



The Indianapolis Hiking Club

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SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2017

(Please – no pets except on designated pet hikes)

Celebrating 60 Years of Sponsoring Hikes and Outings

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

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

Guests are welcome on all hikes. Hikers should arrive at the meeting location at least 10 minutes early, which will enable the leader to complete sign-ups and start the hike on time. Interested in leading a hike? Contact Pathfinders: Jean Ballinger (317-696-2120) jeanballinger77@gmail.com for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-219-5536) ewright@indyhike.org for weekdays.

A map reference at the end of a hike description in the following format (Map #42) indicates that you may view a Google map and GPS coordinates pointing to the hike meeting location at www.indyhike.org/locations.shtml. You may also access the maps from the hike schedule page on the website.

WINTER HIKING: During winter it is important to remember that hike leaders are responsible for safety first. In adverse weather the leader may reroute, shorten or cancel a hike. If the weather is inclement, very cold or the roads are icy call the leader to confirm a hike. Also, check the website “news” to see if the hike has been cancelled. Whenever possible, leaders of out of town hikes should make cancellation decisions by 6 PM of the preceding day. If you cancel a hike, please send an email to Yahoo! Groups or ask Ed Wright (ewright@indyhike.org) to send one for you and request Ed to post the cancellation on the Club’s website and Facebook page.

BICENTENNIAL STATE PARK HIKES WRAP-UP: You will note that the Bicentennial SP hikes logo which graced every schedule since January 2016 no longer appears in the upper left hand corner of this schedule. Sadly, the popular Bicentennial SP hike series has drawn to a close and with it our Bicentennial logo has been retired and replaced by The Pathfinder, which was the Club’s first logo.

When the Bicentennial Committee came up with the idea to celebrate Indiana’s bicentennial by hiking in every IN state park, we had no idea how popular the hike series would become. We were astounded when 159 members and guests showed up for the first hike at White River State Park on a cold January 1. Most of the other official Bicentennial hikes drew between 60 and 80 attendees. During 2016 the Club scheduled 145 hikes in Indiana’s 25 state parks, including 48 official Bicentennial hikes (includes AM and PM hikes and shorter options) and 97 make-up and other hikes. Not surprisingly, Indy’s own Fort Harrison was the most visited state park with 169 members. Chain O’Lakes SP drew the fewest, but still an impressive 60 people. Fifty three different leaders led at least one state park hike. Total attendance on all the hikes was 2,541 members, 171 guests and 10 children. We hiked a total of 14,115 miles in Indiana’s state parks. All told, 258 of our members attended at least one hike and each received (or will receive) a commemorative pin. Impressively, 35 members hiked in all 25 parks and another 18 visited between 20-24 parks. These people were recognized at the Christmas party on December 4. Check out the Achievement Awards page on the website (www.indyhike.org/awards.shtml) for a list and photos of the winners.

Although we do not plan on anything as ambitious as the Bicentennial SP hike series during 2017, we hope to visit quite a few Indiana State Recreation Areas (SRA), specifically: Cagles Mill Lake (Lieber SRA), Cecil M. Harden Lake (Raccoon SRA), Monroe Lake, Salamonie Lake, Mississinewa Lake, Hardy Lake, Brookville Lake and Patoka Lake. These are managed by the DNR but are not designated as State Parks. This will give all of

you who purchased DNR Bicentennial tee shirts last year an opportunity to check off the last eight boxes on your shirt. Please let Ed Wright know if you would be interested in leading one of the SRA hikes.

TRAIL BLAZER AND CLUB ROSTER: The 2016 Trail Blazer which recaps 2015/2016 events and everyone's annual and lifetime mileage is available on the Club website "Mileage" page at www.indyhike.org/mileage.shtml. If you receive the schedule by mail the Trailblazer will be sent to you. Also, everyone will be receiving a roster listing Club members home address and phone number, unless you requested that your name be excluded from the roster. To protect your privacy the roster is not available on the website.

BOOK CLUB, PET AND FLORIDA HIKES: John Gaebler will lead a book club hike on February 17 and Marsha Hutchins will lead one on Friday, March 31. Mary Williams has scheduled Pet hikes on February 28 and March 27. Elaine Wright will lead hikes in the Clearwater area of Florida on February 7 and March 7. And, Ed Lavagnino is leading a hike in the Tampa, FL area on March 9.

PRESIDENTS CORNER: Greetings. Winter has arrived and you may think the only IHC news is that a hike has been cancelled because of extreme cold or ice. But there is much to report.

1. The IHC Christmas party was the largest gathering in our 60-year history and a big success. Thanks to Janet Cohen for planning, organizing, and executing this wonderful event. Members who attended donated items needed at Crain House, a home for first-time female offenders and their pre-school children. In a recent letter Crain House expressed their gratitude for the overwhelming generosity of the IHC. Also 455 pounds of food were donated to local food pantries. \$475 in donations was divided among the food pantries and the Crain House.

2. All members that completed one or more Bicentennial state park hikes have earned a commemorative lapel pin. If you have not received yours, contact Pat Lawler at 317-329-3779.

3. IHC member Russ Himes was recently named Indy Parks Volunteer of the Year. Russ has donated over 500 hours of time to Indy Parks over the past two years, most of that in Eagle Creek Park. As a retired civil engineer, he applies his skills to many projects such as drawing construction plans. In the past year alone, Russ has designed and helped build three replacement trail bridges. Congratulations, Russ!

4. The annual IHC budget contains a line for contributions to local non-profit organizations that are related to or provide services used by the club. In December, the Board approved a total donation for 2016 of \$2,000 to be divided among these organizations: B & O Trail Assoc., Eagle Creek Park Foundation, Indiana Parks Alliance, Holliday Park, Hoosier Hikers Council, Indianapolis Cultural Trail Assoc., Knobstone Trails Assoc., Mary Gray Bird Sanctuary, Meals on Wheels, and Indiana Forest Alliance. Donations ranged from \$100 to \$560.

5. Great Smoky National Park has been an important part of IHC. For 20 years including this coming spring, the IHC has hiked in this park. The recent Chimney Top Fire devastated parts of the park and Gatlinburg. Members can donate to the Friends of Great Smoky Mountains National Park, which was established in 1993. This organization is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and an official National Park Service partner. You can donate to the Chimney Top Fire emergency fund online at www.friendsofthesmokies.org. In a recent news report, the mayor of Gatlinburg said the best thing people could do for his town was return. Gatlinburg is open for business. Remember, this year's IHC trip is scheduled for April 20 – 22.

6. IHC member Jim Dashiell has edited a book that was recently published. The title is *One Trail, Many Paths*. Jim has through-hiked the Appalachian Trail using the trail name Funnybone. He also shared his experiences at our General Assembly several years ago. Jim's book relates his AT experiences, as well as stories by other AT hikers. For additional information, go to www.Amazon.com.

