



# The Indianapolis Hiking Club

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## SCHEDULE FOR APRIL AND MAY 2019

(Please – no pets except on designated pet hikes)

Celebrating 62 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](mailto:jeanballinger77@gmail.com) for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-445-5646) [ewright@indyhike.org](mailto: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](http://www.indyhike.org/locations.shtml).

### Nell Larrison 1915-2019

The following testimony was lifted in part from Nell's obituary that appeared in the Indy Star and was written by her long time friend and 20 year Club member Barb Tipton, who along with her husband Don, oversaw Nell's well being for many years.

Nell K. Larrison, 104 left this life peacefully in her home at Robin Run Village of Sunday, March 17, 2019. With her passing an era ends. Nell and her husband Bill, who passed away in January 2011, were the backbone of the Indianapolis Hiking Club for more than 50 years. They first joined in 1964 eight years after the Club's inception. Nell was our longest tenured member with over 55 years. Besides a successful career in banking, which included serving as executive assistant to five bank presidents, Nell and Bill's first love was the Hiking Club. They didn't have any children so the club members became their family. For over a half century almost nothing concerning the club didn't have Bill and Nell's imprint on it, including the hiking schedule, overnight trips, annual roster, the Trail Blazer which recapped mileage, and numerous celebrations and lunches. And all of this was accomplished without the aid of a computer. Their generosity was legendary, secretly underwriting the cost of many events including anniversary parties, the annual picnic, the Christmas party, cost of awards, trips to their beloved Gnow Bone Camp and even member dues. It is noteworthy that after Bill passed, the board had to raise the annual dues to make up the difference. Nell still found time to hike a lot, earning over 10,000 miles, impressive considering that many of these were earned before 1978 when the club scheduled only one hike a week. Benches in their honor are located at Eagle Creek Park and Gnow Bone Camp. And the highest award given out annually by our club even carries their name – Bill and Nell Larrison Pinnacle Award. They were the first recipients of this award back in 2006.

Bill and Nell Larrison represented "the greatest generation", living good lives, sharing their good fortune with others, serving as role models/advisors and quietly contributing to society as servants and leaders. They are missed by the more than 1,000 people who have belonged to the Indianapolis Hiking Club.

Memorial tributes may be made in Nell's name to Eagle Creek Foundation, St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, Riley Hospital for Children, Nature Conservancy, ASPCA or the Wounded Warrior Project.

**ITEMS OF NOTE IN THIS SCHEDULE** Tish Brafford will lead the No Frills Marathon on Saturday, April 6. Phil Smith will lead a book club hike on Friday, April 12 and Wilma Bailey will lead one on Friday, May 10. Mary Williams will lead a pet hike on Monday, May 6. The 22nd annual Smoky Mountains long weekend will begin on Thursday, April 25 and run through Saturday, April 27. Jim Shoufler, Jeff Edmondson, and John Schlechte will lead. Terry Roesch will lead two-days of hike at the Hocking Hills Getaway on Thursday, May 16 and Friday, May 16. See the write-up on the appropriate dates for the details.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

### Guidelines for Hike Leaders

Hike leaders are the backbone of the Indianapolis Hiking Club. And, there is no more important position for the current and long-success of this organization. To that end, the Board has recently revised a document that was originally written in March of 2012 and was found at the website index entitled: Suggestions for Hike Leaders. The Board reviewed this document word by word and developed an updated document entitled: Guidelines for Hike Leaders. Experienced, new, or want-a-be hike leaders should review this new document carefully.

### April/May Hiking Schedule

The April and May hiking schedule was generated by direct entry into the hiking club database. Past schedules have been produced using word processing. Since the Club has started to provide direct mileage entry, online mileage checking, and online calendars (today's hikes, tomorrow's hikes, and a calendar of hikes) a great deal of technical work was required of two people (Bob Hackenberg and Karen Zimmerman) to format and import the word processing hike information into the database. One of the major goals of the data committed, which has been meeting since last summer, was to streamline this process. To that end, this schedule was generated entirely in the database eliminating the time-consuming tasks of converting and importing the data. This was made possible by programs written by Bob with Karen's assistance.

### Interesting Articles

I recently received two articles from children. Children in an after-school program brainstormed family bonding activities and one of their favorite ideas was hiking. During their research they found the Club's website. They also found an article that listed things to consider when hiking with children. Not many of us have young children but, many of us do have young grandchildren. I encourage you to check out the article they sent. It can be found online at: <https://www.whollyoutdoor.com/tips-for-hiking-with-kids/> This article will be posted on the Club's website under links. The second article was sent by a local 4H Club. These children have been using the Indianapolis Hiking Club website as part of their hiking trails curriculum. During their studies they found an article on the Ten Longest Hikes in the United States. They liked this article and sent it for use to enjoy. Again, I encourage you to check it out at: <https://www.alansfactoryoutlet.com/10-longest-hiking-trails-in-the-us> This too will be posted on the Club's website. Both groups of children will be told that their articles have been posted to the Indianapolis Hiking Club website.

See you on the trail,

Phil Smith, President  
Indianapolis Hiking Club

## HIKE SCHEDULE

### Monday, April 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 AM for a self-guided 1-12 mile hike. Hike repeats each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday in April and May (Map #54)(F,PS) Leader: Dick Bacon (317-585-8742)
- 9:00 AM MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL** Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance just west of the Colts facility for a 6-mile road hike. Repeats on May 6. (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. Hike repeats each Monday in April and May. (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317- 859-8159)
- 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. Hike repeats on April 22 and May 13. (Map #42)(M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593 and 317-864-9574 cell)
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL** 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 April and May. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317- 859-8159)
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE** Meet in free parking lot that is 1/2 block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a hike of 5-6 miles. Hike repeats every Monday in April and May except May 27. (Map #16) (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Mary Bruss (317-308-0182)
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS** Meet at Geist Coffee (formerly 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 April and May except Memorial Day 5/27. (Map #25)(F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

## Tuesday, April 2

- 9:00AM **CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL** This is a 1-12 mile self-guided hike (most people do 6 miles) on the Monon Trail. From the intersection of 116th St and Westfield Blvd/Rangeline Rd in Carmel go south to Central Park Dr (first intersection on right). Turn right (west) on Central Park Dr and go to the parking lot at the end. Meet on the Monon Trail under the walkway between the two buildings near the skateboard park or in the lobby of the East Monon Building. Hike repeats every Tuesday in April and May. (Map #51) (F,PS) Leader: Jo Anne Starzyk (317-771-0914)
- 9:30 AM **LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE** Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a 5-6 mile hike. Hike may include parts of the Monon Trail, Holliday Park, Marott Park, Arden neighborhood, or Broad Ripple Park. Hike repeats Apr 16 & 30, May 7 & 21. (M,NS/HS/PS,2.75) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)
- 9:30AM **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 1/2 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)
- 1:00 PM **WILDFLOWER HIKE AT HOLLIDAY PARK** We are hoping for an early spring and that we will find some of the early wildflowers right here in Indy at Holliday Park. Meet at the Nature Center parking lot, 6340 Spring Mill Road for a 4-5 mile hike in the park to identify the early wildflowers. (Map # 47) (M,NS/PS, 2-2.5) Leader Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home or cell 617-412-5190)
- 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 March. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593, 317-864-9574 cell)

