



The Indianapolis Hiking Club

www.indyhike.org

Happiness - A Step at a Time



SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2018

(Please – no pets except on designated pet hikes)

Celebrating 61 Years of Sponsoring Hikes and Outings

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

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

Guests are welcome on all hikes - no fee. Hikers should arrive at the meeting location at least 10 minutes early, which will enable the leader to complete sign-ups and start the hike on time. Interested in leading a hike? Contact Pathfinders: Jean Ballinger (317-696-2120) jeanballinger77@gmail.com for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-284-1357) ewright@indyhike.org for weekdays. Note, a reference at the end of a hike description in the following format (Map #24), indicates that you can access a Google map pointing to the hike meeting location at www.indyhike.org/locations.shtml.

WINTER HIKING: Especially during the 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. Also request that the cancellation be posted on the Club's website and Facebook page.

ITEMS OF NOTE IN THIS SCHEDULE: Phil Smith will be leading a book club hike on Friday, February 23 and Phil Coons will be leading one on Friday, March 23. Lynn Thurston and Nanette Tate will be leading the Annual Presidents Day hike at Brown County SP on Monday, February 19. Mary Williams will lead a pet hike on Tuesday, February 13. Ed Lavagnino and Narcisso Povinelli have scheduled a hike in Bradenton, FL on February 8 and Elaine Wright has a hike at Tierra Verde, FL on February 20.

TRAIL BLAZER AND CLUB ROSTER: The 2017 Trail Blazer which recaps last year's events and everyone's 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 by mail, listing 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.

PRESIDENTS CORNER: Greetings to Indianapolis Hiking Club members. The cold weather has made us all like some other animals therefore many of us are hibernating or hunkering down until a thaw. The good news, just a few minutes ago (Sunday, January 7) I stepped outside and saw that the snow is melting. I can see some more of my driveway. Yea!

But seriously, I want to congratulate all of the hike leaders who either canceled their hikes or moved them indoors these past few weeks. We do not need to take the risk of injury in bad weather. Thanks for being prudent with your hikes and schedule.

Please read the Trail Blazer to keep up with all the news of the Club. The editorial team works very diligently to keep track of all these updates and news. Remember to thank them for their work. The two primary contributors are Karen Zimmerman and Ed Wright. Also, thanks to Bob Hackenberg for keeping our website so user friendly. Other board members contribute to the news and the work of the club and are to be thanked

Access a Google map pointing to the hike meeting location at www.indyhike.org/locations.shtml, if you see a reference at the end of a hike description in the following format (Map #24).

when you see them. Look on our website to see who all these people are, publicizing, organizing and tallying to make sure we all benefit from such comprehensive organization.

Looking forward to better hiking soon,

Jackie King
IHC President

HIKE SCHEDULE:

Thursday, February 1

- 9:00 AM FALL CREEK TRAIL Meet at the Walmart located at 5550 Fall Creek Pkwy N Dr at the corner of 56th St and Fall Creek Pkwy. To find the main entrance to WalMart, turn south off 56th St onto Fall Creek Pkwy and then turn right into the parking lot. Park in the rear lot behind Starbucks. This will be a 6-mile hike north on the Fall Creek Trail to Skiles Test Park. The first half of the hike we will walk as a group; the return portion will be at your own pace. Hike repeats every Thursday in February and March. Note, if the weather is bad call the leader since the hike may be moved to Castleton Mall. (Map #45) (F,PS,3-3.5) Leaders: Tish Brafford (317-251-8907, 317-531-6700 cell) or Jo Anne Starzyk (317-771-0914)
- 9:30 AM EASY (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 hikes: 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 hike (M,PS/HS/NS,2.5). These hikes are popular with new members and guests and usually draw a big crowd. Hikes repeat every Thursday in February and March. (Map #17) Leaders: Ed Wright (317-284-1357), Bob Kriz (317-882-7063), Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078) and various others.
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE From I-465 E go east on 56th St and turn left on Lee Rd. Meet in the back parking lot of the YMCA on Lee Rd for 6-8 mile hike. Hike repeats each Thursday in February and March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

Friday, February 2

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK Meet at food court near Dick's on the north side of Castleton Square between the hours of 8-10 AM for a self-guided 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 CNO Canal hike in Preview of Future Events on April 21). While I do not anticipate many of you will want to participate in the 100K (call me if you think you might), these hikes offer a great opportunity to get in shape and also train for Indy's Mini Marathon. We will hike on the Monon Trail starting in Broad Ripple at the free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave. We will start on February 02 at a distance of 12 self-guided miles at a brisk pace and increase the distance up to 30 miles by the end of March. You are welcome to walk a shorter distance if you wish. Hike repeats every Friday in February and March. (Map #16) (F,PS) Leader: Theresa Ray (317-627-1205)
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK Join us for a 6 or 8 mile road or trail hike. Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance that is just west of the Colts facility. Hike repeats on all Fridays in February and March. (Map #40) (M,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Phil Smith (317-443-3955)
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL From I-70 in downtown Indy go south on I-65. Exit on Raymond St (exit 109) and go right (west) on Raymond about 1/2 mile to Pleasant Run Pkwy N Dr and turn left (south) go to the next stoplight. Turn left onto Pagoda Dr, then turn left again and park

next to the swimming pool. This is a 5-6 mile hike in various neighborhoods surrounding Garfield Park. Hike repeats every Friday in February and March. (Map #52) (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS This is a 5-mile hike through the Butler campus, the Canal Towpath and nearby neighborhoods. Meet near Door #1 at the front of Hinkle Fieldhouse, which is located on 49th St, west of Boulevard Place. Hike repeats every Friday in February. (Map #32) (M,PS/NS,3.5) Leader: Jim Griffin (317-294-1121)

