May 2024

WEDNESDAY - MAY 1

Water Aerobics

8:00 AM to 8:45 AM & 10:00 AM to 10:45 AM; Splash Zone: Back Pool

Wednesday Morning Birding

8:00 AM to 10:30 AM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

Art Gallery: Laurie Musser - BE STILL, Here and There

10:00 AM to 4:30 PM; French Creek Reservation - Nature Center/Theatre; Art Gallery; through May 31

Books in the Woods! (in partnership with **Lorain Public Library System)**

10:00 AM to 11:00 AM; French Creek Reservation - Nature Center/Theatre; Lobby Wildflower Wednesdays Hike

10:00 AM to 11:00 AM; Vermilion River Reservation - Bacon Woods;

Trailhead/Walking Center

Nat Chat Hike

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM; Indian Hollow Reservation - Royal Oaks; Meeting Room

THURSDAY - MAY 2

Birding By Tram

8:00 AM to 9:30 AM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

Morning Yoga

8:30 AM to 9:30 AM; Lakeview Park; Sunset Terrace

Rose Garden Community WorkDay

9:00 AM to 2:00 PM; Lakeview Park; Lakeview Park

Schoepfle Garden Tram Rides

10:00 AM to 1:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden; **Visitor Center**

Master the Trails - Water Crossing Safety

5:30 PM to 7:00 PM; Kipton Reservation; Trailhead

FRIDAY - MAY 3

Water Aerobics

8:00 AM to 8:45 AM & 10:00 AM to 10:45 AM; Splash Zone; Back Pool

Conserva-STORIES Series

10:30 AM to 11:00 AM; Miller Nature Preserve; Conservatory

Master the Trails - French Creek Extended

11:00 AM to 3:00 PM; French Creek Reservation - Nature Center/Theatre; Lobby **Pack Walk**

5:30 PM to 6:30 PM; French Creek Reservation - Nature Center/Theatre; Lobby

SATURDAY - MAY 4

Master the Trails - Waterfall Trek

9:00 AM to 11:30 PM; Black River Reservation - Bur Oak; Bridgeway Trailhead

Little Explorers Preschool Program: Nests

10:00 AM to 10:45 AM; Vermilion River Reservation - Mill Hollow; Carriage Barn Meeting Room

Hale Road Wetland Hike

1:00 PM to 3:30 PM; Carlisle Reservation -Visitor Center; Flagpole Outside Visitor Center

Pack Walk

2:00 PM to 3:30 PM; Amherst Beaver Creek Reservation; Shelter # I

Walk the River Hike

2:00 PM to 3:00 PM; Vermilion River Reservation - Mill Hollow; Carriage Barn Lobby

SUNDAY - MAY 5

Yoga with Tom at Century Park

8:00 AM to 9:00 AM; Century Park; Harbor House Meeting Room

Forest Immersion Walk

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM; Wellington Reservation; Visitor Center Lobby

Critter Crew Puppet Shows

10:30 AM to 10:50 AM & 11:00 AM to 11:20 AM; French Creek Reservation - Nature Center/Theatre; Pijor Hall

Bacon House Tour

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM; Vermilion River Reservation - Mill Hollow; Benjamin Bacon

Preschool Park Pals: When it Rains

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM; Indian Hollow Reservation - Royal Oaks; Meeting Room

Schoepfle Garden Tram Rides

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden; Visitor Center

MONDAY - MAY 6

Drawing 101 (Instructor Clela Neale)

10:00 AM to 11:30 AM; Miller Nature Preserve; Orchid Room

Wildflower Hike

10:00 AM to 11:00 AM; Schoepfle Garden;

Watercolor Class (Instructor Clela Neale)

12:30 PM to 2:30 PM; Miller Nature Preserve; Orchid Room

Wellington Tram Rides

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM; Wellington Reservation; Visitor Center Lobby

