saturday, January 21

### Mornings on the Saint Lucie

9 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. See page 6.

### Breakfast and Lunch Along the Cuyahoga

9 a.m., 10:50 a.m., and 12:55 p.m. See page 7.

### Learn to Cross Country Ski

9:30 - 11:30 a.m. See page 5.

### Cuyahoga Valley Institute: Disappearing Four-Patch Quilting Class

Make a simple quilt that looks complicated with instructor Wendy Lewis. Ranger Rebecca Jones Macko provides a brief history of quilting in the Cuyahoga Valley. Sewing machine and basic skills required. Fee (not including supplies) \$50, \$45 Conservancy Members. Hines Hill Conference Center, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. To register, call 330-657-2909 option 4, or visit [forcvnp.org/cvi](http://forcvnp.org/cvi).

### Snowshoe Hike

1 - 3 p.m. See page 5.

### Warm Up with Wool

Celebrate winter, visit the farm, and learn about wool. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 2 - 4 p.m. See page 7.

### “Grape Escape” Wine-Tasting Train

7 - 9 p.m. See page 6.



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## Sunday, January 22

### Winter Warm-ups Hike

Challenge yourself on the unpaved, hilly terrain of the Ledges, Boston Run, and Haskel Run trails. Fast pace. 7 miles. Ledges Shelter, 9 a.m. - noon. See page 4.

### Drop-in Demonstration: Quilting

Quilting was once a necessity to keep families warm. Over time, it evolved into a social and creative outlet for the women who formed quilting groups throughout the valley. Explore the art still being created today, or share your own quilting creation. Stanford House, noon - 4 p.m.

### Cuyahoga Valley House Concert

7 p.m. See page 3.

## Wednesday, January 25

### Solo at Sarah's Vineyard

7 - 10 p.m. See page 3.

## Thursday, January 26

### Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist Open House

7 - 8 p.m. See page 4.

### Dinner in the Valley:

#### Chinese New Year Celebration

Usher in the Year of the Rooster with a traditional Chinese meal prepared by Chef Larkin Rogers. Fee: \$50, \$48 members, \$20 children ages 5 - 12.

Reservations taken through January 20. Happy Days Lodge, 6 p.m. See page 7.

## Friday, January 27

### Lyceum Distinguished Speakers: Terry Seidel, Art and the Creation of the National Park Service

Terry Seidel: director of land protection for The Nature Conservancy in Ohio, discusses the role that artists have played over the past 100 years in the establishment of the National Park Service. Highlighting works from the Hudson River School movement founded by Thomas Cole, Mr. Seidel features Cole, his followers, and other artists who have inspired and promoted what has been called “America’s best idea.” Mr. Seidel also makes connections between Ohio, these influential artists and the National Parks that we enjoy today. Happy Days Lodge, 7 p.m. See page 4.

## Saturday, January 28

### Mornings on the Saint Lucie

9 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. See page 6.

### Breakfast and Lunch Along the Cuyahoga

9 a.m., 10:50 a.m., and 12:55 p.m. See page 7.

### Countryside Farmer's Market

9 a.m. - noon. See page 7.

### Hike Aboard!

Journey through the national park by train and hike back 5 challenging miles along the unpaved, hilly Buckeye Trail. Fee \$3. Boston Store Visitor Center, 9:25 a.m. See page 6.

### Snowshoe Hike

1 - 3 p.m. See page 5.

### “Ales on Rails” Beer-Tasting Train

7 - 9 p.m. See page 6.

## Sunday, January 29

### Winter Wonderland Walk

Join Ranger Pamela Machuga and a local artist on this 2.5-mile hike to explore the beauty we find in nature. This program is presented in collaboration with the Akron Art Museum. Kendall Lake Shelter, 1 - 3 p.m.



## Wednesday, February 1

**Solo at Sarah's Vineyard**  
7 - 10 p.m. See page 3.

**Ohio Winter Special Olympics**  
See page 5.

## Thursday, February 2

**Ohio Winter Special Olympics**  
See page 5.

## Friday, February 3

### Family Weekend

Explore your national park with family and friends! Fee: \$55 adults, \$35 youth under age 18. Pre-registration required. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, Friday 5:30 p.m. to Saturday 4:30 p.m. For more information and to register, call 330-657-2796 ext. 100 or visit for [forcvnp.org/education](http://forcvnp.org/education).

## Saturday, February 4

### Bird Watching: Cuyahoga Waterfowl

Join Volunteer Naturalist 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.

**Mornings on the Saint Lucie**  
9 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. See page 6.

**Off the Beaten Path: Seeking Spring**  
Join Ranger Rebecca Jones Macko to find out if, indeed, spring will come again. Look for the first blooming plants of the season on this 2.5-mile hike. Hike may be shortened depending on trail conditions. Happy Days Lodge (main lot), 9 - 11 a.m. See page 4.

