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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP BATTLE INVASIVE GARLIC MUSTARD

A plant spreading through the Metro Parks threatens native wildflowers.

Join other volunteers to pull the invasive garlic mustard, an aggressive biennial herb that shades out native wildflowers by monopolizing light, moisture, nutrients, soil and growing space, during the following service days:

Saturday, April 26, 10 a.m. – noon
Goodyear Heights Metro Park / Pioneer Area
550 Frazier Ave., Akron

Saturday, May 17, 10 a.m. – noon
Cascade Valley Metro Park / Oxbow Area
1061 Cuyahoga St., Akron

Advance registration is required by phone or e-mail: 330-865-8057 x226 or mperdicas@summitmetroparks.org. Participants should dress for off-trail work and bring a hat, work gloves, a snack and drinking water for these easy to moderate service days. Adults must accompany participants 16 and younger.

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Metro Parks, Serving Summit County manages 11,500 acres, including 14 parks, several conservation areas and more than 125 miles of trails, with 22.4 miles of the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail. Annual attendance averages 5.2 million visits.

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