



The Indianapolis Hiking Club

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Happiness - A Step at a Time



SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 2020 AND JANUARY 2021

(Please – no pets except on designated pet hikes)

Celebrating 64 Years of Sponsoring Hikes and Outings

	<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 (317-445-5646) ewright@indyhike.org for weekdays. 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: As we enter the winter season it is important to remember that hike leaders are responsible for safety first. In adverse weather the leader may reroute, shorten, cancel or move a hike to a mall. 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 a hike has been cancelled or moved. Whenever possible, leaders of out of town hikes should make cancellation decisions by 6 pm of the preceding day. If you decide to cancel a hike, please go to the Website Mileage page and cancel your hike using the Enter Mileage link. Also, please inform the rest of us by sending a Google Groups broadcast email or ask Ed Wright (ewright@indyhike.org) to send one for you.

COVID-19 POLICY STILL IN EFFECT: Because of continued nationwide Covid-19 pandemic, on November 19 the Board of Directors revised the Club's Covid-19 policy detailed in the June/July schedule. The following rules will apply on all December 2020 and January 2021 hikes:

- Hike leaders will sign-in all hikers and read the Covid-19 warning from the sign-up sheet. The warning has been revised so leaders should print new sign-up sheets.
- All hikers will wear a face mask during the sign-in process and are strongly encouraged to wear them during the hike.
- Each hiker is responsible for maintaining their own safe distance (at least 6 feet) from other hikers.
- If you test positive for Covid-19 or have been close to someone who has tested positive or are awaiting test results you should self quarantine and not participate in any Club activities, even if you don't have symptoms.

ANNUAL DUES REMINDER: If you have not paid your annual dues, please do so now and save us the cost and effort of sending out reminders. If you do not renew by January 1, you will be dropped from the membership and will no longer accumulate mileage. Please return the dues notice you received in late September with your payment. If you misplaced the notice you may print one from the Club website at www.indyhike.org/forms. Annual dues are \$20 for individuals and \$30 for a family. Your check should be made payable to the Indianapolis Hiking Club and mailed to our Treasurer Kathy Whalen at 726 W 43rd St, Indianapolis, IN 46208. If you have any questions contact Kathy at kawhalen00@hotmail.com or 317-409-3265.

ANNUAL COLLECTION OF FOODSTUFFS FOR NEEDY FAMILIES: Although our Annual Winter Banquet had to be cancelled due to Covid-19 concerns, another annual holiday season tradition will continue. For the first two weeks of December we are asking all hikers to bring canned and prepackaged foodstuffs to feed hungry Indianapolis families to hikes and we are asking hike leaders to retain all donations. Pat Lawler, our social Committee Chairperson, will make arrangements with hike leaders to collect and distribute the foodstuffs to registered charities. If you have any questions about what foodstuffs are appropriate to donate or suggestions of worthy food charities, please don't hesitate to contact Pat at patricialawler2@me.com or by phone at 317-329-2779.

2020 ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS AND NEW 25 YEAR MEMBERS: Although we did not get to recognize winners of the 2020 Achievement Awards and new 25 year members at this year's Winter Banquet we have posted the 44 winners on the Club website; from website Home page, simply select Achievement Awards from the menu options. Each of the winners received a tee shirt sporting the Club logo (you can see a photo of it on the website). On the same webpage we also recognized 13 new 25 year members (the most ever), each of which will receive a commemorative plaque.

ITEMS OF NOTE IN THIS SCHEDULE: The 64th anniversary of the Indianapolis Hiking Club is on January 23, 2021. As is usual this time of year, there are a number of holiday season themed hikes on the schedule, notably; Christmas in the Village of West Clay on Sunday afternoon, December 12; Inside/Outside Downtown (seek out Christmas displays in downtown Indy) on Tuesday, December 15; Christmas Lights in Franklin on Sunday afternoon, December 20; A Christmas Eve Tradition in downtown Indy on December 24. Nothing like hiking in the woods during the winter, especially if there is snow. You have numerous opportunities on most Saturday's and Sunday's in both December and January. Also if you find yourself on the west coast of Florida in January there are several hikes on Friday and Saturday and every Tuesday. See write-ups on the appropriate date for details.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER: Greetings fellow hikers! This is my first opportunity to speak with you all directly. I am honored and humbled to serve as your president this year. Thank you to every hiker, hike leader, Board member and Officer who has gone before to make this possible.

