

# The Indianapolis Hiking Club

# www.indyhike.org Happiness - A Step at a Time SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2024



(Please – no pets except on designated pet hikes)

Celebrating 67 Years of Sponsoring Hikes and Outings

HIKE RATING LEGEND – Shown in parentheses at the end of each hike CHALLENGING HIKE TERRAIN SURFACE SPEED

Natural, mainly soft H (Hilly) Continuously NS Hiking speed in MPH Challenging M (Mixed) Hilly & Flat HS Packed dirt or gravel not including breaks or blank F (Flat) Few Hills PS Concrete or black top (e.g., 3.0 is 20 min/mi)

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) <a href="mailto:jeanballinger77@gmail.com">jeanballinger77@gmail.com</a> for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-445-5646) <a href="mailto:jeanballinger77@gmail.com">jeanballinger77@gmail.com</a> for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-445-5646) <a href="mailto:jeanballinger77@gmail.com">jeanballinger77@gmail.com</a> for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-445-5646) <a href="mailto:jeanballinger77@gmail.com">jeanballinger77@gmail.com</a> for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-445-5646) <a href="mailto:jeanballinger77@gmail.com">jeanballinger77@gmail.com</a> for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-445-5646) <a href="mailto:jeanballinger77@gmail.com">jeanballinger77@gmail.com</a> for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-445-5646) <a href="mailto:jeanballinger77@gmail.com">jeanballinger77@gmail.com</a> for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-445-5646) <a href="mailto:jeanballinger77@gmail.com">jeanballinger77@gmail.com</a> for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-445-5646) <a href="mailto:jeanballinger77@gmail.com">jeanballinger77@gmail.com</a> for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-445-5646) <a href="mailto:jeanballinger77@gmail.com">jeanballinger77@gmail.com</a> for weekend hikes or Lange and Jeanballinger7 satisfication of the Satisfication of

**WINTER HIKING**: Since it is still winter it is important to remember that hike leaders are responsible for safety first. In adverse weather the leader may reroute, shorten, cancel or move a hike indoors. If the weather is inclement, very cold or the roads are icy, contact the leader to confirm a hike. Also, check the website homepage "news" to see if a hike has been cancelled or moved. Whenever possible, leaders of out of town hikes should make cancellation decisions by 6 p.m. 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 your fellow club members by sending out a Broadcast email (see instructions on website home page).

ITEMS OF NOTE IN THIS SCHEDULE: You have a choice of 339 hikes in this schedule, not bad for the winter, but remember spring starts on March 19. In addition to our usual recurring weekday and weekend hikes, the following hikes deserve a closer look. Book Club hikes are on the schedule on Tuesday, February 20 led by Linda Whitt, and on Friday, March 22 led by Susan Fox. A winter trip to Hocking Hills SP, OH is scheduled on February 2-3 to Hike Frozen Waterfalls led by Tom Seeman. We also have our annual winter weekend at McCormick's Creek SP on Friday-Sunday, March 1-3 with hikes led by Mary Ann Layman and John Schlechte. Again this year we will be participating in the annual St. Patrick's Day parade on Friday, March 15 in downtown Indy led by Marla Zinkan. Explore a New Trail from Zionsville to Whitestown a 12 mile hike led by Janet Cohen on Saturday, March 23. There are five Challenging woods hikes in this schedule led by our strongest hike leaders Scott Beam, Theresa Ray, Tom Seeman and Susan Sievers. Look for warm weather Florida hikes on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please review the write-ups in this schedule on the applicable dates for complete details.

**CLUB ROSTER AND TRAIL BLAZER:** All members will be receiving an up to date Club roster by mail, listing every member's home address, phone number and email address, unless you requested that your name be excluded from the roster. To protect your privacy the roster is not available on the website and converting your personal copy to electronic media is not permitted by Club rules. Thanks to our Club Historian, Mervyn Cohen, and our Mileage Officer, John McShea, the 2024 Trail Blazer is now available on the website along with all

previous Trail Blazers dating back to 1968. The current Trail Blazer lists all members 2023 and lifetime mileage as well as recapping last year's major events.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER: As a former snow skier, I love being outside in the winter. Even if it means shoveling snow! We all think about bundling up in the cold weather but one thing that is often forgotten is the continued need for drinking water. The air we breathe is drier from indoor heating. We lose hydration to our skin with the low humidity. When temperatures drop, our bodies use more fluids upon exhalation so that we may re-breathe moister air (that's why you can see your breath.) We also may not feel as thirsty. Plus, if you're overeating, water can make you feel fuller so you eat less!

But we're Hoosiers and here's an interesting fact. Did you know that the 115<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the Indiana State Senate passed Resolution 20 in 2007 to make water the Indiana State Official Beverage? So what are you waiting for? Go have a drink (of water, of course)!

Debbie Bucholz President, Indianapolis Hiking Club

#### **HIKE SCHEDULE:**

#### Thursday, February 1

- 8:30 AM GULF SHORES, AL DAY 4 MORNING HIDDEN LAKE/TWIN BRIDGES Slow, easy 3 miles through a rare ecosystem. Red and gray fox as well as bobcats have been spotted in this area. Park at the Orange Beach Sportsplex 4385 William Silvers Pkwy. Go all the way to the back of the lot. You will spot the large trail head sign over the trail. This will be approximately a 15 minute drive from the Lodge. Plenty of parking for all. Restrooms usually available. (F,PS, NS, 2-2.5) Leader: Karen LeClerc (920-883-9477)
- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE This is a 6-mile self guided hike usually north on the Fall Creek Trail to Skiles Test Park and back, however, from time to time the leaders may change the route. 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. Hike repeats every Thursday in February and March. (Map #45)(F,PS,3-3.5) Leaders: Tish Brafford (317-531-6700 cell) or JoAnne Starzyk (317-771-0914)
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL If you find yourself in southwest Florida this winter please join us for a brisk 12-mile, with a 6 and 9 mile option, on the paved John Yarbrough Linear Park Trail in Fort Myers. Meet at the trail less than one block west of Metro Pkwy on the north side of Daniels Pkwy. Park in the grass on the east side of the trail. Call if you need more precise directions. Hike repeats on every Tuesday and Thursday in February and March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)
- 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 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 moderate to brisk paced 5-mile trail hike over, around, up and down through the woods. Hike repeats every Thursday in February and March. After the hike join us for lunch (we have been doing it for over 30 years) at Golden Corral on 38th St. We often have 20 or more hikers join us and have lots of fun. (Map #17)(M,NS,3) Leader: Rick Wortman (317-701-1329)
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FOUR MILE Same directions and repeat dates as Easy at Eagle Creek -Five Mile. This is a 4 mile moderate paced hike mostly on groomed trails with some hills. Same lunch invite as 5 mile hike. Leader: Russ Himes (317-892-4553)
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK THREE MILE While Ed is on vacation this hike will be led by Phil Coons. Same directions and repeat dates Easy at Eagle Creek - Five Mile. This is a 3-4 mile hike at a modest pace, mostly groomed flat trails and paved roads. Same lunch invite as the 5 mile hike. (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Phil Coons (317-291-1336)

