

What's Available:

The farm offers picnic grounds, fire rings, and play yards and catch & release fishing *free of charge* for your enjoyment. Be sure to visit the farm animals, the play barn and the Camp Store, too.

What's in the Area:

Many groups have enjoyed visiting nearby attractions. Within a 15 minute drive your group could explore:

- 1 OHIO CAVERNS
(937) 465-4017
- 2 ZANE SHAWNEE CAVERNS
(937) 592-9592
- 3 PIATT CASTLES
(937) 465-2821
- 4 MAD RIVER MTN. SKI RESORT
(937) 599-1015
- 5 TREE LINKS GOLF COURSE
(937) 599-3085

For other local attractions check at www.logancountyohio.com

What's New at MVF:

- ◆ We are enjoying our new 120' x 225' Indoor Riding Arena. Both for lessons and rainy day riding, this facility is certainly a blessing.
- ◆ Our Memorial Picnic Shelter is now in use and a very welcome addition to the facilities here. It is available on a first come first served basis, or it may be reserved and rented by making arrangements ahead of time.
- ◆ Visit our *Homepage* on the range at www.marmonvalley.com for more information on everything that Marmon Valley Farm has to offer.

Activity Options:



Horseback Riding:

Horseback riding is our specialty. Join us for an hour or more of scenic trail riding through the 450 acres of our wooded property. Suggested attire for horseback riding is long pants and riding shoes or cowboy boots. **All riders are required to fill out a copy of the enclosed activity waiver release form before riding. This form requires the written consent of the parent or guardian of each child participating. No Waiver - no ride.** Make as many copies of the original form as needed; one per person, please. Check in at the stables ten minutes before your scheduled riding time. Please notify us in advance if your numbers change before your scheduled date. Pony rides can be arranged for children 6 and under, who cannot ride their own horse. We do ride in rainy weather as long as the conditions are not a threat to your safety. Girl Scout *Horse Fan Badge* sessions are available at \$20.00 per troop. Helmets are available at no charge.

Hayrides:

Hayrides make a great farm activity for day or evening. Hayrides can be scheduled for 1/2 hour or hour trips. Tractor and wagon will pull your group around the scenic woods and trails at the camp. Follow it up with your own campfire in one of our picnic areas!

Barn Dances:

Groups of 10 or more will especially enjoy one of Wrangler Matt's famous barn dances. The barn dance is approximately 45 minutes of square dancing, group mixer dances and hoe down fun! Barn dances take place upstairs in the Activity Barn. Small groups will be scheduled with other groups

Challenge Course:

Our staff will lead you through a memorable experience of personal challenge and team building development. The Mosquito Gulch Challenge Course is a low ropes & group initiatives course. The emphasis is personal, spiritual growth through team building and problem solving opportunities. Groups can come for as short as one hour or spend half a day on the course. The challenge course includes different levels of physical and mental challenge.

Activities at no charge:

Marmon Valley Farm offers picnic grounds, fire rings, and firewood *free of charge*. For your enjoyment we also provide play yards, volleyball, tetherball, hiking trails, rope bridges and stilts at no additional cost. Be sure to visit the farm animals, the play barn and the Camp Store too.

Accommodations



Meals:

We would be happy to provide the meals for your group of 10 or more. Marmon Valley Farm has built a reputation for good home style country cooking. You won't go hungry eating with us in our cozy dining hall. Meals are generally served family style or buffet at 8:00AM, 12:00 NOON and 6:00PM.

Chuckwagon Breakfast: This is our famous outdoor scrambled eggs and hash browns breakfast. Your group will travel by hayride out to our wooded breakfast site for a real cowboy meal. Weather permitting Chuckwagon is our standard breakfast for weekends March - October.

Do-it-Yourself: You are welcome to cook out for all or some of your meals if you prefer. Fire rings and picnic areas are available for your use. We will provide wood but you may want to bring some dry kindling and matches to get your fires going. Marmon Valley Farm **does not** have indoor cooking facilities available for your use, nor do we provide refrigeration. Ice is available at a reasonable cost.



Lodging:

We offer several unique lodging options for your retreat group. Many of our barns and farm building have been renovated and converted into rustic bunkhouses. Our historic farmhouse is also available as sleeping accommodations for use by our guests. With the exception of the Farmhouse, restrooms with showers are located in centrally located building.

