



Brandywine Falls
Photo by CVPS member
Diane Seskes.



Fall 2006 Schedule

Why Visit Brandywine Falls?

In a recent survey, visitors to Cuyahoga Valley National Park identified Brandywine Falls as one of the most satisfying locations in the park. The 60-foot-high waterfall is the centerpiece of the falls area but not its only attraction. Carved by Brandywine Creek, the falls demonstrates the classic geological features of waterfalls. A boardwalk and steps bring you into the waterfall's gorge and lets you view the waterfall head-on.

Brandywine Falls also has a human history. The valley's early settlers saw the falls not just as an object of beauty, but as something to be used for its water power. In 1814, George Wallace built a saw mill at the top of the falls. Grist and

woolen mills followed. The Village of Brandywine grew around the mills and became one of the earliest communities to emerge in the Cuyahoga Valley. Much of the village is now gone, lost to the construction of nearby Interstate 271. However, the James Wallace house, built by George's son, remains. It's now a bed and breakfast known as the Inn at Brandywine Falls.

Brandywine Falls is an ideal spot to view the changing seasons. Visitors can marvel at fall's colors, spring's vernal pools, and winter's icy displays. It's also a wonderful place to observe the moods of the waterfall. With less water, the bridal veil pattern becomes more pronounced.

Immediately after storms, water pours over the falls in torrents, often in higher volumes than would have occurred historically because run-off from paved surfaces upstream has increased water flow.

The reasons for visiting Brandywine Falls are as numerous as the stories associated with the place. For you, the motive may be to soak in its beauty or to feel the awe of the water's might, which carved the gorge and powered the mills. Maybe you're fascinated by the details of nature found in the waterfall's rocks. Whatever attracts you to this picturesque location, it's worth visiting time and time again.

4 - 5 Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association

Support Cuyahoga Valley National Park through its friends group, CVNPA!

8 - 9 Music & Arts

Enjoy a wide variety of arts including concerts, contra dancing, and photography presentations.

10 - 11 Hiking & Recreation

Explore CVNP's recreational offerings including ranger-guided hikes and boomerang flying.



Greetings from the Superintendent



National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior

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.

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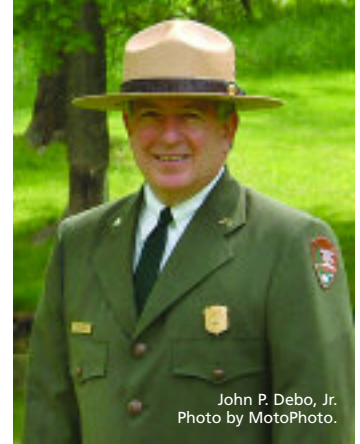
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The Ohio & Erie Canalway celebrates the regional and national contributions of the 19th-century Ohio & Erie Canal. By connecting the Ohio frontier with New York and New Orleans, the Ohio & Erie Canal helped people and products flow across America, fueling westward expansion, a national market economy, and regional industrial strength. Today, the Ohio & Erie Canalway is a national heritage area: a place to experience trails, trains, scenic byways, canal towns, ethnic neighborhoods, working rivers, great lakes, industrial landscapes, and green spaces, as you explore our past, present, and future. For more information visit www.canalwayohio.com.



The coming of fall brings with it many changes. Children are going back to school, summer's humidity cedes its place to chillier breezes, and the natural life cycle nears its end. It's a time for reflection — alone, with family, or with a pet. For me, there's nowhere better than among the vibrant colors in CVNP, just a step away from your back door.



John P. Debo, Jr.
Photo by MotoPhoto.

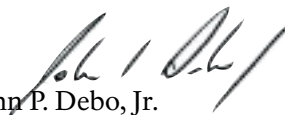
There are so many opportunities to experience the park during one of our highest visitation seasons. Take a scenic drive through the park or enjoy a day-long fall foliage excursion on the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad. Join a ranger on one of our autumn color hikes or hike on your own to the beautiful Ledges area. Experience the colors, scents, and sounds of our Countryside Farmers' Market in Peninsula every Saturday morning through October 7. You'll be helping the local economy, too, by supporting real farmers working the land in and around the Cuyahoga Valley.

If you like to hike with your dog, now's the chance to let your furry friend in on something humans have been able to do for years: participate in the one-of-a-kind Towpath Tag for Dogs program, sponsored by Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association (CVNPA). Your donation helps assist CVNPA in support of many park efforts, from environmental education to folk concerts to Towpath Trail maintenance. You can find more information on CVNPA on pages 4 and 5. Get a Towpath Tag for your dog today!

Like CVNPA, volunteers are a staple of the park, assisting with almost every facet of our programs and operations. From providing additional maintenance on our trails to supporting interpretive rangers with programs, hikes, and visitor center operations to roving the Towpath Trail, this park could not operate without volunteers. We ask that you consider getting involved with your favorite place by visiting www.volunteer.gov/gov to learn about the many diverse opportunities available at your national park. Type in 44141 as the zip code to find CVNP volunteer offerings.

Thank you to all of you who currently volunteer or are members of CVNPA. We greatly appreciate your continued support of CVNP and our partners. Bring a friend or family member to become a part of this great place — your national park, in your backyard.

See you at the Farmers' Market!


John P. Debo, Jr.

Comments

We are interested in your thoughts, comments, and suggestions on our programs, publications, and visitor services. We are always looking for ways to better serve your needs. Please call (440) 546-5991 or send any feedback to cuva_info@nps.gov.

New Farms Crop Up in the Park

In 2002 Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) introduced an innovative new program to preserve the rural landscape of the Cuyahoga Valley. This program, the Countryside Initiative, invites farmers to live and farm in the park using sustainable methods appropriate for a national park. Making the program work involves a three-part partnership among the National Park Service, Cuyahoga Valley Countryside Conservancy (CVCC), and farmers. This summer three new farms were added. These include Goatfeathers Point Farm, Greenfield Berry Farm, and Basket of Life Farm.

Goatfeathers Point Farm, on Akron-Peninsula Road in Boston Township, is operated by Terry and Cindy Smith and will offer fresh goat and turkey meat. Greenfield Berry Farm, on Major Road in Boston Township, is operated by Daniel and Michele Greenfield and will feature many berry varieties but predominantly raspberries, straw-

berries, and blueberries. Basket of Life Farm on Quick Road in Boston Township is operated by Heather Kuhne and Eric Walters and will offer fruits and vegetables through an annual membership program.

The three pre-existing park farms have produce available at their farms. Spring Hill Farm & Market (Alan and Susan Halko) on Riverview Road in Brecksville offers eggs and produce. Blue Hen Farm (Bob and Joan Hall) on Riverview Road in Brecksville sells produce. Sarah's Vineyard (Michael and Margaret Lytz) on West Steels Corners Road in Cuyahoga Falls sells wine and art.

Real farmers on real farms doing real farming represents the real heritage of the Cuyahoga Valley. Support your



local farmers by attending the Countryside Farmers' Market in Peninsula on Saturday mornings through October 7 or visiting their farms.