## Wednesday, April 3

- 8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.
- 9:00 AM **BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS** This 7-8 mile brisk all trail hike is a great way to stay in shape. Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside the 56th St entrance. Hike repeats each Wednesday in April and May (Map #40) (M,NS,3) Leader: Jeff Edmondson (317-450-2526 cell)
- 9:00 AM **AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE** If country roads are calling your name, this is the hike for you. Join me for a 5, 6 or 10 mile hike and enjoy the countryside by hiking down a beautiful winding road. Park at my house at 688 N 900 W, Arlington, IN 46104. From I-465 SE exit on Brookville Rd (US 52) heading east for approximately 25 miles to CR900W and turn right. Go past 2 crossroads on 900W. My house is the 2nd house on the left past the 2nd crossroad. My address is on the mailbox. Hike repeats every Wednesday in April and May. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (317-407- 4652)
- 9:00 AM **MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL** From US 31 in Carmel go east on W Main St past Guilford Rd to Meadow Lane. Turn left and go north to the park located at 450 Meadow Lane and meet just inside the park entrance. This 5 mile hike will include this beautiful 17 acre park, a small lake and a walk on various Carmel paths. Hike repeats each Wednesday in April and May. (Map #58)(F,PS,3.25) Rena Elsner (317-853-6834)
- 9:30 AM **DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL** Join us for a 4-5 mile walk in downtown Indy and surrounding neighborhoods. Expect a different route each week. Meet at Shapiro's Deli at 808 S. Meridian St (at McCarty St). Please park on the southwest portion of the lot away from the building. Hike repeats each Wednesday in April and May. (Map #41) (F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Harold Crooks (317-730-4850)
- 9:30 AM **PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWEST WAY PARK** Join me for a 4-5 mile walk starting at Pike Library, 6525 Zionsville Rd. We will walk through Robin Run Village and continue on to Northwestway Park then back to the library. Shorter and longer options are available. Meet behind the library in the rear lot. Hike repeats each Wednesday in April and May. (F,PS,3) Leader: Joan Griffiths (317-297- 7312)
- 4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** 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 Wednesday in April and May. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

**4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE** This will be a 5-mile hike through quaint neighborhoods, the Zionsville Rail Trail and possibly Starkey Park. Meet in Zionsville Town Hall parking lot at 1100 W Oak St across from McDonalds. From I-465 N take Michigan Rd north and turn left (west) on 116th St and go to 1st St in downtown Zionsville. Go right on 1st St then left (west) on Oak St to the town hall. Hike repeats each Wednesday in April and May. (Map #34) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873- 6586) 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 April and May. (Map #26) (F,PS) John Lyghtel (317-578-9756, 317-626-9117 cell)

#### Thursday, April 4

**9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE** Meet at the Walmart located at 5550 Fall Creek Pkwy N Dr at the corner of 56th St and Fall Creek Pkwy. To find the main entrance to WalMart, turn south off 56th St onto Fall Creek Pkwy and then turn right into the parking lot. Park in the rear of the Walmart lot behind Starbucks. This is usually a 6-mile self guided hike north on the Fall Creek Trail to Skiles Test Park and back, however, the leaders may change the route from time to time. Hike repeats every Thursday in April and May. If inclement weather, the hike may move 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 AT EAGLE CREEK 5** This is the first of three very popular hikes in Eagle Creek Park every Thursday morning. All three hikes meet at the Earth Discovery Center parking lot in Eagle Creek Park (fee), which is located off of 56th St just west of the Colts facility. This will be a moderately paced 5-mile hike over, around, up and down through the woods. Hike repeats every Thursday in April and May. After the hike, join us for lunch at Golden Corral on 38th St. We have a fun time and all are welcome. (Map #17) (M,NS,3) Leader: Phil Smith (317-443-3955).

**9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4** Same directions, repeat dates and lunch invite as Easy at Eagle Creek 5. This is a 4 mile slower paced hike mostly on groomed trails (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Harold Crooks (317-730-4850)

**9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3** Same directions, repeat dates and lunch invite as Easy at Eagle Creek 5. This is a 3 mile hike at an even slower pace, mostly on roads and groomed trails. (M,PS/HS/NS,2.5-2.75) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078)

**6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE** From I-465 E go east on 56th St and turn left on Lee Rd. Meet in the back parking lot of the YMCA on Lee Rd for 6-8 mile hike. Hike repeats every Thursday in April and May. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

#### Friday, April 5

**8:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

**8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE** Susan will lead a brisk 6-mile road hike. Another hiker 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 April and May. (Map #34) (M,PS,4 or 3-3.5 for slower hike) Susan Sievers (317-344-2635, 317-513-5239 cell)

**9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK** Join us for a 6 or 8 mile road or trail hike. Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance that is just west of the Colts facility. Hike repeats on all Fridays in April and May. (Map #40) (M,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Phil Smith (317-443-3955)

**9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL** From I-70 in downtown Indy go south on I-65. Exit on Raymond St (exit 109) and go right (west) on Raymond about 1/2 mile to Pleasant Run Pkwy N Dr and turn left (south) go to the next stoplight. Turn left onto Pagoda Dr, then turn left again and park next to the swimming pool. This is a 5-6 mile hike in various neighborhoods surrounding Garfield Hike repeats every Friday in April and May. (Map #52) (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

**6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI** Meet in downtown Shapiro's Deli lot, 808 S. Meridian St, for a 6-mile hike. Please park in the rear of the lot away from the restaurant entrance. Hike repeats every Friday in April. (Map #41) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Jim Griffin (317-294-1121)

**Saturday, April 6**

- 8:00 AM **NO FRILLS HALF MARATHON** No fees, no shirts, no medals, no water stations. This 13.1 marathon is self guided. Restrooms will be located 2 ½ miles from start location at WalMart and at the turn around in Fort Harrison. We will meet in the parking lot at Binford & Fall Creek. Directions to the parking lot: Go south on Keystone to 46th St. Turn east to Allisonville Rd. Turn right/south and go to the next stop light. At that stop light go straight, crossing Binford, and the parking lot will be on the right. We will walk the Fall Creek Greenway trail north, to the Shaffer Restrooms (across from the sledding hill) in Ft. Harrison and back. Please call Tish Brafford (317-251-8907-H, 317-531-6700-C). I would like to know the names of all walkers/runners. Be sure to leave nothing visible in your car. In case of inclement weather, the rain date is May 4.
- 8:30 AM **WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD** This will be an 8-mile walk with a 5-mile option in parks and neighborhoods in Greenwood. Take US 31 south to Main St. in Greenwood. Go west on Main St to the bottom of the hill and park at Westside Park on the right. Walk repeats every Saturday in April and May. Note time change in May. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 9:00 AM **PENNSY TRAIL** Enjoy a 6-12 mile hike on the paved Pennsy Trail. From I-465 E take I-70 east to Greenfield exit. Turn right on SR 9 and then left on New Rd (light by Starbucks). At roundabout, go right (south) on Apple St. After you cross US 40, look for the Pennsy trailhead parking lot on the right. This is a new trailhead with restrooms. Repeats each Saturday in April and May except May 4. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (407-4652)
- 9:30 AM **KARST PARK GREENWAY TRAIL, BLOOMINGTON** From I-465 S take SR 37/ I-69 S to Bloomington Exit 117(2nd St Bloomfield Rd SR 45). Turn right onto SR45 and go for about a mile. Angle right onto Airport Rd (Karst Park sign) for about 500 feet, turn right onto Endwright Rd and go about 1/4 mile to Karst Park entrance on the left (2450 S Endwright Rd). Drive to the stop sign in the park then turn left and continue to the parking lot by the playground. This will be an 8-mile hike with shorter options on the paved Karst Greenway Trail. Bathrooms are available. After the hike plan on having lunch at a local restaurant. (F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Edeltraud Evans, (812-322-3972-cell)
- 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)
- 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 April and May. (Map #16) (F,PS) Leader: Mary Bruss (317-308-0182) or Rick Braun (317-679-2972).