Facility	Capacity	Description	Heated	Rooms
Farmhouse	28	Historic brick house, connected to dining hall /meeting room and rest rooms	yes	3
Hen House	22	Formerly a chicken coop, now renovated as a cozy bunkhouse. Scenic lake overlook	yes	2
Cowpokes	10	A real cowhand style bunk house	yes	1
Dudes	10	A real cowhand style bunk house	yes	1
Log Cabin	14	Historic log cabin with loft	yes	2
Fillies	14	Large bunk room built inside the old Sheep Barn	yes	1
The Fold	13	1 of 3 bunk rooms built inside the old Sheep Barn.	yes	1
Shepherds	10	1 of 3 bunk rooms built inside the old Sheep Barn, lakeside	no	1
Hog House	10	Balcony porch, converted from the grain loft of the old hog barn	no	1
Sheep Barn loft	25	Small hayloft, a fun sleeping place	no	1
Big Barn Hayloft	60	Hayloft of the Historic Big Red Barn	no	1
Covered Wagon	8	Oversized covered wagon replica with bunks inside	no	1



You are welcome on the grounds at any time. Lodging check in begins at 1:00pm on the day of your reservation. Plan on checking out of your lodging by 10:00am on the last day of your reservation.

Additional Services

Camp Store:


The Camp Store will be open during your stay. Located in the Activity Barn, the store offers many souvenirs to remember your visit. Tee shirts, sweatshirts, hats, caps, postcards, and stuffed animals are among the items sold. We also stock a modest selection of horse tack and cowboy boots, both new and used. Prices in the store start at 10 cents.

Questions:



Please call our office at (937) 593-8000 if you have further questions regarding your retreat preparations. You may also find answers to your questions at our web site: www.marmonvalley.com. We are here to help make your retreat successful, let us know if you need assistance. Staff will be available during your stay to answer questions, offer help or give suggestions. Thank you for letting us serve you.

Camp Rules

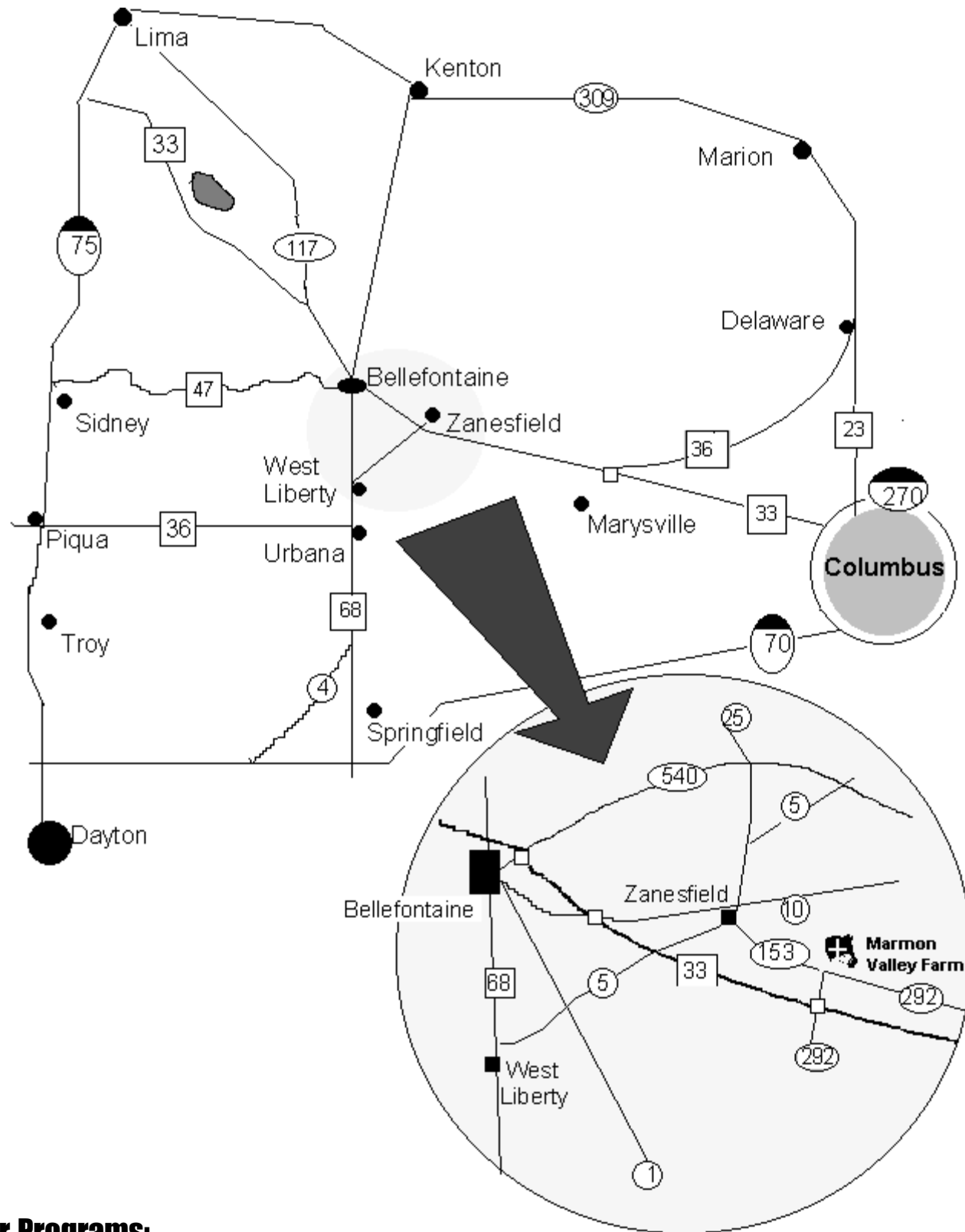
1. Please be considerate of other groups using the farm during your stay.
2. Adult supervision of youth is required at all times. We recommend at least 1 to 10 adult to child ratio.
3. Camp quiet hours are from 10:30PM - 6:30AM. Groups are asked to be in their cabins during this time unless other arrangements have been made.
4.  Smoking and alcoholic beverages are not permitted on the grounds.
5. Respect others' property including the camp's. Property defacing or destruction will result in an additional charge to cover damages. You are responsible for the conduct of your group!

