



# The Indianapolis Hiking Club

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## SCHEDULE FOR APRIL AND MAY 2020

(Please – no pets except on designated pet hikes)

Celebrating 63 Years of Sponsoring Hikes and Outings

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

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](mailto:jeanballinger77@gmail.com) for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-445-5646) [ewright@indyhike.org](mailto:ewright@indyhike.org) for weekdays. 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](http://www.indyhike.org/locations.shtml).

### INDIANAPOLIS HIKING CLUB COVID-19 POLICY UPDATE

On Thursday March 19 the Board of Directors met and approved publishing the April/May hike schedule with the full understanding that is unlikely that many of the hikes listed in the schedule will actually take place because of Covid-19 concerns. This decision was made in recognition of recent federal, state and local regulations regarding group activities. At this point, due to the limited number of hikers participating in any one activity, our hikes will continue as scheduled. Each member should evaluate his/her personal situation and decide whether or not to participate in any Club activity based on the risks involved to themselves or others. If you have flu-like symptoms, including fever, coughing, sneezing, sore throat, shortness of breath, etc., please do not hike and put others in danger. If a hike leader decides to cancel a hike, our usual procedure will be followed. The Board will continue to monitor the situation and issue updates as needed.

If you plan to attend a hike please check your email and the Club website Home Page News to see if the hike has been cancelled. If you are not yet a member of Yahoo Groups now is the time to join (it is free), so you can receive all broadcast emails, like hike cancellations. Better yet, during these volatile times, it would be wise to phone the leader and confirm that the hike is still on and what arrangements will exist for restroom breaks, since many facilities that we normally rely on may be closed.

We have asked all hike leaders to use a new sign-up sheet available on the "Forms" page on the Club website, which includes the following Covid-19 warning: By participating on this hike you are indicating that you are not experiencing any flu-like symptoms. We are also asking hike leaders to sign-in everyone on their hike, to prevent the pen from being passed around. Once the hike is underway the hike leader should encourage hikers to maintain a safe-distance (at least 6 feet) apart. Finally, if more than 10 people show up for a hike, we are asking the hike leader to break the hike into multiple sections, so that no section exceeds 10 hikers.

**ITEMS OF NOTE IN THIS SCHEDULE:** Katy Smith will lead a Book Club hike on Friday, April 17 and Marsha Hutchins will lead one on Friday, May 29. Mary Ann Layman and Ed Wright will lead popular Wildflower hikes every Tuesday and the last Sunday in April. Several Smoky Mountain tune up hikes are planned by Jim Goulding for Saturday, April 4 and Saturday, April 11. Tish Brafford has scheduled her annual No Frills Half Marathon on Saturday, April 14. Greg Harger, who spoke at the last General Assembly, will lead us on another adventure on the Urban Wilderness Trail in downtown Indy on Sunday, April 19. Memorial Hikes are planned for Anna Gehring on Monday, May 4 and for Ron Clark on Saturday, May 9. What would Memorial Day weekend be without a hike at Gnaw Bone Camp? Mary Ann Layman has one scheduled on Saturday, May 23. See write-up on the appropriate date for details.

**CLUB DECALS:** We have had many requests to order more Indianapolis Hiking Club decals featuring the Club logo, well we have and they have arrived. These are NON-ADHESIVE, REMOVABLE interior clings for your vehicle. They may be purchased for \$1.00 from most board members. Hike leaders may contact Susan Sievers (317-513-5239) and arrange to get a supply of decals.

**CLUB ROSTER UPDATES:** We apologize for accidentally omitting the first four names on the January 2020 Club Roster of names and addresses. The following people have given us permission to publish them here. Please update your 2020 roster with the following information:

Tony Abbott is at the same address as last year's roster.

Cheryl and Steve Abner: 947 Silver Creek Way, Greenwood IN 46142; 317-883-2287

Janet Acevedo: 7057 Broadway St, Indianapolis IN 46220; 317-518-5257

**CONSERVATION MATTERS:** Following are a few suggestions from John Bacone our Director of Conservation.

- Support native pollinators, plant native species. This year's Indiana Native Plant Society sale will be held on Saturday May 9, from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM at the Keep Indianapolis Beautiful Warehouse at 3655 E Raymond. This is a great chance to pick up native plants and benefit pollinators, your backyard, and a good cause. More info at [webmaster@indiananativeplants.org](mailto:webmaster@indiananativeplants.org).
- Another great way to benefit pollinators, namely native bees, is to set up a native bee barn. Costco has them for about \$24.00.

**PRESIDENT'S CORNER:** Greetings, fellow hikers. Spring is the season that many hikers enjoy the most, but with the advent of the COVID-19 crisis, hiking for many members may not be in their best interest. I cannot emphasize enough that we all need to evaluate our own personal situation and decide whether hiking poses a risk to ourselves or others. If you decide to hike, be sure to have the hike leader sign you in and keep a 6 foot distance between you and anyone else on the hike. Be supportive of our hike leaders and any other instructions they feel are appropriate to keep everyone safe. Also, we are a community of people who enjoy hiking and we care for the well-being of our fellow hikers. If anyone needs assistance with shopping or other services, don't hesitate to reach out to your hiking friends.

Many members are interested in the West Side Trail Project at Eagle Creek Park. As you may know, the Eagle Creek Foundation was awarded a \$2.6 million grant from the Lilly Endowment, Inc. to develop more than 1000 acres of existing park land for public use. I contacted the Eagle Creek Park Manager for an update on this project. The first phase of the project began in 2019 and completion is expected in 2021. There will be two ADA accessible trails of approximately one mile each. The paved ADA trail accessible at Eagle's Crest has been completed. Currently there is a gate at the entrance off of Fishback Road. There are a few parking spots outside the gate, but eventually an automated gate will be installed that will allow individuals with an Eagle Creek Park pass to enter and park in the parking areas that already exist. There will be permanent, porta potty restrooms at this location. The other ADA trail will be located near the Bear parking lot off of 56th St. This trail will be compacted gravel to help distinguish it from the existing paved Greenway trail that runs along 56th St from the Bear parking lot to Raceway Rd. There will be an observation deck on this trail. Upon completion, another automated gate will be installed at this location. A longer, approximately 7 mile natural surface trunk trail will connect the two ADA trails. Currently some small cedar bridges are being built along the route of the trunk trail. A larger prefabricated bridge will then be put in place. There will also be a 150 foot long bridge

installed over a large ravine on the trail in the upcoming months. After the bridge work is completed, the trail work will be accelerated.

In addition to the trails, work is currently being done near Eagle's Crest to repair erosion along the reservoir. A French drain is being installed to help with standing water in some areas.

Currently, there is access to the paved ADA trail by parking at the Scott Starling Nature Sanctuary off of Wilson Road and hiking from the existing trail to the ADA trail. Some upgrades have been made to this trail as well. There are two small parking lots off of Wilson Road and eventually the smaller lot will be closed. I plan to lead some hikes from this area in the summer and I hope other leaders will be encouraged to do so as well. It will be exciting to see the progress being made on this long planned project!