**Breakfast and Lunch Along the Cuyahoga**  
9 a.m., 10:50 a.m., and 12:55 p.m.  
See page 7.

**Learn to Cross Country Ski**  
9:30 - 11:30 a.m. See page 5.

**Snowshoe Hike**  
1 - 3 p.m. See page 5.

## Wednesday, February 8

**Solo at Sarah's Vineyard**  
7 - 10 p.m. See page 3.



## Friday, February 10

### Heritage Concert: Mountain Heart

Widely known throughout the music industry for continually redefining the boundaries of acoustic music, the band has gained legions of loyal fans. Members have appeared on the revered Grand Ole Opry stage over 130 times. With a new lineup, Mountain Heart is excited for the journey ahead. \$25 adults, \$20 Conservancy members, \$7.50 children ages 3 - 12, 8 p.m. See page 3.

## Saturday, February 11

**Mornings on the Saint Lucie**  
9 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. See page 6.

**Breakfast and Lunch Along the Cuyahoga**  
9 a.m., 10:50 a.m., and 12:55 p.m.  
See page 7.

**Snowshoe Hike**  
1 - 3 p.m. See page 5.

**Junior Ranger, Jr.: Explore the Night Sky**  
On this outer-space adventure, Junior Rangers will discover what objects are in the solar system and which ones we can view from Earth. This journey through space will include art, story, science exploration and a night hike. For ages 4 - 6. 5 - 7 p.m. See page 4.

**Full Moon Hike**  
Enjoy a 2.5-mile hike to Stumpy Basin along the firm, flat Towpath Trail. Peninsula Depot, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. See page 4.

**"Grape Escape" Wine-Tasting Train**  
7 - 9 p.m. See page 6.

## Tuesday, February 14

### Dinner in the Valley: Dinner and a Movie

Watch *Chef!* dinner-theater style! The Cuban-themed dinner will echo the food prepared in the movie, with a special spin by Chef Larkin Rogers. Fee (plus \$5 movie ticket): \$50, \$48 members. Happy Days Lodge, 6 p.m. See page 7.

## Wednesday, February 15

**Photo Society: Members' Show**  
Members are invited to bring up to three images to share. Professional photographers will be on hand to offer an optional critique. Free and open to the public. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m. See page 3.

**Solo at Sarah's Vineyard**  
7 - 10 p.m. See page 3.

## Friday, February 17

### Women in the Wild: A Women's Retreat in CVNP

Experience meaningful activities and interactions that connect you to nature, self, and each other. Fee: \$250 per person, ages 21 and older. Includes all meals, snacks, coffee/tea, lodging, and programming. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, Friday 6 p.m. to Sunday 1 p.m. For more information and to register, call 330-657-2796 ext 100, or go to [forcvnp.org/womensretreat](http://forcvnp.org/womensretreat).

# February Calendar

## Saturday, February 18

**Mornings on the Saint Lucie**  
9 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. See page 6.

**Countryside Farmers' Market**  
9 a.m. - noon. See page 7.

**Breakfast and Lunch on Along the Cuyahoga**  
9 a.m., 10:50 a.m., and 12:55 p.m.  
See page 7.

**Learn to Cross-Country Ski**  
9:30 - 11:30 a.m. See page 5.

**Snowshoe Hike**  
1 - 3 p.m. See page 5.

**Junior Ranger: Painting in the Park**  
Spend an afternoon experiencing art and nature journaling in your national park. Junior Rangers will create a journal and try out some painting techniques while observing the natural world in winter. For ages 7 - 12.  
1 - 3 p.m. See page 4.

**Lantern Hike**  
This 2.5-mile hike by lantern light is on the hilly, unpaved Cross Country Trail. Kendall Lake Shelter, 7 - 9 p.m. See page 4.

**"Ales on Rails"  
Beer-Tasting Train**  
7 - 9 p.m. See page 6.



**Heritage Concert:  
The Honey Dewdrops**  
Winners of the 2008 A Prairie Home Companion's talent show, this husband and wife duo performs fresh, original songs. Traditional Appalachian influences mix with contemporary styles for powerful new music. 8 p.m.  
See page 3.

## Sunday, February 19

**Winter Warm-ups Hike**  
Challenge yourself on the unpaved, hilly terrain of the Perkins, Riding Run and Furnace Run trails. Fast pace. 7 miles. Everett Covered Bridge, 9 a.m. - noon.  
See page 4.

**Cuyahoga Valley House Concert**  
7 p.m., see page 3.



Everett Covered Bridge  
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## Tuesday, February 21

**Countryside Local Food Swap**  
7 p.m. See page 7.

## Wednesday, February 22

**Solo at Sarah's Vineyard**  
7 - 10 p.m. See page 3.

## Thursday, February 23

**Heritage Concert: Solas**  
Solas burst onto the Irish music scene 20 years ago, showcasing contemporary relevance in timeless traditions. Through fresh and unexpected arrangements of age-old tunes, compelling and topical originals and covers, and unparalleled musicianship, Solas continues to define the path for the Celtic music world and drive the genre forward. 8 p.m. \$25 adults, \$20 Conservancy members, \$7.50 children ages 3 - 12. 8 p.m. See page 3.