**Sunday, April 7**

- 9:00 AM **COLLEGE PARK** Meet at the College Park Elementary School, 2811 Barnard St. From W 86th St., turn north on Colby Blvd and travel .4 miles to Barnard St and turn right, going 0.3 miles to the school. This will be a 5 mile hike with shorter options through the College Park area neighborhood. Repeats each Sunday in April and May. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Marti Burton (317-306-9878)
- 9:30 AM **BROAD RIPPLE** Meet in the free parking lot 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 April and May. (Map #16) (F,PS,3-3.25) Leader: Kathy Whalen (317-409-3265)

**Monday, April 8**

- 8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.
- 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 April and May, except May 6. (Map #40) (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586)
- 9:15 AM **SOUTHPORT PARK** See April 1.
- 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. Hike repeats on April 22 and May 13. (Map #42)(M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078)
- 4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** See April 1.
- 4:00 PM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 1.

6:00 PM **EXPLORE FISHERS** See April 1.

### Tuesday, April 9

9:00 AM **CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL** See April 2.

9:30 **AM DISCOVER MOORESVILLE** This will be a 6 mile hike. From southwest portion of 465 exit onto IN 67 and travel approximately 9 miles to Mooresville. At the corner of 67 and Indiana St. turn right. Gray Bros. Cafeteria is on your right side. Park behind the cafeteria. Join us for lunch at Gray Bros. after the hike. (M,PS/NS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)

9:30AM **MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS** See April 2.

1:00 PM **BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK** Meet at Unitarian Universalist Church of Indianapolis at 615 W 43rd Street for a guided 5-6 mile hike exploring Butler University and surrounding sites. There are many places to explore in this neighborhood. Hike repeats (probability is high for different routes) April 23; May 14, 21 and 28. (F, PS, 3) Leader: Kathy Whalen (317-409-3265)

1:00 **PM WILDFLOWER HIKE AT MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK** We usually see more varieties of wildflowers at this state park than at any other location. From I-465 SW, take SR 67 southwest to Spencer. Turn left (east) on SR 46 and proceed to park entrance (fee). Meet at the Nature Center for a 4-5 mile hike to enjoy the many wildflowers. Those that want to come early, can meet other hikers at Chambers Restaurant in Spencer. To get to Chambers, turn right (west) on SR 46 and go to Main Street-a stoplight. Turn left on Main Street and go several blocks to Market, turn right and Chambers will be on your left just before the next intersection, South Montgomery Street. (M,NS/PS, 2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home or 317-412-5190 cell) Hike repeats on Tuesday, April 30th.

6:00 **PM BEECH GROVE** See April 2.

### Wednesday, April 10

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

9:00 AM **BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS** See April 3,

9:00 AM **AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE** See April 3.

9:00 AM **MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL** See April 3.

9:30 **AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL** See April 3.

9:30 AM **PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK** See April 3.

4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** See April 3.

4:30 PM **EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE** See April 3.

6:00 PM **DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE** See April 3.

### Thursday, April 11

9:00 AM **THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4** See April 4

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3** See April 4.

6:00 PM **FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE** See April 4.

### Friday, April 12

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

8:00 AM **EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE** See April 5.

9:00 AM **TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK** See April 5.

9:30 AM **GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL** See April 5.

1:00 PM **BOOK CLUB HIKE** Before the hike read Educated: A Memoir by Tara Westover. The hike will be 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. Call the leader for shorter hike options. (Map #41) (F,PS) Leader: Phil Smith (317-443-3955)

6:00 PM **OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI** See April 5.

**Saturday, April 13**

8:30 AM **WESTSIDE PARK GREENWOOD** See April 6.

9:00 AM **PENNSY TRAIL** See April 6.

9:30 AM **TURKEY RUN STATE PARK** Our second state park (established 1916) offers some of Indiana's most ruggedly beautiful hiking trails. Allow about 1 1/2 hours travel time from I-465 W. Go west on I-74 to Exit 52. Turn left on SR 75 south through Jamestown. Then go west on SR 234 about 16 miles to SR 47. Turn left on SR 47 and travel about 13 miles to the park entrance on the right (fee). Meet at the Turkey Run Inn parking lot for a 6 mile hike (shorter option available) Join us afterwards for lunch in the Inn. (Map #46) (H,NS,2.5) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)

10:00 **AM SLOW & EASY AT FORT HARRISON STATE PARK** Park entrance (fee) is located at 59th and Post Rd. After the gatehouse, turn right at the first intersection. Continue to the Delaware Lake parking area at the end of the road. Meet at the far end of the lot for a walk mostly on paved surfaces. Options of 3, 4 and 5 miles. Repeats on April 20. (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317 251 9078)

10:00 **AM TEN AT TEN** See April 6.

**Sunday, April 14**

9:00 AM **COLLEGE PARK** See April 7.

9:30 AM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 7.

**Monday, April 15**

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1

9:00 AM **CLEAR THE COBWEBS** See April 8.

9:15 AM **SOUTHPORT PARK** See April 1.

9:30 AM **SLOW & EASY BROAD RIPPLE PARK & BEYOND** Meet in the Family Center lot at Broad Ripple Park, 1550 Broad Ripple Avenue. Options of 3, 4, and 5 miles. Hike repeats on April 29 and May20. (F,HS/PS/NS, 2.5-3) Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078)

4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** See April 1.

4:00 PM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 1.

6:00 PM **EXPLORE FISHERS** See April 1.

**Tuesday, April 16**

9:00 AM **CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL** See April 2.

9:30 AM **DISCOVER MARTINSVILLE** This will be a 6 mile hike. From southwest portion of 465 exit onto IN 67 and travel approximately 23 miles. When you get to IN 39, turn right onto Morgan St. Go about 1 mile on Morgan St. until you get to N. Home Ave. There is a traffic light at this intersection. Turn left and follow Home Ave. to Martinsville City Park. We will park in the City Park lot. Join us for lunch at Poe's Cafeteria after the hike.(M,PS/NS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)

9:30 AM **LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE** See Apr 2.

