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Note: When choosing a hike, for your safety and that of your fellow hikers read the hike description and consider your ability. Contact the hike leader if you need more trail detail. If you are concerned about the weather or the cancellation of a hike, contact the hike leader before venturing out.

Not a member? No problem! Just show up ten minutes early for one of our scheduled hikes below and try us out. Call the hike leader if you need more information.

Feb. 01 (Sun.) - 9:30 am - **Horseshoe Pond** - 2075 Major Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 Parking lot on Major Rd. off Riverview Rd. CVNP - **C3** - Trails 6 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Feb. 01 (Sun.) - **2:00 pm** - **H & B at Young Rd.** - 5090 Young Rd. Stow OH 44224 Trailhead on Young Rd. just north of Call Rd. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - APT 5 miles, Sue : 330-990-0588

Feb. 02 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Everett Rd.** - 2370 Everett Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 Everett Rd. west of Riverview Rd. CVNP - **C3, Includes Riding Run/Furnace Run** - Trails/Hills 6 or 4 miles, Becky : 419-960-9305

Feb. 02 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Boston Mills Visitors' Center** - 6947 Riverview Rd. (at Boston Mills Rd) Peninsula OH 44264 CVNP - **C3** - APT 5 miles, Carol C: 330-554-8991

Feb. 03 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Portage Lakes** - 5031 Manchester Rd. Akron OH 44319 Park in the lot closest to the bathrooms which are located by taking the first right after pulling into the park. Other - **C2** - Trails 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512 John : 330-472-3800

Feb. 03 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Mustill Store** - 89 W. North St. Akron OH 44304 Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C4** - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Feb. 03 (Tue.) - **4:00 pm** - **Firestone** - 2620 Harrington Rd. Akron OH 44319 Tuscarawas parking lot on Harrington Rd. south of Swartz. Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - Trails 3 miles, Bruce : 330-794-1039

Feb. 04 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Pine Hollow** - 5465 Quick Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 CVNP - **C3** - Pine Hollow to Wetmore and Tabletop to Cross Country to Lake and a piece of Salt Run to make a 5 mile loop. Moderate Trails/Hills/Grass 5 miles, Carla V: 216-544-5383

Feb. 04 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Brust Park** - 128 N. Main St. Munroe Falls OH 44264 Meet at Brust Park gazebo on SR 91, just north of the river. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - APT 6 miles, Karen : 330-607-2394 Mike : 330-607-2394

Feb. 05 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Vanderhoof** - 2445 Vanderhoof Rd. Barberton OH 44203 Trailhead on Vanderhoof Rd. west of Van Buren Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C5** - APT 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512 John : 330-472-3800

Feb. 05 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Botzum** - 2928 Riverview Rd. Akron OH 44313 Trailhead on Riverview Rd. south of Bath Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C4** - APT 5 miles, Sue : 330-990-0588

Feb. 06 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Judge's Lake** - 400 Ledge Rd. Hinckley OH 44233 Take N. Medina Line Rd or N. Cleveland-Massillon Rd North to Everett Rd. Go west (left - Everett Rd turns into Ledge Rd) or take SR 94 to Ledge Rd. Go East (right) on Ledge. Hinckley Reservation - **C8** - Moderate hills. - Grass/Pavement/Trails/Gravel 5 miles, Carol C: 330-554-8991

Feb. 06 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Canal Fulton** - 125 Tuscarawas Ave. Canal Fulton OH 44614 Canal Park on SR 93 in Canal Fulton. Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C5** - - APT 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512 John : 330-472-3800

Feb. 07 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Tallmadge Meadows** - 1088 North Ave. Tallmadge, OH 44278 On SR 91 opposite Northmoreland Ave. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - - APT/Stairs/Steps/Trails 6 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Feb. 07 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Munroe Falls/Lake Area** - 521 S.River Rd. Munroe Falls OH 44262 Park in the first parking lot as you pull in Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Feb. 08 (Sun.) - 9:30 am - **Mogadore Reservoir West** - 2578 SR 43 Mogadore OH 44260 Boathouse parking lot on SR 43 (south of I-76) Other - **C1** - - Trails 6 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Feb. 08 (Sun.) - **2:00 pm** - **Freedom Trail/Tallmadge** - 245 Northeast Ave. Tallmadge OH 44278 Lion's Park at end of Lions Park Dr. off of Northeast Ave. in Tallmadge. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - APT 6 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Feb. 09 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Deep Lock Quarry** - 5779 Riverview Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 On Riverview Rd. south of SR 303 Summit Metro Parks - **C4, Includes Valley Picnic Area.** - - Trails/APT 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Feb. 09 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Deep Lock Quarry** - 5779 Riverview Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 On Riverview Rd. south of SR 303 Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Feb. 10 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Kendall Lake** - 1000 Truxell Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 (Kendall Park Rd. becomes Truxell Rd west of State Rd.) CVNP - **C3, Cross Country Trail** - - Trails/Hills 5 miles, Karen : 330-607-2394