Why go local? Locally grown food usually arrives in markets within 24 hours of being plucked from the vine or dug from the earth. It is fresh, healthy, and delicious. By buying local a greater portion of our food dollar stays at home to support our local economy.

For more information about the farms or CVCC (330) 657-2542 or www.cvcountryside.org.

Protecting Downstream Resources in the Cuyahoga Valley

Major floods struck CVNP in July 2003, May 2004, and June 2006, causing nearly \$4 million in damage to park infrastructure, recreational facilities, and historic resources. Many local communities experienced costly storm damage because of the floods. Although the high water was caused by unusually heavy volumes of rain, even typical storms regularly flood roads and homes within the park. Storm water management, always an important planning issue, has become a priority. In 2005, park managers embraced this issue as a unifying theme when talking to local communities about the primary cause

of storm water impacts: increasing development in park watersheds.

CVNP is home to 22 miles of the Cuyahoga River and more than 190 miles of tributaries, with most watersheds extending beyond park boundaries. Development in the 15 communities around the park — both residential and commercial — has increased significantly as residents seek a more rural refuge from urban life.

The park's new push has already resulted in increased local community and media interest, and the fruits are being seen already. Cities are actively

seeking CVNP's input on development proposals, community planning efforts, and zoning code revisions. CVNP scientists have generated community-specific reports that encourage zoning updates and maps depicting possible impacts from different development scenarios. The result has been a more effective dialogue about the importance of watershed stewardship in the Cuyahoga Valley.

By working with neighbors to protect watersheds outside of park boundaries, park managers can better protect downstream park resources.

Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association

Charter One Bank Lends a Hand

Mother Nature did not show a pretty face in the valley June 22, 2006. Heavy rains and flooding caused major damage to sections of the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail in CVNP and structures like Canal Visitor Center.

CVNP and Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association (CVNPA) extend our deepest gratitude to corporate partner Charter One Bank and its employees for their community caring and environmental stewardship. With the assistance of CVNPA, Charter One Bank graciously provided needed financial support to assist with the repair of the Towpath Trail from flood damage. This generous gift assisted in Towpath Trail restoration efforts.

To find out how your business or organization can get involved with CVNPA and support park efforts contact Abbe Turner, Chief Development Officer at CVNPA, (330) 657-2909 ext. 104.



Reasons to Become a Member of CVNPA

You enjoy CVNP and you can visit as often as you like — for free! So why become a member of CVNPA? In addition to the satisfaction you receive from supporting a wonderful natural and cultural resource, there are some great benefits, too!

- \$5 discount on tickets to all Heritage Series concerts (a 33 percent discount!)
- Discounts on children's programming, including Junior Ranger and Summer Camp programs
- Participation in the popular Electronic Recycling program
- Special members-only events, such as quarterly Member Hikes at Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center and an annual ice cream social!
- Receive MemberNews electronic newsletter every month

Fill out the enclosed form and mail it with payment to CVNPA today!



**Cuyahoga Valley
National Park
Association**

Join CVNPA and help protect and support your national park!

Membership Program Levels

___ Rock (Family) \$45 ___ Earth (Individual) \$35 ___ River \$100

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

___ Check Enclosed (payable to CVNPA)

___ Charge my Visa MC Discover AMEX

Account Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____

Mail membership form to: **CVNPA**
1403 Hines Hill Road
Peninsula, Ohio 44264

A Towpath Tag for Your Furry Friends

You asked for it, you got it! In response to your many requests, CVNPA is pleased to release the Towpath Tag for Dogs (and cats, too!) so your furry friends can show their love and support of CVNP.

Are you one of the many visitors to CVNP who brings man's best friend to run, hike, or bike in your national park each year? If so, please join us in celebrating the health benefits of pet ownership and the importance of protecting CVNP as a clean, safe place to exercise and enjoy nature with your furry friends.

The Towpath Tag for Dogs is available this fall through CVNPA only! Your \$5 donation helps assist CVNPA in supporting many park efforts including environmental education, folk concerts, and Towpath Trail maintenance. Call (330) 657-2909 to get your Towpath Tag for Dogs!



Towpath Tags are Ten!

Weekends in the fall

Join us along the Towpath Trail on select weekends in September and October as we celebrate 10 years of the Towpath Tag program! We have raised more than \$200,000 over the past 10 years, which goes toward keeping the 20 miles of the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail within CVNP in good shape, so visitors can enjoy a run, a weekend bike ride with the kids, an evening walk on a first date, or a beaver sighting at the Beaver Marsh.



For more information on these events call (800) 657-2009 or visit www.cvnpa.org.

Clambake Annual Fundraiser

Sunday, September 17

Join us for the annual fundraising event to support CVNPA. The evening will feature an upscale clam-and-lobster dinner as well as a live auction. Fee. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, 4 - 8 p.m.

Portraits by MotoPhoto

Saturday and Sunday, October 7 and 8

Have your family, group, or individual picture taken in a beautiful setting. A portion of the proceeds benefits CVNPA. Appointments required. Contact MotoPhoto at (216) 751-6686. Hines Hill Conference Center, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Women's Retreat

Friday through Sunday, October 20 - 22

Bring your girlfriends, mothers, daughters, or just yourself to partake in a weekend of reflection, relaxation, and rest in a tranquil natural setting. Let CVNPA staff, Carol Spears, and staff of Mind, Body, Spirit Connected relax you with yoga, nature hikes, meditation, creative arts, a drum circle, and more! For more information call (800) 642-3297 or visit www.cvnpa.org. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center.

Extraordinary Spaces Open House

Sunday, October 22

Join us for an afternoon tea to learn more about the Extraordinary Spaces CVNPA offers for corporate meetings and retreats as well as "life events" including anniversary parties, birthday

parties, and weddings. Schedule your next event in a national park! November Lodge at Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, 3 p.m.

Bids for Kids

Saturday, November 18 through Friday, December 8

This fall you will have the opportunity to help kids enjoy a wonderful experience at the Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center (CVEEC) while you shop for birthday presents, holiday gifts, or treats for yourself. Participate in our on-line auction to help raise funds for CVEEC's programs, including scholarships for urban public school children.

Beginning November 18, visit <http://cvnpa.cmarket.com> to browse the fun and exciting auction items available. Then enter your bids for kids!

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

Experience the fun, adventure, romance, and nostalgia of a vintage train ride through the heart of beautiful CVNP, located along the banks of the Cuyahoga River and the historic Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail. Choose from several excursions available throughout the year. Days, departures, and fares vary.

Trains run only on weekends from September 9 through 30 and November 4 through 26. They run Wednesday through Sunday from October 1 through October 29. Special Events occur on additional dates.

Scenic Limited

Enjoy a 1.75-hour excursion through CVNP. Fee: \$15 adults, \$13 seniors 65 and over, and \$8 children 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 10:15 a.m. and 1 p.m. Add \$1 in October.

Canal Limited

Ride to the Canal Visitor Center to explore exhibits on the Ohio & Erie Canal, then climb aboard for the return trip. Allow 2.5 hours. Fee: \$15 adults, \$13 seniors 65 and over, and \$8 children 3 - 12. Peninsula Depot, 11:15 a.m. Add \$1 in October.



Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad (CVSR) is a private sector, not-for-profit organization in partnership with Cuyahoga Valley National Park. CVSR is dedicated to the preservation of historic passenger rail transportation in the Cuyahoga Valley.

For reservations or more information, call (800) 468-4070 or visit www.cvsr.com.



Peninsula Explorer

Ride the rails, take a hike along the Towpath Trail, explore the Village of Peninsula and enjoy lunch or shopping. Allow 4.25 hours. Fee: \$20 adults, \$15 seniors 65 and over, and \$9 children 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 10:15 a.m. Add \$1 in October.

Peninsula South Park Scenic

Saturdays and Sundays in October
Travel through the southern half of the national park from the Village of Peninsula to Akron during a 1.75-hour round-trip excursion. Fee: \$16 adult; \$14 seniors 65 and over, and \$9 children 3 - 12. Peninsula Depot, 2:15 p.m.

Akron South Park Scenic

Saturdays and Sundays in October
Travel through the southern half of the national park from Akron to the Village of Peninsula during a 1.75-hour round-trip excursion. Fee: \$16 adult; \$14 seniors 65 and over, and \$9 children 3 - 12. Akron Northside Station, 1:15 p.m.

Wine-Tasting Express

Enjoy a Friday evening presentation of choice wines, complete with appetizers, while experiencing the scenic beauty of the Cuyahoga Valley by rail. Ages 21 and older only. Fee: \$45 and \$80 on St. Lucie Sound. 7 - 9 p.m.

Date	Departure
<i>September 22</i>	Boston Mill Station
<i>October 20</i>	Rockside Station
<i>November 3</i>	Boston Mill Station

Campfire Train

Saturday, September 16
The fall season brings with it thoughts of cool nights, campfires, and hayrides. Hear ghost stories on your journey to the Botzum Farm, and enjoy hayrides, campfire songs, and family activities while at the farm. Fee: \$15 ages 3 and up. Akron Northside Station, 6 - 8 p.m. and 7 - 9 p.m.

Hartville MarketPlace & Kitchen Fall Excursion

Saturday, September 23
Enjoy a ride through CVNP to Akron on a vintage rail diesel train car. A bus will take you from Akron Northside Station to Hartville for a 2.5-hour visit for shopping and dining. The MarketPlace features three acres of indoor shopping. The Kitchen is famous for its home-style cooking and specialty shops. Allow 7 hours. Fee: \$35 adult and \$20 children 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 10 a.m.

Young at Heart: Shadows of the Past

Wednesday, September 27
Calling all the "Young at Heart" (ages 55 and over) to explore the shadows of the past. Costumed interpreters will share the stories of individuals who forever changed the shape of this valley through the ordinary and extraordinary lives they led. Allow 1.5 hours. Fee: \$15 adults, \$7 adults 55 and over, and \$8 children 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 10:15 a.m.

Ghost Trains

Saturday, September 30
There is nothing more lonesome, more haunting, and more intriguing than a train whistle in the distance — unless, of course, we're talking about a haunted train. The advent of railroads in the 19th century left few aspects of American life untouched. The railroads brought new jobs, new goods, and a host of new legends and lore that give us a glimpse into life on the rails. Fee: \$10 ages 3 and up. Rockside Station, 8 - 9:30 p.m.

The Great Pumpkin Express

Saturdays and Sundays, October 21, 22, 28, 29
Ride the train to the Village of Peninsula and visit Heritage Farms for a special holiday experience. Fee: \$25 adults, \$20 seniors 65 and over, and \$12 children 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 10:15 a.m.

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

Experience the Underground Railroad

Saturdays, November 4 and 11

Place yourself in the role of an escaping slave and experience the danger and triumph of the Underground Railroad on this nationally recognized program. Join the National Park Service and CVSR as you journey on a 1.5-mile lantern hike and board a train for your return trip. This program is not recommended for children under 14. Fee: \$10 ages 3 and up. Hikes depart every 30 minutes. Howe Meadow, 6 - 8 p.m.

Mr. Jingeling's Holiday Express

Saturdays and Sundays, November 18 - December 17

Young and old alike will enjoy this holiday train as a special and beloved holiday character joins Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad for a train ride. Fee: \$20 adults, \$18 seniors 65 and over, and \$13 children 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 10:15 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Christmas Tree Adventure

Saturdays and Sundays, November 25 - December 10

Ride the train to the Village of Peninsula and visit Heritage Farms to select and cut your own Christmas Tree. Fee: \$25 adults, \$20 seniors 65 and over, and \$12 children 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 10:15 a.m.

The Polar Express™

Mondays through Fridays, November 13 - December 19

Join CVSR, CVNP, and Carriage Trade for one of our most popular trips. Enjoy hearing *The Polar Express™* read as we journey to the North Pole. Children are encouraged to wear their pajamas. Cookies and hot chocolate are served. All tickets are sold by mail-in lottery. Order forms are available online at www.cvsr.com. Deadline is September 15. Fee: \$20 ages 1 and up. Rockside Station and Akron Northside Station, 7 - 9 p.m.

Trail 'n' Rail Flag Stop Service

Bike or hike the Towpath Trail, then hop on the train for a relaxing ride back to your car. The train can be flagged down at boarding stations by waving both arms. Please arrive at the boarding stations at least 10 minutes before the train's scheduled arrival. Purchase your ticket after boarding the train. No additional charge for bicycles. **Flag stop service will not be available in November.**

Choose one of several options to ride CVSR using the designated flag stops. Regular flag stops only occur at the boarding stations.

One way: \$9 adults, \$8 seniors, and \$6 children 3 - 12.

Unlimited rides: Take advantage of fall biking and purchase a one-way bike pass for just \$40. Good for September and October. New family four-pack is \$140.

Towpath Segment Mileage:

Rockside Station - Canal Visitor Center	1.75 mi.
Canal Visitor Center - Brecksville Station	4.5 mi.
Brecksville Station - Boston Mill Station	4.25 mi.
Boston Mill Station - Peninsula Depot	2.5 mi.
Peninsula Depot - Indigo Lake Station	4 mi.
Indigo Lake Station - Botzum Station	3 mi.
Botzum Station - Akron Northside Station	6 mi.



Trail and Rail Flag Stop Service

Southbound

10:15 a.m. and 1 p.m.
10:20 a.m. and 1:05 p.m.
10:35 a.m. and 1:20 p.m.
10:50 a.m. and 1:35 p.m.
11:05 a.m. and 1:45 p.m.

Depart Rockside Station
Arrive Canal Visitor Center
Arrive Brecksville Station
Arrive Boston Mill Station
Arrive Peninsula Depot

10:40 a.m. and 2:15 p.m.
10:50 a.m. and 2:25 p.m.
11:10 a.m. and 2:45 p.m.
11:20 a.m. and 2:55 p.m.

Depart Peninsula Depot
Arrive Indigo Lake Station
Arrive Botzum Station
Arrive Akron Northside Station

Northbound

11:15 a.m. and 2 p.m.
11:20 a.m. and 2:05 p.m.
11:35 a.m. and 2:20 p.m.
11:50 a.m. and 2:35 p.m.
12:05 and 2:50 p.m.