Our Club Historian, Mervyn Cohen, provided me with the following "history snippet." The Indianapolis Hiking Club was formed in January of 1957 by a group of 10 people. The first officers were: Chairman - Kay Zissis, Secretary - Treasurer - Ruth Thomson, Publicity - Don Hippensteel and Social Chairman - Bill Murphy. With 4 officers and 10 total members, communication may not have been as challenging as it can be today. Very luckily, we have 2020 Club Service Achievement Award winner Joan Griffitts who previously managed our Yahoo! Groups broadcast email service. Joan had the vision to suggest we move to a more user-friendly Google Groups service - and she completed this transfer for us in October. Thank you, Joan!

Also many thanks to Bob Kriz who generously donated 300 customized IHC pens which were distributed to members at hikes earlier this month. Bob has previously donated the annual Achievement Awards and this year has expanded his reach to more IHC members with these pens. Thank you Bob!

Thank you also to hikers, hike leaders and Social Chair Pat Lawler as we participate in a foodstuff collection for needy Indiana families this Holiday Season.

Stay warm, be safe and happy trails to you!
Mary Barbara Miller
President, Indianapolis Hiking Club

HIKE SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, December 1

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 December and January. (Map #51) (F,PS) Leader: Jo Anne Starzyk (317-771-0914)
- 11:00 AM SLOW AND EASY IN MORGAN MONROE STATE FOREST Join us for a 5 mile hike (shorter options) on a new paved trail in Morgan Monroe State Forest that parallels Forest Rd. This hike is in the woods, on soft pavement and it will not include hills. Travel to Martinsville your favorite way. Go south from Martinsville on I-69 to the first exit south of Martinsville, the Liberty Church exit (look for Morgan Monroe SF sign). Take Liberty Church exit and turn left and go to the first crossroad (Old SR 37), turn right and follow Old SR 37, staying right at the Hacker Creek Rd curve. It is 4.0 miles from where you turn on to Old SR 37 to the forest entrance. When you reach the forest entrance drive a very short way (1/4 mile) and look immediately to your right for the Bryant Creek Lake Shelter parking lot which is where we will meet. Restrooms are available at the shelter. After the hike join us for lunch in Martinsville. (Map #28)(F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Marthene Kohlmeyer (317-849-5051)
- 1:00 PM WEST SIDE OF EAGLE CREEK Take 56th St 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). We will explore various trails for a 5–6 mile hike. Rest rooms are not available. Hike repeats on January 5. (M,NS,3) Leader: Marti Burton (317-306-9878)
- 6:00 PM SOUTHPORT Meet behind (north side) Dollar Tree at the NE corner of Southport Rd and Madison Ave for a 5-mile guided hike. Hike repeats each Tuesday in December. The route may vary each week. (F,PS,3) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593, 317-864-9574 cell)

Wednesday, December 2

- 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. We will walk as a group and take turns leading this 5 mile hike and will walk different places in Carmel each week. Hike repeats each Wednesday in December and January. (Map #58)(F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Cherie Voege (317-848-7674) and other leaders.
- 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 December and January. Join us at a nearby Starbuck's after the hike. (Map #40)(M,NS,3-3.5) Leader: Rob Dickinson (317-987-9606)
- 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 December and January, except December 9 when Julie will be leading her birthday hike at 10 AM in Greenfield. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (317-407-4652)
- 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 December and January. (Map #41) (F,PS,2.5-3) Leaders: Harold Crooks (317-730-4850) and Susanne McNeely (317 384-2909)
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY 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 December and January. (F,PS,3) Leader: Joan Griffiths (317-297-7312)
- 4:00 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE Note the time change (1/2 hour earlier) for the winter of this 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 December and January. (Map #34) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586)

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON 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 may walk outside. Hike repeats every Wednesday in December and January. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