Feb. 10 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Nimisila Rim** - 4929 Christman Rd. Akron OH 44319 Park at the south end of the Chrisman Road parking lot near the access road to the boat launch. Other - **C4 , Hike will include a Fisherman's Trail.** - - Trails/APT 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512 John : 330-472-3800

Feb. 11 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Hampton Hills** - 2925 Akron Peninsula Rd. Akron OH 44313 Meet in parking lot off Akron-Peninsula Road just north of Bath Rd. Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - Strenuous Gravel/Trails/Hills 5 miles, Marie : 330-618-4657

Feb. 11 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Clinton** - 2749 North St. Clinton OH 44216 On North St. in Clinton west of Van Buren. Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C5, Includes Veteran's Memorial** - - APT 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512 John : 330-472-3800

Feb. 12 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Stanford Trailhead** - 6093 Stanford Rd Peninsula OH 44264 Go .1 mile past 6093 (Stanford House). CVNP - **C3 - Starts at the new Stanford Trailhead. Hike includes some off-trail and Brandywine Falls. Offers 2 or 3 mile options on APT between parking lot and Red Lock.** - Stairs/Steps/Gravel/Trails/Grass/APT/Hills/Pavement 6 or 3 or 2 miles, Steve : 234-716-4910

Feb. 12 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Sand Run - Wadsworth Parking Area** - 1400 Sand Run Pkwy. Akron OH 44313 Wadsworth parking area (3rd on Sand Run Parkway west of Portage Path) Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - JT: Jogging Trail - APT 5 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Feb. 13 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Furnace Run** - 4955 Townsend Rd. Richfield OH 44286 Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - Gentle Hills - APT/Trails 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Feb. 13 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Wolf Creek Trailhead** - 33 Snyder Ave Barberton OH 44203 Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C5** - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Feb. 14 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Lock 29** - 1648 Mill St. Peninsula OH 44264 Parking lot behind train station, north side of SR 303. CVNP - **C3** - - APT 5 miles, Nan : 216-402-1352

Feb. 15 (Sun.) - 9:30 am - **Silver Creek** - 5000 Hametown Rd. Norton OH 44203 Off Hametown Rd. north of SR 585, Pheasant Run parking lot. Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - - Trails 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Feb. 15 (Sun.) - **2:00 pm** - **Brust Park** - 128 N. Main St. Munroe Falls OH 44264 Meet at Brust Park gazebo on SR 91, just north of the river. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - APT 6 miles, Sue : 330-990-0588

Feb. 16 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Mustill Store** - 89 W. North St. Akron OH 44304 Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C4** - - APT 5 miles, Carol C: 330-554-8991

Feb. 16 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Hudson Springs Park** - 7095 Stow Rd. Hudson OH 44236 On Stow Rd. north of SR 303. Other - **C1** - - Sidewalks/Trails 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Feb. 17 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **H&B at 303** - 64 W. Streetsboro St. Boston Heights OH 44264 Hike and Bike at Rt.303 Trailhead on SR 303 west of Rt. 8 and BP Station. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - - Pavement/APT 5 miles, Karen : 330-607-2394 Mike : 330-607-2394

Feb. 18 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **West Branch State Park (Cable Line Rd)** - 6940 Cable Line Rd Ravenna OH 44266 I76 East to exit 38B, OH5/OH44N, then make a right onto Rt 5 bypass. Turn right onto Rock Spring Rd. Cross bridge over the reservoir then turn left onto Cable Line Rd. Park in the first lot on the right by the mountain bike trails. Overflow parking in the next lot. Ghost Trail. State Parks - **C2 Mountain Bike loops by the lake and in the woods.** - Hills/Grass/APT/Pavement/Trails 6 miles, Steve : 234-716-4910

Feb. 18 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Hunt Farm** - 2045 Bolanz Rd. Peninsula, OH 44264 Parking lot on Bolanz Rd. east of Riverview Rd. CVNP - **C3** - - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Feb. 19 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Sand Run - Wadsworth Parking Area** - 1400 Sand Run Pkwy. Akron OH 44313 Wadsworth parking area (3rd on Sand Run Parkway west of Portage Path) Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - Includes Schumacher and Valley Link Strenuous Trails/Gravel/Pavement 6 miles, Marie : 330-618-4657

Feb. 19 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Wilbeth Rd.** - 380 W. Wilbeth Rd. Akron OH 44301 Trailhead on Wilbeth Rd. west of S. Main St. Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C5** - - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Feb. 20 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Kendall Lake** - 1000 Truxell Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 (Kendall Park Rd. becomes Truxell Rd west of State Rd.) CVNP - **C3** - Kendall Lake to Cross Country and the short version of Salt Run. Moderate Stairs/Steps/Trails/Hills 5 miles, Carla V: 216-544-5383

Feb. 20 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Memorial Parkway** - 499 Memorial Pkwy. Akron OH 44310 Trailhead on Memorial Parkway east of Merriman Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C4** - - APT 5 miles, Carol C: 330-554-8991