- 1:30 PM GULF SHORES, AL –DAY 4 AFTERNOON GRAHAM CREEK NATURE PRESERVE Slow and easy 4 miles in bottom land and mixed forest areas. We will also be walking down Pitcher Plant Lane. This is approximately 25 minutes from the Lodge with plenty of parking and restrooms available. 23030 Wolf Bay Dr, Foley,AL park at the interpretive center lot. (F,NS/HS,2-2.5) Leader: Karen LeClerc (920-883-9477)
- 5:00 PM <u>FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE</u> While Rick Braun is in Florida for the month thru April, Allan Roberts will lead his Monday and Thursday hike, but both will be at Fort Harrison at 4:30 p.m. 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 Monday and Thursday in February and March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Allan Roberts (317-840-2478)

### Friday, February 2 Ground Hog Day

- 8:00 AM <u>FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL</u> Join me for a self-guided hike of 1-20 miles on the Monon Trail every Friday morning in February and March. Meet at the Monon trail-head parking lot on 96 St in Nora. Restrooms are available. (F,PS) Leader: Rick Kinnaman (317-407-9746)
- 8:30 AM <u>EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE</u> This will be moderate pace 5-6 mile hike through scenic Zionsville; expect a different route each week. We stop for a coffee break (\$) midway through the hike. 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. Hike repeats every Friday in February and March. (Map #34) (M,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-508-8523 or 317-417-2628)
- 8:30 AM <u>GULF SHORES</u>, AL DAY 5 LAST HIKE BEFORE YOU HEAD HOME Slow, meandering 2 mile loop around to the eagle's nest for one last look at the eaglets and their parents. Park at the lot across from the Woodside restaurant 20249 State Park Road, Gulf Shores, AL. No restrooms available (F,PS/NS,2-2.5) Leader: Karen LeClerc (920-883-9477)
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK Join us for a 6-mile hike with an 8-mile option. This will be a brisk trail hike unless conditions prompt a switch to the roads. This hike will be in Eagle Creek Park (fee). Use the 56th St entrance that is just west of the Colts facility and take the first left after entering the park. Meet in at the Swimming Area (beach) parking lot. Hike repeats on all Fridays in February and March. (Map #66)(M,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Phil Smith (317-443-3955)
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL Enjoy a 5-6 mile hike in scenic Garfield Park and various surrounding neighborhoods. From exit 109 on I-65 in downtown Indy (Raymond St exit) go 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 in Garfield Park. Hike repeats every Friday in February and March. (Map #52)(F,NS/PS,3-3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593)
- 1:00 PM HOCKING HILLS STATE PARK, OH FROZEN WATERFALL HIKE DAY 1 This is a repeat of a hike that was first led in February, 2023 and we are crazy enough to do it again. If you want to know how it went last year please contact the leader. Allow 4 hours of travel time from I-465 east. Take I-70 east to Columbus, OH; then take Exit 105A and follow US 33 east toward Logan, OH where you will turn right onto SR 664 south and travel about 10 miles to Old Man's Cave parking lot. Hike will meet at Old Man's Cave Visitor Center both days and cover 5-6 miles on Friday afternoon. Weather and trail conditions will dictate the exact routes and the length of hikes. Because of frozen waterfalls and trails, hiking poles are recommended and YAKTRAX or MICROSPIKES are considered MANDATORY. Hikers that arrive on Friday and hike both days can take advantage of the multiple lodging options in Logan, OH or at the State Park Lodge and Cabins. Please RSVP to the leader if possible. (Challenging,M,HS,2-2.5) Leader: Tom Seeman (317-362-8960, tpseeman@sbcglobal.net)
- 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 and March. (Map #41) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Jim Griffin (317-294-1121)

#### Saturday, February 3

- 8:00 AM FRIENDSHIP GARDENS, PLAINFIELD This will be a 10-15 mile hike or you can turn around (selfquided) at your desired mileage. This park is very easy to find, it's just north of Hummel park. (Google: Friendship Gardens, Plainfield, IN 46168) Hike repeats each Saturday in February and March. (Map #55)(F,PS,3.5) Leader: Therese Cokain (317-796-9183)
- 9:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL SATURDAY Sign in at the food court by 9:00 AM; thereafter look for the leader during the hike (she will have the sign-up sheet with her). Hike between the hours of 9-11 AM for a self-guided hike of up to 8 miles with shorter options. If the weather is nice we will probably walk outside. Hike repeats every Saturday in February and March. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 10:00 AM HOCKING HILLS STATE PARK, OH FROZEN WATERFALL HIKE DAY 2 See write-up on February 2 for driving directions and lodging suggestions. On Saturday morning meet at Old Man's Cave for a 7-8 mile hike at that location and multiple other Hocking Hills sites. Bring lunch and snacks for the Saturday hikes. (Challenging, M, NS/HS, 2-2.5) Please RSVP to the leader. Leader: Tom Seeman (317-362-8960, tpseeman@sbcglobal.net)
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN Meet at Broad Ripple Methodist Church, 6185 Guilford Ave for a self-guided 6 or 10 mile hike. Repeats every Saturday in February and March. (Map #65)(F.NS) Leader: Rick Kinnaman (317-407-9746)
- 2:00 PM OLCOTT PARK BLOOMINGTON From I-465 S, take I-69/SR37 south to the SR 46 east Exit 120A. Continue on SR 46/ College Mall Rd to the Jackson Creek Shopping Center (look for the Kroger sign). Park at the west end of the Hobby Lobby parking lot. This will be a 5 mile hike through Bloomington neighborhoods to Olcott Park and back. After the hike plan on eating at a local restaurant. (PS,NS,2.5) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972)

### Sunday, February 4

- 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 0.4 miles to Barnard St and turn right, going 0.3 miles to the school. This will be a 6 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)
- 10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE ON SUNDAY MORNING Meet in front of 6220 Carrollton Avenue for a guided 6mile hike with the option for up to 4 additional (self-guided) miles. The parking lot in the 6200 block of Carrollton is no longer free, so please park on the street south of Broad Ripple Ave using the 6100 & 6200 blocks of Carrollton Ave. Use 6220 Carrollton Ave for GPS address. Repeats each Sunday in February and March. NOTE: Start time is 10:00 AM for February and changes to 9:30 for March. (Map #16) (F,PS,3-3.25) Leader: Kathy Whalen (317-409-3265)

