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With the Rise in Gas Prices, Discover Our Hidden Ocean This Summer at Cincinnati Nature Center

Get ready for a fun-filled summer at the Cincinnati Nature Center. This summer's theme is "Discover Our Hidden Ocean," and many exciting events are being offered including:

- ◆ Saturday Stream Exploration from 11 AM – 2 PM every Saturday in June, July and August
- ◆ Nature Calls along Geology Trail
- ◆ Live Fish and Turtle Feeding on Saturdays at 12 PM
- ◆ Ocean Trivia Sheets and "Our Hidden Ocean" Scavenger Hunt
- ◆ Creek romps from 1 PM – 3 PM and 4 PM – 6 PM (August 29 and September 5)
- ◆ Fossil ID with Cincinnati Dry Dredgers on Saturdays from 10 AM – 12 PM (June 13, July 11, August 15)
- ◆ Touch Table activities and the "Discover Our Hidden Ocean" exhibit

Connie O'Connor, CNC's Education and Visitor Services Director, explained, "450 million years ago, our area was part of a land mass close to the equator. This was the Upper Ordovician Period, and we were a sea teeming with life. Today, evidence of this period can be found in our forest and streams by discovering our fossilized inhabitants including Brachiopods, Corals and Ohio's state fossil, the Trilobite."

"These on-going activities are a terrific opportunity for everyone to learn about our region's natural history while discovering our ancient past" said Bill Hopple, Executive Director at Cincinnati Nature Center. "Our region serves as a premier location for amateur and professional fossil enthusiasts worldwide. And with families cutting back on vacations plans, we hope to provide them with an alternative beach visit" he added.

All events are free for everyone on Mondays. On all other days the Cincinnati Nature Center is free to members and visitors pay a small entrance fee (\$3 for adults or \$1 for children from Tuesday – Friday, \$5 for adults or \$1 for children Saturday – Sunday).

For more information, visit www.CincyNature.org or call 513/831-1711. Cincinnati Nature Center's Rowe Woods is located at 4949 Tealtown Road, Milford, OH 45150.

Cincinnati Nature Center is a non-profit, environmental education organization. Their mission is to inspire passion for nature and promote environmentally responsible choices through experience, education and stewardship to ensure a sustainable future.

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