

CELEBRATING 28 YEARS!

DECEMBER 2021 HIKING SCHEDULE

ALL VISITORS MUST BE 18 YEARS OR OLDER.

VISITORS, PLEASE WRITE DOWN YOUR PHONE NUMBER AND AN EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER ON OUR SIGN UP SHEET PRIOR TO HIKING. BEST TO ARRIVE 15 MINUTES AHEAD OF THE HIKE. THE LEADER WILL LEAVE THE TRAILHEAD ON TIME.

DECEMBER 1 WEDNESDAY 10 AM WICKED WEDNESDAY BIG BEND DOUBLE LOOP

Level 3, 5 miles,RR. This is a very scenic hike off the towpath through beautiful woods over moderately challenging hills and steps. Address: <u>1337 Merriman Rd., Akron</u>. Meet at parking lot, Big Bend Trailhead on Merriman Road. Directions: Take Rte. 77/8 to Tallmadge Road exit. Turn left (west). Follow Tallmadge to Merriman Rd. Turn right onto Merriman. The trailhead is about 1.5 miles on the right. The park entrance sign is a little difficult to see from the road. Leader: Lynn Lenart

DECEMBER 1 WEDNESDAY 6 PM JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK Level 1, 3 to 5 laps (3 to 5 miles), RR. Address: <u>7660 Fulton Dr. NW, Massillon</u>. Meet at the parking lot at Jackson Park Track by the gazebo and pond. Directions: Reach it from Fulton or Wales Rd. (241). Parking lot is ¹/₂ mile west of Wales Rd. on the right. **Leader: Sue Bennett**

DECEMBER 2 THURSDAY 10 AM SIPPO LAKE EXPLORATION GATEWAY Level 2/3, **3** miles. RR at library. Address: <u>5712 12th St. NW, Canton</u>. Directions: Get to the intersection of 12^a St. NW and Perry Dr. NW. Go west on 12^a St. to entrance to Exploration Gateway at Sippo Lake Park on the left. Meet at the first parking lot on the right as you arrive. **Leaders: Lola Bender & Ted Bender**

DECEMBER 2 THURSDAY 4 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE SOUTHGATE PARK IN GREEN

(Dogs not required) Level 2, 3 miles, RR. Address: <u>5300 Massillon Rd, North Canton</u>. Meet at the Boettler Park parking lot just after the basketball court. Directions: Take I-77 to the Shuffel St. exit. Go west on Shuffel to Wales Rd. (241) Turn right on Wales and go north to Green to Boettler Park on the left. There is an orthodox church on your right. Turn left into the park. Take the first road on your left just before you reach the basketball court to the parking area. We will meet in this (Boettler) parking lot near the Southgate trailhead and porta potty. Leader: Erica Richardson

DECEMBER 3 FRIDAY 9:30 AM PORTAGE LAKES STATE PARK Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Meet at the first parking lot on the right on the main park road. Address: <u>5031 Manchester Rd.</u>, <u>Akron</u>. Directions: Take I-77 north to the Rte. 241/ 619 exit. Go north (right) on Rte. 241, then turn left onto Rte. 619. Go to Rte. 93 and turn south (left) for about a mile to the park entrance on the left

Leader: Dave Lenart

DECEMBER 4 SATURDAY 10 AM ME AND MY DOG HIKE TOWNER'S WOODS (No dog required.) Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Approximate address: <u>2195 Ravenna Rd., Kent</u>. Directions: Directions are from the east to avoid a bridge closure. Take I-77 north to I-76 east. Take exit 33 for Rte. 43 north. In Kent, continue straight then follow Water St. to Lake St. Lake St. becomes Brady Lake Rd. After 2.5 miles, make left onto Lake Rockwell Rd. You will pass Beckwith Orchards. Turn right onto Ravenna Rd. Just before the closed bridge, make left into the parking lot. (37 miles from Canton.) **Leader: Karla Bedard**

