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**DECEMBER 2023 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.**

Guests, if you intend to show up on a hike that is not a designated lap hike, please be advised that it should be your goal to complete the miles that are board approved for that hike. You should be able to complete a 3-mile hike in 1 hour and a 5-mile hike in less than 2 hours. Showing up to a hike and asking the hike leader to modify their hike based on your personal agenda, time constraints or skill level is putting our hike leaders in a very uncomfortable position. Please use good judgment by reading the start times correctly, the miles listed and the intended skill level to complete the hike.

**DECEMBER 1 FRIDAY 9:30 AM THE GORGE** Level 3, 5 miles, RR. This may be the last hike at the Gorge for a while as they are getting ready to begin taking the dam down. Address: [1160 Front Street, Cuyahoga Falls](#). 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 the end of the ramp. It will become Gorge Blvd. then Front St. at the traffic light. Park entrance is on the left side on the other side of the bridge. **Leader: Lena Earles**

**DECEMBER 2 SATURDAY 10 AM ME AND MY DOG HIKE VETERANS COMMUNITY PARK** (Dogs not required) Level 2, 3/5 miles, RR. Address: [1714 Schneider St. NE, Canton](#). 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 2 SATURDAY 10 AM BOSTON MILL VISITOR CENTER 2 WATERFALL HIKE/CVNP** Level 4, 6 miles, RR. See both Blue Hen Falls and Buttermilk Falls. Rugged trails with hills and stream crossings. Meet at Boston Store Visitor Center. Address: [6947 Riverview Road, Peninsula](#). Take I-77/8 north to Rte. 303 exit and head west (left) to Peninsula. Turn right onto Riverview Rd. (north), after going under freeway bridges, make a right into the 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 3 SUNDAY 9:30 AM SIPPO LAKE EXPLORATION GATEWAY** Level 2/3, 5 miles. RR at the library. Address: [5712 12th St. NW, Canton](#). Directions: Get to the intersection of 12<sup>th</sup> St. NW and Perry Dr. NW. Go west on 12<sup>th</sup> St. to the entrance to Exploration Gateway at Sippo Lake Park on the left. Meet at the first parking lot on the right as you arrive. **Leader: Lena Earles**

**DECEMBER 3 SUNDAY 2 PM TOWNER'S WOODS** Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Approximate address: [2195 Ravenna Rd., Kent](#). DIRECTIONS ARE FROM THE EAST TO AVOID A BRIDGE CLOSURE! MAKE SURE YOU READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS. YOU MUST TAKE LAKE ROCKWELL RD. OFF OF BRADY LAKE. IF YOU TAKE RAVENNA RD. OFF OF BRADY LAKE YOU WILL BE ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE BRIDGE CLOSURE. Directions: Take 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. At Ravenna Rd, make a sharp right onto Ravenna Rd (there is a road closed barrier here but go around it). Just before the closed bridge, make left into the parking lot. (37 miles from Canton.) Beautiful views of the lake, hilly mostly wooded trails. **Leader: David Kulik**

**DECEMBER 4 MONDAY 9:30 AM MASSILLON LINCOLN PARK (17<sup>th</sup> ST.)** Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: [644 17th Street NW at Lincoln Park Ave. NW, Massillon](#). Get to Massillon via Rte. 21. Take Cherry Ave. west from Rte. 21 and then turn left onto 17th St. Parking is on the left. We will hike the Sippo Valley Trail. **Leader: Sue Bennett**



**DECEMBER 4 MONDAY 6 PM FRY FAMILY PARK DARK SKY NIGHT HIKE** Level 3, 4 miles, RR. We will hike and star gaze at one of Ohio's Certified Urban Night Sky Places. Hilly terrain on rolling fields, mostly grass trails. 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. BRING A FLASHLIGHT **Leader: Erica Richardson**

**DECEMBER 5 TUESDAY 9:30 AM BRIDGEPORT QUARRY TRAILHEAD** Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: [3455 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon](#). On Erie Ave. between Forty Corners Rd. NW and Lake Ave. NE. **Leader: Rosanne Swigart**

**DECEMBER 5 TUESDAY 4:30 PM SOUTHGATE PARK IN GREEN TWILIGHT HIKE (Not a dog hike).** Level 2, 3 miles, RR. Address: [5300 Massillon Rd, North Canton](#). 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 hike the Southgate trails. BRING A FLASHLIGHT. **Leader: Erica Richardson**