Thursday, December 3

- 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, from time to time the leaders may change the route. Hike repeats every Thursday in December and January. (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 - FIVE MILE 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 December and January, on Christmas Eve the three hikes may be consolidated into one or two. 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: Rick Wortman (317-701-1329)
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE Same directions, repeat dates and lunch invite as Easy at Eagle Creek - Five Mile. 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 - THREE MILE Same directions, repeat dates and lunch invite as Easy at Eagle Creek - Five Mile. This is a 3 mile hike at an even slower pace, mostly on roads and groomed trails. (M,PS/HS/NS,2.75-3.25) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)
- 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 December and January, except Christmas Eve and New Years Eve. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

Friday, December 4

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE Susan will lead a brisk 6-mile road hike. 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 December and January, except on Christmas and New Years Day. (Map #34) (M,PS,4) Leader: Susan Sievers (317-344-2635, 317-513-5239)
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - MODERATE PACE This will be a slower 4-5 mile version of the longer/faster hike that Susan Sievers will lead from the same starting location and start time. Expect a different route each week through scenic Zionsville, however not necessarily the same route that Susan will take. Join us for coffee after the hike. Hike repeats every Friday in December and January, except on Christmas and New Years Day. (Map #34) (M,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586) or various other leaders
- 8:30 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL Join me for a self-guided hike of 1-12 miles on the Monon Trail every Friday morning in December and January, including Christmas Day. Meet at the Monon trail-head parking lot on 96 St. Restrooms are available. (F,PS) Leader: Rick Kinnaman (317-407-9746)
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK Join us for a 6-mile hike with a 8-mile option. This will be a trail hike unless conditions prompt a switch to the roads. 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 December and January, except Christmas Day. (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 December and January, except Christmas Day. (Map #52) (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

4:00 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 December, except Christmas Day. (Map #41) (F,PS,3) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593, 317-864-9574 cell)

Saturday, December 5

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 December. (F,PS,3-3.5) 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. Hike repeats all Saturdays in December and January. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (317-407-4652)

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN Meet in the free parking lot 1/2 block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave for a self-guided 6 or 10-mile hike. Repeats every Saturday in December and January. (Map #16) (F,PS) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

1:00 PM MCCLOUD NATURE PARK Join us for a 5-6 mile trek through McCloud Nature Park located at 8518 Hughes Rd in North Salem (Hendricks County). Terrain is easy to moderate on natural trails. Park amenities include woods, glacial ravine, Big Walnut Creek and 100-year-old restored truss bridge. Meet at the Nature Center parking lot. From I-465, west merge onto I-74 at Exit 16B. Travel about 21 miles to SR 75, Exit 52. Turn left onto SR 75 and travel about 6.5 miles through North Salem. Turn right when SR 75 crosses W CR 500 N. You are now on Hughes Rd. Continue 1.5 m. to the park. An alternate route would be from I-465 W, taking US 36 (Rockville Rd) about 21 miles to SR75. Turn right and travel about 6 miles to Hughes Rd. Turn left onto Hughes Rd traveling 1.5 miles to the park. Hiking Boots and poles suggested. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)

Sunday, December 6

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 or an additional 1 mile self guided option through the College Park area neighborhood. Repeats each Sunday in December and January. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Marti Burton (317-306-9878)

10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in the free parking lot 1/2 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 December and January. (Map #16)(F,PS,3-3.25) Leader: Kathy Whalen (317-409-3265)

1:00 PM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK LIME KILN TRAIL From I-465 S take I-65 south to the Columbus/SR46 west exit to Brown County SP (fee). Or take SR 135 south to Nashville and turn left on SR 46 (east) to park entrance. Once in the park, follow the signs to the Nature Center. This will be a 6-mile hike on the Lime Kiln bike trail. (Map #27)(M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)

Monday, December 7

Pearl Harbor Day

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 January 4. (Map #40) (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Kate Curtiss (317-247-0283)

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

- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY BROAD RIPPLE PARK & BEYOND Park in Community Center parking area at the front of Broad Ripple Park, 1550 Broad Ripple Ave. Options of 3, 4, and 5 miles. Hike repeats on January 4. (Map #57)(F,HS/PS/NS, 2.5-3) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON 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 may walk outside. Hike repeats every Monday in December and January. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE 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 December and January. (Map #16) (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Mary Bruss (317-308-0182)
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING Meet at Geist Coffee parking lot at the northwest corner of Fall Creek Rd and Brooks School Rd for a 6-8 mile hike through scenic neighborhoods. Hike repeats each Monday evening in December and January. (Map #25)(F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