DECEMBER 4 SATURDAY 3 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE FRY PARK AND WINERY (No dog required.) Level 3, 4 miles, RR. Rolling terrain and various trails on grass. Hike should be done around 4:30 and sunsets at 4:57 that day but you may wish to bring a flashlight just in case. Address: 2533 Farber St. SE, Magnolia. Directions: I-77 south, take the Cleveland Ave./Rte. 800 exit (exit # 103). Turn south onto Rte. 800 and after approximately 8.5 miles turn left onto Farber St. SE. The park will be 3/10 of a mile on the left. Drive through the park to the picnic shelter on the hill. After the hike, join us at Creekside Cottage Winery for wine and live music entertainment. Dogs are allowed in the outside area, which has heaters and bubble tents. Music starts at 6 PM. Sometimes the music is inside and sometimes outside. Address for Creekside Cottage Winery: <u>8818 Cleveland Ave. SE, Magnolia</u>. Leader: Erica Richardson

DECEMBER 5 SUNDAY 9:30 AM JOHN GLENN GROVE TRAILHEAD (WARMINGTON RD.) Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Approximate address: <u>8000 Warmington Rd. SW, Massillon</u>. Meet at the Warmington Rd. parking lot on the south side of the road. Directions: Take Rte. 21 south out of Massillon to Warmington Rd. and turn right (west) to parking lot on the left. **Leader: Rosanne Swigart**

DECEMBER 5 SUNDAY 2 PM KENDALL LAKE TRAILHEAD/CVNP Level 3/4, 5 miles, RR. We will hike Salt Run and the Kendall Lake area. Address: <u>1000 Kendall Park Road, Peninsula</u>. Directions: Go north on I-77 to Rte. 8. Take the Seasons Rd. exit and at the stop sign turn left. Go to the first stop sign (Wyoga Lake Rd.) turn right. Go a short distance to the next stop sign at State Street, turn right. At the traffic light turn left onto Truxell/Kendall Park Rd. Continue to the trailhead on the left after passing the Ledges and the Octagon areas on the right. **Leader: Lynn Lenart**

DECEMBER 6 MONDAY 10 AM ME AND MY DOG HIKE WASHINGTON SQUARE (Dogs not required) Level 2, 5 miles. Restroom at Starbucks or Jimmy John's or Giant Eagle. Approximate address: 2197 E Maple St, North Canton. Directions: From Main Street in North Canton go east on Maple about 1.2 miles to Washington Square shopping plaza. Park behind Starbucks, back parking lot between 91 Wood Fired Oven and the bank. There is a nice parking lot near the trailhead. We will hike the Hoover trail. Leader: Brenda Ball

DECEMBER 7 TUESDAY 10 AM CASCADE VALLEY METRO PARK STARTING FROM VALLEY VIEW AREA Level 2, 5 miles, RR at the Oxbow area across the street prior to the start of the hike (first drive on the left). Meet at the barn parking lot <u>1212 Cuyahoga St. Akron, OH</u> <u>44313</u>. Directions: Take I-77/Rte. 8 north to exit 3A OH-261/Tallmadge Ave. Left onto Tallmadge Ave., go past Cuyahoga Falls Ave., then right on Cuyahoga St. Go approximately 1.4 miles and turn left into Valley View barn parking lot. View the new historic barn, Don Drumm Sun Tracker and Cuyahoga River along the Celebration and Towpath trails. Trekking poles and trail shoes/boots advised for the small transition hill between the two trails. **Leader: Debbie Withnell**

DECEMBER 8 WEDNESDAY 10 AM WICKED WEDNESDAY HAMPTON HILLS /CVNP Level 3/4, 5 miles, RR. Challenging hills and stream crossings. Meet in Hampton Hills parking lot on Peninsula Road. Address: <u>2925 Akron-Peninsula Rd., Akron</u>. Directions: Go north on Rte. 77/8 to Steels Corner exit. Turn left. Go until Steels Corner dead ends. Turn left. Entrance to the main parking lot is the next left. **Leader: Lynn Lenart**

