



# Spring 2013 Schedule



Flooding in Boston (inset) and Peninsula, 1913.  
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## Remembering the Flood of 1913

On March 26, 1913, the *Akron Beacon Journal* headline screamed: “Worst Flood in Ohio History with Dayton Center of Horror.” The accompanying article reported “a calamity which can only be compared to the death, destruction, horrors, and devastation of war has overtaken the state of Ohio.”

Between March 23 and 27, the equivalent of two to three months’ worth of rain fell across the Ohio Valley. Every river and stream in the state flooded. The resulting destruction was devastating. Bridges, roads, railways, dams, and property were washed away. An estimated 500 people drowned, a quarter of a million were left homeless, and damages were estimated in the hundreds of millions. It was the most widespread natural disaster that the United States had witnessed, engulfing parts of 15 states.

Out of the chaos came better flood awareness; a new system of dams, levees, and floodwalls; and the realization that the

federal government needed to become involved in large-scale emergency responses.

This March, the national park and its partners will take a look back at this powerful event, the lives it touched, and its legacy. Join us on Friday, March 22, for a Lyceum lecture by author Trudy E. Bell, the foremost expert on the Flood of 1913, preceded by a flood-themed dinner. We are also commemorating the 100-year anniversary through a special Sunday Matinee train program, guided hikes in Boston and Akron, and an exhibit of artifacts and photos. See page 2 for more details.

To learn more about centennial events, the Flood of 1913’s history, and how to reduce the risks of modern flooding, visit [www.ohioandriecanalway.com](http://www.ohioandriecanalway.com). As our nation faces more frequent severe weather, take this opportunity to consider how best to prepare for the next deluge.

### 6 - 7 Nature & History

Search for migrating salamanders and birds, take a Canal Stories hike, and help restore native habitats.

### 8 - 9 Hiking & Recreation

Savor spring during an Early Evening Hike, try Canalway Questing, learn orienteering, and drop by our Open Tent.

### 10 - 11 Music & Arts

Tap your toes at a Heritage Series concert, hear experts share their photography secrets, visit an art exhibit, and come contra dancing.

# Valley Highlights



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

## Flood of 1913 Events

Cuyahoga Valley National Park and its Canalway partners join other organizations in Ohio and Indiana to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Great Flood of 1913 (see cover story). Below is a summary on local events. For more information, visit [www.ohioandieriecanalway.com](http://www.ohioandieriecanalway.com).



### Sunday, March 10

#### Sunday Matinee: The Great Flood of 1913

See page 5 for the description of this dramatic train program with costumed historical characters. Rockside Station, 11 a.m.

### Saturday, March 16

#### Flooding Boston

See page 7 for the description of this 2-mile history hike. Boston Store Visitor Center, 9 - 10:30 a.m.

### Friday, March 22

#### Dinner in the Valley: Feast Before the Flood

See page 12 for the description of this pre-Lyceum dinner featuring special guests. Happy Days Lodge, 6 p.m.

### Lyceum Lecture Series: The Great Ohio Flood of 1913

See page 3 for the description of this lecture by author Trudy E. Bell. Happy Days Lodge, 8 p.m.

### Saturday, March 23

#### Soup's On, Waters Are Rising!

See page 18 for the description of this hearty meal followed by a slideshow of Flood of 1913 images and museum tours. G.A.R. Hall Museum, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

### Begins Saturday, March 23

#### Flood of 1913 Exhibit

See page 18 for the description of this opening-day exhibit of historic imagery, artifacts, and photographs. Sippo Lake Park/Exploration Gateway, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

### Monday, March 25

#### Akron History Hike: The Flood of 1913

See page 18 for the description of this hike from Lock 4 to Lock 1 in downtown Akron. Lock 3, 11:30 a.m.



Modern flooding in Cuyahoga Valley.  
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Cuyahoga Valley National Park is part of the Ohio & Erie Canalway, a National Heritage Area. Congress designated the Canalway to help preserve and celebrate the rails, trails, landscapes, towns, and sites that grew up along the first 110 miles of the canal that helped Ohio and our nation grow. For more information, visit [www.ohioandieriecanalway.com](http://www.ohioandieriecanalway.com).





## Celebrate Earth Day All Week

Whether you want to plant trees, take a ranger-led hike, or e-cycle old electronics, we invite you to celebrate Earth Day in the Cuyahoga Valley. In honor of this occasion, staff and stakeholders will be working behind the scenes to create a plan to reduce Cuyahoga Valley National Park's greenhouse gas emissions, a crucial step toward becoming a Climate Friendly Park. To learn more about this service-wide initiative, visit [www.nps.gov/climatefriendlyparks/](http://www.nps.gov/climatefriendlyparks/).

*Sunday, April 21*

### Volunteer to Restore Native Habitat

Help restore CVNP's native habitat by

planting trees. Location to be given upon registration. 1 - 4 p.m. This is a family-friendly project for ages 7 and older. For more information and to register, call 330-657-2299 or [volunteer@forcvnp.org](mailto:volunteer@forcvnp.org).

*Monday, April 22*

### Recycled Rocks!

Join Park Ranger Josh Bates on Earth Day to enjoy a spring evening while exploring the "recycled" rocks along the Ledges Trail. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes on this 2.2-mile, moderately paced hike. Ledges Shelter, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

*Saturday, April 27*

### Electronic Recycling for Members

See description on page 12. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.



filmmaker Paul Jacoway, this documentary explores Seiberling's life, character, and success as a congressman. Much of the film is told in Seiberling's own words, which convey his passion for Washington politics and for the environment.

*Friday, April 19*

### Payge McMahon: The Grand to Grand Ultra

This unique event for extreme athletes is the first and only self-supported stage footrace in North America. It starts on the north rim of the Grand Canyon and finishes seven days and 167 miles later on a summit in Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. Author Payge McMahon shares her experience of the inaugural 2012 run and tips on how to tackle your own adventure bucket list.



*Friday, May 17*

The Lyceum speaker for Friday, May 17 is to be announced.

## Monthly Lyceum Series

The word "lyceum" has roots in ancient Greek, and became the name of the school where Aristotle taught. At CVNP, we use it to describe our lecture series featuring national speakers who stimulate the heart and mind with compelling stories of our natural and cultural world. Admission: \$6 adults, \$3 children ages 3 - 12.

Conservancy members can purchase all five Lyceums for \$20! Advance sales are available by calling 330-657-2909. General seating. Happy Days Lodge, 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m., unless otherwise noted.