9:30AM **MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS** See April 2.

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

6:00 PM **BEECH GROVE** See April 2.

**Wednesday, April 17**

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

9:00 **AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS** See April 3.

9:00 AM **AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE** See April 3.

9:00 AM **MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL** See April 3.

9:30 AM **DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL** See April; 3.

9:30 AM **PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK** See April 3.

9:30 AM **RIVER ROAD PARK HIKE** We will hike the trails in River Road Park in Carmel down to the White River and explore paved walking trails in nearby neighborhoods for 6 miles. From I-465 N take Keystone Ave north to 116th St and turn east, go 2.4 miles to River Rd. Turn north onto River Rd and go 1.2 miles to River Road Park. Note you will pass River Heritage Park. Park in the south lot. There

are restrooms at the park. Please join us for lunch after the hike. (F,PS/NS,3) Leaders: June Sergi (317-372-3018) and Cherie Voegel (317-848-7674)

4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** See April 3.

4:30 PM **EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE** See April 3.

6:00 PM **DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE** See April 3.

#### Thursday, April 18

9:00 AM **THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3** See April 4.

1:00 PM **EASTSIDE NEIGHBORHOODS** Meet on Bonna Avenue by the Pennsy Trail in Irvington for a 5 mile hike. Expect a different hike each week around the neighborhoods of Irvington, Christian Park, Warren Park and the Pennsy Trail. Directions: From the north: take I-70 East to Emerson Avenue south to Washington Street. Turn left on Washington, go east to the third stop light, turn right on Audubon by the Irvington Library. Restrooms available at the library. Go south to second stop sign at Bonna Avenue, turn right and park on north side of Bonna by the trail. From the south: Drive north on Emerson to Washington and turn right. Follow the three stoplights to Audubon Road and the Library, turn right and go south to Bonna and park by the trail. After the hike, please join us for lunch at either Lincoln Square, Jockamoe's Pizza, or the Mug. Hike repeats April 25, May 2, May 9, May 16. (F, PS 3.5) Leader: Melinda Jones (317-850-2500)

6:00 PM **FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE** See April 4.

#### Friday, April 19

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

8:00 AM **EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE** See April 5.

9:00 AM **TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK** See April 5.

9:30 AM **GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL** See April 5.

6:00 PM **OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI** See April 5.

#### Saturday, April 20

8:30 AM **WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD** See April 6.

9:00 AM **PENNSY TRAIL** See April 6.

10:00 AM **TEN AT TEN** See April 6.

10:00 AM **SLOW & EASY AT FORT HARRISON STATE PARK** See April 13.

10:00 AM **MARY GRAY BIRD SANCTUARY** This will be a 7-8 mile hike with shorter options. We will be looking for the early wildflowers. Go to Rushville your preferred way. In Rushville at the courthouse go east on SR 44 about 11 miles (watch for large grain bins on your right) to CR 525W. Turn right and go to the "T", turn left and go to the first road on your right (Bird Sanctuary Road). Turn right and go a few miles to where the road makes a sharp 90 degree turn to the left. The entrance to Mary Gray Bird Sanctuary is to the right at this 90 degree turn. Watch closely for the entrance. Meet in the parking area on your right across from the "Red Barn". Bring snacks. (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802-home, 317-412-5190-cell) Note, cell service is not good at the Bird Sanctuary.

#### Sunday, April 21

9:00 AM **COLLEGE PARK** See April 7.

9:30 AM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 7.

#### Monday, April 22

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

9:00 AM **CLEAR THE COBWEBS** See April 8

9:15 AM **SOUTHPORT PARK** See April 1.

9:30 AM **SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY** See April 8.

4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** See April 1.

4:00 PM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 1.

6:00 PM **EXPLORE FISHERS** See April 1.



**Tuesday, April 23**

9:00 AM **CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL** See April 2.

9:30 AM **DISCOVER PLAINFIELD** This will be a 6 mile hike. From west leg of 465 travel west on US 40 approximately 8 miles to Center St. in Plainfield. Turn left on to Center St. and go about 1 ½ miles to Hummel Park which will be on your right. Park in the lot provided in the park. Many opportunities for lunch. (M,PS/NS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)

9:30AM **MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS** See April 2.

1:00 PM **BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK** See April 9.

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

6:00 PM **BEECH GROVE** See April 2.

**Wednesday, April 24**

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

9:00 AM **BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS** See April 3.

9:00 AM **AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE** See April 3.

9:00 AM **MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL** See April 3.

9:30 AM **DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL** See April 3.

9:30 AM **PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK** See April 3.

4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** See April 3.

4:30 PM **EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE** See April 3.

6:00 PM **DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE** See April 3.

**22nd ANNUAL SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG WEEKEND**

22nd ANNUAL SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG WEEKEND Allow 7 hours to travel 400 miles. Go southeast on I-74 to I-275. Go south on I-275 around Cincinnati to I-75 south. Go south on I-75 to Knoxville, TN. Go east on I-640 to I-40. Continue east on I-40 to Exit 407 (Highway 66 – Sevierville exit). Go south on Highway 66, which becomes US 441, to Gatlinburg. Arrange your own accommodations. See the Upcoming Events section in the last schedule for hotel recommendations. Wednesday and Sunday will be travel days. Jim Shoufler and John Schlechte will lead AM and PM moderate hikes and Jeff Edmondson will lead more challenging all day hikes. All morning hikes will begin at the Sugarland Visitor Center in the national park and will start at 8:00 AM local (Gatlinburg) time. Most hikes will require a car shuttle to the trailhead. **Check with the leader in the morning for the location of the afternoon hike, as it may not start from the Visitor Center.** Bring water and snacks on all hikes and lunch on the long hikes. Leaders: John Schlechte (317- 294-2021 cell), Jim Shoufler (317-697-0744) and Jeff Edmondson (317-733-0143 or 317-450-2526 cell).

**Thursday, April 25**

8:00 AM **SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG HIKE - DAY 1** See 22nd Annual Smoky Mountains Long Weekend above.

8:00 AM **SMOKY MOUNTAINS MORNING MODERATE HIKE - DAY 1** See Smoky Mountains Long Weekend above.

9:00 AM **THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3** See April 4.

1:00 PM\* **SMOKY MOUNTAINS AFTERNOON MODERATE HIKE - DAY 1** \*Estimated start time—actual time will be announced in the morning. See 22nd Annual Smoky Mountains Long Weekend above.

1:00 PM **EASTSIDE NEIGHBOHOODS** See April 18.

6:00 PM **FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE** See April 4.

**Friday, April 26**

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

8:00 AM **EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE** See April 5.

8:00 AM **SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG HIKE - DAY 2** See Smoky Mountains Long Weekend above.

8:00 AM **SMOKY MOUNTAINS MORNING MODERATE HIKE - DAY 2** See Smoky Mountains Long Weekend above.

9:00 AM **TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK** See April 5.

9:30AM **GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL** See April 5.

1:00 PM\* **SMOKY MOUNTAINS AFTERNOON MODERATE HIKE - DAY 1** \*Estimated start time—actual time will be announced in the morning. See 22nd Annual Smoky Mountains Long Weekend above.