Saturday, February 3

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. Hike 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. (Map #16) (F,PS) Leaders: Mike Khalil (317-635-2028) and Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

10:00 AM WHITEWATER STATE PARK This will be a 6-9 mile hike depending on weather and trail conditions. From I-465 SE, take SR 52 to Rushville, then take SR 44 east to Liberty. Turn right on SR 101 to park entrance (fee?). Follow park road to the parking lot on your right just BEFORE you go over the dam. Restrooms available at this parking area. (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802, 317-412-5190 cell)

Sunday, February 4

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK Meet at the College Park Elementary School, 2811 Barnard St. From W 86th St, turn north on Colby Blvd and travel .4 miles to Barnard St and turn right, going 0.3 miles to the school. This will be a 5 mile hike with shorter options through the College Park area neighborhood. Repeats each Sunday in February and March. Note that this hike replaces the Walk and Worship hike. Hikers may select a short option hike and attend a worship service of their choice. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Marti Burton (317-306-9878)

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

Monday, February 5

9:00 AM MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance just west of the Colts facility for a 6-mile road hike. Repeats on March 5. (Map #40) (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Kate Curtiss (317-247-0283)

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

9:30 AM FASHION MALL Join us at the Fashion Mall at Keystone at The Crossing. This is a self-guided hike of one 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 since we will do one lap as a group to learn the route then you may walk at your own pace. From I-465 N exit at Keystone Ave going south. Take the first exit off Keystone at 86th St and go left (east) and proceed to the mall entrance. Park in front of the Food Court and meet inside. Hike repeats every Monday in February and on March 5 and 12. (F,PS) Leaders: Cherie Voege (317-848-7674) and June Sergi (317-372-3018)

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. Hike has options of 3, 4 and 5 miles. Hike repeats every Monday in February and March. (Map #42) (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leaders: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078) and David Kincaid (317-787-6593, 317-864-9574 cell)

- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL Note new time for this hike. Sign in at the food court between the hours of 4-5:30 p.m. for a self-guided hike of up to 6 miles with shorter options. If the weather is nice we will probably walk outside. Hike repeats every Monday in February and March. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS 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: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

Tuesday, February 6

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL This is a 1-12 mile self-guided hike (most people do 6 miles) on the Monon Trail. From the intersection of 116th St and Westfield Blvd/Rangeline Rd in Carmel go south to Central Park Dr (first intersection on right). Turn right (west) on Central Park Dr and go to the parking lot at the end. Meet on the Monon Trail under the walkway between the two buildings near the skateboard park or in the lobby of the East Monon Building. Hike repeats every Tuesday in February and March. (Map #51) (F,PS) Leader: Jo Anne Starzyk (317-771-0914)
- 10:00 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK - LODGE LOOPS From I-465 S take I-65 south to Columbus exit and then SR46 west to Brown County SP (fee). Follow signs to the Abe Martin Lodge. We will complete all three lodge loops for a total of about 6-miles. After each trail loop we will return to the lodge, so numerous shorter options are available. Bring a sack lunch; we will eat at our cabin. (Map #27)(M,NS,2,5) Leaders: June Sergi (317-372-3018) and Mary Williams (317-919-8574)
- 10:00 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE/HOLLIDAY PARK 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. Hike will include parts of the Monon Trail, Marott Park, Arden neighborhood and Holliday Park. Hike repeats on February 20 and March 6 & 20. (Map #16) (M,NS/HS/PS,2.75) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)
- 10:00 AM BROOKSIDE PARK This 5-6 mile hike will begin at Brookside Park. From downtown Indy go east on Washington St to Rural St (2800 east). Turn left (north) and go to Brookside Parkway So. Dr. Turn right (east) and continue until you reach the park (3500 east) on your left. From there we will pass through Brookside and Spades Parks and nearby neighborhoods. No restroom at beginning of hike. (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-652-2779 cell, 317-329-2779)
- 1:00 PM FORT HARRISON TRAILS The woods at Fort Harrison are beautiful during the winter too. From I-465 E go east on 56th St and turn left on Post Rd then turn left into the park (fee). Meet at the Cherry Tree parking lot for a 6 mile hike mostly on natural surface. Hike repeats on February 20 and 9:00 AM on March 13 & 27. (Map #18) (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ladd (317-430-3711)
- 4:00 PM UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS & ROSEDALE HILLS From I-65, go south on Keystone Ave about ½ mile to small shopping center on right (west) at 4040 S. Keystone. Meet at the south end of the parking lot for a 5-mile hike. Hike repeats each Tuesday in February. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593 and 317-864-9574 cell)