On lecture days, call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for up-to-date ticket availability and severe weather cancellations. This series is presented in partnership with the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park.

*Friday, March 22*

### Trudy E. Bell: The Great Easter 1913 Flood

The monumental flood of 1913 was the worst natural disaster to befall Ohio. Largely forgotten is the national impact of this massive storm system. Tornadoes destroyed and flooding engulfed portions of 15 states, disrupting communications and



manufacturing from the industrial North to the Mississippi River to the agricultural South. Although damaged itself, Cleveland was a first responder during the first critical week when outside help could not get through. This presentation includes rarely seen images. Promotional support provided by the Summit County Historical Society. This Lyceum has a special start time of 8 p.m.

### Before the show, join us for Dinner in the Valley: Feast Before the Flood.

See page 12 for the full description. Please arrive at 6 p.m. Fee: \$34 adults, \$7 children ages 5 - 12 (includes dinner, dessert, and lecture). Reservations will be taken through March 18. Call 330-657-2796 ext. 121.

*Friday, April 12*

### A Tree Grows in Washington

The national park and Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens present the premier of *A Tree Grows in Washington: The John Seiberling Story*. Created by independent

# Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad



Experience the adventure, romance, and nostalgia of a vintage train ride through the heart of Cuyahoga Valley National Park. Choose from several excursions available this spring. Special events occur on additional dates.

*Stations south of Peninsula to Akron are closed due to bridge repairs. They will reopen in early June, weather permitting.*

For details, closure updates, and to register, visit [www.CVSR.com](http://www.CVSR.com).

## March and April Excursion

The following excursion runs on Saturdays and Sundays, March 2 through April 28. Fee: \$12 per person ages 3 and older (includes the *Voices of the Valley* audio tour).

### Spring Fever

View the beauty of CVNP as the spring landscape starts to unfold. Rockside Station, 11 a.m. and 1:50 p.m.

## May Excursions

The following two excursions run on Saturdays and Sundays, May 4 through May 26, and Monday, May 27, including the “Day Out With Thomas”™ weekends. Fee: \$12 per person ages 3 and older (includes the *Voices of the Valley* audio tour).

### Canal Explorer

Ride to the Canal Visitor Center to learn about the Ohio & Erie Canal. Following a 40-minute layover, climb back aboard for the return trip. Peninsula Depot, 12:25 p.m.

### Peninsula Explorer

Ride the rails, hike the Towpath Trail, and enjoy lunch or shopping in the historic Village of Peninsula. Rockside Station, 11 a.m. and 1:50 p.m.



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## Bike Aboard!

### *Bike the Trail, Ride the Rail!*

Bike the Towpath Trail in one direction, then hop on the train for a relaxing ride back to your car—or do it in reverse! The train can be flagged down at boarding stations by waving both arms. Please arrive 10 minutes prior to the train's scheduled arrival. Pay your fare when you board. One way for bicyclists: \$3 per person ages 3 and older with bike. One way for runners and hikers: \$8 per person ages 3 and older. No guaranteed seats. Bike Aboard! service begins April 6 and is offered during regular excursions (see descriptions on this page).

Station	Departures			
	South	North	South	North
Rockside Station	11:00	1:10	1:50	4:05
Canal Visitor Center	11:05	1:05	1:55	4:00
Brecksville	11:25	12:45	2:15	3:40
Boston Mill	11:35	12:35	2:25	3:25
Peninsula	11:45	12:25	2:35	3:15

### Towpath Mileage Between Boarding Stations

<b>Canal Visitor Center - Brecksville</b>	4.5 miles
<b>Brecksville - Boston Mill</b>	4.25 miles
<b>Boston Mill - Peninsula</b>	2.5 miles



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# Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

## “Grape Escape” Wine-Tasting Express

Enjoy a leisurely ride through the beautiful Cuyahoga Valley aboard CVSR while tasting five choice wines plus appetizers. Commemorative glass included. Reservations required. Ages 21 and older. Fees: \$57 - \$92. 7 - 9 p.m. To register visit [www.CVSR.com](http://www.CVSR.com).

*Friday, March 15*

**A Taste of Wines Across the USA**  
Rockside Station

*Friday, April 19*

**A Taste of Red and White Blends**  
Boston Mill Station

*Friday, May 10*

**A Taste of Wonderful Whites**  
Boston Mill Station

## “Ales on the Rails”

### Beer-Tasting Excursions

See what’s “brewing” in the Cuyahoga Valley aboard CVSR while tasting five choice beers plus appetizers. Commemorative glass included. Reservations required. Ages 21 and older. Fees: \$47 - \$82. 7 - 9 p.m. To register visit [www.CVSR.com](http://www.CVSR.com).

*Friday, March 8*

**A Taste of Red Ales and Stouts**  
Rockside Station

*Friday, April 12*

**A Taste of Hoppy Brews**  
Boston Mill Station

*Friday, May 3*

**A Taste of Malty Brews**  
Boston Mill Station

## Sunday Matinees

Spend a Sunday afternoon riding the rails through the Cuyahoga Valley, enjoying stories and fun with park rangers and volunteers. Two-hour round trip. Fee: \$12 per person ages 3 and older. To register visit [www.CVSR.com](http://www.CVSR.com).



*Sunday, March 10*

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*Sunday, April 14*

### The Great Train Robbery

Take a trip into the Wild West as we explore the advent of the railroad and the new generation of outlaws it spawned. Rockside Station, 11 a.m. and 1:50 p.m.



## Easter Bunny Express

*Sunday, March 24*

You’ll never believe what the Easter Groundhog has been up to in the past few months! Find out with CVSR and CVNP on the annual Easter Bunny Express. Enjoy a puppet show, crafts, and an Easter egg hunt. Fee: \$25 adults, \$12 children ages 3 - 12. Rockside Station, 11 a.m. To register visit [www.CVSR.com](http://www.CVSR.com).

## Mother’s Day Special

*Sunday, May 12*

Honor Mom on her special day by taking a leisurely train ride through the Cuyahoga Valley. Moms ride free with two paying family members. Fee: \$12 per person ages 3 and older. See page 4 for descriptions. Rockside Station, 11 a.m. and 1:50 p.m. Peninsula Depot, 12:25 p.m. To register visit [www.CVSR.com](http://www.CVSR.com).

