

## Frohring Meadows

16780 Savage Road, Bainbridge Township

Frohring Meadows is a 298-acre park that features a 100-acre prairie and trails through the woodlands. The wet sedge meadow serves as an important feeding stop for migrating shore birds.



Choose 3 of any of the following activities to complete at Frohring Meadows.

My own activity \_\_\_\_\_

### Family/Friends

- Invite a friend to explore the trails with you.
- Plan a picnic at the Katydid Shelter.
- Take your dog for a walk. (Bring a cleanup bag.)

### Fitness/Fun

- Walk or jog the 2.8-mile Big Bluestem Trail loop.
- Circle through the wetland on the Dragonfly Trail, then reverse and do it again.
- Use your GPS unit to pinpoint discoveries along the trails.

### Discovery

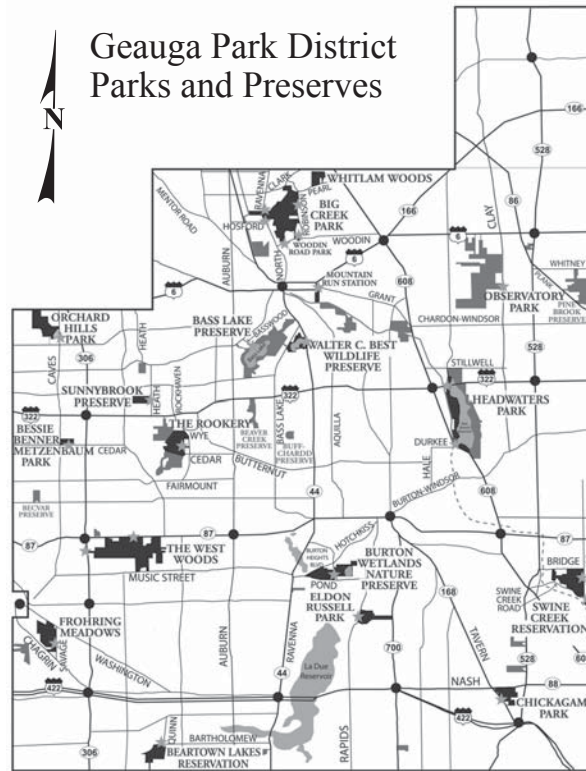
- Stop to observe the behavior of a Monarch or other butterfly.
- Listen for 5 different insect "Voices of Nature."
- Identify the purple blooms in the prairie garden.
- Identify 4 different species of birds in the wetlands.
- Search for at least 3 shooting stars during the Perseid Meteor Showers, August 12-15.

### Service

- Call the Park District to volunteer to help with invasive plant control.
- Move fallen branches off the forest trail.



## Geauga Park District Parks and Preserves



### PARTICIPANT INFORMATION:

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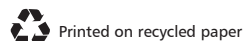
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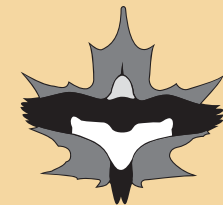


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Welcome to Geauga Park District's  
"Scout Out Your Parks" program!

Complete 3 activities in each of the featured parks in July, August or September. Check them off and fill out the participant information on the back of this tracker, then bring it to The West Woods Nature Center or Donald W. Meyer Center in Big Creek Park for your exclusive "Scout Out Your Parks" summer patch! There will be a new patch and tracker each season to help you scout out **YOUR** parks throughout the year!

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# Big Creek Park

9160 Robinson Road, Chardon Township

This 643-acre park is covered with a mature beech-maple forest bisected by Big Creek. Fishing, hiking on the extensive trail system, horseback riding, camping and picnicking can be enjoyed here. The Donald W. Meyer Center and Frances Hall Amphitheater host a variety of events throughout the year.



Choose 3 of any of the following activities to complete at Big Creek Park.

My own activity \_\_\_\_\_

## Family/Friends

- Pack a lunch and picnic at one of the park's 3 shelters.
- Reserve a campsite and spend the night in the park with family or friends.
- Play in the open field by Maple Grove Shelter.

## Fitness/Fun

- Start at Tupelo Pond and hike on the Creek Trail.
- Catch and release a fish in one of the 3 ponds.
- Follow the blue-blazed Buckeye Trail through the park.

## Discovery

- Identify 4 different kinds of butterflies in the Meyer Center Butterfly Garden.
- Take the Cascade Trail and discover the Linton Cascade.
- Identify 4 different ferns or wildflowers along the Trillium Trail.
- Count the species of birds visiting the Meyer Center feeding station.
- Attend a Saturday night amphitheater program.

## Service

- Move fallen branches off the trails.
- Explore the paved Ruth Kennan Trail with a friend who needs assistance.

# Beartown Lakes Reservation

18870 Quinn Road, Auburn/Bainbridge Townships

With 149 acres, wildlife abounds in this park, boasting 3 lakes and a mature beech-maple forest. This is an excellent park for hiking, horseback riding, sledding, fishing, picnicking and cross-country skiing.



Choose 3 of any of the following activities to complete at Beartown Lakes Reservation.

My own activity \_\_\_\_\_

## Family/Friends

- Take pictures of your family and friends on the trails and fishing platforms.
- Have a picnic in the Minnow Pond Shelter.
- Roll down the sledding hill.

## Fitness/Fun

- Explore the Beechnut Trail and Upper Bear Lake.
- Hike or ride your horse on the 1.5-mile Whitetail Trail.
- Catch and release a fish at one of the ponds.

## Discovery

- Use your binoculars to view waterfowl on Upper Bear Lake.
- Find 4 leafy squirrel nests and 2 tree cavity homes.
- Record "signs of the season" discoveries in a nature journal.
- Listen for 4 different "Voices of Nature."

## Service

- Pick up any litter or fish line you find along the pond's edge.
- Explore the paved Lake Trail with a friend who needs assistance.
- Share *Scout Out Your Parks* plans with other park visitors.

# Headwaters Park

13365 Old State Road, Huntsburg/Claridon Townships

Leased from the City of Akron, this park includes East Branch Reservoir, a 425-acre lake at the headwaters of the East Branch of the Cuyahoga River. The Buckeye Trail winds along the shore, where camping is available, and boaters and anglers enjoy the abundant waterways. Hikers and bicyclists also have access to The Maple Highlands Trail.



Choose 3 of any of the following activities to complete at Headwaters Park.

My own activity \_\_\_\_\_

## Family/Friends

- Invite friends to join you for a picnic in the park.
- Reserve a campsite and spend the night in the park with family or friends.
- Enjoy the sunset and stars over the reservoir.
- Register for the September Hound Hike.

## Fitness/Fun

- Bike from one end of the park to the other on The Maple Highlands Trail (4 miles round trip).
- Paddle the reservoir by kayak or canoe.
- Hike along the Eagle Point Trail.
- Walk the Buckeye Trail from one end of Headwaters Park to the other (4 miles round trip).

## Discovery

- Watch an eagle or osprey catch a fish.
- Observe at least 3 shooting stars during the Perseid Meteor Showers, August 12-15.
- Bring your camera and photograph the picturesque sights in the park.
- Use your hand-held GPS unit to locate the Headwaters Geocache: N 41 30.717; W 081 05.935.
- Read the interpretive sign at the shelter to learn the history of Crystal Lake & East Branch.

## Service

- Call about volunteering for the Bike Patrol.
- Pick up any litter or fish line you find along the water's edge.