Tuesday, December 8

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, December 1
- 10:00 AM MACGREGOR PARK MacGregor Park is a 96 acre nature park located in Westfield. Take US 31 north to the Sheridan Rd (SR 38) exit and turn east. The park is located just east of US 31 on SR 38. You will turn north into the park and pass the playground and continue to the main parking lot. We will hike in the park 4-5 miles. (F,NS,2.5-3) Leader: June Sergi (317-372-3018)
- 1:30 PM TUESDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O From I-465 W take exit 16A to Crawfordsville Rd west thru Clermont to Hornaday Rd in Brownsburg, turn left and go about 5-6 miles to Cardinal Park parking lot just north of 3300 Hornaday Rd, west side of road. This will be 6-9 miles out and back self-guided hike. Restrooms are available. Hike repeats on December 22 and January 12 & 26. (F,PS) Leader: Kae Ramey (317-701-5805 cell)
- 6:00 PM SOUTHPORT See Tuesday, December 1

Wednesday, December 9

- 9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, December 2
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, December 2
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, December 2
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, December 2
- 10:00 AM JULIE'S BIRTHDAY HIKE Join Julie to help celebrate her birthday with a hike on the Pennsy Trail followed by lunch. We will meet at Center St parking area on the Pennsy Trail in Greenfield. From I-465 E take I-70 east to the Greenfield exit - SR 9 and turn right, go to New Road (1st road), turn right and follow to Broadway and turn left. Follow Broadway to US 40 and turn left. Center St is on the right; the Penny Trail is in the first block. There is ample parking for everyone but no restrooms; although there is a port-a-potty after the first mile. We will hike eastward on the trail for 6 miles with a 3 mile option. After the hike, join us for lunch/brunch at Lincoln Square Pancake House (118 West Main St, Greenfield). (F,PS,3) Leader: Julie Litten (317-407-4652)
- 4:00 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, December 2
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, December 2

Thursday, December 10

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, December 3
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, December 3
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, December 3
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, December 3
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, December 3

Friday, December 11 *First Day of Hanukkah*

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, December 4
- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - MODERATE PACE See Friday, December 4
- 8:30 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, December 4

- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, December 4
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, December 4
4:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, December 4

Saturday, December 12

- 8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, December 5
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, December 5
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, December 5
10:00 AM SHAKAMAK STATE PARK Take I-70 west to SR 59. Go south on SR 59 to SR 48. Turn right (west) and take SR 48 through the town of Jasonville to park entrance on your left a little west of Jasonville. At the "T" just past the park gate, turn right and follow the road curving left towards the swimming pool and shelter area. Park in the large parking area near the small log cabin on your right for a 5-6 mile hike. (Map #21)(M,NS,2) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home, 317-412-5190 cell)

Sunday, December 13

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, December 6
10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, December 6
1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O From I-465 W take exit 16A to Crawfordsville Rd west thru Clermont to Hornaday Rd in Brownsburg, turn left and go about 5-6 miles to Cardinal Park parking lot just north of 3300 Hornaday Rd, west side of road. This will be 6-9 miles out and back self guided hike. Repeats December 27, January 3 and 17. Restrooms are available. (F,PS) Leader: Kae Ramey (317-701-5805 cell)
4:30 PM CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE OF WEST CLAY Join us for a 4-5 mile hike in the village of West Clay to view the Christmas lights. Bring flashlights. After the hike join us for pizza in the village. We will meet in the parking lot next to the clubhouse at 12514 Meeting House Rd in Carmel. (F,PS,2.5) Leaders: Don Hayes (317-694-1385) and June Sergi (317-372-3018)

Monday, December 14

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St entrance for a 6 or 8-mile brisk road hike. We will walk together for the first 3 miles to the restroom, then faster hikers may go on at their own pace. Hike repeats on the remaining Mondays in December and January, except January 4. (Map #40)(M,PS,3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586)
9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, December 7
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY: TOWPATH, BUTLER, ROCKY RIPPLE From 56th and Meridian go west two blocks; park on either side of Kenwood, not in the parking lots please. Restrooms available at Starbucks and the Food Emporium on Illinois St. Walk will have 3, 4, and 5 mile options. Hike repeats on January 11. (F,PS/HS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)
4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, December 7
4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, December 7
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, December 7