6. Marmon Valley Farm reserves the right to dismiss guests who do not abide by the rules of the camp.

Camp Location:

Marmon Valley Farm is located 45 miles Northwest of Columbus at 7754 State Route 292, just off US Route 33 at the 292 exit. We are located 1.5 miles from the small town of Zanesfield and 8 miles Southeast of Bellefontaine. See location map on back.

Location Map:



Other Programs:

Ask for information on other programs at Marmon Valley Farm.

- Half and Full weeks of Summer Camp for 7 – 17 year olds.
- Spring and Fall – Mother/Daughter, Father/Son and Family camps.
- 'A Country Christmas' – Seasonal Hayride event.
- Group & Individual Riding Lessons
- Day and Overnight School Fieldtrips.

.....and more

Marmon Valley Farm

Christian Camp ♦ Retreat Center ♦ Riding Stables

Retreat Information

Attention Group Leader:

We believe that the success of a retreat has a great deal to do with the steps you take in planning it out. So, we would like to help you design a retreat at Marmon Valley Farm that will suit your liking! Let us do the work, so you can enjoy your visit along with your group. Whether you would like us to provide all your sleeping accommodations, meals and activities or only part of them, we can help you arrange the details. We have put together this information page to help you see the options. Read through this page and call the office if you have further questions or if you would like to make changes to your tentative schedule.

Payment Procedures:



Deposit:

Please return your deposit along with the enclosed reservation form, after making any necessary changes. A 30% deposit of your guaranteed minimum number of guests is required within two weeks of receiving your reservation form in order to confirm your reservation. Tentative reservations will only be held for 15 days without a deposit. Beyond two weeks, a deposit will only be accepted if room is still available. Groups returning their deposit after the two-week period will receive the general riding rate instead of the special overnight group rate. Prices are based on the timely return of your deposit. Due to unforeseeable circumstances, if the applicant's confirmed date needs to be changed, we will transfer the total deposit to an available date within two months of the original confirmed date. After the two months, the total deposit will be forfeited. Cancellation of reservations will result in forfeit of your deposit.

Balance:

The remaining balance from your retreat will be due upon arrival. Should you bring less than your guaranteed minimum, you will still be charged the full amount for those not in attendance. The balance can be paid by cash, check or credit card. We accept Visa, MasterCard and Discover.

First Aid:



Your group is fully responsible for its own first aid needs. It is suggested that you bring a first aid kit to deal with any minor injuries that may occur. It is highly recommended that you also have a health history and treatment waiver on hand for each participant in your group.

Marmon Valley Farm is in a 911 area. The local emergency squad will respond to all calls, usually in less than 10 mins. The closest hospital is Mary Rutan, it is 15 minutes away in Bellefontaine and can be reached at (937) 592-4015.

We reserve the right to turn away guests who arrive with communicable illnesses (lice, pink eye, strep throat, etc.)

Water Front:



Our 1 1/2 acre lake is available for your use. Any group using the waterfront must have an Aquatic Use Agreement form signed and on file with the office before using the water. For swimming, a currently certified lifeguard must be on duty, and a copy of their certification must be included with the agreement form. Marmon Valley Farm does not provide life guarding.

Your Retreat Planner

Steps To Complete:

1. Contact MVF to schedule a tentative reservation.
2. Read and complete the enclosed reservation form.
3. Complete the activity liability release forms and bring them with you.
4. Mail reservation form with 30% deposit within two weeks.
5. Receive confirmation of reservation and schedule by mail.
6. Visit the camp if you want to familiarize yourself with the facilities and available resources.
7. Call in exact number of persons and confirm activity numbers and times, at least 5 working days before arrival.
8. Check in at the office for welcome and orientation.

WHAT TO BRING:

- 1 Outdoor clothing
- 2 Cowboy boots
- 3 Jeans for horseback riding
- 4 Sleeping bag & pillow
- 5 Towel & washcloth
- 6 Toiletries
- 7 Flashlight
- 8 Money for the Camp Store
- 9 Matches for campfires
- 10 First Aid Kit