

Guidelines: Hiking During COVID-19 updated on 1/19/2021

In response to the coronavirus (Covid-19), Ohio Governor DeWine imposed certain restrictions on activities in the state, including gathering size and social proximity. Until restrictions on gathering size and proximity are lifted, hike leaders and hikers are responsible for following these guidelines to keep us all safe. Like all physical activity, people hiking under this health emergency do so at their own risk.

- Be respectful of your fellow hikers and all other trail users. This is a health emergency and many people have health issues or interact with others that can be adversely affected by this virus.
- Our hike group will follow federal, state, local and park specific public health recommendations.
- This means no groups larger than ten. In order to keep hiking as a group under the state guidelines, we need to break our hikers up into groups of 10. Leaders, please subdivide your groups appropriately before the start of the hike.
- Stay home if you are sick, have a fever or do not feel well. Cover your cough/sneeze and sanitize frequently.
- Use social distancing and maintain at least 6 foot distance between individuals. Single file on narrow trails. Keep the 6 foot distancing when re-grouping, photo opportunities, and turnaround point. Spread out.
- Give other hikers a wide berth when passing on the trail. Move over, step off trail if possible, to allow approaching hikers to pass.
- Masks: it is suggested that all hikers carry a mask, bandana, or buff on the trail. Best practices: cover your face as you pass or are being passed.
- Bring your own pen to sign the sign-up sheet.
- Restrooms may not be available. Water fountains are not turned on. All visitor centers are closed.
- We are not circling up at this time.
- We are now allowing guests, 18 and older, to hike with us. They must follow the above rules. Leaders, please go over the rules with them when they sign in.

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.

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MAY 1 SATURDAY 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: 5031 Manchester Rd., Akron. Directions: Take I-77 north to the Arlington rd. exit. Go south (left) on Arlington Rd., then turn west (right) 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

MAY 1 SATURDAY 9:30 AM POLAND MUNICIPAL FOREST BLUEBELL HIKE Level 2, 6 miles, RR (very crude) RR also at the many businesses on 224. Address: 47 College St., Poland. Directions: Take I-77 N to I-76 E, exit 125B. Continue onto I-80 E. Exit at 224B to merge onto 680S. Take exit 11B onto US-224 E. toward Poland. Turn right onto Ohio Ave., turn left onto Lee Drive. Follow Lee Dr. to College St. We will park straight ahead at Poland Middle School and we will hike to the park. Giant sycamore trees line the trails through a 250 acre park full of bluebells, trillium and other wildflowers. We will go to lunch after the hike (following CDC guidelines) at one of the many restaurants in Boardman near the trail. (Drive is approx. 68 mi from I-77 Belden area) Leaders: Karla Bedard & Lynn Lenart

MAY 1 SATURDAY 10 AM HUSTON BRUMBAUGH NATURE CENTER Level 3, 4 miles,

RR. Look for emerging dragonflies and damselflies. Meet at the Huston Woods parking lot on Daniel St. south of Alliance. Address: 16146 Daniel St. NE, Minerva. Directions #1: Take Route 62 east to Route 44. Turn right onto Route 44 south. Continue to Louisville. At Route 153 (E. Main St.) by the gas station, 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 parking lot on the right. Alternate Directions #2: 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 parking lot on the right.

Leader: Paul Hobe

MAY 2 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: 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: Lena Earles**

MAY 2 SUNDAY 2PM BOETTLER/SOUTHGATE PARK IN GREEN Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: 5300 Massillon Rd, North Canton. Meet at the 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. Leader: Larry Kemph

MAY 2 SUNDAY 2 PM CASCADE LOCKS Level 2, 5 miles, RR. We begin our hike at the Mustill Store and the cascading locks and head north on the Towpath. Our turn around point will be the bald eagles' nest in the Cascade Valley. Bring binoculars to view the nest. An article describing some the sights we will see on this hike can be found under "Message from the Pathfinders" following the hiking schedule. Address: 234 Ferndale St., Akron. Direction: From Rte. 8, exit at Perkins St. Make a left (west), cross Broadway and High streets and turn right on Howard St. Go to

North St. and turn left. Parking lot on the right. Extra parking also on the left.