Tuesday, December 15

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, December 1
10:00 PM INSIDE/OUTSIDE DOWNTOWN Our goal on this 5-6 mile hike is to seek out Christmas decorations in downtown Indy. 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. Let's have lunch at Shapiro's after the hike. (Map #41)(F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779 cell, 317-652-2779)
1:00 PM STARLING NATURE PRESERVE - EAGLE CREEK PARK Starling Nature Preserve is located at 8530 Wilson Rd. Meet at the parking lot for a 5 mile hike through the nature preserve and part of the west side of Eagle Creek Park. The hike consists of a narrow boardwalk, a natural trail and a paved trail. Rest rooms are not available. (M,NS/PS,3) Leader: Marti Burton (317-306-9878)
6:00 PM SOUTHPORT See Tuesday, December 1

Wednesday, December 16

- 9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, December 2

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

Thursday, December 17

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, December 3
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, December 3
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, December 3
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, December 3
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, December 3

Friday, December 18

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, December 4
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE -MODERATE PACE See Friday, December 4
8:30 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, December 4
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, December 4
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, December 4
4:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, December 4

Saturday, December 19

- 8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, December 5
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, December 5
10:00 AM BLOOMINGTON TRAIL SOUTH From I-465 S take SR37/I-69 S to Exit 116 (Tapp Rd). Continue on Tapp Rd / Country Club Rd to just before the Walnut Street traffic light. Turn left into the shopping plaza and park behind the Old National Bank. This will be a 6-mile hike on a natural trail (F,NS,2.5)
Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, December 5

Sunday, December 20

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, December 6
10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, December 6
4:00 PM CHRISTMAS LIGHTS IN FRANKLIN (Blame it on COVID, no cookies or stopover at the Layman's.)
Choose your favorite way to go to Franklin, IN. Follow US 31 south to the stoplight for SR 144 / West Jefferson St. Turn east (left) and go 0.4 mi. to Branigin Bld. Turn right and go 0,3 mi. to the Beeson Recreation Ctr (396 Branigin Blvd). Hike is 5 miles. Bring a flashlight, as it will be dark when we walk back through town and there are dark places. (F,PS,3) Leader: Mary Williams (317-919-8574)

Monday, December 21 *First Day of Winter*

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, December 14
9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, December 7
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY Enjoy a scenic walk in America's forth largest private cemetery established in 1863 and final resting place to many famous Hoosiers and more than 100 tree species. From the 700 block of West 38th St, go north on Clarendon Rd to the cemetery entrance. Crown Hill has asked us to no longer use the main parking lot (it is reserved for funerals), but to park behind the mausoleum (large white building) on both sides of the street not blocking any drive ways or dumpsters. Hike includes options of 3, 4 and 5 miles. Hike repeats on January 18. (Map #42)(M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)
4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, December 7
4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, December 7
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, December 7

Tuesday, December 22

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, December 1

10:00 AM CLERMONT NORTH SIDE Come along with me on this 6 mile hike as we explore the north side of charming Clermont. From I-465 W take exit 16A west toward Clermont and Brownsburg. This will take you to Tansel Rd, where you will turn left and go .3 miles to Clermont Lion's Club which will be on your left. Expect to view some lovely Christmas decorations. (Map #44)(M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779 cell, 317-652-2779)

1:30 PM PLAINFIELD TRAILS Join us for a 6-mile scenic walk on paved Greenway trails beginning at the Plainfield Recreation Center. Route will vary each date scheduled. From I-465 west, exit on Washington St and travel west about 8.3 miles going through Plainfield. Turn right at the first stop light west of town onto Vestal Rd. Travel to the roundabout and park in the north lot on the left. Bathrooms available at the Recreation Center. Hike repeats on December 29. (Map #50) (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)

1:30 PM TUESDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Tuesday, December 8