#### Monday, February 5

- 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 brisk 6-mile road hike. Repeats on March 4. (Map #40) (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Cathrine Curtiss (317-209-9816)
- 9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK Meet at 6901 Derbyshire Rd behind the former Southport Police Station for an 5-mile hike. Hike repeats each Monday in February and March. (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593)
- 9:30 AM TOWPATH, BUTLER UNIVERSITY AND ROCKY RIPPLE While Ed Wright is on vacation during February, there will be a new leader of his Monday hikes.tJoin us for a walk the Canal Tow Path, Butler University campus and the quaint town of Rocky Ripple. From Meridian St, turn west on 56th St and drive two blocks; park on either side of Kenwood Ave, but not in the parking lots. Restroom available at Starbucks on 56 St. Walk will have 3, 4 and 5 mile options. Hike repeats on Monday, March 4. (F,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Rick Wortman (317-873-3203)
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE Meet at the Broad Ripple Methodist Church at 6135 Guilford Ave for a hike of 5-6 miles. Hike repeats every Monday in February and March. (Map #65) (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Mary Bruss (317-308-0182)

- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL MONDAY AFTERNOON Meet to signup at the food court at 4:00 pm; otherwise look for the leader during the hike (she will have the signup sheet with her). Self guided hike of up to 6 miles with shorter options between the hours of 4-6 pm. If the weather is nice we may walk outside. Hike repeats every Monday in December and January, except Christmas Day. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Tuesday, February 6

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL This is a 1-12 mile self-guided hike (most people do 5-8 miles) on the Monon Trail and/or nearby neighborhoods. 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. Meet in the north end of the parking lot close to the Monon trail. Hike repeats every Tuesday in February and March. (Map #51) (F,PS) Leader: Jo Anne Starzyk (317-771-0914)
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1 9:00 AM B&O TRAIL AND SPEEDWAY NEIGHBORHOODS On this 6 mile hike we will traverse portions of the B&O Rail Trail that are within Speedway and check out nearby neighborhoods. Meet at Leonard Park, 5400 W 15th St, Speedway. This park located in the first block west of Lynhurst Dr (5300 west) and behind the fire station. Hike repeats every Tuesday in February and March, except February 20. (F, NS/PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779, 317-652-2779 cell)
- 9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK Enjoy a moderate 5-mile hike through the woods along White River and/or Cottonwood Lakes in addition to Mann Hill, the 2nd highest elevation in Marion County. Meet at Southwestway Park. The address is 8400 Mann Rd, 46221. Coming from I-465 SW, exit onto SR 67 (Kentucky Ave) heading southwest toward Mooresville and go just over a half mile. Turn left on High School Rd and go 0.2 miles turn left onto W. Thompson Rd and go about 2.3 miles to Mann Rd. Turn right onto Mann Rd and go 2.5 miles to the park. Enter the park on the east side of the road just after the ball diamonds. Meet in the upper parking lot at the end of the drive. (Coming from other directions can be problematic because of I-69 construction. Debbie can offer advice closer to each hike.) Hike repeats every Tuesday in February and March. (Map #61) (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Debbie Bucholz (317-361-9210)
- 9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE Park at the Broad Ripple Methodist Church (fee only applies in the evening), 6185 N Guilford Ave. This 5 mile hike may include parts of Holliday Park, Marott Park, Monon Trail, Arden neighborhood, Rocky Ripple or Broad Ripple Park. Hike repeats February 20 and March 5 & 19. (Map #65) (M,NS/HS/PS,2.5) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)
- 9:30 AM BOYD NATURE PRESERVE, ST. PETERSBURG, FL Come join us for a 3-4 mile hike in Boyd Nature Preserve. Driving either north or south on I-275 turn onto I-375 exit and drive to Martin Luther King Rd turn right and continue past 45 South and the Fire Station stay to the right and Boyd Nature Preserve will be on your right. There will be a \$3.00 entrance fee per visitor. After the hike please join us for lunch. (F,PS/NS,3) Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)
- 1:30 PM FASHION MALL In case you are tired of hiking in the early morning in the cold outdoors, here is a warm and fuzzy alternative. Join us at the Fashion Mall at Keystone at the Crossing. This is a selfguided hike of 1.2 mile loops. We will meet in the Food Court located on the west side of the mall. You may walk at your own pace for as many laps as you wish; most hikers do 4-6 miles. 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. Hike repeats on Tuesday February 13 and March 5 & 12. (F,PS) Leader: June Sergi (317-372-3018)
- 4:30 PM GREENWOOD NIGHTS From I-465 S take I-65 south to exit 99 Greenwood. Turn right (west) on Main St. Meet in the parking lot located at the corner of Madison Ave and and Main St for a 5-mile guided hike. Repeats each Tuesday in February. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593)
- 4:30 PM POTTERS BRIDGE ON TUESDAY AFTERNOON Join me for a 3 mile hike on a pretty paved trail in the woods along the White River from Potters Bridge and back. From I-69 go north on SR 37 to 191st St and turn left. Go west on 191st St to the second stop sign (10th St/Allisonville Rd). Turn right (north) and go about 1/4 mile. The parking lot for Potter's Bridge is on your left. Hike repeats on

December 19 and January 2 & 16 (Map #15) (F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Martha Rivera June (317-750-

#### Wednesday, February 7

- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS This 7-9 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, just west of the Colts training facility. Hike repeats each Wednesday in February and March. Join us at a nearby Starbucks after the hike. (Map #40)(M,NS,3-3.5) Leader: Jim Goulding (317-695-8744)
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK Join me for a 4-5 mile self-guided 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. Please note new parking location. Park in the southeast corner of the Robin Run Village parking lot, by the pond, off of W. 62nd St. Hike repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (F,PS) Leader: Joan Griffitts (317-297-7312)
- 9:30 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL While Ed is away on vacation this hike normally led by Ed will be led by either Cherie Voege or Mike Seeman. Each week we will walk on different paved trails and neighborhoods in scenic areas of Carmel often with different leaders. From US 31 in Carmel go east on W Main St past Guilford Rd to Meadow Lane. Turn left and go north to Meadowlark park. We will meet by the bathrooms. Hike repeats every Wednesday in February and March. (Map #58)(F,PS,3) Leader: Cherie Voege (317-848-7674)
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL Join us for a 5-mile hike 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)
- 2:30 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 (317-508-8523 or 317-417-2628)
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON Meet to signup at the food court at 4:00 p.m.; otherwise look for the leader during the hike; she will have the signup sheet with her. Self guided hike of up to 6 miles with shorter options between the hours of 4-6 p.m. If the weather is nice we may walk outside. Hike repeats every Wednesday in December and January. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

