



The Indianapolis Hiking Club

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Happiness - A Step at a Time



SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2019

(Please – no pets except on designated pet hikes)

Celebrating 62 Years of Sponsoring Hikes and Outings

HIKE RATING SYSTEM - Shown in parentheses at the end of each hike

	<u>TERRAIN</u>		<u>SURFACE</u>		<u>SPEED</u>
H (Hilly)	Continuously	NS (Natural)	Primarily Soft		Walking Speed in MPH,
M (Mixed)	Hilly & Flat	HS (Hard)	Packed Dirt or Gravel		not including breaks
F (Flat)	Few Hills	PS (Paved)	Concrete or Blacktop		(e.g., 3.0 is 20 min/mile)

Guests are welcome on all hikes - no fee. Hikers should arrive at the meeting location at least 10 minutes early, which will enable the leader to complete sign-ups and start the hike on time. Interested in leading a hike? Contact Pathfinders: Jean Ballinger (317-696-2120) jeanballinger77@gmail.com for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-445-5646) ewright@indyhike.org for weekdays. Note, a reference at the end of a hike description in the following format (Map #24) indicates that you can access a Google map pointing to the hike meeting location at www.indyhike.org/locations.shtml.

WINTER HIKING: As we enter the winter season it is important to remember that hike leaders are responsible for safety first. In adverse weather the leader may reroute, shorten or cancel a hike. If the weather is inclement, very cold or the roads are ice, call the leader to confirm a hike. Also, check the website “news” to see if a hike has been cancelled or moved to a mall. Whenever possible, leaders of out of town hikes should make cancellation decisions by 6 PM of the preceding day. If you decide to cancel a hike, please go to the Website Mileage page and cancel your hike using the Enter Mileage link. Also, please inform the rest of us by sending out a Yahoo! Groups email or ask Phil Smith (smithp30333@gmail.com) to send one for you.

TRAIL BLAZER AND CLUB ROSTER: The 2018 Trail Blazer which recaps last year’s events and everyone’s mileage will soon be available on the Club website “Mileage” page at www.indyhike.org/mileage.shtml. If you receive the schedule by mail the Trailblazer will be sent to you. Also, everyone will be receiving a Club roster by mail, listing each member’s home address and phone number, unless you requested that your name be excluded from the roster. **When you receive the roster, check your information. If changes need to be made contact membership officer, Barbara Strite (brstrite@att.net or 317-271-7263) so it can be corrected.** To protect your privacy the roster is not available on the website.

ITEMS OF NOTE IN THIS SCHEDULE

June Sergi will lead a Book Club hike on Friday, February 22 and Katy Smith will lead one on Friday, March 15. The annual winter weekend will be March 15-17 at McCormick’s Creek State Park. Mervyn Cohen and Phil Smith will lead a Zionsville Romantic Valentine’s Day hike on February 14. They will treat everyone to truffles at the Truffles & Creams Chocolatier (formerly Ganache Chocolatier.) See the write-up on the appropriate dates for the details.

President’s Corner

Most of you don’t think much about what it takes to make the Indianapolis Hiking Club “train” run on time. You expect a current hike schedule to be available either by mail or on the Club’s website. This schedule will not only have a listing of hikes (over 2,000 per year) but will contain information about future events and news concerning members of Indianapolis Hiking Club community. You expect a hike leader who knows the route of the hike to meet you at the appointed time and place and lead you safely. You expect that you will be given credit for the mileage you have earned by participation in a hike. You expect that accurate Club financial records will be maintained and your dues money will be spent for the good of the Club and in the best interests of its members. You expect to be able to keep up on the “goings and comings” in the Club through your social media feeds. You expect well-planned and executed social events, e.g. the summer picnic and the winter banquet. You expect all of the above and more to just happen. Well, it doesn’t just happen. It hasn’t just

happened for 62 years. On January 23rd the Indianapolis Hiking Club will be 62 years old. The Club has always depended on a small but very dedicated group of volunteers to "make the trains run on time."

This past spring the Hiking Club Board recognized that if the Club was to flourish in the future, changes had to be made. To that end, the Board approved the formation of a small working committee called, for lack of a better name, the data committee. The charge for this working group is to analyze the operations of the Club and develop sustainable processes and procedures that are less dependent on individual skills and efforts and present those results to the Board for approval and implementation.

Members of this working group are: Bob Hackenberg, Barb Strite, Kathy Whalen, Ed Wright, Karen Zimmerman, and myself. Dianne Carlisle has recently joined the group. We have been meeting regularly since last spring. Some of our recommendations that have been approved by the Board are not apparent because they occur behind the scenes. But some, like hike leaders entering mileage for their own hikes and real-time calculation and display of member's earned mileage, are obvious.

Recent medical events experienced by Ed Wright have served to amplify the need for this work. Ed has been an extremely important presence in the Club for many years. He performs a multitude of tasks essential to the day-to-day operations of the Club. He is currently concentrating on regaining his health and has temporarily stepped away for his duties as a pathfinder and webmaster. Others have stepped in for Ed until he can resume his normal activities.

The data committee is continuing to work on sustainable processes and procedures. Current efforts are directed at how new and reenrolled members are added to the Club roster and how member contact information is kept current. How the bimonthly hike schedule is currently generated is being studied. Also, we are examining if hikes can and should be added to the schedule after a schedule has been published. In addition, more automated financial recordkeeping will receive attention. Paid database and accounting services may be needed. Funds for these services were included in the 2019 Hiking Club budget approved by the Board last October.

