

# *The Indianapolis Hiking Club*

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## **SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2009**

(PLEASE --- NO PETS ON HIKES)

(CELEBRATING 52 YEARS OF SPONSORING HIKES AND OUTINGS)

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

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

Hikers should arrive at the meeting location at least 15 minutes early. This will enable the leader to complete sign-ups and start the hike on time. Interested in leading a hike? Contact pathfinders: Jean Ballinger (276-2050 daytime) [jballinger@lilly.com](mailto:jballinger@lilly.com) for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (219-5536) [ewright@indyhike.org](mailto:ewright@indyhike.org) for weekday hikes.

**WINTER HIKING:** Hike leaders are responsible for safety first. In adverse weather the leader may reroute, shorten or cancel a hike. If the weather is inclement, please call the leader to confirm a hike. Whenever possible out of town leaders should make cancellation decisions by 6 PM of the preceding day.

**HIKE LEADER SEMINAR:** Like to lead a Club hike or get a refresher on hike leader responsibilities? A seminar is being planned later in the spring. If you would like to attend, please contact Jeff Edmondson at [jeffret@indyhike.com](mailto:jeffret@indyhike.com) or 733-0143.

### **PRESIDENT'S CORNER:**

Greetings! Everyone is invited to the March 12 General Assembly at the beautiful Earth Discovery Center in Eagle Creek Park. See the write-up in the schedule for more details. We have an impressive list of recipients for the 2008 Achievement Awards you will want to congratulate. Additionally, the Pinnacle Award will be given for the first time this year! This schedule is chock full of wonderful hikes thanks to all of you. Old favorites and new trips are ready to take off. If you have not gone on an overnight or longer trip, consider doing so this year. You will not be disappointed. The first Saturday of every month we have a Euchre party and newcomers are always welcome for an evening of fun. Enjoy!

See you on the trail,  
Cheryl Conwell, President

### **HIKE SCHEDULE**

#### **Sunday, February 1**

- 8:00 AM EAGLE CREEK AREA Meet in the parking lot behind the United Artist Theater located on Shore Drive just west of I-465 off of West 38th St (behind the McDonald's) for a 12-mile hike. (F,PS,3.5-4) Leader: Cindy West (299-7829 or 370-1015 cell)
- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP From I-465 N exit on Michigan Rd heading south, turn left at first light (92nd St) and go ¼ mile to Pyramids. Meet in the parking lot for the Pyramids. This will be a 4-mile walk on paved roads followed by an optional 45-minute non-denominational and contemporary religious service inside Beef & Boards. Walking clothes are fine and there will be coffee, bagels, donuts, etc. Hope you stay for the inspirational service at the Garden. Bring the kids. Repeats each Sunday in February and March. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Rena Elsner (873-6526)
- 1:00 PM CARMEL-WHITE RIVER GREENWAY From the intersection of Keystone and 131st St (Main St) in Carmel, proceed east through roundabout intersection of 131st St and Hazel Dell Parkway for approximately .5 mile to Lawrence Inlow Park which is on the north side of 131st St. This is a 6-mile hike from the park to a greenway footpath. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Cheryl Smolecki (696-8922)

- 1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER Meet in the free parking lot ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a self-guided\* 6 or 10-mile hike. Repeats each Saturday at 10AM and Sunday at 1PM in February and March. (F,PS) Leader: Donna Maurer (328-1974 home; 413-5709 cell)
- 3:00 PM SUPER BOWL HIKE Take I-65 south to Franklin (Exit 90). Go west (right) on SR 44 (it takes a couple of turns) until you see the courthouse. Alternatively you can take US 31 south to SR 44 in Franklin. Turn left onto SR 44 and go until you see the courthouse. Meet on south side of courthouse for 6-mile hike. This is Super Bowl Sunday; please join us for pizza at Mary William's house after the hike. Even though the Colts won't be playing, the game should still be fun. (F,PS,3) Leader: Kathy Braun (625-3486)

### Monday, February 2 *Groundhog Day*

- 9:00 AM PARK, HIKE AND RIDE Park at the White River Park Visitors' Center located on West Washington St across from Victory Field (\$2 fee for 3 hours). We will *hike* up to Methodist Hospital where we will board the People Mover and *ride* to IU Medical Ctr. with a fabulous aerial view of Papa John's and Taco Bell. The remainder of the hike will be spent making our way back to the Visitors' Center. This will be a 5-6 mile hike. (F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)
- 9:00 AM LAKE CLEARWATER Park in the Gene B. Glick Junior Achievement Center parking lot, northwest of the Super Wal-Mart, at the intersection of 74th St and Keystone Ave. This will be a 6-mile hike. Repeats on February 23, March 2 and March 23. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Mary Ladd (430-3711)
- 9:00 AM MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance for a 6-mile road hike. Repeats on March 2. (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Kate Curtiss (247-0283)
- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a hike of 5-6 miles. Repeats each Monday in February. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Brad Tollefson (490-9878)
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL Sign in at the food court for this self guided\* hike. Take as many one-mile laps as you want. Repeats each Monday, Wednesday and Friday in February and each Monday in March. (F,PS) Leader: Carol Radke (317-887-9614 home and 317-690-0351 cell)

### Tuesday, February 3

- 9:30 AM WHITE RIVER FROM POTTERS BRIDGE We will walk 5-6 miles along the White River from Potters Bridge and visit Forest Park and part of Noblesville. Meet at the parking lot by Potters Bridge in Noblesville. 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) on 10th St and proceed approximately 1/4 mile. The entrance the Potters Bridge will be on your left. Join us afterwards at Logan's restaurant. Hike repeats on March 3. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Bob Hackenberg (773-2934)
- 9:30 AM SOUTHEASTWAY PARK Go southeast on US 52 (Brookville Road) to Carroll Road (stoplight) on the Marion-Hancock county line. Turn right (south) and go 3.2 miles to park entrance. Meet at Activity Center lot for a 5-mile hike. Lunch afterwards, probably at Washington Square MCL. (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)
- 6:00 PM SOUTHPORT Meet behind (north side) Walgreen's at the NE corner of Southport Rd and Madison Ave for a 5-mile hike (not self-guided); the route may vary each week. Repeats each Tuesday in February. (F,PS,3) Leader: Ricki Jo Hoffmann (782-8147)

### Wednesday, February 4

- 9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS This is a great 7-mile brisk workout on roads and trails, with a shorter option. Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside the 56th St entrance. Hike repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (M,NS/PS,3.5) Leader: Rich Peck (291-4873)
- 9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE Sign-up sheet for this self-guided\* hike at Washington Square Mall will be at the Information Desk. Take as many one-mile laps as you wish. Repeats each Wednesday in February. (F,PS) Leader: Genie Waltz (897-6493)
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE From I-465N exit at Michigan Rd and go north. Turn left on 116th St and drive to downtown Zionsville and take SR 334 west. Meet in Zionsville Town Hall parking lot at 1100 W. Oak St (SR 334) across from McDonalds. This will be a 6-mile hike through quaint neighborhoods, the Zionsville Rail Trail and possibly Starkey Park. Repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rena Elsner (873-6526).