See you on the trail,
Phil Smith
IHC President

HIKE SCHEDULE:**Wednesday, February 1**

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK Meet at food court near Dick's on the north side of Castleton Square between the hours of 8-10 a.m. for a self-guided hike of up to 12 miles with shorter options. Repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (F,PS) Leader: Dick Bacon (317-585-8742)
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS This 7-8 mile brisk all trail hike is a great way to stay in shape. Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside the 56th St entrance. Hike repeats each Wednesday in February and March. Join us at Starbuck's after the hike. (Map #40) (M,NS,3-3.5) Leaders: Jeff Edmondson (317-733-0143 or 317-450-2526 cell) or Chuck Turner (317-777-2594)
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE If country roads are calling your name, this is the hike for you. Join me for a 5, 6 or 10 mile hike and enjoy the countryside by hiking down a beautiful winding road. Park at my house at 688 N 900 W, Arlington, IN 46104. From I-465 SE exit on Brookville Rd (US 52) heading east for approximately 25 miles to CR900W and turn right. Go past 2 crossroads on 900W. My house is the 2nd house on the left past the 2nd crossroad. My address is on the mailbox. Repeats every Wednesday in February and March. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (317-407-4652)
- 9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK Meet at 6901 Derbyshire Rd behind the Southport Police Station for an 8-mile hike. Repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL Join us for a 4-5 mile walk in downtown Indy and surrounding neighborhoods. Expect a different route each week. Meet at Shapiro's Deli at 808 S. Meridian St (at McCarty St). Please park on the southwest portion of the lot away from the building. Repeats each Wednesday February and March. (Map #41) (F,PS,2.5-3) Leaders: Harold Crooks (317-730-4850) and other members of the S& E team
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE This will be a 5-mile hike through quaint neighborhoods, the Zionsville Rail Trail and possibly Starkey Park. Meet in Zionsville Town Hall parking lot at 1100 W Oak St across from McDonalds. From I-465 N take Michigan Rd north and turn left (west) on 116th St and go to 1st St in downtown Zionsville. Go right on 1st St then left (west) on Oak St to the town hall. Hike repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (Map #34) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586) and various others.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE This will be a 5 or 7 mile self guided hike in downtown Indy. Meet at the northeast corner of the Marsh at Lockerbie parking lot at 320 N, however we cannot guarantee that this lot will be available in which case you would need to park on the street. Hike repeats every Wednesday in February and March. (Map #26) (F,PS) Leader: John Lyghtel (317-578-9756, 317-626-9117 cell)
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL Sign in at the food court between the hours of 6-7:30 p.m. for a self-guided hike of up to 6 miles with shorter options. If the weather is nice we will probably walk outside. Hike repeats every Wednesday in February and March. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

Thursday, February 2

- 9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK 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. Choose from three hike options: a moderately paced 5-mile hike over, around, up and down through the woods (M,NS,2.5-3); a 4-mile slower hike mostly on groomed trails (M,NS,2.5); or a 3-mile easier road hike, only if the weather cooperates (M,PS/HS/NS,2.5). These hikes are popular with new members and guests and usually draw a crowd. Hikes repeat every Thursday in February and March. (Map #17) Leaders: Ed Wright (317-219-5536), Bob Kriz (317-882-7063), Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078) and various others.
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE While Rick Braun recovers from a back injury, Mike Khalil will lead this hike as well as Rick's hike on Monday evening. 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 each Thursday in February and March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Mike Khalil (317-363-2365 cell and 317-635-2028)

Friday, February 3

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK Meet at food court near Dick's on the north side of Castleton Square between the hours of 8-10 a.m. for a self-guided hike of up to 12 miles with shorter options. Hike repeats each Friday in February and March. (F,PS) Leaders: Rick Kinnaman (317-407-9746) and Dick Bacon (317-585-8742)
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE Susan will lead a brisk 6-mile road hike. Janet will lead a slower 4-5 mile option. Expect a different route each week through scenic Zionsville. From I-465 N take Michigan Rd north to 116th St. Turn left (west) and go to downtown Zionsville and turn right on 1st St (one block past Main) and then left on Oak St. Take Oak St to the Zionsville Town Hall parking lot at 1100 W Oak St across from McDonalds. Join us for coffee after the hike. Hike repeats every Friday in February and March. (Map #34) (M,PS,4 or 3) Leaders: Susan Sievers (317-344-2635, 317-513-5239 cell) and Janet Cohen (317-873-6586)
- 9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES If you are looking for a great workout please join us. The leader will be using these hikes to train for the 100K (see Preview of Future Events) on April 29. While I do not anticipate many of you will want to participate in the 100K (call me if you think you might), these hikes offer a great opportunity to get in shape. We will hike on the Monon Trail starting in Broad Ripple at the free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave. We will probably start at a distance of 10 self-guided miles at a brisk pace and increase the distance up to 25 miles by the end of March, although you are welcome to walk a shorter distance if you wish. Hike repeats on Friday, February 17 and March 3, 10, 17 and 24. (Map #16) (F,PS) Leader: Theresa Ray (317-627-1205)
- 9:00 AM TGIF! Join us for a 6 or 8-mile road or trail hike. Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance that is just west of the Colts facility. Hike repeats on all Fridays in February and March. (Map #40) (M,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Phil Smith (317-443-3955)
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL From I-70 in downtown Indy go south on I-65. Exit on Raymond St (exit 109) and go right (west) on Raymond about 1/2 mile to Pleasant Run Pkwy N Dr and turn left (south) go to the next stoplight. Turn left onto Pagoda Dr, then turn left again and park next to the swimming pool. This is a 5-6 mile hike in various neighborhoods surrounding Garfield Park. Hike repeats every Friday in February and March. (Map #52) (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPTU Meet in downtown Shapiro's Deli lot, 808 S. Meridian St, for a 6-mile hike. Please park in the rear of the lot away from the restaurant entrance. Hike repeats every Friday in February. (Map #41) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Jim Griffin (317-294-1121)

Saturday, February 4

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL Sign in at the food court for this self guided hike. Take as many one-mile laps as you want between the hours of 8-10 AM. Repeats each Saturday in February. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL Enjoy a 6-12 mile hike on the paved Pennsy Trail. From I-465 E take I-70 east to Greenfield exit. Turn right on SR 9 and then left on New Rd (light by Starbucks). At roundabout, go right (south) on Apple St. After you cross US 40, look for the Pennsy trailhead parking lot on the right. This is a new trailhead with restrooms. Repeats each Saturday in February and March. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (317-407-4652)
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN Meet in the free parking lot ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a self-guided 6 or 10-mile hike. Hike repeats each Saturday in February and March. (Map #16) (F,PS) Leader: Mike Khalil (317-635-2028 or 317-363-2365 cell)
- 10:00 AM HOOSIER NATIONAL FOREST - PATE HOLLOW Allow 1 1/2 hours from I-465 S. Take SR 37 south to Bloomington. Go east on SR 46 to SR 446. Turn right (south) on SR 446 and go approximately 6 miles to the Paynetown State Recreation Area Office on the west side of the road. DO NOT go to the Paynetown campground. If you cross the causeway you have gone too far. Park behind the office, which should be open before we depart. Trail starts from the northwest corner of the parking lot. This will be a 6-mile loop. Bring water and snack. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Steve Johnson (317-446-2247 cell)