Depart Peninsula Depot
Arrive Boston Mill Station
Arrive Brecksville Station
Arrive Canal Visitor Center
Arrive Rockside Station

1:15 p.m. and 3:15 p.m.
1:25 p.m. and 3:25 p.m.
1:50 p.m. and 3:45 p.m.
2:05 p.m. and 3:55 p.m.

Depart Akron Northside Station
Arrive Botzum Station
Arrive Indigo Lake Station
Arrive Peninsula Depot

Music & Arts

Art @ M.D. Garage

Art @ M.D. Garage is a series of free art exhibitions organized by the Crooked River Gang, a volunteer group that promotes art in the Cuyahoga Valley. M.D. Garage is a 1940s gas station located in the village of Boston. Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Weekends in September (and September 4)
Over the River and Through the Woods

Weekends in October
Our Favorite Places

Cuyahoga Valley Contra Dance

Thursdays, September 14 and 28, October 12 and 26, and November 9

Join *Strings & Things* and callers for contra dancing in the Cuyahoga Valley. Every dance is taught, walked through, and called, so even the inexperienced dancer is guaranteed a good time. If you don't dance, come to enjoy an evening of jigs and reels in the historic Village of Peninsula. Guest callers will be featured in September and October. Local caller Carol Kopp returns in November. Park

Ranger Rebecca Jones will present a Contra Conversation on September 14. Admission: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. teaching and 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.

Cuyahoga Valley Nature Writers

Fridays, September 8, October 13, and November 10

This group assists amateur and professional writers with their original work. Participants should bring 15 copies of a poem, short story, or essay. Discussion centers on the strengths and weaknesses of each piece. Suggestions will be offered for improving it and enhancing its chances of publication. Fee: \$3. For more information call (330) 657-2909. Boston Store, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Peninsula Jazz Festival

Sunday, October 8

Featuring New Orleans jazz musicians from around the region. Presented by the Peninsula Library and Historical Society. Shuttle available. Free. Happy Days Visitor Center, 3 - 6 p.m.

Mountain Rose Fall Concert: *Mustard's Retreat*

Saturday, October 21

Having celebrated their thirtieth anniversary as *Mustard's Retreat*, David Tamulevich (guitar, dulcimer, mandolin, harmonica, and penny whistle) and Michael Hough (electric bass) are enjoying what they do best, connecting with people through their music. The opening act features local musician Tim Wallace. For more information and tickets visit www.mountainroseconcerts.org or call (330) 733-8845 or CVNPA at (330) 657-2909. Admission: \$15 (door), \$12 (advance), and \$7.50 children 3 -12.

Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society (CVPS)

As an activity of CVNPA in cooperation with the National Park Service, CVPS promotes CVNP through the photographic arts by providing educational opportunities such as workshops, presentations, photo walks, and an annual photo contest. For more information contact CVPS at info@cvps.org or CVNPA at (330) 657-2909 or info@cvnpsa.org.

CVPS sponsors monthly presentations by local, regional, and national photographers at Happy Days Visitor Center. All presentations start at 7 p.m. Free unless otherwise stated.

Thursday, September 21

I Never Even Left My Home State of Ohio

Richard D. Wise and John Jundt will share animal portraits and behavior images photographed in captive situations as well as in parks throughout Ohio.

Thursday, October 26 - Sunday, October 29

Autumn Workshop with Tom Blagden

Join us in observing fall color in the valley as Tom Blagden shares his insights on nature photography. A professional since 1980, Blagden concentrates his photography on subjects in South Carolina, Maine, and Costa Rica. Limited to 20 advanced participants. Fee.

Saturday, October 28

Tom Blagden

Professional photographer and environmentalist Tom Blagden will share a selection of his work, some of which has appeared in Sierra Club, National Audubon Society, and National Geographic Society calendars, as well as numerous magazines. Admission: \$5 members and \$7 non-members.

Thursday, November 16

Silver Gelatin and Platinum Palladium Contact Prints with Chris Coffey

This presentation will highlight Coffey's existing portfolios of the American West and the Cuyahoga Valley as well as a new body of work from his artist residency in autumn of 2005 at the North Rim of the Grand Canyon. He will also bring his banquet and view cameras.

Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series

The Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series, presented by the National Park Service and Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association (CVNPA), celebrates the cultural legacy of the Cuyahoga Valley. For more information about CVNPA and its membership program, visit www.cvnpa.org or call (330) 657-2909.

Admission unless otherwise noted: \$15 adults, \$10 CVNPA members, and \$5 children 3 - 12. General seating. Advance sales are available by calling (330) 657-2909. You can create your own subscription series — enjoy three great Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series concerts for one low price! No cash refunds, but tickets may be exchanged up to 10 days before the concert. Series prices: \$40 adults, \$25 CVNPA members, \$15 children 3 - 12. All concerts are held at Happy Days Visitor Center and begin at 8 p.m. unless otherwise stated. Doors open at 7 p.m.

Friday, September 15

Gráda

Sing Out! magazine says "Gráda is not a household name in the U.S. — yet, but if this talented quintet appears anywhere within 100 miles of you, hi' thee hence..."

This is because the innovative young Irish ensemble is poised at the brink of international recognition for its multi-faceted take on traditional Celtic music. Taking its influences from Irish, Breton, eastern European, and other diverse regional styles, Gráda compliments its instrumental virtuosity with an elegant, timeless vocal style. Gráda members include Alan Doherty (flute and vocals), widely heralded for his solo performance on the film score of *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy; Nicola Joyce (bodhrán, fiddle, whistles, and vocals), Andrew Laking (double bass, guitar, and vocals), Brendan O'Sullivan (fiddle, viola, and vocals), and Gerry Paul (guitar and bouzouki).



Sunday, September 24

Old Blind Dogs

Old Blind Dogs is a band on the cutting edge of Scotland's roots revival. Dynamic percussion and bluesy harmonica blend with the small pipes and whistle and a fine mix



of guitar, cittern, mandolin, and fiddle. Pair that with rich vocals and a wonderful feel for the traditional that's set in a new and exciting fusion of the present and the past, and you can understand why *Old Blind Dogs'* U.S. tours have cemented them a loyal following. This concert begins at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 30

Sunpie Jazz Reunion with Mo' Mojo Mama

CVNP, following in the footsteps of last year's New Orleans Jazz benefit concert, will reunite New Orleans musicians and Park Rangers Bruce "Sunpie" Barnes and Matt Hampsey with members of *Mo' Mojo Mama* for an evening of great music. Drawing from jazz, zydeco, Afro-Caribbean, and blues, Sunpie and Matt combine history and musical talent to present the gumbo of musical styles that is New Orleans. Sunpie's innovative and energetic style draws equally from late greats like Sonny Boy Williamson and modernists Lee Oskar and Carey Bell. Sunpie has further distinguished himself as a zydeco accordionist and singer. Guitarist Hampsey graduated from the jazz studies program at University of New Orleans and has been with the National Park Service since 2000.

