

PARKS

MALVERN VILLAGE PARK

Located inside the village along state Route 183, Malvern Village Park is equipped for fun and relaxation. Features include a 1/3-mile rubberized walking track, volleyball courts, horseshoe pits, badminton courts, basketball courts, tennis courts, exercise stations, softball & Baseball fields and Frisbee golf course as well as a variety of playground equipment. Four pavilions may be rented for parties and family gatherings. For information on rental rates and available dates, call Glen Benedict at 330-863-1004.

MINERVA VILLAGE PARKS

Five public parks are located in the village of Minerva, providing recreational opportunities and gathering places for residents and visitors.

BICENTENNIAL PARK

Located on Murray Avenue, Bicentennial Park offers playground equipment, sand volleyball, basketball & tennis courts, a rubberized walking track, and baseball fields. Three pavilions are available for rent. For pavilion rental information, contact Patti Willoughby at 330-868-7705, ext. 100.

MAYOR'S PARK

This small pocket-park, located at the corner of Main & W. Line streets, features a gazebo for reading and relaxation.

MUNICIPAL PARK

Often referred to as Brock Park, the historic Municipal Park is located on Brock Avenue, about a block from U.S. Route 30. Courts for tennis, basketball & volleyball are available in Municipal Park, as well as playground equipment, skate park and baseball field. Five pavilions are available for rent. Fireman's Pool, the village's public pool, is located adjacent to the park. For information on pavilion rental, contact Patti Willoughby at 330-868-7705, ext. 100. For information about the Fireman's Pool, contact the Minerva YMCA at 330-868-5988.

ROTARY PARK

Located on Grant Street, Rotary Park is ideal for small gatherings and Little League games.

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

This small park, located on East Line Street, offers a serene setting for relaxation.

PARK DISTRICTS

Because three counties converge in the Malvern- Minerva

area, residents have access to a wide range of recreational facilities.

Information about parks in each of the counties can be obtained by contacting the following park districts:

The Carroll County Park District office is located at Bluebird Farm Park, 190 Alamo Road SE, Carrollton. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. For information about park locations and facilities, visit the website at info@ccpark-district.org or call 330-627-8046.

The Columbiana County Park District includes Scenic Vista Park, the 12-mile Greenway Bike Trail and the 750-acre Hell-bender Bluff Park. Additional information is available at www.bicycletrail.com or by calling 330-424-9078.

Stark Parks, the Stark County Park District, oversees parks and trails through Stark County. The park district office is located at 5300 Tyner Street, NW, Canton. Information about locations and available facilities is available on the district's website, www.starkparks.com, or by calling 330-477-3552.

THE JOHN T. HUSTON/ DR. JOHN D. BRUMBAUGH NATURE CENTER

Operated by the University of Mount Union, the Huston Brumbaugh Nature Center is a 141-acre nature preserve located on State Route 183, 6 miles south of Alliance.

The center offers a pond, enclosed bird-viewing area, walking trails and a 4-mile wheelchair-accessible boardwalk. Trails, the Visitors Center and the Bird Observatory are free and open from dawn to dusk each day. The center also hosts workshops (which may include small fees for materials), demonstrations and guided tours. For additional information, contact the center at 330-823-1487. ■



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