## “Day Out With Thomas”™

*Saturday and Sunday, May 18 - 19*  
*Friday through Sunday, May 24 - 26*

Enjoy a 35-minute train ride with Thomas the Tank Engine™. Meet Sir Topham Hatt and enjoy clowns, magicians, live music, storytelling, and other fun activities for young children. Advance purchase is recommended. Boston Mill Station. For details and to register, visit [www.CVSR.com](http://www.CVSR.com).

## Memorial Day Special

*Monday, May 27*

Visit your national park by rail on this day of reflection. All tickets on regular excursions are just \$10 per person! See page 4 for descriptions. Rockside Station, 11 a.m. and 1:50 p.m. Peninsula Depot, 12:25 p.m. To register visit [www.CVSR.com](http://www.CVSR.com).

See page 8 for Hike Aboard! programs.

See page 18 for the Maple Sugar Express to Hale Farm & Village and for The Canalway Flyer bird train event.



## Bird Watching

Venture outdoors to improve your skills with expert as well as novice birders. Discover for yourself why the Audubon Society of Ohio designated CVNP as an Important Bird Area. Other bird-themed programs are listed under Cuyahoga Animals.

*Saturday, March 16*

### Cozy Hideouts

Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar as we search for migrating birds such as golden-crowned kinglets, red-breasted nuthatches, and eastern bluebirds along the 2.75-mile Tree Farm Trail. Horseshoe Pond, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.

*Saturday, March 23*

### Cuyahoga Waterfowl

The Cuyahoga Valley is a prime corridor for waterfowl and other early migrating birds. Join Park Ranger Paul Motts to discover what spring birds have arrived at the Beaver Marsh. Ira Trailhead, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

*Friday, April 5*

### Meet Mr. Timberdoodle

If weather conditions are right, you may see male woodcocks (aka timberdoodles) “sky dancing” 300 feet in the air. Observe this unusual mating spectacle with Park Ranger Paul Motts. Wear warm, dark clothing and bring a small flashlight. NPS Park Headquarters, 7:30 - 9 p.m.

*Saturday, April 20*

### Early Nesters

In April, returning songbirds establish their breeding territories along the Cuyahoga River. Walk the Towpath Trail with Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar in search of early nesting yellow-throated warblers. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 8 - 10 a.m.

*Saturday, May 4*

### Returning Songbirds

The songbird migration that began in February now nears a frenzied peak. Everywhere birds are singing and showing signs of courtship. Join Park Volunteer Dwight Chasar on a 2.5-mile walk to discover which migrating warblers are present in the hardwood forests and old fields of Oak Hill. Oak Hill Trailhead, 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.

*Saturday, May 18*

### Annual Spring Bird Census

Birders of all experience levels are invited to participate in this annual spring outing to compile vital population records used in natural resource studies. Census participants will be sent out in small groups to record different species and count numbers of individuals. Bring binoculars and a field guide. NPS Park Headquarters, 7:30 a.m.

*Saturday, May 25*

### High Places

The dense hemlock forests surrounding high sandstone ledges provide a cool

micro-environment ideal for nesting birds typically found north of Ohio. Park Ranger Paul Motts leads the search for hermit thrush, blue-headed vireo, and other unusual birds often seen along the Ledges trails. Ledges Shelter (parking lot), 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.

## Spring Marshlands

Explore how the Beaver Marsh is coming alive as spring arrives. Join a park ranger for a 1.5-mile walk along the Towpath Trail. Ira Trailhead.

*Saturday, April 27*

4 - 5:30 p.m.

*Sunday, May 12*

8 - 9:30 p.m.

## Cuyahoga Animals

Discover the many animals that call Cuyahoga Valley National Park home.

*Sunday, March 10*

### Skunk Soiree

Join Park Ranger Rebecca Jones Macko to meet a fragrant resident of the Cuyahoga Valley. Learn some of the lore and stories about this aromatic animal. Ledges Shelter, 2 - 3 p.m.

*Saturday, April 13*

### Emerging Eagles

Enjoy hands-on activities followed by a hike along the Towpath Trail in search of nesting bald eagles. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 2 - 4 p.m.

*Saturday, May 11*

### International Migratory Bird Day

Drop by to celebrate migratory bird conservation through games, crafts, and more! Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

### Hérons Are Home

Join Park Ranger Mike Kosmos as we seek out the largest heron in North America, the great blue. Starting in late winter, pairs gather to raise chicks in clusters of treetop nests. We'll take an easy hike to view the Bath Road Heronry. Botzum Trailhead, 2 - 4 p.m.



## Habitat Restoration Volunteers Needed

Help park staff restore CVNP's ecosystem. Wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants, sturdy boots, and work gloves. Locations given upon registration. For details and to register, visit [www.nps.gov/cuva/supportyourpark/volunteer-activities.htm](http://www.nps.gov/cuva/supportyourpark/volunteer-activities.htm) or call 330-657-2299.

*Saturday, March 2*

### Operation Restoration

Native plants need our help! For years our native plants and trees have lost space, nutrients, water, and sunlight to invasive plants. Join park staff to learn how CVNP is removing these and restoring our wild areas. Help prepare seedlings for the Cuyahoga Valley's native plant nursery! 2 - 4 p.m. Additional information will be e-mailed to participants upon registration.

*Sunday, April 21 and Saturday, May 18*  
**Plant Trees**

See description on page 3 for Earth Day and on the right for RiverDay.

*Thursday, May 9*

### Remove Invasive Plants

Clear invasive plants that crowd out natives. 1 - 4 p.m.



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## RiverDay

*Saturday, May 18*

This annual event provides the opportunity to celebrate, protect, and restore our National Heritage River—the Cuyahoga.

### Volunteer Opportunities

Help plant trees and remove trash within the Cuyahoga River watershed. Wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants, sturdy boots, and work gloves. Family-friendly projects for ages 7 and older. Location given upon registration.

10 a.m. - noon and 1 - 3 p.m. For more information and to register, contact the volunteer office at 330-657-2299 or [volunteer@forcvnp.org](mailto:volunteer@forcvnp.org).

### Junior Ranger: Rambling Along the River

See description on page 14.  
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

### Water Quality Testing

Stop by to chat with a ranger about how we test and monitor the Cuyahoga River. Boston Store Visitor Center, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

## Amphibians on the Move

*Thursday, March 7*

Each spring, hundreds of forest salamanders migrate to temporary pools to breed, remaining for only a few days. Join Cleveland Metroparks Naturalist Kelly McGinnis and NPS Park Ranger Paul Motts for a two-part program. Part I will introduce the amphibians of the Cuyahoga Valley. Participants registering for Part I will be placed on the amphibian hot line and notified during the peak migration for Part II, an evening hike to a vernal breeding pool. Brecksville Nature Center, 7 - 8:30 p.m. To register call 440-526-1012.