From time to time, I'll report on the data committee's work as we continue to search for and establish processes and procedures that will serve the Indianapolis Hiking Club for the next 62 years.

See you on the trail,
Phil Smith
President of the Indianapolis Hiking Club

HIKE SCHEDULE:

Friday, February 1

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK Meet at food court near Dick's on the north side of Castleton Square between the hours of 8-10 AM for a self-guided 1-12 mile hike. Hike repeats each Friday in February and March. (Map #54)(F,PS) Leaders: Dick Bacon (317-585-8742) or Rick Kinnaman (317-407-9746)
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE Susan will lead a brisk 6-mile road hike. Another hiker will lead a slower 4-5 mile option. Expect a different route each week through scenic Zionsville. From I-465 N take Michigan Rd north to 116th St. Turn left (west) and go to downtown Zionsville and turn right on 1st St (one block past Main) and then left on Oak St. Take Oak St to the Zionsville Town Hall parking lot at 1100 W Oak St across from McDonalds. Join us for coffee after the hike. Hike repeats every Friday in February and March. (Map #34) (M,PS,4 or 3-3.5 for slower hike) Leader: Susan Sievers (317-344-2635, 317-513-5239 cell)
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK Join us for a 6 or 8 mile road or trail hike. Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance that is just west of the Colts facility. Hike repeats on all Fridays in February and March. (Map #40) (M,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Phil Smith (317-443-3955)
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL From I-70 in downtown Indy go south on I-65. Exit on Raymond St (exit 109) and go right (west) on Raymond about 1/2 mile to Pleasant Run Pkwy N Dr and turn left (south) go to the next stoplight. Turn left onto Pagoda Dr, then turn left again and park next to the swimming pool. This is a 5-6 mile hike in various neighborhoods surrounding Garfield

Park. Hike repeats every Friday in February and March. (Map #52) (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI Meet in downtown Shapiro's Deli lot, 808 S. Meridian St, for a 6-mile hike. Please park in the rear of the lot away from the restaurant entrance. Hike repeats every Friday in February. (Map #41) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Jim Griffin (317-294-1121)

Saturday, February 2

8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL Sign in at the food court for this self guided hike. Take as many one-mile laps as you want between the hours of 8-10 AM. Repeats each Saturday in February. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

8:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES If you are looking for a great workout, please join us. The leader will be using these hikes to train for the 100K (see CNO Canal hike in Preview of Future Events on May 4th, 2019). While I do not anticipate many of you will want to participate in the 100K (call me if you think you might), these hikes offer a great opportunity to get in shape and also train for Indy's Mini Marathon. We will hike on the Towpath part of Monon Trail starting in Broad Ripple at the free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave. We will start on February 2 at a distance of 14 self-guided miles at a brisk pace and increase the distance up to 36 miles by the end of April. You are welcome to walk a shorter distance if you wish. Hike repeats on February 16 and March 16. (Map #16) (F,PS) Leader: Theresa Ray (317-627-1205)

9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL Enjoy a 6-12 mile hike on the paved Pennsy Trail. From I-465 E take I-70 east to Greenfield exit. Turn right on SR 9 and then left on New Rd (light by Starbucks). At roundabout, go right (south) on Apple St. After you cross US 40, look for the Pennsy trailhead parking lot on the right. This is a new trailhead with restrooms. Repeats each Saturday in February and March. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (317-407-4652)

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN Meet in the free parking lot ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a self-guided 6 or 10-mile hike. Hike repeats each Saturday in February and March. (Map #16) (F,PS) Leader: Mary Bruss (317-308-0182) or Rick Braun (317-679-2972).

10:00 AM MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK Travel to McCormick's Creek State Park your preferred way and meet at the Nature Center for a moderate hike of 5-6 miles. Be prepared for some stream crossings Join us in Spencer after the hike for a late lunch. (M,NS/PS,2) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802-home or 317-412-5190-cell)

Sunday, February 3

Groundhog Day

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK Meet at the College Park Elementary School, 2811 Barnard St. From W 86th St., turn north on Colby Blvd and travel .4 miles to Barnard St and turn right, going 0.3 miles to the school. This will be a 5 mile hike with shorter options through the College Park area neighborhood. Repeats each Sunday in February and March. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Marti Burton (317-306-9878)

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in the free parking lot ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a guided 6 mile hike with option for up to 4 additional (self-guided) miles. Repeats each Sunday in February and March. (Map #16) (F,PS,3-3.25) Leader: Kathy Whalen (317-409-3265)

3:00 PM SUPER BOWL HIKE AND PITCH IN Meet at the Otterbein Franklin Clubhouse, 565 Robin Rd, Franklin. From I-465 S, take US 31 south and turn right on Jefferson St in Franklin. Go 0.5 mi and turn right at 1st light (Methodist Dr). Follow one-way street approx. 0.5 mi to Robin Rd, turn right to the clubhouse. Hike is 5-6 miles. Bring your drink of choice, and a side dish or desert. Clubhouse has a pool, so if you like, you can bring your swimsuit. Tim Braun is bringing his TV and antenna. (F,PS,3) Leader: Mary Williams (317-919-8574-cell)

Monday, February 4

9:00 AM MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance just west of the Colts facility for a 6-mile road hike. Repeats on March 4. (Map #40) (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Kate Curtiss (317-247-0283)

9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK Meet at 6901 Derbyshire Rd behind the Southport Police Station for an 8-mile hike. Hike repeats each Monday in February and March. (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