Leaders: Lynn Lenart and Sue Bennett

MAY 3 MONDAY 9:30 AM WASHINGTON SQUARE 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

MAY 3 MONDAY 6 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE METZGER PARK (No dog required) Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Meet at Metzger Park on Nickleplate Rd. in Louisville. Address: 1420 S. Nickelplate St., Louisville. Directions: Take Rte. 62 to Louisville exit. Take Rte. 44 south (Ravenna Ave.) to center of Louisville, turn east (left) on to Main St. (Rte. 153). Go to 2nd light (Nickleplate), then turn right (south) to the park on the left. This is past the high school and across from the YMCA. Hike the Nickelplate Trail. Leader: Karla Bedard

MAY 4 TUESDAY 9:30 AM CRYSTAL SPRINGS TRAILHEAD Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: 4503 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon. 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: Roseanne Swigart

MAY 5 WEDNESDAY 10 AM WICKED WEDNESDAY RED LOCK TRAILHEAD/CVNP

Level 4, 6 miles, RR. Heading south on the Buckeye Trail. Trail has hills, steps, and water crossings. Address: 1175 West Highland Rd., Sagamore Hills. GPS may expect Northfield for the city. After crossing the river, Highland Rd. becomes Vaughn Rd. Directions: Take I-77 north to Rte. 8 north. Keep right to stay on Rte. 8 north. Do not take I-271. Turn left onto Highland Rd at the stop light. Turn right onto Olde 8 Rd. then turn left onto West Highland Rd. Trailhead is 2 miles on the right before crossing the river. Overflow gravel parking lot is available at Jaite Trailhead across the river on the right, approximate address 15600 Vaughn Rd.

Leader: Bob Haren

MAY 5 WEDNESDAY 6 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE PETROS PARK (No dog required) Level 2, up to 5 miles, RR. Address: 3519 Perry Dr. SW, Canton. 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. **Leader: Karla Bedard**

MAY 6 THURSDAY 10 AM HOOVER COMMUNITY RECREATION COMPLEX Level 2, 3 miles, no RR at trailhead. The closest restrooms are available at Giant Eagle, Starbucks and Jimmy Johns. Address: 1325 E. Maple St., North Canton. Directions: From Main Street in North Canton go east on Maple about 1.2 miles. Complex will be on north side of street. Turn into the complex and drive to the rear of the parking lot. The trailhead is at the rear of the parking lot. We will hike the Hoover trail. Leaders: Lola Bender & Ted Bender

MAY 7 FRIDAY 9:30 AM VETERANS COMMUNITY PARK Level 2, 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: Lena Earles

MAY 8 SATURDAY 9 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. We will go to lunch after the hike (following CDC guidelines) at Dutch Valley 1343 Old Rte 39 NE, Sugarcreek.

Leader: Karla Bedard

MAY 8 SATURDAY 10 AM HEMLOCK CREEK TRAIL/CVNP Level 2/3, 6 miles, RR. We will hike a short distance on the Towpath and then take the Hemlock Creek Trail towards Brecksville Rd. This is a pretty trail with bridges and artwork. Hills on Hemlock Creek Trail are 7% to 11%, elevation change total of 250 ft. Hiking surface is crushed limestone and paved. Some shade. Meet at the Canal Exploration Center. Address: 7104 Canal Road, Valley View. Directions: Take I-77, get off exit 153 towards Independence. Turn left onto E. Pleasant Valley Rd., then left onto Brecksville Rd. Turn right onto Hillside Rd. Parking lot will be on the right. (52 miles from Canton). Leader: Lynn Lenart

MAY 8 SATURDAY 10 AM WETMORE TRAIL/ CVNP Level 4, 5 miles, RR. Address: 4653 Wetmore Rd., Peninsula. Directions: Take I-77 north and continue onto OH-8 north. Exit Steels Corners Road. Turn left at light and take Steels Corners Road 3.5 miles. Turn right onto Haas Road. After 0.9 miles, take a slight left onto Wetmore Road and proceed 1.6 miles to Wetmore Trailhead. Leader: Steve Venezia