## Flooding Boston

*Saturday, March 16*

Explore stories of Boston and the devastating Flood of 1913 during this 2-mile hike along the roadside and off trail. Boston Store Visitor Center, 9 - 10:30 a.m.

## Celebrate Earth Day All Week

*Sunday, April 21 through  
Saturday, April 27*

See page 3 for details about volunteer opportunities, a Ledges hike, and e-cycling.

## Canal Stories Hike

*Sunday, May 5*

Step back in time with a park ranger and costumed volunteers for a demonstration of how canal boats passed through Lock 38 and a 2-mile, story-filled canal history hike to the Tinkers Creek aqueduct. Canal Visitor Center, 2 - 4 p.m.

## What a Gioia!

*Sunday, May 19*

Come before the house concert (see page 11) for a leisurely stroll amid the beautiful Hines Hill architecture and learn about the Gioia family who once lived here. Hines Hill Conference Center, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.



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# Hiking & Recreation



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## Off the Beaten Path

Join Park Ranger Rebecca Jones Macko as she traces Boston Run through the Cuyahoga Valley. Be prepared for off-trail, in-water conditions. Please leave dogs at home.

*Sunday, March 3*

### **Boston Run, Part 1**

Hike 2 - 3 miles up Boston Run from Peninsula and return to look at the stream's mouth. Peninsula Depot Visitor Center, 9 - 11 a.m.

*Sunday, April 14*

### **Boston Run, Part 2**

This 3-mile follow-up hike travels along the headwaters of Boston Run. Happy Days Lodge (north parking lot), 9 - 11 a.m.

## Early Evening Hikes

Join park rangers to explore nature in spring on these moderately paced hikes. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes.

*Wednesday, May 1*

3.5-mile hike along the moderate Cross Country and easy Lake trails to discover changing landscapes. Kendall Lake Shelter, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

*Wednesday, May 15*

1.5-mile hike along the easy Towpath Trail to the Beaver Marsh for wildlife watching. Ira Trailhead, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

*Wednesday, May 29*

4-mile hike along the moderate Riding Run Trail to enjoy a spring evening. Everett Road Covered Bridge, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

## Full Moon Hikes

Hiking at night under a full moon is a memorable experience, especially when your guide is a park ranger.

*Tuesday, March 26*

2.25-mile hike to the Beaver Marsh along the easy Towpath Trail. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 7 - 9 p.m.

*Thursday, April 25*

2.5-mile hike on the easy Towpath Trail. Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

*Saturday, May 25*

1.5-mile hike on the easy Oak Hill Trail. Oak Hill Trailhead, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

## Spring Training

Get in shape with a park ranger. This series starts with easier trails and culminates in a challenging 7.5-mile hike.

*Saturday, March 9*

1.5 miles along the Oak Hill Trail. Oak Hill Trailhead, 9 - 10:30 a.m.

*Saturday, March 23*

2.2 miles on the Ledges Trail. Ledges Shelter, 9 - 10:30 a.m.

*Saturday, April 6*

3.5 miles on the Boston Run Trail. Happy Days Lodge (north parking lot), 9 - 10:30 a.m.

*Saturday, April 20*  
5 miles on the Plateau Trail. Oak Hill Trailhead, 9 - 11 a.m.

*Saturday, May 4*

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

*Saturday, May 18*

7.5 miles on the Buckeye and Valley trails. NPS Park Headquarters, 8:30 a.m. - noon.

## Hike Aboard!

Climb aboard Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad for a one-way ride followed by a challenging hike back to our cars. Fee: \$3 per hiker.

*Sunday, March 17*

5.6 miles. Boston Mills Station, 12:20 p.m.

*Sunday, April 21*

7 miles. Brecksville Station, 11:15 a.m.

*Sunday, May 5*

5 miles. Peninsula Depot, 12:15 p.m.

## Orienteering

Orienteering is a sport that exercises your mind as well as your body. Challenge your land navigation skills with the Northeastern Ohio Orienteering Club. For more information visit [www.neooc.com](http://www.neooc.com).

*Saturday, April 13*

### **Orienteering for Beginners**

Learn to navigate with a map and compass. Hiking shoes and own compass recommended. Fee: \$15 per individual or group. Kendall Lake Shelter, 11:30 a.m.

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# Hiking & Recreation

*Sunday, April 14*

## Orienteering for All

Try out your land navigation knowledge on courses for beginners and experts. Bring a whistle and a compass. Map fee: \$8 for non-members. Kendall Lake Shelter, 11:30 a.m.

*Saturday, May 18*

## Woods Race

Challenge your land navigation skills in the woods on courses for beginners and experts. Bring a whistle and a compass. Map fee: \$8 for non-members. Ledges Shelter, 11:30 a.m.

## Spring Boomerang Fling

*Sunday, May 19*

Try this aboriginal flying device with Dave Boehm from the Cleveland Boomerang School. All skills levels are welcome. Boomerangs provided or bring your own. Howe Meadow, 2 - 4 p.m.

## Open Tent

*Sunday, May 26*

Join park rangers and volunteers for a camping version of the drop-in open house—the OPEN TENT! Stop by to chat about park camping, equipment, and Leave No Trace principles and to learn a skill or two. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

## Save the Date!

## National Trails Day

*Saturday, June 1*

Help care for the park's trails! Learn trail maintenance techniques while volunteering on a trail sweep or trail repair project. For ages 7 and older. Ledges Shelter, 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. For more information and to register, call 330-657-2299 or [volunteer@forcvnp.org](mailto:volunteer@forcvnp.org).



## 2013 Questing Season Begins

From Monday, April 15, through Friday, November 15, come find more than 30 adventures—called quests—in the Ohio & Erie Canalway! Put on your sleuthing hat and follow rhyming clues and a curious map to each hidden quest box. Along the way, discover the area's treasures—the natural and cultural gems of the Canalway.

Unlike geocaching, no GPS unit is needed and no trinkets are exchanged. When you find a quest box, collect its unique stamp, sign its logbook, and then return it to its hiding place.

This project is a partnership involving many organizations. For more information and to download quests, visit [ohioanderiecanalway.com](http://ohioanderiecanalway.com) and search under Activities for Questing.

Quests are also available at visitor centers. We added five new titles last fall; look for several more to kick off the new season.