Saturday, November 4

The Wiyos

Incorporating physical comedy and theatricality, *The Wiyos* create an interactive show in the tradition of performers like Fats Waller, Spike Jones, and Uncle Dave Macon. Passionate about infusing old-time American music with new blood, *The Wiyos* play vaude-villian ragtime blues, early swing, jugband, and old-time country.



Save the Dates!

Friday, December 1

The Wailin' Jennys

Monday, December 18

Cherish the Ladies

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Tail Gate Hikes: Buckeye Challenge

Before the challenge of the big game, put on your favorite team jersey and take a challenge of your own. Join a park ranger for these difficult treks on the hills of the Buckeye Trail. Join our team this fall!

Sunday, September 10

7-mile hike. Pine Lane Trailhead, 9 a.m. - noon.

Sunday, September 24

7-mile hike. NPS Park Headquarters, 9 a.m. - noon.

Sunday, October 8

7.5-mile hike. NPS Park Headquarters, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Sunday, October 22

6-mile hike. Ira Trailhead, 9 a.m. - noon.

Sunday, November 5

7-mile hike. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 9 a.m. - noon.

Sunday, November 19

10-mile hike. NPS Park Headquarters, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. (Be prepared to carpool)

(216) 524-1497. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 9 a.m.

Hiking – Going to the Dogs!

Dog parks and walking your dog along the Towpath Trail have become so popular that we thought we'd join in the fun. Join a park ranger on this hiking series dedicated to the dog lover in you. Remember, all dogs must be on a six-foot or shorter leash and under the owner's control at all times.

Sunday, September 3

2.5-mile walk on the Cross Country Trail. Kendall Lake Shelter, 8 - 10 a.m.

Sunday, October 1

3.2-mile walk on the Salt Run Trail. Pine Hollow Trailhead, 8 - 11 a.m.

Waterfall Hikes

Sunday, September 17

Waterfalls Above

This 2-mile, off-trail hike will explore some of the lesser known waterfalls of CVNP. Sturdy shoes and water recommended; car pooling required. Canal Visitor Center, 2 - 4 p.m.

Sunday, October 15

Three Waterfalls Hike

The waterfalls of CVNP offer beauty, and the hikes to reach them offer a challenge. Join Park Ranger Pamela Machuga on this difficult 9.5-mile hike to Brandywine, Blue Hen, and Buttermilk waterfalls to explore the dynamics of our watershed. Please pack a lunch and wear appropriate footwear. Boston Store, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Sunday, October 29

Waterfalls Below

Explore the same waterfalls as September 17 from a different perspective — from below. This strenuous, off-trail hike requires stream walking. No dogs, please. Not recommended for children under 8. Registration required. To register call (216) 524-1497. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 2 - 5 p.m.

Off the Beaten Path

Saturday, October 7

Join Park Ranger Kerry Vincent for an off-trail trek. Start and finish in the same place, but what might we find along the way? Follow "Leave No Trace" practices as you explore CVNP. Ages 12 and older. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Be prepared for all types of terrain. Registration required. To register call (216) 524-1497. Pine Lane Trailhead, 2 - 4 p.m.

Extreme Hikers

Saturday and Sunday, November 18 and 19

Long for a leg-stretching overnight hike in CVNP? Buckeye Trail buffs and Valley Trail fans are invited to join Park Ranger Rebecca Jones in exploring these trails between Station Road and Boston. On Saturday, hike 13-miles on the Buckeye Trail then relax for the evening at Stanford Hostel with a catered dinner. After a hearty breakfast the next morning, return to Station Road along 9 miles of the Valley Trail. Fee: \$45 includes lodging and two meals. Registration required. To register, call

Full Moon Hikes and Bikes

Thursday, September 7

Harvest Moon Walk

Spend an evening under the harvest moon, the full moon closest to the autumnal equinox. Join Park Ranger Paul Motts for a hike along the Oak Hill Trail as we discover the significance of the harvest moon and its influence on world cultures. Oak Hill Trailhead, 7 - 9 p.m.

Friday, October 6

Full Moon Bike Ride

Enjoy autumn in CVNP on this leisurely 9.5-mile night ride along the Towpath Trail. Join a park ranger for this after-dark adventure. Bicycles must be equipped with headlights.

Bring a helmet, water, and extra bicycle tube. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Sunday, November 5

Full Moon Walk

The former inhabitants of this area had many different



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names and meanings for the autumn full moons. Join a park ranger to rediscover these traditions while enjoying CVNP under a full moon on this 3.5-mile hike on the Towpath Trail. Canal Visitor Center, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Cycling the Cuyahoga and Riding the Rails

Saturday, September 30

Join Park Ranger Paul Motts for a 24-mile bicycle ride along the entire Towpath Trail within the boundaries of CVNP, followed by a trip on the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad. Bring money for a lunch stop at a local restaurant in downtown Peninsula. Bring a helmet, water, and an extra bicycle tube. Fee: \$9. For reservations call (800) 468-4070. Canal Visitor Center, 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Boomerangs

Saturday, September 23

Fun with Boomerangs

Learn how to throw a boomerang and have it return so close you can catch it without having to move! Join the Cleveland Boomerang School's Dave

Boehm to experience this fascinating sport. No experience needed. Boomerangs provided or bring your own. Howe Meadow, 2 - 4 p.m.

Saturday, October 14

Fall Fling with Boomerangs

This free program is for both beginners and experienced flyers. Learn the instinct of a good sailor by knowing the speed and direction of the wind, crucial to good boomerang flying. Boomerangs provided or bring your own. Howe Meadow, 2 - 4 p.m.

Saturday, November 25

Boomerang Construction Workshop

Learn all about this ancient Australian flying device while making your own. Fee: \$5 per boomerang. Happy Days Visitor Center, 2 - 4 p.m.

Orienteering

Sunday, September 24

Cross Country Event

Hosted by Northeastern Ohio Orienteering Club. Beginners welcome. For more information call (866) 812-8316. Map fee: \$10 non-

members and \$7 members. Whistle: \$1. Happy Days Visitor Center, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. registration and start times.

Saturday, October 7

Night-O

Challenge your map and compass skills as we navigate through the woods under the cover of darkness. Bring a flashlight and extra batteries. Whistles required (available for \$1). Free compass loan. For more information call (866) 812-8316 or visit <http://neooc.home.att.net>. Map fee: \$10 non-members and \$7 members. Kendall Lake Shelter, 6 p.m. registration and 7 p.m. start times.

Saturday in the Park

Join park rangers this fall every other Saturday to explore the history, nature, and recreation in the Cuyahoga Valley!

Saturday, September 2

3.5-mile hike around the Ritchie Ledges. Octagon Shelter, 2 - 4 p.m.

Saturday, September 16

3.5-mile walk along Furnace Run and the Towpath Trail to the Beaver Marsh. Everett Covered Bridge, 2 - 4 p.m.

Saturday, September 30

Moderately difficult, 3.5-mile hike along portions of the Cross Country Trail and Kendall Lake Trail. Pine Hollow Trailhead, 2 - 4 p.m.