DECEMBER 8 WEDNESDAY 6 PM JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK Level 1, 3 to 5 laps (3 to 5 miles), RR. Address: <u>7660 Fulton Dr. NW, Massillon</u>. Meet at the parking lot at Jackson Park Track by the gazebo and pond. Directions: Reach it from Fulton or Wales Rd. (241). Parking lot is ½ mile west of Wales Rd. on the right. **Leader: Sue Bennett**

DECEMBER 9 THURSDAY 10 AM TAM O'SHANTER PROPERTY, Level 2/3, 3 miles, RR. Address: <u>5055 Hills and Dales Rd NW, Canton</u> 44708. Directions: Go South on Dressler Road from Belden Village, then turn right onto Hills and Dales Road and go west for about 1 mile. Turn right into the Tam O'Shanter Property. Go to the parking lot on the right side of the entrance. **Leaders: Lola Bender & Ted Bender**

DECEMBER 9 THURSDAY 4 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE SOUTHGATE PARK IN GREEN

(Dogs not required) Level 2, 3 miles, RR. Address: <u>5300 Massillon Rd, North Canton</u>. Meet at the Boettler Park parking lot just after the basketball court. Directions: Take I-77 to the Shuffel St. exit. Go west on Shuffel to Wales Rd. (241) Turn right on Wales and go north to Green to Boettler Park on the left. There is an orthodox church on your right. Turn left into the park. Take the first road on your left just before you reach the basketball court to the parking area. We will meet in this (Boettler) parking lot near the Southgate trailhead and porta potty. Leader: Erica Richardson

DECEMBER 10 FRIDAY 9:30 AM THE GORGE Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Address: <u>1160 Front Street</u>, <u>Cuyahoga Falls</u>. Meet at Gorge parking lot off of Front St. We will hike the Gorge and across the street. Directions: Take I-77/8 North to Cuyahoga Falls Ave. exit. Make a left turn at end of ramp. It will become Gorge Blvd. then Front St. at traffic light. Park entrance is on the left side on the other side of the bridge. **Leader: Lena Earles**



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DECEMBER 10 FRIDAY 5:30 PM CHRISTMAS LIGHTS HIKE This is a member's only

DECEMBER 11 SATURDAY 10 AM BOSTON MILL VISITOR CENTER/COLUMBIA

ROAD/CVNP Level 4, 6 miles, RR. Come and see the newly opened trail to Blue Hen Falls! We will hike the Buckeye Trail to Blue Hen Falls and to Columbia Rd. Trails, stairs, hills, and streams. Address: <u>6947 Riverview Road, Peninsula</u>. Directions #1 for I-77 and I-271: Take I-77 north to I-271. Get off at Rte. 303 exit, follow 303 to Peninsula. Turn left onto Riverview Rd. (north), after going under freeway bridges, make a right into the new Visitor Center Parking Lot. If you pass Boston Mills Road you went too far. Alternate Directions #2 for I-77 and Rte. 8. Take I-77 north to Rte. 8 north. Get off at Rte. 303 and head west to Peninsula. Turn right onto Riverview Rd. (north), after going under freeway bridges, make a right into the new Visitor Center Parking Lot. If you pass Boston Mills Road you went too far. Overflow parking available on the west side of Riverview Rd. just north of Boston Mills Rd. intersection. Second large overflow parking available east on Boston Mills Rd. Leader: Gary Dolch

DECEMBER 11 SATURDAY 10 AM CRYSTAL SPRINGS TRAILHEAD Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: <u>4503 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon</u>. Meet at the Crystal Springs parking lot on Erie St. across from Bocca Grande Restaurant between Canal Fulton and Massillon close to High Mill. We will hike the Towpath. **Leader: Barb Brisbine**