*Saturday and Sunday, May 18 and 19*

Stop by to chat with park rangers and Quest Crew volunteers about the Canalway Questing program. Pick up quest clues and carve your own signature stamp. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.



# Music & Arts

## Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series Concerts

The Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series, presented by the National Park Service and the Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park, celebrates the cultural legacy of the Cuyahoga Valley. This series is made possible thanks to the generous support of 89.7 FM (WKSU), Cable 9 Television, Courtyard by Marriott of Akron/Stow, the Lloyd L. and Louise K. Smith Foundation, and Time Warner Cable.

Single concert admission: \$17 adults, \$12 Conservancy members, \$5 children ages 3 - 12. General seating. Advance sales available until 3 p.m. on the Friday for that weekend's show by calling 330-657-2909 ext. 100. All concerts are held at Happy Days Lodge. Doors open at 7 p.m. and concerts begin at 8 p.m.

Create your own subscription series and enjoy any three Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series concerts for one low price! Three-concert series: \$45 adults, \$30 Conservancy members, \$15 children ages 3 - 12. No cash refunds, but tickets may be exchanged up to 10 days before the concert.

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

*Friday, March 1*

### Ryan Shupe & the RubberBand

*RubberBand* is a perfect name for Ryan Shupe and his five-man band of amazing musicians from Salt Lake City. When the band comes together, their collective talent is explosive and undeniable. It is a breath of fresh air, with an organic approach to performing an eclectic mix of several acoustic musical genres, leaning heaviest on country and bluegrass.



*Friday, March 8*

### The Makem & Spain Brothers

*The Makem & Spain Brothers* are song collectors in the spirit of their forefathers, preserving old Irish folk songs and introducing a new generation to this rich musical history. With strong male vocals blending in boisterous sing-alongs and touching ballads, this band educates, illuminates, and entertains with songs imbued with the timeless qualities of folk classics.

*Friday, April 5*

### Mountain Heart

Rescheduled from 1/26. Special admission fee.

*Friday, April 26*

### The Pines

This Indie-roots band weaves together musical styles to create a unique sound that is hip and haunting. Strong writers, singers, and instrumentalists, David Huckfelt and Benson Tamsey complement each other, causing audiences and critics alike to tout them as a powerful young force in American roots music.

*Saturday, April 20*

### Comas

*Comas* is a band firmly rooted in Irish music, but with enough space to allow

for original compositions. Fiddler Aidan Burke plucks out a pure sound guaranteed to touch any lover of Celtic music. Aidan's dexterity is matched by the awesome talents of Isaac Alderson (flutes, uilleann pipes), Philip Masure (guitar), and Jackie Moran (percussion).

*Friday, May 3*

### MilkDrive

Jazz-grass band *MilkDrive* features award-winning instrumentalists Brian Beken on fiddle and lead vocals, Noah Jeffries on guitar and harmony vocals, Dennis Ludiker on mandolin and harmony vocals, and Matt Mefford on double bass. Fueled equally by tradition and innovation, *MilkDrive* delivers a distinctive acoustic experience that crosses genres, geographies, and generations.

## Contra Dances

*Thursdays, March 14 and 28, April 11 and 25, and May 9 and 23*

Become part of a living tradition in Cuyahoga Valley—contra dancing. Caller Carol Kopp leads dancers through each dance while the band *Hu\$hmoney* plays lively jigs, reels, and tunes. Park Ranger Rebecca Jones Macko will give a Contra Conversation on March 14 that explores the history of the dance. Guest callers will be featured in May. Comfortable clothing and shoes are recommended. Fee: \$6. Boston Township School House, 7 p.m. instruction, 8 - 10:30 p.m. dancing.





## Cuyahoga Valley House Concert Series

*Sundays, March 10, April 21, and May 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: \$8 general public, \$6 Conservancy members. Hines Hill Conference Center, 7 p.m. Seating is limited. The facility is not wheelchair accessible.

On concert days, call the Cultural Arts Hotline at 330-650-4636 ext. 228 after 2 p.m. for up-to-date ticket availability and severe weather cancellations. See page 7 for a pre-concert grounds tour on May 19.

## Music by Nature: Gideon Whitehead

*Sunday, March 17*

See concert description on page 12. Happy Days Lodge, 3 p.m.

## Art @ M.D. Garage

Art @ M.D. Garage is a series of free art exhibitions coordinated by the Crooked River Gang, a volunteer group that promotes art in the Cuyahoga Valley. The M.D. Garage is a 1940s gas station located in the village of Boston. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Most artwork is available for purchase.

*Saturdays and Sundays, April 20 through May 26 and Monday, May 27*  
**Nature in Zoom Mode**



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## Cuyahoga Valley Photographic Society

Part of the Conservancy, CVPS sponsors monthly presentations by local, regional, and national photographers as well as workshops, photo walks, and an annual show. Free. Happy Days Lodge, 7 - 9 p.m., unless otherwise stated. For more information contact CVPS at [info@cvps.org](mailto:info@cvps.org) or the Conservancy at 330-657-2909.

*Thursday, March 21*

### David Haas: Underwater Photography

David Haas has explored the ocean floor for more than four decades. He will bring some of his underwater gear for his presentation and share how he creates his beautiful images.

*Thursday, April 11*

### Ian Adams: Self-Publishing and eBooks

Environmental photographer Ian

Adams will discuss how to self-publish printed books and eBooks, including software selection and online services.

*Thursday through Sunday, April 18 - 21*

### Photo Road Trip: Springtime in Hocking Hills with Ian Adams

Led by Ohio environmental photographer Ian Adams, this tour provides an exciting opportunity to experience the most rugged scenery in the Buckeye State. Fee: \$395 member/\$460 non-member. For more information visit [www.cvps.org](http://www.cvps.org). To register call 330-657-2909 ext. 100.

*Thursday, May 16*

### Stuart Pearl: Seeing Light, Patterns, and Composition

Landscape photographer Stuart Pearl photographs places that others may ignore. Once he's found a unique area, he explores it from a variety of angles and vantage points.