Saturday, October 14

3.75-mile walk on the Towpath Trail between Boston and Jaite. Boston Store, 2 - 4 p.m.

Saturday, October 28

2.75-mile easy-to-moderate hike on Tree Farm Trail. Horseshoe Pond, 2 - 4 p.m.

Saturday, November 11

Moderately challenging 3-mile hike between Brandywine Falls and the old fields of the Stanford Farm. Brandywine Falls, 2 - 4 p.m.

Saturday, November 25

3.5-mile hike along portions of the Plateau and Oak Hill Trails. Oak Hill Trailhead, 2 - 4 p.m.

Backpacking: Buckeye Trail

Enjoy a rare opportunity to backpack the Buckeye Trail through Cleveland Metroparks' Brecksville Reservation and Cuyahoga Valley National Park in this beginning backpacker's class. Over a three-day period, we will hike 19 miles on the Buckeye trail and adjoining trails. In this partnership program, National Park Service rangers and Cleveland Metroparks' Institute of the Great Outdoors instructors will share tips on backpacking basics in pre-trip sessions. You can learn backpacking basics plus "leave no trace" techniques. Backpacking equipment can be provided; call (216) 341-1704 for details. Ages: 18 and older. Fee: \$75. Activity Level: Moderate to Advanced Meet at the Brecksville Nature Center.

Wednesdays, October 4 and 18

7 - 9:30 p.m.

Friday through Sunday, October 20 - 22

(camping) Meet 4 p.m. Friday

Please note that this is a regular Institute of the Great Outdoors (IGO) program. Register for this course at (216) 341-1704. Attendance at both pre-sessions is required to participate in the Backpacking on the Buckeye. Space is limited.

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Photo by CVPS member Jim Roetzel.



Bird Watching

Saturday, September 2

Migrating Nighthawks

Each year hundreds of insect-feeding nighthawks pass through on their journey southward. Join Park Volunteers Dwight and Ann Chasar to search for migrating nighthawks. Bring a lawn chair, binoculars, and a flashlight. NPS Park Headquarters, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 23

Fall Bird Census

The diversity of habitats in CVNP attracts many migrating songbirds, making the fall census exciting. All are welcome. NPS Park Headquarters, 7 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 21

October Birds

Fall can be a great time for birding. It is still possible to see late migrating hawks and songbirds. Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar to explore the diverse habitats along the Towpath Trail. Red Lock Trailhead, 8 - 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, October 28

On the Move

Migrating ducks represent nature's timeless equation as they fly from Canada to the southern areas of North America. Join Park Ranger Paul Motts as we search for migrating birds in a beaver wetland. Ira Trailhead, 8 - 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, November 4

Winter Field Marks

Birds in winter plumage, often showing very subtle field marks, provide a stimulating challenge to even the most experienced birders. Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar along the trails surrounding Kendall Lake and discover the important winter field marks used for identifying late autumn birds. Kendall Lake Shelter, 8:30 - 11 a.m.

Saturday, November 11

Migration Interconnections

Each fall, migrating fish attract eagles, osprey, and a variety of gulls to the Cuyahoga River. Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar as we attempt to witness this migration. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Along the Towpath

Saturday, September 9

Join a park ranger and costumed NPS volunteers for a 1.25-mile interpretive walk along the historic Towpath Trail to learn about the canal, Lock 29, Peninsula Aqueduct, and how Ohio families of the 19th-century operated canal boats. Lock 29 Trailhead Overflow Lot, 7:30 - 9 p.m.

Explore Peninsula

Sunday, September 17

Did you know that Peninsula used to be home to a mill? Did you know that there really was a peninsula that gave the town its name? Join Park Ranger Beth Rush to take an autumn afternoon stroll through the Village of Peninsula, getting a historical glimpse into yesterday and a look at what Peninsula is today. Lock 29 Trailhead, 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Experience the Underground Railroad

Saturdays, November 4 and 11

Place yourself in the role of an escaping slave and experience the danger and triumph of the Underground Railroad on this nationally recognized program. Join the National Park Service and the CVSR as you journey on a 1.5-mile lantern hike and board a train for your return trip. This program is recommended for ages 14 and over. Fee: \$10. Hikes depart every 30 minutes. To register, call (800) 468-4070. Howe Meadow, 6 - 8 p.m.

Hiking on the Autumnal Equinox

Friday, September 22

After sunset on the date when the amount of sunlight lasts exactly 12 hours, the new moon should afford an opportunity to enjoy a night sky through openings in the forest canopy near Sylvan Pond. Join a park ranger for a moderate 3.5-mile night hike on portions of the Plateau Trail and Oak Hill Trail. Oak Hill Trailhead, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Autumn Mysteries

Sunday, October 15

Changing colors, the disappearance of amphibians from woodland ponds, and the preparations animals take to prepare for winter are among autumn's secrets. Join Park Ranger Paul Motts for a 1.5-mile hike along the Brandywine Gorge Trail to explore the many mysteries of autumn. Brandywine Falls, 2 - 4 p.m.

Spirits of Nature's Past and Present

Friday, October 20

Join park rangers and volunteers for a moderately difficult 1.5-mile walk to visit characters from nature's past, present, and future. Please dress appropriately for the weather. Lanterns will be provided for each group, but flashlights are permitted. To register call (216) 524-1497. Fee: \$4 adults, \$3 seniors ages 65 and over,

and \$2 children 3 - 12. Ledges Shelter, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Witch Hazel Walk

Sunday, November 5

The witch hazel, a small tree which grows only in very special soil conditions, displays its striking, delicate yellow blooms after the leaves have fallen in forests each autumn. Celebrate the end of the growing season on a 2-mile walk among these interesting and unique trees. Ledges Shelter, 2 - 4 p.m.

Calling and Collaring Coyotes

Friday, November 17

For nearly 15 years sightings of the elusive coyote have elicited reactions ranging from fear, curiosity, and excitement. CVNP has seen years of steady growth in the coyote population and uses many research



techniques to study their range, travel and hunting patterns, and interactions with other animals. Join Park Ranger Karen Kopchak to learn more about this fascinating and controversial animal. Happy Days Visitor Center, 7 - 8:30 p.m.



Blue Hen Falls.
Photo by CVPS member Carol Conti-Entin.

Children's & Family Programming



Kids' Cornucopia

Saturday, September 2

Join a park ranger for a scavenger hunt through the Countryside Farmers' Market at Heritage Farms. Stop at the CVNPA booth to pick up your scavenger hunt sheet, then search among the booths and vendors of the market for your own goods. Heritage Farms, 10 - 11 a.m.

What Is That Leaf?

Saturday, September 16

Just as people put different clothes on, so do trees. Instead of shirts, pants, socks, and shoes, the trees in CVNP have different shaped leaves. Young tree lovers are invited to come for a short hike and learn how to identify some common leaves in the park. Ages 3 - 7. Happy Days Visitor Center, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Why Are the Trees Changing? Let's Ask Granny Willow!