\* SELF-GUIDED HIKES: Self-guided hikes are intended to allow you to walk at your own speed. Your leader is obligated only to sign you up & furnish you a map or instructions. If you do not wish to walk alone, plan for a partner ahead of time.

- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE Meet in the northeast corner of the Marsh at Lockerbie parking lot at 320 N. New Jersey. Hike is self-guided\* with 5 and 7-mile options. Repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (F,PS) Leader: John Lyghtel (578-9756 or 626-9117 cell)
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

**Thursday, February 5**

- 9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL Meet at Windridge Center at 5435 N. Emerson Way in front of O'Malia's near pond for a 6-mile hike. Repeats each Thursday in February and March. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Elaine Wright (753-5516)
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK Meet at the Earth Discovery Center parking lot in Eagle Creek Park (fee), which is located off of west 56<sup>th</sup> St just west of the Colts facility. Join us for a moderately paced (3.0 MPH) 5-mile trail hike or a slower/shorter option. Repeats each Thursday in February and March. (M,NS,3) Sponsored by Bill Larrison (388-0498) - various leaders.
- 3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL Take US 52 East to Rushville. Turn left on Spencer St (right after you go by the VP) and take it to the T (stop sign) and turn right. Continue until you pass the football field on the left and turn left on Lions Path. Meet in the lot across from Rushville High School (okay to use restrooms). This will be a 6-mile walk on the fitness trail through the park and around the schools. Repeats each Thursday in February and March, except March 12, and also on Wednesday, March 11. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (765-663-2739 or 407-4652)
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE From I-465 on the east side go east on 56th St and turn left on Lee Rd. Meet in the back parking lot of the Fort Harrison YMCA on Lee Rd for 5-7 mile hike. Repeats every Thursday in February and March, except March 12. (F,PS,3.5) Leaders: Rick Braun (679-2972) and Allan Roberts (510-3004)
- 6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS Meet at Southport Middle School at 5715 South Keystone Ave. Park your car by the basketball court on the south side of the school for a 5-mile hike. Flashlights are suggested. Repeats every Thursday in February and March, except March 12. (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Glee Crowder (859-8159)

**Friday, February 6**

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE From I-465N go north on Michigan Rd. Turn left on 116th St and drive to downtown Zionsville and take SR 334 west. Meet in the parking lot of the Zionsville Town Hall at 1100 W. Oak St (SR334) across from McDonalds. This will be a 6-mile hike with a 4 or 5-mile option, through quaint neighborhoods, the Zionsville Rail Trail and possibly Starkey Park. Repeats each Friday in February and March. (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Rena Elsner (873-6526)
- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK Get in out of the cold and meet us at Castleton Square for a self-guided\* hike of one mile laps for your desired mileage. Meet at food court near Dick's on the north side of Castleton Square. Repeats each Friday in February and March. (F,PS) Leaders: June Sergi (372-3018) and Marge Braun (842-0584)
- 9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK This is a fast-paced 6, 8 or 10-mile road hike. Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside the 56th St entrance. Repeats each Friday in February and March. (M,PS,3.5-4) Leader: Joan Griffiths (297-7312)
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI Meet in downtown Shapiro's Deli lot, 808 S. Meridian, for a 6-mile hike. Repeats every Friday in February and March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Kinnaman (861-3979)
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

**Saturday, February 7**

- 6:45 AM RISE AND SHINE Meet in Broad Ripple at the free parking lot ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a 8-10 mile guided hike. Repeats each Saturday morning in February and March. (F,P/NS,3.5) Leaders: Rick Braun (679-2972) and Allan Roberts (510-3004)
- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL Sign in at the food court for this self guided\* hike. Take as many one-mile laps as you want. Repeats each Sat. in February. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (859-8159)
- 9:00 AM HOOSIER NATIONAL FOREST IN WINTER - HIKE II This is a 16-mile moderately rugged hike in the southwest forests near the Monroe reservoir. Allow about 1.5 hours of travel time from I-465 on the south side of Indy to the Crooked Creek Trailhead. Allow more time if the weather is inclement. Go south on I-65 to the Columbus exit. Go west on SR 46 for 21 miles to Crooked Creek Rd

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- (gravel) on your left. Go 4 miles to the Handicapped Hunters Parking lot on your left. If interested in carpooling: Exit I-65 at Southport Rd and turn left and then back over I-65. Turn right at the 2nd traffic light (Emerson Ave.). Meet in the northwest corner of the Menards parking lot (on your right) no later than 7:15 AM. (H,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Sukhbir Singh (842 5739)
- 9:00 AM BROWN COUNTY Take SR 135 south through Nashville or I-65 South to SR 46 west to the park (fee). After entering the park, follow signs to the campground. Turn to your 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 an 11-mile hike on trails. Bring snacks & water. We can go to the Corn Crib Lounge afterwards. Hike repeats on March 21. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Narcisso Povinelli (784-9381 or 874-6212-cell). If interested in carpooling: 7:15 AM at southeast end of Kroger parking lot at Southern Plaza. Exit I-465 onto US 31 heading north. Southern Plaza is on your left.
- 10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.
- 1:30 PM FALL CREEK TRAIL Meet at Windridge Ctr., 5435 N. Emerson Way. Meet between O'Malia's and the pond for a 5-mile walk. (F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)
- 7:00 PM EUCHRE PARTY If you know how to play Euchre and would like to join other members of the IHC for a night of Euchre please join us at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 615 W. 43rd St. When you turn into the church parking lot off of 43<sup>rd</sup> St go to the small white house (The Cottage) on the west side of the parking lot. Ladies please bring snacks and gentlemen please bring drinks. Repeats March 7. Questions? Call Pat Lawler (329-2779; or 652-2779-cell) or Cherie Voege (848-7674)

### Sunday, February 8

- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 1.
- 10:00 AM MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL From North Meridian St go east on 106th St 1.5 miles to Westfield Blvd. Turn left (north) on Westfield and go about 0.7 miles. Park entrance (look for sign) will be on your left just past 111th St. Meet on the Monon Trail under the bridge between the two buildings near the skateboard park. This will be a 7-mile self-guided\* hike on the Monon Trail to 146th St and back, with shorter or longer options. Repeats on February 22 and March 22. (F,PS) Leader: Jim Robinson (587-0066)
- 1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.
- 1:00 PM VILLAGE OF WEST CLAY Meet in front of the Village of West Clay city hall building at Glebe St and Meetinghouse Rd, southeast of the corner of Towne Rd and West 131st St in Carmel. Bring your boots for a spirited 8-mile winter hike through woods, fields, parks and neighborhoods. (F,NS/PS,3.5) Leader: Tom Kapostasy (690-5656)

### Monday, February 9

- 9:00 AM OVER, UNDER, AROUND AND THROUGH Explore Broad Ripple and nearby environs on this 6-mile hike. Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave. Repeats on March 9. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Tish Brafford (251-8907, 531-6700 cell)
- 9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance for a fast-paced 6 or 8-mile road hike. Repeats each Monday in February and March, except March 2. (M,PS,3.5-4) Leader: Joan Griffitts (297-7312)
- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See February 2.
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

### Tuesday, February 10

- 9:30 AM MONON IN BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a 6-mile hike on the Monon Trail. (F,HS,3.5) Leader: Michele Kestle (251-7157)
- 9:30 AM HIDDEN LAKE Meet in the visitor lot on the east side of Clowes Hall at Butler University (46<sup>th</sup> and Sunset) for a 5-mile hike. (M,HS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)
- 6:00 PM SOUTHPORT See February 3.