#### Thursday, February 8

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FIVE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FOUR MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK THREE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Friday, February 9

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, February 2
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, February 2
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, February 2

#### Saturday, February 10

8:00 AM FRIENDSHIP GARDENS, PLAINFIELD See Saturday, February 3 9:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL - SATURDAY See Saturday, February 3 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, February 3

#### Sunday, February 11

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, February 4

10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE ON SUNDAY MORNING See Sunday, February 4

1:30 PM PLAINFIELD GREENWAY TRAILS Join us for a 6 mile self-guided and scenic walk on paved trails that starts near the Richard Carlucci Recreation Center, 651 Vestal Rd, Plainfield, IN 46168 goes through Friendship Gardens to Hummel Park and back. We'll cross White Lick Creek on a historic iron truss bridge, and pass sculptures in Friendship Gardens. From I-465 W, exit on Washington St and travel west about 8.3 miles going through Plainfield. Turn right at the first stop light west of town onto Vestal Rd. Travel to the roundabout and take first right, parking in the north lot on Pike Ln. Restrooms available. (Map #50) (F,PS) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)

#### Monday, February 12

- 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 remaining Mondays in February and March, except March 4. (Map #40)(M,PS,3.5) Leader: Mary Barbara Miller (317-220-9593)
- 9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, February 5
- 9:30 AM CROWN HILL CEMETERY While Ed Wright is on vacation in February, there will be a new leader of his regular Monday hikes. Enjoy a scenic walk in America's fourth largest private cemetery established in 1863 and final resting place to many famous Hoosiers and home to more than 100 tree species. From the 700 block of West 38th St., go north on Clarendon Rd to the cemetery entrance. Crown Hill has asked us to not use the main parking lot just inside the entrance; it is reserved for funerals. Drive though the parking lot and just after you enter the cemetery proper, turn right and park behind the large limestone mausoleum on both sides of the street not blocking any drive ways or dumpsters. Hike includes options of 3, 4 and 5 miles. Hike repeats on Monday, March 11, (Map #42)(M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Mike Lindstedt (317-292-3140 cell)
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, February 5
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, February 5
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Tuesday, February 13

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1
- 9:00 AM B&O TRAIL AND SPEEDWAY NEIGHBORHOODS See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:30 AM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK Enjoy a 5-mile hike on forested trails. 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 February 27 and March 12 & 26. (Map #18) (M,NS,2.5) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)
- 1:30 PM TUESDAY 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 will be 6-10 miles out and back self-guided hike. Restrooms are available. Hike repeats on March 5 & 19. (F,PS) Leader Kae Ramey (317-701-5805 cell)
- 1:30 PM FASHION MALL See Tuesday, February 6
- 4:30 PM GREENWOOD NIGHTS See Tuesday, February 6

#### Wednesday, February 14

#### Valentine's Day & Ash Wednesday

- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, February 7
- 2:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, February 7
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, February 7

#### Thursday, February 15

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FIVE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FOUR MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK THREE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Friday, February 16

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 8:30 AM <u>EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE</u> See Friday, February 2
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, February 2
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 10:00 AM MORGAN MONROE STATE FOREST THREE LAKES TRAIL Come and enjoy being in the woods in Morgan Monroe State Forest, 6220 Forest Rd, Martinsville, IN 46151. From I-465 S take SR 37 south until it becomes I-69 S in Martinsville. Turn left on Liberty Church Rd (Exit 134) and follow signs for Morgan Monroe SF. From the entrance of the state forest drive 4.5 miles to the forest HDQ parking lot. This will an 11/12 mile hike on the Three Lakes trail. Bring water, a light lunch with some high energy snacks as well. Indoor restrooms are available. Cell service is unreliable. Please RSVP if you are coming. (Challenging, H,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Theresa Ray (317-627-1205, tmrquincy@yahoo.com).
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, February 2

#### Saturday, February 17

- 8:00 AM FRIENDSHIP GARDENS, PLAINFIELD See Saturday, February 3
- 9:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL SATURDAY See Saturday, February 3
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, February 3
- 2:00 PM GRIFFY LAKE NATURE PRESERVE BLOOMINGON From I-465 S, take I-69/ SR 37 S to Exit 120 (SR46 E). Stay on SR 46 E to the 4th traffic light, turn left on to Matlock Rd to Hadley Rd to Griffy Lake (3595 N Hadley Rd, Bloomington, IN 47408). After crossing the causeway turn right on to the parking lot. This will be a 5 mile hike on scenic, natural trails. After the hike join us for a meal in Bloomington. (M,NS,2) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972)

#### Sunday, February 18

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, February 4

10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE ON SUNDAY MORNING See Sunday, February 4

#### Monday, February 19

#### Presidents Day

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, February 12
- 9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, February 5
- 9:30 AM PRATHER PARK IN CARMEL While Ed Wright is on vacation during the month of February, there will be a new leader of his regular Monday hikes. We will hike the paved trails in Prather Park (formally River Road Park) in Carmel along the White River and explore trails in nearby neighborhoods for options of 3, 4 or 5 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 Prather Park. Note you will pass River

- Heritage Park. Meet in the north lot by the restrooms. Hike repeats on March 18. (Map #64)(F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Cherie Voege (317-848-7674)
- 1:30 PM AVON COMMUNITY PARKS, HENDRICKS COUNTY Join us for a 6-7 mile walk on paved trails through two connecting scenic parks, Avon Town Hall and Avon Washington Township. A four-mile partially self-guided option is available. Meet at the Avon Library, 498 N Avon Ave (SR 267). From I-465 W. exit on US 36 (Rockville Rd) and travel west a little less than 8 miles, turning right onto Avon Ave/SR 267. The library is on your left, less than a half mile from the intersection. Bathrooms available. Repeats on March 25. (F,PS,3.2) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, February 5
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, February 5
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Tuesday, February 20