Sunday, February 5

- 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 the Beef and Boards Dinner Theatre on the left. Meet in the parking lot in front of Beef and Boards. This will be a 5 mile walk with a 4 mile option on paved roads. Hikers may choose to stay for a 45-minute non-denominational, contemporary religious service at the Garden at Beef & Boards. Hike repeats each Sunday in February and March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Marti Burton (317-306-9878)
- 10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in the free parking lot ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a guided 6 mile hike with option for up to 4 additional (self-guided) miles. Repeats each Sunday in February and then shifts to an earlier time. (Map #16) (F,PS,3-3.25) Leader: Kathy Whalen (317-409-3265)

Monday, February 6

- 9:00 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a 6-mile hike with a 5 mile option. Repeats on February 20 and March 6 and 20. (Map #16) (M,NS/PS,3-3.25) Leader: John Gaebler (317-575-8490)
- 9:00 AM MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance just west of the Colts facility for a 6-mile road hike. Repeats on March 6. (Map #40) (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Kate Curtiss (317-247-0283)
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY From the 700 block of West 38th St, go north on Clarendon Rd to the cemetery entrance. Meet at north end of first parking lot. Options of 3, 4 and 5 miles. Repeats every Monday in February and March. (Map #42) (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leaders: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078, 317-439-1468 cell) or David Kincaid (317-787-6593, 317-864-9574 cell)
- 9:30 AM FASHION MALL Join us at the Fashion Mall at Keystone At The Crossing. This is a self-guided hike of 1.2 mile loops between the hours of 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM. We will meet in the Food Court located on the west side of the mall next to Urban Outfitters. Try to arrive by 9:30 AM so you can learn the route then you may walk at your own pace. From I-465 N exit at Keystone Ave going south. Take the first exit off Keystone at 86th St and go left (east) and proceed to the mall entrance. Park in front of the Food Court and meet inside. Hike repeats each Monday in February and the first two Monday's in March. (F,PS) Leaders: Cherie Voegel (317-848-7674) and June Sergi (317-372-3018)
- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE Although this hike is not on the schedule in February, it will be back in March.
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS While Rick Braun recovers from a back injury, Mike Khalil will lead this hike as well as Rick's hike on Thursday evening. Meet at Mama Bears Coffee Shop parking lot at the northwest corner of Fall Creek Rd and Brooks School Rd for a 6-8 mile hike through neighborhoods. Hike repeats each Monday in February and March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Mike Khalil (317-363-2365 cell and 317-635-2028)
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL Sign in at the food court between the hours of 6-7:30 p.m. for a self-guided hike of up to 6 miles with shorter options. If the weather is nice we will probably walk outside. Hike repeats every Monday in February and March. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

Tuesday, February 7

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL This is a 1-12 mile self-guided hike (most people do 6 miles) on the Monon Trail. From the intersection of 116th St and Westfield Blvd/Rangeline Rd in Carmel go south to Central Park Dr (first intersection on right). Turn right (west) on Central Park Dr and go to the parking lot at the end. Meet on the Monon Trail under the walkway between the two buildings near the skateboard park. Hike repeats every Tuesday in February and March. (Map #51) (F,PS) Leader: Jo Anne Starzyk (317-771-0914)
- 9:30 AM GULFPORT AND OSGOOD POINT (CLAM BAYOU NATURE PARK), GULFPORT, FL From I-275 exit 50 54th Ave travel west as far as 58th St N turn left (south) and drive as far as Shore Blvd; there will be a sign for the Casino. Turn left and drive as far as the public parking adjacent to the volleyball court, which sits alongside the casino building. Afterwards plan on eating at one of the many restaurants that Gulfport has to offer. You may also enjoy walking through the Farmers Market which takes place each Tuesday. (F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)

- 10:00 AM HOLLIDAY PARK One of Indianapolis' oldest parks, Holliday Park was created in 1916 through the donation of John and Evaline Holliday's country estate to the City of Indianapolis. Meet at the Nature Center (6363 Spring Mill Rd) for a 5-mile hike within and outside the park as we follow White River to Broad Ripple Village and back on two separate trails. Hike repeats February 21, March 7 & March 21. (M,NS/HS/PS,3) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)
- 10:00 AM HAUGHVILLE For this 6 mile hike in historic Haughville, meet at the Haughville Library at the corner of Belmont and W. Michigan St. Take Washington St. west to White River Pkwy. Turn right (N) to Michigan St. Turn left and go to first stoplight. Library is on SW corner. (F,PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779, 317-652-2779 cell)
- 6:00 PM BEECH GROVE Meet at southeast corner of Emerson and Churchman in Beech Grove in the Churchman Hill Plaza behind the BP station for a 5-mile hike. Hike repeats each Tuesday in February and March. (F,PS,3-3,5) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593, 317-864-9574 cell)

Wednesday, February 8

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 1.
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 1.
- 9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 1.
- 9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 1.
- 11:00 AM LUNCH, HIKE AND SWIM Meet at the Methodist Home Clubhouse, 565 Robin Rd, Franklin. On Indy's south side take US 31 south to Jefferson St, turn right at 1st stop light west of US 31. We will hike to Franklin College and enjoy their buffet lunch. Then we will hike back to the clubhouse for a refreshing swim in the heated pool. Hike is 5-miles. Don't forget to bring your bathing suit. (F,PS,3) Leaders: June Sergi (317-372-3018) and Mary Williams (317-736-1259, 317-919-8574 cell)
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 1.
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 1.

Thursday, February 9

- 9:00 AM FOLLOW FALL CREEK Meet at the Walmart located at 5550 Fall Creek Pkwy N Dr at the corner of 56th St and Fall Creek Pkwy. Main entrance is the first right off of Fall Creek Pkwy. Park in the rear of the west lot behind the Starbucks. This will be a 6-mile hike on the Fall Creek Trail. Hike repeats on the remaining Thursday's in February and March. Call the leader if the weather is inclement as we may move the hike to the mall. (Map #45) (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Tish Brafford (317-251-8907, 317-531-6700 cell)
- 9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.
- 10:00 AM WHITE LICK CREEK TRAIL, PLAINFIELD Join us for a 5-6 mile walk on paved trails from the Plainfield Recreation Center to Hummel Park and back. From I-465 W exit on Washington St (US 40) 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 park in the north lot of the Recreation Center (651 Vestal Rd) on the left. Restrooms are available. (Map #50)(F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 2.

Friday, February 10

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 3.
- 9:00 AM TGIF! See February 3.
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 3.
- 10:00 AM HIKE AND A FLICK Join us for a 5 to 6 mile around Franklin, followed by lunch and a movie - *The African Queen* - at the historic Artcraft. We will meet at the Franklin Park and Recreation Center. 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 Recreation Center (396 Branigin Blvd) on left. (F,PS,3) Leader: Mary Williams (317-736-1259, 317-919-8574 cell)
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 3.

Saturday, February 11

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 4.
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 4.
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 4.

Sunday, February 12

- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.
10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 5.

Monday, February 13

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance for a 6 or 8-mile road hike. We will walk together for the first 3 miles to the restroom, then faster hikers may go on at their own pace. Hike repeats on the remaining Mondays in February and March except March 6. (Map #40) (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586)
9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 6.
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 6.
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 6.
6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.