### Wednesday, February 11

- 9:00 AM EXPLORING CLERMONT – WOODS, RAILROAD AND B&O TRAIL This is the first of three different Clermont hikes this month; look for the others on February 18 and 25. From I-465 take the Speedway exit (16A) and immediately turn right at the first light onto 136 (Crawfordsville Road). At

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the 4<sup>th</sup> stoplight turn left (south) on Tansel Road. Go .3 mile to Clermont Lion's Club Park and turn left. This is a 5-6 mile hike including a wooded trail and local neighborhoods. (F,NS/PS,2.5-3)

Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779)

9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 4.

9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See February 4.

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 4.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 4.

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

#### **Thursday, February 12**                      **Lincoln's Birthday**

9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL See February 5.

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

3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See February 5.

5:30 PM LINCOLN WANTS A VALENTINE'S CHOCOLATE Meet in downtown Shapiro's Deli lot, 808 S. Meridian for a 5-6 mile hike including a stop at The "Best Chocolate in Town" shop on Mass Ave. (F, PS,3.5) Leaders: Sandy Fillenwarth (465-9129 or cell 340-0369) and Jeff Edmondson (733-0143 or cell 450-2526).

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 5.

6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See February 5.

#### **Friday, February 13**

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 6.

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6.

9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 6.

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

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

#### **Saturday, February 14**                      **Valentines Day**

6:45 AM RISE AND SHINE See February 7.

8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 7.

9:00 AM KNOBSTONE TRAIL V: LEOTA TO NEW CHAPEL HILL LOOP This 16-mile hike includes the Leota to New Chapel Hill segment (9.0 miles) of the Knobstone Trail and approximately 7 miles of mostly paved back roads. The hike involves ascending/descending several steep ridges and some sections of muddy tract; therefore, hiking boots and poles are recommended. Bring lunch and plenty of water. Allow 1.5 to 2 hours travel time from south I-465. Go 77 miles south on I-65 to the Salem exit (SR 56). Go west 3.4 miles to the Finley Firehouse Rd (CR 400 W) and turn south (left) towards Leota Village. Finley Firehouse Rd merges with S Bloomington Tri Rd at 2.2 miles. Turn south (left) and go about 440 yards. Turn right (west) onto W Leota Rd and then at 2.3 miles turn northwest (right) onto E. Saylor Rd. Turn right at the KT signpost and gravel drive on your immediate right for the Leota Trailhead. If interested in carpooling: Exit I-65 at Southport Rd and turn left back over I-65. Turn right at the 2nd light (Emerson Ave). Meet in the northeast corner of the Menard's parking lot (on your right) by 7:00 AM. (M,NS/PS/HS,2-3) Leaders: Jeff Edmondson (733-0143 and cell 450-2526) and Cathy Bridge (283-7758 and cell 201-6551)

10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.

1:30 PM HOLLIDAY PARK & BEYOND Use the north entrance at 64<sup>th</sup> St and Spring Mill Rd. Take the road to the left and meet at northwest end of Nature Center lot for a 5-mile hike. (M,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)

2:00 PM HILL VALLEY EAST Meet in parking lot for Baxter YMCA (south entrance) on Shelby St at Stop 11 Rd. This is right off US 31 on Indy's south side. This is a neighborhood hike of 6 miles, with a 5-mile option. Repeats on March 14. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (787-6593)

#### **Sunday, February 15**

8:00 AM OUTSIDE EAGLE CREEK PARK Meet in lot just outside the park entrance on the southeast corner of 56th St and Reed Rd for a 6 or 12-mile walk. (F,PS,3.5-4) Leader: Cindy West (299-7829)

9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 1.

1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.

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1:30 PM GREENFIELD Take I-70 east to the Greenfield exit. Turn right (S) on SR 9 and go ½ mile to the stoplight. Turn left (E) and go 0.7 mile to North Apple St. Turn right (S) and continue 1.9 miles to Riley Park. Meet in the parking lot next to the pool. Sorry, no restrooms. Hike will be 5-6 miles in historic Greenfield. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (765-663-2739 or 407-4652-cell)

### **Monday, February 16** *Presidents Day*

9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE See February 9.

10:00 AM WEST PARK AND BEYOND Go north on Meridian St (US 31) to 116th St. Turn left (west) on 116th St and go 2 1/4 miles. Turn right into the park entrance and meet in parking lot. Hike will be 5-6 miles in and around West Park. (F,NS/PS, 3) Leader: June Sergi (372-3018)

6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See February 2.

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

### **Tuesday, February 17**

9:30 AM. THE MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL We will meet in the northwest corner of Whole Foods parking lot in the Clay Terrace shopping center in north Carmel. We will walk 5-6 miles mostly on the Monon Trail. Whole Foods can be reached from either 146th St or from US 31 via the southern entrance to Clay Terrace. Join us after the hike at Paradise Cafe. Repeats on March 17. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Bob Hackenberg (773-2934)

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE PARK TO HOWLAND DITCH Meet in Broad Ripple Park, 1550 Broad Ripple Ave in the Family Center lot for a 5-mile walk. (F,PS/NS/HS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)

6:00 PM SOUTHPORT See February 3.

### **Wednesday, February 18**

9:00 AM EXPLORING CLERMONT - BIG HORN STEER, RACE TRACK AND TOWN HIGHLIGHTS See February 11.

9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 4.

9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See February 4.

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 4.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 4.

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

### **Thursday, February 19**

9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL See February 5.

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

3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See February 5.

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 5.

6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See February 5.

### **Friday, February 20**

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 6.

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6.

9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 6.

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

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

### **Saturday, February 21**

6:45 AM RISE AND SHINE See February 7.

8:00 AM DOWNTOWN LOOP Meet in Broad Ripple in the free parking lot 1/2 block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrolton for a hike of 20 miles. The hike will go down the Monon to NIFS and will return along the river and towpath to Broad Ripple. Bring water and snacks. (F,PS,3.5-4). Repeats on March 22. Leader: Cindy West (299-7829 or 370-1015-cell)

8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 7.