Saturday, September 23

Granny Willow knows everything there is to know about CVNP. Join us in this puppet show as she helps the

animals of the forest find out why changes are happening in the valley during the fall. She'll also lead you on a small hike to find the colors of fall. Activities after the hike. Ages 3 - 7. Happy Days Visitor Center, 10 a.m. - noon.

Family Explorers

Friday, September 29

Join Park Ranger Beth Rush as we explore with our senses to uncover the mysteries of autumn. We will take an early evening stroll on the towpath for approximately 1 mile. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Autumn Changes

Saturday, October 21

Why have the leaves changed color and started to fall? And why is the weather getting colder? These are sure signs that autumn is officially here. Join a park ranger in a fun morning of games, crafts, and fall fun. Ages 3 - 7. Happy Days Visitor Center, 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Pumpkins and Poltergeists

Friday, October 27

Join Park Ranger Kerry Vincent on this evening hike that will take you from the past to the present as we walk to the Ira cemetery for a history scavenger hunt among the stones and then go back to the farm house to pick out a pumpkin. Prizes for the first five groups to finish the scavenger hunt. Pumpkins will be available for purchase. Hale Farm & Village, 6 - 9 p.m.

2nd Annual Fall Family Campfire

Saturday, October 28

Get together with Park Ranger Beth Rush to share tales, songs, and stories of the valley by campfire light. Be sure to dress for the weather! Stanford Hostel, 7 - 9 p.m.

Women's Retreat

Friday through Sunday, October 20 - 22

A pleasant fall retreat at the most peaceful setting in northeast Ohio — Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Bring your girlfriends, mothers, daughters, or just yourself to partake in a weekend of reflection, relaxation, and rest in a tranquil, natural setting. Let the CVNPA staff along with Carol Spears and staff of Mind, Body, Spirit Connected relax you with yoga, nature hikes, meditation, creative arts, a drum circle, and more! Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center. For more information call (800) 642-3297 or visit www.cvnpa.org.

Save the Date!

Winter Solstice Celebration

Tuesday, December 21

Join CVNPA staff at Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center for a buffet dinner followed by an evening program to celebrate the winter solstice. For more information call (800) 642-3297 or visit www.cvnpa.org. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, 5:30 - 9 p.m.

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Day in the Valley

Opportunities for exploring the park and its neighbors in the Cuyahoga Valley are numerous. The calendar on www.dayinthevalley.com includes a comprehensive listing of events offered by CVNP and many neighboring organizations. Whether you want to join a hike, learn about wildlife, ride the train, or attend a concert, you can find that information here. Use the calendar to see what's happening today or to plan next month's adventure.

Celebrate the Valley Days

Saturday and Sunday, September 2 and 3

Through a partnership with the CVSR, guests can take a train from Rockside Station in Independence to Hale Farm & Village at a deeply discounted single-ticket price. At Hale Farm, special displays and information from a dozen park-related organizations will be available. For more information call (330) 666-3711. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Craftfaire

Saturday and Sunday, September 9 and 10

As part of a new venture, Hale Farm & Village is emphasizing hands-on demonstrations of 19th-century crafts such as pottery, beading, ironwork, basket making, hand-made clothing, candle making, weaving, spinning, rug making, and more. On Sunday a 1910-era vintage baseball team will play on the grounds. Fee. For more information call (330) 666-3711. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Fun on the Farm

Fridays, September 8 - October 20

For pre-school children ages 2 to 6 and their favorite grown-up, Hale Farm & Village is presenting a series that focuses on discoveries, snacks, stories, and craft-making. Every Friday will feature a different area of interest around the farm or village. Fee: \$8 children and \$7 members. For more information call (330) 666-3711. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Countryside Farmers' Markets

Experience the country and city farmers' markets presented by Cuyahoga Valley Countryside Conservancy. At both markets you will find a diverse mix of fresh, nutritious, good-tasting food brought directly by local farmers including those who farm within CVNP. Bakers also bring their fresh goods. For more information call (330) 657-2542 or visit www.cvcountryside.org.

Saturdays, September 2 - October 7

Heritage Farms Countryside Farmers' Market

Heritage Farms, 9 a.m. - noon.

Thursdays, September 7 - 28

Beacon Journal Countryside Farmers' Market

Downtown Akron, E. Exchange & S. High Street, 3 - 6:30 p.m.

Archeology and Oatmeal

Saturday, September 23

Discover the past, present, and future of Cascade Locks Park. You'll find exhibits on the history and technology of the Schumacher Cascade Mill and the Ohio & Erie Canal, watch flint-knapping and atlatl demonstrations, listen to costumed interpreters, see our concept drawing for future development of the park, and experience much more! Mustill Store, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Botzum Hayrides

Saturdays and Sundays, October 14, 15, 21, and 22

Enjoy a day at the Farmstead with cider, donuts, pumpkins, a quilt raffle, and hayrides. Fee: \$3 per person for hayride. Conrad Botzum Farmstead, noon - 5 p.m.

Farmhouse Suppers

Saturdays and Sundays, November 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, and 19

These very special Farmhouse dinners offer an ambiance marked by candlelight and humble, hearty foods prepared by hosts and guests together. Each Farmhouse Supper is limited to 12 people. Reservations are required. Fee. For more information call (330) 666-3711. Hale Farm & Village, 6 - 9 p.m.

Annual Hostel Meeting

Sunday, November 12

Come to the Northeast Ohio Council (NOC) of Hostelling International - USA (HI-USA) annual meeting. Current members are encouraged to attend to elect new board members. All are welcome. HI-USA members will vote on new slate of directors, and we'll have refreshments and hostel tours. Check out the park's affordable accommodations. Everyone is invited to attend the social hour after the meeting from 3 - 4 p.m. For information about becoming an NOC member, please call (330) 467- 8711. Stanford Hostel, 2 - 4 p.m.

Towpath Marathon

Sunday, October 8

Described as "one of the most beautiful race courses in America" by *Runner's World* magazine, the Towpath Marathon showcases breathtaking segments of the Towpath Trail. It's one of the few marathons that takes place in a national park, and many consider it a unique race because of the setting, the fall foliage, and the crushed limestone surface which is softer than pavement and easier on runner's joints. For more information visit www.towpathmarathon.net. There is a fee to run, but not to cheer on the marathoners. 9 a.m.

Harvest Festival

Saturday and Sunday, October 14 and 15

The Harvest Festival offers wagon rides, yards of straw to play in, pumpkin patches, cider, and treats. Fee. For more information call (330) 666-3711. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Program Locations



Photographers at the Ledges.
Photo by CVPS member Tom Jones.