Tuesday, February 14 *Happy Valentine's Day*

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 7.
3:00 PM VALENTINE'S DAY TRAVERSE On this 6 mile hike we will visit the LOVE sign and other loving sites along the way. Meet at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 615 W. 43rd St. From W 38th St go north on Clarendon St (by Crown Hill Cemetery) to 43rd St. Turn right and go ½ block. The church is on the right, (F,PS/NS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779, 317-652-2779 cell)
6:00 PM BEECH GROVE See February 7.

Wednesday, February 15

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.
9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 1.
9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 1.
9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 1.
9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 1.
4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 1.
6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 1.

Thursday, February 16

- 9:00 AM FOLLOW FALL CREEK See February 9.
9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 2.

Friday, February 17

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 3.
9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 3.
9:00 AM TGIF! See February 3.
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 3.
10:00 AM BOOK CLUB HIKE This month we will review *A Man Called Ove* by Frederick Backman. Reminiscent of *Major Pettigrews Last Stand*, this is a warm and humorous story of a man's recovery from depression after the death of his wife. Meet at the Monon Center in Carmel. From the intersection of 116th St and Westfield Blvd/Rangeline Rd go south to Central Park Dr (first intersection on right). Turn right (west) on Central Park Dr and go to the parking lot at the end. The hike will be 5-miles followed by the optional book discussion. You are welcome even if you haven't read the book. (F,PS,3) Leader: John Gaebler (317-575-8490)

- 3:00 PM BLOOMINGTON TRAIL AND WINTERTELLING AT THE MONROE COUNTY LIBRARY Take SR 37 south to Tapp Rd in Bloomington. Allow extra time for I-69 road construction. Turn left and go 2 1/4 miles on Tapp Rd/Country Club Rd past the golf course on the right. Continue across Rogers St to just before the next traffic light (Walnut St) turn left into the shopping plaza and park behind the Old National Bank. This will be a 6-mile hike. (M,NS,2.5-3). Following dinner at a local restaurant we will proceed to the library to enjoy Wintertelling stories for adults, presented by The Bloomington Story Telling Guild. The program is scheduled from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM. Directions to the restaurant and library will be given at the hike. Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972)
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 3.

Saturday, February 18

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 4.
- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 4.
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 4.
- 2:00 PM BAXTER YMCA & PERRY PARK Meet at Baxter YMCA on Shelby St at Stop 11 Rd (south entrance). This is right off US 31 on Indy's south side. This is a neighborhood hike of 5 miles. (F,PS,3) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593, 317-864-9574 cell)

Sunday, February 19

- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.
- 10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 5.
- 1:00 PM POTTER'S BRIDGE IN NOBLESVILLE We will walk 5-6 miles along the White River from Potter's Bridge and visit Forest Park and downtown 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) and go about 1/4 mile. The parking lot for Potter's Bridge is on your left. (Map #15) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Ed Wright (317-219-5536)

Monday, February 20 *Presidents Day*

- 9:00 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE See February 6.
- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 13.
- 9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 6.
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 6.
- 10:00 AM PRESIDENT'S DAY HIKE On our 6 mile hike today we will visit places in town that honor presidents George Washington and Abe Lincoln. We will meet at the Eiteljorg Museum at 500 W. Washington St. Parking is free at the museum if you join us for lunch after the hike. (F,PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-652-2779 cell, 317-329-2779)
- 10:30 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK Please join us for our annual Presidents Day hike. From I-465 S take I-65 south to Columbus exit and then SR 46 west to Brown County SP (fee). Alternately you can take SR 135 south from Indy thru Nashville and SR 46 east to the park entrance. Follow signs to the Abe Martin Lodge where a 6-mile hike, with shorter options, will start. Since this year we will not have a cabin for lunch, please bring a sack lunch. We can gather around their fireplace for lunch and a social time. See you then. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Donna Chastain (317-489-2245 cell, 317-347-0107 home)
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 6.
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.

Tuesday, February 21

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 7.
- 10:00 AM HOLLIDAY PARK See February 7.
- 6:00 PM BEECH GROVE See February 7.

Wednesday, February 22

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 1.
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 1.
- 9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 1.
- 9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 1.

- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 1.
6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 1.

Thursday, February 23

- 9:00 AM FOLLOW FALL CREEK See February 9.
9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.
10:00 AM VANDALIA TRAIL, PLAINFIELD Join us for a 5-6 mile walk along the paved Vandalia Rail Trail east of the Plainfield Recreation Center. From I-465 west, exit on Washington St and travel west about 8.4 miles through Plainfield. Turn right at the first stop light west of town onto Vestal Rd. Travel to the roundabout and park in the north lot of the Recreation Center at 651 Vestal Rd. Restrooms are available. (Map#50)(F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell, 317-718-5532)
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 2.

Friday, February 24

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 3.
9:00 AM TGIF! See February 3.
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 3.
6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 3.

Saturday, February 25

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 4.
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 4.
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 4.
10:00 AM GOOSE POND FWA Allow 2 hrs travel time. From I-465 W take I-70 west to SR 59 (exit 23). Take SR 59 south through Linton (take a rest room break here). Continue south on SR 59 for about 2 miles, road turns right for about a mile and then left to the sign-in station on the left. Look for the IHC sign. With nearly 5,000 acres of shallow water wetlands, 1,300 acres of prairie and over 30 miles of levees, Goose Pond FWA provides excellent wildlife watching opportunities. We should be able to see many of the migrating birds at this time of year. Check-in is required for all activities at Goose Pond FWA. This will be a 6-mile hike on levees. (F,NS,2.5) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972)

Sunday, February 26

- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.
10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 5.

Monday, February 27

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 13.
9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 6.
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 6.
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 6.
6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.

Tuesday, February 28

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 7.
10:00 AM VELODROME, ART MUSEUM, BERTHA ROSS PARK, GOLDEN HILLS, AND MARION UNIVERSITY We will see quite a few places we rarely visit on this 6 mile hike, which begins at the parking lot for the Velodrome. Take 38th St west from the Art Museum. Just after you cross the bridge (about .3 mi) turn left onto Cold Springs Rd. Go less than ½ mile to the entrance to the Velodrome, which is on your left. (M,NS/PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-652-2779 cell, 317-329-2779)
3:00 PM FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL PET HIKE Go south on US 31 to Franklin or if coming south on I-65 take the Whiteland exit and turn right and follow it to US 31. Turn right (west) on Commerce Dr, which is the 1st stop light past Carter Lumber. Follow Commerce Dr about .7 miles to 1st entrance to the high school. Turn right and go to the T. Turn right then turn left into the event parking lot. Meet there for a 4-mile pet

hike. All hikers are welcome; you do not need a dog to join us. Please be prepared to provide the date of your dog's last rabies vaccination. All dogs must be on a 6' or less non-retractable leash at all times - no exceptions. Owners be prepared to pick up after your pet (poop patrol). Please note that the hike leader has the authority to ask any participant to leave the hike if their dog becomes aggressive toward other dogs or people. (F,PS,Dog Speed) Leader: Mary Williams (317-736-1259, 317-919-8574 cell)

6:00 PM BEECH GROVE See February 7.

Wednesday, March 1

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 1.
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 1.
- 9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 1.
- 9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 1.
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 1.
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 1.

