



Creasey Mahan Nature Preserve
12501 Harmony Landing Road, Goshen, KY 40026
Office: (502) 228-4362
Evenings/Weekends: Kathryn Keefe 619-2398

Rules for Using the Grounds

Welcome to Creasey Mahan Nature Preserve! We are a non-profit organization and appreciate your consideration in following these guidelines in order to keep our costs down and to help maintain the beautiful grounds. The Staff hopes you enjoy your experience. Please respect the grounds and, as our scouts say, "*leave no trace.*"

- **General questions, M-F 8:30 am – 4:30 pm-** Call the office at 228-4362
- **Evenings/Weekends** – Caretaker Kathryn Keefe 619-2398
- **Emergencies only!** - Executive Director, Tavia Cathcart, call 523-9005

PARKING & LOADING/UNLOADING

- **“Pack In”** to campground from the main Parking Lot - use wagons or the cart provided.
- **Absolutely NO vehicles are allowed on grass.** This means:
 - 1) no vehicles on Mahan Lane,
 - 2) no vehicles on gravel drive to maintenance barn,
 - 3) no vehicles loading or unloading on the grass near the fire pit or camping areas,
 - 4) no vehicles are allowed in the campfire area or on trails. All cars must be parked in one of the marked parking lots.
- No driving or parking allowed on soccer fields.
- No persons or vehicles allowed inside fenced area at maintenance building, unless you have a letter of permission on nature preserve letterhead from the nature preserve’s Director.

FIRE PIT & CAMPING

- Make an appointment with David Wheeler to review facilities and use guidelines before event. Call David at 807-0030 to coordinate this meeting.
- Please place all cooking grease or oil into a container and place in large BLUE dumpster at corner of parking lot. **Do not dump on the ground!**
- All Campers/Groups must be accompanied by at least 1 adult – 21 years of age.
- Alcoholic beverages are not allowed on the nature preserve unless within a CMNP approved event.
- **Immediately before starting a campfire you must notify Oldham County Dispatch at 222-0111. When the fire is extinguished, report back to O.C.D. You are responsible for knowing how to safely start and extinguish a fire.**
- Please bring your own wood if you are camping more than 2 nights. NO ASH TREE WOOD is allowed due to the threat of the Emerald Ash Borer.

- Bring a bucket to fill with water for extinguishing the fire. This is not provided by the Nature Preserve. The water bib is located on the side of the wood shed in the fire pit area. *Helpful Hint:* A small wagon is very useful in transporting firewood and your supplies.
- When you are done, please double-check to make sure that no food or trash has been left behind. All trash must be emptied in the large BLUE dumpster located off the parking lot below the Nature Center. If trash is left in the cans, wildlife will make a big mess!
- Please place all recyclable items in the BLUE smaller bins with YELLOW lids by large dumpster in main parking lot.

BATHROOMS & FIELD HOUSE

- There are two public restrooms, opened from dawn to dusk (the restrooms are left open if you are camping), located at the Maintenance Building (look for the green doors).
- If you are camping, using the fire pit, or Field House, please do your best to ensure that the public restrooms are kept tidy and free of trash. Toilet paper is provided. If you run out, please call or text Caretaker Kathryn Keefe 619-2398.
- Empty all trash into the large BLUE dumpster located at the corner of the main Nature Center parking lot.
- If using the Field House, please follow the Cleaning and Use Instructions that are posted on the refrigerator to receive your full refund of the Cleaning Deposit.

GENERAL RULES FOR GROUNDS to be sure everyone enjoys the beauty and environment of the nature preserve, please...

- **Please supervise all children in the adjacent Woodland Garden, pond and creek that are surrounded by the split rail fence. Surveillance camera recordings may be used to assign fines for damage. Your \$50 Environmental Deposit may be kept to cover damages, etc. if necessary.**
- No loud music - this is a wildlife refuge and it disturbs the animals (and some visitors).
- No skateboarding, ATV's or dirt bikes.
- No bikes on trails. Biking is allowed on paved areas only.
- No paintball guns, air soft guns, or guns of any kind allowed at any time.

**Thank you for your help in keeping 'our' nature preserve
clean and beautiful for the next 'friend' to enjoy.
"LEAVE NO TRACE"**