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1
- 9:00 AM MARTIN LUTHER KING MEMORIAL Martin L. King's birthday was on January 15 and I usually lead a hike in his honor close to his birthday. But this year it was icy and frigid, so I am leading the hike one month late. On this 5-6 mile hike we will visit the inspirational memorial to Mr. King and Bobby Kennedy. In addition, we will pass through some recently refurbished old north side neighborhoods. We will meet at The Eiteljorg Museum in downtown Indy. Park in the underground lot the Eiteljorg shares with the State Museum. After the hike we will eat at the Eiteljorg Museum; parking is free if you eat there.(Map #33)(F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779, 317-652-2779 cell)
- 9:00 AM FRIENDSHIP GARDENS ON TUESDAY This will be 10 to 15 mile brisk (self guided) hike you can turn around at your desired mileage. This park is very easy to find, it's just North of Hummel park. (Google: Friendship Gardens, Plainfield, IN 46168). Bring a bottle of water. Bathrooms are open. Repeats on February 27 and March 12. (F,PS,3.5-4) Leader: Theresa Ray (317-627-1205, tmrquincy@yahoo.com)
- 9:30 AM FORT DE SOTO, FL If you find yourself in the Clearwater area of Florida, come join us for a 3-4 mile hike at Ft. De Soto located at 3500 Pinellas Bayway S Tierra Verde, Florida 33715 (http://www.pinellascountry.org/parks/05 Ft DeSoto.htm). Travel south on I-275 to exit 17, turn right and go west on 679 and follow the signs for Ft. De Soto Park. At the T-junction in the park turn right and drive towards North Beach which is about 2-3 miles. After you pass the sign for Arrowhead Picnic area on your right turn into parking lots 3, 4, 5, and 6 which are on your left. We will park at the immediate edge of the parking lot to the right of the entrance. They charge \$5.00 a day parking fee once in the park and there are ticket venues in various places. We plan on eating after the hike in Tierra Verde. Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)
- 9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE See Tuesday, February 6
- 1:00 PM BOOK CLUB HIKE FASHION MALL The February book is ROXY by Neal Shusterman and Jarrod Shusterman. Meet at the Fashion Mall Food Court located in the center of the mall, located at N.Keystone Ave and 86th St. After the discussion, we will walk 1.25 mile loops at your own pace and as many loops as you wish. You do not need to read the book to attend the book discussion and hike. (F,PS) Leader: Linda Whitt (317-501-5038)
- 2:00 PM DOWNTOWN FISHERS ON THE NICKEL PLATE TRAIL Join us for a 5 mile hike on the Nickel Plate Trail in Fishers and other nearby trails. From I-465 N, take I-69 north to 116 St and go west for about 1/2 mile to Municipal Dr. Meet in the northeast corner of the Hamilton East Public Library Fishers parking lot, 5 E Municipal Drive (Lantern Rd at Municipal Dr). Hike repeats on March 5 and 19. (F,PS,3) Leader: John Lyghtel (317-626-9117)
- 4:30 PM GREENWOOD NIGHTS See Tuesday, February 6
- 4:30 PM POTTERS BRIDGE ON TUESDAY AFTERNOON See Tuesday, February 6

### Wednesday, February 21

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, February 7

- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, February 7
- 2:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, February 7
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, February 7

#### Thursday, February 22

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FIVE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FOUR MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK THREE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Friday, February 23

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, February 2
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, February 2
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, February 2

#### Saturday, February 24

8:00 AM FRIENDSHIP GARDENS, PLAINFIELD See Saturday, February 3

9:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL - SATURDAY See Saturday, February 3

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, February 3

#### Sunday, February 25

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, February 4

10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE ON SUNDAY MORNING See Sunday, February 4

1:30 PM <u>SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O</u> From I-465 W take exit 16Å 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 will be 6-10 miles out and back self guided hike. Restrooms are available. Hike repeats March 3 and 17. (F,PS) Leader: Kae Ramey (317-701-5805 cell)

#### Monday, February 26

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, February 12
- 9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, February 5
- 9:30 AM <u>BROAD RIPPLE PARK AND BEYOND</u> While Ed Wright is on vacation during February, there will be a new leader of his Monday hikes. Join us for a hike in and around Broad Ripple, we go a different way each time. Park in Broad Ripple Park, 1550 Broad Ripple Ave in the large parking lot behind the dog park to the right of the swimming pool. Hike options of 3, 4 and 5 miles. We will start with a restroom break at the Community Center. Hike repeats on March 25. (Map #57)(F,HS/PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Rick Wortman (317-873-3203)
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, February 5
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, February 5
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Tuesday, February 27

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1
- 9:00 AM <u>B&O TRAIL AND SPEEDWAY NEIGHBORHOODS</u> See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:00 AM FRIENDSHIP GARDENS ON TUESDAY See Tuesday, February 20.

- 9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:30 AM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK See Tuesday, February 13
- 4:30 PM GREENWOOD NIGHTS See Tuesday, February 6

#### Wednesday, February 28

- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, February 7
- 2:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, February 7
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, February 7

#### Thursday, February 29

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FIVE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FOUR MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK THREE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### MULTI DAYTRIP - March 1-3 Club Winter Weekend - McCormick's Creek State Park

We will be going back to McCormick's Creek's Canyon Inn for this weekend trip. To make your reservations either call the Canyon Inn at 812-829-4881, toll free at 877-922-6966 or access the Inn's website. The group code for our block of rooms is 0301IH (IH for Indianapolis Hiking). The rooms will be released on 2-1-2024, so make your reservations before February 1. The Double/Double rooms are \$109.99 + tax and the Queen/Queen rooms are 139.99 + tax. Hopefully all the tornado damaged trails will be open by March. Contact Mary Ann Layman (home 317-346-1802) or malayman @earthlink.net if you have questions.

#### Friday, March 1

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, February 2
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, February 2
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, February 2

#### Saturday, March 2 Club Winter Weekend – McCormick's Creek SP

- 8:00 AM FRIENDSHIP GARDENS, PLAINFIELD See Saturday, February 3
- 9:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL SATURDAY See Saturday, February 3
- 9:00 AM KNOBSTONE TRAIL: PIXLEY KNOB ROAD TRAILHEAD This is a 14 mile hike that starts at the Pixley Knob Road TH. From the TH, we will hike north to mile marker 12 (out and back/5 miles) and then hike south to mile marker 5 (out and back/9 miles). Endurance is a must as the trail is RUGGED/CHALLENGING. Pixley Knob TH has a very small gravel parking area so I need people to R.S.V.P. as we may need to shuttle some cars to New Chapel trailhead (3.5 miles away). From I-465 S, take I-65 South to Exit 19 (State Rd 160 West). Go 5 miles and turn left on Pixley Knob Road. Go 2.5 miles and the trailhead is on the right. No restrooms. Bring lunch, high energy snacks, water and hiking poles are a must. To see elevation changes, go to ALL TRAILS and search 1) Knobstone Trail: Pixley Knob Rd Trailhead to Jackson Rd Trailhead 2) Knobstone Trail: Pixley Knob Rd Trailhead to New Chapel Trailhead. (Challenging ,H,NS,2-3) Leader: Susan Sievers (317-513-5239)
- 9:30 AM MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK SATURDAY MORNING LONGER HIKE Meet at the Canyon Inn for this faster and longer hike of 5-6 miles. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)