# Conservancy for Cuyahoga Valley National Park



## Pancakes in the Park

*Sunday, April 14*

Join us for a delicious pancake breakfast featuring locally sourced products. Afterward, hike the Stanford Trail with volunteer naturalists and tour the renovated Stanford House. Fee: \$8 adults, \$6 children ages 12 and under. Boston Mills Ski Resort (parking for free shuttle service to Stanford House), 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

## Girl Scout Weekends

*Fridays through Sundays, April 26 - 28 or May 17 - 19*

Your Girl Scouts can make new friends while working toward the Get Moving! Journey Badge. All troops must meet the required adult-to-scout ratio, and chaperones must be trained for an overnight. Ask your council for details. For ages 8 - 12. Fee: \$95 scouts, \$50 chaperones. This includes programming, meals, snacks, and lodging. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, Friday 6 p.m. - Sunday 1 p.m. To register, call 330-657-2796 ext. 100.

## Dinner in the Valley

For pricing and reservations call 330-657-2909 ext. 100 or visit [www.conservancyforcvnp.org](http://www.conservancyforcvnp.org).

*Friday, March 22*

### Feast Before the Flood

Join us for dinner before the Lyceum lecture on the catastrophic Flood of 1913 (see page 3). The evening begins with a visit by costumed historical characters. Afterward, Chef Larkin Rogers explores local foods of the early 1900s. Happy Days Lodge, 6 p.m.

*Wednesday, April 17*

### Springtime in Spain

Chef Larkin Rogers takes us on a culinary trip to Spain, where we'll discover tasty tapas and paella and sample wines of the region. Hines Hill Conference Center, 6 p.m.

*Friday, May 3*

### Cinco de Mayo Our Way

Our tongue-in-cheek take on this holiday is a study in mayo—mayonnaise, that is. Chef Larkin Rogers de-mystifies this versatile sauce by presenting it in many flavors and styles. Stanford House, 6 p.m.

## Volunteer Orientation

*Saturday, March 2 or Thursday, May 2*

Want to volunteer in your national park? Attend this orientation to learn about the NPS, CVNP, the Conservancy and other park partners, and volunteer

opportunities. To register, reply up to three business days before the class to 330-657-2299 or [volunteer@forcvnp.org](mailto:volunteer@forcvnp.org). 10 a.m. - noon on 3/2 and 7 - 9 p.m. on 5/2.

## Music by Nature: Gideon Whitehead

*Sunday, March 17*

Presented in partnership with the Cleveland Classical Guitar Society, this concert features Gideon Whitehead's specialty, Russian music. Gideon has won numerous international guitar festivals and national composition competitions. Fee: \$10. For tickets call 330-657-2909 ext. 100. Happy Days Lodge, 3 p.m. Reception to follow.

## Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist Program

*Friday through Saturday,*

*April 5 - 6 (overnight)*

*Fridays, April 12 and 26 and May 10*

*Saturdays, April 20 and May 4 and 18*

Do you have a passion for the natural world? This program involves an initial 40 hours of combined classroom and field-based instruction and 40 hours of volunteer service, plus additional hours to maintain annual certification. The program begins with an overnight at Stanford House and continues for six sessions. Fee: \$250. For more information and to register, contact Connie Dages at 330-657-2796 ext. 100 or e-mail [cdages@forcvnp.org](mailto:cdages@forcvnp.org).

## Electronic Recycling for Members

*Saturday, April 27*

Conservancy members, celebrate Earth Day by recycling your unwanted, old, and broken electronic equipment. Bring your membership card and a maximum of 10 items. Not a member yet? Sign up online today or in person at the event. To view a list of accepted items, visit [www.conservancyforcvnp.org](http://www.conservancyforcvnp.org). Station Road Bridge Trailhead, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.



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## Summer Camp 2013 Open House

*Sunday, May 5*

There are great opportunities for youth entering grades 4 - 11 to explore the environment and the arts through CVNP overnight summer camps. For youth ages 6 - 11, we offer Junior Ranger Day Camp. Check out our 2013 lineup ([www.conservancyforcvnp.org](http://www.conservancyforcvnp.org)), tour our facilities, and meet our friendly camp staff. Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center, 1 - 3 p.m. For more information call 330-657-2796 ext. 100.

## Spring Runs

Visit [www.conservancyforcvnp.org](http://www.conservancyforcvnp.org), or contact Jared Slanina at 330-657-2909 ext. 136 or [jslanina@forcvnp.org](mailto:jslanina@forcvnp.org) for the latest information on our running series.



## Countryside Initiative Farms

There are currently 11 active Countryside Initiative farms within the national park. Products vary seasonally. For more information about the program and a list of farms, visit [www.cvcountryside.org](http://www.cvcountryside.org).

## Countryside U

The Countryside Conservancy offers a wide array of workshops, classes, and seminars intended to inspire, educate, and mobilize the next generation of farmers and food producers. To register call 330-657-2542 or visit [www.cvcountryside.org](http://www.cvcountryside.org).

*Mondays, March 4, April 1, and May 6*

### Local Food Akron Mixers

Interested in food and farming? Join us for these social gatherings at a local restaurant. Crave, 7 p.m.

*Mondays, March 11, 18, 25, and April 1*

### Exploring the Small Farm Dream

This four-session course will help determine whether farming is right for you. Fee: \$125; \$175 two-person team. Boston Store Visitor Center, 6 - 9 p.m.

*Tuesdays, March 19, April 16, and May 21*

### Local Food Swaps

Bring your homemade goodies to swap, trade, or barter! For more information and location, contact Erin Molnar at 330-657-2542 ext. 226 or [emolnar@cvcountryside.org](mailto:emolnar@cvcountryside.org). 6 - 9 p.m.

*Tuesday, May 28*

### Poultry Processing

This class is for people who are already raising chickens or are serious about raising chickens. Participants will process three chickens to take home. Not for the faint of heart! Fee: \$150. Brunty Farms, 6 p.m.

## Greenfield Berry Farm CSA Open House

*Saturdays, March 30 and April 13*

Find out how you can receive farm-fresh, sustainably grown produce each week during the growing season.



Enjoy a free tour of the farm and sample some of our tasty recipes. For more information contact Daniel Greenfield at 330-657-2924 or visit [greenfieldberryfarm@hotmail.com](mailto:greenfieldberryfarm@hotmail.com). Greenfield Berry Farm, 1 p.m.

## Visit The Spicy Lamb Farm

Celebrate spring at this Countryside Initiative Farm. For more information and directions, visit [www.thespicylamb.com](http://www.thespicylamb.com).

*Saturday and Sunday, March 2 - 3*

### Shearing Days

Watch a sheep-shearing demonstration. Fee: \$5. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

*Saturdays, March 9 and 16, and*

*Sundays, March 10 and 17*

### Lambing Days

See newborn lambs, ducklings, chicks, and bunnies. Fee: \$5. 9 - 11 a.m. on Saturdays and 2 - 4 p.m. on Sundays. Follow lamb arrivals on Facebook and Twitter.