See you on the trail,  
Marti Burton, President  
Indianapolis Hiking Club

## HIKE SCHEDULE

### **Wednesday, April 1**      *April "Fools" Day*

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - WEDNESDAY 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 April and May. (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 April and May. Join us at a nearby Starbuck's after the hike. (Map #40)(M,NS,3-3.5) Leader: Rob Dickinson (317-681-1119)
- 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 April and May. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (317-407-4652)
- 9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL From US 31 in Carmel go east on W Main St past Guilford Rd to Meadow Lane. Turn left and go north to the park located at 450 Meadow Lane and meet just inside the park entrance. We take turns leading this 5 mile hike and will walk different places in Carmel each week. Hike repeats each Wednesday in April and May. (Map #58)(F,PS,3.25) Leader: Cherie Voege (317-848-7674) or other leaders.
- 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 April and May. (F,PS,3) Leader: Joan Griffiths (317-297-7312)
- 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 April and May. (Map #41) (F,PS,2.5-3) Leaders: Harold Crooks (317-730-4850) and Susanne McNeely (317 384-2909)
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY 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 may walk outside. Hike repeats every Wednesday in April and May. (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 April and May. (Map #34) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586)

**Thursday, April 2**

- 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, from time to time the leaders may change the route. Hike repeats every Thursday in April and May. (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 - FIVE MILE 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 April and May. 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 - FOUR MILE Same directions, repeat dates and lunch invite as Easy at Eagle Creek - Five Mile. 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 - THREE MILE Same directions, repeat dates and lunch invite as Easy at Eagle Creek - Five Mile. This is a 3 mile hike at an even slower pace, mostly on roads and groomed trails. (M,PS/HS/NS,2.50-2.75) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078)
- 10:30 AM SOME MORE EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS Meet on the Pennsy Trail in Irvington for a 5 mile hike through some different eastside neighborhoods in addition to the ones we have hiked in the past. We will also explore the Bosart-Brown, Emerson Heights, Little Flower, and Community Heights neighborhoods. Directions - from the north - I-65 to I-70, take the Emerson Ave exit to East Washington St, turn left, drive east through Irvington and turn right on Audubon Rd just past the Irvington Public Library, which is on the right. Restrooms available at the Library. Go to the second stop sign on Audubon Rd, turn right on Bonna Ave, and park on the north side of the street next to the Pennsy Trail. From the south - drive north on Emerson Ave to East Washington St, turn right and drive east to Audubon Rd, turn right just past the Irvington Library go to the second stoplight on Bonna Ave, park on the southside of the street next to the trail. Please join us for lunch at any of Irvington's great restaurants. Hike repeats on all Thursdays in April and May 7 & May 14. (F,PS,3) Leader: Melinda Jones (317-850-2500)
- 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 April and May. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

**Friday, April 3**

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE Susan will lead a brisk 6-mile road hike. 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 April and May. (Map #34) (M,PS,4) Leader: Susan Sievers (317-344-2635, 317-513-5239)
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE -MODERATE PACE This will be a slower 4-5 mile version of the longer/faster hike that Susan Sievers will lead from the same starting location and start time. Expect a different route each week through scenic Zionsville, however not necessarily the same route that Susan will take. Join us for coffee after the hike. Hike repeats every Friday in April and May. (Map #34) (M,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586) or various other leaders
- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - FRIDAY 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 April and May. (Map #54)(F,PS) Leader: Rick Kinnaman (317-407-9746)
- 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 April and May. (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 April and May. (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, April 4**

- 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 April and May. Note time change in May. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 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. Hike repeats all Saturdays in April and May except May 2. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (317-407-4652)
- 9:00 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK - SMOKIES PREP HIKE 1 From I-465 S take I-65 south to Columbus exit and SR 46 west to Brown County SP (fee). Or take SR 135 south to Nashville and turn left (east) on SR 46 to the park entrance. After entering the park follow signs to the campground. Turn right when you see the sign for the campground registration. On your immediate right and just before you go through the campground gate is the parking lot for the Rally Campground and Ogle Hollow Nature Preserve. Meet there for a 10-11 mile hike. (M,NS,3) Leader: Jim Goulding (317-695-8744)
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN Meet in the free parking lot 1/2 block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a self-guided 6 or 10-mile hike. Repeats every Saturday in April and May. (Map #16) (F,PS) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

### **Sunday, April 5**

- 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 April and May.(F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Marti Burton (317-306-9878)
- 9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in the free parking lot 1/2 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 April and May. (Map #16)(F,PS,3-3.25) Leader: Kathy Whalen (317-409-3265)
- 1:00 PM GRIFFY LAKE BLOOMINGTON From I-465 S take SR 37 / I-69 S to SR 46 East, Exit 120A. Continue on SR 46. At the 4th traffic light turn left onto Matlock Rd. Follow Matlock Rd to Headley Rd, turn left and continue on to the lake. Meet across the causeway at the boat house parking area on the right. This will be a 5-6 mile hike on a natural trail (M,NS,2) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)
- 1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O From I-465 W take exit 16A to Crawfordsville Rd west thru Clermont to Hornaday Rd in Brownsburg, turn left and go about 5-6 miles to Cardinal Park parking lot just north of 3300 Hornaday Rd, west side of road. This is a change in parking from previous hikes. This will be 6-8 miles out and back self guided hike. There are bathrooms under construction, hopefully open by this schedule. Repeats May 24 and 31. (F,PS) Leader Kae Ramey (317-701-5805 cell)

### **Monday, April 6**

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - MONDAY 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 all Mondays in April and May. (Map #54)(F,PS) Leader: Dick Bacon (317-585-8742)
- 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 May 4. (Map #40) (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Kate Curtiss (317-247-0283)

- 9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK Meet at 6901 Derbyshire Rd behind the former Southport Police Station for an 8-mile hike. Hike repeats each Monday in April and May. (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY: TOWPATH, BUTLER & ROCKY RIPPLE From North Meridian go west on 56th for two blocks. Park along either side of Kenwood. (Please do not park in CVS or grocery lots.) Restrooms available at the Food Emporium and Starbucks at 56th& Illinois. Walk will have 3, 4, and 5 mile options. Hike repeats on April 27 and May 18. (F,PS/HS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078)
- 1:00 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK Meet at Unitarian Universalist Church of Indianapolis parking lot at 615 W 43rd St for a guided 5-6 mile hike exploring Butler University and surrounding area. There are many sites to explore in this neighborhood. Hike repeats 4/15, 4/22, 4/27 & 5/6. (F/M,PS,3) Leader: Kathy Whalen (317-409-3265)
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON 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 may walk outside. Hike repeats every Monday in April and May. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING Meet at Geist Coffee parking lot at the northwest corner of Fall Creek Rd and Brooks School Rd for a 6-8 mile hike through scenic neighborhoods. Hike repeats each Monday evening in April and May. (Map #25)(F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)
- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE Note return to normal 6 PM start time for this recurring hike. Meet in free parking lot that is 1/2 block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a hike of 5-6 miles. Hike repeats every Monday in April and May, except May 25. (Map #16) (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Jean Ballinger (317-696-2120)