**DECEMBER 6 WEDNESDAY 10 AM CANTON PARKS FROM THE GARDEN CENTER** Level 1, 3 miles, RR. This is **not** a lap hike. Meet at the Garden Center Parking Lot. Address: [1615 Stadium Park Dr. NW, Canton](#). Directions: Enter the park from 12th street, make left onto Stadium Park Dr. and go to the Garden Center Lot. **Leaders: Lola Bender & Ted Bender**

**DECEMBER 6 WEDNESDAY 10 AM WICKED WEDNESDAY HIKE LOCK 29 OVERFLOW PARKING/CVNP**

Level 4, 6 miles, RR. RR at the main lot but the hike begins at the overflow parking area. Trails (some off trail), hills, and stream crossings. Address: [1787 Mill St W, Peninsula](#). 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 6 WEDNESDAY 6 PM JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK** Level 1, up to 5 miles, lap hike, RR.

Address: [7660 Fulton Dr. NW, Massillon](#). 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: Larry Kempf**

**DECEMBER 7 THURSDAY 10 AM TALLMADGE MEADOWS PARK/MUNROE FALLS** Level 2/3, 5 miles, RR.

Address: [1088 North Ave., Tallmadge](#). THIS IS A DIFFERENT START LOCATION THAN OUR NORMAL START LOCATION IN MUNROE FALLS METRO PARK. Directions: Take Rte. 8 North to Portage Trail exit. Turn right (east) and go to Munroe Falls Avenue (at first traffic light). Turn left onto Munroe Falls Ave. Travel approximately 2 miles where it dead ends into State Route 91. Turn (south) on State Rte. 91. Make a left onto North Ave. across from Northmoreland Ave. We will hike Tallmadge Meadows and Munroe Falls Metro Park. **Leader: David Kulik**

**DECEMBER 7 THURSDAY 5 PM CANTON PARKS FROM THE GARDEN CENTER** Level 1, up to 5 miles,

RR. This is a lap hike. Enjoy the **Christmas lights** throughout the park. Meet at the Garden Center Parking Lot. Address: [1615 Stadium Park Dr. NW, Canton](#). Directions: Enter the park from 12th street, make left onto Stadium Park Dr. and go to the Garden Center Lot. **Leader: Colleen Logan**

**DECEMBER 8 FRIDAY 9:30 AM 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: [2620 Harrington Rd., Akron](#). 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. **Leader: Lena Earles**

**DECEMBER 9 SATURDAY 9:30 AM NORMA JOHNSON CONSERVATION CENTER (NJCC)** Level 3/4, 6

miles. RR available seasonally. Meet at the parking lot on Conservation Drive. Address: [Conservation Dr., Dover](#) (no street number available). Directions: Take I-77 south to the Dover/Sugarcreek exit 83 (Route 39). Take Rte. 39 west 3.2 miles then turn right (north) on Old Rte. 39 (County Road 139). Travel about 0.1 mile to Conservation Drive and entrance to NJCC on the right. Follow Conservation Drive for 0.3 mile to the parking lot. This scenic hike is on 303 acres of Tuscarawas Soil and Water Conservation District property. Lunch after at Dutch Valley Restaurant, [1343 Old Rte 39 NE, Sugarcreek](#). **Leader: Karla Bedard**

**DECEMBER 9 SATURDAY 10 AM CANAL LANDS TRAILHEAD ME AND MY DOG HIKE** (Dog not required)

Level 2, 6 miles, RR. Meet at towpath parking lot on Dover/Zoar Rd. by the river. Approximate address: [8645 Dover Zoar Rd NE, Dover](#) (GPS may want Zoar). Directions: Take I-77 south to the Bolivar/Zoar exit #93. Turn left (east) on Rte. 212 and go into Zoar. In Zoar, turn right on Dover/Zoar Rd., go across the levee to the trailhead on the left. **Leader: Mary Lee**

**DECEMBER 10 SUNDAY 9:30 AM LAKE AVE. TRAILHEAD FROM ERNIE'S** Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Hike the

Towpath. Address: [135 Lake Avenue NW., Massillon](#). Directions: From Rte. 30: Follow Rte. 21 into

Massillon and exit at Lake Ave. Ernie's is on the southwest corner of Rte. 21 and Lake Ave.