10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.

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1:30 PM EAGLE CREEK PARK Meet at the far south end of the Earth Discovery Center lot in the park (fee) for a 5-mile hike. (M,NS/HS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)

### **Sunday, February 22**

9:00 AM AROUND THE AIRPORT From I-465 west, go west on Washington St. Meet at southwest corner of K-Mart at 6780 West Washington St near the McDonalds. Water and restrooms are available. This is a 12-mile hike with a 6-mile self-guided\* option. We will hike around the perimeter of the Indianapolis International Airport. Repeats March 15. (F,PS,3.5-4) Leader: Joan Griffiths (297-7312)

9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 1.

10:00 AM MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 8.

1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.

5:00 PM SUNDAY NIGHT IN CLAY TERRACE & SUPPER Meet in the parking lot behind Kona restaurant for a night hike of 6 miles. Plan to eat after the hike at Paradise Bakery. Take North Meridian St north to Clay Terrace Blvd. (about 1 mile north of St. Vincent's Carmel Hospital). Go through the shopping center to the stoplight and turn right (east) to the parking lot behind/same side as Kona restaurant. (F,PS, 3.5) Leader: Ellen Mutzl (769-3220 or cell 490-5478).

### **Monday, February 23**

9:00 AM LAKE CLEARWATER See February 2.

9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE See February 9.

10:30 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK Take SR 135 south thru Nashville or I-65 South to SR 46 west to the park (fee). Meet at Ogle Lake parking area for an 8-mile hike. Afterward, all are invited to return to hike leader's cabin in the park for hot soup, etc. by the fire. You must bring your own bowl, plate, silverware & beverage. All else will be provided. No pets please. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Bobbie Mattasits (843-2309)

6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See February 2.

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

### **Tuesday, February 24**

9:00 AM ZIONSVILLE From I-465N exit at Michigan Rd and go north. Turn left on 116th St and drive to downtown Zionsville. Meet in lot south of Friendly Tavern on Main St for a 5-6 mile hike. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Michele Kestle (251-7157)

9:30 AM ARTSPARK & MAROTT PARK FROM MONON SHELTER From College Ave go east on 65<sup>th</sup> St a few blocks to Cornell. Turn left and park near the shelter for a 5-mile hike. (F,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)

6:00 PM FAT TUESDAY FUN TREK Meet in downtown Shapiro's Deli lot, 808 S. Meridian St, for a 6-mile hike. After the hike maybe we can get together for some Mardi gras frivolity. Bring your beads and baubles – yeehaw! (F,PS,3.5-4) Leader: Sandy Fillenwarth (465-9129 or cell 340-0369)

6:00 PM SOUTHPORT See February 3.

### **Wednesday, February 25**

9:00 AM EXPLORING CLERMONT – MILLER PARK, LINCOLNWOOD AND PINECREST See February 11.

9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 4.

9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See February 4.

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 4.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 4.

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

### **Thursday, February 26**

9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL See February 5.

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

3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See February 5.

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 5.

6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See February 5.

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**Friday, February 27**

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 6.

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6.

9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 6.

9:30 AM VANDALIA TRAIL – PLAINFIELD From I-465 on the west side, exit on Washington St and travel west 8-9 miles through Plainfield. Meet in Goodwill Industries parking lot on the north side of US 40 (Main St) in the center of Plainfield's business district. Distance will be 5 miles on a paved trail at a relaxed pace with shorter options. Look for two more sections of the Vandalia Trail on March 24 and March 31. (F,PS,2-2.5) Leaders: Len & Gay Behling (839-3002)

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

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

**Saturday, February 28**

6:45 AM RISE AND SHINE See February 7.

8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 7.

9:00 AM MORGAN MONROE STATE FOREST Allow 1¼ hours travel time from I-465 & SR 37. Take SR 37 south to about 4 miles south of Martinsville. Turn left at the sign for Morgan Monroe State Forest and go about 4 miles to the forest entrance. Meet at the Forest Office parking lot. We will do the 10-mile Three Lakes Trail. (H,NS,3.5) Leader: Cathy Bridge (201-6551)

10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.

10:30 AM SCENIC PLAINFIELD TRAILS Enjoy a 6-mile moderately paced hike along the paved White Lick Creek Trail to Hummel Park, with a shorter option. Meet at the southwest corner of the Plainfield Recreation and Aquatic Center parking lot located at 651 Vestal Rd. From I-465 west, exit on Washington St and travel west 8.4 miles through Plainfield. Turn right at the first stop light west of town onto Vestal Rd. Travel 0.5 mile to the Recreation Center parking lot. Repeats on March 28. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Terry Roesch (910-2943 cell)

1:30 PM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK From the east leg of I-465 take 56<sup>th</sup> St east. Turn left on Post Rd. Park entrance (fee) is located at 59<sup>th</sup> and Post Rd. Meet at Delaware Lake lot for a 5-mile hike. (M,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)

**Sunday, March 1**

9:00 AM YELLOWWOOD FOREST IN WINTER This is a 12–15 mile moderate to rugged hike in the Yellowwood Lake area. Allow about 1¼ hours from I-465 south. Allow more time in inclement weather. Take I-65 south to Columbus exit and proceed west on SR 46 approximately 20.8 miles to Yellowwood Forest Rd on your right (watch for the brown Yellowwood State Forest sign & Knight's store in the northeast corner). Follow the road to the Visitor Center (Forest Office). If interested in carpooling: Exit I-65 at Southport Rd, turn left and then back over I-65. Turn right at the 2nd stoplight (Emerson Ave). Meet in the northwest corner of the Menards parking lot. We must leave by 7:15 AM. (H,NS,2-2.5) Leaders: Cindy West & Sukhbir Singh (299-7829 & 842-5739)

9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 1.

1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.

2:00 PM NOBLESVILLE - FOREST PARK TO POTTER'S COVERED BRIDGE From I-465 on the north side take I-69 north to SR 37 north. Follow SR 37 to 186<sup>th</sup> St (first intersection past SR 32 – there is no street sign). Turn left onto 186<sup>th</sup> St (Field Dr.). Follow Field Dr. past Cumberland Rd and 10<sup>th</sup> St (Allisonville Rd) and cross the bridge over the White River. Go across Rt. 19 and into Forest Park and turn right into the aquatic center lot. This will be a 5-6 mile hike through the park and on the footpath that borders the White River to a restored covered bridge and back. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Cheryl Smolecki (696-8922)

**Monday, March 2**

9:00 AM AVON'S WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY PARK From I-465 on the west side, go west on Rockville Rd (SR 36) 8.2 miles. Watch for a brown sign on the right side of the road indicating the entrance to the park. Turn left (south) into the park and meet in the lot at the back of the park. On this 5-6 mile hike we will see a pond with a fountain and a haunted bridge. (M,NS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or cell 652-2779)

9:00 AM LAKE CLEARWATER See February 2.

