

**Friday,
April 23**

Vernal Pool Exploration

7:00 PM

RSVP BY April 16

Hoover Meadows Nature Preserve
3715 Sunbury Road, Galena 43021

Explore the vibrant world of a vernal pool. On this evening tour, you'll learn about the value of these dynamic, seasonal wetlands as we look for salamanders, frogs, toads, and fairy shrimp that make vernal pools their home. Led by David R. Celebrezze, the OEC's Director of Air & Water Special Projects.

**Saturday,
May 15**

Organic Farm Tour

10:30 AM

RSVP BY May 7

Turner Farm
7400 Given Road, Cincinnati 45243

Experience life on a working farm that began in the late 1800's. Enjoy a horse-drawn wagon ride, tour of the pastures and gardens, and a light lunch featuring fresh, organic foods. The tour will be led by Turner Farm staff and Joe Logan, the OEC's Director of Agricultural Programs.

**Saturday,
June 12**

Hiram College Field Station

10:30 AM

RSVP BY June 4

James H. Barrow Field Station
11305 Wheeler Road, Garrettsville 44231

Grab your binoculars as we explore Fern Valley and Tornado Hill, the cold-water habitat of Silver Creek, and an old-growth beech-maple forest. Learn about the preservation of local watersheds and wildlife conservation from Hiram College faculty.

This tour is exclusive to OEC's Legacy and Capitol Club members and includes lunch.*

**Saturday,
July 31**

Tallgrass Prairie Walkabout

10:30 AM

RSVP BY July 23

6021 Mount Gilead Road
Fredericktown, 43019

Discover stunning tallgrass flowers, scenic ponds, birds, and butterflies during a leisurely walk through a hand-planted prairie. Your guide will be Guy Denny, former Chief of the Ohio Division of Natural Areas & Preserves.

There will be a breakfast reception at 9:00 a.m. for the OEC's Legacy Club and Capitol Club members.*

**Saturday,
August 21**

Crane Hollow Hike

10:00 AM

RSVP BY August 13

16820 State Route 678
Rockbridge 43149

Bring your boots and a bag lunch for a rugged hike through one of Ohio's most beautiful nature preserves, located on private land. The hike will be led by preserve staff and a local naturalist. Afterwards we'll join our host Jane Ann Ellis to eat lunch on her home's back deck, which overlooks Crane Hollow.

Registration:

Real Ohio Tours are free for OEC members and \$25 each for non-members (cost includes a one-year OEC membership). Space is limited on all tours and reservations are required. RSVP to EventRegistration@theOEC.org or (614) 487-7506. For maps and directions, visit www.theOEC.org. Weather updates will be posted online the morning of each tour.

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