

ABOUT CHAPIN FOREST

Chapin Forest is known for its majestic old trees, distinctive rock formations, scenic overlook, all-season trails and local history.

Chapin Forest Reservation protects a mature woodland of beech, maple, tulip, hemlock and oak trees. At one time, mature forests were found across much of Ohio.

The “ledges” were formed long before the glaciers moved across Ohio. These Sharon Conglomerate rock outcroppings support a community of fragile plants. The white stones, or “lucky stones,” are quartz pebbles embedded in the sandstone.

The park is named for Frederic H. Chapin who purchased the property to protect it from logging in 1949. The forest was donated to the State of Ohio and Lake Metroparks manages it under a long-term lease agreement with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources.

Amenities: 390 acres. Six miles of trails. Four picnic areas including shelters with grills and restrooms. Two playgrounds. Pond fishing. Ballfield. Cross-country skiing and snowshoeing.



CHAPIN FOREST RESERVATION PINE LODGE SKI CENTER

440-256-3810
For ski conditions, call 440-256-2118 x4178
follow us   @lakemetroparks
or visit lakemetroparks.com

Schedule of Operation

Monday through Friday, noon to 8 pm
Saturday & Sunday, 10 am to 8 pm

The ski center is open and staffed only when weather, snow accumulation and conditions warrant. Before visiting the ski center, call for daily ski conditions, snow accumulation report and to confirm the center is open for the day.

Rental Equipment

Rental equipment is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Equipment cannot be reserved. A driver’s license is required as a deposit with all rentals.

Ski rental equipment includes boots, skis and poles.
Boot sizes available in child size 10 through adult size 14.

RENTAL FEES	FIRST HOUR	EACH ADDTL HOUR	ALL DAY
Cross-country skis			
Adult (13 years & older)	\$10	\$5	\$30
Youth (12 years & younger)	\$5	\$3	\$15
Skate skis also available			

	PER HOUR	ALL DAY
Snowshoes		
Adult (13 years & older)	\$5	\$20
Youth (12 years & younger)	\$3	\$12

Note: Cross-country ski rental is only available at Pine Lodge Ski Center. Snowshoe rental is available at Pine Lodge Ski Center and Penitentiary Glen Nature Center.

PENITENTIARY GLEN RESERVATION NATURE CENTER

8668 Kirtland-Chardon Rd., Kirtland
For snowshoe conditions, call 440-256-1404 x0

Schedule of Operation

November through March—9 am to 4 pm daily

- 8.5 miles of ungroomed trails
- Rentals available hourly and daily (weather dependent)
- Hot chocolate, coffee and tea available for purchase in Snowshoe Lodge, as well as snacks in the Nature Store.

RENTAL FEES	PER HOUR	
Snowshoes		
Adult (13 years & older)	\$5	maximum \$20/day
Youth (12 years & younger)	\$3	maximum \$12/day

LAKE METROPARKS GROOMED SKI TRAILS

Lake Metroparks park hours are 6 am to 11 pm unless otherwise posted.

Chapin Forest Reservation Pine Lodge Ski Center 10381 Hobart Rd., Kirtland, 44094

West entrance: Take I-90 to Rt. 306 south for 3.5 miles to Chardon Road (Rt. 6) and turn right (west). Travel one mile to Hobart Road. Turn right (north) and travel 0.5 mile to the park entrance, located on the right (east) side of the road.

Rt. 306 entrance: Take I-90 to Rt. 306 and go south for three miles to Chapin Forest Reservation, located on the right (west) side of the road. Rt. 306 entrance does not access ski lodge.

Girdled Road Reservation (South) 12926 Radcliffe Rd., Concord Twp., 44077

South entrance: Take I-90 to Rt. 44 south to Girdled Road. At Girdled Road, turn left (east) and travel 2.5 miles to Rt. 608. Turn right (south) and drive two miles to Radcliffe Road. Turn left (east) and travel 0.3 mile to Girdled Road Reservation located on the left (north).

Printable and interactive trail maps available at lakemetroparks.com

Equipment rentals may be taken off Chapin Forest Reservation property. Other local cross-country ski opportunities:

GEAUGA PARK DISTRICT

Visit geaugaparkdistrict.org for map
For ski conditions visit [facebook.com/GeaugaParkDistrict](https://www.facebook.com/GeaugaParkDistrict)
or bit.ly/gpdwhatsnew

ORCHARD HILLS PARK
11340 Caves Rd., Chester Twp.

THE MAPLE HIGHLANDS TRAIL
Between Mountain Run Station and Claridon Troy Rd.

*We strive to maintain the highest standards possible.
If you see or experience a service or safety issue
that requires correction, please call 440-358-7275.*

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Cross-country Skiing & Snowshoeing Trail Map

Ski conditions: 440-256-2118 x4178
Ski program information: 440-358-7275



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In case of emergency, call 9-1-1.

For park assistance, call 440-256-3810.

An AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) is available
at Pine Lodge Ski Center.