## **Tuesday, April 7**

- 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 April and May. (Map #51) (F,PS) Leader: Jo Anne Starzyk (317-771-0914)
- 9:30 AM N.E. COACHMAN PARK HIKE, CLEARWATER, FL Directions from Mainlands, turn right and drive North on US 19N. Take the exit towards Drew Street from US 19N. Turn left on Drew Street. Turn right on Old Coachman Rd, Joe Dimaggio's field on left and Brighthouse field on right, continue over small bridge and on left you will see the NE Coachman Park. We park on right side, near Coachman Rd inside the park. Let's plan on eating at a local restaurant after the hike. (F,NS/PS,3.0) Leader: Elaine R. Wright (317-753-5516)
- 9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS 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 into the Baptist 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 April and May. (F,PS,3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is 1/2 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 whatever. Hike repeats on Wednesday April 29 and May 12 & 26. (Map #16)(M,NS/HS/PS,2.75) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)
- 1:00 PM WILDFLOWER HIKE AT HOLLIDAY PARK This is the first of four wildflower hikes every Tuesday and the last Sunday in April, all but the first will be led by Mary Ann Layman who provides expert commentary. Each hike will be at a different location known for the diversity of its wildflowers. Since wildflowers are sensitive to cold, a 1:00 PM start time gives them a chance to open up. Because of the diversity of terrain and numerous water sources, Holliday Park is arguably the best place in the Indy area to view wildflowers. Meet at the Nature Center parking lot, 6340 Spring Mill Rd, for a 4 mile hike. Hike repeats on Sunday, April 26 to give people who are unable to make Tuesday hikes a chance to see late blooming wildflowers. (Map #47) (M,NS/PS,2.5) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)

6:00 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 April. (F,PS,3-3,5) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593, 317-864-9574 cell)

### **Wednesday, April 8**

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1  
9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 1  
9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 1  
9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 1  
9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 1  
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### **Thursday, April 9**

9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 2  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 2  
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9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 2  
10:30 AM SOME MORE EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS See Thursday, April 2  
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 2

### **Friday, April 10** *Good Friday*

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, April 3  
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### **Saturday, April 11**

8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 4  
9:00 AM BLOOMINGTON TRAIL SOUTH From I-465 S take SR37/I-69 S to Exit 116 (Tapp Rd). Continue on Tapp / Country Club Rd to just before the Walnut St traffic light. Turn left into the shopping plaza. Park behind the Old National Bank. This will be a 6-mile hike with a 4 mile option on a natural trail. After the hike plan on having lunch at a local restaurant. (F,NS,2.5) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)  
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9:00 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK - SMOKIES PREP HIKE 2 From I-465 S take I-65 south to Columbus exit and then SR 46 west to Brown County SP (fee). Alternately you can take SR 135 south from Indy thru Nashville and SR 46 east to the park entrance. After entering the park follow signs to Ogle Lake. Meet there for a 12 mile hike. (M,NS,3) Leader: Jim Goulding (317-695-8744)  
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 4  
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, April 12** *Easter Sunday*

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 5  
9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 5

### **Monday, April 13**

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - MONDAY See Monday, April 6  
9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 6

- 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 brisk 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 April and May, except May 4. (Map #40)(M,PS,3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586)
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY Enjoy a scenic walk in America's fourth largest private cemetery established in 1863 and final resting place to many famous Hoosiers and more than 100 tree species. 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. Options of 3, 4 and 5 miles. Hike repeats on May 4 and 25. (Map #42)(M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078)
- 9:30 AM PLAINFIELD TRAILS Join us for an 8-mile hike with a 6-mile option. Terrain is easy on paved trails. Route will be different on each date this hike is scheduled. Meet at the north parking lot at the Plainfield Recreation Center located at 651 Vestal Rd., Plainfield. From I-465 W, exit on Washington St and travel west about 8.4 miles going through Plainfield. Turn right at the first stop light west of town onto Vestal Rd. Travel to the roundabout; take first right onto Pike Ln and park in the north lot on the left. This hike repeats on April 20. Bathrooms available. (Map #50) (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, April 6
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 6
- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, April 6

### **Tuesday, April 14**

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 7
- 9:30 AM JOHN S. TAYLOR PARK, LARGO, FL From Mainlands travel north on US 19 to Ulmerton Rd. Turn left (west) and travel to Ridge Rd turn right and travel to Eighth Ave turn left there will be a Family Dollar Store on left. The entrance to the park will be on the left hand side. We will park in the first parking Lot on the left closest to the Pinellas Trail entrance. (F,PS,3.0) Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)
- 9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 7
- 9:30 AM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK Enjoy a quiet 5-milehike through forested parkland. From I-465 NE 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. Hike repeats on May 5 & 19. (Map #18) (M,NS,2.75) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)
- 1:00 PM WILDFLOWER HIKE AT MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK We usually see more varieties of wildflowers at this state park than at any other location. From I-465 SW, take SR 67 southwest to Spencer. Turn left (east) on SR 46 and proceed to park entrance (fee). Meet at the Nature Center for a 4-5 mile hike to enjoy the many wildflowers. Those that want to come early, can meet other hikers at Chambers Restaurant in Spencer. To get to Chambers, turn right, west, on SR 46 and go to Main St (stoplight) and turn left and go several blocks to Market, turn right and Chambers will be on your left just before the next intersection, South Montgomery St. (M,NS/PS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home, 317-412-5190 cell)
- 6:00 PM BEECH GROVE See Tuesday, April 7

### **Wednesday, April 15**      *Taxes Due Today*

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 1
- 1:00 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK See Monday, April 6
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 1

### **Thursday, April 16**



- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 2  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 2  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 2  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 2  
10:30 AM SOME MORE EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS See Thursday, April 2  
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 2

### Friday, April 17

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, April 3  
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE -MODERATE PACE See Friday, April 3  
8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - FRIDAY See Friday, April 3  
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 3  
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 3  
1:00 PM BOOK CLUB HIKE - DOWNTOWN INDY Before the hike read *The Woman in the Window* by A. J. Finn. We will walk to IndyReads on Mass Ave for the book discussion. The 5-mile hike will start at Shapiro's Deli at 808 S. Meridian St (and McCarty St) at 1 pm. Please park on the southwest section of the lot, away from the building. We will pass a couple of Indy connections to the book on the hike. NOTE: If you choose to hike 2 miles instead, park at IndyReads, 911 Massachusetts Ave, at 1:45 pm. 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 OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, April 3