## Friday, February 24

**Girl Scout Weekend: Seniors**  
Complete activities towards Traveler, Adventurer, and Collage Artist badges. Fee: \$95 per scout, \$50 per chaperone (includes programming, meals, snacks, and lodging). Pre-registration required. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, Friday 5:30 p.m. to Sunday 1 p.m. For more information and to register, call 330-657-2796 ext. 100 or visit [forvcnp.org/education](http://forvcnp.org/education).

**Campfire Tales: Lessons in the Underground Railroad**  
The Underground Railroad was a mixture of historical fact and myth. Join Ranger Pamela Machuga and costumed volunteers to learn lessons that would help those whose quest was freedom. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 8 p.m.

## Saturday, February 25

**Girl Scout Weekend: Seniors**  
See February 24.

**Mornings on the Saint Lucie**  
9 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. See page 6.

**Breakfast and Lunch Along the Cuyahoga**  
9 a.m., 10:50 a.m., and 12:55 p.m.  
See page 7.

**Hike Aboard!**  
Journey through the national park by train and hike back 6 challenging miles along the Buckeye Trail. Fee \$3 per hiker. Boston Store Visitor Center, 11:20 a.m.  
See page 6.

**Snowshoe Hike**  
1 - 3 p.m. See page 5.

**Carnival of the Sheep**  
Celebrate Mardi Gras by visiting the flock. The Spicy Lamb Farm, 2 - 4 p.m.  
See page 7.

**Lyceum Distinguished Speakers:  
David Stradling, The Cuyahoga River Fire and Cleveland's Urban Crisis**  
The 1969 Cuyahoga River fire drew national attention to the environmental crisis in Cleveland. Social crises of poverty, racism and housing plagued the city as well. Historian David Stradling will discuss the city's conflicted relationship to one of its iconic historical events. See page 4.

## Sunday, February 26

**Winter Warm-Ups Hike**  
Challenge yourself on the unpaved, hilly terrain of the Buckeye and Valley trails. Fast pace. 7 miles. NPS Park Headquarters, 9 - noon. See page 4.



# Program Locations



**Akron Northside Station** - 27 Ridge Street, off Howard Street, Akron 44304

**Big Red Barn** - see Canal Corners Farm & Market

**Boston Mills Ski Resort** - 7100 Riverview Road, Brecksville 44141

**Boston Mill Station** - Intersection of Boston Mills and Riverview roads, Peninsula 44264

**Boston Store Visitor Center** - 1550 Boston Mills Road, east of 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

**Brecksville Station** - at Station Road Bridge Trailhead, Brecksville 44141

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

**Canal Exploration Center/Station** - 7104 Canal Road, at the 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, 1/2 mile west of Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

**G.A.R. Hall** - 1785 Main Street (SR 303), at the Riverview Road intersection, 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** - 1403 West Hines Hill Road, Peninsula 44264

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

**Indigo Lake Trailhead / Station** - 4300 Riverview Road, south of Bolanz Road, Peninsula 44264

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

**Kendall Lake Shelter** - 1000 Truxell Road, 2 miles west of Akron Cleveland Road, Peninsula 44264

**Kent State Ice Arena** - 650 Loop Road, Kent 44242

**Ledges Shelter / Trailhead** - 405 Truxell Road, 1 mile west of Akron Cleveland Road, Peninsula 44264

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

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

**Octagon Shelter** - 499 Truxell Road, 1.5 miles west of Akron Cleveland 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

**Polar Blast Tubing** - See Brandywine Ski Resort

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

**Rockside Station** - 7900 Old Rockside Road, off Canal Road, one block north of Rockside 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 specific information on program accessibility, call 330-657-2752 or see page 2.*



# About Us

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

CVNP 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 and a listing of partner events, visit [ohioandieriecanalway.com](http://ohioandieriecanalway.com).

We have three primary non-profit partners.

**Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park** introduces children to nature, offers music and art in the valley, supports volunteers, and fundraises for park projects and trail upkeep. Learn more at [conservancyforcvnp.org](http://conservancyforcvnp.org).

**Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad** has been providing excursion rail service through the valley for over 40 years. For details visit [cvsr.com](http://cvsr.com).

**Countryside** manages thriving farmers' markets, offers educational experiences, and has reestablished working family farms in CVNP through the Countryside Initiative program. To learn more visit [cvcountryside.org](http://cvcountryside.org).



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## Receive the Schedule of Events

The free *Schedule of Events* is published quarterly by the National Park Service. It is available online at [nps.gov/cuva](http://nps.gov/cuva) and at Boston Store Visitor Center. Become a member of the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park, the park's friends group, to receive the *Schedule of Events* by mail. To join, visit [forcvnp.org](http://forcvnp.org) and click Help Your Park.

**For a large-type version of this schedule, contact 440-546-5991 or [cuva\\_info@nps.gov](mailto:cuva_info@nps.gov).**

