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Celebrate at the ROCKY RIVER WATERSHED FESTIVAL on September 24th, 2005!

Everyone lives in a watershed. Come learn more about the Rocky River watershed at one of three venues in the watershed: **Rocky River Nature Center in North Olmsted; Hinckley Reservation in Hinckley, or the Scenic Park at the Emerald Necklace Marina in Lakewood.** The Rocky River Watershed Council, in conjunction with the Cuyahoga County Board of Health, NOACA, the Cuyahoga and Medina Soil and Water Conservation Districts, the Ohio State University Extension and Cleveland Metroparks, are sponsoring this family focused event to raise awareness of how human activities can impact their river and its surrounding habitat.

CLEVELAND METROPARKS ROCKY RIVER NATURE CENTER Educational Entertainment

**24000 Valley Pkwy.; North Olmsted
(11 A.M. – 5 P.M.)**

Highlights will include live music by Alex Bevan. Alex has a deep well of storytelling that is presented in the acoustic tradition weaving intricate melodies with words that fill the inner reaches of the heart and mind. Musician Brian Henke will also be performing through out the day as well as storytelling by the Cleveland Metroparks.

There will be a number of educational and fun activities for families including music, food, information on fish and wildlife, demonstrations on biological sampling and fish seining. There will be face painting and tee shirt decoration for children (free tee shirts will be provided). Children are also welcome to locate their homes on a watershed map and play the Watershed Game to discover how pollutants get into the river.

Hinckley Reservation Fishing Derby & Casting Contest Hinckley, Ohio (8 A.M. – 2 P.M.)

Hinckley Lake is the place to be if you like to fish and be on the water. Activities begin at 8:00 AM with a fishing contest for children aged 14 and under. A Casting Contest for the same age group will follow the Fishing Contest. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources and the Cuyahoga

County Board of Health are sponsoring both contests. PRIZES will be awarded to the winners. In the afternoon, fish seining and electro shocking demonstrations will be provided as well as information on water quality pollution.

Scenic Park at the Emerald Necklace Marina

Valley Parkway, Lakewood

Fishing Contest: 8:00 am until Noon

Entertainment, crafts, food: 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

The Emerald Necklace Marina sits near the mouth of the Rocky River where it enters Lake Erie. This area will be having live entertainment, food, family oriented activities, and fishing. The Central Basin Steelheaders will be hosting a fishing event for children 14 and under. There will be prizes for the winners. There will be a number of educational and fun activities for families including music, food, crafts, information on fish and wildlife, and boating safety. There will be face painting and tee shirt decoration for children (free tee shirts will be provided). Children are also welcome to locate their homes on a watershed map. Bring chairs or blankets for live entertainment featuring Green Elvis and Late-As-Usual.

For more information on this event, to volunteer or want to participate, please contact Harry Stark at 216-201-2001 ext 1205.

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