Wednesday, February 7

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK Meet at food court near Dick's on the north side of Castleton Square between the hours of 8-10 AM for a self-guided 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 a nearby 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)
- 9:30 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) Leader: Harold Crooks (317-730-4850)
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL Sign in at the food court between the hours of 6-7:30 PM for a self-guided hike of up to 6 miles with shorter options. If the weather is nice we will probably walk outside. Hike repeats every Wednesday in February and March. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE This will be a 5-mile hike through quaint neighborhoods, the Zionsville Rail Trail and possibly Starkey Park. Meet in Zionsville Town Hall parking lot at 1100 W Oak St across from McDonalds. From I-465 N take Michigan Rd north and turn left (west) on 116th St and go to 1st St in downtown Zionsville. Go right on 1st St then left (west) on Oak St to the town hall. Hike repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (Map #34) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586) and various others.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE This will be a 5 or 7 mile self guided hike in downtown Indy. Meet at Needler's (formerly Marsh) parking lot at 320 N New Jersey, however we cannot guarantee that this lot will be available in which case you would need to park on the street. Hike repeats every Wednesday in February and March. (Map #26) (F,PS) Leader: John Lyghtel (317-578-9756, 317-626-9117 cell)

Thursday, February 8

- 9:00 AM FALL CREEK TRAIL See February 1.
- 9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 1.
- 10:00 AM ROBINSON PRESERVE, BRADENTON, FL Join us for fun 4-mile hike with a shorter option in this wildlife preserve along the Manatee River and the Gulf of Mexico. From I-75 in Bradenton, take exit 220 and go west 10 miles on Route 64 to 75th St. Turn north on 75th St W and go 1.4 miles to 17th Ave NW. Proceed 1.5 miles west to the preserve entrance and meet in the parking lot. Join us for lunch on Anna Maria Island after the hike. (F,NS,2.5-3) Leaders: Ed Lavagnino (317-442-2444) and Narcisso Povinelli (317-874-6212)
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 1.

Friday, February 9

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 2.
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 2.
- 9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 2.
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 2.
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 2.
- 3:00 PM BLOOMINGTON TRAIL SOUTH AND WINTERTELLING Take SR 37 south to the College Ave – Walnut St Exit. Stay on College Ave, it will merge with Walnut St, to Winslow Rd - Country Club Rd intersection. Turn right on to Country Club Rd and right again into the shopping plaza. Park behind the Old National Bank. This will be a 4-6 mile hike. (F,NS,2.5-3). Following dinner at a local restaurant we will proceed to the Monroe County Library to enjoy Wintertelling, stories for adults, presented by the Bloomington Story Telling Guild. The program is scheduled from 7:30 pm to 9 pm. Directions to the restaurant and library will be given at the hike. Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)
- 6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See February 2.

Saturday, February 10

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 3.
- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 3.
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 3.

Sunday, February 11

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 4.
- 9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 4.

Monday, February 12

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance for a 6 or 8-mile 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 5. (Map #40) (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586)
- 9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 5.
- 9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 5.
- 9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 5.
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 5.
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 5.
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 5.

Tuesday, February 13

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 6.
- 10:00 AM HAPPY BIRTHDAY GEORGE AND ABE Join us for a 5-6 mile hike in downtown Indy to visit various spots in the city where these two presidents have been honored. Meet at The Eiteljorg Museum at 500 W. Washington St. Parking is free at the museum if you join us for lunch at the museum café after the hike. (Map #33) (F,PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)
- 2:00 PM PET HIKE IN FRANKLIN Join us for a pet hike starting 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, follow one way street to Robin St, turn left, clubhouse will be on right, about a block and a half down. 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)
- 4:00 PM UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS & ROSEDALE HILLS See February 6.

Wednesday, February 14 *Valentine's Day*

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 7.
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 7.
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 7.
- 9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 7.
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 7.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 7.

Thursday, February 15

- 9:00 AM FALL CREEK TRAIL See February 1.
- 9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 1.
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 1.

Friday, February 16

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 2.
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 2.
- 9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 2.
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 2.
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 2.
- 6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See February 2.

Saturday, February 17

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 3.
- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 3.
- 10:00 AM MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK From I-465 SW, take SR 67 (Kentucky Ave) to Spencer. Turn left (east) on to SR 46 and proceed to park entrance (fee). Meet at the Nature Center for a 5-6

mile hike on trails. Plan on having lunch at a restaurant in Spencer after the hike. (Map #24) (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972-cell)

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 3.

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 6 miles with a 5 mile option. (F,PS,3) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593, 317-864-9574 cell)

Sunday, February 18

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 4.

9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 4.

Monday, February 19 *Presidents Day*

9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 12.

9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 5.

9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 5.

9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 5.

9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 5.

