

PARK FEATURES

DOGWOOD POND

Park founder John Patterson's original design for Hills & Dales MetroPark included a scenic pond at what is now Dogwood Camp. Though lost in subsequent years, the historical pond is now beautifully restored and features an Adirondack-style overlook shelter and benches, picturesque waterfall and a trail loop around the pond that is part of the 1.4-mile Adirondack Trail.

PATTERSON MONUMENT

John H. Patterson, co-founder of National Cash Register Company, believed education, recreation and outdoor exercise were the pillars of good health. A memorial to Patterson was erected in the 1920s and stands in the heart of Hills & Dales to honor his leadership. The bronze and granite monument by Italian sculptor Giovanni Morretti places Patterson and his favorite horse, Spinner, at the top of the hill where he often rode on the bridle paths. Allegorical figures representing prosperity, progress, industry and education also are included to represent Patterson's influence on the community.

PAW PAW CAMP

Groups can enjoy this picnic area that features modern restrooms and a shelter with a fireplace and grills, as well as a trailhead and rain garden. These features were created with sustainable design in mind; the shelter roofs and boardwalk are made of 100 percent recycled materials.

"STAGED GATES" SCULPTURE

A testament to the fact that Hills & Dales is now a "work of art," the Staged Gates sculpture, installed by renowned artist Mary Miss in 1979, is an appropriate frame for this MetroPark. Staged Gates creates an illusion of procession by arranging a sequence of narrowing wooden gates that act like theater wings.

WETLANDS BOARDWALK

Take a stroll through a high-quality forested wetland along the Adirondack Trail Boardwalk connecting Dogwood Pond to the trailhead at Paw Paw Camp. This handicapped-accessible boardwalk allows visitors a chance to view wetland vegetation, such as skunk cabbage and marsh marigold, and various migratory birds.

WHITE OAK CAMP

The nature play area at White Oak Camp allows kids to learn about the natural world around them in an unstructured environment. Children can build their own shelters out of natural materials. Adjacent to the nature play area is a traditional playground. White Oak Camp also features two shelters, a fully updated restroom facility and a trailhead.

STONE TOWER

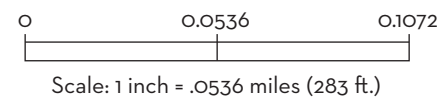
In approximately 1940, the Hills & Dales Lookout Tower was built on Patterson Boulevard. Known locally by many names, it was constructed by The National Youth Administration under the direction of Earl Shock, the superintendent of what is now the Community Golf Course that the tower overlooks. While interior access is no longer available due to safety concerns, the tower is still a valuable piece of history within the park.

OLD BARN CAMP

Like many areas of Hills and Dales MetroPark, Old Barn Camp was once home to at least two shelter sites in the days of John H. Patterson. The historic camps are no longer standing, but the chimneys are left behind in this picnic area and on the new sustainably designed Inspiration Point Trail.

HIKING TRAIL KEY

- Adirondack Trail = 1.46 miles
- Inspiration Point Trail = 0.4 miles



LEGEND

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| E Park Entrance | Camp Site | Woods |
| P Parking | Paddling Launch | Water |
| Restrooms | Sledding | Stream |
| Picnic Area | Drinking Water
(Seasonal availability) | Park Road |
| Reservable Shelter | Park Feature | Park Boundary |
| Wheelchair Accessible | | Public Road |
| | | Access Trail |