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- 9:00 AM MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL See February 2.  
6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a hike of 5-6 miles. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Tom Hollett (733-8448)  
6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

**Tuesday, March 3**

- 9:30 AM MORGAN-MONROE STATE FOREST Allow about 1 hour and 15 minutes travel time from the intersection of I-465 and SR 37 on Indy's south side. Take SR 37 south about 4 miles south of Martinsville. Turn left at the sign for Morgan-Monroe State Forest and go about 4 miles to the forest entrance. Turn left and go about 5 miles to the Fire Tower parking lot, which is beyond the turnout for the Fire HQ. We will do a different 5-6 mile hike each week, with a shorter slower option. Join us for lunch after the hike. Repeats each Tuesday in March. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (306-5302 cell or 306-5306 cell, 881-8416 home)  
9:30 AM WHITE RIVER FROM POTTERS BRIDGE See February 3.  
4:00 PM GEIST ON FALL CREEK Meet in the northwest corner of the parking lot of Bella Vita which is two blocks east of Brooks School Rd on Fall Creek Pkwy. This will be a 10-mile hike with a 7-mile option along Fall Creek. Repeats each Tuesday in March. (F,PS,3-3-5) Leader: Marge Braun (842-0584 home or 331-0570 cell)  
6:00 PM GREENWOOD NIGHTS From I-465 south take I-65 south to exit (99) Greenwood Main St. Turn right (west). Meet in the parking lot located at the corner of Madison Ave and Main St for a 5-6 mile guided hike. Repeats each Tuesday in March. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (787-6593)

**Wednesday, March 4**

- 9:00 AM REMINISCE WITH TISH ON HER 70<sup>TH</sup> Take a 6-7 mile walk down memory lane in the St. Joan of Arc neighborhood where Tish and hubby Bob grew up. Meet Broad Ripple in free parking 1/2 block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave. Join Tish for refreshments in her home after the hike. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Tish Brafford (251-8907, 531-6700 cell)  
9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 4.  
9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE Sign-up sheet for this self-guided\* hike at Washington Square Mall will be at the Information Desk. Take as many one-mile laps as you wish. Repeats each Wednesday in March. (F,PS) Leader: Bob Pedigo (891-1943)  
4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 4.  
6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 4.

**Thursday, March 5**

- 9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL See February 5.  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See February 5.  
3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See February 5.  
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 5.  
6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See February 5.  
7:00 PM WASHINGTON DC PLANNING MEETING Those intending to go on the Washington DC hiking trip over May 8-11 should attend this meeting to be held in the Laura Hussey Room on the lower level of the Hussey-Mayfield Memorial Public Library at 250 N. 5th St. in Zionsville. This is your chance to have input into the six planned hikes. Please contact Jeff Edmondson at [jeffret@indy.rr.com](mailto:jeffret@indy.rr.com) or 317-733-0143 if you will attend. If you plan to go to Washington but are unable to attend the planning meeting, please let Jeff know so he can forward you information.

**Friday, March 6**

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 6.  
8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6.  
9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 6.  
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL From I-70 in downtown Indy, take I-65 south. Exit I-65 at Raymond Street (exit 109) and go right (west) on Raymond for about 1/2 mile. Turn left (south) onto Pleasant Run Parkway N. Dr. and go to the next stoplight. Turn left onto Pagoda Drive; then turn left again and park in the swimming pool parking lot. This is a 5-6 mile hike on the Pleasant

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- Run Trail. There is a restroom break at the beginning and halfway through the hike. Repeats each Friday in March. (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Glee Crowder (859-8159)
- 5:00 PM NATATORIUM AND BACK This is a slower 3-mile version of the 6PM hike starting from the same location. Meet in downtown Shapiro's Deli lot, 808 S. Meridian. Hike repeats each Friday in March. (F,PS,3) Leader: Carol Radke (887-9614 home and 690-0351 cell)
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 6.

**Saturday, March 7**

- 6:45 AM RISE AND SHINE See February 7.
- 8:00 AM FRANKLIN TRAIL, COLLEGE AND ROSES Follow US 31 south through Franklin past the intersection of SR 44 & 31. Go over Young's Creek and turn left at the Indiana Masonic sign. Go 0.8 miles to the Beeson Recreation Ctr. on left. Park on north side of building. Hike is 10 miles with shorter options. Repeats each Saturday in March. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Glee Crowder (859-8159)
- 8:30 AM NEBO RIDGE TRAIL This will be a 17 mile hike out and back on the Nebo Ridge Trail (all trail). Hiking boots and poles are recommended. Allow 1.5 hours travel time from south I-465. Take I-65 south to SR 46 at Columbus. Go west on SR 46 to SR 135 and turn south (left). Go 9.0 miles to the community of Story. At the Story Inn, turn off SR 135 (west) onto the unmarked gravel road (this is Elkinsville Rd even though it is unmarked). Travel about 2.7 miles; at a creek-bridge take the left-hand fork and go .3 miles to the Nebo Ridge Trailhead on your left. If interested in carpooling: Exit I-65 at Southport Rd and turn left back over I-65. Turn right at the 2nd light (Emerson Ave.). Meet in the northeast corner of the Menard's parking lot (on your right) by 7:00 AM. (H,NS,2-2.5) Leaders: Jeff Edmondson (733-0143 and cell 450-2526) and Jim Rench (317-844-2290)
- 9:00 AM ARLINGTON/HOMER/MANILLA Allow 1 hour travel from I-465 east. Take US 52 east to the town of Arlington. Park on west side of Posey Township School on the right as you come into town. Bring lunch and water for a 17-19 mile hike with a stop at Julie's house along the way for R&R. (F,PS,3.5) Leader Julie Litten (765-663-2739; or 317-407-4652-cell)
- 10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.
- 1:30 PM ATTERBURY STATE FISH & WILDLIFE AREA Take I-65 south to SR 252 (Exit 80). Turn right (west) and go through Edinburgh to US 31 (traffic light). Cross US 31 and continue west on what becomes Hospital Rd. Go 1.4 miles to North St. Turn left (west) and go 0.2 miles and park alongside the shower house driveway. This 5-mile walk will include the POW Chapel. We may see migrating waterfowl, so bring binoculars and wear hunter orange. The last two miles may be done at your own pace. (F,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)
- 7:00 PM EUCHRE PARTY See February 7.

**Sunday, March 8*****Daylight Savings Time Begins***

- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 1.
- 9:30 AM NORTHEAST NEIGHBORHOOD RAMBLE Daylight saving time begins today. Meet in the Marsh grocery parking lot behind Wendy's on the southeast corner of 75<sup>th</sup> St and Shadeland Ave. This is a 5-6 mile hike through various neighborhoods. (F,PS,3-3.5). Leader: Charlotte Lyle (842-2360).
- 1:00 PM VIKING TUNDRA Take Meridian (US 31) north 4.5 miles from I-465. Turn left (west) on 136th St across from Carmel St. Vincent Hospital. Turn immediately right/north on Rohrer Rd past Meridian Village Plaza Shopping Center about one-half mile to Monon Trail parking lot on your right. This 6-mile hike will head south to downtown Carmel and return north to 161st St in Westfield and back. Be one of the first to explore north of 146th St on the newly paved rail trail. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Tom Kapostasy (690-5656)
- 1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.