Akron Northside Station - 27 Ridge Street, off Howard Street in downtown Akron

Beacon Journal Countryside Farmers' Market - E. Exchange and S. High Street, Akron

Boston Store - 1548 Boston Mills Road, just east of Riverview Road, Peninsula

Boston Trailhead - just east of Boston Store on Boston Mills Road, Peninsula

Boston Mill Station - at intersection of Boston Mills and Riverview Roads, Peninsula

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

Botzum Station - at Botzum Trailhead

Botzum Trailhead - Riverview Road, south of Bath Road, Cuyahoga Falls

Brandywine Falls - Brandywine Road, south of Highland Road, north of Twinsburg Road, Sagamore Hills

Brecksville Nature Center - Chippewa Creek Drive, .05 miles south of State Route 82 in Brecksville

Brecksville Station - at Station Road Bridge Trailhead

Canal Visitor Center - 7104 Canal Road, intersection of Canal and Hillside Roads, Valley View

Canton Lincoln Highway Station - 1315 Tuscarawas St W., 0.5 mile east of I-77 off Brown Avenue, Canton

Conrad Botzum Farmstead - 3486 Riverview Road, Cuyahoga Falls

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

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

Fraze House - 7733 Canal Road, 4 miles south of Rockside Road, Valley View

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

Happy Days Visitor Center - 500 W. Streetsboro Road (SR 303), 1 mile west of SR 8, Peninsula

Heritage Farms - 6050 Riverview Road, south of SR 303, Peninsula

Hines Hill Conference Building - 1403 West Hines Hill Road, east of junction with Boston Mills Road, first building at Hines Hill Conference Center, Peninsula

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

Howe Meadow - 4040 Riverview Road, 4 miles south of SR 303, Peninsula

Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center - 2054 Bolanz Road, between Riverview and Akron-Peninsula Roads, Peninsula

Indigo Lake Station - at Indigo Lake Trailhead

Indigo Lake Trailhead - Riverview Road, south of Bolanz Road, Cuyahoga Falls

Ira Trailhead - Riverview Road, north of Ira Road, Cuyahoga Falls

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

Ledges Shelter - Truxell Road, 1 mile west of Akron-Cleveland Road, Peninsula

Lock 29 Trailhead - Mill Street in Peninsula

Lock 39 Trailhead - Rockside Road, .15 mile west of Canal Road, Valley View

M.D. Garage - adjacent to Boston Store, Peninsula

Mustill Store - 248 Ferndale Street at the corner of Howard and North Streets, Akron

NPS Park Headquarters - intersection of Vaughn and Riverview Roads, Brecksville

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

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

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

Pine Hollow Trailhead - 1 mile east of Akron-Peninsula Road on Quick Road, Peninsula

Pine Lane Trailhead - SR 303 between Peninsula and SR 8, Peninsula

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

Ritz Theater - 70 N. Howard Street, Akron

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

Sarah's Vineyard - 1274 W. Steels Corners Road across from Blossom Music Center, Cuyahoga Falls

Shady Knoll - on SR 303, 0.1 mile west of Happy Days Visitor Center, 1 mile west of SR 8, Peninsula

Stanford Hostel - 6093 Stanford Road, Peninsula

Station Road Bridge Trailhead - Riverview Road, .15 mile south of SR 82, Brecksville

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

Most park facilities and the Towpath Trail are wheelchair accessible. For specific information on program accessibility, call (216) 524-1497.



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Visitor Centers

Canal Visitor Center focuses on life along the canal and human history in the valley. Daily, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

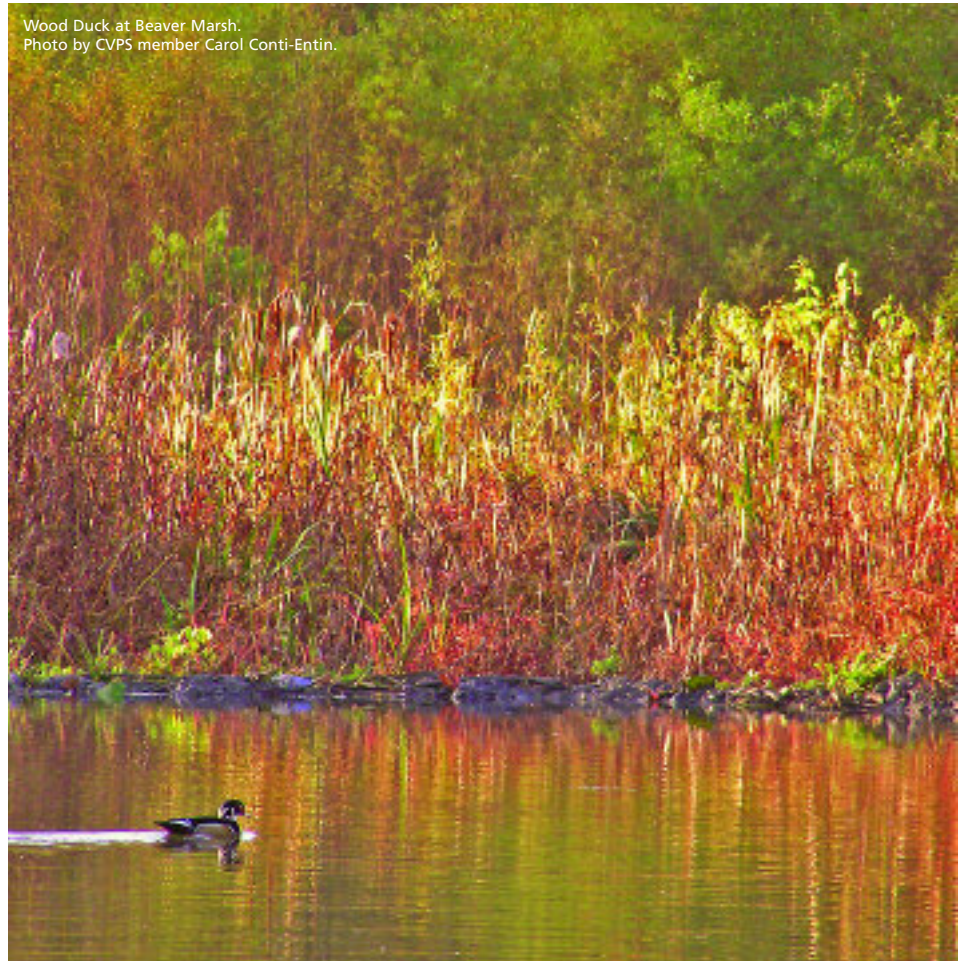
Happy Days Visitor Center is primarily an information/orientation facility, but also holds a variety of interpretive and musical programs. Wednesday - Sunday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center has exhibits highlighting agricultural history and recreational opportunities in the valley. Weekends only, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Boston Store exhibits tell the story of canal boat building in the valley. September and October: Wednesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; November: weekends only, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Peninsula Depot Visitor Center is an information/orientation facility developed to help visitors explore CVNP, Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad, the Village of Peninsula, and the Ohio & Erie Canalway. September and November: weekends only, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; October: Wednesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Wood Duck at Beaver Marsh.
Photo by CVPS member Carol Conti-Entin.



How Can I Receive a Free Schedule of Events?

Members of Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association (CVNPA), the park's friends group, receive the *Schedule of Events* in the mail as a service provided by CVNPA. Membership in CVNPA directly supports the activities and events of the park. For more information on how to become a member, visit www.cvnpa.org or call (330) 657-2909. See page 4.

The *Schedule of Events* is published quarterly by the National Park Service and is available online at www.nps.gov/cuva and at all CVNP visitor centers.

For a large-type version of this schedule, call (440) 546-5991 or (800) 433-1986, ext. 5991.



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