6:00 PM SOUTHPORT See Tuesday, December 1

Wednesday, December 23

9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, December 2

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, December 2

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, December 2

9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, December 2

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, December 2

4:00 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, December 2

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, December 2

Thursday, December 24 *Christmas Eve*

9:00 AM A CHRISTMAS EVE TRADITION Join us for this fun annual event on the day before Christmas. Hike will be 5 miles at a moderate pace through downtown Indy. Wear your Santa hat, reindeer antlers, jingle bells and bring your grandkids. The leaders will treat everyone to hot chocolate or your drink of choice on the Circle, however in light of Covid-19 concerns we will wear masks and practice social distancing in the hot chocolate shop and ask you to stand outside after you receive your drink. 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. (Map #25) (F,PS,2.5-3) Leaders: Ed and Linda Wright (317-445-5646)

9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, December 3

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, December 3

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, December 3

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, December 3

Friday, December 25 *Merry Christmas*

8:30 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, December 4

Saturday, December 26 *Kwanzaa*

8:30 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, December 5

9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, December 5

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, December 5

Sunday, December 27

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, December 6

10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, December 6

1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Sunday, December 13

Monday, December 28

9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, December 14

9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, December 7

- 9:30 AM RIVER ROAD PARK IN CARMEL We will hike the paved trails in River Road Park in Carmel along the White River and explore trails in nearby neighborhoods for options of 3, 4 or 5 miles. From I-465 N take Keystone Ave north to 116th St and turn east, go 2.4 miles to River Rd. Turn north onto River Rd and go 1.2 miles to River Rd Park. Note you will pass River Heritage Park. Park in the north lot by the restrooms, which should be open. Hike repeats on January 25. (F,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, December 7
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, December 7
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, December 7

Tuesday, December 29

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, December 1
- 10:00 AM CLERMONT SOUTH SIDE Come along with me on this 6 mile hike as we explore the south side of charming Clermont. From I-465 W take exit 16A west toward Clermont and Brownsburg. This will take you to Tansel Rd, where you will turn left and go .3 miles to Clermont Lion's Club which will be on your left. Expect to view some lovely holiday decorations. (Map #44)(M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779 cell, 317-652-2779)
- 1:00 PM ARBUCKLE PARK, BROWNSBURG Meet near the basketball courts at Arbuckle Acres Park, 200 N Green St for a 5-6 mile hike around the park and through quiet neighborhoods. Shorter options are available. Take I-74 west to Exit 66 onto SR 267 (Green St) in Brownsburg. Go right about .8 mile to Lucas Dr (just before the railroad tracks) and turn right into the park. Then go .1 mile to Huber Dr and turn right into the parking lot. Hike repeats on January 19. (M,PS,3-3.25) Leader: Marti Burton (317-306-9878)
- 1:30 PM PLAINFIELD TRAILS See Tuesday, December 22
- 6:00 PM SOUTHPORT See Tuesday, December 1

Wednesday, December 30

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

Thursday, December 31 *New Year's Eve*

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, December 3
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, December 3
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, December 3
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, December 3

Friday, January 1 *New Year's Day*

- 8:30 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, December 4
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, December 4
- 9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL If you find yourself in southwest Florida over the holidays please join us for a 12-mile hike, with a 6 and 9 mile option, on the paved John Yarbrough Linear Park Trail in Fort Myers. Meet at the trail less than one block west of Metro Pkwy on the north side of Daniels Pkwy. Park in the grass on the east side of the trail. Call if you need more precise directions. Hike repeats on Tuesday, January 5 and Thursday, January 7. (F,PS,3.5) Rick Braun (317-679-2972)
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, December 4
- 4:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY 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 Friday afternoon in January. (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

Saturday, January 2

9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, December 5

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, December 5

10:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL SATURDAY Sign in at the food court between the hours of 10:00 AM -12:30 PM for a self-guided hike of up to 8 miles with shorter options. If the weather is nice we may walk outside. Hike repeats every Saturday in January. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

Sunday, January 3

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, December 6

10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, December 6

10:00 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK IN THE WINTER Travel to Brown County State Park your favorite way and drive to the Nature Center. Usually the bathrooms at the Nature Center are open on the weekends. This will be a 6 mile hike and we may, just, have some snow. (Map #27)(M,NS/PS,2) Leader: Mary Ann Layman, (317-346-1802 home and 317-412-5190 cell)

1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Sunday, December 13

Monday, January 4

9:00 AM MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL See Monday, December 7