**Monday, March 9**

- 9:00 AM OVER, UNDER, AROUND AND THROUGH See February 9.
- 9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE See February 9.
- 9:30 AM CROWN HILL CEMETERY From the 700 block of West 38<sup>th</sup> St, go north on Clarendon Rd. less than a block to the cemetery entrance. Meet just inside the gate for a 5-mile walk followed by lunch at Boulevard Place Café. (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)
- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a hike of 5-6 miles. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Jeff Edmondson (733-0143)

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6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

### **Tuesday, March 10**

8:30 AM FAST TRIP UP THE MONON Meet at the Monon Trail parking area just behind First Indiana Bank on 86<sup>th</sup> St in Nora (next to Marsh supermarket) for a 15-mile fast paced hike to 161<sup>st</sup> St and back. The first half we will walk as a group and the return portion will be self-guided\*. Hike repeats on March 12. (F,PS,4-4.5) Leader: Valan Magnabosco (848-2566)

9:30 AM MORGAN-MONROE STATE FOREST See March 3.

4:00 PM GEIST ON FALL CREEK See March 3.

6:00 PM GREENWOOD NIGHTS See March 3.

### **Wednesday, March 11**

9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 4.

9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See March 4.

3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See February 5.

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 4.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 4.

### **Thursday, March 12**

8:30 AM FAST TRIP UP THE MONON See March 12.

9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL See February 5.

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

6:00 PM **GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND 2008 RECOGNITION AWARDS** All members are urged to join us for an entertaining evening. This year's meeting will be held at the Earth Discovery Center in Eagle Creek Park. Use either the 56<sup>th</sup> St or 71<sup>st</sup> St entrance to the park and follow signs for the Earth Discovery Center. The usual \$5 entry fee has been waived for IHC members and guests attending the meeting (you may need to remind the gate-keeper). Enjoy free refreshments before the program. The evening will include an automated video presentation to music featuring club photos from 2008, following which we will recognize the winners of the 2008 Achievement Awards. A complete description of the Awards program can be found on the Club web site at [www.indyhike.org/awards](http://www.indyhike.org/awards). We hope to see you there. If you have any questions contact Sue Bullock 288-0793, Sandy Fillenwarth 465-9129 or Susanne McNeely 247-4101.

### **Friday, March 13**

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 6.

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6.

9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 6.

9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See March 6.

5:00 PM NATATORIUM AND BACK See March 6.

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

### **Friday, March 13 – Sunday, March 15**

WINTER WEEKEND AT SPRING MILL STATE PARK This is a fun mid-winter Club tradition for members and their invited guests at one of Indiana's best state park Inn's. A room reservation supplement for Spring Mill Inn was mailed with the last schedule. Deadline for room reservations is February 20. 5-6 mile hikes are tentatively planned for Saturday at 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM and Sunday at 9:00 AM. All hikes will begin at the Inn and shorter options will be available. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leaders: Mary Ann and Bob Layman (881-8416). Day hikers are welcome to come down and hike with the overnights. Allow 1½ hours travel time from I-465 on the south side of Indianapolis. Take SR 37 south through Bloomington and Bedford to Mitchell. Turn left on SR 60 and go a few miles to the park entrance (fee). Contact Bill Larrison (388-0498) for additional information.

### **Saturday, March 14**

6:45 AM RISE AND SHINE See February 7.

8:00 AM FRANKLIN TRAIL, COLLEGE AND ROSES See March 7.

10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.

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2:00 PM HILL VALLEY EAST See February 14.

### Sunday, March 15

9:00 AM AROUND THE AIRPORT See February 22.

9:00 AM STARVE HOLLOW Allow 1 3/4 hours travel from I-465 on the south side. Take I-65 south to US 50 west at Seymour, then west through Brownstown to SR 135 south. Go south to Vallonia and follow signs to Starve Hollow. Watch for park entrance (fee). Turn right immediately after gatehouse and then left at the beach. Meet in the beach parking lot near the picnic shelter for a 15-18 mile moderate-to-rugged hike. Bring lunch and water. (H,NS,3) Leader: Cindy West (299-7829)

9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 1.

1:00 PM HISTORIC PENDLETON From I-465 north take I-69 to the Pendleton exit (about 17 miles). Turn right on SR 38 and drive through Pendleton until you reach the 2nd stoplight. Turn right and park alongside the bank in the center of Pendleton. This will be a 6-mile hike around some of the older homes in Pendleton and trails along Fall Creek. Come see where Jessamyn West wrote the book about the Massacre at Fall Creek and where the first white men were hanged for killing Indians. (F,PS/NS.3) Leader: Elaine Wright (753-5516)

1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.

### Monday, March 16

9:00 AM WEST PARK TO CHAPPIES Meet in the parking lot of West Park for a hike of 6-8 miles (depending on the weather) to Chappies for hot chocolate and a restroom break. West Park is located on 116th St. It is 1.8 miles east of Michigan Rd (US 421) and across from University High School. If coming from Meridian St it is 2.7 miles west and just after Towne Rd. There are no restrooms open at the park. (F,PS, 3-3.5) Leader: Ellen Mutzl (769-3220 or 490-5478)

9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE See February 9.

6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE 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. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Sandy Fillenwarth (340-0369 cell)

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

### Tuesday, March 17

#### *Saint Patrick's Day*

9:30 AM MORGAN-MONROE STATE FOREST See March 3.

9:30 AM. THE MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 17.

4:00 PM GEIST ON FALL CREEK See March 3.

6:00 PM ST. PATTY DOES THE TOW PATH Meet in the free parking lot 1/2 block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a 10-mile self-guided\* fast-paced hike, with 6 and 8-mile options. Let's plan on refreshments afterwards. (F,NS) Leader: Jeff Edmondson (733-0143)

6:00 PM GREENWOOD NIGHTS See March 3.

### Wednesday, March 18

9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 4.

9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See March 4.

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 4.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 4.

### Thursday, March 19

9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL See February 5.

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

3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See February 5.

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 5.

6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See February 5.

### Friday, March 20

#### *First Day of Spring*

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 6.

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6.

9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 6.

9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See March 6.

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- 1:00 PM AVALON & DEVONSHIRE: NORTHEAST NEIGHBORHOOD RAMBLE Park behind Starbucks in the Avalon Crossing shopping strip on the southeast corner of 71st St and Binford Blvd. This is a 5 to 6 mile hike through neighborhoods. (F,PS,3-3.5). Leader: Charlotte Lyle (842-2360).
- 5:00 PM NATATORIUM AND BACK See March 6.
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 6.