### Saturday, April 18

- 8:00 AM NO FRILLS HALF MARATHON No shirts, no medals, no water stations and NO FEES. This 13.1 mile half marathon is self guided. Restrooms will be located 2 1/2 miles from start location at WalMart and at the turn around in Fort Harrison. We will meet in the parking lot at Binford & Fall Creek. Directions to the parking lot: Go south on Keystone to 46th St. Turn east to Allisonville Rd. Turn right/south and go to the next stop light. At that stop light go straight, crossing Binford, and the parking lot will be on the right. We will walk the Fall Creek Greenway trail north, to the Shaffer Restrooms (across from the sledding hill) in Ft. Harrison and back. Any questions, please call Tish Brafford (317-251-8907, 317-531-6700 cell) or Mary Bruss (317-308-0182). Be sure to leave nothing visible in your car.  
8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 4  
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, April 4  
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 4  
10:00 AM YELLOWWOOD AND SCARCE O'FAT HIKE Note, this hike has been moved to May 10. Join us for a 10-mile hike with a 5-mile option. This hike will be around Yellowwood Lake (short moderate option) and include an additional 4.7 miles on the Scarce O'Fat loop trail (more challenging). An approximate address is 772 Lake Rd., Nashville. Travel to Nashville and at intersection of SR 46 & 135 travel west on SR46 for about 5 miles. Look for the Yellowwood SF sign at Knights Corner. Turn right onto Yellowwood Rd. Meet at the Yellowwood State Forest Shelter House and Picnic Area. Look for prominent state park sign near the access road to the shelter house and parking lot. The shelter house is just north of the campgrounds and is south of the main park office. Bring water and trail lunch. (NS,2.5-2.75) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)

### Sunday, April 19

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 5  
9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 5  
1:00 PM URBAN WILDERNESS TRAIL Greg Harger is taking us on another adventure on the "Urban Wilderness Trail". Everyone really enjoyed the last hike he took us on. He is very knowledgeable and interesting and his enthusiasm is contagious. If you recall, Greg, who is project manager of the Urban Wilderness Trail along the White River, was the guest speaker at our General Assembly last September. For this 6 mile hike (shorter options available), we will meet at Martin Park. The address is 1500 Fall Creek Pkwy East Dr. The north end of the park is on 16th St. From the intersection of Martin Luther King Jr. St. and 16th St. go west for 1 block and the park and parking lot is on your left.

Do join us for this great hiking opportunity. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779, 317-652-2779 cell)

**Monday, April 20**

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - MONDAY See Monday, April 6

9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 6

9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, April 13

9:30 AM RIVER ROAD PARK CARMEL We will hike the trails in River Road Park in Carmel down to the White River and explore trails in nearby neighborhoods for 5-6 miles. From I-465 N take Keystone Ave north to 116th St and turn east, go 2.4 miles to River Rd. Turn north onto River Rd and go 1.2 miles to River Road Park. Note you will pass River Heritage Park. Park in the south lot. There are restrooms at the park. (F,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leaders: June Sergi (317-372-3018) and Cherie Voege (317-848-7674)

9:30 AM SLOW & EASY BROAD RIPPLE PARK & BEYOND Park in Community Center parking area at the front of Broad Ripple Park, 1550 Broad Ripple Ave. Options of 3, 4, and 5 miles. Hike repeats on May 11. (Map #57)(F,HS/PS/NS, 2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078)

9:30 AM PLAINFIELD TRAILS See Monday, April 13

4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, April 6

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 6

6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, April 6

**Tuesday, April 21**

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 7

9:00 AM B & O TRAIL AND SPEEDWAY This is the first of three hikes on the B&O rail trail on three consecutive Tuesdays. On this first hike we will traverse portions of the B & O rail trail that are in the town of Speedway. We will also see some of the surrounding neighborhoods. From I-465 W take 10th St exit going east. Go to the 2nd stoplight and turn left onto Lynhurst Dr and go north. Turn left onto 15th St. Meet at Leonard Park located one block west of Lynhurst at 5400 W 15th St. The parking lot is on the south side of the street behind the police station. (F/NS,PS/3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779, 317-652-2779 cell)

9:30 AM BOCA CIEGA MILLENIUM PARK, SEMINOLE, FL From Mainlands turn left (south) on US 19 and travel to Park Blvd then right(west). Optional way is to drive north to Bryan Dairy Rd and then west, Bryan Dairy Rd changes to 118th and this is usually a quieter road. Travel as far west as 125th St turn left (south) and then left on 74th Ave. The Park is on your right. We will park at the first area on your right, which is Parking Lot 1 and 2. Let us plan on having our season ending Pot Luck, pitch in, at my house after the hike. (F,PS/NS,3) Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)

9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 7

1:00 PM WILDFLOWER HIKE ON THE WEST SIDE OF EAGLE CREEK Take 56th St west pass the main entrance to Eagle Creek Park and continue across the causeway and take the first right into the fishermans parking lot which has the large iron sculpture of a bear (no fee). (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home or 317-412-5190 cell)

6:00 PM BEECH GROVE See Tuesday, April 7

**Wednesday, April 22**

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 1

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 1

9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 1

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 1

9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 1

1:00 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK See Monday, April 6

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 1

**Multi Day Trip: Thursday, April 23 - Saturday April 25**

Note, the following trip has been cancelled due to Covid-19 Virus Concerns. It will be rescheduled for October 2020

23rd ANNUAL SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG WEEKEND Allow 7 hours to travel 400 miles. Go southeast on I-74 to I-275. Go south on I-275 around Cincinnati to I-75 south. Go south on I-75 to Knoxville, TN. Go east on I-640 to I-40. Continue east on I-40 to Exit 407 (Highway 66 – Sevierville exit). Go south on Highway 66, which becomes US 441, to Gatlinburg. Arrange your own accommodations. See the Future Events section in the last schedule for hotel recommendations or call the leader. Wednesday and Sunday will be travel days. John Schlechte will lead morning and afternoon moderate 5-6 mile hikes and Jim Goulding will lead longer and more challenging all day hikes. On Thursday plan to meet at the Sugarland Visitor Center in the national park at 8:00 AM local (Gatlinburg) time. On Friday, all morning hikes (there are four options) will meet at a different location; check the hike description for where to meet. Most hikes will require a car shuttle to the trailhead. Check with the leader in the morning for the location of the afternoon hike. Bring water, snacks and lunch on all hikes. Contact John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell) if you have questions regarding the moderate hikes. Contact Jim Goulding (317-695-8744 cell) for questions about the long hikes.