10:00 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK ANNUAL PRESIDENTS DAY HIKE Meet at the Abe Martin Lodge for a 6 mile hike with shorter options. All are invited to our cabin after the hike for lunch by the fire. Please bring a sack lunch and beverage. Dessert will be served. From I-465 S take I-65 south to Columbus exit and then SR 46 west to Brown Co SP (fee). Alternately you can take SR 135 south from Indy thru Nashville and SR 46 east to the park entrance. (Map #27) (M,NS,2,5-3) Leaders: Lynn Thurston (317-250-9686) and Nanette Tate (812-254-8456)

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 5.

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 5.

6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See February 2.

Tuesday, February 20

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

9:30 AM FORT DE SOTO If you find yourself in the Clearwater area of Florida, come join us for a hike at Ft. De Soto located at 3500 Pinellas Bayway S Tierra Verde, Florida 33715 (http://www.pinellascountry.org/parks/05_Ft_DeSoto.htm). Travel south on I-275 to exit 17, turn right and go west on 679 and follow the signs for Ft De Soto Park. There is an admission fee of \$5.00 per car. Once inside the park arrive at the T-junction and turn right and go to the parking Lot to the right of Shelter 11. Note this is the parking lot after the entrance to the actual fort; it also shows a cafe for snacks at this parking lot. Plan to take a sandwich or a snack and join the group for a picnic afterwards. Leader: Elaine R. Wright (317-753-5516, with the help of Lee Yelle, and Eileen Hicks.

10:00 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE/HOLLIDAY PARK See February 6.

1:00 PM FORT HARRISON TRAILS See February 6.

4:00 PM UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS & ROSEDALE HILLS See February 6.

Wednesday, February 21

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 7.

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

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 7.

9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 7.

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 7.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 7.

Thursday, February 22

9:00 AM FALL CREEK TRAIL See February 1.

9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 1.

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 1.

Friday, February 23

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 2.

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 2.
9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 2.
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 2.
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 2.
1:00 PM BOOK CLUB HIKE Before the hike read *The Last Days of Nights* by Graham Moore. The hike will be 5-6 miles at a moderate pace through downtown Indy. Meet at Shapiro's Deli at 808 S. Meridian St (at McCarty St). Park on the southwest portion of the lot away from the building. We will hike to the downtown Central Library. The book discussion will be inside at the library. After the discussion we will hike back to Shapiro's Deli. You do not need to read the book to join the hike and discussion. (Map #41) (F,PS) Leader: Phil Smith (317-443-3955)
6:00 PM BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See February 2.

Saturday, February 24

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 3.
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 3.
10:00 AM NEWCOMERS HIKE AT BEN DAVIS HIGH SCHOOL We will meet at Ben Davis High School, 1200 N. Girls School Rd for a hike of 2 or 4 miles. From I-465 W, exit on 10th St heading west. Go about 1 mile and turn right on Girls School Rd. Please park in front of the main entrance facing Girls School Rd. Hike repeats on March 3. (F,PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779 or 317-652-2779)
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See February 3.

Sunday, February 25

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 4.
9:30 AM BROAD RIPPLE See February 4.

Monday, February 26

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 12.
9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 5.
9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 5.
9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 5.
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 5.
4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 5.
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 5.

Tuesday, February 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 around two lakes. The first half of the hike we will do as a group. After an optional restroom break the second half will be at your own pace. (Map #43) (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Ed Wright (317-284-1357)
9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 6.
4:00 PM UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS & ROSEDALE HILLS See February 6.

Wednesday, February 28

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 7.
9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 7.
9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 7.
9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 7.
4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 7.
6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 7.

Thursday, March 1

- 9:00 AM FALL CREEK TRAIL See February 1.
9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 1.
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 1.

Friday, March 2

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 2.
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 2.
9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 2.
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 2.
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 2.
6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUJUI 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 March. (Map #41) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Jim Griffin (317-294-1121)

Saturday, March 3

- 8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD This will be an 8-mile walk with a 5-mile option in parks and neighborhoods in Greenwood. Take US 31 south to Main St in Greenwood. Go west on Main St to the bottom of the hill and park at Westside Park on the right. Walk repeats every Saturday in March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 3.
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN 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 March. (Map #16) (F,PS) Leader: Donna Maurer (317-328-1974, 317-413-5709 cell)
10:00 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK From I-465 S take I-65 south to Columbus exit and SR 46 west to Brown County State Park (fee). Or take SR 135 south to Nashville and SR 46 east to the park. After entering the park, follow signs to Ogle Lake parking area. This hike will be 7 mile hike with a 4 mile option. We will be including a trail in Brown County State Park that we have done only once before, an Ogle Hollow Loop. (Map #27)(M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802, 317-412-5190 cell)
10:00 AM BIG WALNUT NATURE PRESERVE – HALL WOODS UNIT Join us for a 3 mile woods hike. From I-465 W, take US 36 west for about 28 miles. After you pass over Walnut Creek turn left onto CR 300 E (This is about 0.5 miles east of downtown Bainbridge) and follow it southeast for about 0.25 miles to the parking lot. Suggest you carpool because nature preserve parking lots are small. (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Phil Coons (317-402-8810-cell)
10:00 AM NEWCOMERS HIKE AT BEN DAVIS HIGH SCHOOL See February 24.