- 9:30 AM MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK SATURDAY MORNING SHORTER AND SLOWER HIKE Meet at the Canyon Inn for this 4-5 mile hike. (M,NS,2) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-412-5190 cell)
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, February 3
- 2:00 PM MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK SATURDAY AFTERNOON LONGER HIKE Meet at the Canyon Inn for this faster and longer 5-6 mile hike. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)
- 2:00 PM MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK SATURDAY AFTERNOON SHORTER AND SLOWER

  HIKE Meet at the Canyon Inn for this 4-5 mile hike. (M,NS,2) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-412-5190 cell)

#### Sunday, March 3

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, February 4
- 9:00 AM MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK SUNDAY Meet at the Canyon Inn for this 4-5 mile hike. (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-412-5190 cell)
- 9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE ON SUNDAY MORNING See Sunday, February 4
- 1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Sunday, February 25

#### Monday, March 4

- 9:00 AM MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL See Monday, February 5
- 9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, February 5
- 9:30 AM TOWPATH, BUTLER UNIVERSITY AND ROCKY RIPPLE See Monday, February 5
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, February 5
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, February 5
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Tuesday, March 5

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1
- 9:00 AM <u>B&O TRAIL AND SPEEDWAY NEIGHBORHOODS</u> See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:30 AM <u>DUNEDIN TRAIL, DUNEDIN, FL</u> From I-275 travel west over the Courtney Campbell Causeway which is Highway 60. Turn North on SR-19 and travel to 580, which runs between Oldsmar and Dunedin. Signs will show you when to turn into Dunedin. This puts you close to Main St Dunedin. Drive on Main St down to the Marina and park in general parking. We plan on eating at one of Dunedin's restaurants for those that choose to stay. (F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)
- 9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE See Tuesday, February 6
- 1:30 PM FASHION MALL See Tuesday, February 6
- 1:30 PM TUESDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Tuesday, February 13
- 2:00 PM DOWNTOWN FISHERS ON THE NICKEL PLATE TRAIL See Tuesday, February 20
- 4:30 PM <u>BEECH GROVE</u> 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)
- 4:30 PM POTTERS BRIDGE ON TUESDAY AFTERNOON See Tuesday, February 6

#### Wednesday, March 6

- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, February 7
- 2:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, February 7
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, February 7

#### Thursday, March 7

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FIVE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FOUR MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK THREE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Friday, March 8

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, February 2
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, February 2
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, February 2

#### Saturday, March 9

- 8:00 AM FRIENDSHIP GARDENS, PLAINFIELD See Saturday, February 3
- 9:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL SATURDAY See Saturday, February 3
- 10:00 AM DEPAUW NATURE PARK From I-465 W take I-70 west to the Greencastle/Cloverdale exit. Turn right and follow US 231 for about 7 miles into Greencastle. At the courthouse turn left onto Jackson St (west side of Courthouse) and drive one block turn right onto Walnut St. Continue about 1/2 mile to the main parking lot (1400 W County Rd 125 S, Greencastle IN 46135.). This will be a 5-6 mile hike on scenic trails through the park. Restrooms are available. After the hike plan on having lunch at a restaurant in Greencastle. (M,NS/PS,2) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972)

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, February 3

#### Sunday, March 10 **Daylight Savings Time Begins**

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, February 4

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE ON SUNDAY MORNING See Sunday, February 4

#### Monday, March 11

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, February 12
- 9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, February 5
- 9:30 AM CROWN HILL CEMETERY See Monday, February 12
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, February 5
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, February 5
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Tuesday, March 12

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1
- 9:00 AM B&O TRAIL AND SPEEDWAY NEIGHBORHOODS See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:00 AM FRIENDSHIP GARDENS ON TUESDAY See Tuesday, February 20.
- 9:30 AM ST PETERSBURG DOWNTOWN BAY WALK Travel along I-275 to I-375 take the 375 exit and continue to the downtown split. Take the left turning lane and travel past the Vinoy Hotel on your right. Take the 2nd right past the Vinoy onto 7th Ave and travel to the end and turn into the free parking lot on your left, you will be close to the bay. Let's plan on having lunch in town, many to choose from. Call the leader if you need directions from other locations. Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)
- 9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:30 AM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK See Tuesday, February 13
- 1:30 PM FASHION MALL See Tuesday, February 6
- 4:30 PM BEECH GROVE See Tuesday, March 5

#### Wednesday, March 13

- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, February 7
- 2:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, February 7
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, February 7

#### Thursday, March 14

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FIVE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FOUR MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK THREE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Friday, March 15

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 8:30 AM <u>EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE</u> See Friday, February 2
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, February 2
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 10:30 AM SAINT PATRICK'S DAY PARADE We love a parade! For the second time our Club has been invited to participate be in the Indianapolis St. Patrick's Day Parade (www.indystpats.com/events/stpatricks-day-parade), which will be held this year on Friday two days before St. Patrick's day. Let's hope that it is not as cold and windy this year. The parade begins at 11:30 a.m., but our group needs to be in place at 10:30 a.m., rain or shine. We will not be informed of our exact meeting location until one week before the event. The approximate location is near Ft. Wayne Ave and Pennsylvania. A number of club members will meet at Shapiro's Restaurant at 9:45 a.m. (see Google map reference) and walk up to where the parade begins. Another good parking location closer to our meeting spot is the Central Library garage (fee). Keep in mind that some parts of Pennsylvania might be closed off for the parade route. From that point you will walk south on Pennsylvania, left on North/Ft. Wayne. The parade route is 1 1/2 miles (south on Pennsylvania to Ohio, turn right on Ohio, and then right on Meridian Street). We will stop near Michigan at the Veteran's Memorial Park for a group photo. The downtown area will be very busy. Please wear hiking gear with the club t-shirt visible (might need to layer if cold weather), green club shirt, if you have it, or another club shirt is okay too. Feel free to add some St. Patrick's Day festive wear as well and bring your hiking pole as a prop. Last year's garb was great. Our club will be introduced as we pass by the announcers' booth. Would appreciate a RSVP by March 10 to help us know approximate numbers. Also, if you wish to donate \$5 to the Club to help offset the participation fee that would be appreciated as well. (Map #41)(PS,F,2.5) Leader: Marla Zinkan (317-403-5621)

6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, February 2

## Saturday, March 16

- 8:00 AM FRIENDSHIP GARDENS, PLAINFIELD See Saturday, February 3
- 9:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL SATURDAY See Saturday, February 3
- 9:00 AM MILWAUKEE RAIL TRAIL This will be an out and back hike on the 11 mile Milwaukee Trail, for a total of 22 miles. Meet at Williams Dam Public Fishing Area located on the east fork of the White River about 10 miles west of Bedford. From I-465 S, take I-69 South to Bloomington. Just south of Bloomington take US37 South to Bedford, turn right onto 16th St and a quick left onto 450 W. Follow for 9 miles and then a slight left onto Williams Dam Rd where there's a large parking area. Trail is flat and mostly crushed stone with minimal elevation. Feel free to join and turn back early.