### Thursday, April 23

- 8:00 AM SMOKY MOUNTAINS MODERATE MORNING HIKE - DAY 1 Meet at the Sugarland Visitors Center for a 5-6 mile hike with shorter options. Note, the start time and meeting location for the afternoon hike will be confirmed before this hike starts. (H,NS,2.5) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)
- 8:00 AM SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG HIKE - DAY 1 Meet at the Sugarland Visitors Center for a 12+ mile hike. The meeting location for subsequent longer hikes will be confirmed on the 1st day.(H,NS,3.0) Leader: Jim Goulding (317-695-8744)
- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 2
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 2
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 2
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 2
- 10:30 AM SOME MORE EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS See Thursday, April 2
- 1:00 PM SMOKY MOUNTAINS MODERATE AFTERNOON HIKE -DAY 1 The meeting location and start time for this afternoon 5-6 mile hike will be confirmed before the morning hike at the Sugarland Visitors Center. (H,NS,2.5) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 2

### Friday, April 24

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, April 3
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE -MODERATE PACE See Friday, April 3
- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - FRIDAY See Friday, April 3
- 8:00 AM SMOKY MOUNTAINS MODERATE MORNING HIKE - DAY 2 There will be three moderate hike options this morning, all begin at 8:00 AM.  
Option I: Alum Cave Trail Meet in the Alum Cave/Mt LeConte parking lot on the left side of Newfound Gap Rd (US441), 8.6 miles from the Sugarland Visitors Center. Please double up in your cars since parking space is limited. We will hike 2.3 miles out and back for a total of about 5 miles on a beautifully reconstructed woodland trail. This trail probably has the most spectacular scenery of any trail in the park. Note, the final approach to Alum Cave may be too strenuous for some. (H,NS,2-2.5) Leaders: John and Konnie Schlechte (317-294-2021)  
Option II: Mount LeConte Summit For those who want to make a full day of it, we will hike 2.3 miles to Alum Cave with the first group and then another 2.8 miles to the top of Mount LeConte. Bring lunch, snacks and plenty of water. We will have lunch on top where there are restrooms and a small gift shop. Total distance of this option is about 10 miles. (H,NS,2-2.5) Leader: John Schlechte  
Option III: Spring Wildflower Hike Meet at Chimneys Picnic Area on the right side of Newfound Gap Rd (US 441), 4.4 miles from the Visitors Center. Park near the restrooms. John Bacone, our Club's Director of Conservation and retired director of Indiana State Nature Preserves, will lead a 2 to 3 mile winding trail through a cove of old growth hardwood forest. There are more species of wildflowers along this trail than just about any place in the park. (F,NS,2.5) Leader: John Bacone (317-694-2523)

- 8:00 AM SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG HIKE - DAY 2 *Mount LeConte Summit* Meet at the Rainbow Falls Parking Area. From the parkway in Gatlinburg turn at traffic light #8 and follow the Historic Nature Trail into Great Smokies National Park. Continue past the Noah 'Bud' Ogle home site to the clearly marked Rainbow Falls parking area. Destination will be the summit of Mt. LeConte; out on the Trillium Gap Trail and returning on the Rainbow Falls Trail. Hike will be faster and about 5 miles longer than the moderate hike to the same destination. Total distance will be 15-16 miles. Bring plenty of water, lunch and or snacks. (H,NS,3.0) Leader: Jim Goulding (317-695-8744)
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 3
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 3
- 1:00 PM SMOKY MOUNTAINS MODERATE AFTERNOON HIKE - DAY 2 Actual hike details to be announced. Leader: Konnie Schlechte (317-417-5112)
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, April 3

### **Saturday, April 25**

- 8:00 AM SMOKY MOUNTAINS MORNING MODERATE HIKE - DAY 3 Hike details to be announced. (H,NS,2.5) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)
- 8:00 AM SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG HIKE - DAY 3 Hike details to be announced. (H,NS,3.0) Leader: Jim Goulding (317-695-8744)
- 8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 4
- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, April 4
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 4
- 10:00 AM MARY GRAY BIRD SANCTUARY WILDFLOWER HIKE This will be a 5-7 mile hike with shorter options to enjoy the wildflowers and woods of Mary Gray Bird Sanctuary. Go to Rushville your preferred way. In Rushville at the courthouse, go east on SR 44 for about 11 miles to CR 525 W (watch for large grain bins on your right). Turn right and go to the "T", turn left and go to the first road on your right (Bird Sanctuary Road). Turn right and go a few miles to where the road makes a sharp 90 degree turn to the left. The entrance to Mary Gray Bird Sanctuary is on the right at this 90 degree turn; watch closely for the entrance. Meet in the parking area on the right across from the "Red Barn". Bring a picnic to enjoy. (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home, 317-412-5190 cell) NOTE: cell service can be spotty at Mary Gray

### **Sunday, April 26**

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 5
- 9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 5
- 1:00 PM WILDFLOWER HIKE AT HOLLIDAY PARK See Tuesday, April 7

### **Monday, April 27**

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - MONDAY See Monday, April 6
- 9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 6
- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, April 13
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY: TOWPATH, BUTLER & ROCKY RIPPLE See Monday, April 6
- 9:30 AM VANDALIA TRAIL – AMO TO COATESVILLE Meet at the trailhead in Amo located at 5042 South St, Amo for an 8-mile walk with a 6-mile option. Terrain is easy on paved and gravel trails. This section of the Vandalia Trail is part of the National Road Heritage Trail, a 150-mile continuous system of multi-use trails that spans the state along the former Pennsylvania/Vandalia railroad corridors. A canopy of trees along this paved section of the trail and a bridge that spans Crittenden Creek provides natural scenery. From I-465 W, take US 40 (Washington St) west to Belleville. Turn right at SR 39 and travel into Clayton about two miles. Turn left at Iowa St and then immediately right at 500S. This becomes South St. Travel about 5 miles to the Amo parking lot on the south side of the street. Bathrooms available. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)
- 1:00 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK See Monday, April 6
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, April 6
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 6
- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, April 6

**Tuesday, April 28**

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 7

9:00 AM B & O, NEXT LEG This 6 mile hike takes us on the continuation of the B&O trail. We meet at Clermont Park. From I-465 W take exit 16A and head west toward Clermont and Crawfordsville. At the 5th stoplight turn left onto Tansel Rd and go .3 miles; Clermont Park will be on your left. (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779 or 317-652-2779 cell)

9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 7

1:00 PM WILDFLOWER HIKE AT MOUNDS STATE PARK Take I-69 north to Anderson, IN. Take exit 126 and go north (left) to SR 232. Turn right at SR 232 and follow the signs to Mounds State Park (fee) and meet in the Pavilion parking lot for a 4-5 mile hike. (Map #19) ( M,NS/PS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home or 317-412-5190 cell)

6:00 PM BEECH GROVE See Tuesday, April 7

**Wednesday, April 29**

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 1

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 1

9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 1

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 1

9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE See Tuesday, April 7

9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 1

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 1

**Thursday, April 30**

9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 2

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 2

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 2

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 2

10:30 AM SOME MORE EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS See Thursday, April 2

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 2

**Friday, May 1**

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, April 3

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE -MODERATE PACE See Friday, April 3

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - FRIDAY See Friday, April 3

9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 3

9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 3

6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS This is a 6-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, May 2**

7:00 AM 500 FESTIVAL MINI-MARATHON AND 5K This famous 13-mile and 3-mile self guided hike starts and ends downtown. If you are one of the 35,000 people registered for this event, you can obtain club credit by calling or emailing the leader, who will verify your completion through the 500 Festival web site race results. (F,PS) Leader: Phil Smith (317-443-3955, [smithp30333@gmail.com](mailto:smithp30333@gmail.com))