DECEMBER 12 SUNDAY 9:30 AM CRAIG PITTMAN TRAILHEAD (NAVARRE) ON THE TOWPATH Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Meet at Craig Pittman Memorial Park by the water treatment plant on Canal St. in Navarre. Approximate address: <u>8062 Hudson Dr. SW, Navarre</u> (Hudson Dr. also called Canal St.). Directions: Take Rte. 21 to Canal St. in Navarre, turn east on Canal St., pass Bethlehem Park. Parking lot is on the right. Or take I-77 to Fohl Rd. exit. Turn right and follow to Navarre. Cut through Bethlehem Park (a left off Fohl) and turn left onto Canal St. and right into Craig Pittman Park. Leader: Lena Earles

DECEMBER 12 SUNDAY 2 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE WALBORN RESERVOIR (No dog required.) Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Meet at the Walborn Reservoir parking lot. Address: <u>11324 Price St.</u>, <u>Alliance</u>. Go north on Rte. 44 (Ravenna Ave.) to the intersection of Pontius Rd. in New Baltimore. Go right (east) on Pontius and continue east until you get to Walborn. Parking lot on the right. **Leader: Karla Bedard**

DECEMBER 13 MONDAY 10 AM ME AND MY DOG HIKE VETERANS COMMUNITY PARK (Dogs not required) Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: <u>1714 Schneider St. NE, Canton</u>. Directions: South on Main Street from North Canton, then east (left) onto Schneider St NE. Go across Market and continue on Schneider to the Park, across from Glen Oak HS. We will hike the Middle Branch Trail. **Leader: Brenda Ball**

DECEMBER 14 TUESDAY 9:30 AM BRIDGEPORT QUARRY TRAILHEAD Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: <u>3455 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon</u>. On Erie Ave. between Forty Corners Rd. NW and Lake Ave. NE. Leader: Rosanne Swigart

DECEMBER 15 WEDNESDAY 10 AM WICKED WEDNESDAY LOCK 29 OVERFLOW PARKING/CVNP Level 4, 6 miles, RR. RR at main lot but hike begins at the overflow parking area. Trails, hills, and stream crossings. Address: <u>1787 Mill St W, Peninsula</u>. Directions: Take I-77/8 north to Rte. 303 exit. Turn west (left) onto Rte. 303. Follow Rte. 303 for 3.5 miles to Peninsula. Make a right at the first stoplight onto N. Locus St., then left onto Main St. W. Overflow parking lot is the second lot on the left (across from lumber company) past the main parking area. **Leader: Gary Dolch**

DECEMBER 15 WEDNESDAY 6 PM JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK Level 1, 3 to 5 laps (3 to 5 miles), RR. Address: <u>7660 Fulton Dr. NW, Massillon</u>. Meet at the parking lot at Jackson Park Track by the gazebo and pond. Directions: Reach it from Fulton or Wales Rd. (241). Parking lot is ¹/₂ mile west of Wales Rd. on the right. **Leader: Sue Bennett**

DECEMBER 16 THURSDAY 10 AM VETERANS COMMUNITY PARK Level 2, **3 miles**, RR. Address: <u>1714 Schneider St. NE, Canton</u>. Directions: South on Main Street from North Canton, then east (left) onto Schneider St NE. Go across Market and continue on Schneider to the Park, across from Glen Oak HS. We will hike the Middle Branch Trail. **Leaders: Lola Bender & Ted Bender**

DECEMBER 16 THURSDAY 4 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE SOUTHGATE PARK IN GREEN (Dogs not required) Level 2, 3 miles, RR. Address: <u>5300 Massillon Rd, North Canton</u>. Meet at the Boettler Park parking lot just after the basketball court. Directions: Take I-77 to the Shuffel St. exit. Go west on Shuffel to Wales Rd. (241) Turn right on Wales and go north to Green to Boettler Park on the left. There is an orthodox church on your right. Turn left into the park. Take the first road on your left just before you reach the basketball court to the parking area. We will meet in this (Boettler) parking lot near the Southgate trailhead and porta potty. **Leader: Erica Richardson**

DECEMBER 17 FRIDAY 9:30 AM WALBORN RESERVOIR Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Meet at the Walborn Reservoir parking lot. Address: <u>11324 Price St., Alliance</u>. Go north on Rte. 44 (Ravenna Ave.) to the intersection of Pontius Rd. in New Baltimore. Go right (east) on Pontius and continue east until you get to Walborn. Parking lot on the right. **Leader: Lena Earles**



DECEMBER 17 FRIDAY 6 PM CHRISTMAS LIGHTS HIKE/ POTLUCK This is a member's only event.