(Challenging, F, HS, 3-3.5) Leader: Scott Beam (317-601-1033)

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, February 3

#### Sunday, March 17 Saint Patrick's Day

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, February 4
- 9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE ON SUNDAY MORNING See Sunday, February 4
- 1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Sunday, February 25

#### Monday, March 18

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, February 12
- 9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, February 5
- 9:30 AM PRATHER PARK IN CARMEL See Monday, February 19
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, February 5
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, February 5
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Tuesday, March 19 First Day of Spring

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1
- 9:00 AM B&O TRAIL AND SPEEDWAY NEIGHBORHOODS See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, February 6
- 9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE See Tuesday, February 6
- 1:30 PM TUESDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Tuesday, February 13
- 2:00 PM DOWNTOWN FISHERS ON THE NICKEL PLATE TRAIL See Tuesday, February 20
- 4:30 PM BEECH GROVE See Tuesday, March 5
- 4:30 PM POTTERS BRIDGE ON TUESDAY AFTERNOON See Tuesday, February 6

#### Wednesday, March 20

- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, February 7
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, February 7
- 2:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, February 7
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, February 7

#### Thursday, March 21

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FIVE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FOUR MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK THREE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Friday, March 22

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, February 2
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, February 2
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 1:00 PM BOOK CLUB HIKE LEBANON Meet at the Lebanon Public Library at 104 E Washington Street, Lebanon to discuss *Lady Clementine* by Marie Benedict. A 5-mile hike will begin after the book discussion about 1:30 pm from the Library on the Big 4 Trail. The Library is located on the east-west corner of the courthouse square. There is parking on the west and east sides of the building. As always, you do not need to read the book to join the hike and/or discussion. (F,PS,3) Leader: Susan Fox (317-682-8117)
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, February 2

#### Saturday, March 23

8:00 AM FRIENDSHIP GARDENS, PLAINFIELD See Saturday, February 3

9:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL - SATURDAY See Saturday, February 3

10:00 AM EXPLORE THE NEW TRAIL FROM ZIONSVILLE TO WHITESTOWN Hike the new trail from Zionsville to Whitestown. This trail opened only a few months ago. This will be a 12 mile hike. We will start at Zionsville Town Hall and walk to Whitestown. We will have lunch in Whitestown at the LA café and then walk back to Zionsville. 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. (Map #34) (F,PS,3) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-508-8523 or 317-417-2628)

10:00 AM LIME KILN TRAIL BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK From I-465 S take I-65 S to Columbus, Exit 68. Then west on SR 46 toward Nashville and shortly after you pass the small town of Gnaw Bone look for an entrance to Brown County SP (fee) on you left. Once in the park follow the signs to the Rally Campground. Right before you enter the campground, turn right onto the large parking lot. This will be a 5 mile hike on the Lime Kiln mountain bike trail. After the hike join us for lunch at a restaurant in Nashville. (Map #27)(M,N,2) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972)

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, February 3

#### Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, February 4

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE ON SUNDAY MORNING See Sunday, February 4

#### Monday, March 25

9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, February 12

9:00 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, February 5

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE PARK AND BEYOND See Monday, February 26

1:30 PM AVON COMMUNITY PARKS, HENDRICKS COUNTY See Monday, February 19

4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, February 5

4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, February 5

5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Tuesday, March 26

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, February 6

9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1

9:00 AM <u>B&O TRAIL AND SPEEDWAY NEIGHBORHOODS</u> See Tuesday, February 6

9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, February 6

9:30 AM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK See Tuesday, February 13

4:30 PM BEECH GROVE See Tuesday, March 5

#### Wednesday, March 27

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, February 7

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, February 7

9:30 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, February 7

9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, February 7

1:00 PM FOUNDERS PARK & NEIGHBORHOODS We will hike through the small Carmel park and explore nearby neighborhoods for 4 to 5 miles. The address is 11675 Hazeldel Pkwy, Carmel. (F,PS/NS,2.5-3). Leader: June Sergi (317-372-3018)

2:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, February 7

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, February 7

#### Thursday, March 28

9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, February 1

9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Thursday, February 1

- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FIVE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK FOUR MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK THREE MILE See Thursday, February 1
- 5:00 PM FORT HARRISON AND LAWRENCE See Thursday, February 1

#### Friday, March 29

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, February 2
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, February 2
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, February 2
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, February 2

#### Saturday, March 30

7:00 AM <u>TECUMSEH TRAIL OUT AND BACK</u> This challenging hike will be nearly 30 miles, starting at the Orcutt Rd trailhead near the Morgan-Monroe State Forest Office and along the Tecumseh Trail to SR 45 and back and is expected to last 12 hours so bring a headlamp and plenty of water and snacks! From I-465 S, take I-69 South to exit 134 Liberty Church Rd and turn left over the overpass. A quick right onto old SR 37, follow for 4 miles and turn left onto Forest Rd. The trailhead is on the right in 4.5 miles. (Challenging, H, NS, 3) Leader: Scott Beam (317-601-1033)

8:00 AM FRIENDSHIP GARDENS, PLAINFIELD See Saturday, February 3

9:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL - SATURDAY See Saturday, February 3

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, February 3

#### Sunday, March 31 Easter

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, February 4

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE ON SUNDAY MORNING See Sunday, February 4

1:30 PM VANDALIA RAIL TRAIL (WESTERN PORTION) Meet at the Amo trailhead located at 5042 South St. for a 6 mile out and back hike on paved trails (Amo to Coatesville). 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. From I-465 W, take US 40 traveling through Plainfield to IN-39. Turn right onto IN-39 and follow IN-39 into Clayton. Turn left at lowa St., go one block, turn right at W CR 500S and travel about 5 miles to the Amo trailhead. Amo is just under 10 miles from Danville. Bathrooms available. (F,PS,3.2) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943-cell)

#### **FUTURE EVENTS:**

<u>SPRING WILDFLOWER HIKES – every Tuesday in April</u> As she has done in the past, Mary Ann Layman will be leading spring wildflower hikes every Tuesday in April. All the hikes will be 3-4 miles at a slow and easy pace with ongoing commentary about the flowers. To give the flowers a chance to open up, all hikes will begin at 1:00 p.m. Each week will be in a different location known for its diversity of wildflowers. Indiana spring wildflowers are a once a year event that lasts only a few weeks

<u>SOLAR ECLIPSE HIKE – Monday, April 8</u> A full solar eclipse occurs just once in most people's lifetimes. We plan to delay the start of the regular Crown Hill Cemetery hike which is scheduled on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month (usually starts at 9:30 a.m.) to 2:00 p.m. Hopefully, we will get to view the eclipse from the top of Crown Hill at 3:00 p.m. Special glasses will be required and we will do our best to obtain enough glasses for everyone who shows up, but to be safe please supply your own pair. Pray for sun. For more details see next schedule or contact Ed Wright at 317-445-5646 or <u>ewright@indyhike.org</u>.