8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 4

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 4

10:00 AM MUSCATATUCK COUNTY PARK AND CALLIE NATURE PRESERVE Join us for a day of hiking in Jennings County. This will be a 5-6 mile hike in Muscatatuck Park and a 2-mile loop hike in nearby Callie Nature Preserve. Terrain is easy to moderate on natural and some paved trails. Features are the Muscatatuck River, rock cliffs, the historic Vinegar Mill. We'll hope for a stunning display of bluebells in the Callie Nature Preserve. From I-465 S, allow 1 1/4 hours to travel to Muscatatuck Park

(325 North SR 3, North Vernon). Take I-65 exit south to Columbus exit. Travel east on 46 through Columbus and continue on staying on SR 7 for about 25 miles to the park. Turn right onto Muscatatuck Park Rd and meet at the office parking lot. Bring trail lunch and water. Bathrooms available. (NS/M,2.5-2.75) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)

### **Sunday, May 3**

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 5

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 5

1:00 PM CASCADE TRAIL AND NORTH SHORE LOOP BLOOMINGTON From I-465 S take SR 37/I-69 S to SR 46 East, Exit 120A. Continue on SR46. At the 3rd traffic light turn left onto Dunn St (north) and go to the parking lot by the dam. This will be a 5-6 mile hike on trails. (M,NS/PS,2.5) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)

2:00 PM SPEEDWAY DAREDEVIL Meet in front of Daredevil Brewing Co, 1151 Main St, Speedway for a 5-mile hike. You may want to stay afterwards to enjoy a beer (and early dinner) in the first newly constructed production brewery built in Indianapolis since prohibition. From I-465 W, take the 10th St exit and go east 1.4 miles to Main St. Turn left on Main St and go 0.2 mile to Daredevil on the right. There is parking along Main St or a lot off Gilman St in back of the brewery. (F,PS,3) Leader: Jean Ballinger (317-696-2120)

### **Monday, May 4**

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - MONDAY See Monday, April 6

9:00 AM MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL See Monday, April 6

9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 6

9:00 AM MEMORIAL HIKE FOR ANNA GEHRING Come help celebrate the life of Anna Gehring a 23 year member who recently passed away at the age of 92. Since Anna was known for her love of hats and flowers, wear a cute hat and bring a flower to help commemorate the occasion. Meet in the NE corner of the Glendale Mall parking lot behind Buffalo Wild Wings restaurant at 62nd St and Rural for a 5-6 mile hike, with shorter options, in neighborhoods near where Anna lived. (F,PS,3) Leader: Tish Brafford (317-251-8907, 317-531-6700 cell)

9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See Monday, April 13

4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, April 6

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 6

6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, April 6

### **Tuesday, May 5 *Cinco de Mayo***

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 7

9:00 AM WELL WHAT DO YOU KNOW, MORE B& O From I-465 W take exit 16A (Clermont). Travel 6.2 miles to Hornaday Rd in Brownsburg. There is a McDonalds on the far left corner. Turn left and go 1.3 miles to Thornburg. Meet in the parking lot at that corner. (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779, 317-652-2779 cell)

9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 7

9:30 AM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK See Tuesday, April 14

5:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS Meet at Southport Middle School at 5715 S Keystone Ave. Park your car by the basketball court on the south side of the school for a 5-mile hike. Repeats each Tuesday in May. (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

### **Wednesday, May 6**

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 1

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 1

9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 1

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 1

9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 1

1:00 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK See Monday, April 6

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 1

**Thursday, May 7**

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 2  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 2  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 2  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 2  
10:30 AM SOME MORE EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS See Thursday, April 2  
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 2

**Friday, May 8**

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, April 3  
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE -MODERATE PACE See Friday, April 3  
8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - FRIDAY See Friday, April 3  
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 3  
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 3  
10:00 AM MCCLOUD NATURE PARK Join us for a 5-6 mile trek through McCloud Nature Park located at 8518 Hughes Rd in North Salem. Terrain is easy to moderate on natural and gravel trails. Hike features are the wetlands area, Big Walnut Creek and the Honeybee Observation Hive. Meet at the Nature Center parking lot. From I-465 W merge onto I-74 at Exit 16B. Travel about 21 miles to SR 75, Exit 52. Turn left onto SR 75 and travel about 6.5 miles through North Salem. Turn right when SR 75 crosses W CR 500 N. You are now on Hughes Rd. Continue 1.5 miles to the park. An alternate route would be from I-465 W, taking US 36 (Rockville Rd) about 21 miles to SR 75. Turn right and travel about 6 miles to Hughes Rd. Turn left onto Hughes Rd traveling 1.5 miles to the park. Hiking Boots and poles suggested. Bathrooms available. Join us for lunch after the hike. (F/M,NS,2.5) Leader: Terry Roesch ( 317-910-2943 cell)  
6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See Friday, May 1

**Saturday, May 9**

- 8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 4  
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, April 4  
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 4  
1:30 PM RON CLARK MEMORIAL HIKE Join Claudia Clark and her family to honor her late husband Ron who was a long term Club member who passed way last December after a long illness. Meet at the Earth Discovery Center in Eagle Creek Park (same place where the Thursday AM hikes meet). Enter the park (fee) just off of 56<sup>th</sup> St, just west of the Colts training facility. Hike will be 5-6 miles in the woods, with shorter options. (Map #17) (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 or 317-412-5190 cell)

**Sunday, May 10*****Mothers Day***

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 5  
9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 5

Note, the following hike has been moved from April 18, when it was a victim of the Covid-19 Virus cancellations. The change does not appear in the printed schedule.

- 10:00 AM YELLOWWOOD AND SCARCE O'FAT HIKE Join us for a 10-mile hike with a 5-mile option. This hike will be around Yellowwood Lake (short moderate option) and include an additional 4.7 miles on the Scarce O'Fat loop trail (more challenging). An approximate address is 772 Lake Rd., Nashville. Travel to Nashville and at intersection of SR 46 & 135 travel west on SR46 for about 5 miles. Look for the Yellowwood SF sign at Knights Corner. Turn right onto Yellowwood Rd. Meet at the Yellowwood State Forest Shelter House and Picnic Area. Look for prominent state park sign near the access road to the shelter house and parking lot. The shelter house is just north of the campgrounds and is south of the main park office. Bring water and trail lunch. (NS,2.5-2.75) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)  
1:00 PM DEVONSHIRES Join us on a 6-mile road hike though attractive and somewhat hilly neighborhoods. The spring flowers should be in full bloom. Meet behind the Starbucks in the Avalon

Crossing shopping center on the east side of Binford Blvd just south of 71st St. (M,PS,3) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)

**Monday, May 11**

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - MONDAY See Monday, April 6
- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, April 13
- 9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 6
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY BROAD RIPPLE PARK & BEYOND See Monday, April 20
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, April 6
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 6
- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, April 6