6:00 PM **OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI** See April 5.

### Saturday, April 27

8:00 AM **SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG HIKE - DAY 3** See Smoky Mountains Long Weekend above.

8:00 AM **SMOKY MOUNTAINS MORNING MODERATE HIKE - DAY 3** See Smoky Mountains Long Weekend above.

8:30 AM **WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD** See April 6.

9:00 AM **PENNSY TRAIL** See April 6.

9:00 AM **DEPAUW NATURE PARK, GREENCASTLE** Allow one hour travel time. From I-465 W take I-70 west to the Greencastle/Cloverdale exit. Turn right (north) and follow US 231 for about 7-miles into Greencastle. At the courthouse turn left onto Jackson St (west side of courthouse) and drive one block, turn right onto Walnut Street. Continue ½ mile to park entrance on the left. Follow the drive way for about one mile to the main parking lot. This will be a 5-6 mile scenic hike on a natural trail in the old limestone quarry. After the hike plan on having lunch at a local restaurant. (M,NS,HS,2.5) Leader: Edeltraud Evans, (812-322-3972-cell)

10:00 AM **SLOW & EASY AT SOUTHEASTWAY PARK** Park is located at 5624 S. Carroll Rd. Go southeast on I-74 to Exit 99 (Acton). Turn left and go under the interstate. At the T (Sikh Temple), turn right onto Southeastern, which angles to the east becoming Indian Creek Rd. Turn left at the T (Carroll Rd) and go 0.8 mile to park entrance on the left. Go past the Activity Center and park near the restroom building in the picnic area. Options of 3, 4 and 5 miles. Repeats May 18. (M,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317 251 9078)

10:00 AM **TEN AT TEN** See April 6.

2:00 PM **BAXTER YMCA TO SOUTHPORT RD** See April 6.

### Sunday, April 28

9:00 AM **COLLEGE PARK** See April 7.

9:30 AM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 7.

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

### Monday, April 29

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

9:00 AM **CLEAR THE COBWEBS** See April 8.

9:15 AM **SOUTHPORT PARK** See April 1.

9:30 AM **SLOW & EASY BROAD RIPPLE PARK & BEYOND** See April 15.

4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** See April 1.

4:00 PM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 1.

6:00 PM **EXPLORE FISHERS** See April 1.

### Tuesday, April 30

9:00 AM **CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL** See April 2.

9:30 AM **DISCOVER DANVILLE** This will be a 6 mile hike. From the west leg of 465, take Rockville Rd. (IN 36) west approximately 13/14 miles. As you drive into the outskirts of Danville there is a traffic light at Main

St. (Kroger is on your left). Just past that light turn right into Ellis Park and go to the parking lot. Many opportunities for lunch in Danville. (M,PS/NS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)

9:30 AM **LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE** See Apr 2.

9:30AM **MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS** See April 2.

1:00 PM **WILDFLOWER HIKE AT MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK** See April 9.

6:00 **PM BEECH GROVE** See April 2.

### Wednesday, May 1

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

9:00 AM **BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS** See April 3.

9:00 AM **AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE** See April 3.

9:00 AM **MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL** See April 3

9:30 AM **DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL** See April 3.

9:30 AM **PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK** See April 3.

4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** See April 3.

4:30 PM **EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE** See April 3.

6:00 PM **DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE** See April 3.

### Thursday, May 2

9:00 AM **THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4** See April 4

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3** See April 4

1:00 PM **EASTSIDE NEIGHBORHOODS** See April 18.

6:00 PM **FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE** See April 4.

### Friday, May 3

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

8:00 AM **EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE** See April 5.

9:00 AM **TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK** See April 5.

9:30 AM **GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL** See April 5

10:00 AM **GREENWOOD HIKE AND LUNCH** Go south on I-65 to the Greenwood exit and go west to US 31.

Meet in the northwest corner of the Rural King parking lot at 860 US 31 S. This is a 5-6 mile hike on a paved trail and city streets. After the hike join us for lunch at To The Nines at Central Nine Vocational School of Culinary Arts. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leaders: Mary Williams (317-737-1259, 317-919-8574

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 May. (Map #32) (M,PS/NS,3.5) Leader: Jim Griffin (317-294-1121)

### Saturday, May 4

3:00 AM **B&O CANAL ONE DAY HIKE** Starts in Washington DC and continues along C&O towpath to the finish at Harpers Ferry, WV. And yes, the start time is 3:00 AM. Registration is currently closed for the 100K and 50K but will reopen on April 14 to fill any cancellations, so check [www.onedayhike.org](http://www.onedayhike.org) or call the leader if interested. (F,NS) Leader: Theresa Ray (317-627-1205, [tmrquincy@yahoo.com](mailto:tmrquincy@yahoo.com))

7:00 AM **500 FESTIVAL MINI-MARATHON AND 5K** This famous 13-mile and 3-mile self guided hike starts and ends downtown. If you are one of the 35,000 people registered for this event, you can obtain club credit by calling or emailing the leader, who will verify your completion through the 500 Festival web site race results. (F,PS) Leader: Phil Smith (317-443-3955) [smith30333@comcast.net](mailto:smith30333@comcast.net).

8:30 AM **WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD** See April 6.

9:00 AM **PENNYS Trail** See April 6.

10:00 AM **SLOW & EASY ON FALL CREEK TRAIL** Meet at Walmart located at 5550 Fall Creek Pkwy N Dr. From 56th and Emerson, go east on 56th to next light (no street signs). Turn right and then shortly turn right again into Walmart lot. Meet in NW corner near donation bins. Options of 3, 4 and 5 miles. Repeats May 25. (F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317 251 9078)

10:00 **AM TEN AT TEN** See April 6.

1:30 PM **MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK HIKE AND WILDFLOWER HUNT** Travel to McCormick's Creek State Park your preferred way and meet at the Nature Center for a moderate hike of 5-6 miles. Be prepared for some stream crossings (M,NS/PS,2) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802-home or 317-412-5190-cell).

### Sunday, May 5

9:00 AM **COLLEGE PARK** See April 7.

9:30 AM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 7.

1:30 PM **SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O** From I-465 W take exit 16A to Crawfordsville Rd going west thru Clermont to Hornaday Rd in Brownsburg. Turn left and go about 6 miles to the Church of Christ parking lot at 3300 Hornaday Rd. Please park in the northwest corner. This will be a 6-8 mile out and back hike. There are no bathrooms. Repeats May 26. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Kae Ramey (317-701-5805)

### Monday, May 6

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

9:00 AM **MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL** See April 1

9:15 AM **SOUTHPORT PARK** See April 1.

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. Hike repeats on April 22 and May 13. (Map #42)(M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593 and 317-864-9574 cell)

2:00 PM **PET HIKE AT FRANK AND JUDY O'BANNON SOCCER PARK** The actual address of the park is 950 E 16th, however the parking lot, I want to use is on Bellefontaine St. Take N College Ave to 16th St and turn east. Bellefontaine St is the 2nd street on right after College. Park in parking lot on left. Will do 4 miles on Monon Trail and city streets. 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 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 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 home 317-736-1259, cell 317-919-8574

4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** See April 1.