WEDNESDAY - MAY 8

Wildflower Wednesdays Hike

2:00 PM to 3:00 PM; Amherst Beaver Creek Reservation; Shelter #1

Lifeguard Open Interviews

4:00 PM to 6:00 PM; Lakeview Park; Sunset Terrace

Wednesday Morning Birding

8:00 AM to 10:30 AM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

THURSDAY - MAY 9

Birding By Tram

8:00 AM to 9:30 AM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

Pilates Soleil with Sharon

10:00 AM to 11:00 AM; Amherst HealthPlex; **Rubber Floor Room**

Schoepfle Garden Tram Rides

10:00 AM to 1:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden; Visitor Center

Wellington Book Club

7:00 PM to 8:00 PM; Wellington Reservation; Meeting Room

FRIDAY - MAY 10

Hero Hike

10:00 AM to 11:30 AM; Cascade Park; Shelter #1

Master the Trails - Waterfall Trek

3:00 PM to 4:30 PM; Cascade Park; Shelter

SATURDAY - MAY 11

Big Birding Weekend

6:00 AM to 3:00 PM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

Morning Birding Hike

7:30 AM to 9:30 AM; Vermilion River Reservation - Bacon Woods: Trailhead/Walking Center

Birding Hike

8:30 AM to 10:30 AM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

Bike Bide and Trailside Coffee

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM; Offsite Locations; Offsite Location

Family Nature Walk - Native Flowers & **Pollinator Power!**

10:00 AM to 11:30 AM: French Creek Reservation - Nature Center/Theatre; Lobby **Pack Walk**

10:00 AM to 11:00 AM; Wellington

Reservation; Visitor Center Lobby **Pumped Up Strength**

10:15 AM to 11:00 AM; Amherst HealthPlex; Lobby **Small-Scale Nature**

1:30 PM to 3:00 PM; Carlisle Reservation -Visitor Center; Discovery Den

Lorain County Bicentennial Program -Charlemont Cemetery Hike 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Charlemont

Reservation; Trailhead

SUNDAY - MAY 12

Yoga with Tom at Century Park

8:00 AM to 9:00 AM; Century Park; Harbor House Meeting Room

Birding Hike

8:30 AM to 10:30 AM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

Schoepfle House and Garden Tour

11:00 AM to 12:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden; Schoepfle House

Mother's Day Tea (SOLD OUT)

1:00 PM to 2:30 PM : Miller Nature Preserve: Orchid Room

Schoepfle Garden Tram Rides

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden; Visitor Center

Caregiver's Series - Maker Space with Your M.O.M. (Mentors or Moms)

2:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Cascade Park; Nature Center Meeting Room

Bacon Woods Wildflower Hike

2:00 PM to 3:00 PM; Vermilion River Reservation - Bacon Woods; Trailhead/Walking Center

MONDAY - MAY 13

Drawing 101 (Instructor Clela Neale)

10:00 AM to 11:30 AM; Miller Nature Preserve; Orchid Room

Watercolor Class (Instructor Clela Neale)

12:30 PM to 2:30 PM; Miller Nature Preserve; Orchid Room

TUESDAY - MAY 14

Curious Creekers Preschool Program

10:00 AM to 11:30 AM; French Creek Reservation - Nature Center/Theatre; Classroom

Homeschool Explorers: Birding

10:00 AM to 11:30 AM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

Volunteer Orientation

10:00 AM to 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM; Carlisle Reservation - Visitor Center; Carlisle Room

Tiny Talons Storytime

11:00 AM to 11:30 AM; Carlisle Reservation -Visitor Center; Black River Room

WEDNESDAY - MAY 15

Wednesday Morning Birding

8:00 AM to 10:30 AM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

Birding Hike

9:00 AM to 11:00 AM; Wellington Reservation; Visitor Center Lobby

Master the Trails - Carlisle Long Hike 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM; Carlisle Reservation -

Duck Pond; Shelter #1 Schoepfle Garden Tour 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM; Schoepfle Garden;

