

# LEARN! LISTEN! MOVE!

## WEST CREEK CONSERVANCY

# 2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

West Creek Conservancy is hosting an exciting array of hikes, meetings, and other events in 2018. Hear guest speakers, explore new areas, and enjoy evenings of food and music for a good cause. Activities are open to the public and free unless noted by (\$).

### SIGNATURE EVENTS

To register, get tickets, or check out the details visit [westcreek.org](http://westcreek.org) or call 216-749-3720 x10.

#### 2018 ANNUAL MEETING

**Tues, Apr 17, 6:30 pm**  
**Watershed Stewardship Center at West Creek Reservation**  
 Come out for our yearly review of projects. Registration required.

#### TACOS & TEQUILA (\$)

**Fri, June 22, 7:00 pm**  
**Watershed Stewardship Center at West Creek Reservation**  
 Join us as we partner with Young Professionals of Parma to enjoy a night of food, drink, and cheer to benefit the Conservancy and YPP. Advanced tickets required.

#### UP! A CREEK (\$)

**Sat, Aug 25, 5:30 pm**  
**Windows on the River, Cleveland**  
 Our annual gala is a night of great food, music, dance, and cheer, not to mention fabulous auctions! It's a fun time and it supports our work. Advanced tickets required.

#### CREATURES IN THE FOREST

#### 5K RUN (\$) & 1-MILE WALK

**Sat, Oct 27, 8:30 am**  
**Keystone Shelter at West Creek Reservation**  
 Get active with a benefit trail run through West Creek Reservation or take a 1-mile fun walk. We also have a free Trot-for-Treats for children under 12. Includes food trucks, spirits, and awards. 5K registration required.

#### HOLIDAY PARTY

**Tues, Dec 4, 6:30 pm**  
**Watershed Stewardship Center at West Creek Reservation.**  
 Celebrate the season and another year of conservation successes. Registration required.

### PUBLIC MEETINGS

Meetings are held 7:00 - 9:00 pm at Parma-Snow Library, 2121 Snow Rd. Each one includes updates on our projects and a guest speaker.

#### Wed, May 16

**Towpath Trail: The Home Stretch**  
 The 100-mile Towpath Trail is nearing completion. Join us as Fran DiDonato, *Assistant Director of Canalway Partners*, gives us an overview and the latest news.

#### Wed, June 6

**Cuyahoga County's Greenways Plan**  
 Glenn Coyne, *Director of the Cuyahoga County Planning Commission*, will discuss the greenways and trails being planned throughout Cuyahoga County.

#### Tues, Aug 14

**The Towers of West Creek**  
 The Parma Antenna Farm has greatly impacted local land conservation. Longtime radio professionals Ted Alexander and Al Warmus share their "tales of towers" and the how-&-why all those towers were built in Parma.  
**NOTE: meeting will be held at Watershed Stewardship Center in West Creek Reservation.**

#### Wed, Sept 12: Why More Trails?

Rory Robinson, Outdoor Recreation Planner for the National Park Service, will discuss the value of trails and greenways and update us on regional and national trends.

#### Wed, Oct 10

**Memories of Parmadale**  
 As the former campus begins its transformation into public space, Marilyn Osborne shares her recollections of living there in the 1960s. Includes a short presentation on the site's history.

### YOGA IN THE PARK (\$)

Instructors from Balancing Flamingo Yoga Lounge will lead monthly yoga at various green spaces. Conservancy members will also be on hand to describe the areas. \$10 per session, per person. Sessions start at 10:00 am. Call 216-749-3720 x10 for details. Registration required.

#### Sat, May 19:

Stearns Homestead

#### Sat, June 16:

Watershed Stewardship Center at West Creek Reservation

#### Sat, July 21:

Former Parmadale campus in Parma

#### Sat, Aug 18:

Center Park Picnic Area at West Creek Reservation

#### Sat, Sept 15: Brooklyn

Heights Park

### DISCOVERY HIKES

Stretch your legs with leader Jakob Hamlescher as we learn some history, some plans, and the role land conservation plays. Don't forget to wear appropriate footwear & dress for the weather!

*Walks are free but registration is required. To register email [Jakob@westcreek.org](mailto:Jakob@westcreek.org), call 216-749-3720 x11 or RSVP on [meetup.com](http://meetup.com).*

#### TREADWAY CREEK TRAIL

#### Thurs, Apr 19, 5:30 pm

Register by Apr 16

We'll follow scenic Treadway Creek ravine from Harmody Park in the Old Brooklyn neighborhood to the Towpath. The trail & terrain are easy, about 3.5 miles. Meet near trail sign in middle of Harmody Park, 1700 Mayview Ave, Cleveland.

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## HEMLOCK CREEK TRAIL

**Sat, June 16, 10:00 am**

Register by June 13

**Sat, Oct 13, 10:00 am**

Register by Oct 10

Experience one of CVNP's largest community connectors before construction begins. Park behind Cleveland Clinic Operations Center, 6801 Brecksville Rd, Independence.

