

Highlights of 1996

The 1996 Annual Meeting Program was held on Friday, February 23, at The Gatehouse at Hale Farm & Village in Bath Township. Following dinner, Vem J. Hartenburg, Executive Director-Secretary, Cleveland Metroparks, and Thomas J. Shuster, Director-Secretary, Metro Parks, Serving Summit County, reported on the future plans of their respective park systems.

On April 17 at Richfield Township Fellowship Hall, the Deer Management Task Force chairman, Daniel O. Emmett, and the Executive Director jointly presented a progress report of the task force's activities; and the Executive Director presented a progress report on the activities of the task force which is preparing a management plan for state designation of a Scenic Byway along the Ohio & Erie Canal.

On May 18, the Council sponsored a special program entitled, "Forest, Meadow, and Pond Communities", at the Cuyahoga Valley Environmental Education Center for members and their guests. The Center's staff conducted field and laboratory activities to demonstrate the Center's program.

On September 18 at the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center in the City of Brecksville, Superintendent Russell D. Haas gave a multi-media presentation of the Center's program and conducted a tour of the facility; and Deer Management Task Force chairman, Daniel O. Emmett gave a brief progress report.

On October 16 at the Boston Store in Boston Township, Superintendent John P. Debo, Jr., gave a comprehensive report on CVNRA development and programs, and Management Assistant Barbara Pollarine explained the renovation of the historic Boston Store and the exhibits on canal-building.

On November 20 at the Brushwood Shelter in Furnace Run Metro Park Deer Management Task Force chairman, Daniel O. Emmett, and the Executive Director jointly presented the final report of the task force.