**Leader: Rosanne Swigart**

**DECEMBER 10 SUNDAY 2 PM PORTAGE LAKES STATE PARK** Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: [5031 Manchester Rd., Akron](#) 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. Follow the park road, turn right at the first road on the right, where sign points to Big Oaks Shelter. Follow this to the parking lot near the restrooms. This is not the parking lot right off of park road where we used to start. **Leader: Dave Lenart**

**DECEMBER 11 MONDAY 9:30 AM MASSILLON LINCOLN PARK (17<sup>th</sup> ST.)** Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: [644 17th Street NW at Lincoln Park Ave. NW, Massillon](#). Get to Massillon via Rte. 21. Take Cherry Ave. west from Rte. 21 and then turn left onto 17th St. Parking is on the left. We will hike the Sippo Valley Trail. **Leader: Sue Bennett**

**DECEMBER 11 MONDAY 6 PM WASHINGTON SQUARE NIGHT HIKE** Level 2, 5 miles. Restroom at Starbucks, 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. BRING A FLASHLIGHT! **Leaders: Pat Duff & Barb Duff**

**DECEMBER 12 TUESDAY 9:30 AM BRIDGEPORT QUARRY TRAILHEAD** Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: [3455 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon](#). On Erie Ave. between Forty Corners Rd. NW and Lake Ave. NE. **Leader: Rosanne Swigart**

**DECEMBER 12 TUESDAY 4:30 PM SOUTHGATE PARK IN GREEN TWILIGHT HIKE (Not a dog hike).** Level 2, 3 miles, RR. Address: [5300 Massillon Rd, North Canton](#). 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 hike the Southgate trails. BRING A FLASHLIGHT. **Leader: Erica Richardson**

**DECEMBER 13 WEDNESDAY 10 AM VETERANS COMMUNITY PARK** Level 2, 3 miles, RR. Address: [1714 Schneider St. NE, Canton](#). 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 13 WEDNESDAY 10 AM WICKED WEDNESDAY HIKE BRECKSVILLE STATION ROAD BRIDGE TRAILHEAD/CVNP** Level 3/4, 6 miles, RR. We will hike the Buckeye Trail and the Deer Lick Cave Loop. The RR is at the train station. Approximate Address: [9133 Riverview Rd., Brecksville](#). Directions: Rte. 8 north to Rte. 82 (do not get on I-271). Turn left on Rte. 82 (Aurora Rd.). In 3.8 miles make left onto Riverview Rd. In ¼ mile make left onto Valley Parkway which leads to a large parking lot. (47 miles from Canton) **Leader: Bob Haren**

**DECEMBER 13 WEDNESDAY 6 PM JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK** Level 1, up to 5 miles, lap hike, RR. Address: [7660 Fulton Dr. NW, Massillon](#). 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: Larry Kempf**

**DECEMBER 14 THURSDAY 10 AM GOODYEAR HEIGHTS METRO PARK** Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Address: [2077 Newton St., Akron](#). Meet at the 2<sup>nd</sup> parking lot north of Newton St. Directions: Take Cleveland Ave./Canton Rd. north (becomes Rte. 91/Darrow Rd.) to Newton St. Turn west (left) on Newton to entrance just west of the shelter, go to 2<sup>nd</sup> parking lot. This hike will be in the woods and will include hills. **Leader: David Kulik**

**DECEMBER 14 THURSDAY 5 PM CANTON PARKS FROM THE GARDEN CENTER** Level 1, up to 5 miles, RR. This is a lap hike. Enjoy the **Christmas lights** throughout the park. Meet at the Garden Center Parking Lot. Address: [1615 Stadium Park Dr. NW, Canton](#). Directions: Enter the park from 12th street, make left onto Stadium Park Dr. and go to the Garden Center Lot. **Leader: Colleen Logan**

**DECEMBER 15 FRIDAY 9:30 AM MOGADORE RESERVOIR WEST** Level 2, 5 miles, RR available seasonally. Address: [2578 SR 43, Mogadore](#). 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 the 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: Lena Earles**