9:30 AM FASHION MALL Join us at the Fashion Mall at Keystone at the Crossing. This is a self-guided hike of 1.2 mile laps between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. We will meet in the Food Court

located on the west side of the mall next to Urban Outfitters. Try to arrive by 9:30 a.m. since we will do one lap as a group to learn the route then you may walk at your own pace. From I-465 N exit at Keystone Ave going south. Take the first exit off Keystone at 86th St and go left (east) and proceed to the mall entrance. Park in front of the Food Court and meet inside. Hike repeats each Monday in February and on March 4 and 11. (F,PS) Leader: June Sergi (317-372-3018) or Cherie Voege (317-848-7674)

- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY From the 700 block of West 38th St, go north on Clarendon Rd to the cemetery entrance. Meet at north end of first parking lot. There are options of 3, 4 and 5 miles. Hike repeats each Monday in February and March.. (Map #42) (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078) or David Kincaid (317-787-6593)
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL Sign in at the food court between the hours of 4-5:30 p.m. for a self-guided hike of up to 6 miles with shorter options. If the weather is nice we will probably walk outside. Hike repeats every Monday in February and March. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE Note, the time of this hike has been moved up to 4:00 PM for the winter. Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a hike of 5-6 miles. Hike repeats every Monday in February and March. (Map #16) (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Mary Bruss (317-308-0182)
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS Meet at Geist Coffee (formerly Mama Bears Coffee Shop) parking lot at the northwest corner of Fall Creek Rd and Brooks School Rd for a 6-8 mile hike through neighborhoods. Hike repeats each Monday in February and March. (Map #25)(F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

Tuesday, February 5

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL This is a 1-12 mile self-guided hike (most people do 6 miles) on the Monon Trail. From the intersection of 116th St and Westfield Blvd/Rangeline Rd in Carmel go south to Central Park Dr (first intersection on right). Turn right (west) on Central Park Dr and go to the parking lot at the end. Meet on the Monon Trail under the walkway between the two buildings near the skateboard park or in the lobby of the East Monon Building. Hike repeats every Tuesday in February and March. (Map #51) (F,PS) Leader: Jo Anne Starzyk (317-771-0914)
- 9:30 AM HIKING THE HOOD AND HOT CHOCOLATE. A 4-5-mile hike on Eagle Creek Trail and nearby neighborhoods. Near the end of the hike enjoy hot chocolate, tea, or coffee in one of the nearby homes. From I-465 on the west side of Indianapolis take 56th Street West to just past the Colts complex, turn left, and park in the Mary and John Geisse Soccer Complex parking lot (northwest portion adjacent to Reed Road and 56th Street near the Community Garden). (F,PS,2.0-2.5) Leader: Phil Coons (317-402-8810 cell)
- 4:00 AM UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS & ROSEDALE HILLS From I-65, go south on Keystone Ave about 1/2 mile to small shopping center on right (west) at 4040 S. Keystone. Meet at the south end of the parking lot for a 5-mile hike. Hike repeats each Tuesday in February. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593 and 317-864-9574 cell)

Wednesday, February 6

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK Meet at food court near Dick's on the north side of Castleton Square between the hours of 8-10 AM for a self-guided 1-12 mile hike. Hike repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (Map #54)(F,PS) Leader: Dick Bacon (317-585-8742)
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS This 7-8 mile brisk all trail hike is a great way to stay in shape. Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside the 56th St entrance. Hike repeats each Wednesday in February and March (Map #40) (M,NS,3) Leader: Jeff Edmondson (317-450-2526 cell)
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE If country roads are calling your name, this is the hike for you. Join me for a 5, 6 or 10 mile hike and enjoy the countryside by hiking down a beautiful winding road. Park at my house at 688 N 900 W, Arlington, IN 46104. From I-465 SE exit on Brookville Rd (US 52) heading east for approximately 25 miles to CR900W and turn right. Go past 2 crossroads on 900W. My house is the 2nd house on the left past the 2nd crossroad. My address is on the mailbox. Hike repeats every Wednesday in February and March. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (317-407-4652)

- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL Join us for a 4-5 mile walk in downtown Indy and surrounding neighborhoods. Expect a different route each week. Meet at Shapiro's Deli at 808 S. Meridian St (at McCarty St). Please park on the southwest portion of the lot away from the building. Hike repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (Map #41) (F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Harold Crooks (317-730-4850)
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK Join me for a 4-5 mile walk starting at Pike Library, 6525 Zionsville Rd. We will walk through Robin Run Village and continue on to Northwestway Park then back to the library. Shorter and longer options are available. Meet behind the library in the rear lot. Hike repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (F,PS,3) Leader: Joan Griffiths (317-297-7312)
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL Sign in at the food court between the hours of 4-5:30 p.m. for a self-guided hike of up to 6 miles with shorter options. If the weather is nice we will probably walk outside. Hike repeats every Wednesday in February and March. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE This will be a 5-mile hike through quaint neighborhoods, the Zionsville Rail Trail and possibly Starkey Park. Meet in Zionsville Town Hall parking lot at 1100 W Oak St across from McDonalds. From I-465 N take Michigan Rd north and turn left (west) on 116th St and go to 1st St in downtown Zionsville. Go right on 1st St then left (west) on Oak St to the town hall. Hike repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (Map #34) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586) and various others.