Visitor Center Wildflower Wednesdays Hike

2:00 PM to 3:00 PM; Cassell Reservation; Highbridge Trail

THURSDAY - MAY 16

Birding By Tram

8:00 AM to 9:30 AM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

Rose Garden Community WorkDay

9:00 AM to 11:00 AM; Lakeview Park; Lakeview Park

Schoepfle Garden Tram Rides

10:00 AM to 1:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden; Visitor Center

Exploring Watercolor (Instructor Clela Neale)

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM; French Creek Reservation - Nature Center/Theatre; Classroom

Garden Sprouts: Colors in Bloom

10:30 AM to 11:15 AM; Miller Nature Preserve; Orchid Room Master the Trails - Wildlife Appreciation Hike 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Columbia Reservation;

Briarwood Lodge Meeting Room **Owl Prowl Hike**

7:00 PM to 8:30 PM; Carlisle Reservation -Visitor Center; Raptor Center Amphitheater

FRIDAY - MAY 17

Hollstein Step Out

12:30 PM to 1:15 PM; Amherst HealthPlex;

Endangered Species Program 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM; Wellington Reservation;

Meeting Room

HIKING PROGRAM LEVELS

EASY HIKING LEVEL/LEVEL 1 (HSP-1) - Paved, gravel, and/or woodchips trail - Accessible

- 30-60 minutes, or under 2 miles - Flat with occasional gradual inclines - Gradual walking pace - Daytime

MODERATE HIKING LEVEL/LEVEL 2 (HSP-2)

(Includes 4 or more of the following):
- Gravel, woodchips, and/or unimproved trail
- 60-90 minutes, or 2-4 miles
- Rolling terrain

- Evening (night hikes, full moon hikes, etc.) - Brisk walking pace - At location with limited facilities

STRENUOUS HIKING LEVEL/LEVEL 3 (HSP-3)

(Includes 4 or more of the following): - Gravel, woodchips, and/or unimproved trail - Includes potential water obstacles (mud, rivers, creeks, etc.)

- Includes off-trail explorations - 90-120 minutes, or 4+ miles - Includes steep inclines and rolling terrain

- Evening (night hikes, full moon hikes, etc.)
- Suitable clothing and appropriate footwear required (hiking boots or hiking shoes and/or shoes that can get wet) - Fast walking pace or trail running

- At location with limited facilities

French Creek Theatre Presents- North Pointe

Ballet's "Peter Pan" 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM; French Creek Reservation - Nature Center/Theatre; Ewing

SATURDAY - MAY 18

Morning Birding Hike

7:30 AM to 9:30 AM; Cassell Reservation; Highbridge Trail

Master the Trails - Day's Dam Litter Clean Up

9:00 AM to 11:00 AM; Black River Reservation - Days Dam; Tram Building

Sandy Ridge Tram Rides 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Shelter Beside JW Center

Springtime Symphony Stroll 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM; Miller Nature Preserve;

Sunset Bike Ride to the Lake 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM; French Creek Reservation - Kayak Launch; Kayak Launch

SUNDAY - MAY 19 Astronomy: Solar Viewing

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

The Sounds of Nature: Spring

1:00 PM to 1:45 PM; Carlisle Reservation -Visitor Center; Raptor Center Amphitheater **Destination Discovery: Wildflower Colors** 2:45 PM to 3:30 PM; Carlisle Reservation -Visitor Center; Discovery Den

SUNDAY - MAY 19 Yoga with Tom at Century Park

8:00 AM to 9:00 AM; Century Park; Harbor House Meeting Room **Riverside Trail Clean-up Hike**

10:00 AM to 11:00 AM; Vermilion River

Reservation - Mill Hollow; Carriage Barn Lobby

Classroom

Visitor Center

Critter Care 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM; French Creek Reservation - Nature Center/Theatre;

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM; Vermilion River

Bacon House Tour

Reservation - Mill Hollow; Benjamin Bacon Musuem **Sandy Ridge Tram Rides**

Reservation; Shelter Beside JW Center **Schoepfle Garden Tram Rides** 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden;