For up-to-date ski conditions, call the

Lake Metroparks Sports Hotline at 440-256-2118 x4178.

Activity Fields

Activity fields are adjacent to the parking lot. These baseball and football fields are perfect for practicing cross-country skiing.

Beech Woods Loop Trail

Easiest to most difficult

Beginning behind the park information board, this trail takes you uphill for a view of the famous Chapin Ledges. A long, winding downhill run speeds you back to the parking lot.

Chapin Park Dr.

More difficult

0.7 mile

If you are interested in simple gliding or connecting up with other trails in the park, this trail is for you. Road is closed to vehicles in winter.

Arbor Lane Loop Trail

Easiest to more difficult

This relatively easy trail begins next to Twin Ponds Shelter or near the park information board. The trail starts out flat, but a few small hills make it challenging.

Lucky Stone Loop Trail

More difficult to most difficult

Beyond the ledges is a scenic overlook offering one of Lake County's most spectacular views. Skiers who take this trail should be in good shape, able to ski up hills, turn and be able to control their speed going downhill.

Quarry Loop Trail

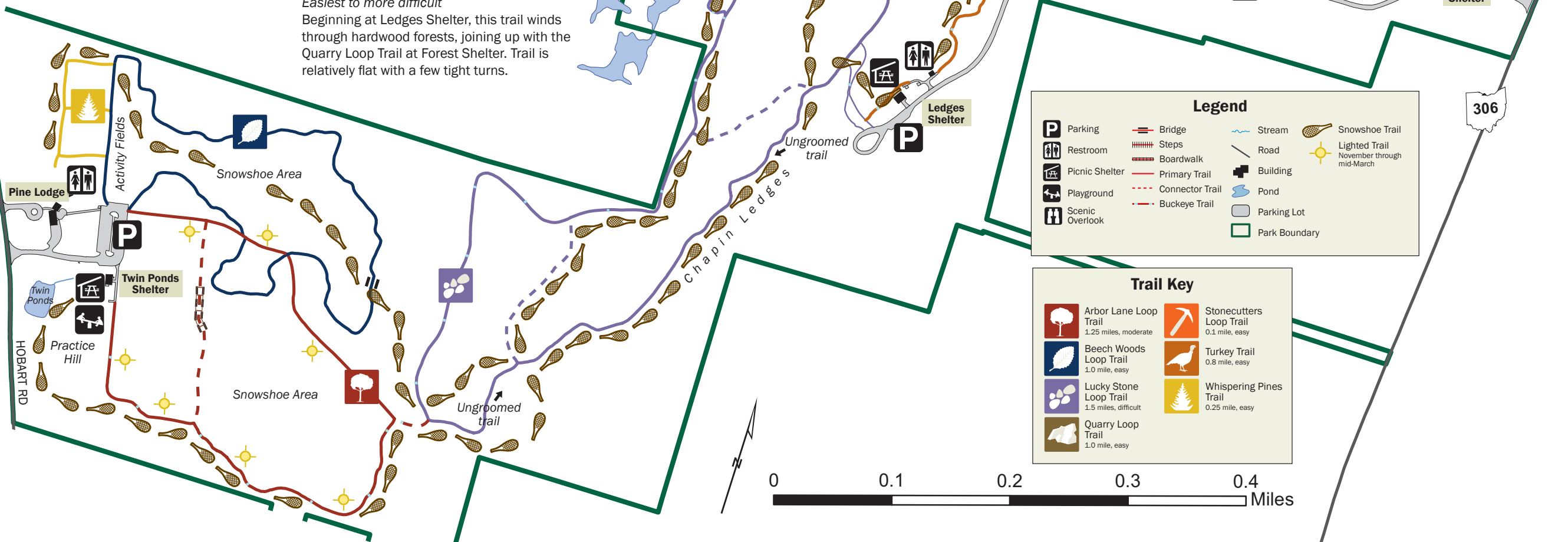
Easiest

This trail begins at Quarry Shelter and ends at Forest Shelter. Ski Chapin Park Dr. to the Quarry Pond parking lot.

Turkey Trail

Easiest to more difficult

Beginning at Ledges Shelter, this trail winds through hardwood forests, joining up with the Quarry Loop Trail at Forest Shelter. Trail is relatively flat with a few tight turns.



Legend			
Parking	Bridge	Stream	Snowshoe Trail
Restroom	Steps	Road	Lighted Trail November through mid-March
Picnic Shelter	Boardwalk	Building	
Playground	Primary Trail	Pond	
Scenic Overlook	Connector Trail	Parking Lot	
	Buckeye Trail	Park Boundary	

Trail Key			
Arbor Lane Loop Trail 1.25 miles, moderate	Stonecutters Loop Trail 0.1 mile, easy	Turkey Trail 0.8 mile, easy	Whispering Pines Trail 0.25 mile, easy
Beech Woods Loop Trail 1.0 mile, easy			
Lucky Stone Loop Trail 1.5 miles, difficult			
Quarry Loop Trail 1.0 mile, easy			