Thursday, February 7

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE Meet at the Walmart located at 5550 Fall Creek Pkwy N Dr at the corner of 56th St and Fall Creek Pkwy. To find the main entrance to WalMart, turn south off 56th St onto Fall Creek Pkwy and then turn right into the parking lot. Park in the rear of the Walmart lot behind Starbucks. This is usually a 6-mile self guided hike north on the Fall Creek Trail to Skiles Test Park and back, however, the leaders may change the route from time to time. Hike repeats every Thursday in February and March. Please insert: if inclement weather, the hike may move to Castleton Mall. (Map #45) (F,PS,3-3.5) Leaders: Tish Brafford (317-251-8907, 317-531-6700 cell) or Jo Anne Starzyk (317-771-0914)
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5 This is the first of three very popular hikes in Eagle Creek Park every Thursday morning. All three hikes meet at the Earth Discovery Center parking lot in Eagle Creek Park (fee), which is located off of 56th St just west of the Colts facility. This will be a moderately paced 5-mile hike over, around, up and down through the woods. Hike repeats every Thursday in February and March. After the hike, join us for lunch at Golden Corral on 38th St. We have a fun time and all are welcome. (Map #17) (M,NS,3) Leader: Phil Smith (317-443-3955).
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4 Same directions, repeat dates and lunch invite as Easy at Eagle Creek 5. This is a 4 mile slower paced hike mostly on groomed trails (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Harold Crooks (317-730-4850)
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3 Same directions, repeat dates and lunch invite as Easy at Eagle Creek 5. This is a 3 mile hike at an even slower pace, mostly on roads and groomed trails. (M,PS/HS/NS,2.5-2.75) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078)
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE From I-465 E go east on 56th St and turn left on Lee Rd. Meet in the back parking lot of the YMCA on Lee Rd for 6-8 mile hike. Hike repeats every Thursday in February and March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

Friday, February 8

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 1.
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.
- 3:00 PM BLOOMINGTON TRAIL SOUTH AND WINTERTELLING Take SR37/I69 S to Tapp Rd (Exit 116.) Go east for 2 ¼ miles on Tapp/Country Club Rd past the golf course on your right. Continue across Rogers St to just before the Walnut St traffic light, turn left into the shopping plaza and park behind the Old National Bank. This will be a 4- 6-mile hike (F,NS, 2.5-3) on natural surface. Following dinner at a local restaurant we will proceed to the Monroe County Library (303 Kirkwood Ave) to

enjoy Wintertelling, stories for adults presented by the Bloomington Story Telling Guild. The program is scheduled from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Directions to the restaurant and library will be given at the hike. Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812)322-3972 cell)

6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 1.

Saturday, February 9

8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 2.

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 2.

1:30 PM AVON WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP PARK This 5-6 mile hike will be mostly on the new paved sections of the White Lick Creek Trail recently opened in Avon Washington Township Park. A shorter option is available. Scenic sights will be the historic 1875 Whipple Iron Truss Bridge, 1906 "Haunted" Avon Bridge, White Lick Creek and a pond. Meet in the parking lot of the Avon Softball Field located at 104 S CR 625 E, Avon. From I-465 W, exit on US 36 (Rockville Rd) and travel west about 8.5 miles turning left onto CR 625 E. Travel a short distance to parking lot on right. Bathrooms available. Repeated on February 17 at 1;30 PM (F, PS, 3-3.5) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943-cell)

Sunday, February 10

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 3.

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 3.

1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O From I-465 W take exit 16A to Crawfordsville Rd going west thru Clermont to Hornaday Rd in Brownsburg. Turn left and go about 6 miles to the Church of Christ parking lot at 3300 Hornaday Rd. Please park in the northwest corner. This will be a 6-8 mile out and back hike. There are no bathrooms. Repeats March 3 and 24. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Kae Ramey (317-701-5805)

Monday, February 11

9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance for a 6 or 8-mile road hike. We will walk together for the first 3 miles to the restroom, then faster hikers may go on at their own pace. Hike repeats on the remaining Mondays in February and March, except March 4. (Map #40) (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586)

9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 4.

9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 4.

9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 4.

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 4.

4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See February 4.

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 4.

Tuesday, February 12

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 5.

9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a 5-6 mile hike. Hike may include parts of the Monon Trail, Broad Ripple Park, Marott Park, Arden neighborhood, or Holliday Park. Hike repeats March 12 & 26. (M,NS/HS/PS,2.75) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)

10:00 AM ROSA PARKS DAY (Her actual birthday is Feb. 4) For this 6 mile hike, we will meet at the Steak and Shake Restaurant at 2202 W. Southport Rd. From south leg of 465 take exit for IN37 and head south to Southport Rd. Turn right and it is on your right side. We will pass Rosa Parks School while on the hike. (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)

4:00 AM UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS & ROSEDALE HILLS See February 5.

Wednesday, February 13

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6.

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 6.

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 6.

- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 6.
9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See February 6.
4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.
4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 6.

Thursday, February 14 *Valentine's Day*

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See February 7
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5 See February 7.
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4 See February 7.
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3 See February 7.
5:00 PM ZIONSVILLE ROMANTIC VALENTINE'S DAY HIKE We will treat everyone to truffles at the Truffles & Creams Chocolatier. This will be a stop soon after the hike starts. We will then walk 5 miles through the streets of the village. After the hike you are invited to join other hikers to eat at one of the restaurants along Main Street in Zionsville. Meet in the Lions Club parking lot. From 86th Street take Zionsville Road north. Go past the traffic light on 106th street. At the next traffic light as you enter the village turn right. Go past Elm Street. The Lions Club parking lot is the next entrance on your left. Leader: Mervyn Cohen (317-873-6586) and Phil Smith (317-443-3955). (F, PS 2.5-3.00)
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 7.

