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## Cuyahoga Valley National Park News Release

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## Folk Duo Plays the Cuyahoga Valley

**Brecksville, Ohio** - On Saturday, March 31, 2007, Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) and Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association (CVNPA) welcome folk duo Atwater- Donnelly, to the stage at 8 p.m. at Happy Days Visitor Center as part of the Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Concert Series. The Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series celebrates the cultural legacy of the Cuyahoga Valley. Admission: \$15 adults, \$10 CVNPA members, and \$5 children 3 - 12. Doors open at 7 p.m. General seating. Advance ticket sales are available by calling (330) 657-2909.

The highly praised husband- wife duo, Aubrey Atwater and Elwood Donnelly present delightful programs of traditional American and Celtic folk songs, a capella pieces, hymns, dance tunes, and original works. Elwood and Aubrey blend gorgeous and unusual harmonies and play guitar, Appalachian mountain dulcimer, mandolin, tin whistle, harmonica, banjo, bones, spoons, limberjacks, and other surprises including Appalachian clog dancing and French Canadian footwork.

Their performance is appealing to all ages, and with humor, audience participation, and a relaxed stage presence, Aubrey and Elwood explain song origins to create a deeper understanding of the music and its cultural history. Atwater and Donnelly have performed and researched traditional folk music and dance in Ireland, England, Prince Edward Island, New England, the Ozarks, Appalachia, and other key places in the United States.

To obtain a digital image of Atwater- Donnelly, contact Karen Kopchak at karen\_kopchak@nps.gov or (440) 546-5994.

Create your own subscription series and enjoy three great concerts for one low price. No cash refunds, but tickets may be exchanged until ten days before the concert. \$40 adults, \$25 CVNPA members, \$15 children 3 - 12. For more information about the subscriber series, call (330) 657-2909.

## **Upcoming Concerts:**

Saturday, April 14: Corinne West (Singer/Songwriter)

Saturday, April 21: Mountain Rose: The Juggernaut Jug Band (Old-Time Jug

Band)\*

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Saturday, April 28: John Gorka (Singer/Songwriter)

Saturday, May 5: Rani Arbo and daisy mayhem (Stringband)
Friday, May 18: Back of the Moon (Traditional Scottish)

Saturday, May 26: Peggy Seeger and John McCutcheon (Traditional

Folk/Singer/Songwriter)\*

\*These concerts have special pricing and are not available as part of a subscription package.

Happy Days Visitor Center is located at 500 West Streetsboro in Peninsula, 1 mile west of State Route 8, is a restored Civilian Conservation Corps structure that provides a rustic ambiance for folk and traditional concerts, theater, lectures, and ranger-led programs.

CVNP encompasses 33,000 acres along the Cuyahoga River between Cleveland and Akron, Ohio. Managed by the National Park Service, CVNP combines cultural, historical, recreational, and natural activities in one setting. For more information visit www.nps.gov/cuva or www.dayinthevalley.com or call (216)524-1497 or (800)445-9667.

CVNPA, in partnership with the National Park Service and CVNP, provides innovative education programs and fosters community awareness, support, and enjoyment of the park. For more information about CVNPA and its membership program, visit www.cvnpa.org or call (330) 657-2909.