

# WEST WOOD NATURE WALK

**Location:** West Wood Nature Center

**Sponsoring Club:** Valley Vagabonds

**Date:** October 10, 2020

**Distance:** 5k/10k

**Sanction Number:**113961-2020

**County:** Geauga

This walk qualifies for no special events

**Start Point:** Turkey Ridge Shelter, West Wood Nature Center, 9465 Kinsman Road (RT.87), Novelty, OH 44072. Phone 440-286-9516

**Times:** Register from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. finish by 3 p.m.

**Water available at start:** Yes    **at Checkpoint:** No    **Manned Checkpoint:** No

**Restroom at start:** Yes                      **at Checkpoint:** No

**Written trail directions and map will be provided**

**Trail Description:** The trail goes to “Ansel Cave”; an area rich with legends of Civil War soldiers, runaway slaves and bootleggers. West Wood provides a haven for several species as potentially threatened including the mourning warbler, tall manna grass and the butternut tree. Trail rate 2D due to hilly areas and some steps. Pets are allowed. Not accessible to wheelchairs, wagons or strollers. Restrooms and water will be available at the start. “B” awards will be available for \$4 which includes IVV. IVV Credit is \$3.00. There are no “A” awards for the event. The walk is free and all are welcome. All participants must complete, sign and carry a START CARD as required by AVA. All cards must be turned in at the **FINISH**. This event counts toward the acquisition of IVV credit. There is no preregistration.

**Miscellaneous:** Parking is free.

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**Directions: From Northeastern Suburbs:** I-90 to I-271, south to Route 322(Mayfield Rd.) east. Turn right on route 306(south) and left on route 87/Kinsman Td. Park is less than 2 miles ahead on the right. From Northwestern and Southwestern suburbs: I-480 east to I-271 north to exit 29(Routes 87/422). Turn right onto Chagrin Blvd/87 east. Stay on Route 87 east. The names changes from Chagrin to Pinetree to South Woodland and finally to Kinsman when it crosses the Geauga county line. Park is less than two miles past Route 306 on the right.

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