Friday, February 15

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 1.
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.
6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 1.

Saturday, February 16

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.
8:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 2.
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 2.
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 2.
2:00 PM BAXTER YMCA & PERRY PARK Meet at Baxter YMCA on Shelby St at Stop 11 Rd (south entrance). This is right off US 31 on Indy's south side. This is a neighborhood hike of 5 miles. (F,PS,3) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593, 317-864-9574 cell)

Sunday, February 17

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 3.
9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 3.
10:00 AM GOOSE POND FISH AND WILDLIFE AREA From I-465 W take I-70 west to SR 59 (exit 23). Go south on SR 59 south through Linton to CR 400 S. Turn right onto CR 400 for about one mile to the visitors center on the right (13540 W CR 400 S). Meet in the parking lot for a 4-6 mile hike on levees. With nearly 5,000 acres of shallow water wetlands, 1300 acres of prairie and over 30 miles of levees, Goose Pond provides excellent wildlife watching opportunities. Hopefully, we will be able to see a few thousand sandhill cranes. (F,NS,2) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)
1:30 PM AVON WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP PARK See February 9.

Monday, February 18 *Presidents' Day*

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 11.
9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 4.
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 4.
9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 4.
4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 4.
4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See February 4.
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 4.

Tuesday, February 19

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 5.
10:00AM DAY LATE PRESIDENTS' DAY HIKE Meet at downtown Shapiros. Please park at the back of the parking lot. On this 6 mile hike we will visit places around downtown Indy where presidents have been honored. (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)
4:00 AM UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS & ROSEDALE HILLS See February 5.

Wednesday, February 20

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6.
9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 6.
9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 6.
9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 6.
9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See February 6.
4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.
4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 6.

Thursday, February 21

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See February 7
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5 See February 7.
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4 See February 7.
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3 See February 7.
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 7.

Friday, February 22

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 1.
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.
1:00 PM BOOK CLUB Hike Read Driving Miss Norma by Tim Bauerschmid and Ramie Liddell. We will meet at The Fashion Mall at Keystone at the Crossing at the food court, which is located on the west side of the mall next to Urban Outfitters. We will walk three laps in the mall then have our discussion back in the food court. After the discussion hikers can walk another lap at their own pace. Total distance will be 4-5 miles with shorter options (F,PS). Leader: June Sergi (317-372-3018)
6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 1.

Saturday, February 23

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 2.
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 2.
10:00 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK Travel to Brown County State Park your preferred way and meet at Ogle Lake parking lot for a moderate hike of 6-7 miles. (H,NS,2) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802- home or 317-412-5190-cell)

Sunday, February 24

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 3.
9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 3.

Monday, February 25

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 11.
9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 4.
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 4.
9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 4.
4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 4.
4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See February 4.
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 4.

Tuesday, February 26

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 5
- 10:00 AM NORTH END OF EAGLE CREEK PARK AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS For this 5-6 mile hike, park just inside the north entrance (71st Street entrance) to Eagle Creek Park. (Fee) (F,NS/PS,3)
Leader: Pat Lawler (652-2779C, 329-2779H)
- 4:00 AM UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS & ROSEDALE HILLS See February 5.

Wednesday, February 27

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6.
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 6.
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 6.
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 6.
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See February 6.
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 6.

Thursday, February 28

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See February 7
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5 See February 7.
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4 See February 7.
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3 See February 7.
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 7.

Friday, March 1

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 1.
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.
- 6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS This is a 5-mile hike through the Butler campus, the Canal Towpath and nearby neighborhoods. Meet near Door #1 at the front of Hinkle Fieldhouse, which is located on 49th St, west of Boulevard Place. Hike repeats every Friday in March. (Map #32) (M,PS/NS,3.5) Leader: Jim Griffin (317-294-1121)

Saturday, March 2

- 8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD This will be an 8-mile walk with a 5-mile option in parks and neighborhoods in Greenwood. Take US 31 south to Main St. in Greenwood. Go west on Main St to the bottom of the hill and park at Westside Park on the right. Walk repeats every Saturday in March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 3.
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 2.
- 10:00 AM VERSAILLES STATE PARK Allow 1 1/2 hour from I-465 S. Take I-74 southeast to Greensburg, US 421 south to Versailles and US 50 east to the park (fee). Meet in picnic area up the hill past the campground for a 6-7 mile hike. (H,NS,2.5) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)

Sunday, March 3

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 3.
- 9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 3.
- 1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See February 10.

Monday, March 4

- 9:00 AM MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL See February 4.
- 9:00 AM COME CELEBRATE TISH'S BIRTHDAY Meet at Glendale/Town Center - Mall, 6200 N. Keystone, for a 6 mile hike. Park near Buffalo Wings in the northeast corner. No restroom available- (Target is

in the Mall before hike). Refreshments after the hike at Tish's home. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leaders: Tish Brafford (317-251-8907, 317-531-6700 cell)

- 9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 4.
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 4.
- 9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 4.
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 4.
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See February 4.
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 4