Thursday, March 2

- 9:00 AM FOLLOW FALL CREEK See February 9.
- 9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 2.

Friday, March 3

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 3.
- 9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 3.
- 9:00 AM TGIF! See February 3.
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 3.
- 6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND THE CANAL This is a 5-mile hike through the Butler campus, the Canal Towpath and nearby neighborhoods. Meet near Door #1 at the front of Hinkle Fieldhouse, which is located on 49th St, west of Boulevard Place. Hike repeats every Friday in March. (Map #32) (M,PS/NS,3.5) Leader: Jim Griffin (317-294-1121)

Saturday, March 4

- 8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD This will be an 8-mile walk with a 5-mile option in parks and neighborhoods in Greenwood. Take US 31 south to Main St in Greenwood. Go west on Main St to the bottom of the hill and park at Westside Park on the right. Walk repeats every Saturday in March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 4.
- 10:00 AM WHITEWATER STATE PARK HIKE AND PITCH IN AT LEADER'S CABIN This will be a 6-9 mile hike depending on weather and trail conditions. From I-465 SE, take US 52 and go to Rushville, IN, where you then take Hwy 44 east to Liberty, IN. Turn right on to Hwy 101 to park entrance (fee). Follow park road to the family cabins and park near cabin # 14. Following the hike plan to return to the leader's cabin and enjoy a pitch in. Tableware will be provided. (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home & 317-412-5190 cell - there may not be cell service in park.)
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 4.

Sunday, March 5

- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.
- 9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in the free parking lot ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a guided 6 mile hike with option for up to 4 additional (self-guided) miles. Note, earlier start time from February. Repeats each Sunday in March. (Map #16) (F,PS,3-3.25) Leader: Kathy Whalen (317-409-3265)

Monday, March 6

9:00 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE See February 6.

9:00 AM MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL See February 6.

9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 6.

9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 6.

6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE After a break for the winter, this long standing hike is back on the schedule. Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a hike of 5-6 miles. Hike repeats on March 13 and 20 and then Jean returns on March 27. (Map #16) (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Mary Bruss (317-308-0182)

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 6.

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.

Tuesday, March 7

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 7.

9:30 AM WAR VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK, BAY PINES, ST PETERSBURG, FL This will be a 4-5 mile hike with some great views. The Park sits adjacent to the VA Medical Center. Directions from I-275 exit County R 38 and travel west towards the VA Medical Center, travel across Park and over the causeway bridge. On the left hand side you will see an entrance to the War Veterans Memorial Park. Turn in and drive to the furthest point which will be Shelter #5. After the hike we will eat very Cuban across the road from the park. (F,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)

10:00 AM MORGAN-MONROE STATE FOREST Our Club has been hiking these beautiful woods every Tuesday in March for more than 25 years. Allow about 1 hour and 20 minutes travel time from I-465 SW. Take SR 37 south to the last stoplight in Martinsville (Starbuck's and McDonalds are on your right). Proceed exactly four miles on SR 37 to Old IN 37 turnoff and turn left. The left crossover is a little beyond a white church on the hillside on the right. Because of I-69 highway construction, this will be the only way to get to the forest when traveling south. It is almost 3 miles from the turnoff to the forest entrance. The old entry off SR 37 at Pine Rd can only be reached if traveling north but not south. When you reach the forest entrance, turn left and go about 5 miles to the Fire Tower parking lot, which is beyond the turnoff for the Fire HQ. This year we will start the hike a little later so you can avoid rush hour traffic. Look for a different 5-6 mile hike each week with shorter options. Many hikers enjoy lunch at Po's or Gray's after the hike. Hike repeats on the remaining Tuesdays in March. (Map #28) (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 or 317-412-5190 cell)

10:00 AM HOLLIDAY PARK See February 7.

6:00 PM BEECH GROVE See February 7.

Wednesday, March 8

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 1.

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 1.

9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 1.

9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 1.

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 1.

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 1.

Thursday, March 9

9:00 AM FOLLOW FALL CREEK See February 9.

9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.

10:00 AM COCKROACH BAY PRESERVE, RUSKIN, FL If you are fortunate enough to be near Tampa FL in March, join us for a 2 or 4-mile hike at a nature preserve that has abundant wildlife. During the hike we will climb Mt. Cockroach. From I-75 south of Tampa take exit 240 west and proceed on SR 674 west about 3 miles to US 41 (Tamiami Trail). Go south on US 41 about 2 miles to Cockroach Bay Rd, which is across the street from a Circle K. Turn right and go about 2 miles west to Gulf City Rd. Turn north and drive about 200 yards and meet in the parking lot on the west side. Sorry no restrooms. After the hike join us for lunch. (F,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Ed Lavagnino (813-645-0624, 317-442-2444 cell or tonylavagnino208@gmail.com)

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 2.

Friday, March 10

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 3.
9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 3.
9:00 AM TGIF! See February 3.
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 3.
6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND THE CANAL See March 3.

Saturday, March 11

8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See March 4.
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 4.
9:30 AM PATE HOLLOW This will be a 7-mile hike on a loop trail behind the Paynetown State Recreation Office. Allow 1 1/2 hours from I-465 S. Take SR 37 south to Bloomington. Go east on SR 46 to SR 446. Turn right (south) on SR 446 and go approximately 6 miles. The headquarters is on the right side (west) of SR 446. DO NOT go to the Paynetown campground. If you go over the causeway you have gone too far. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 4.
10:30 AM MCCLOUD NATURE PARK AND SUGAR MAPLE DAYS Join us for a 5 mile trek through McCloud Nature Park located at 8518 Hughes Rd in North Salem (Hendricks County). Meet at the Nature Center parking lot. From I-465 W, merge onto I-74 at Exit 16B. Travel about 21 miles to SR 75, Exit 52. Turn left onto SR 75 and travel about 6.5 miles through North Salem. Turn right when SR 75 crosses W CR 500 N. You are now on Hughes Rd. Continue 1.5 miles to the park. An alternate route would be from I-465 W, taking US 36 (Rockville Rd) about 21 miles to SR 75. Turn right and travel about 6 miles to Hughes Rd. Turn left onto Hughes Rd traveling 1.5 miles to the park. Hiking boots and poles recommended. After the hike, stay for the fun 7th annual Maple Syrup Days event. Activities allow visitors a hands-on experience while discovering the rich history of maple sugaring. Sample McCloud syrup and purchase a bottle to take home. Join us for authentic Italian food at Perillo's Pizzeria & Italian Kitchen after hike and optional maple day activities. Note: Perillo's accepts CASH only, no credit cards. (M,NS,2.5-2.75) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)

Sunday, March 12 *Daylight Savings Time Begins*

9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.
9:00 AM NEBO RIDGE TRAIL This will be a 17-mile all trail hike out and back on the Nebo Ridge Trail. Bring snacks/lunch and plenty of water. Allow 1.5 hours travel time from I-465 S. Take I-65 south to SR 46 at Columbus. Go west on SR 46 to SR 135 and turn south (left). Go 9 miles to the community of Story (just a few buildings). At the Story Inn, go straight off SR 135 onto the unmarked paved Elkinsville Rd, which eventually becomes a gravel road. Travel about 2.7 miles. At a creek-bridge take the left fork and go 0.3 miles to the Nebo Ridge trailhead on your left. (H,NS,3-3.5) Leader: Chuck Turner (317-777-2594 cell)
9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See March 5.
1:00 PM CARMEL LOOP Park behind the Starbucks at the NW corner of 131 St (Main St) and Hazel Dell Pkwy in Carmel. Meet at Starbucks for a 6-7 mile loop hike on wooded pathways along the White River and through nearby neighborhoods. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Ed Wright (317-219-5536)

Monday, March 13

9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 13.
9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 6.
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 6.
6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See March 6.
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 6.
6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.