**DECEMBER 15 FRIDAY 6 PM CHRISTMAS LIGHTS HIKE** Level 2, 3 miles, RR. **This is a member only event.** **Leaders: Marilyn Shaheen & Linda Shaheen**

**DECEMBER 16 SATURDAY 10 AM JACKSON BOG STATE NATURE PRESERVE/JACKSON PARK** Level 2/3, 5 miles, RR. Address: [7984 Fulton Dr NW, Massillon](#). 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. We will hike Jackson Bog and then go across the street to Jackson Park. **Leader: Augie Schmitthenner**

**DECEMBER 16 SATURDAY 10 AM HAPPY DAYS** Level 3/4, 6 miles, RR. Meet in the parking lot across the street from Happy Days. Address: [500 West Streetsboro Rd., Peninsula](#). We will hike to the Ledges. Directions: Take I-77/8 north to Rte. 303. Turn west (left) to the parking lot on the right about one mile from Rte. 8. **Leader: Mary Lee**

**DECEMBER 17 SUNDAY 9:30 AM SIPPO LAKE EXPLORATION GATEWAY** Level 2/3, 5 miles. RR at the library. Address: [5712 12th St. NW, Canton](#). Directions: Get to the intersection of 12<sup>th</sup> St. NW and Perry Dr. NW. Go west on 12<sup>th</sup> St. to the entrance to Exploration Gateway at Sippo Lake Park on the left. Meet at the first parking lot on the right as you arrive. **Leader: Lena Earles**

**DECEMBER 17 SUNDAY 2 PM TREATY LINE RD** Level 3/4 5 miles, RR. Address: [995 Treaty Line Rd., Akron](#). Directions: Take Rte. 77/8 north to Tallmadge Road exit. Turn left (west). Follow Tallmadge to Merriman Rd. Turn right onto Merriman. Go about 1.5 mi and turn left at Treaty Line Rd. The entrance to parking is on the right. This is a very scenic hike through beautiful woods over moderately challenging hills and steps. **Leader: Carla Vondrak**

**DECEMBER 18 MONDAY 9:30 AM WASHINGTON SQUARE** Level 2, 5 miles. Restroom at Starbucks, 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: Sue Bennett**



**DECEMBER 18 MONDAY 6 PM FRY FAMILY PARK DARK SKY NIGHT HIKE** Level 3, 4 miles, RR. We will hike and star gaze at one of Ohio's Certified Urban Night Sky Places. Hilly terrain on rolling fields, mostly grass trails. 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. BRING A FLASHLIGHT **Leader: Erica Richardson**

**DECEMBER 19 TUESDAY 9:30 AM BRIDGEPORT QUARRY TRAILHEAD** Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: [3455 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon](#). On Erie Ave. between Forty Corners Rd. NW and Lake Ave. NE. **Leader: Rosanne Swigart**

**DECEMBER 19 TUESDAY 4:30 PM SOUTHGATE PARK IN GREEN TWILIGHT HIKE (Not a dog hike).** Level 2, 3 miles, RR. Address: [5300 Massillon Rd, North Canton](#). 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 hike the Southgate trails. BRING A FLASHLIGHT. **Leader: Erica Richardson**

**DECEMBER 20 WEDNESDAY 10 AM TAM O'SHANTER PROPERTY,** Level 2/3, 3 miles, RR. Address: [5055 Hills and Dales Rd NW, Canton](#) 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 20 WEDNESDAY 10 AM WICKED WEDNESDAY HIKE EVERETT COVERED BRIDGE** Level 4, 6 miles, RR. Meet at Everett Covered Bridge [2370 Everett Rd, Peninsula](#) Directions: Take I-77/8 to Rte. 303, turn left (west) to Peninsula. Go straight through town, cross the river, then left onto Riverview Rd. (south). Go 2.8 miles then make a right onto Everett Rd. heading west. Parking lot about ½ mile on the left. We will hike Furnace Run and Riding Run trails. **Leader: David Kulik**

**DECEMBER 20 WEDNESDAY 6 PM JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK** Level 1, up to 5 miles, lap hike, RR. Address: [7660 Fulton Dr. NW, Massillon](#). 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: Larry Kempf**