Sunday, March 4

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 4.
9:00 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. Hike repeats each Sunday in March. (Map #16) (F,PS,3-3.25) Leader: Kathy Whalen (317-409-3265)

Monday, March 5

- 9:00 AM MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL See February 5.
9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 5.
9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 5.
9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 5.
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 5.
4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 5.
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 5.

Tuesday, March 6

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 6.
9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS Join us for a 5-6 mile south side hike in Meridian Woods and nearby neighborhoods on mostly paved trails. On Indy's south side, go south on SR 135 and turn right onto West Banta Rd. Go about ½ mile and turn left off into Woodside Community Church, 329 West Banta, which is just past Lockwood Lane. Meet in the parking lot. Seek a restroom before you arrive since there are none on the hike. Repeats every Tuesday in March. (F,PS,3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

- 10:00 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK As you know the Club has been hiking at Morgan Monroe State Forest every Tuesday in March for almost 30 years; well not this year due to difficulties getting to Morgan Monroe because of I-69 road construction. Instead we will be hiking at several different locations in Brown County SP, so check the parking location in each week's hike description. This week we will meet at the Ogle Lake parking area. Two hikes will be offered, 5 miles led by Ed Wright and 8-10 miles led by Jeff Edmondson. Take I-65 south to the Columbus exit and then SR 46 west to the park entrance. Follow signs for Ogle Lake. (Map #27)(M,NS,2.5-3) Leaders: Jeff Edmondson (317-733-0143 or 317-450-2526 cell) and Ed Wright (317-284-1357)
- 10:00 AM POGUE'S RUN BASIN ART AND NATURE PARK We will meet at the park which is on N Dequincy St. From I-70 east, take the Emerson exit and go south to 21st St. Turn right (west) and go to the 3rd street on your right, which is Dequincy. Turn right (north) and go to the end of the street. Dequincy ends at the park entrance. No restroom here, but a break during the hike. This will be a 6-7 mile hike. (F,PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779 or 317-652-2779 cell)
- 10:00 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE/HOLLIDAY PARK See February 6.
- 5:00 PM BEECH GROVE Meet at southeast corner of Emerson and Churchman in Beech Grove in the Churchman Hill Plaza behind the BP station for a 5-mile hike. Hike repeats each Tuesday in March. (F,PS,3-3,5) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593, 317-864-9574 cell)

Wednesday, March 7

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 7.
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 7.
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 7.
- 9:30 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL From US 31 in Carmel go east on W Main St past Guilford Rd to Meadow Lane. Turn left and go north to the park located at 450 Meadow Lane and meet just inside the park entrance. This 5 mile hike will include this beautiful 17 acre park, a small lake and a walk on various Carmel paths. Join us for an optional lunch at IU Hospital North. Hike repeats each Wednesday in March. (F,PS,3.25) Leader: Rena Elsner (317-853-6834)
- 9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 7.
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 7.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 7.

Multi-Day Trip: Wednesday, March 7 – Saturday, March 10

HISTORIC PHILADELPHIA AND FLOWER SHOW This trip is being planned in conjunction with the famous Philadelphia Flower Show which runs March 3-11. Wednesday and Saturday (after the Valley Forge hike) are considered travel days. There will be three days of hiking – Thursday thru Saturday morning. Thursday and Friday hikes will start at 9:00 AM from the recommended hotel and will include various downtown and historic Philadelphia sites. Saturday's hike will start at 9:00 AM from the Visitor Center at Valley Forge National Historical Park (directions will be provided) and should end before noon for those wishing to start back to Indy. A block of twenty rooms has been reserved for the club at the Residence Inn Marriott City Center, One East Penn Square, Philadelphia 19107, which is located 3/10 mile from a suburban station (www.septa.org). See Future Events in the December/January schedule for prices and how to book or call the leader. Deadline for reservations at the discounted rate is February 14. Plan a visit to the Philadelphia Flower Show (www.theflowershow.com) at a date and time of your own choosing. Tickets may be purchased in advance or at the door. If you would like to attend a group dinner on March 8 at the famous City Tavern (www.citytavern.com) please let the leaders know by March 1. Also, please advise us if you will require transportation from Residence Inn to Valley Forge.

If you will be driving from Indianapolis plan on 11-12 hours (640 miles) from I-465 E/ I-70. Take I-70 east. East of Pittsburgh, I-70E merges with I-76E/Pennsylvania Turnpike (portions toll). Follow Pennsylvania Tpk. for 253 miles and at exit 326 merge onto I-76E/Schuylkill Expressway East (portions toll). Follow for 18 miles and at Exit 344 take I-676 E/Vine St Expressway, toward central Philly). Take exit toward Broad St/Central Philadelphia; right on 15th St; slight left on S. Penn Square. In 0.25 miles arrive at Residence Inn Marriott Center City (*GPS: 11 N. Juniper Street, Philadelphia 19107). Valet parking fee at the hotel is \$53.90 p/day. Other parking options: ABM Parking (parking lot is behind hotel) - \$36 p/day, located at 1301 Market St, Philadelphia 19107.

