

**The Mill Creek Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring Program** is entering its fourth year! This will be the third year that the SWOWEA YP/Watershed group has been involved! The program collects and analyzes samples from the streams in the Mill Creek watershed **every second Saturday from April to November**. The monitoring program kick-off and training will be held on Saturday, March 19 at 10:00am. Location is TBD. The first monitoring day of the year will be Saturday, April 9. If you are interested in collecting samples or performing lab analyses of the samples, email the Program and Outreach Director Kara Scheerhorn for more information at [kscheerhorn@millcreekwatershed.org](mailto:kscheerhorn@millcreekwatershed.org).

**The Citizens' Water Quality Monitoring Program** is another water quality monitoring program where volunteers sample from sites in the Great Miami Watershed and analyze the samples at UC Center for Field Studies in Oxford. The monitoring takes place **every third Saturday from March to November**. If you are interested in the program, please visit <http://riversunlimited.org/wqm> for general information. If you would like to volunteer, please visit <http://riversunlimited.org/wqm/vols.html>.

**Cincinnati Nature Center Algaewheel Tour – April 8th, 2016** Join the YP and Watershed group for a lunch time tour of the Algaewheel wastewater treatment facility at the Cincinnati Nature Center. Lunch will be provided by *The Henry P. Thompson Company and OneWater, Inc.* Watch for an event-specific email in the coming weeks with more details!



**Upper Mill Creek WRF and Koch Foods Tour – May 2016** This event will include afternoon tours of the recent upgrades to the Upper Mill Creek WRF and Koch Foods facilities. The tours will be followed by a networking happy hour sponsored by *Hazen and Sawyer*. Watch for an email with more information about the date and tour times.



**Mark your calendars for these OWEA and SWOWEA upcoming events for this year:**

**March 17** – OWEA Government Affairs Workshop

**March 24** – SWOWEA Section Meeting, Dayton Water Reclamation Facility

**April 22** – SWOWEA Operator Education Day, Montgomery County Environmental Services Building

**May 18** – OWEA Collections Workshop

**May 19** – SWOWEA Section Meeting

**June 2** – SWOWEA Plant Operation's "Nearly Free" Seminar, Greene County

**June 27-30** – OWEA Technical Conference

**September 14** – SWOWEA Section Meeting, Middletown

**October 26-27** – OWEA Plant Ops/Lab Analysis Workshop

**October 28** – SWOWEA Operator Education Day, Montgomery County Environmental Services Building

**November 17** – Plant Operations Seminar & Section Meeting, Mason

**December 1** – OWEA Biosolids Workshop