4:00 PM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 1.

6:00 PM **EXPLORE FISHERS** See April 1.

### Tuesday, May 7

9:00 AM **CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL** See April 2.

or in the lobby of the East Monon Building. Hike repeats every Tuesday in April and May. (Map #51) (F,PS) Jo Anne Starzyk (317-771-0914)

9:00 AM **SIETE DE MAYO** This will be a seis (six) mile hike. Come to my house 8704 Sunningdale Blvd. We will hike in the Clermont Lions Club park and in Clermont neighborhoods. Plan to join me for taco lunch after the hike at my house. (M,PS/NS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)

9:30 AM **LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE** See Apr 2.

9:30AM **MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS** See April 2.

6:00 PM **SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERY WOODS** Meet at Southport Middle School at 5715 S Keystone Ave. Park your car by the basketball court on the south side of the school for a 5-mile hike. Repeats each Thursday in May. (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Glee Crowder (859-8159)

### Wednesday, May 8

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

9:00 AM **BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS** See April 3.

9:00 AM **AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE** See April 3.

9:00 AM **MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL** See April 3.

9:30 AM **DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL** See April 3.

9:30 AM **PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK** See April 3

4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** See April 3.

4:30 PM **EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE** See April 3.

6:00 PM **DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE** See April 3.

#### Thursday, May 9

9:00 AM **THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3** See April 4.

1:00 PM **EASTSIDE NEIGHBORHOODS** See April 18.

6:00 PM **FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE** See April 4.

#### Friday, May 10

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

8:00 AM **EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE** See April 5.

9:00 AM **TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK** See April 5.

9:30 AM **GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL** See April 5.

1:00 PM **BOOK CLUB HIKE** We will meet at the College Library (4180 North College Avenue) to discuss the book *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith. The entire text of the book is available free on-line. We will discuss the book first and then do self-guided hikes of one to six miles on the Monon Trail. Please park in the lot on the east side of College Avenue. (F, PS) Leader Wilma Bailey (317-293-0051)

6:00 PM **BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS** See May 3.

#### Saturday, May 11

8:30 AM **WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD** See April 6.

9:00 AM **HAYS TRAIL, BLOOMINGTON** From I-465 S take SR 37/I-69 south to Bloomington. Take Exit 120A, go east on SR 46 to SR 446. Turn right (south) continue on SR 446 across the Lake Monroe causeway. After crossing the causeway go for about 2-miles and look for Hays Trail sign on your left. If possible, carpool since parking is limited. This will be a 6-mile hike on a natural woods trail in the Charles Deam Wilderness Forest. After the hike stay for lunch at a local restaurant. (M,NS,2) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972-cell)

9:00 AM **PENNSY TRAIL** See April 6.

10:00 AM **TEN AT TEN** See April 6.

#### Sunday, May 12

9:00 AM **COLLEGE PARK** See April 7.

9:30 AM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 7.

2:00 PM **CROWN HILL CEMETERY** The cemetery address is 700 W 38th St. Meet at parking lot at the Clarendon entrance just north of 38th St. for a 5-6 mile hike (M,PS 3-3.5) Leader: Mary Bruss (317-308-0182)

#### Monday, May 13

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

9:00 AM **CLEAR THE COBWEBS** See April 8.

9:15 AM **SOUTHPORT PARK** See April 1.

9:30 AM **SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY** See April 8.

4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** See April 1

4:00 PM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 1.

6:00 PM **EXPLORE FISHERS** See April 1.

#### Tuesday, May 14

9:00 AM **CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL** See April 2.

9:00 AM **B&O TRAIL - SPEEDWAY** On this 6 mile hike we will travel the B&O trail in and near Speedway. Meet at Leonard Park in Speedway. From the west leg of 465 exit onto 10th St. going east 1 mile to Lynhurst Dr. Turn left and go to 15th St. Turn left on 10th and Leonard Park is on you left. Park behind the Police Station. ( F,PS/NS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)

9:30AM **MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS** See April 2.

1:00 PM **BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK** See April 9.

6:00 PM **SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS** See May 7.

**Wednesday, May 15**

- 8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.  
 9:00 AM **BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS** See April 3.  
 9:00 AM **AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE** See April 3.  
 9:00 AM **MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL** See April 3.  
 9:30 AM **DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL** See April 3.  
 9:30 AM **PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK** See April 3.  
 4:30 PM **EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE** See April 3.  
 6:00 PM **DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE** See April 3.

**Thursday, May 16**

- 9:00 AM **THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE** See April 4.

**Multi-Day Trip: Hocking Hills Getaway: Thursday and Friday, May 16 and 17**

4-5 hours travel time from Indianapolis area. Take I-70 east to Columbus, OH. Take I-270 around Columbus to the southeast and then take the US 33 exit east toward Lancaster, OH. Continue past Lancaster to Logan, OH. Arrange your own lodging. See the Upcoming Events section in last schedule for lodging recommendations or contact Terry Roesch. Wednesday and Saturday will be travel days. There are seven main scenic attractions in Hocking Hills State Park. Several of the attractions have little actual mileage but plenty of scenery. These hikes are expected to be slower to moderate paced to appreciate the beauty of the park and take pictures. Morning and afternoon hikes planned for Thursday and Friday with distance options on Thursday. Sections of trails include climbing over rocks, tight areas, sturdy footwear and poles suggested. Bring snacks, trail lunch and water to hikes. If rain is expected, bring appropriate clothing. Trail conditions and weather may alter the hikes planned. Detailed hike info for the day will be shared morning. Please bring club schedule with you to Hocking Hills for hike directions. Afternoon hike times could change depending on the time the morning hikers finish. Meet in the Whispering Cave Parking Lot on Thursday, May 16 at 9:00 AM. The parking lot is located in Hocking Hills State Park, which is about 12 miles southwest of Logan on SR 664, a winding slow traveling road. The parking lot address is 20517 State Route 664, and it is near the state park cabins. Cell phone reception is spotty in the park. Leader: Terry Roesch (M, NS, 2.5) (317-910-2943 cell) or [troesch1@indy.rr.com](mailto:troesch1@indy.rr.com)

- 9:00 AM **HOCKING HILLS STATE PARK MORNING HIKE – DAY 1** Meet in the Whispering Cave parking lot for a hike of 8-miles with a 6-mile option. The group will begin on the Hemlock Bridge/Whispering Cave trail and hike to the Old Man's Cave area. The short hike option will split off on the return to the parking lot with Nan bringing the group back. The long hike option will continue on the Buckeye Trail to Cedar Falls and return. The parking lot address is 20517 SR 664, and it is near the state park cabins. Bring water, snacks and/or trail lunch to hike. (M, NS 2.5) Leader: Terry Roesch for 8-mile hike (cell: 317-910-2943) Nan Tate for 6-mile hike (cell: 812-254-8456)

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5** See April 4

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4** See April 4.

9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3** See April 4.

1:00 PM **EASTSIDE NEIGHBORHOODS** See April 18.