MAY 9 SUNDAY 9:30 AM MOTHERS DAY HIKE BOLIVAR AQUEDUCT MCDONNELL TRAILHEAD (on route 212). Level 2, 5 miles, no RR. Restroom is located 1 ½ miles away on Towpath which we will pass on our hike or you can stop at DQ/Bell Stores gas station just off I-77 exit. Address: 715 OH-212, Bolivar. Directions: Take I-77 south to Bolivar exit #93. Turn right (west) following Rte. 212 through 212 through Bolivar. Go a short distance on Rte. 212 and just before the Tuscarawas river, the parking lot will be on the right. (If you go over the river and pass Shepler Church Road you went too far.) This new trailhead has a larger parking lot then Canal Bend trailhead. Come and join us for a shady walk on the Towpath. There is a little cafe/bakery near I-77 that specializes in pastries & cookies for anyone wanting to stop after the hike. We will follow CDC guidelines for dining. Leader: Roseanne Swigart

MAY 10 MONDAY 9:30 AM CANAL FULTON ST. HELENA HERITAGE PARK HIKE / BIKE Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Optional 8 mi bike ride on the towpath after the hike. Address: 125 Tuscarawas St. NW, Canal Fulton. Directions: Take I-77 to Portage, turn west to Canal Fulton and Rte. 93. Turn left on Rte. 93 and turn left into the park. We will hike a loop on the Olde Muskingum Trail and the Towpath. We can stop for lunch/ice cream (while following CDC guidelines) after the bike ride. Leader: Sue Bennett

MAY 10 MONDAY 6 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE METZGER PARK (No dogs required) Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Meet at Metzger Park on Nickleplate Rd. in Louisville. Address: 1420 S. Nickelplate St., Louisville. Directions: Take Rte. 62 to Louisville exit. Take Rte. 44 south (Ravenna Ave.) to center of Louisville, turn east (left) on to Main St. (Rte. 153). Go to 2nd light (Nickleplate), then turn right (south) to the park on the left. This is past the high school and across from the YMCA. Hike the Nickelplate Trail. Leader: Karla Bedard

MAY 11 TUESDAY 9:30 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: Roseanne Swigart**

MAY 12 WEDNESDAY 9 AM WICKED WEDNESDAY BOSTON MILL VISITOR CENTER/BUCKEYE TRAIL/CVNP Level 4, 9 miles, RR. We will hike the Buckeye Trail north to Jaite and then return on the Valley Bridle Trail. Address: 6947 Riverview Road, Peninsula. 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: Bob Haren

MAY 12 WEDNESDAY 6 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE PETROS PARK (No dog required) Level 2, up to 5 miles, RR. Address: 3519 Perry Dr. SW, Canton. 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. **Leader: Karla Bedard**

MAY 13 THURSDAY 10 AM PETROS PARK Level 2, 3 miles, RR. Address: 3519 Perry Dr. SW, Canton. 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

MAY 14 FRIDAY 9:30 AM VETERANS COMMUNITY PARK Level 2, 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: Lena Earles

MAY 15 SATURDAY 9:30 AM SIPPO LAKE EXPLORATION GATEWAY Level 2/3, 5 miles. RR at library. Address: <u>5712 12th St. NW, Canton</u>. Directions: Get to the intersection of 12th St. NW and Perry Dr. NW. Go west on 12th 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. **Leader: Kathy Dimos**

MAY 15 SATURDAY 10 AM ARMED FORCES DAY HIKE BOLIVAR AQUEDUCT MCDONNELL TRAILHEAD (on route 212). Wear Patriotic colors. Level 2, 5 miles, no RR. Restroom is located 1 ½ miles away on Towpath which we will pass on our hike or you can stop at DQ/Bell Stores. gas station just off I-77 exit. Address: 715 OH-212, Bolivar. Directions: Take I-77 south to Bolivar exit #93. Turn right (west) following Rte. 212 through 212 through Bolivar. Go a short distance on Rte. 212 and just before the Tuscarawas river, the parking lot will be on the right. (If you go over the river and pass Shepler Church Road you went too far.). Lunch afterwards in the cute village of Bolivar. Leaders: Lola Bender & Ted Bender