Tuesday, March 5

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 5.
- 9:30 AM MORGAN MONROE STATE FOREST. Travel to Martinsville your favorite way. Go south from Martinsville on I-69 to the first exit south of Martinsville (2.5 miles from the last stoplight), the Liberty Church exit. Take Liberty Church exit and turn left and go to the first crossroad (Old State Road 37), turn right and follow Old State Road 37, staying right at the Hacker Creek Road curve. It is 4.0 miles from where you turn on to Old State Road 37 to the forest entrance. Turn into the forest and follow the Forest Road to the fire tower (4.6 miles). Those coming from the south (Bloomington etc.), will have to take the Sample Road exit and go east to Old St Road 37 and then drive north to the forest entrance. Hike will be 5 miles. (M, NS, 2.5-3). Hike repeats every Tuesday in March. Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home, 317-412-5190 cell)
- 9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS Join us for a 5-6 mile south side hike in Meridian Woods and nearby neighborhoods on mostly paved trails. On Indy's south side, go south on SR 135 and turn right onto West Banta Rd. Go about 1/2 mile and turn left off into Woodside Community Church, 329 West Banta, which is just past Lockwood Lane. Meet in the parking lot. Seek a restroom before you arrive since there are none on the hike. Repeats every Tuesday in March. (F, PS,3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 5:00 PM BEECH GROVE Meet at southeast corner of Emerson and Churchman in Beech Grove in the Churchman Hill Plaza behind the BP station for a 5-mile hike. Hike repeats each Tuesday in March. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593, 317-864-9574 cell)

Wednesday, March 6

Ash Wednesday

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6.
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 6.
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 6.
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 6.
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See February 6.
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 6.

Thursday, March 7

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See February 7
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5 See February 7.
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4 See February 7.
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3 See February 7.
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 7.

Friday, March 8

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 1.
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.
- 6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See March 1.

Saturday, March 9

- 8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See March 2.
- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 2.

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 2.

2:00 PM BAXTER YMCA TO SOUTHPORT RD Meet in SE corner of the parking lot for Baxter YMCA on Shelby St at Stop 11 Rd (south entrance). This is right off US 31 on Indy's south side. This is a neighborhood hike of 5 miles. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593 or 317-864-9574-cell)

Sunday, March 10 Daylight Savings Time Begins

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 3.

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 3.

2:00 PM SUNDY AFTERNOON WALK IN THE PARK Meet in the main parking lot at Newfields (Indianapolis Museum of Art) just west of Michigan Avenue on 38th St for a 4 mile hike at the museum and in 100 acre woods. Repeats on March 24 (F,NS/PS,2.5) Leader: Wilma Bailey (317-293-0051)

Monday, March 11

9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 11.

9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 4.

9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 4.

9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 4.

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 4.

4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See February 4.

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 4.

Tuesday, March 12

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 5.

9:00 AM FORT HARRISON TRAILS The bike trails we will hike twist and turn and are very scenic. From I-465 E go east on 56th St and turn left on Post Rd then turn left into the park (fee). Meet at the Cherry Tree parking lot for a 6-mile hike on natural surface. Hike repeats on March 26. (Map #18) (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mary Ladd (317-430-3711).

9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS See March 5.

9:30 AM MORGAN MONROE STATE FOREST See March 5.

9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE See February 12.

10:00 AM EARLY ST. PATRICKS'S IRISH HILL HIKE Meet at downtown Shapiros. Please park at the back of the parking lot. On this 6 mile hike we will visit the neighborhood where the early Irish immigrants settled. After the hike, join us for some Irish corn beef and cabbage at Shapiros (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)

5:00 PM BEECH GROVE See March 5.

Wednesday, March 13

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 6.

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 6.

9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 6.

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See February 6.

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 6.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE This will be a 5 to 7 mile self guided hike in downtown Indy. Meet at Needler's (formerly Marsh) parking lot at 320 N New Jersey, however we cannot guarantee that this lot will be available in which case you would need to park on the street. Hike repeats every Wednesday in March. (Map #26) (F,PS) Leader: John Lyghtel (317-578-9756, 317-626-9117 cell).

Thursday, March 14

9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See February 7

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5 See February 7.

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4 See February 7.

- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3 See February 7.
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 7.

Friday, March 15

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 1.
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.
1:00 PM BOOK CLUB HIKE Before the hike read *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles. The hike will be 5-6 miles with shorter options at a moderate pace through downtown Indy. Meet at Shapiro's Deli at 808 S. Meridian ST (and McCarty ST.) Park on the southwest side of the lot away from the building. We will hike to the Omni Severin Hotel for the book discussion and a tour. The discussion will be in the back lobby or at the Starbucks in the hotel. Afterwards we will hike past other historic hotel locations. You do not need to read the book to join the hike and discussion. (Map #41) (F,PS,3) Leader: Katy Smith (317-966-8702)
6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See March 1.

Multi-Day Trip: Winter Weekend at McCormick's State Park – March 15,16,17

WINTER WEEKEND AT MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK This is a fun mid-winter Club tradition for members and their guests. You should have already booked your rooms at the Canyon Inn at McCormick's Creek State Park for Friday and Saturday night. If not, call the DNR central reservations number (877-563-4371) and give them our group code of 0315HC. Act quickly since the cutoff for the Club's block of rooms is February 14. Hikes are planned for Saturday at 9:30 AM and 2:00 PM and Sunday at 9:00 AM. All hikes will begin at the Inn. Day hikers are welcome to come down and hike with the overnights. Allow 1½ hours from I-465 S. Take SR 67 southwest to Spencer and SR 46 east to the park (fee). (M,NS,2.5-3) Contact Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 or 317-412-5190 cell) for additional information.