## FORMER PARMADALE CAMPUS

**Sat, May 19, 10:00 am**

Register by May 16

**Sat, Aug 11, 10:00 am**

Register by Aug 8

**Sat, Dec 1, 10:00 am**

Register by Nov 28

We'll hike through West Creek Reservation to the former Parmadale campus, about 2.5 miles. Meet at Monarch Bluff Picnic Area in West Creek Reservation, Parma.

## SNAKE HILL

**Thurs, July 19, 5:30 pm**

Register by July 15

**Thurs, Sept 20, 5:30 pm**

Register by Sept 17

Enjoy one of the largest protected areas in Parma on this 1.5-mile summer hike in this scenic part of Big Creek headwaters. Terrain is moderate. Meet at Sandy Hook Park, 6600 Larch Dr, Parma.

## HIKING THE FUTURE WEST CREEK GREENWAY

Explore parts of the proposed Greenway with leader Jeff Lennartz. Walks are 4.5 to 5.5 miles, and a bit more challenging than our other hikes. Expect some uneven terrain, hills, off-trail. Allow 2.5 - 3 hours. *Walks are free but registration is required. To register email Jakob@westcreek.org, call 216-749-3720 x11 or RSVP on meetup.com.*

### PART 1: WEST CREEK RESERVATION TO PARMADALE

**Sat, April 28, 9:00 am**

Register by April 25

We'll follow the Greenway route

to the former Parmadale campus, including a proposed spur to Parma's Veterans Memorial Park. Meet at Monarch Bluff Picnic Area in West Creek Reservation, Parma.

### PART 2: TOWPATH TO ELMWOOD PARK - PLUS A PIT

**Sat, May 19, 9:00 am**

Register by May 16

Enjoy the scenic, history-packed Hemlock Creek part of the Greenway in Independence. Includes a side trip to one of the biggest holes in Ohio. Meet at gazebo next to Independence Library, 6361 Selig Dr.

### PART 3: ELMWOOD PARK TO SEVEN HILLS

**Sat, June 9, 9:00 am**

Register by June 6

Explore the Greenway section that will join Elmwood Park to West Creek Reservation. Meet at gazebo next to Independence Library, 6361 Selig Dr.

### PART 4: HENNINGER HOMESTEAD TO I-480 / NORTH PARK

**Sat, July 14, 9:00 am**

Register by July 11

We'll walk from the historic Henninger House to beautiful Brooklyn Heights Park and Seven Hills' North Park. Meet in lot at 1535 Old Rockside Rd, Parma, behind Henninger House. No dogs permitted.

### PART 5: SEVEN HILLS TO WEST CREEK RESERVATION

**Sat, Sept 15, 9:00 am**

Register by Sept 12

Explore the connections proposed between Seven Hills and southern West Creek Reservation, including a little valley of waterfalls. Some terrain is tricky, but we'll take it slow. Meet at Normandy High School rear parking lot, near the track, Parma.

### PART 6: WEST CREEK RESERVATION - TOP TO BOTTOM

**Sat, Oct 20, 9:00 am**

Register by Oct 17

We'll take in nearly the entire length of West Creek Reservation. Meet at Monarch Bluff Picnic Area in West Creek Reservation, Parma.

## HIKES TO EXPLORE MILL CREEK WATERSHED

Join leader Jakob Hamlescher and visit the natural areas around the Mill Creek Watershed.

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### GARFIELD PARK RESERVATION

**Sat, May 26, 10:00 am**

Register by May 23

Come out for a scenic 3-mile morning trail walk featuring Mill Creek Falls. Meet at Garfield Reservation's Trolley Turn Picnic Area.

### DUNHAM PARK

**Thurs, June 28, 5:30 pm**

Register by June 25

Unwind after work as we walk the easy trails through this city park and hear about its future. Meet in the parking lot at 15003 Schreiber Rd, Maple Hts.

### BEACHWOOD CITY PARK WEST

**Thurs, July 12, 5:30 pm**

Register by July 9

Enjoy an easy 2-mile walk on all-purpose trails. Learn the park's history and how invasives are being managed. Meet in parking lot at 24520 Shaker Blvd, west of Richmond Rd, Beachwood.

### KERRUISH PARK

**Thurs, Aug 23, 5:30 pm**

Register by Aug 20

Join us as we walk this beautiful park to see Mill Creek and a future NEORS stream restoration site. Meet in the park at 17218 Tarkington Ave, Cleveland.

### MORGANA RUN TRAIL

**Sat, Sept 22, 10:00 am**

Register by Sept 19

We'll walk from from Mill Creek Falls to Washington Reservation in Cleveland's Slavic Village. Paved trail. Meet at Mound STEM School, 5935 Ackley Rd, Cleveland.