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**Come Explore the Night During Cincinnati Nature Center's  
Preparing for Night Event**

Follow us into the dark and discover a rarely-encountered world of wonders. Cincinnati Nature Center's annual nighttime celebration "Preparing for Night" welcomes the community to explore nature's magnificence - at night! The festivities take place on Friday, September 9, 2011 from 6-10 p.m. at Cincinnati Nature Center's Rowe Woods, 4949 Tealtown Road in Milford, OH. Admission is just \$13 for adults and \$8 per child for non members; only \$5 for adults and \$1 per child for members - cash only.

Visitors are encouraged to bring a picnic dinner and experience an evening full of nighttime wonder and excitement. From 6-9 pm, picnickers will enjoy the toe-tapping sounds of The Retread Bluegrass Band, an energetic group of talented pickers and singers, as well as free ice cream, generously provided by United Dairy Farmers. The fun will include games on the lawn and a scent trail. Take a night hike and meet our CNC naturalists along the trail and discover the creatures of the night, including frogs, coyotes, and bats. See live owls up close with RAPTOR, Inc. and view the brilliant nighttime skies through telescopes.

In addition, families will enjoy a nighttime walk around the Edge Trail while completing a series of challenges along the way. They will learn how humans and native animals can adapt to the dark by using their senses to survive. If they complete the challenges, the children will win a prize!

"This annual event started as a member appreciation evening and has really blossomed into a community affair" said Bill Hopple, Executive Director at Cincinnati Nature Center. "It is a great opportunity to explore the outdoors at night with your family and friends and take in the evening's festivities" he added.

For more information about this and other Cincinnati Nature Center programs, please visit [www.CincyNature.org](http://www.CincyNature.org) or call 513/831-1711.

Cincinnati Nature Center is a nonprofit environmental education organization dedicated to a mission of enriching lives by inspiring passion for nature through experience, education and stewardship.

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