Feb. 21 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Hemlock Creek Picnic Area** - 14800 Button Road Walton Hills OH 44146 *Take I-77N to exit 153. Turn left (east) on E. Pleasant Valley Rd. Continues on Alexander Rd. Turn left on Canal Rd. Turn right on Tinker's Creek Rd. Continues at stop sign on Button Rd. Bedford Reservation - **C8 Trail in the woods and by and above the river. One steep hill but otherwise rolling and flatish.** - Allow 3 hours for hike. - Hills/Gravel/Pavement/Stairs/Steps/Trails 7 miles, Steve : 234-716-4910

Feb. 21 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Freedom Trail/Tallmadge** - 245 Northeast Ave. Tallmadge OH 44278 Lion's Park at end of Lions Park Dr. off of Northeast Ave. in Tallmadge. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - - APT 6 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Feb. 22 (Sun.) - 9:30 am - **Ira Rd.** - 3801 Riverview Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 On Riverview Rd. just north of Ira Rd. CVNP - **C4** - Ira Rd/Buckeye Trail/O'Neil Woods Moderate Trails/Hills 6 miles, Nan : 216-402-1352

Feb. 22 (Sun.) - **2:00 pm** - **Memorial Parkway** - 499 Memorial Pkwy. Akron OH 44310 Trailhead on Memorial Parkway east of Merriman Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C4** - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Feb. 23 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Sand Run - Wadsworth Parking Area** - 1400 Sand Run Pkwy. Akron OH 44313 Wadsworth parking area (3rd on Sand Run Parkway west of Portage Path) Summit Metro Parks - **C4, Includes Dogwood/Nuthatch/Seneca - No dogs** - - Trails/Hills 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Feb. 23 (Mon.) - 9:30 am - **Sand Run - Wadsworth Parking Area** - 1400 Sand Run Pkwy. Akron OH 44313 Wadsworth parking area (3rd on Sand Run Parkway west of Portage Path) Summit Metro Parks - **C4** - JT: Jogging Trail - APT 5 miles, Billy : 330-968-7898

Feb. 24 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Jaite Trailhead** - 15630 Vaughn Rd. Brecksville OH 44141 The gravel and dirt parking lot is on the northside of Vaughn Rd and east of the RR tracks (across the tracks coming from Riverview). CVNP - **C3** - Hike will be cut to 4 miles and not as strenuous if snow is too deep. - Creek(s)/Stream(s)/Stairs/Steps/Trails/Hills 6 miles, Steve : 234-716-4910

Feb. 24 (Tue.) - 9:30 am - **Botzum** - 2928 Riverview Rd. Akron OH 44313 Trailhead on Riverview Rd. south of Bath Rd. Ohio and Erie Towpath - **C3** - - APT 5 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Feb. 25 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Red Lock** - 1175 W. Highland Rd. Northfield OH 44067 CVNP - **C3** - Moderate Sidewalks/Pavement/Trails/Hills/Gravel 6 miles, Marie : 330-618-4657

Feb. 25 (Wed.) - 9:30 am - **Big Bend** - 1337 Merriman Rd. Akron OH 44313 Off of Merriman Rd. opposite Treaty Line Rd. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - - APT 5 miles, Shelly : 330-608-6512 John : 330-472-3800

Feb. 26 (Thu.) - 9:30 am - **Ira Rd.** - 3801 Riverview Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 On Riverview Rd. just north of Ira Rd. CVNP - **C6** - - APT 5 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Feb. 27 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Wildlife Woods** - 6160 North Locust St. Peninsula OH 44264 Buckeye Trail, Valley Bridle Trail. Akron-Peninsula Rd turns into N. Locust St. at SR 303. Just past 6160 turn left and park. CVNP - **C3** - We will hike the GD hill to the Buckeye Trail. We will turnaround at Boston Mills and make a loop with the Valley Trail. Moderate Gravel/Stairs/Steps/Trails/Hills 5 miles, Carla V: 216-544-5383

Feb. 27 (Fri.) - 9:30 am - **Brust Park** - 128 N. Main St. Munroe Falls OH 44264 Meet at Brust Park gazebo on SR 91, just north of the river. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - - APT 6 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Feb. 28 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Happy Days** - 500 W. Streetsboro Rd. Peninsula OH 44264 Parking lot on SR 303 about 1 mile west of Rt. 8 CVNP - **C3, Includes Boston Run.** - - Trails/Hills 5 miles, Kathy : 330-604-4869

Feb. 28 (Sat.) - 9:30 am - **Freedom Trail/Middlebury Trailhead** - 1324 Middlebury Rd. Kent OH 44240 across the street from Superior Aerial and Equipment Repair. Summit Metro Parks - **C6** - - APT 6 miles, Elisabeth : 330-760-3844

Key: APT = All Purpose Trail, BT = Buckeye Trail, CC= Cuyahoga Challenge, CVNP = Cuyahoga Valley National Park, FHS = Fall Hiking Spree, H&B = Hike & Bike Trail, JT= Jogging Trail, MP = Metro Park, OEC= Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath, SFA = Spree-For-All, TT= Towpath Trek.