*Saturday, April 20*

### Blessing of the Sheep

See the blessing of the sheep with bagpipes accompaniment and a border collie herding demonstration. Fee: \$10, \$5 children under 12. Noon - 2 p.m.

*Wednesdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29*

### Lectures at The Spicy Lamb

Guest experts present various farm topics. Free. 7 p.m.

*Saturday, May 18*

### Spring Taste of Lamb Dinner

Enjoy a special dinner with a variety of lamb dishes, wine, and live music. Fee: \$35. Reservations required. 6 p.m.

## Rockin' the Vineyard

*Wednesdays, March 13 - April 24*

Live solo and duo musicians play a variety of styles from week to week. Free with purchase of wine or food. Sarah's Vineyard, 7 - 10 p.m. For more information call 330-929-8057 or visit [www.sarahsvineyardwinery.com](http://www.sarahsvineyardwinery.com).

## Countryside Farmers' Markets

Experience three producers-only farmers' markets presented by the Countryside Conservancy. For more information call 330-657-2542 or visit [www.cvcountryside.org](http://www.cvcountryside.org).

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### Countryside Winter Farmers' Markets at Old Trail School

*Saturdays, March 9 and 23 and April 6 and 27*  
9 a.m. - noon

### Countryside Farmers' Market at Howe Meadow

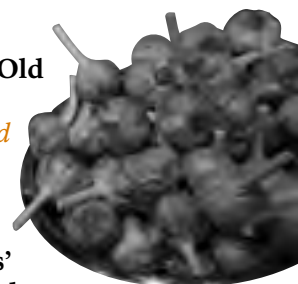
*Saturdays, May 11 through October 26*  
9 a.m. - noon

### Countryside Farmers' Market at Highland Square

*Thursdays, May 30 through October 3*  
4 - 7 p.m.

### Wanted: Countryside Farmers' Market Volunteers

Opportunities include parking assistance, staffing the information table, setting up and tearing down, taking photographs, assisting chefs, and providing office support. Contact the volunteer office at 330-657-2299 or [volunteer@forcvnp.org](mailto:volunteer@forcvnp.org).





this year earn a 2013 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—five programs earn a patch. See the Junior Ranger listing for registration information. All spring programs are from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. and free.

### *Saturday, March 23* **Water WOW!**

Come discover the magical wonders of water. We'll explore why water is not only fun, but important and powerful. Be prepared for a hike to visit a stream up close. Boots are recommended.

### *Saturday, April 20*

#### **Amazing Air**

What is all around us, but something we can't see? We'll investigate things that fly and the amazing properties of air through hands-on exploration, play, and art.

### *Saturday, May 11*

#### **Dirt Rocks**

What's all the fuss about dirt? Come make mud pies and search for the creatures that call the forest floor home. Get your hands dirty as we uncover the truth about soil.

## Become a Junior Ranger!

Kids ages 7 - 12 attending three programs this year earn the 2013 CVNP Junior Ranger badge—six programs earn a patch. Program locations are given upon registration. Spring programs are free. A parent or guardian is required to attend programs with participating children. All programs are from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. To register call 800-642-3297 ext. 100.

### *Saturday, April 6*

#### **Discovering Vernal Pools**

We'll take a difficult 1.5-mile hike into the forest to discover the secret life of a vernal pool and understand how these wetlands are an essential habitat for certain wildlife.

### *Saturday, April 20*

#### **Bring on the Bugs**

Explore an upland forest with Park Ranger Mike Kosmos in search of bugs that call this community home.

### *Saturday, May 18*

#### **Rambling Along the River**

Become a water quality scientist on RiverDay. Take a walk along the Towpath Trail, put on goggles and gloves, and test the Cuyahoga's water.

## Junior Ranger, Jr.

Young children can discover and enjoy the natural world. Kids ages 4 - 6 attending any three programs

## Easter Egg Extravaganza

*Sunday, March 24*

You'll never believe what the Easter Groundhog has been up to in the past few months! Join Park Ranger Pamela Machuga for a puppet show, crafts, and an Easter egg hunt. Fee: \$2. Happy Days Lodge, 3 p.m.



## Hang Out at Hunt

*Saturdays and Sundays, May 4 - 26*

Stop by to enjoy various activities for the entire family. Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center, 1 - 3 p.m.

## National Kids to Parks Day

*Saturday, May 18*

Pledge to take the special children in your life to a local park. CVNP invites you to ride Thomas the Tank Engine™ (page 5), participate in RiverDay (page 7), and try Canalway Questing (page 9). For more information and to register, visit [www.kidstoparks.org](http://www.kidstoparks.org).

Check other pages, too. There are lots of family programs and events throughout this issue.

## National Junior Ranger Day

*Saturday, April 20*

Join Cuyahoga Valley National Park rangers in celebrating Junior Rangers! Attend a free program in the morning (see descriptions left and above), followed by more afternoon fun. Enjoy cake and ice cream as we unveil the 2013 Junior Ranger badge design. Create your piece for the new Junior Ranger wall tapestry and do other activities. Bring your collection of Junior Ranger badges and patches to show off and win prizes. Ledges Shelter, noon - 2:30 p.m. The swearing-in ceremony is at 1 p.m.

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# Ohio & Erie Canalway

At [www.ohioandieriecanalway.com](http://www.ohioandieriecanalway.com), find a listing of events at partner sites throughout the Ohio & Erie Canalway. Please note that CVNP has retired the [www.dayinthevalley.com](http://www.dayinthevalley.com) website.

## Taste of Tusc

*Friday, March 8*

Get an early start to your St. Patrick's Day celebration! Come and taste foods, wines, and beers of the Tuscarawas Valley. Fee. Warther Museum, 5 - 9 p.m. Tickets go on sale February 1. For more information call 330-374-5657 or visit [www.ohioeriecanal.org](http://www.ohioeriecanal.org).

## Maple Sugar Festival & Pancake Breakfast

*Saturdays and Sundays, March 16 - 17 and 23 - 24*

Discover the ancient process of maple sugar production, a tradition that began with American Indians before the time of Jonathan Hale. Fee. Hale Farm & Village, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. For more information call 330-666-3711 or visit [www.halefarm.org](http://www.halefarm.org). For added fun, ride the **Maple Sugar Express** to this event. Fee: \$22 adults, \$17 children ages 3 and older. Rockside Station 11 a.m. To register visit [www.CVSR.com](http://www.CVSR.com).