**Tuesday, May 12**

- 9:00 AM KRANNERT PARK AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS On this 6 mile hike we will walk around the pond and through Krannert Park and then hike in the nearby neighborhood. Krannert Park is at 605 S. High School Rd. From I-465 W take the W. Washington St. exit heading west. Immediately turn right at the first stop light, which is High School Rd. Go .6 mile and Krannert Park is on your right. Park in the lot in front of the building. (F,NS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-652-2779 cell, 317-329-2779)
- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 7
- 9:00 AM GEIST ON FALL CREEK Meet in the parking lot of Geist Coffee at the northwest corner of Brooks School Rd and Fall Creek Pkwy in Fishers. This will be a 5-6 mile moderate pace hike through scenic neighborhoods. (Map #25)(F,NS/PS,3-3.5) Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)
- 9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 7
- 9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE See Tuesday, April 7
- 5:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See Tuesday, May 5

**Wednesday, May 13**

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 1
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 1

**Thursday, May 14**

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 2
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 2
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 2
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 2
- 10:30 AM SOME MORE EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS See Thursday, April 2
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 2

**Multi Day Trip: Friday, May 15 – Thursday, May 21**

The following trip was cancelled due to Covid-19 Virus concerns and will be rescheduled in 2021.

THE HIGHLANDS OF SCOTLAND There will be 6 days of hiking. We have had to limit the number of participants, for whom we can provide hotels and coach transportation, to 25 people. This filled up many months ago. Additional Club members are very welcome to arrange their own transport and accommodation and join any of the hikes. Hikes will be morning and afternoon, with different locations for each. Each hike will be about 5-6 miles. If you think you might be interested in joining any of the hikes please email Mervyn Cohen at [mecohen@iu.edu](mailto:mecohen@iu.edu) (317-873-6586). I will then send you details of each of the hike locations, meeting points and time.

**Friday, May 15**



- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, April 3  
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE -MODERATE PACE See Friday, April 3  
8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - FRIDAY See Friday, April 3  
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 3  
9:30 AM MARKET DISTRICT We will meet in the north east corner of the Market District parking lot for a 5 mile hike in and around the area. The address is 11505 N. Illinois St, Carmel 46032. We will come to my house and have light refreshments and hike the trail in our woods. (F,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: June Sergi (317-372-3018)  
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 3  
6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See Friday, May 1

### **Saturday, May 16**

- 8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 4  
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, April 4  
9:00 AM PINE HILLS STATE NATURE PRESERVE This spectacular area was dedicated as Indiana's first state nature preserve in 1969. It is now entered from Shades State Park. We will hike several interesting formations, including Turkey Backbone (a ridge leading down to Clifty Creek), then past the site of an old woolen mill. We will hike along the creek to a short, but steep, trail up to the main attraction, Devil's Backbone. The trail over Devil's Backbone provides a 100-foot-high view of the area. After crossing, we will hike down to the creek level and past Honeycomb Rock (a sheer wall weathered into fantastic shapes over a period of 300 million years) and return on trails within the adjacent state park. Shades is located about 17 miles southwest of Crawfordsville and a few miles east of Turkey Run State Park. Allow 1 1/2 hours travel time from I-465 W. Go west on I-74 to Exit 52. Follow SR 75 south through Jamestown. Then go west on SR 234 to the Shades State Park entrance (fee). After the gatehouse go straight ahead (ignoring any signs to Pine Hills) to the east end of the large parking lot (Hickory) at the end of the road. Trail boots and poles are suggested. Bring your lunch and join us for a picnic after the hike. 5-6 miles. (H,NS,2.5) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)  
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 4

### **Sunday, May 17**

- 9:00 AM HIKE AROUND YELLOWWOOD LAKE From I- 465S take I-65 S to Exit 68 (SR46 E, Nashville) and continue west on SR 46. At the traffic light in Nashville turn left and proceed toward Bloomington and go for about 5 miles and look for the Yellowwood State Forest sign at Knights Corner. Turn right onto Yellowwood Forest Road and go to the visitors center parking lot. This is a 5-mile hike on a woods trail around Yellowwood Lake. After the hike plan on having lunch at a restaurant in Nashville. (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)  
9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 5  
9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 5

### **Monday, May 18**

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - MONDAY See Monday, April 6  
9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, April 13  
9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 6  
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY: TOWPATH, BUTLER & ROCKY RIPPLE See Monday, April 6  
4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, April 6  
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 6  
6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, April 6

### **Tuesday, May 19**

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 7  
9:00 AM THATCHER PARK AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS For this 6 mile hike we will meet at Thatcher Park. From I-465 W take the Rockville Rd exit toward Indy. Go .9 mile to Lynhurst Dr and turn left and go .5 mile to Vermont St. Turn right and go .5 miles to Thatcher Park. (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-652-2779 cell, 317-329-2779)

- 9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 7
- 9:30 AM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK See Tuesday, April 14
- 10:00 AM SLOW AND EASY IN MORGAN MONROE STATE FOREST Join us for a 5 mile hike (shorter options) on the new paved trail in Morgan Monroe State Forest that parallels Forest Rd. This hike is in the woods, on soft pavement and the hills are gentle. Travel to Martinsville your favorite way. Go south from Martinsville on I-69 to the first exit south of Martinsville, the Liberty Church exit (look for Morgan Monroe SF sign). Take Liberty Church exit and turn left and go to the first crossroad (Old State Rd 37), turn right and follow Old State Rd 37, staying right at the Hacker Creek Rd curve. It is 4.0 miles from where you turn on to Old State Rd 37 to the forest entrance. When you reach the forest entrance proceed a very short way (1/8 mile) and look immediately to your right for the Bryant Creek Lake Shelter parking lot which is where we will meet. Restrooms are available at the shelter. After the hike join us for lunch in Martinsville. (Map #28)(F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Marthene Kohlmeyer (317-849-5051)
- 5:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See Tuesday, May 5

**Wednesday, May 20**

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 1
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 1
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 1

**Thursday, May 21**

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 2
- 9:00 AM HIGHLANDS OF SCOTLAND This summary entry will include mileage for all 12 hikes for those participating on the trip to the Highlands of Scotland. Leader: Mervyn Cohen ([mecohen@iu.edu](mailto:mecohen@iu.edu)), 317-873-6586)
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 2
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 2
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 2
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 2

**Friday, May 22**

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, April 3
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE -MODERATE PACE See Friday, April 3
- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - FRIDAY See Friday, April 3
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 3
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 3
- 6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See Friday, May 1

**Saturday, May 23*****Gnaw Bone Camp on Memorial Day Weekend***

- 8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 4
- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, April 4
- 10:00 AM GNAW BONE CAMP This will be a 5-7 mile hike in the woods of Gnaw Bone Camp in Brown County. Go south on I-65 to Columbus exit for SR 46 and go west about 14 miles to SR 135 and turn left (south) towards Story. Follow SR 135 south for about 2 miles to the entrance to Gnaw Bone Camp on your left. Take the lane along the creek to the parking area near the Gnaw Bone Camp buildings. If you desire, bring a chair and picnic to enjoy after the hike. The hike leader will pay the \$3.00 camp fee for those hiking. (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home, 317-412-5190 cell)
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 4