**Saturday, March 21**

- 6:45 AM RISE AND SHINE See February 7.
- 8:00 AM FRANKLIN TRAIL, COLLEGE AND ROSES See March 7.
- 9:00 AM BROWN COUNTY See February 7.
- 9:30 AM TURKEY RUN STATE PARK-I Take I-74 west to Exit 52. Go south through Jamestown and then follow SR 234 west and SR 47 southwest to the park (fee). Meet at the east end of the Turkey Run Inn parking lot for a hike of 5-6 miles. Join us for lunch at the Inn. (M,NS,3) Leader: Bobbie Mattasits (843-2309)
- 10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.
- 1:00 PM TURKEY RUN STATE PARK - II Follow directions above for a 5-6 mile hike. Come down early and join the morning hikers for lunch at the Inn. (M,NS,3) Leader: Bobbie Mattasits (843-2309)

**Sunday, March 22**

- 8:00 AM DOWNTOWN LOOP See February 21.
- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 1.
- 10:00 AM MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 8.
- 1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.
- 1:30 PM RACCOON STATE RECREATION AREA Go west on US 36. Take note where US 36 causeway crosses Harden (Raccoon) Lake. Then watch for Raccoon SRA entrance on left (fee?). After gatehouse, turn left at sign for William H. Hill Memorial Picnic Area. Park near Bluebird Shelter for a 5-mile hike. We may see migrating waterfowl, so you may want to bring binoculars. (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)

**Monday, March 23**

- 9:00 AM LAKE CLEARWATER See February 2.
- 9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE See February 9.
- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a hike of 5-6 miles. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Ed Wright (219-5536)
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

**Tuesday, March 24**

- 9:30 AM MORGAN-MONROE STATE FOREST See March 3.
- 9:30 AM VANDALIA TRAIL - FRANKLIN PARK From I-465 on the west side, exit on Washington St (US 40) and travel west 8-9 miles through Plainfield. From Plainfield town hall on US 40 (Main St.) in old downtown (west side of Plainfield) drive north on Center St to 4-way stop at Elm St. Go left (west) to Franklin Park parking lot. Hike will be 4-5 miles at a relaxed pace with shorter options. (F,PS,2-2.5) Leaders: Len & Gay Behling (839-3002)
- 4:00 PM GEIST ON FALL CREEK See March 3.
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD NIGHTS See March 3.

**Wednesday, March 25**

- 9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 4.
- 9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See March 4.
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 4.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 4.

**Thursday, March 26**

- 9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL See February 5.
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See February 5.
- 3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See February 5.

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- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 5.  
6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See February 5.

**Friday, March 27**

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 6.  
8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 6.  
9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 6.  
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See March 6.  
5:00 PM NATATORIUM AND BACK See March 6.  
6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 6.

**Saturday, March 28**

- 6:45 AM RISE AND SHINE See February 7.  
8:00 AM FRANKLIN TRAIL, COLLEGE AND ROSES See March 7.  
9:00 AM KNOBSTONE TRAIL VI: NEW CHAPEL HILL TO JACKSON RD TRAILHEADS LOOP This 18 mile hike includes the New Chapel Hill to Jackson Rd segment (12.0 miles) of the Knobstone Trail and 6 miles of gravel and paved back roads. It includes several steep climbs and descents. Hiking boots and poles are recommended. Bring lunch and plenty of water. Allow 2 hours travel time from I-465 south. Go 87 miles south on I-65 to the Henryville exit. Turn west onto SR 160 and go 5.3 miles to New Liberty. Continue another .25 miles and turn north (right) onto S Liberty Knob Rd (CR 500 S) and go .3+ miles to the New Chapel Hill Trailhead (KT sign post) on your right. If interested in carpooling: Exit I-65 at Southport Rd and turn left back over I-65. Turn right at the 2nd light (Emerson Ave). Meet in the northeast corner of the Menard's parking lot (on your right) by 7:00 AM. (M,NS/PS/HS, 2-3) Leaders: Jeff Edmondson (733-0143 and cell 450-2526) and Cathy Bridge (283-7758 and cell 201-6551)  
9:30 AM GEIST RESERVOIR Take I-69 north to 96<sup>th</sup> St and turn right (east). Go straight to the "T" which is Fall Creek Road. Turn left (north) and go about 2 miles to the Marina on your right. Meet in southwest area of the parking lot away from the restaurant for a 10-mile hike with a 7-mile option. You may want to eat at Puccini's after the hike. (M,PS/NS, first 7 miles at 3-3.5; last 3 miles at 3.5-4) Leader: Michele Kestle (251-7157)  
10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.  
10:30 AM SCENIC PLAINFIELD TRAILS See February 28.  
1:30 PM SUMMIT LAKE STATE PARK Take I-70 east to Exit 123 (SR 3). Go north through New Castle to US 36. Turn right (east) and go about 3.5-4 miles to Messick Road where there is a sign for the park. Turn left (north) and go about a mile to the entrance (fee?). After entering park, turn right at the T and go to the main boat ramp parking lot. Meet at the south end of the lot away from the ramp for a 5-mile hike. We may see migrating waterfowl, so you may want to bring binoculars. (M,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)

**Sunday, March 29**

- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 1.  
9:30 AM I'M BAA...ACK! Jean Ballinger invites you to join her on her first hike after many months of disability and rehab. Take SR 135 south thru Nashville or I-65 South to SR 46 west to Brown County State Park (fee). Meet at West Lookout Tower parking lot, which is about one mile beyond the west entrance, for a 7-mile hike. Celebrate with Jean after the hike at the Corn Crib lounge in Nashville. (M,NS,3) Leader: Jean Ballinger (276-2050-day; 696-2120-cell)  
1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See February 1.

**Monday, March 30**

- 9:00 AM FALL CREEK TRAIL Meet at Windridge Center at 5435 N. Emerson Way (O'Malia's parking lot near pond) for a 5 or 8-mile hike. The 8-mile option includes a mile loop through the State Fair grounds. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Tish Brafford (251-8907, 531-6700 cell)  
9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE See February 9.  
9:30 AM BERTHA ROSS PARK & GOLDEN HILL Meet in the visitor lot on the east side of Clowes Hall at Butler University (46<sup>th</sup> St and Sunset) for a 5-mile walk followed by lunch at Boulevard Place Café. (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)

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- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a hike of 5-6 miles. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Tom Hollett (733-8448)
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 2.