3:00 PM **HOCKING HILL STATE PARK AFTERNOON HIKE - DAY 1** We will visit the Rock House, 16526 Ohio 374, Laurelville, OH 43135 GPS Tracking: 39.495240, -82.615252. The Rock House is a tunnel-like cavern 25 feet high with a "window" at the end providing awesome views of the waterfall flowing over the cliff face. Small recesses in the back wall were used as baking ovens for Native Americans staying in the cave. Meet in the Whispering Cave parking lot (see address above). We will carpool/caravan to the Rock House location. The Rock House trail is less than a mile long and takes about 45 minutes to traverse. Mileage credit will be 3. (M, NS, 2.5) Leaders: Terry Roesch or Nan Tate

6:00 PM **FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE** See April 4.

**Friday, May 17**

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

8:00 AM **EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE** See April 5.

9:00 AM **TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK** See April 5.

9:00 AM **HOCKING HILL STATE PARK MORNING HIKE - DAY 2** Meet in the Ash Cave Parking Lot for a hike of about 6 miles, the Ash Cave, Cedar Falls Loop. The address is 27291 Ohio 56, GPS Tracking: 39.395993, -82.545927. Ash Cave is the largest recess cave in the state. From the Hocking Hills State Park cabins, head toward OH-374 E/OH-664 E. Turn right onto OH-374 E/OH-664 E and travel a little over a mile. Turn right onto OH-374 W and travel 3.7 miles. Turn right onto OH-56 W. Travel several blocks to the parking lot on the left. (M, NS, 2.5) Leader: Terry Roesch (cell: 317-910-2943)

9:30 AM **GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL** See April 5

2:30 PM **HOCKING HILLS STATE PARK – AFTERNOON HIKE - DAY 2 CONKLES HOLLOW STATE NATURE PRESERVE** We will caravan from the Ash Cave Parking Lot to Conkles Hollow for a hike of about 4 miles. Turn right from the parking lot onto OH-56 and travel toward OH-374 E. Turn left onto OH-374 E and travel 3.7 miles. Turn left onto OH-664 S and travel 2.3 miles. Turn right onto OH-374 E traveling one mile. Turn right onto Big Pine Rd, go short distance, destination on left. The address is 24132 Big Pine Road, Logan, GPS Tracking: 39.452879,-82.572148. We will hike the rim and lower trails. (M, NS, 2.5) Leader: Terry Roesch (cell: 317-910-2943)

6:00 PM **BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS** See May 3.

### **Saturday, May 18**

8:30 AM **WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD** See April 6.

9:00 AM **PENNSY TRAIL** See April 6.

10:00 AM **TEN AT TEN** See April 6.

10:00 AM **SLOW & EASY AT SOUTHEASTWAY PARK** See April 27.

### **Sunday, May 19**

9:00 AM **COLLEGE PARK** See April 6.

9:30 AM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 7.

### **Monday, May 20**

9:00 AM **CLEAR THE COBWEBS** See April 8.

9:15 AM **SOUTHPORT PARK** See April 1.

9:30 AM **SLOW & EASY BROAD RIPPLE PARK & BEYOND** See April 15.

4:00 PM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 1.

4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** See April 1.

6:00 PM **EXPLORE FISHERS** See April 1.

### **Tuesday, May 21**

9:00 AM **CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL** See April 2.

9:00 AM **VISIT SPEEDWAY AT RACE TIME** For this 6 mile hike we will meet at Leonard Park. For directions to Leonard Park see my May 14th B&O Hike. (F,PS/NS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)

9:30 AM **LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE** See Apr 2.

9:30AM **MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS** See April 2.

1:00 PM **BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK** See April 9

6:00 PM **SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS** See May 7.

### **Wednesday, May 22**

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.

9:00 AM **BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS** See April 3.

9:00 AM **AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE** See April 3.

9:00 AM **MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL** See April 3.

9:30 AM **DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL** See April 3.

9:30 AM **PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK** See April 3.

4:30 PM **EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE** See April 3.

6:00 PM **DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE** See April 3.

**Thursday, May 23**

- 9:00 AM **THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE** See April 4.
- 9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5** See April 4.
- 9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4** See April 4.
- 9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3** See April 4.
- 6:00 PM **FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE** See April 4.

**Friday, May 24**

- 8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.
- 8:00 AM **EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE** See April 5.
- 9:00 AM **TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK** See April 5.
- 9:30 AM **GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL** See April 5.
- 6:00 PM **BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS** See May 3.

**Saturday, May 25**

- 8:30 AM **WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD** See April 6.
- 9:00 AM **GRIFFY LAKE, BLOOMINGTON** From I465 S take SR37/ I-69 S to SR46/Bloomington East, Exit 120A. Continue on SR 46. At the fourth traffic light turn left onto Matlock Rd. Follow Matlock Rd. to Headley Rd, turn left and continue on to the lake. Meet across the causeway at the boat house parking lot on the right. This will be a 5-6-mile hike on natural trails. After the hike plan on having lunch at a local restaurant. (H,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Edeltraud Evans, (812-322-3972-cell)
- 9:00 AM **PENNSY TRAIL** See April 6.
- 10:00 AM **TEN AT TEN** See April 6.
- 10:00 AM **SLOW & EASY ON FALL CREEK TRAIL** See May 4.

**Sunday, May 26**

- 9:00 AM **COLLEGE PARK** See April 7.
- 9:30 AM **BROAD RIPPLE** See April 7.
- 11:00 AM **WHITewater CANAL AND THE SMELLY GOURMET** Meet us at the trailhead in Metamora for a 5-6 mile walk along the canal and then have lunch at the very interesting and tasty Smelly Gourmet. From I-465 take Brookville Rd. (Hwy 52) for 51 miles to Metamora. Turn right at Columbia St. (at the Historic Metamora sign). Follow this street across the canal, make a left turn and drive just out of town to the parking lot at the trailhead. (F,NS,3) Leaders: Harold Crooks (317-730-4850) and Susanne McNeelly (317-384-2909)
- 1:30 PM **SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O** See May 5.

**Monday, May 27**

- 8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.
- 9:00 AM **CLEAR THE COBWEBS** See April 1.
- 9:15 AM **SOUTHPORT PARK** See April 1.
- 9:30 AM **CROWN HILL CEMETERY ON MEMORIAL DAY** This is the cemetery's busiest day. Flags will be placed on the graves of service members. From the 700 block of West 38th ST, go north on Clarendon St to the cemetery entrance. Park closer to the building than we usually do options of 3, 4, and 5 miles. (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078).
- 4:00 PM **GREENWOOD PARK MALL** See April 1

**Tuesday, May 28**

- 9:00 AM **CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL** See April 2.
- 1:00 PM **BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK** See April 9.
- 9:30AM **MERIDIAN WOODS AND TRAILS** See April 2
- 6:00 PM **SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS** See May 7.

**Wednesday, May 29**

- 8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.
- 9:00 AM **BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS** See April 3.
- 9:00 AM **AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE** See April 3.



9:00 AM **MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL** See April 3.  
 9:30 AM **DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL** See April 3.  
 9:30 AM **PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK** See April 3.  
 4:30 PM **EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE** See April 3.  
 6:00 PM **DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE** See April 3.