**DECEMBER 21 THURSDAY 10 AM ME AND MY DOG HIKE CAMP TUSCAZOAR,** (Dogs not required) Level 4, 5 miles Meet at the parking lot at the entrance for Camp Tuscazoar. Address: [6066 Boy Scout Rd NE, Dover](#). Directions: Take I-77 south to Bolivar/Zoar exit. Take Rte. 212 left (east) through Zoar to Rte. 800, turn left (north), go a short distance, turn right (east), go over a bridge, turn right onto Boy Scout Rd. and go to camp entrance on the right. **Leader: Mary Lee**

**DECEMBER 21 THURSDAY 5 PM CANTON PARKS FROM THE GARDEN CENTER** Level 1, up to 5 miles, RR. This is a lap hike. Enjoy the **Christmas lights** throughout the park. Meet at the Garden Center



Parking Lot. Address: [1615 Stadium Park Dr. NW, Canton](#). Directions: Enter the park from 12th street, make left onto Stadium Park Dr. and go to the Garden Center Lot. **Leader: Colleen Logan**

**DECEMBER 22 FRIDAY 9:30 AM SIPPO LAKE EXPLORATION GATEWAY** Level 2/3, 5 miles. RR at the library. Address: [5712 12th St. NW, Canton](#). Directions: Get to the intersection of 12<sup>th</sup> St. NW and Perry Dr. NW. Go west on 12<sup>th</sup> St. to the entrance to Exploration Gateway at Sippo Lake Park on the left. Meet at the first parking lot on the right as you arrive. **Leader: Lena Earles**



**DECEMBER 22 FRIDAY 6 PM CHRISTMAS LIGHTS HIKE** Level 2, 3 miles, RR. **This is a member only event.** **Leader: Dan Lee**

**DECEMBER 23 SATURDAY 10 AM ME AND MY DOG HIKE FIRESTONE METRO PARK** (Dogs not 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: [2620 Harrington Rd., Akron](#). 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 the entrance of the park just across the bridge on the left. Bring birdseed if you want to hand feed the birds! **Leader: Karla Bedard**

**DECEMBER 23 SATURDAY 10 AM CANTON PARKS FROM THE GARDEN CENTER** Level 1, up to 5 miles, RR. This is a lap hike. Meet at the Garden Center Parking Lot. Address: [1615 Stadium Park Dr. NW, Canton](#). Directions: Enter the park from 12th street, make left onto Stadium Park Dr. and go to the Garden Center Lot. **Leader: Brenda Ball**

**DECEMBER 24 SUNDAY 9:30 AM LAKE AVE. TRAILHEAD FROM ERNIE'S** Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Hike the Towpath. Address: [135 Lake Avenue NW., Massillon](#). Directions: From Rte. 30: Follow Rte. 21 into Massillon and exit at Lake Ave. Ernie's is on the southwest corner of Rte. 21 and Lake Ave. **Leader: Rosanne Swigart**

**DECEMBER 24 SUNDAY 2 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE QUAIL HOLLOW STATE PARK** (Dog not required) Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Meet at the first large parking lot on the left (go left at the fork). Follow signs for the playground, pond and parking lot. Address: [13480 Congress Lake Ave., Hartville](#). Directions: Go north on Rte. 43 or east on Rte. 619 to the square of Hartville. Go north on Congress Lake Rd. for approximately 1 mile to the park entrance on the right. Go about ¼ mile, then make left at the fork to the parking lot. **Leader: Karla Bedard**



**DECEMBER 25 MONDAY 9 AM CHRISTMAS HIKE 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: [8062 Hudson Dr. SW, Navarre](#) (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: Margie Baker**

**DECEMBER 26 TUESDAY 9:30 AM BRIDGEPORT QUARRY TRAILHEAD** Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: [3455 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon](#). On Erie Ave. between Forty Corners Rd. NW and Lake Ave. NE. **Leader: Rosanne Swigart**

**DECEMBER 26 TUESDAY 4 PM SOUTHGATE PARK IN GREEN (Not a dog hike).** Level 2, 3 miles, RR. Address: [5300 Massillon Rd, North Canton](#). 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 hike the Southgate trails. **Leader: Larry Kempf**