If you have any questions call the leaders Susan Sievers (317-513-5239) and Stephen Tarr (610-742-7878)

Thursday, March 8

- 9:00 AM FALL CREEK TRAIL See February 1.
- 9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 1.
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 1.

Friday, March 9

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 2.
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 2.
- 9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 2.
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 2.
- 9:30 AM JUST GET'ER DONE IN BROWN COUNTY From I-465 S take I-65 south to Columbus exit and SR 46 west to Brown County SP (fee). Or take SR 135 south to Nashville and turn left (east) on SR 46 to the park entrance. After entering the park follow signs to the campground. Turn right when you see the sign for the campground registration. On your immediate right and just before you go through the campground gate is the parking lot for the Rally Campground and Ogle Hollow Nature Preserve. Meet there for an 11 mile hike on trails. Bring snacks and water. Hike repeats on March 23. (Map #27)(M,NS,2.5) Leader: Jeff Edmondson (317-733-0143 or 317-450-2526 cell)
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 2.
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See March 2.

Saturday, March 10

- 8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See March 3.
- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 3.
- 9:30 AM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK (ONLY IF THERE'S NO SNOW OR ICE) Weather permitting, meet at Reddick Shelter lot in the park. Park entrance (fee) is located at 59th and Post Rd. After the gatehouse, continue straight at the intersections. The first shelter, which is across from the sledding hill, is Reddick Shelter. Options of 3, 4 and 5 miles. Repeats on March 31. (Map #18) (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078)
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See March 3.
- 10:00 AM GOOSE POND FISH AND WILDLIFE AREA From I-465 W take I-70 west to SR 59 (exit 23). Take SR 59 south through Linton to CR 400 S. Turn right onto CR 400 for about one mile. Visitor center is on your right (13540 W CR 400 S, Linton). Meet in the parking lot for a 4-6 mile hike on levees. With nearly 5,000 acres of shallow water wetlands, 1,300 acres of prairie and over 30 miles of levees, Goose Pond provides excellent wildlife watching opportunities. (F,NS,2) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812 322-3972-cell)
- 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 11***Daylight Savings Time Begins***

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 4.
- 9:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See March 4.

Monday, March 12

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 12.
- 9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 5.
- 9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 5.
- 9:30 AM FASHION MALL See February 5.
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 5.
- 1:00 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK Meet at Unitarian Universalist Church 615 W 43rd St for guided 5-6 mile hike exploring Butler University and surrounding neighborhoods. Many

sites to explore in this neighborhood. Hike repeats (probably a new route) on Monday, March 26.
(F,PS,3) Leader: Kathy Whalen (317-409-3265)

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 5.

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 5.

Tuesday, March 13

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

9:00 AM FORT HARRISON TRAILS See February 6.

9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS See March 6.

10:00 AM YOU AND I VISIT 'U OF I' On this 6 mile hike we will visit the Campus of the University of Indianapolis. From I-465 S exit north on East St. Go north toward Southern Plaza Shopping Center. When you reach Hanna Ave, turn left onto Hanna and in a short distance turn left on Southern Plaza Dr. Park in the Kroger lot close to East St. (F,PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779, 317-652-2779 cell)

10:00 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK See March 6. Today we will meet at the Rally Campground and Oigle Hollow Nature Preserve parking lot. Follow signs to the campground. The lot is on your right just before you enter the campground gate.

5:00 PM BEECH GROVE See March 6.

Wednesday, March 14

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 7.

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

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 7.

9:30 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See March 7.

9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 7.

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 7.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 7.

Thursday, March 15

9:00 AM FALL CREEK TRAIL See February 1.

9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 1.

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 1.

Friday, March 16

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 2.

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 2.

9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 2.

9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 2.

9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 2.

6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See March 2.

Multi-Day Trip: Friday, March 16 – Sunday, March 18

WINTER WEEKEND AT SPRING MILL STATE PARK This is a fun mid-winter Club tradition for members and their guests. You should have already booked your rooms at the Spring Mill Inn for Friday and Saturday night. If not, call the DNR central reservations number (877-563-4371) and give them our group code of 31618. Act quickly since the cutoff for the Club's block of rooms is February 16. Five to six mile hikes are planned for Saturday at 9:30 AM and 2:00 PM and Sunday at 9:00 AM. We hope to have two levels of hikes. All hikes will begin at the Inn. Shorter options will be available. Day hikers are welcome to come down and hike with the overnights. Allow 1¾ hours travel time from I-465 S. 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). (Map #29)(M,NS,2.5-3) Contact Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802, 317-412-5190 cell) for additional information.

Saturday, March 17

Saint Patrick's Day

8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See March 3.

9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 3.