Tuesday, March 14

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 7.

10:00 AM MORGAN-MONROE STATE FOREST See March 7.

6:00 PM BEECH GROVE See February 7.

Wednesday, March 15

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 1.

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 1.

9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 1.

9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 1.

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 1.

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 1.

Thursday, March 16

9:00 AM FOLLOW FALL CREEK See February 9.

9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 2.

Friday, March 17

Saint Patrick's Day

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 3.

9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 3.

9:00 AM TGIF! See February 3.

9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 3.

6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND THE CANAL See March 3.

Multi-day Trip: Friday, March 17-- Sunday, March 19

WINTER WEEKEND AT MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK You should have already booked your rooms at the Canyon Inn for Friday and Saturday night. If not, go to www.indianainns.com or call toll free 1-877-563-4371 and give them our group code of 0317HC. Act quickly since the cutoff for the Club's block of rooms is February 6. Five to six mile hikes are planned for Saturday at 9:30 AM and 2:00 PM and Sunday at 9:00 AM. Hikes will be led by Mary Ann Layman and Ed Wright and will begin at the Inn. Shorter options will be available. Day hikers are welcome to come and hike and have lunch. Allow 1 ½ hour travel time from I-465 SW. From I-465 SW take SR 67 (Kentucky Ave) southwest to Spencer and turn left on SR 46 going east to the park (fee). (Map #24) (M,NS, 2.5-3). Contact Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home or 317-412-5190 cell) or malayman@earthlink.net for additional information.

Saturday, March 18

8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See March 4.

9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 4.

9:00 AM. EXPLORE NEW ROUTE TO BROWNING MOUNTAIN This will be an 8-mile trail and abandoned dirt road hike to the mysterious Browning Mountain which overlooks the ghost town of Elkinsville whose residents were forced to evacuate for Lake Monroe. Bring lunch and help us solve the mysterious boulders on the mountain. Allow 1.5 hours travel time from I-465 S. 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 Story (just a few buildings). At the Story Inn turn SW off SR135 onto the unmarked road that turns to gravel (this road shows as Elkinsville Rd on maps). Travel 2.7 miles and at the creek bridge take the left fork and go 0.3 miles to Nebo Ridge Trail parking on your left. (H,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Chuck Turner (317-777-2594 cell)

9:30 AM MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK I Follow directions in Winter Weekend write-up. Meet at Inn for a hike of 5-6 miles with shorter options. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leaders: Mary Ann Layman (317-412-5190) and Ed Wright (317-219- 5536)

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 4.

2:00 PM MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK II Follow directions in Winter Weekend write-up. Meet at the Inn for a hike of 5-6 miles with shorter options. Come early and have lunch at the Inn with the other hikers. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leaders: Mary Ann Layman (317-412- 5190) and Ed Wright (317-219- 5536)

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

Sunday, March 19

9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.

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

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See March 5.

Monday, March 20 *First Day of Spring*

9:00 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE See February 6.

9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 13.

9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 6.

12:30 PM SPRING EQUINOX HIKE On this 6-mile hike we hopefully will see activities planned to celebrate the Equinox at the IMA. Meet at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 615 W 43 St. From W 38th St go north on Clarendon St (by Crown Hill Cemetery) to 43rd. Turn right and go ½ block. The church is on the right side. (F,PS/NS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779, 317-652-2779 cell)

6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See March 6.

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 6.

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.

Tuesday, March 21

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 7.

10:00 AM MORGAN-MONROE STATE FOREST See March 7.

10:00 AM HOLLIDAY PARK See February 7.

6:00 PM BEECH GROVE See February 7.

Wednesday, March 22

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 1.

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 1.

9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 1.

9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 1.

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 1.

6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 1.

Thursday, March 23

9:00 AM FOLLOW FALL CREEK See February 9.

9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.

10:00 AM EARLY SPRING HIKE IN AVON WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY PARK This will be a 5-mile hike on paved and natural surfaces. Among the scenic sites are an 1876 Whipple Truss Bridge crossing White Lick Creek, a gothic looking "haunted" railroad bridge and a 2 1/2 acre stocked fishing pond. The park is located at 115 S. CR 575 E. in Avon. From I-465 W, exit on to US 36 (Rockville Rd) and travel west about 7.5 miles. Once you pass 3 softball diamonds on the left, the next turn is S. CR 575 E. Turn left and drive to the T and turn left onto Broyles Rd. Park entrance is a short distance on your left. Park by the basketball courts. (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 2.

Friday, March 24

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 3.

- 9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 3.
 9:00 AM TGIF! See February 3.
 9:30 AM GRIFFY LAKE Take SR 37 south to College Ave – N Walnut St exit in Bloomington. At second light (SR 46), turn left onto east SR 46. Stay on SR 46 until the second light, turn left onto Matlock Rd. Follow Matlock Rd to Headley Rd, turn left and continue on Headley Rd to the lake. Meet across the causeway at the boat house parking lot on the right. This will be a 5-6 mile hike (H,NS,2.5-3) Join us for lunch at a local restaurant after the hike. Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)
 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 3.
 6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND THE CANAL See March 3.

Saturday, March 25

- 8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See March 4.
 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 4.
 9:00 AM LET'S FIND BROWNING MOUNTAIN Meet at T.C. Steele Park parking lot, from here we will proceed to the last trail head of the Tecumseh Trail and attempt to find a route to Browning Mountain from this point. From I-465 S take I-65 south to Columbus. Exit right onto SR 46 W. Go 16 miles to Nashville. Continue west on SR 46 9 miles to Belmont. Turn left (south) onto T.C. Steele Rd. Go 1.5 miles and enter site to the right. Be prepared for approximately 14 mile hike with the possibility of some bushwhacking, stream wading, and getting lost. Headlights, hiking sticks, and clothes for changing weather is strongly recommended. Should be different and lots of fun. (H,NS,2-3) Leader: Chuck Turner (317-777-2594 cell)
 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 4.
 10:00 AM SPRING MILL STATE PARK I From I-465 S take SR 37 south towards Mitchell, IN. Allow at least 1 3/4 hours due to I-69 construction between Martinsville and Bloomington. Turn left at Hwy 60 (a McDonald's is on the corner) and go approximate 3 miles to park entrance on your left. Meet at the Spring Mill Inn for a 5-6 mile hike. Plan to stay for the afternoon hike and eat lunch at the Inn. (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802,317-412-5190 cell)
 1:30 PM SPRING MILL STATE PARK II See above for directions to Spring Mill Park and meet at the Inn. Come early and join hikers for lunch at the inn. This will be a 5 mile hike. (M,NS, 2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802, 317-412-5190 cell)

Multi Day Trip: Sunday, March 26 – Saturday, April 1

CALIFORNIA HERE WE COME, LAST CHANCE

There is still time to join us for this interesting and fun-filled week of hiking in and around Los Angeles. If you are interested and have not made arrangements, please contact Pat Lawler for details. Hotel accommodations should be made with Comfort Inn at 2462 E Colorado Blvd, Pasadena, CA. (626-405-0811). Club rate for two double beds is \$90 plus tax and a single is \$85. Give them the IHC and my name. Airport shuttle arrangements can be made by Googling shuttle service at LA airport. We will all share in the cost of a van to get us around town.