### **Tuesday, March 31**

- 7:00 AM EARLY MORNING IN BROAD RIPPLE Meet in the free parking lot ½ block south of Broad Ripple Avenue on Carrollton Avenue for a 10-mile self-guided\* fast-paced hike, with 6 and 8-mile options. Let's plan on coffee afterwards. (F,NS) Leader: Jeff Edmondson (733-0143)
- 9:30 AM VANDALIA TRAIL – AMO TO COATESVILLE You will enjoy this newest but more rustic unpaved section of the Vandalia trail. Hike is 6 miles with shorter options. Subject to the conditions we may take the footpath out and a more hilly horse trail back. From I-465 on the west side, exit on Washington Street (US 40) and travel west 8-9 miles through Plainfield and through Bellville. Turn right at the flashing yellow light past Bellville and go past Cascade high school to CR 500. Turn west and continue to the town of Amo and the trailhead. No restrooms. (F,PS,2-2.5) Leaders: Len & Gay Behling (839-3002)
- 9:30 AM MORGAN-MONROE STATE FOREST See March 3.
- 4:00 PM GEIST ON FALL CREEK See March 3.
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD NIGHTS See March 3.

**PLAN FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS:** Contact a Pathfinder if you would like to preview a future event.

**WILDFLOWER HIKES – Tuesdays in April** Mary Ann Layman will lead 4-6 mile wildflower hikes each Tuesday in April. A 1 PM start time will give the flowers a chance to open up. Each week will be at different location known for its diversity of wildflowers. These hikes, several of which will include lunch suggestions before the hike, are very popular and informative, so plan to attend as many as your schedule permits.

**12<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG WEEKEND – April 16-18** Don't forget to make your room reservations for the annual Club trip to Smoky Mountain National Park during the peak of wild flower season. Some hotel suggestions are Riverhouse at the Park (865-436-2070), Fairfield Inn (865-430-7200), Riverhouse Motor Lodge (865-436-7821) and Carr's Cottages & Motel (865-436-4836). Wednesday and Sunday are travel days. We will hike on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Ed Wright and Ron Mutzl will lead all day hikes. Jim Shoufler will lead morning and afternoon moderate hikes. And Len and Gay Behling will lead slower/shorter hikes. Call Ed Wright at 219-5536 if you have any questions.

**KENTUCKY DERBY FESTIVAL MARATHON/MINI-MARATHON - April 25** This is our southern neighbors version of the mini-marathon, but also includes a full marathon. Participation is limited to 12,000 and last year's race sold out. You may register at [www.DerbyFestivalMarathon.com](http://www.DerbyFestivalMarathon.com). Early registration deadline is Jan 31. If you are interested in this event please contact Ron Higdon at 439-6930 or [rlhigdon99@yahoo.com](mailto:rlhigdon99@yahoo.com).

**WASHINGTON, DC – May 8-11** Note there is a planning meeting for this trip on March 5 at 7 PM. See write-up on March 5 for specifics. Plan now to join this fun and educational trip to our nation's capital. Tentatively, we will hike six times over four days, including 5-6 mile morning and evening hikes on Friday and on Monday. One night hike will include the memorials to Jefferson, Lincoln, Vietnam War, Korean War and World War II. The other night hike will go up Capitol Hill and back down along Pennsylvania Avenue and around the White House. There will be longer hikes starting in the morning on Saturday and on Sunday; one of which will be through Arlington cemetery. Most of the hikes will start on the Mall side of the Smithsonian Castle; the Smithsonian Metro stop Mall exit is within one block. The Metro is convenient and easy to use; it will be your friend. There will be plenty of free time to sight see, visit museums and dine on Friday and Monday afternoons and Saturday and Sunday evenings. Hotels options (sorry no group rates) include the Holiday Inn Capitol (202-479-4000) which is three blocks from where the hikes will start and the following Northern Virginia hotels in (1) Crystal City-Sheraton, Hampton Inn, Hyatt and Marriott and (2) Pentagon City- Courtyard Marriott. These should all be near the Metro but be certain to ask. Any hotel on or near the Metro should work fine. Usually, the further out the better the rates. If you are interested in participating on this trip, please let Jeff Edmondson know at either [www.jeffret@indy.rr.com](mailto:www.jeffret@indy.rr.com) or 733-0143.

**NORTHERN INDIANA HIKING WEEKEND – June 13-14** Mark your calendar for a fun weekend in northern Indiana. On Saturday we will start at 10 AM and hike 7-8 miles in Indiana Dunes State Park near Chesterton and on Sunday we will tour the University of Notre Dame campus (5-6 miles) in South Bend. Most people will probably stay overnight in Chesterton at either the Hilton Garden Inn (nicer), 219 983-9500 or the Super 8, 219 929-5549. Some may even take the train from Chesterton to downtown Chicago for dinner. If you would

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prefer spending the evening near Notre Dame (about 1 hour drive from Chesterton) consider the Morris Inn (on campus), 1 800 280-7256 or the Jamison Inn, 574 277-9682. Look for more details including driving directions in the June schedule or call the leaders. Leaders: Bobbie Mattasits 843-2309 and Lynn Thurston 844-9686.

**HIKING IN BAVARIA – tentatively August 12-19** We are planning a 5-7 day Club hiking trip to beautiful Bavaria, Germany. The proposed base of operations will be the village of Reit im Winkl which is nestled in the Bavarian Alps along the Austrian border. This is a ski resort during the winter, but attracts summer vacationers who like to hike in the surrounding hills. There is plenty of housing in the village and the crowds should be thinned out by mid summer. We now have a web page that gives additional information about this trip: [www.indyhike.org/bavaria.shtml](http://www.indyhike.org/bavaria.shtml). Information will be added to this web page as we get it. If you think there you might be interested, please contact Bob Hackenberg at [rqh2@datasink.com](mailto:rqh2@datasink.com) or by calling 773-2934. Putting your name on the list will not commit you to going.

**CLUB PICNIC- July 25** Mark your calendar for the annual picnic in Eagle Creek Park preceded by a hike.

**LABOR DAY WEEKEND - September 5-7** The Club last visited Pine Mountain State Park, KY in 1971 and found it a beautiful and historic area – Daniel Boone country. A group recently scouted the park and found the trails beautiful and challenging and the Inn and cabins wonderful. It should be a great weekend.

**HOOSIER OUTDOOR EXPO – September 25-27** Patterned after highly successful Outdoor Expo's in other states this will be Indiana's first. The three day event will be coordinated by the Indiana's DNR and will take place at Ft. Harrison State Park. Your Club expects to play an active role in the event offering hikes and other hands on outdoor activities to a crowd expected to exceed 10,000. The focus will be on families and minorities (especially children) with little or no outdoor experience. Watch for more details in future schedules. We will be looking for lots of Club volunteers. Ron Higdon is coordinating this event. Call him at 439-6930 if you would like to participate on the planning committee.

**HOCKING HILLS, OH – October 22-24** Note the dates for the Club's bi-annual trip to beautiful Hocking Hills, Ohio during the peak of the fall color. Mary Ann and Bob Layman will lead moderate hikes; Steve and Cindy West will lead longer hikes. To learn more about the area, check out [www.1899hocking.com](http://www.1899hocking.com) and order a free visitor's guide. Campsites in the Old Man's Cave campground may be reserved 6 months in advance and many cottages and cabins may be reserved a year in advance.