- 9:30 AM SPRING MILL STATE PARK - AM Follow directions in Winter Weekend write-up. Meet at Inn for a hike of 5-6 miles with shorter options. (Map #29)(M,NS,2.5-3) Leaders: Mary Ann Layman (317-412- 5190) and Ed Wright (317-284-1357)
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See March 3.
- 2:00 PM SPRING MILL STATE PARK - PM Follow directions in Winter Weekend write-up. Meet at the Inn for a hike of 5-6 miles with shorter options. Come early (around 11:30 AM) and have lunch at the Inn with the other hikers. (Map #29)(M,NS,2.5-3) Leaders: Mary Ann Layman (317-412- 5190) and Ed Wright (317-284-1357)

Sunday, March 18

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 4.
- 9:00 AM SPRING MILL STATE PARK. Follow directions in Winter Weekend write-up. Meet at the Inn for a hike of 5 miles with shorter options. (Map#29)(M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (cell 317-412-5190)
- 9:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See March 4.
- 1:00 PM NORTH CARMEL FIGURE EIGHT Meet in the northwest parking lot in front of Whole Foods on the north side of Clay Terrace outdoor mall for a 6 or 7 mile figure eight hike on the Hagen-Burke Trail, Monon Trail, trail to St. Vincent's, and through downtown Carmel. From I-465 N take US 31 (Meridian) north and exit at 146th St heading west. Go ¼ mile and turn into Clay Terrace Mall and take the first right. Park in front of the Whole Foods on the west side close to 146th St. (Map #14) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Ed Wright (317-284-1357)

Monday, March 19

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK Meet at food court near Dick's on the north side of Castleton Square between the hours of 8-10 AM for a self-guided hike of up to 12 miles with shorter options. Repeats on Monday March 26. (F,PS) Leader: Dick Bacon (317-585-8742)
- 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 around two lakes. The first half of the hike we will do as a group. After an optional restroom break the second half will be at your own pace. (Map #43) (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Ed Wright (317-284-1357)
- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 12.
- 9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 5.
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 5.
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 5.
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 5.

Tuesday, March 20***Spring Begins***

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See February 6.
- 9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS See March 6.
- 10:00 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK See March 6. Today we will meet at Abe Martin Lodge and do a number of loop trails from that location.
- 10:00 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE/HOLLIDAY PARK See February 6.
- 5:00 PM BEECH GROVE See March 6.

Wednesday, March 21

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 7.
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 7.
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 7.
- 9:30 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See March 7.
- 9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 7.
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 7.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 7.

Thursday, March 22

- 9:00 AM FALL CREEK TRAIL See February 1.

9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 1.

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 1.

Friday, March 23

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 2.

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 2.

9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 2.

9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 2.

9:30 AM JUST GET'ER DONE IN BROWN COUNTY See March 9.

9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 2.

12:30 PM BOOK CLUB HIKE – SOUTHSIDE, INDY This will be a 4-5 mile hike in Indianapolis exploring some present or former homeless sites. We will meet at Shapiro's Deli, 808 S. Meridian St (at McCarty St). Park on the southwest part of their parking lot away from the building. (Map #41). Join us for lunch at Shapiro's at 11:30 AM prior to the hike. After the hike at about 2:30 PM we will return to Shapiro's and discuss the book, *The Glass Castle*, by Jeanette Walls. Be sure to buy a drink or a snack. (F,PS,2.5) Leader: Phil Coons (317-402-8810 cell)

6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See March 2.

Saturday, March 24

8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See March 3.

9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 3.

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See March 3.

10:00 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 (west) side of SR 446. Plan on having lunch at a local restaurant after the hike. (M,NS,2) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812- 322-3972 cell)

Sunday, March 25

Palm Sunday

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See February 4.

9:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See March 4.

2:30 PM BUTLER, 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 26

8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See March 19.

9:00 AM NONIE WERBE KRAUSS NATURE PRESERVE Come enjoy this 77 acre nature preserve in west Fishers, just east of the Carmel border. Even if we have had some snow the preserve's groomed trails should make for easy walking. On this 5-6 mile loop hike we will also hike in Founders Park and nearby neighborhoods. Meet at Founders Park in Carmel. From I-465 N take Keystone Ave north to 116th St and turn right (east) and go to Hazel Dell Pkwy. After you go through the new circle, drive north on Hazel Dell for a short distance to the entrance to Founders park on your right (F,PS,/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Ed Wright (317-284-1357)

9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See February 12.

9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See February 5.

9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See February 5.

1:00 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK See March 12.

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See February 5.

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS See February 5.

Tuesday, March 27

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

9:00 AM FORT HARRISON TRAILS See February 6.

9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS See March 6.

- 10:00 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK See March 6. Today we will meet at the Rally Campground and Olgle Hollow Nature Preserve parking lot. Follow signs to the campground. The lot is on your right just before you enter the campground gate.
- 5:00 PM BEECH GROVE See March 6.

Wednesday, March 28

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 7.
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See February 7.
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See February 7.
- 9:30 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See March 7.
- 9:30 AM SLOW AND EASY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See February 7.
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 7.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See February 7.

Thursday, March 29

- 9:00 AM FALL CREEK TRAIL See February 1.
- 9:30 AM EASY (AND NOT SO EASY) AT EAGLE CREEK See February 1.
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See February 1.