Saturday, March 16

- 8:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 2
8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See March 2.
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 2.
9:30 AM MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK Follow the directions in Winter Weekend write-up. Meet at Canyon Inn for hikes of 4-5 miles with shorter options and 6 miles. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-412- 5190)
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 2.
2:00 PM MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK Follow the directions in Winter Weekend write-up. Meet at the Canyon Inn for hikes of 4-5 miles with shorter options and 6 miles. Come early and have lunch at the Inn with the other hikers. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-412- 5190)

Sunday, March 17

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 3.
9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 3.
9:00 AM MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK Follow the directions in Winter Weekend write-up. Meet at the Canyon Inn for a hike of 4-5 miles with shorter options. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (cell 317-412-5190)

Monday, March 18

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK Meet at food court near Dick's on the north side of Castleton Square between the hours of 8-10 AM for a self-guided 1-12 mile hike. Hike repeats on remaining Mondays in March. (Map #54)(F,PS) Leader: Dick Bacon (317-585-8742)
9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 11.
9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 4.
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 4.
4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 4.
4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See February 4.

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 4.

Tuesday, March 19

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 5.

9:00 AM WELCOME SPRING (Note earlier start time) Meet at downtown Shapiros . Please park at the back of the parking lot. On this 6 mile hike we will watch for signs of Spring and enjoy each other's company. (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)

9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS See March 5.

9:30 AM MORGAN MONROE STATE FOREST See March 5.

5:00 PM BEECH GROVE See March 5.

Wednesday, March 20 *First Day of Spring*

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 6.

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 6.

9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 6.

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See February 6.

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 6.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See March 13.

Thursday, March 21

9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See February 7.

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5 See February 7.

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4 See February 7.

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3 See February 7.

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 7.

Friday, March 22

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See March 18.

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 1.

9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 1.

9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.

6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See March 1.

Saturday, March 23

8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See March 2.

9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 2.

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 2.

10:30 AM SPRING MILL STATE PARK Meet in front of the Spring Mill Inn for a 6-7 mile hike. The park is located at 3333 IN-60, Mitchell, IN 47446. Allow 1¾ hours travel time from I-465 S. Take SR 37 south through Bloomington and Bedford to Mitchell. Turn left on IN-60 E and travel approximately 5 miles to the park. Scenic sights will be the Donaldson Woods Nature Preserve, Donaldson Cave, Hamer Pioneer Cemetery and Pioneer Village. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943-cell)

Sunday, March 24

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 3.

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 3.

1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See February 10.

2:00 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON WALK IN THE PARK See March 10.

2:00 PM OLD TOWN WAVERLY PARK Old Town Waverly Park is an official Indiana Bicentennial Legacy Project that was dedicated in September 2016. Address is 8425 Main St, Martinsville. From I-465 SW, take SR 37 south 10 miles. Turn right on SR 144 and go 0.3 mi to Old Hwy 37. Turn left and

go approx 1 mile to Main St. Turn right and after about 1/4 mile the parking lot will be on the left.
Hike is 5 miles. (F,PS,3) Leader: Mary Williams (317-919-8574)

Monday, March 25

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See March 18.
- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 11.
- 9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 4.
- 9:30 AM MASTER NATURALIST HIKE A 4-5-mile hike at Eagle Creek Park. On this hike we will visit the Ornithology Center. After the orientation we will hike the Cofferdam Trail and the Boy Scout Trail and view the birds. Park at the Ornithology Center. The park may be entered from either the 71st Street or 56th St. entrances (fee). (M,NS,2.0-2.5) Leader: Phil Coons (317-402-8810 cell).
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 4.
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 4.
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See February 4.
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 4.

Tuesday, March 26

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 5.
- 9:00 AM FORT HARRISON TRAILS See March 12.
- 9:00 AM CLERMONT NORTHSIDE We will visit the northside of my hometown of Clermont on this 6 mile hike and climb a hill. We will meet at The Clermont Lions' Club Park. From the west leg of 465 take exit 16A onto Crawfordsville Road West. Go to the 5th stoplight which is Tansel Rd. Turn left and go 1/3 mile. The park is on your left. (F,PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-652-2779 C) (329-2779 H)
- 9:30 AM MORGAN MONROE STATE FOREST See March 5
- 9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE See February 12.
- 9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS See March 5.
- 5:00 PM BEECH GROVE See March 5.

Wednesday, March 27

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 6.
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 6.
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 6.
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See February 6.
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 6.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See March 13.

Thursday, March 28

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See February 7
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5 See February 7.
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4 See February 7.
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3 See February 7.
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 7.

Friday, March 29

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 1.
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.
- 6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See March 1.

Saturday, March 30

- 8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See March 2.
- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 2.
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 2.

10:00 AM PATE HOLLOW Allow 1 ½ hours from I 465 S. Take SR37/I-69 south to Bloomington. Take Exit 120, go east on SR46 to SR446. Turn right (south) on to SR446 and go for about 6 miles. Look for the Paynetown State Recreation entrance on the right. Park behind the building. This will be a 7 mile hike on a loop trail. Plan on having lunch at a local restaurant after the hike. (M,NS,2) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972-cell)

Sunday, March 31

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 3.

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 3.

1:30 PM AVON PARKS This will be a 5-6 mile hike in two Avon Parks on paved and natural trail surfaces. Meet at the Avon Town Hall upper parking lot by the playground. Scenic sights will be the Town Hall Lake, historic 1875 Whipple Iron Truss Bridge and historic 1906 "Haunted" Avon Bridge. This park is located at 570 E US 36. From I-465 W, exit on US 36 (Rockville Rd) and travel west about 8 miles, turning right into the park. Bathrooms are available. (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)

PREVIEW OF FUTURE HIKES AND EVENTS:

NO FRILLS HALF MARATHON – April 6 The 3rd Annual No Frills Half Marathon (no frills, no tee shirts, no drinks, no police escort, but also no cost) to be held on Saturday, April 6, a bit earlier than the prior two years. See April schedule for details. Contact Tish Brafford if you want to know more at tish34@comcast.net or 317-531-6700 cell.