Hike schedule:

Sunday afternoon	Pasadena and Rosebowl Stadium
Monday	Sam Merrill Trail in San Gabriel Mountains
Tuesday	Catalina Island
Wednesday	Downtown Los Angeles
Thursday	Joshua Tree Nat'l Park and Palm Springs tram ride
Friday	Topanga Canyon and Santa Monica
Saturday	Mountain hike near Altadena

If you have any questions or need a copy of the trip details please contact Pat Lawler at either 317-329-2779 or 317-652-2779 cell or by email at patricialawler2@me.com.

Sunday, March 26

- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.
 9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See March 5.

- 1:30 PM EARLY SPRING NATURE WALK Meet at 100 Acre Woods Parking Area. From Michigan Rd, go west on 38th St past the main entrance for the IMA. Take the first right turn around the circle and into the parking lot. You will see a large sign for the White River Parkway and a small sign for 100 Acres. We will walk 4 miles in the woods and along the canal to Butler's prairie. Because this is a nature hike, we will walk slowly and stop frequently to identify trees and appreciate nature as we encounter it. (F,NS/PS,2-2.5) Leader: Wilma Bailey (317-293-0051)
- 3:00 PM BUTLER UNIVERSITY, HOLCOMB GARDENS AND 100 ACRE WOODS Meet near Door #1 at the front of Hinkle Fieldhouse, which is located on 49th St, west of Boulevard Place, for a 5 mile hike. (Map #32) (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Jean Ballinger (317-696-2120)

Monday, March 27

- 9:00 AM LAKE CLEARWATER Meet in the northeast corner of the Super Wal-Mart parking lot to the left of the Garden Center at the intersection of 74th St and Keystone Ave. On this six mile hike we will walk through pretty neighborhoods and around two lakes. (Map #43) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Ed Wright (317-219-5536)
- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 13.
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 6.
- 3:00 PM FRANKLIN GREENWAY TRAIL PET HIKE Join us on 4-mile pet hike on the Greenway Trail in Franklin. From I-465 S take I-65 south to the Franklin exit. Turn right and go to second stop light, which is Eastview Dr, turn right and go to 4-way stop. Turn left and meet at Needham Elementary School, 1399 Upper Shelbyville Rd. Turn immediately left into parking lot and go to the back of the lot. This is the start of the Greenway Trail. All hikers are welcome; you do not need a dog to join us. Please be prepared to provide the date of your dog's last rabies vaccination. All dogs must be on a 6' or less non-retractable leash at all times - no exceptions. Owners be prepared to pick up after your pet (poop patrol). Please note that the hike leader has the authority to ask any participant to leave the hike if their dog becomes aggressive toward other dogs or people. (F,PS,Dog Speed) Leader: Mary Williams (317-736-1259, 317-919-8574 cell)
- 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. (Map #16) (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Jean Ballinger (317-696-2120)
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 6.
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 6.

Tuesday, March 28

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 7.
- 10:00 AM MORGAN-MONROE STATE FOREST See March 7.
- 6:00 PM BEECH GROVE See February 7.

Wednesday, March 29

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 1.
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 1.
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 1.
- 9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 1.
- 9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 1.
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 1.
- 6:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 1.

Thursday, March 30

- 9:00 AM FOLLOW FALL CREEK See February 9.
- 9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 2.

Friday, March 31

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 3.
- 9:00 AM TGIF! See February 3.

- 9:30 AM COXHALL GARDEN AND SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOODS Come join us for a 5-6 mile hike in the beautiful Coxhall Garden Park in Carmel and nearby neighborhoods. Hopefully, we will see signs of spring. Go north on Meridian (US 31) and turn left (west) on 116th St go about 2 miles. Turn right (north) onto Hoover Rd then turn into the park entrance. We will meet in parking lot near playground and restrooms. (F,PS,/NS,3) Leaders: June Sergi (317-372-3018) and Don Hayes (317-694-1385)
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 3.
- 1:00 PM BOOK CLUB HIKE Marsha has obtained a supply of books to loan out; call or see her on a hike. *A Home in the Woods: Pioneer Life in Indiana: Oliver Johnson's Reminiscences of Early Marion County Life as related by Howard Johnson.* Meet at the College Ave Branch Library. Park in the fenced-in lot across the street. From College Ave, go east on 42nd St to the alley. Turn right twice to enter the parking lot. After discussing the book about Oliver Johnson's childhood, we will learn about the farm and house where he spent his adult life. We will walk around the perimeter of his property, passing his 1862 house, considered for years the county's finest farmhouse. As we continue the walk into the area of Oliver's childhood, we will try to visualize the area as he saw it 186 years ago. Options of 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 miles. (F,PS) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078)
- 6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND THE CANAL See March 3.

PREVIEW OF FUTURE HIKES AND EVENTS:

WILDFLOWER HIKES – Tuesdays in April As she does every year, Mary Ann Layman will lead 4-5 mile wildflower hikes each Tuesday in April. The hikes will start in the early afternoon to give the flowers a chance to open up. Each week will be at a different location selected for its diversity of wildflowers and you will see different species as the month progresses. These hikes, several of which will include lunch suggestions before the hike, are very popular and informative. Indiana's woods are uniquely beautiful when the spring wildflowers are in bloom, which regrettably lasts only a few weeks.

NO FRILLS HALF MARATHON – April 8 This is a free IHC sponsored alternative to the upcoming Carmel and Mini Marathons. Hike starts at 7:30 AM in Carmel; no frills, no medals, no shirts, no free water and no fee. Details will be in the April schedule. Contact Tish Brafford if you want to know more at tish34@comcast.net or 317-531-6700 cell.

20th ANNUAL SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG WEEKEND – April 20-22 No Gatlinburg and Smoky Mountains National Park did not burn down, although there was quite a bit of damage. Gatlinburg, TN is very popular in the spring. If you have not already done so, make your room reservations right away. Some suggestions are Riverhouse at the Park (865-436-2070), Bearskin Lodge on the River (across the street from Riverhouse) (865-430-4330) and Carr's Cottages & Motel (865-436-4836). Jeff Edmondson will lead several longer all day hikes, including a new route up Mount LeConte. Jim Shoufler and Jean Ballinger will be leading moderate hikes. Contact Jean Ballinger at 317-696-2120 or jeanballinger77@gmail.com if you have any questions.

