

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle



Let's review the three basic ways for prioritizing ways to reduce the amount of waste going into our environment.

Reduce—

Ask yourself, "Do I really need to buy this item?" Source reduction means eliminating the source of our waste by limiting the amount of stuff we consume and throw away.

Invest in durable goods that last a long time.

Shopping at thrift stores is a good way to reduce waste and save dollars.

Buy items with minimal packaging or buy in bulk.

Reuse—

Repair items that still have use.

"Upcycle" items by finding creative ways to reuse items (like using scrap paper for writing notes).

Use cloth bags when grocery shopping.

Donate items to a local thrift store.

Refill water bottles and other containers.

Recycle—

Recycle materials to keep them out of landfills.

Compost food scraps to later fertilize gardens.

Recycle plastic, paper and metals at a recycling station.

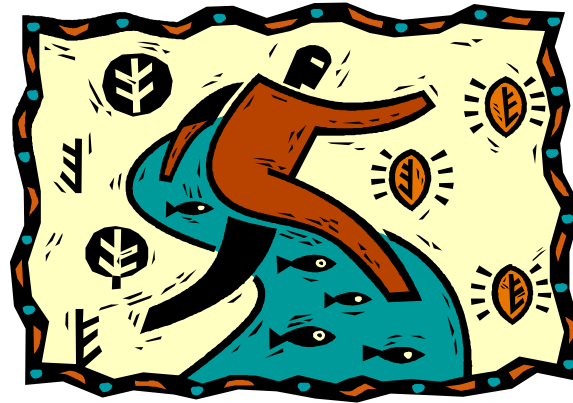
Adapted from: "Sustainable Kenyon's Green Guide," Brown Family Environmental Center & Sustainable Kenyon.

Your Parks

Every year, thousands of people escape the stress of their everyday world to enjoy Knox County Park sites. The Park District works in partnership with state, county and township government, local communities and private interest groups to develop a system of parks, recreation areas and open space which satisfies the needs of the residents—while preserving the county's cultural and natural heritage. These sites are managed, in part, due to the passage of the Knox parks levy in November of 2008—**Thanks!**

The Wally Road Scenic Byway Association serves as a partner in the "Keep The Mohican Country Scene Clean!" initiative. For more information regarding the scenic byway association, visit:

<http://www.wallyroad.com>



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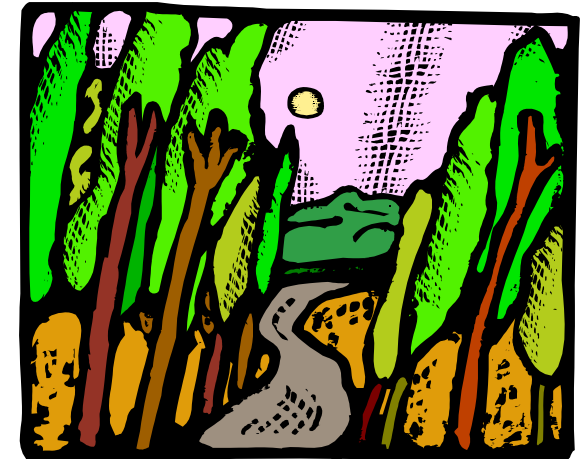
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Get Green!

Leave No Trace..



Keep The Mohican Country

Scene Clean!

Leave No Trace

Outdoor Ethics for River Corridors

Learn about river-specific issues and regulations.

When on day hikes in the river corridor, walk single file in the middle of the trail, even when muddy.

In pristine areas, disperse use to prevent creation of new campsites and trails.

Leave campsites clean and natural looking.

Don't chop down trees or saplings for fire wood. Use dead and downed wood no larger than an adult's wrist to keep fires small. Consider bringing your own fire-wood or charcoal.

Dispose of waste properly by following the phrase, "pack it in, pack it out."

Pack out all small food particles and small pieces of trash.

Use trash receptacles and recycle what you can at participating campgrounds and parks.

Leave what you find - appreciate rocks, plants, flowers and other natural objects, but leave them undisturbed.

Do not build structures or dig trenches in campsites.

Avoid introducing non-native species, including live bait, by cleaning equipment between trips.

Observe wildlife from a distance. Do not follow or approach them.

Never feed wildlife, it harms their health, alters natural behaviors and exposes them to predators and other dangers.

Protect wildlife by storing food and trash securely.

Avoid wildlife during sensitive times: mating, nesting or when food is scarce.

Leave No Trace principles continued—

Be considerate of other visitors.

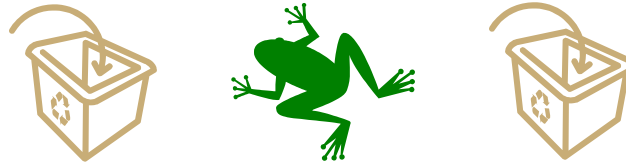
Respect other visitors and protect the quality of their experience.

Let nature's sounds prevail.

Don't litter! Recycle at a participating campground or use one of the neighboring hamlets' recycling station.

Following these principles will help protect and conserve our river. Practice and promote leave no trace outdoor skills and ethics!

These ideas provided by Leave No Trace at: www.LNT.org. Visit: www.river-management.org



How To Help

Don't Litter

Keep Trash Containers Secured

Pick up Litter

Recycle

Alleycat Recycling Containers

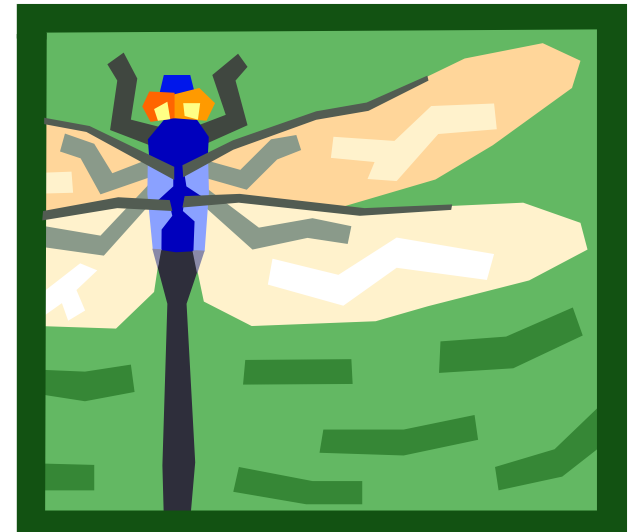
AlleyCat recycling trailers have been permanently placed at the following locations:

Printz's Hot Spot
18 South Market Street, Martinsburg

Dale's Cardinal Market
114800 Millersburg Road, Danville

Ramser Arboretum
State Route 3 at State Route 205, Jelloway

Litter is Everyone's Problem. Help Us Keep Our Mohican Country Scene Clean and Green!



"Let every individual and institution now think and act as a responsible trustee of Earth, seeking choices in ecology, economics and ethics that will provide a sustainable future, eliminate pollution, poverty and violence, awaken the wonder of life and foster peaceful progress in the human adventure."

— **John McConnell**

founder of International Earth Day