Friday, March 30**Good Friday**

- 8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 2.
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See February 2.
- 9:00 AM LONG DISTANCE TRAINING HIKES See February 2.
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See February 2.
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 2.

Saturday, March 31

- 8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See March 3.
- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See February 3.
- 9:30 AM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK (ONLY IF THERE'S NO SNOW OR ICE) See March 10.
- 10:00 AM SHAKAMAK STATE PARK Take I-70 west to SR 59. Go south on SR 59, turn right (west) on SR 48 and go through the town of Jasonville to park entrance which will be on your left. Meet in the large parking lot by the log house. This will be a 5–8 mile hike with a shorter option. (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802, 317-412-5190 cell)
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN 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.

21st ANNUAL SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG WEEKEND – April 12-14 Mark your calendar for the annual Club trip to Smoky Mountains National Park. Make your room reservations in Gatlinburg, TN. Some suggestions are Riverhouse at the Park (865-436-2070), Bearskin Lodge on the River (across the street from Riverhouse) (865-430-4330) and Carr's Cottages & Motel (865-436-4836). Jim Shoufler and John Schlecte will lead AM and PM moderate hikes and Jeff Edmondson will lead more challenging all day hikes. Contact Jim Shoufler at 317-697-0744 if you have any questions.

NO FRILLS HALF MARATHON – April 21 The 2nd Annual No Frills Half Marathon (no frills, no tee shirts, no drinks, no police escort, but also no cost) to be held on Saturday, April 21st. See April schedule for details. Contact Tish Brafford if you want to know more at tish34@comcast.net or 317-531-6700 cell.

C&O CANAL ONE DAY HIKE – April 21 Although it requires a lot of conditioning, please consider joining Theresa 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 around February 1 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". Theresa Ray will be coordinating our participation again this year. Contact her at tmrquincy@yahoo.com or by phone at 317-627-1205.

500 FESTIVAL MINI-MARATHON – May 5 Join 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.

YORKSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK IN NORTH ENGLAND - September 15-22 At the present time this trip is full, but if you think you might still be interested please email Mervyn Cohen at mecohen@iu.edu. We will add your name to a waiting list. Accordingly, this is the last time this trip will appear in Future Events.

LAS VEGAS, NV – late October, 2018 We are planning a 3-4 day hiking trip to Las Vegas, NV, which will include hiking at several scenic locations near the city and an evening hike along the famous strip to see the light displays and fountains. Look for specifics, including dates, planned hikes, travel suggestions and hotel recommendations in the April/May schedule. Leader: Sandy Turner (317-437-4770)

PLEASE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

Myra Dworski	Indianapolis, IN	Jennifer Ong	Indianapolis, IN
Winfield Ong	Indianapolis, IN	Diane Smith	Bloomington, IN
Rotina Tian	Indianapolis, IN	Marilyn Wagner	Carmel, IN
Dianne Carlisle	Indianapolis, IN	Steve Carlisle	Indianapolis, IN

WELCOME BACK THE FOLLOWING REINSTATED MEMBER:

Mary Anne Loehr	Indianapolis, IN	Jon Theobald	Indianapolis, IN
Marshall Franklin	Indianapolis, IN		

RECENT MILEAGE AWARDS:

Glee Crowder	41,500	Curtis Hinds	9,500	Sue Brutkiewicz	2,000
Rick Kinnaman	29,500	Mike Khalil	8,000	Linda McGlothlin	500
Cherie Voegel	25,500	John Gaebler	7,500	Jim Goulding	300
David Kincaid	24,000	Mary Bruss	6,500	Mark Copher	200
Julie Litten	14,500	Jo Anne Starzyk	5,500	Judie Hansen	200
Martin Dadel	12,000	Phil Smith	5,500	Mary Ann Loehr	100
Pat Lawler	11,500	Priscilla Dick	4,000	Robert Dickinson	100
Jeff Edmondson	11,000	Donna Peyton	3,500		
Kae Ramey	10,000	Mervyn Cohen	3,000		

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

A longtime member Desma Way (Samantha Way is her daughter) who passed away in early December.

Gene Waltz a long time member who passed away on December 14.

On January 3rd Dick Underwood, who led many hikes at Ft. Harrison, Delphi and Prophetstown State Park, passed away. He joined the Club in 1998 and hiked 7,348 miles.

Mickie Williams who recently passed away. She and her husband John joined the Club in February 1968 and were very active for many years.

We wish all the best to the following members:

Donna Schuster who suffered a brain aneurysm on November 21st. She spent 22 days in ICU at St. Vincent's Hospital and is now at a rehab facility slowly improving.

Phil Coons who is recovering from an extremely painful pinched nerve in his neck.

Elaine Wright who is still recovering from a hip replacement she had in November.

Jim Shoufler who is having back problems and has not been able to hike.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION: I would like to thank everyone for their phone calls, emails and visits to me whilst in the hospital and at home following my hip replacement. I realize what a great group of people I am associated with through the Club, as my family is very limited, I now consider a lot of the Hiking Club as family.
Elaine Wright

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.