DECEMBER 18 SATURDAY 10 AM MUNROE FALLS METRO PARK/TALLMADGE MEADOWS Level 2/3, 5 miles, RR. Address: <u>521 South River Road, Munroe Falls</u>. Directions: Take Rte. 8 North to Portage Trail. Turn right (east) and go to Munroe Falls Avenue (at first traffic light). Turn left onto Munroe Falls Ave. Travel approximately 2 miles where dead ends into State Route 91. Turn right (south) on State Rt 91 to South River Rd. (approximately ¹/₄ mile. Turn left onto South River Road. Go about 1 mile to Park Entrance on right. Follow the driveway around the lake. About ¹/₂ mile to "Trails"

Go about 1 mile to Park Entrance on right. Follow the driveway around the lake. About ½ mile to "Trails" parking lot on right. We will hike the Indian Spring trail and Meadow trail. **Leader: Ann Dolvin**

DECEMBER 18 SATURDAY 10 AM ME AND MY DOG HIKE FIRESTONE METRO PARK (No dog required.) Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Meet at the first parking lot (Tuscarawas Meadows) after entering

the park from the south on Harrington Rd. Address: <u>2620 Harrington Rd., Akron</u>. Directions: Take I-77 north to the Arlington Rd. exit. Turn north (right) onto Arlington Rd. then left onto Warner Rd. Turn right (north) onto Harrington Rd. to entrance of park just across the bridge on the left. Hills and trails. Bring birdseed if you want to hand feed the birds! **Leader: Karla Bedard**

DECEMBER 19 SUNDAY 9:30 AM JOHN GLENN GROVE TRAILHEAD (WARMINGTON

RD.) Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Approximate address: <u>8000 Warmington Rd. SW, Massillon</u>. Meet at the Warmington Rd. parking lot on the south side of the road. Directions: Take Rte. 21 south out of Massillon to Warmington Rd. and turn right (west) to parking lot on the left. **Leader: Rosanne Swigart**

DECEMBER 19 SUNDAY 2 PM CASCADE VALLEY/CHUCKERY Level 3, 5 miles, RR. See the Indian Signal Tree and pretty views of the Cuyahoga River. Approximate address: <u>1066 Peck Rd., Akron</u>. Directions: From State Rte. 8, exit at Tallmadge Ave. Go west on Tallmadge Ave. approximately one mile to Cuyahoga St. Do not turn onto E. Cuyahoga Falls Ave. Continue and the next intersection with a stop light is Cuyahoga St. Go north (right) on Cuyahoga St. and then ³/₄ mile make right on to Peck Rd. There is a metro park sign on the corner of Peck Rd. Meet at the first parking lot on the left. **Leader: Deb Withnell**

DECEMBER 20 MONDAY 10 AM ME AND MY DOG HIKE VETERANS COMMUNITY PARK (Dogs not required) Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: <u>1714 Schneider St. NE, Canton</u>. Directions: South on Main Street from North Canton, then east (left) onto Schneider St NE. Go across Market and continue on Schneider to the Park, across from Glen Oak HS. We will hike the Middle Branch Trail. **Leader: Brenda Ball**

DECEMBER 21 TUESDAY 9:30 AM BRIDGEPORT QUARRY TRAILHEAD Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: <u>3455 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon</u>. On Erie Ave. between Forty Corners Rd. NW and Lake