22nd ANNUAL SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG WEEKEND – April 25-27 Mark your calendar for the annual Club trip to Smoky Mountains National Park. It's not too early to make your room reservations in Gatlinburg, TN. Some suggestions are Riverhouse at the Park (865-436-2070), Bearskin Lodge on the River (across the street from Riverhouse) (865-430-4330) and Carr's Cottages & Motel (865-436-4836). Jim Shoufler will be coordinating the trip. Contact Jim at 317-697-0744 if you have any questions.

HOCKING HILLS STATE PARK, LOGAN, OHIO - May 16-17 Join us for two days of hiking in the beautiful Ohio state park, Hocking Hills. Hocking Hills is comprised of scenic rock formations, waterfalls and unique forests to make this park one of the gems in Ohio's state park system. This park is Ohio's most visited state park. We will be hiking old favorite trails as well as two new trails that opened since the club last visited. Moderate with some challenging sections of trails planned. Shorter options available. Hikes are planned on the 16th & 17th with travel days before and after. To learn more about the area check out www.explorehockinghills.com. Download the Hocking Hills App for more information on the area. However, cell phone reception is spotty at best in the park. The latest Visitor's Guide may be ordered online or by calling 1-800-462-5464. There are many cabins, B&BS and hotels/motels as lodging options listed in the Visitors' Guide. A new first class Hocking Hills 11,500 square foot Visitors' Center is under construction and nearing completion. The park is approximately 225 miles from Indianapolis. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact Terry Roesch the trip leader/organizer at 317-910-2943 cell or troesch1@indy.rr.com.

MICHIGAN'S UPPER PENINSULA - September 22-25 Similar to the trip we did in 2016, we will lead a hiking trip to the scenic Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Hikes are planned for September 23, 24 and the morning of September 25. We have reserved a block of rooms for the nights of September 22, 23 and 24 at the North Star Hotel Pictured Rocks, E9681 East M-28 Wetmore, MI 49895, 906-387-2466, northstarhotelpr@gmail.com. This is the same base hotel as our previous visit. The hotel offers single king bed and double queen bed rooms, for \$129.88 per night plus tax. When calling please mention that you are calling in reference to the Indianapolis Hiking Club block of rooms. Call early since this is not a large hotel and rooms are limited. If you need alternative arrangements or plan to camp, please call the leader. Look for more details, including planned hikes and driving directions, in future schedules. In the meantime, if you have any questions or suggestions please contact the trip organizer, Bill Halik by email at yooper1954@gmail.com or at 317-523-6058.

UPPER PENINSULA EXTENSION – September 26-27 John Lyghtel and Jean Ballinger are planning two additional days of hiking on the return from Bill Halik's UP trip. On September 26 John will lead a hike at Tahquamenon Falls and on September 27 Jean will lead a hike at Mackinac Island. Look for more information, including hotel recommendations, in future schedules.

PLEASE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

Karen Graves	Indianapolis, IN	Mike Graves	Indianapolis, IN
Nancy McMillian	Indianapolis, IN		

WELCOME BACK THE FOLLOWING REINSTATED MEMBERS:

Karen Paxson	Greenwood, IN
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RECENT MILEAGE AWARDS:

Allan Roberts	39000	Marty Johnson	3000	Cheryl Conces	200
Rick Kinnaman	31000	Philip Coons	2000	Dewey Conces	200
Cherie Voege	27000	Lothar Nitz	2000	Sandra Nichols	200
Ed Wright	22000	Theresa Ray	2000	Neil Anderson	100
Mary Lang	16000	Judy Robinson	1500	Cheryl Conces	100
Jeff Edmondson	11500	Dennis Hardin	1000	Dewey Conces	100
Kae Ramey	11000	Robert Dickinson	1000	Deborah Dirk	100
Rena Elsner	9000	Beverly Hiner	400	Mary Barbara Miller	100
Lee Kestle	6500	Christel Norcross	400		
Mervyn Cohen	3500	Mark Copher	300		

MEMBER NEWS: We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of the following members:

Long time member, Peggy Lavagnino passed away on Saturday, December 1. Peggy was married to 50 year member Ed Lavagnino who still hikes regularly.

Long time member Mary Ann Cline's husband Dave passed away on January 5.

We wish all the best to the following members:

Jackie King had a knee replacement in early December and is already walking about a mile at a time.

Emily Hudson-Burch is on the mend since having surgery on her arm after a fall in late December.

Jill McFall is recovering very well since having a full knee replacement in early December.

Mike Schultz is on the mend from hip replacement surgery late December.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION:

From Ed Wright: I am continuing to improve but will need therapy for some time to come. I sincerely appreciates all the cards and well wishes.

WANT MORE INFORMATION? For more information about our Club, including history, past hike schedules, how to join, contacts, etc. please visit our website at www.indyhike.org or contact our Membership Officer Barb Strite, 234 N Raceway Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46234 (317-271-7263, brstrite@att.net). To become a member you must be 18 years old and have hiked with us at least twice as a guest. That's it. A Membership Application may be printed from the "forms" page on the website or ask Barb to send you one. You do not have to be invited to hike with us and there is no fee. Simply show up for any hike 10 minutes before the scheduled start time (we start on time), but please no pets unless the hike is designated as a "pet hike."