MAY 15 SATURDAY 10 AM ATWOOD LAKE Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Address: 9446 Shop Rd., NE, Mineral City. Directions: Take I-77 south to the Bolivar exit, turn left and follow Rte. 212 through Zoar and to Rte. 800. Turn left on Rte. 800 for a short distance, then turn right to continue

on Rte. 212. Just past New Cumberland turn left at the Marina sign (custard stand on the corner.) After you past the Marina go .8 mile to Shop Rd. for the park entrance. Turn right and go beyond park office to parking lot on the left near the trailhead and old Amphitheater. Optional lunch after hike, following CDC guidelines and if you feel comfortable eating at a restaurant. We will eat at the Lighthouse Bistro Restaurant at the Marina (restaurant address: 9280 Atwood Lake Rd. NE). Leaders: Rich Aeling and Paul Hobe

MAY 16 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: 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: Lena Earles**

MAY 16 SUNDAY 2 PM WASHINGTON SQUARE 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: Mary Lou Reiman

MAY 16 SUNDAY 2 PM BOSTON MILL VISITOR CENTER – 2 WATERFALL

HIKE/CVNP Level 4, 5 miles, RR. We will hike to Blue Hen Falls and Buttermilk Falls. Address: 6947 Riverview Road, Peninsula. 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: Ann Dolvin

MAY 17 MONDAY 9:30 AM 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: 905 Sippo Blvd. NE, Massillon. 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: Sue Bennett**

MAY 17 MONDAY 6 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE METZGER PARK (No dog required) Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Meet at Metzger Park on Nickleplate Rd. in Louisville. Address: 1420 S. Nickelplate St., Louisville. Directions: Take Rte. 62 to Louisville exit. Take Rte. 44 south (Ravenna Ave.) to center of Louisville, turn east (left) on to Main St. (Rte. 153). Go to 2nd light (Nickleplate), then turn right (south) to the park on the left. This is past the high school and across from the YMCA. Hike the Nickelplate Trail. Leader: Karla Bedard

MAY 18 TUESDAY 9:30 AM CRYSTAL SPRINGS TRAILHEAD Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: 4503 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon. 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: **Roseanne Swigart**

MAY 19 WEDNESDAY 10 AM WICKED WEDNESDAY CASCADE VALLEY

OXBOW/BABB RUN Level 3, 5 miles, RR. We will hike the Oxbow Trail and the Overlook Trail (Summit Metro Parks), and then hike over to Babb Run Bird and Wildlife Sanctuary (Cuyahoga Falls). Approximate address: 1076 Cuyahoga St., Akron. Directions: (These directions avoid the road closure on the south end of Cuyahoga St.) Take Rte. 8 north and take the Broad Blvd. exit in Cuyahoga Falls. Make left off exit (west) and take Broad Blvd. to State St. Make left, then in 2 blocks make right onto Sackett Ave. Take Sackett to the T-intersection. Do not park at the Overlook trailhead. Make left onto Cuyahoga St. Driveway into Oxbow area is about ½ mile. Take first driveway on the left to parking lot. Leader: Lynn Lenart

MAY 19 WEDNESDAY 6 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE PETROS PARK (No dog required) Level 2, up to 5 miles, RR. Address: 3519 Perry Dr. SW, Canton. 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. **Leader: Karla Bedard**

MAY 20 THURSDAY 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

MAY 21 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. Hills and trails. Bring birdseed if you want to hand feed the birds! Leader: Lena Earles

MAY 22 SATURDAY 9:30 AM WASHINGTON SQUARE 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: Mary Lou Reiman

MAY 22 SATURDAY 10 AM RICHFIELD HERITAGE PRESERVE HIKE Level 3, 5 miles, RR. (Former Crowell Hilaka Girl Scout Camp). Address: 4374 Broadview Rd., Richfield.