Ave. NE. Leader: Rosanne Swigart

DECEMBER 22 WEDNESDAY 10 AM HORSESHOE POND (a.k.a. Tree Farm)/ CVNP Level 2, 6 miles, RR. Address: <u>2075 Major Rd. Peninsula</u>. Directions: Take Rte. 77/8 north to Rte. 303 exit. Turn left (west) take Rte. 303 to Peninsula, turn left (south) on Riverview Rd. Turn right onto Major Rd., go .7 mile and the entrance is on your right. This trail begins and ends near Horseshoe Pond. The Tree Farm trail wanders through a portion of a Christmas tree farm. **Leaders: Pat Duff & Barb Duff**



DECEMBER 22 WEDNESDAY 6 PM CHRISTMAS LIGHTS HIKE AT CANTON PARKS FROM THE GARDEN CENTER Level 1, up to 5 miles, RR (may not be available at night or weekends). Meet at the Garden Center Parking Lot. Address: <u>1615 Stadium Park Dr. NW, Canton</u>. Directions: Enter the park from 12th street, make left onto Stadium Park Dr. and go to the Garden Center Lot. We will hike the Canton Parks and look at the Christmas Lights in Stadium Park. Leader: Sue Bennett

DECEMBER 23 THURSDAY 10 AM JACKSON BOG STATE NATURE PRESERVE Level 2/3, 3 miles, RR. Address: <u>7984 Fulton Dr NW, Massillon</u>. Meet at the Jackson Bog parking lot, west of Jackson High School near the old school house. Pull into the South Park entrance and go right into the Jackson Bog parking lot. **Leader: Lisette Saadey**

DECEMBER 24 FRIDAY 9:30 AM VETERANS COMMUNITY PARK Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: <u>1714 Schneider St. NE, Canton</u>. Directions: South on Main Street from North Canton, then east (left) onto Schneider St NE. Go across Market and continue on Schneider to the Park, across from Glen Oak HS. We will hike the Middle Branch Trail. **Leader: Lena Earles**



DECEMBER 25 SATURDAY 9 AM CHRISTMAS HIKE RESERVOIR PARK WALKING TRACK (A.K.A. MASSILLON TRACK) Level 1, 5 miles, RR. Meet at the first parking lot in front of the restrooms at the walking track. Address: <u>905 Sippo Blvd. NE, Massillon</u>. Directions: Take Rt. 241 (Wales Rd.) to Hankins St. east on Hankins to park entrance on the right. Turn onto Phillips Rd. NE then right into parking lot. **Leader: Rosanne Swigart**

DECEMBER 26 SUNDAY 9:30 AM CRAIG PITTMAN TRAILHEAD (NAVARRE) ON THE

TOWPATH Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Meet at Craig Pittman Memorial Park by the water treatment plant on Canal St. in Navarre. Approximate address: <u>8062 Hudson Dr. SW, Navarre</u> (Hudson Dr. also called Canal St.). Directions: Take Rte. 21 to Canal St. in Navarre, turn east on Canal St., pass Bethlehem Park. Parking lot is on the right. Or take I-77 to Fohl Rd. exit. Turn right and follow to Navarre. Cut through Bethlehem Park (a left off Fohl) and turn left onto Canal St. and right into Craig Pittman Park. Leader: Lena Earles

DECEMBER 26 SUNDAY 2 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE MOGADORE RESERVOIR WEST

(Dogs not required) Level 2, 5 miles, RR available seasonally. Address: <u>2578 SR 43</u>, <u>Mogadore</u>. Meet at the parking lot just off of Rte. 43 approximately 2 miles north of Rte. 224. If that parking lot is full, there is more parking by the Boathouse. Directions: Take Rte. 43 north through Hartville, past Rte. 224, to parking lot on the right. Restrooms are available in Hartville at gas stations or fast food restaurants, or 3 miles north of the trailhead on Rte. 43 at McDonalds. We will hike the west side of the reservoir. **Leader: Karla Bedard**