C&O CANAL ONE DAY HIKE – April 29 Although it requires a lot of conditioning, please consider joining Rita for the mid-Atlantic region's oldest long-distance day hike - 100K (62.14 miles with shorter options) from Washington DC to Harpers Ferry, WV. The hike is an annual event sponsored by the DC Sierra Club. Check www.onedayhike.org for details on registration, lodging, etc. Registration opens February 1, 2017 and fills very quickly (last year's race filled within 1 hour). Registration must be handled individually; there is no option for a "group registration". Rita Bymaster will be coordinating our participation again this year. Contact her at ritabymaster@aol.com or by phone at 317-509-1711.

500 FESTIVAL MINI-MARATHON – May 6 Join over 30,000 participants in one of the country's largest half marathons, usually well attended by Club members. Train for the mini on our hikes and get in shape for the summer. Register at www.500festival.com. Look for more details in the April/May schedule.

GETTYSBURG, PA – June 15-18 This is a repeat of a popular trip we led in 2005 and 2010. Most people see America's most famous Civil War battlefield from their car. We will retrace the battle on foot as it was actually fought between July 1-3, 1863. Thursday, June 15 and Sunday, June 18 are considered travel days. Friday morning's hike will retrace the battle's first day concluding with lunch in the Gettysburg town square. That afternoon we will visit 2nd day battlefields including Culp's Hill, Indiana Memorial, Cemetery Hill and the national cemetery where Lincoln delivered the Gettysburg address. Saturday's hike will retrace major fighting on the battle's 2nd and 3rd days, including Seminary Ridge, Devil's Den, Little Round Top (we will have lunch here), the Wheatfield, the Peach Orchard, Cemetery Ridge and the Angle. We will finish by retracing Pickett's

infamous charge to the High Water Mark of the Confederacy. Hiking speed will be 3-3.5 mph with time to read many of the 1,300 monuments erected by survivors of the battle. All hikes will include shorter options. Although we will hike only two days, there is so much to do in the area you may want to spend an extra day on the front or back end. A block of 20 rooms has been reserved at the Quality Inn Gettysburg Battlefield, 380 Steinwehr Ave, Gettysburg, PA (where we stayed last time), which is where the morning hikes will start. Make your own reservation (check-in Thu 6/15 and check-out on Sun 6/18) by calling the hotel directly at 717-334-1103. Ask for the Indianapolis Hiking Club group rate of \$107 sgl, \$112 dbl, \$117 tpl and \$122 quad, plus taxes. Indicate you are with the Indianapolis Hiking Club group rate and identify how many people will be staying in the room. Rate includes hot breakfast, pool and bar/lounge. Many restaurants are within a 3-block walk. Many more hotels and camping facilities are listed on www.destinationgettysburg.com; you can also request a free travel guide be mailed to you. Driving directions will be provided in future schedules. For additional information contact Ed Wright at 317-219-5536 or ewright@indyhike.org.

CLUB PICNIC – July 29 Our annual picnic will be at noon in Eagle Creek Park, preceded by several hike options at 10:00 AM.

STARVED ROCK STATE PARK, IL – September 2-4 Join us at this lovely state park in Illinois for three days of hiking over Labor Day weekend. We last visited this park in September 2008. The park is one of Illinois most visited attractions and includes more than 2,700 acres with 18 major canyons and 13 miles of hiking trails. The park is best known for its fascinating rock formations.

The Starved Rock Lodge has a full service restaurant, café, swimming pool, whirlpool and sauna. Learn more about the park and lodge at www.starvedrocklodge.com. Be sure to view the video under the History section. We have reserved 10 hotel rooms, 10 lodge king rooms and 5 lodge double rooms so if you need a particular room type, make your reservations early. All rooms are non-smoking and require a two night stay - Saturday 9/3 and Sunday 9/4. Reservations can be made by calling 1-800-868-7625. Tell them you are making reservations in the IHC block of rooms. Make sure you request the senior discount if you are over 60, which is 10% off Saturday and 20% off Sunday's rates. Reservations must be guaranteed by a credit card for first night's lodging and there is a 72 hour cancellation policy. Following are the prices, not including taxes, which are actually lower than we paid in 2008. Hotel Wing (newer) w/2 Queen Beds is \$135 for single/double occupancy; \$145 for triple occupancy and \$155 for 4 people on Saturday and \$110, \$120 and \$130 respectively for Sunday night. Lodge Wing King Bed is \$125 Saturday night and \$100 for Sunday night. Lodge Wing w/ 2 full beds is \$125 for single/double occupancy, \$135 triple and \$145 quad on Saturday and \$100, \$110, & \$120 respectively for Sunday night. Our block of rooms will be released August 1.

Hikes are planned for Saturday at 2:30 PM CDT (3:30 PM Indy time); Sunday 9:30 AM and Monday 9:00 AM. We could also do a Sunday afternoon hike at nearby Matthiessen SP if there is interest. Check out is 11:00 CDT so Monday's hike will be the shortest hike. Mary Ann Layman is coordinating this event. Contact her at malayman@earthlink.net or 317-346-1802 home or 317-412-5190 cell for further information.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS – September 21

CHRISTMAS PARTY – December 3

PLEASE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

Kathy Cassetty	Indianapolis, IN	Susan Harley	Indianapolis, IN
Amanda Hunter	Indianapolis, IN	Stephen Morris	Clayton, IN
Dave Seng	Indianapolis, IN	Erik Streib	Zionsville, IN
Cara Vetor	Fishers, IN	Cathy Watt	Carmel, IN
Theresa Minton	Greenwood, IN		

WELCOME BACK THE FOLLOWING REINSTATED MEMBERS:

Victoria Palmer-Smith	Zionsville, IN	Jan Shade	Carmel, IN
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RECENT MILEAGE AWARDS:

Glee Crowder	38,500	Curtis Hinds	7,000	Donna Schuster	1,000
Rick Kinnaman	28,000	John Gaebler	6,500	Chris Jones	500
Mary Lester	24,500	Don Hayes	6,000	James Kendall	400

David Kincaid	22,000	Mary Bruss	6,000	Dennis Hardin	400
Michele Kestle	21,500	Kathy Whalen	5,000	Jerry Ritchie	400
Ricki Jo Hoffmann	21,500	Michal Nugent	5,000	Debbie Grew	300
Ed Wright	19,500	Olga Hackenberg	5,000	Linda McGlothlin	300
Tish Brafford	18,000	Karen Bacon	3,500	Jan Wark	300
Donna Chastain	14,000	Betsy Friedenberg	3,500	Phill Price	300
Julie Litten	13,500	Donna Peyton	2,500	Kathi Brewster	200
Joanne Applegate	13,500	Mary K Johnson	2,500	Judy Pike	200
Daymon Evans	9,000	Ella Spreckelmeyer	2,000	Tammy Mathew	100
Carol Radke	9,000	Judy Robinson	1,000	Clara Deal	100

MEMBER NEWS: We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Tom McKeon, a former member since 1987, passed away on December 15.

All the best to Claudia Clark who is recovering from broken ribs she suffered in a recent fall.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION: I want to thank everyone in the Indianapolis Hiking Club for their thoughtful cards, letters and phone calls following my recent surgery. Your kindness meant so much to me. *Barb Shoufler*

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