**DECEMBER 27 WEDNESDAY 10 AM SIPPO LAKE EXPLORATION GATEWAY** Level 2/3, 3 miles. RR at the library. Address: [5712 12th St. NW, Canton](#). Directions: Get to the intersection of 12<sup>th</sup> St. NW and Perry Dr. NW. Go west on 12<sup>th</sup> St. to the 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 27 WEDNESDAY 10 AM PINE LANE** Level 3/4, 5 miles RR. Meet at Pine Lane Trailhead on Rte. 303. Address: [1281 Pine Lane, Peninsula](#). Directions: Take I-77 north to Rte. 8 north. Get off at Rte. 303 and head west towards Peninsula. Turn right into Pine Lane parking lot before getting to Peninsula. We will be hiking the Buckeye Trail and Valley Bridle Trail. We will stop at the halfway point for a coffee break and to enjoy the scenic view of the river at Peninsula Coffee House and Market. **Leader: Bob Haren**

**DECEMBER 27 WEDNESDAY 6 PM JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK** Level 1, up to 5 miles, lap hike, RR. Address: [7660 Fulton Dr. NW, Massillon](#). 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: Larry Kempf**

**DECEMBER 28 THURSDAY 10 AM SAND RUN INCLUDING MINGO AND DOGWOOD TRAILS** Level 4, 6 miles, RR. Meet at Sand Run's Wadsworth Parking Lot. Address: [1400 Sand Run Pkwy., Akron](#). Directions: Take I-77/8 to Tallmadge Rd., turn west (left), it becomes Memorial, go to Portage Path and turn right (north). At the bottom of a long hill, you will see the entrance to the park on the left side. Turn left. The third parking area is the Wadsworth Parking lot. There is a sign for the Wadsworth Parking area. Lots of hills! **Leader: Carla Vondrak**

**DECEMBER 28 THURSDAY 5 PM CANTON PARKS FROM THE GARDEN CENTER** Level 1, up to 5 miles, RR. This is a lap hike. Enjoy the Christmas lights throughout the park. Meet at the Garden Center Parking Lot. Address: [1615 Stadium Park Dr. NW, Canton](#). Directions: Enter the park from 12th street, make left onto Stadium Park Dr. and go to the Garden Center Lot. **Leader: Colleen Logan**

**DECEMBER 29 FRIDAY 9:30 AM WALBORN RESERVOIR** Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Address: [11324 Price St., Alliance](#). 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. Turn right into the park then take the left lane to park in the rear lot back near the pavilion. **Leader: Lena Earles**

**DECEMBER 30 SATURDAY 10 AM PORTAGE LAKES STATE PARK** Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: [5031 Manchester Rd., Akron](#) 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. Follow the park road, turn right at the first road on the right, where sign points to Big Oaks Shelter. Follow this to the parking lot near the restrooms. This is not the parking lot right off of park road where we used to start. **Leaders: Pat Duff & Barb Duff**



**DECEMBER 30 SATURDAY 10 AM PRICE PARK** Level 1, up to 5 miles, RR. This is a lap hike. Directions: Meet at Price Park parking lot on West Maple Street in North Canton. Address: [946 W. Maple St., North Canton](#). Directions: Go north on Whipple Rd. from Jackson Twp. and turn right onto West Maple St. to park entrance on the right. Park in the east parking lot. Or from the square of North Canton, go west on West Maple to the park entrance on your left. **Leader: Brenda Ball**

**DECEMBER 31 SUNDAY 9:30 AM SIPPO LAKE EXPLORATION GATEWAY** Level 2/3, 5 miles. RR at the library. Address: [5712 12th St. NW, Canton](#). Directions: Get to the intersection of 12<sup>th</sup> St. NW and Perry Dr. NW. Go west on 12<sup>th</sup> St. to the entrance to Exploration Gateway at Sippo Lake Park on the left. Meet at the first parking lot on the right as you arrive. **Leader: Lena Earles**

**DECEMBER 31 SUNDAY 2 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE HUSTON BRUMBAUGH NATURE CENTER** (Dogs not required) Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Lots of hills and boardwalks. Meet at the Huston Woods parking lot on Daniel St. south of Alliance. Address: [16146 Daniel St. NE, Minerva](#). Directions: Take Maple Street (which becomes Easton) to the roundabout at Paris Ave. Turn right and continue to Route 153 (by Motts). Turn left. Continue to Route 183 (Union Ave.). Turn right and continue to Daniel Street. Turn left on Daniel and go a short distance to the parking lot on the right. **Leader: Mary Lee**