DECEMBER 27 MONDAY 10 AM ME AND MY DOG HIKE VETERANS COMMUNITY PARK (Dogs not required) Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: <u>1714 Schneider St. NE, Canton</u>. Directions: South on Main Street from North Canton, then east (left) onto Schneider St NE. Go across Market and continue on Schneider to the Park, across from Glen Oak HS. We will hike the Middle Branch Trail. **Leader: Brenda Ball**

DECEMBER 28 TUESDAY 9:30 AM BRIDGEPORT QUARRY TRAILHEAD Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: <u>3455 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon</u>. On Erie Ave. between Forty Corners Rd. NW and Lake Ave. NE. Leader: Rosanne Swigart

DECEMBER 29 WEDNESDAY 10 AM WICKED WEDNESDAY JAITE TRAILHEAD/CVNP Level 4, 6 miles, no RR. RR can be found at Red Lock trailhead nearby. Our hike will head north on the Buckeye Trail and return on the Valley Bridle Trail. Trail has hills, steps, and water crossings. We are meeting at the Jaite Trailhead. It is a gravel lot across the street from a brown trailhead sign. Address: <u>15640 Vaughn Rd. Brecksville</u>. After crossing the river, Highland Rd. becomes Vaughn Rd. **DIRECTIONS #1** : Take Rte. 21 north to I-77. Get off Brecksville Rd. exit and continue north, go under turnpike, at second stoplight, make right on to Snowville Rd. Left onto Riverville Rd. then right onto Vaughn R. Trailhead is on the left before the river after crossing the railroad tracks. **DIRECTIONS** #2 : Take I-77 north to Rte. 8. Continue on Rte. 8 north of Akron. Get off on the Boston Mills Rd. exit and make a right from the ramp onto Boston Mills Rd. Make a right on to Olde Eight. Left onto Brandywine Rd. Left onto West Highland Rd. Trailhead will be on the right after the river but before the railroad tracks. **Leader: Bob Haren**

DECEMBER 29 WEDNESDAY 6 PM JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK Level 1, 3 to 5 laps (3 to 5 miles), RR. Address: <u>7660 Fulton Dr. NW, Massillon</u>. Meet at the parking lot at Jackson Park Track by the gazebo and pond. Directions: Reach it from Fulton or Wales Rd. (241). Parking lot is ¹/₂ mile west of Wales Rd. on the right. **Leader: Sue Bennett**

DECEMBER 30 THURSDAY 10 AM PETROS PARK Level 2, **3 miles**, RR. Address: <u>3519 Perry Dr.</u> <u>SW, Canton</u>. Meet at the Parking Lot on Perry Road. Directions: Take Rte. 77 to Faircrest Exit south of Canton. Turn west, go to Perry Road, turn north to parking lot on the left. **Leaders: Lola Bender & Ted Bender**

DECEMBER 30 THURSDAY 4:30 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE TAM O'SHANTER

PROPERTY, (Dogs not required) Level 2/3, **3 miles**, RR. Address: <u>5055 Hills and Dales Rd NW</u>, <u>Canton</u> 44708. Directions: Go South on Dressler Road from Belden Village, then turn right onto Hills and Dales Road and go west for about 1 mile. Turn right into the Tam O'Shanter Property. Go to the parking lot on the right side of the entrance. BRING A FLASHLIGHT! **Leader: Erica Richardson**

DECEMBER 31 FRIDAY 9:30 AM HAPPY NEW YEARS EVE FIRESTONE METRO PARK

Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Meet at the first parking lot (Tuscarawas Meadows) after entering the park from the south on Harrington Rd. Address: <u>2620 Harrington Rd., Akron</u>. Directions: Take I-77 north to Arlington Rd. exit. Turn north (right) onto Arlington Rd. then left onto Warner Rd. Turn right (north) onto Harrington Rd. to entrance of park just across the bridge on the left. Hills and trails. Bring birdseed if you want to hand feed the birds!

Leader: Lena Earles 330-495-7303