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Ozark Greenways Celebrates 20th Year With Many Activities

Ozark Greenways celebrates 20 years as an organization this year, since its inception in 1991. A variety of activities, initiatives and fundraisers are planned to draw attention to the importance of Springfield's growing greenway trail system and the importance of membership to the ability of OG to continue its work.

This spring, OG will unveil its new website and trail map, the City of Springfield's new Link concept, and a special Mudhouse drink in May benefiting OG. The following highlights upcoming events where people can get involved to show support for a safer more bicycle-friendly Springfield.

20th anniversary Party – 1 – 5 p.m., Sunday, April 3, at Galloway Station, 4211 S. Lone Pine Ave.
This casual public open-house party is free to members, and $20 discounted memberships will be available at the door. Using Galloway Creek Greenway before, during or after is highly encouraged. Food and drinks, live music and trail information will accompany a brief program from 1:30-2 p.m.

Frisco Highline Run – Saturday, April 30
A 50K/50M Ultra marathon, relay, 10-mile run and more will be hosted by the Ozark Mountain Ridge Runners on the Frisco Highline Trail. All event proceeds go to the trail's Polk County maintenance fund. Details at www.omrr.org

Artsfest on Walnut Street – May 7-8
Ride to Artsfest and park your bike at the OG booth. We'll have the scoop on bike commuting routes, the new Link concept, registration for Bike to Work Week and more.

Celebrate the first day of Bike to Work Week with OG and Queen City Cycles, at a "Bike-in Movie", Breaking Away and Pee Wee's Big Adventure. $5 includes secure bike parking, movie, discounted Fat Tire ale and a donation to OG.

Bike to Work Week – May 16-20
Take OG's annual commuter challenge - leave the car behind to get to work or school at least one day this week by bike, bus or a combination and rewards will await. Register at ozarkgreenways.org
12th annual Ozark Greenways Adventure Race – 7:30 a.m., Saturday, May 21, at the Elk River
Teams of four and two compete in this 8-14-hour multisport endurance race - OG's biggest annual fundraiser.

National Trails Day Wildflower Ride – 8 a.m. & 11 a.m., Saturday, June 4
OG co-hosts a bike ride on the Frisco Highline Trail during prairie bloom, with the Polk County Bike Club. A ribbon-cutting in Willard celebrates eight completed miles of paved National Recreation Trail from Springfield to Willard.

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