**Sunday, May 24**

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 5  
9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 5  
1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Sunday, April 5

**Monday, May 25**                      *Memorial Day*

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - MONDAY See Monday, April 6  
9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, April 13  
9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 6  
9:30 AM CROWN HILL CEMETERY ON MEMORIAL DAY This is the cemetery's busiest day. Flags will be placed on the graves of all service members. Go to <https://crownhillhf.org> for information on other activities in which you might like to participate. From the 700 block of West 38th, go north on Clarendon Rd to the cemetery entrance. Park closer to the building than we usually do. Options of 3, 4 and 5 miles (Map #42). (M,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078)  
4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, April 6  
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 6

**Tuesday, May 26**

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 7  
9:00 AM PENDELTON FALLS From I-465 N, go north on I-69 about 18 miles to the Pendleton exit. Turn right after leaving I-69 and travel through Pendleton to the 2nd stoplight. Turn right and park behind the bank building in the main part of town. We will hike around historic Pendleton for 5-6 miles, including Pendleton Falls Park. After the hike join us at one of Pendleton's local restaurants. (Map #59)(F,PS/NS,3) Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)  
9:00 AM CLERMONT AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS From I-465 W take exit 16A onto Crawfordsville Rd heading west toward Clermont. Go approximately 3.5 miles to Tansel Rd. Turn left and go .3 miles to Clermont Park, which will be on your left. On this hike we will explore the lovely town of Clermont for 5-6 miles. (F,NS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-652-2779 cell, 317-329-2779)  
9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 7  
9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE See Tuesday, April 7  
5:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See Tuesday, May 5

**Wednesday, May 27**

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1  
9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 1  
9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 1  
9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 1  
9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 1  
9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 1  
4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY See Wednesday, April 1  
4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 1

**Thursday, May 28**

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 2  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 2  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 2  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 2  
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 2

**Friday, May 29**

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, April 3  
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE -MODERATE PACE See Friday, April 3  
8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK - FRIDAY See Friday, April 3  
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 3  
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 3

- 1:00 PM RESCHEDULED APRIL BOOK CLUB HIKE – MONON TRAIL IN NORA Because all hikes are cancelled through May 1, 2020, we will not be able to meet to hike to discuss *The Woman in The Window* which was scheduled on April 17. As of now, plans are to move this book to May on 5/29/20 at 1 PM, meeting at Nora Branch Library located at 8625 Guildford. This is on the north side of 86th St two blocks east of College. After the book discussion there will be a self-guided walk of up to 6 miles on the nearby Monon Trail. The originally scheduled May book, *The Cellist of Sarajevo*, will be scheduled for the 2020-21 club year. With the extra time, read a book or two of your own choice - who knows, you may find one you want to share with the club. (F,PS,3) Leader: Katy Smith (317-966-8702)
- 6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See Friday, May 1

Saturday, May 30

8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 4

9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, April 4

10:00 AM WHITEWATER STATE PARK This will be a 6-9 mile hike. From I-465 SE, take SR 52 to Rushville, IN. At Rushville, take SR 44 east to Liberty, IN. Turn right on to SR 101 and travel to park entrance (fee?). Follow park road to the parking lot on your right after going over the dam and passing the wooded area. Restrooms are available at this parking area. Bring a picnic for after the hike. We may hike some more after our picnic if there is interest and if the leader is able. (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home, 317-412-5190 cell)

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 4

**Sunday, May 31**

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 5

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 5

1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Sunday, April 5

#### **FUTURE EVENTS:**

**ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC – Saturday, July 11** Mark the date for this year's Club Picnic in Eagle Creek Park. There will be several hikes at 10:00 AM before the picnic at 12 noon.

**HOCKING HILLS STATE PARK - May 13 - 14, 2021** The club will again visit Hocking Hills Spring 2021. Join us for two days of hiking in this beautiful Ohio State Park. 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. It is also Ohio's most visited state park. There will be hike options offered on both days. Hike difficulty will range from moderate to more challenging hikes. Sections of trails include many steps, rock scrambling, tight areas and roots so sturdy footwear and poles suggested. We plan to work in all seven scenic areas of the park. The latest Visitor's Guide can be ordered online ([ExploreHockingHills.com](http://ExploreHockingHills.com)) or by calling 1-800-462-5464. There are many cabins, B&Bs and hotels/motels as lodging options listed in the Visitors' Guide. Some suggestions are the DNR park cabins online rentals at [www.ohiodnr.com](http://www.ohiodnr.com) and Holiday Inn Express in Logan [www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress](http://www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress). The park is approximately 225 miles from Indianapolis, a 4-5 hour drive from the Indianapolis area. If you have any questions, contact Terry Roesch who is organizing this year's trip, 317-910-2943 cell or [troesch1@indy.rr.com](mailto:troesch1@indy.rr.com).

#### **PLEASE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:**

Mary Hamlin	Plainfield, IN	Dana Goot	Carmel, IN
Jeri Stuckey	Indianapolis, IN		

#### **PLEASE WELCOM BACK THE FOLLOWING REINSTATED MEMBERS:**

Karen Cheney	Fishers, IN
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#### **RECENT MILEAGE AWARDS:**

Glee Crowder	47,500	Betsy Friedenberg	4,500	Anne Miller	400
Allan Roberts	40,500	Ray Howell	3,500	Monica Endres	300

Tish Brafford	22,000	Dennis Hardin	1,500	Mary Ann Loehr	300
Rick Braun	14,500	Robert Dickinson	1,000	Therese Cokain	200
Martin Dadel	13,500	Mary Barbara Miller	1,000	Amy Thomas	200
Curtis Hinds	13,000	Steve Abner	500	Dori Davis	100
Kae Ramey	12,500	Deborah Dirk	500	Sandy Duncan	100
Mary Williams	12,500	Anne Miller	500	Patty Hechinger	100
Katy Smith	8,000	Lorraine Smith	500	Phyllis McNamara	100
Sylvia Davis	4,500	Linda Gibson	400		

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

On January 24 the last of the original founding members of the Indianapolis Hiking Club, Bill Murray passed away at the age of 94 in Alaska.

Theresa (Terry) Bricker, 83 years old, passed away on February 4. Terry joined the Club in 1990 and was active for many years.

With a very heavy heart, we announce the passing of 93 year old Anna Gehring from cancer on February 27. She was a 23-year member of the club and hiked over 12,500 miles. One of her greatest joys was the Back-roads Across Indiana hike series between 2003 and 2005.

**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](http://www.indyhike.org) or contact our Membership Officer Barb Strite, 234 N Raceway Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46234 (317-271-7263, [brstrite@att.net](mailto: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."