**NO FRILLS HALF MARATHON – Saturday, April 13** The 6th Annual No Frills Half Marathon (no frills, no tee shirts, no bands, no drinks, no police escort, but also no cost) will be held on Saturday, April 13. See April schedule for details. Contact Mary Bruss if you want to know more *mbruss727@gmail.com* or 317-308-0182.

**27TH ANNUAL SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK – April 16-18 (Tue-Thu)**. Mark your calendar for the Annual Club Trip to Smoky Mountains National Park. If you haven't already booked your room reservations

in Gatlinburg, TN, do so now. Most members stay at Riverhouse at the Park (865-436-2070). Bearskin Lodge on the River (865-430- 4330) is another good choice. This year we will repeat the Monday evening pool-side social hour at Riverhouse and, due to popular demand, on Wednesday we're bringing back the catered dinner at the historic Appalachian Clubhouse in the park. There will be a good range of moderate morning and afternoon hikes and more challenging full-day hikes. The hike leaders will include Chuck Turner, Tim Braun, John Lyghtel, Konnie and John Schlechte. Questions please contact John Schlechte 317-294-2021 cell or *ischlechte @fastmail.com*.

<u>BE A 500 FESTIVAL PARADE VOLUNTEER – May 25</u> Watch for a future hike on Saturday, May 25th that is actually the opportunity to walk in the 500 Festival parade downtown and get Hiking Club mileage for participating. Quite a few Club members did this last year and had a great time. Your choice of roles can be anything from balloon handlers and flag carriers to specialty unit, band or equine escorts. Sign up now to get your favorite slot at <a href="https://500festival.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=75653">https://500festival.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=75653</a>. Hike leader: Debbie Bucholz, <a href="https://500festival.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=75653">debbiebucholz@hotmail.com</a>.

**INDIANAPOLIS INDIANS BASEBALL GAME - June 9** Join your fellow IHC members and invited guests at an Indians baseball game at Victory Field in downtown Indy. Details will be available in future schedules.

<u>ANNUAL PICNIC – July 27</u> Plan to attend our annual picnic at Shelter A Eagle Creek Park for all members and their invited guests. As in the past entry to the park will be free that day and there will be multiple hike options before the picnic.

### **GENERAL ASSEMBLY – Thursday, September 5**

<u>OHIO MULTI DAY HIKING TRIP – October</u> Plan to join us during mid-October for the following back to back hiking trips to Ohio:

<u>Hocking Hills, Ohio</u> Every season is a great season to visit Hocking Hills, but there is something truly special about autumn. Along with cooler weather the fall brings beautiful fall colors. The last time our Club visited Hocking Hills in October was 2009. This trip is in the planning stage and when final dates are set, more information, including lodging suggestions with phone numbers will be shared. Meanwhile, if you have any questions about this trip, please contact trip planner Terry Roesch at *troesch1@indy.rr.com*.

<u>Cuyahoga Valley National Park, Ohio</u> Following the Hocking Hills trip we will explore a new location (for many of us) by driving north approximately 3 hours to Cuyahoga Valley NP located between Akron and Cleveland, Ohio. The trails are similar to those at Eagle Creek, Mounds, and McCormick's Creek SP. We will see waterfalls too. As with the Hocking Hills trip once dates are set lodging suggestions and phone numbers will be shared. If you have any questions about this trip, please contact trip planner, John Lyghtel at <a href="mailto:rilyghtel@aol.com">rilyghtel@aol.com</a>.

#### PLEASE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

Bruce Anderson	Zionville, IN	DeVonne Anderson	Zionsville, IN
Ann Berry	Carmel, IN	Dharma Hiner	Trafalgar, IN
Patrick McShea	Indianapolis, IN	Sharin White	Brownsburg, IN
David Jordan	Carmel, IN	Mike Evancho	Indianapolis, IN
Renee Lombardo	Indianapolis, IN	Ashley Kinney	Indianapolis, IN
Paul Ho	Carmel, IN		

#### **RECENT MILEAGE AWARDS:**

David Kincaid	33,000	Robert Dickinson	3,000	Janet Labbe	300
Janet Cohen	14,000	Curt Hawhee	1,500	Barb Stayton	200
Pat Lawler	14,000	Allen Wilson	1,000	Barbara Fisher	200
Mary Bruss	13,000	Delaram Moghaddam	1,000	Janie Westermeier	200
Marthene Kohlmeyer	8,500	Lisa Schenck	500	Jeff Small	200
Armen Avakian	8,000	Nancy Garland	500	Pam Marusic	200
Linda Wright	7,500	Bev Hoopingarner	400	Sara Cobb	200
Sue Bullock	7,500	Karen LeClerc	400	Gilda Amarante	100
Cecilia Keller	7,000	Stephen Morris	400	Maria Bandy	100

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Anne Heighway	5,000	Cindy Schmidt	300	Martha Rivera-June	100
Tom Seeman	4,000	David Colville	300	Pat Starzynski	100
Judy Robinson	3,500	David Drzewiecki	300	Philip Ripani	100

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

Former member Rick Maxwell's wife, Lanie, passed away in mid-December.

We wish all the best to the following member:

President Debbie Bucholz has been recovering from reconstructive surgery in early December on her left foot for the past seven weeks, only to break a toe on the other foot now. She misses hiking and hopes the next six weeks go fast.

**WANT MORE INFORMATION?** For more information about our Club, including history, past hike schedules, how to join, photos, contacts, etc. please visit our website at <a href="www.indyhike.org">www.indyhike.org</a> or contact our Membership Officer Marti Burton, 8812 River Ridge Dr, Brownsburg, IN 46112 (317-306-9878, <a href="mjburton51@hotmail.com">mjburton51@hotmail.com</a>). 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 Marti to send you one. You do not need to be invited to hike with us as a guest 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.