#### Thursday, May 30

9:00 AM **THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE** See April 4.  
 9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 5** See April 4.  
 9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 4** See April 4.  
 9:30 AM **EASY AT EAGLE CREEK 3** See April 4.  
 6:00 PM **FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE** See April 4.

#### Friday, May 31

8:00 AM **CASTLETON MALL WALK** See April 1.  
 8:00 AM **EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE** See April 5.  
 9:00 AM **TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK** See April 5.  
 9:30 AM **GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL** See April 5.  
 6:00 PM **BUTLER CAMPUS AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS** See May 3.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

**ANNUAL HIKING CLUB SUMMER PICNIC - Saturday July 6** Mark your calendar. The annual summer picnic is the weekend of July 4. Come and celebrate our country's birthday with your hiking club friends.  
**MICHIGAN'S UPPER PENINSULA - September 22-25** Similar to the trip we did in 2016, we will lead a hiking trip to the scenic Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Hikes are planned for September 23, 24 and the morning of September 25. We have reserved a block of rooms for the nights of September 22, 23 and 24 at the North Star Hotel Pictured Rocks, E9681 East M-28 Wetmore, MI 49895, 906-387-2466, [northstarhotelpr@gmail.com](mailto:northstarhotelpr@gmail.com). This is the same base hotel as our previous visit. The hotel offers single king bed and double queen bed rooms, for \$129.88 per night plus tax. When calling please mention that you are calling in reference to the Indianapolis Hiking Club block of rooms. Call early since this is not a large hotel and rooms are limited. If you need alternative arrangements or plan to camp, please call the leader. Look for more details, including planned hikes and driving directions, in future schedules. In the meantime, if you have any questions or suggestions please contact the trip organizer, Bill Halik by email at [yooper1954@gmail.com](mailto:yooper1954@gmail.com) or at 317-523-6058.

**UPPER PENINSULA EXTENSION - September 26-27** John Lyghtel and Jean Ballinger are planning two additional days of hiking on the return from Bill Halik's UP trip. On September 26 John will lead a hike at Tahquamenon Falls and on September 27 Jean will lead a hike at Mackinac Island. Look for more information, including hotel recommendations, in future schedules.

Hotel suggestion - Best Western Harbour Pointe Lakefront, 797 N. State St. Ignace, MI, tel no. 906-.643-3000. Senior rate is \$90.89 + tax for Sept. 25-26 (Wed-Thurs) and \$125.99 + tax for Sept. 27 (Fri). Hotel reservations can currently be made via the Best Western web site as the hotel is closed for the winter.

If you are interested in maps for these two hikes, call the leaders and they can email them to you.

Thursday, September 26, Tahquamenon Falls: How do you pronounce the name of this place? Think: "Tahquamenon Phenomenon" It's 73 miles from St. Ignace to the falls or 88 miles from Munising. Meet at 10:30 AM in parking lot for the Upper Falls /Tahquamenon Falls Brewery (24019 Upper Falls Drive, Paradise, MI) for a hike of 4 miles. Stay for lunch afterwards at the Tahquamenon Falls Brewery. (H,NS,2.5) Leader: John Lyghtel (317-578-9756, 317-626-9117-cell) Note that there is limited cell phone service at the falls.

A suggestion for the afternoon is to visit Whitefish Point Lighthouse: Directions: Leave the park continuing east on MI123. At Paradise turn left (at "T" intersection - MI123 turns right and heads towards St. Ignace) and continue until the road ends at Whitefish Point. There is a lighthouse and the Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum. It has a beach people can walk out on. It is the intersection of Lake Superior and Whitefish Bay. Whitefish Bay is where the Edmund Fitzgerald was heading when it went down in the 70's. It costs extra to climb the 56 steps on the lighthouse.

Friday, September 27, Mackinac Island: Meet at Shepler's dock, which is only 5 minutes from the hotel. Allow enough time to purchase tickets and board the ferry for an 8:30 AM departure. Round trip cost is \$24. Hike will be 6 miles guided with option of 2 additional self guided miles. Stay for lunch on the island and catch a return ferry at your leisure. Returns are every hour with last one at 7:00 PM. (M,NS/HS,3) Leader: Jean Ballinger (317-696-2120-cell)

**PLEASE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:**

Sharon Dean Indianapolis, IN  
 Jim Killen, Indianapolis, IN  
 Tracy McQueen Indianapolis, IN  
 Amanda Smith Seattle, WA  
 Shelia Turner Fishers, IN

**RECENT MILEAGE AWARDS:**

Mary Williams	12,000	Lori Showley	1,000	Tom Seeman	300
Curtis Hinds	11,000	Dianne Carlisle	500	Neil Anderson	200
Nanette Tate	9,000	Alan Cloe	500	Deborah Dirk	200
Katy Smith	7,000	Cheryl Conces	500	Jill Goeglein	200
Phil Smith	7,000	Dewey Conces	500	Mary Barbara Miller	200
Armen Avakian	5,000	Becky Stevens	400	Kathleen Widland	200
John Schlechte	1,000	Luanne Aurelius	300		
Konnie Schlechte	1,000	Sandra Nichols	300		

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

**Neil Larrison**, the only Hiking Club member to be awarded a Life Membership, has passed away at the age of 104. Neil maintained a life-long interest in the Hiking Club.

**Sue Leonard**, the sister of long-time member Tish Brafford passed away earlier this month.

**We wish all the best to the following members:**

**Carolyn Mitzel** is on the mend since having meniscus surgery in late February.

**Marty Johnson** is recovering very well since having knee replacement surgery in mid-February.

**Allan Roberts** is recovering very well since having hip replacement surgery in early March.

**Ron Clark** is undergoing treatment for pancreatic cancer and appreciates all the thoughts and prayers of everyone.

**NOTE OF APPRECIATION:**

**Emily Hudson-Burch** would like to thank her hiking club friends for their well wishes and encouraging cards following her broken arm. A recent X-ray of her arm showed new bone growth. She hopes to be back to hiking soon.

**Ed Wright** Now that I am back home after 10 weeks of rehabilitation from a fall on Christmas Eve I want to thank everyone in the Club for your kindness and support and for the many visits to the hospital. I continue to browse through a stack of more than 200 get well and birthday cards and inspirational words of wisdom that I received and continue to receive from Club members. I will cherish these forever. I am not all the way back yet, but this past Wednesday I managed to hike two miles at the mall with a walker. Next goal is to do it with a cane and travel further. Then do it outside on the road. Maybe I won't achieve a 1,000 miles this year, but it certainly won't be because of lack of trying and encouragement. *Ed 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](http://www.indyhike.org) or contact our Membership Officer Barb Strite, 234 N Raceway Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46234 (317-271-7263, [brstrite@att.net](mailto:brstrite@att.net)). To become a member you must be 18 years old and have hiked with us at least twice as a guest. That's it. A Membership Application may be printed from the "forms" page on the website or ask Barb to send you one. You do not have to be invited to hike with us and there is no fee. Simply show up for any hike 10 minutes before the scheduled start time (we start on time), but please no pets unless the hike is designated as a "pet hike."