Directions: Take Rte. 77 North to 277, west to Rte. 76/224. Take exit #1 to Rte. 77 North (the Kenmore Leg). Follow Rte. 77 to exit # 143, Wheatley Rd. Make a right off ramp to head west on Wheatley Rd. Wheatley Rd. becomes Broadview Rd. Take Broadview Rd. (Rte. 176), go past Rte. 303. The entrance is on the left side of Broadview (Rte. 176) just past the blue sign marking the highest point in Summit County and before the Giant Eagle store. If you pass up the driveway, pull into the Giant Eagle grocery store and turn around. Parking lot is ½ mile down the driveway on the left. (43 miles from Canton). Leader: Lynn Lenart

MAY 22 SATURDAY 11 AM HOCKING HILLS STATE PARK Level 4, 15 miles or 8 mile alternate, RR. Meet at Hocking Hills State Park Visitors Center which sits on SR 664

¹/₄ mile south of SR 374. Address: <u>21725 OH-664</u>, <u>Logan</u>, OH 43138. This is a major paved parking lot capable of accommodating about 200 cars. We will simply meet in this parking lot. Plan on using the restrooms at the new Welcome Center. We will be hiking Old Man's Cave to Whispering Cave and continuing to Cedar Falls via the Buckeye Trail and Grandma Gatewood trail. After lunch at Cedar Falls, the eight mile hikers will split off and return to their cars via the Gorge Overlook Trail. The 15 mile hikers will proceed to Ash Cave; we will return to Cedar Falls via the Buckeye Trail and pick up the Gorge Overlook Trail to return us to our cars. Please come prepared for this hike with plenty of water; at least 60 -100 ounces and a packed lunch for you to enjoy; snacks may also be desirable. For those comfortable with carpooling; we will be meeting at the Home Depot parking lot (by Arby's) just West of I 77 at the Portage Street exit in Jackson Township at 7:30 AM. Drivers, please arrive with a full tank of gas. Optional dinner immediately following the 15 mile hike at Olde Dutch Restaurant, Amish inspired dishes and baked goods 12791 OH-664, Logan, near Walmart (740)-385-1000. We will follow CDC guidelines as much as possible so only plan on dinner if you feel comfortable eating in a restaurant. This is a day hike with no overnight accommodations planned for the group; you can make lodging accommodations on your own as appropriate. There are several hotels in Logan, Ohio. In the past the club has stayed at Holiday Inn Express Hocking Hills- Logan. This will be a full day and we will not return to Stark County until after 8:00 PM.

Leaders: John Johnson (15 mi.) & Karla Bedard (8 mi.)

MAY 23 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: Roseanne Swigart

MAY 23 SUNDAY 2 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE GOODYEAR HEIGHTS METRO PARK

(Dogs not required.) Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Address: <u>2077 Newton St., Akron</u>. Meet at the 2nd 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 2nd parking lot. **Leader: Karla Bedard**

MAY 23 SUNDAY 2 PM HUSTON BRUMBAUGH NATURE CENTER Level 3, 4 miles, RR. Meet at the Huston Woods parking lot on Daniel St. south of Alliance. Address: 16146 Daniel St. NE, Minerva. Directions #1: Take Route 62 east to Route 44. Turn right onto Route 44 south. Continue to Louisville. At Route 153 (E. Main St.) by the gas station, 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 parking lot on the right. Alternate Directions #2: 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 parking lot on the right. Leader: Paul Hobe

MAY 24 MONDAY 9:30 AM MASSILLON LINCOLN PARK (17TH 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 in on the left. We will hike the Sippo Valley Trail. Leader: Sue Bennett

MAY 24 MONDAY 6 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE METZGER PARK (No dog required) Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Meet at Metzger Park on Nickleplate Rd. in Louisville. Address: 1420 S. Nickelplate St., Louisville. Directions: Take Rte. 62 to Louisville exit. Take Rte. 44 south (Ravenna Ave.) to center of Louisville, turn east (left) on to Main St. (Rte. 153). Go to 2nd light (Nickleplate), then turn right (south) to the park on the left. This is past the high school and across from the YMCA. Hike the Nickelplate Trail. Leader: Karla Bedard

