

## ODNR ABBOTT'S BRIDGE RIVER ACCESS AT STEYER:

Final construction work continues on access improvements with plans to have trees planted and area seeded for opening around Memorial Day in May.

## USGS FISH SURVEY:

The United States Geological Survey (USGS) will be conducting a fish survey at two park locations this year, Steyer Nature Preserve and St. John's Mill River Access, in addition to various other locations along the Sandusky State Scenic River.

This regular sampling helps to monitor and provide regulating and management agencies information on topics such as fish migrations, health, and population data.

## OPPORTUNITY PARK – OHIO CAPITAL BUDGET PROJECT:

Installation of the new play equipment and safety surface at Opportunity Park is still planned to begin in mid-May.

## 4-BAY GARAGE AT FRUTH:

We have discussed projected cost estimates with the architects and felt that due to the high costs associated with their plans, current inflation, and continued Covid-caused supply chain issues, that continuing in that direction was not fiscally responsible.

Therefore, the garage project has been thoroughly re-evaluated and redesigned to be a simple framed structure with stone floor, as presented in the Board packet.

## US ACE & TNC:

A meeting with these agencies is still planned for May to discuss GHNP restorations.

## PUBLIC PROGRAMS, PARTICIPATION, & PARTNERSHIP SUMMARY

**Summer Camps:** Register Now – information and registrations are available on-line now!

**22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Photo Contest:** Deadline entry is Wednesday, June 29. Keep taking those pictures!

**Fall Preschool Registration Open:** Contact Linda Rose, at [Lrose@senecacountyparks.com](mailto:Lrose@senecacountyparks.com) for more information

### GENERAL PROGRAM REGISTRATIONS:

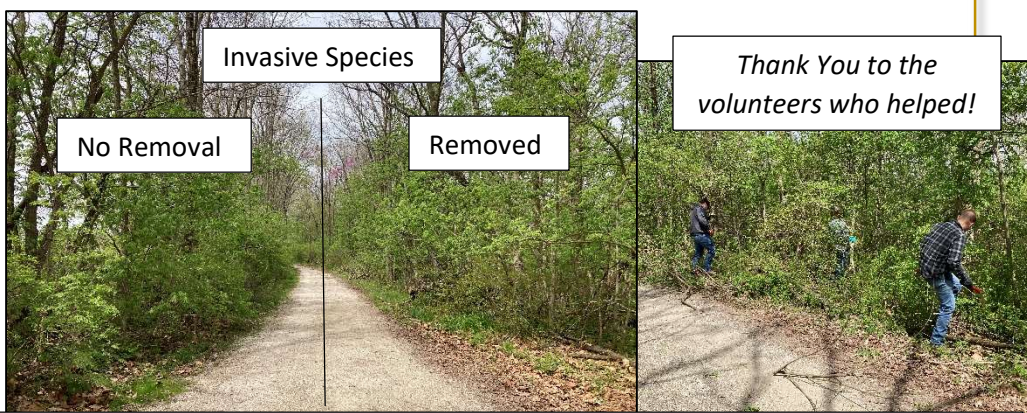
	April (2021)	Total
Programs	40 (23)	130 (92)
Participants	406 (366)	1222 (1221)

*Some March programs cancelled and/or rescheduled for April due to weather.*

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Please contact Linda Rose, Naturalist, at [Lrose@senecacountyparks.com](mailto:Lrose@senecacountyparks.com) for more information, unless otherwise noted.

- Monitor Bluebird and/or Purple Martin boxes
- Wildflower monitoring
- Adopt a trail or park
- Archery support person--would have to attend a day (or half a day) training (Contact: Angie Ford at [aford@senecacountyparks.com](mailto:aford@senecacountyparks.com))
- Tree planting--watch website for days and times



*Invasive bush honeysuckle has been removed about 15' in along the eastern side of the trail at CNP from the prairie, north, to within eye-sight of the parking lot! This is a multi-year project, so if you were unable to help this year, please watch for removal dates next year. We are already seeing more spring wildflowers blooming and many small trees that were waiting for the opportunity to grow.*