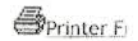




Penitentiary Glen Reservation



Penitentiary Glen Reservation features 424 acres of forest, fields, wetlands, and over 7.5 miles of hiking trails. The park is named for the deep gorge through which it flows, which is easy to get into and difficult to get out of. Naturalists lead programs year-round including nature-inspired **events**, **programs**, and **activities**. Picnic at the sheltered pavilion and listen to the sounds of nature.

Penitentiary Glen Reservation has been designated by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife as a "Watchable Wildlife" site.

Park Information

8668 Kirtland-Chardon Rd.
Kirtland, Ohio 44094
(440) 256-1404

- **Park Hours:** Sunrise to ½-hour past sunset.
- **Park Amenities:** Accessible facilities, picnic area with grills, All I Trail, drinking water, restrooms, hiking trails, cross-country skiin Center, Wildlife Center, The Nature Store gift shop, and a bridle
- **Directions:** Take I-90 to Rt. 306 south for about one mile. Turn left onto Rt. 615. Turn right (east) onto Kirtland-Chardon Road and continue for about 1.5 miles. Penitentiary Glen Reservation is located on the right (south) side of the road.

Nature Center

The Nature Center houses hands-on exhibits, art shows, an award-winning "Window on Wildlife," and a gift shop. The Nature Store.

Hours:

- **Nature Center:** 9 am - 5 pm; Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas
- **Wildlife Center:** 9 am - 5 pm; Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas
- **The Nature Store:** 9 am - 5 pm daily

Admission: Free

Park History

In 1912, the Halle family, owners of the Halle Bros. Co. in Cleveland, bought the property for their summer estate and working farm. The farm was managed by the Burnett family, who lived here year-round. The only remaining structure is the horse barn, which now houses the Nature Center. Wise use of the land has preserved this special area for today and the future.

The Halles' lifestyle was typical of many wealthy Cleveland families who spent their summers in the country. Sam and Blanche Halle had a respect for nature and wanted their children to have the same. They hired Maude Doolittle, a school teacher from Massachusetts who loved nature, as a governess for the children during the summer months.

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Hallefarm

A professionally designed and installed educational interactive exhibit highlighting the "hey-days" of Hallefarm and demonstrates land use changes over time. This new exhibit explores the Halle family summer estate from historic local agricultural trends, to the present day 400 acre natural area preserved by Lake Metroparks.



The rich heritage of the Halle family while present on the property will be featured along with that of the Burnett family, caretakers of the estate.

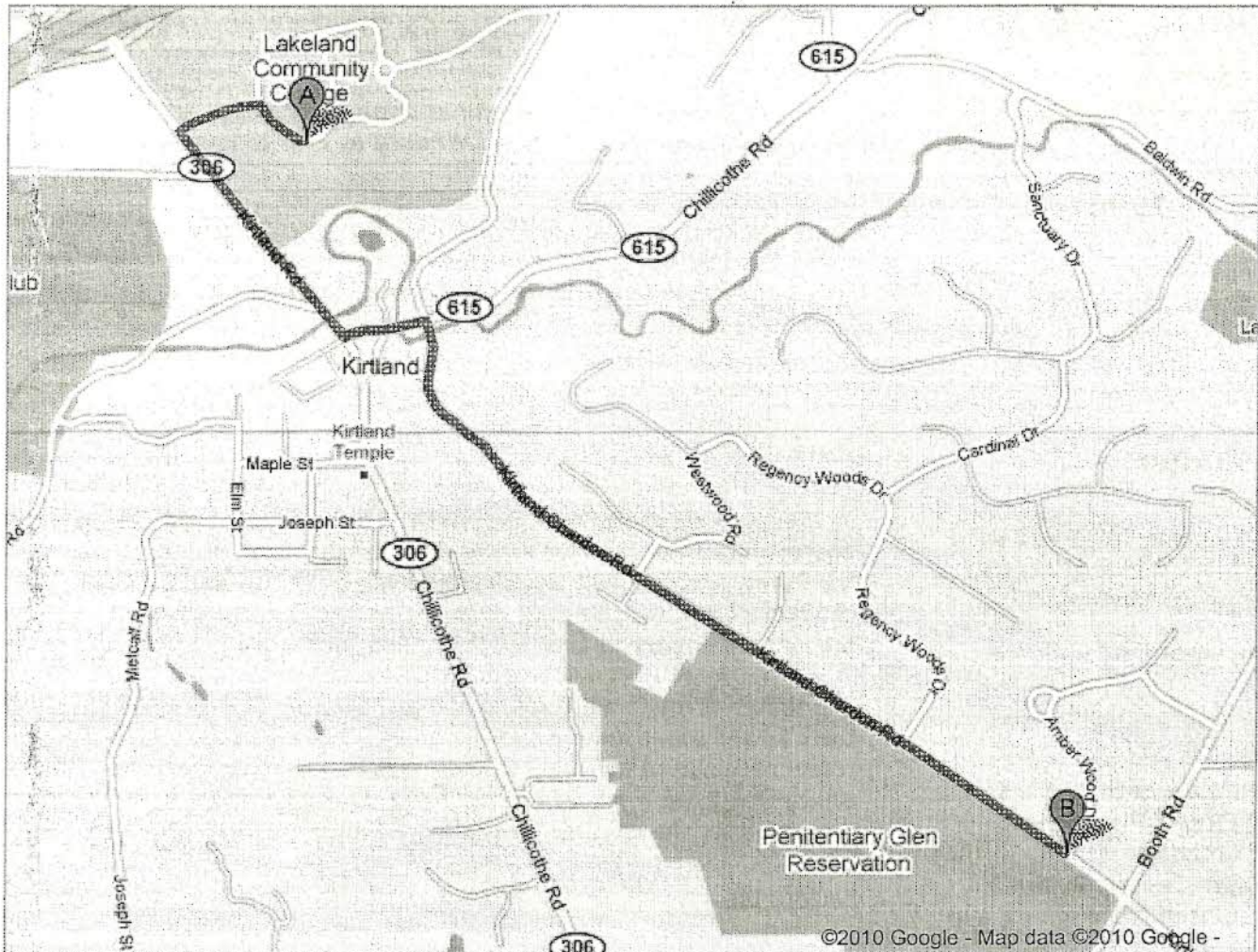
The Hallefarm exhibit includes:

Google maps

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Driving directions to Penitentiary Glen Reservation

(440) 256-1404

3.3 miles, 7 minutes away

A Lakeland Community College
 7700 Clocktower Drive
 Kirtland, OH 44094
 (440) 525-7000

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| 1. Head west on Clocktower Dr | 0.1 mi |
| 2. Take the 1st left to stay on Clocktower Dr | 0.2 mi |
| 3. Turn left at Kirtland Rd/OH-306 S | 0.6 mi |
| 4. Take the 1st left onto Chillicothe Rd | 0.2 mi |
| 5. Take the 2nd right onto Garfield Rd | 0.1 mi |
| 6. Continue onto Kirtland Chardon Rd Destination will be on the right | 1.9 mi |

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