MAY 25 TUESDAY 9:30 AM CRYSTAL SPRINGS TRAILHEAD Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: 4503 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon. 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: Roseanne Swigart

MAY 26 WEDNESDAY 10AM WICKED WEDNESDAY HAMPTON HILLS/CVNP Level 3/4, 5 miles, RR. Meet in Hampton Hills parking lot on Peninsula Road. Address: 2925 Akron-Peninsula Rd., Akron. 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. Challenging hills and stream crossings. Leader: Lynn Lenart

MAY 26 WEDNESDAY 6 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE PETROS PARK (No dog required) Level 2, up to 5 miles, RR. Address: 3519 Perry Dr. SW, Canton. 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. **Leader: Karla Bedard**

MAY 27 THURSDAY 10 AM SIPPO LAKE EXPLORATION GATEWAY Level 2/3, 3 miles. RR at library. Address: 5712 12th St. NW, Canton. Directions: Get to the intersection of 12th St. NW and Perry Dr. NW. Go west on 12th 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

MAY 28 FRIDAY 9:30 AM VETERANS COMMUNITY PARK Level 2, 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: Lena Earles

MAY 29 SATURDAY 9 AM SIPPO LAKE EXPLORATION GATEWAY Level 2/3, 5 miles. RR at library. Address: 5712 12th St. NW, Canton. Directions: Get to the intersection of 12th St. NW and Perry Dr. NW. Go west on 12th 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: Tom Sinacore & Beth Sinacore

MAY 29 SATURDAY 10 AM NORTH CHAGRIN RESERVATION Level 3, 6 miles, RR. We hike from Squire's Castle to Buttermilk Falls. Address: 2844 River Rd, Willoughby Hills. Take I-77 North to OH-8 North and follow signs to Cuyahoga Falls. Take exit 17 for I-271 North toward I-90/Erie PA for about 17 miles. Take Exit 36 and turn right onto Wilson Mills Rd for 2 miles. Turn left on to Chagrin River Rd for 2.4 miles, which becomes River Rd. Turn left onto the Squire's

Castle entrance, Hayes Dr. Leader: Ann Leaman and Bryan Leaman

MAY 29 SATURDAY 10 AM SAND RUN METRO PARK Level 3, 5 miles, RR. We will hike the Valley Connector trail and the Schumacher Trail to Cascade Valley Metro Park. Meet at Sand

Run's Wadsworth Parking Lot. Address: <u>1400 Sand Run Pkwy.</u>, <u>Akron</u>. 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. **Leaders: Lena Earles and Roseanne Swigart**

MAY 30 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: 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: Lena Earles**

MAY 30 SUNDAY 2 PM FORT LAURENS Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Meet at Fort Laurens in Bolivar. Address: 11067 Fort Laurens Rd. NW, Bolivar. Directions: Take I-77 south to the Bolivar/Zoar exit #93. Turn right onto 212. Go left at the stop sign (dead end) and go south on Park Ave. to Fort Laurens which is approximately ½ mile south on the left. Turn left into the Fort Laurens parking lot. Leader: Kathy Smith

MAY 30 SUNDAY 2 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE QUAIL HOLLOW STATE PARK (Dog not required.) Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Meet at first large parking lot on left. Follow signs for 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 1/4 mile, then make left to the parking lot. Leader: Karla Bedard

MAY 31 MONDAY 9:30 AM WASHINGTON SQUARE 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

MAY 31 MONDAY 6 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE METZGER PARK (No dog required) Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Meet at Metzger Park on Nickleplate Rd. in Louisville. Address: 1420 S. Nickelplate St., Louisville. Directions: Take Rte. 62 to Louisville exit. Take Rte. 44 south (Ravenna Ave.) to center of Louisville, turn east (left) on to Main St. (Rte. 153). Go to 2nd light (Nickleplate), then turn right (south) to the park on the left. This is past the high school and across from the YMCA. Hike the Nickelplate Trail. Leader: Karla Bedard