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WITNESS ANNUAL AMPHIBIAN JOURNEY IN SAND RUN METRO PARK

Each spring, salamanders and other amphibians in Sand Run Metro Park travel about a half-mile to lay eggs in seasonal vernal pools.

Starting in March and continuing through early April, visitors can join a naturalist to witness the creatures' unique journey to their breeding grounds. Salamanders will only move when conditions are just right: They prefer a combination of darkness, light rain and temperatures above 50 degrees. Only a few programs may be offered during the five-week span.

To enhance the visitor experience and to keep the wildlife safe, registration is required and space is limited during each program. On the day that a program is announced, simply register by phone for this free program by calling 330-865-8065.

Call the seasonal information line at 330-865-8060 after 1 p.m. to learn if an evening program is taking place. Parking will be available in Sand Run Metro Park's Old Portage Area (1300 Sand Run Pkwy., Akron).

For more information, visit summitmetroparks.org or call 330-865-8065.

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