## Flood of 1913 Exhibit

*Begins Saturday, March 23*

It started raining on this date one hundred years ago. Every river and creek swelled over its banks, leading to the worst natural disaster in Ohio's

history. This opening-day exhibit tells the story of the flood through historic imagery, artifacts, and photographs. Free. Sippo Lake Park/Exploration Gateway, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. For more information visit [www.starkparks.com](http://www.starkparks.com).

## Soup's On, Waters Are Rising!

*Saturday, March 23*

This year our popular event returns with a Flood of 1913 flavor! Join us for a large selection of homemade soups. After lunch, enjoy a special slideshow about the Flood of 1913 and museum tours. Fee. G.A.R. Hall Museum, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. For more information, visit [www.peninsulahistory.org](http://www.peninsulahistory.org).

This is a great day to stroll through the Village of Peninsula, celebrating the start of spring! To learn about other **Cabin Fever Tour** activities from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., contact 330-657-2788 or visit [www.explorepenninsula.net](http://www.explorepenninsula.net).

## Akron History Hike: The Flood of 1913

*Monday, March 25*

Metro Parks, Serving Summit County and the Summit County Historical Society commemorate the flood that ended the Ohio & Erie Canal Era with this hike from Lock 4 to Lock 1, with a brief stop at the historic Richard Howe House. Lock 3, 11:30 a.m. For more information call 330-865-8065 or visit [www.summitmetroparks.org](http://www.summitmetroparks.org).

## Summit County Healthy Steps Kick-Off

*Friday, April 12*

Step your way to a healthier lifestyle! Participants are eligible to receive prizes based on their average steps per day. Free. Lock 3, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Pre-registration begins February 4. For more information call 330-374-5657 or visit [www.ohioeriecanal.org](http://www.ohioeriecanal.org).

## Civil War Lecture Series

In commemoration of the Civil War sesquicentennial, listen to experts detail historical aspects of this American conflict. Free. G.A.R. Hall Museum, 7 p.m. For more information visit [www.peninsulahistory.org](http://www.peninsulahistory.org)

*Thursday, April 25*

**Intrepid Mariners: The USS Kearsarge & CSS Alabama**

*Thursday, May 23*

**His Promised Land: John Parker and the Underground Railroad**

## A Fugitive's Path: Escape on the Underground Railroad

*March 1, 4 - 8, 11 - 14, and 26 - 29*

*April 2 - 6, 9 - 13, and 20*

This interactive role-playing program involves visitors in the story of the Underground Railroad. Learn about and experience a part of our social and cultural history. This is a Civil War 150 event. Fee. Hale Farm & Village; tours depart every 20 minutes from 6 - 8:20 p.m. To register contact 330-666-3711 ext. 1720 or [halereservations@wrhs.org](mailto:halereservations@wrhs.org).

## Save the Date!

## The Canalway Flyer - A Birding Train Event

*Sunday, June 9*

Join Naturalist Jen Brumfield for bird hikes, a train ride, and a box lunch. Brecksville Station, 7:45 a.m. For more information visit [www.ohioandieriecanalway.com](http://www.ohioandieriecanalway.com).



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## Mustill Store Opening Day!

*Saturday, March 30*

Help us celebrate the 2013 Mustill Store season! Burgers and dogs on the grill, live music on the porch, historic games on the lawn, and more! Fee for lunch. Mustill Store, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. For more information call 330-374-5625 or visit [www.cascadelocks.org](http://www.cascadelocks.org).





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

**Boston Mills Ski Resort** - 7100 Riverview Road, Peninsula 44264

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

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

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

**Brandywine Falls** - 8176 Brandywine Road, south of Highland Road, north of Twinsburg Road, Sagamore Hills 44067

**Brecksville Nature Center** - Chippewa Creek Drive, south of SR 82, Brecksville 44141

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

**Bruntz Farms** - 2470 Martin Road, Akron 44333

**Canal Visitor Center** - 7104 Canal Road, at the Hillside Road intersection, Valley View 44125

**Crave** - 57 East Market Street, Akron 44308

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

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

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

**Greenfield Berry Farm** - 2485 Major Road, Peninsula 44264

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

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

**Highland Square Market** - intersection of Conger Avenue and West Market Street, Akron 44303

**Hines Hill Conference Center** - 1403 West Hines Hill Road, Peninsula 44264

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

**Howe Meadow** - 4040 Riverview Road, 4 miles south of SR 303, Peninsula 44264

**Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center** - 2045 Bolanz Road, between Riverview and Akron Peninsula roads, Peninsula 44264

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

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

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

**Lock 3** - 200 South Main Street, Akron 44308

**Lock 29 Overflow Lot / Trailhead** - 1650 Mill Street, Peninsula 44264

**M.D. Garage** - adjacent to Boston Store Visitor Center, Peninsula 44264

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

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

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

**Octagon Shelter** - Truxell / Kendall Park 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 Visitor Center** - 1630 Mill Street, off Akron Peninsula Road, north of SR 303, Peninsula 44264

**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, Cuyahoga Falls 44223

**Sippo Lake Park / Exploration Gateway** - 5712 12th Street Northwest, Canton 44708

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

**Stanford House / Campground / Trailhead** - 6093 Stanford Road, Peninsula 44264

**Station Road Bridge Trailhead** - 13513 Riverview Road, 1/8 mile south of SR 82, Brecksville 44141

**Warther Museum** - 331 Karl Avenue, Dover 44622

*Most park facilities and the Towpath Trail are wheelchair accessible. For specific information about meeting your special needs, call 330-657-2752.*



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## Visitor Centers

**Boston Store Visitor Center** exhibits tell the story of canal boat building in the valley. Daily, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Canal Visitor Center** focuses on life along the canal and human history in the valley. Saturdays and Sundays in March and April; Wednesdays through Sundays in May; and Monday, May 27 (Memorial Day), 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center** has kid-friendly exhibits and general park information. Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Peninsula Depot Visitor Center** is an information/orientation facility developed to help visitors explore CVNP, local attractions, and the Ohio & Erie Canalway. Saturdays and Sundays, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

## Program Information

330-657-2752  
[www.nps.gov/cuva](http://www.nps.gov/cuva)

To request a sign-language interpreter, call 440-546-5991 or write to [cuva\\_info@nps.gov](mailto:cuva_info@nps.gov) at least two weeks before the program.



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