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Sandy Ridge

MONDAY - MAY 20

Drawing 101 (Instructor Clela Neale) 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM; Miller Nature Preserve: Orchid Room

Watercolor Class (Instructor Clela Neale) 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM; Miller Nature Preserve;

Orchid Room

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TUESDAY - MAY 21

Homeschool Explorers: Planting Seeds

10:00 AM to 11:30 AM; Miller Nature Preserve; Orchid Room

WEDNESDAY - MAY 22

Wednesday Morning Birding

8:00 AM to 10:30 AM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

Wildflower Wednesdays Hike

2:00 PM to 3:00 PM; Vermilion River Reservation - Bacon Woods; Trailhead/Walking Center

THURSDAY - MAY 23

Birding By Tram

8:00 AM to 9:30 AM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

Schoepfle Garden Tram Rides

10:00 AM to 1:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden; Visitor Center

Exploring Watercolor (Instructor Clela Neale) 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM; French Creek

Reservation - Nature Center/Theatre;

Classroom

Master the Trails - Full Moon Hike

8:30 PM to 10:00 PM : Black River Reservation - Bur Oak; Bridgeway Trailhead

Wellington Full Moon Hike

9:30 PM to 10:30 PM; Wellington Reservation; Visitor Center Lobby

FRIDAY - MAY 24

Schoepfle Carousel Rides

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden; Children's Garden

Raptor Kids: Exploring Raptor Diets

2:00 PM to 3:15 PM; Carlisle Reservation -Visitor Center; Carlisle Room

SATURDAY - MAY 25

Family Nature Walk - Birds in Springtime

10:00 AM to 11:30 AM; French Creek Reservation - Nature Center/Theatre; Lobby

Schoepfle Open House

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden;

Schoepfle House

Color Clues Kids Hike

11:00 AM to 11:30 AM; Miller Nature Preserve; Lobby

Schoepfle Carousel Rides

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden;

Children's Garden

Sandy Ridge Tram Rides

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Shelter Beside JW Center

Lorain County Bicentennial Program - Caley

Reservation Historical Hike

1:30 PM to 3:00 PM; Caley Reservation;

Trailhead

SUNDAY - MAY 26

Yoga with Tom at Century Park

8:00 AM to 9:00 AM; Century Park; Harbor

House Meeting Room **Birding by Kayak**

8:00 AM to 10:00 AM; French Creek

Reservation - Kayak Launch; Kayak Launch

River Kayak

12:00 PM to 2:00 PM; French Creek

Reservation - Kayak Launch; Kayak Launch

Schoepfle Garden Tram Rides

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden; Visitor Center

MONDAY - MAY 27

Master the Trails - Basics of Compass Navigation

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM; Charlemont Reservation; Trailhead

TUESDAY - MAY 28

Amphibian Hike

2:00 PM to 3:00 PM; Carlisle Reservation -Visitor Center; Flagpole Outside Visitor

WEDNESDAY - MAY 29

Wednesday Morning Birding

8:00 AM to 10:30 AM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center

Meeting Room

Schoepfle Carousel Rides

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden;

Children's Garden

Black River Kayak Cleanup

5:30 PM to 7:30 PM; French Creek Reservation - Kayak Launch; Kayak Launch

THURSDAY - MAY 30

Birding By Tram

8:00 AM to 9:30 AM; Sandy Ridge Reservation; Johnson Wetland Center Meeting Room

Schoepfle Garden Tram Rides

10:00 AM to 1:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden; Visitor Center

Schoepfle Carousel Rides

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden;

Children's Garden

Table Game Night

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM; Wellington Reservation; Meeting Room

FRIDAY - MAY 31

Schoepfle Carousel Rides

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM; Schoepfle Garden;

Children's Garden

French Creek Theatre Production- Much Ado **About Nothing**

6:00 PM to 7:00 PM; Vermilion River Reservation - Bacon Woods; Bacon Woods

Amphitheater