9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, December 7

9:30 AM SLOW & EASY BROAD RIPPLE PARK & BEYOND See Monday, December 7

1:30 PM AVON TRAILS This is a 5-mile walk on the newest section of the paved White Lick Creek trail through Avon Washington Township Park. An approximate address for the meeting location is 6121 E CR100S. From I-465 W, exit on US 36 (Rockville Rd) and travel west past the Town Hall about 7.5 miles to the next intersection. Turn left onto CR625E and travel to the next intersection. Take a right onto CR100S, and turn right across from the Grace Fellowship church at the almost hidden entrance to a small gravel parking lot (just past ball fields entrance). If you have crossed the bridge, you have passed it. Bathrooms are available. (F,PS,3) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)

4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, December 7

4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, December 7

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, December 7

Tuesday, January 5

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, December 1

9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Friday, January 1

9:30 AM WEEDON PRESERVE LOOKOUT POINT WALK, PINELLAS PARK, FLORIDA From I-275 exit at the Pinellas Park, Gandy Blvd. Travel east past Derby Lane. Turn right on St Martin Blvd, which is the first right after you pass the Goodwill Store. The St Martin Shopping Plaza is on the corner. Go about 1 mile and turn left into Weedon Preserve – look for brown sign. Follow signs to the History and Cultural Center. The walk will enable us to get a closer look at Mangroves on this 4 -5 mile walk on boardwalks and a wide conditioned trail. (F,PS/NS,3) Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)

9:30 AM FASHION MALL Join us at the Fashion Mall at Keystone at the Crossing. This is a self-guided hike of 1.2 mile loops between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. We will meet in the Food Court located on the west side of the mall. Try to arrive by 9:30 a.m. 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. Hike repeats on all Tuesday's in January. (F,PS) Leader: June Sergi (317-372-3018)

9:30 AM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK Enjoy a quiet 5-mile hike through forested parkland. From I-465 NE go east on 56th St and turn left on Post Rd then turn left into the park (fee). Meet at the Cherry Tree parking lot. Hike repeats on January 19. (Map #18) (M,NS,2.75) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)

1:00 PM WEST SIDE OF EAGLE CREEK See Tuesday, December 1

4:00 PM UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS & ROSEDALE HILLS From I-65, go south on Keystone Ave about 1/2 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 January. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593, 317-864-9574 cell)

Wednesday, January 6

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

Thursday, January 7

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, December 3
9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL See Friday, January 1
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, December 3
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, December 3
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, December 3
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, December 3

Friday, January 8

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, December 4
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - MODERATE PACE See Friday, December 4
8:30 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, December 4
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, December 4
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, December 4
4:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See Friday, January 1

Saturday, January 9

- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, December 5
9:00 AM JOHN YARBROUGH LINEAR PARK TRAIL, FORT MEYERS, FL SATURDAY If you find yourself in southwest Florida over the holidays please join us for a 12-mile hike, with 6 and 9 mile options, on the paved John Yarbrough Linear Park Trail in Fort Myers. Meet at the trail less than one block west of Metro Pkwy on the north side of Daniels Pkwy. Park in the grass on the east side of the trail. Call if you need more precise directions. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)
10:00 AM MC CORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK From I-465 S take SR 67 S (Kentucky Ave) to SR 46 in Spencer. Turn left (east) and proceed to the park entrance (fee) on the left. Meet at the Nature Center for a 6-mile hike with a 4-mile option on park trails. (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, December 5
10:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL SATURDAY See Saturday, January 2

Sunday, January 10

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, December 6
10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, December 6

Monday, January 11

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, December 14
9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, December 7
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY: TOWPATH, BUTLER, ROCKY RIPPLE See Monday, December 14
4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, December 7
4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, December 7
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, December 7

Tuesday, January 12

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, December 1
9:30 AM WALL SPRINGS PARK, PALM HARBOR, FL Directions from Mainlands, travel north on US 19 for about 15 miles to Alderman Rd. Turn left and travel about 2 miles on Alderman Rd heading west to Alt

US 19, travelling about 1 mile north to Brevard St turn left to De Soto Ave and right to park entrance; the address of the park is 3725 De Soto Blvd, Palm Harbor, Fl. Walkers will wander through a beautiful county park, home to a natural spring, once used as a Spa and Bathing Resort, with viewing areas and a boardwalk. Call the leader if you need directions to Mainlands, where the leader lives.

Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)

9:30 AM FASHION MALL See Tuesday, January 5

9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is 1/2 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, Rocky Ripple or Broad Ripple Park. Hike repeats on January 26. (Map #16)(M,NS/HS/PS,2.75) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)

1:00 PM HAUGHVILLE Join me on this visit to an important neighborhood in the early days of Indianapolis. This 6 mile hike will start at the Haughville Library located at 2121 W. Michigan St. Take Washington St west from downtown to Belmont. Turn right and go to Michigan St. The Library is on the SW corner of Michigan and Belmont. Or go west on Michigan St to Belmont. (F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-652-2779 cell, 317-329-2779)

1:30 PM TUESDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Tuesday, December 8

4:00 PM UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS & ROSEDALE HILLS See Tuesday, January 5

Wednesday, January 13

9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, December 2

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, December 2

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, December 2

9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, December 2

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, December 2

4:00 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, December 2

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, December 2

Thursday, January 14

9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, December 3

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, December 3

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, December 3

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, December 3

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, December 3

Friday, January 15

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, December 4

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - MODERATE PACE See Friday, December 4

8:30 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, December 4

9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, December 4

9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, December 4

4:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See Friday, January 1

Saturday, January 16

9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, December 5

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, December 5

10:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL SATURDAY See Saturday, January 2

10:00 AM MORGAN MONROE STATE FOREST Travel to Martinsville your favorite way. Go south from Martinsville on I-69 to the first exit south of Martinsville, which is Liberty Church exit. Take Liberty Church exit, turn left and go to the first crossroad (Old SR 37). Turn right on Old SR 37 and follow the signs for Morgan Monroe State Forest. It is 4.0 miles from where you turn onto Old SR 37 to the forest entrance. Turn into the forest and follow the Forest Road 4.6 miles to the fire tower at the Mason Ridge Campground. Those coming from the south (Bloomington etc.), will have to take the Sample Road exit and go east to Old SR 37 and then drive north to the forest entrance. Outhouse available at

parking area. Hike will be 5 miles. (Map #28)(M,NS,2) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home, 317-412-5190 cell)

Sunday, January 17

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, December 6

10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, December 6

1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Sunday, December 13

Monday, January 18 *Martin Luther King Jr. Day*

9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, December 14

9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, December 7

9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See Monday, December 21

4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, December 7

4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, December 7

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, December 7

Tuesday, January 19

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, December 1

9:30 AM PHILLIPPE PARK ON OLD TAMPA BAY WALK, SAFETY HARBOR, FLORIDA From either north or south on I-275, turn west on SR60 and cross the Courtney Campbell Causeway. Turn right (north) on McMullen Booth and travel to Safety Harbor, Main St which leads into center of Safety Harbor. At the T junction turn left onto Phillippe Pkwy and travel about 2 miles until you see the entrance to the park on the right. Inside the park turn right and you will see the parking area in front of the bay. We plan to walk into Safety Harbor, have a break at Starbucks, and walk back. This will be a 5-6 miles hike. (F,PS,3) Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)

9:30 AM FASHION MALL See Tuesday, January 5

9:30 AM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK See Tuesday, January 5

1:00 PM ARBUCKLE PARK, BROWNSBURG See Tuesday, December 29

1:00 PM BROOKSIDE PARK We will meet at Brookside Park located at 3500 Brookside Pkwy South Dr. From downtown Indy go east to Rural St (2800 east). Turn left (north) and go to Brookside Parkway S. Dr. Turn right (east) and continue until you reach the park (3500 east) on your left. The hike will pass through Brookside and Spades Parks and nearby neighborhoods.(F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779 or 317-652-2779 cell)

4:00 PM UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS & ROSEDALE HILLS See Tuesday, January 5

Wednesday, January 20

9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, December 2

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, December 2

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, December 2

9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, December 2

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, December 2

4:00 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, December 2

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, December 2

Thursday, January 21

9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, December 3

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, December 3

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, December 3

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, December 3

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, December 3

Friday, January 22

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, December 4

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE -MODERATE PACE See Friday, December 4

- 8:30 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, December 4
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, December 4
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, December 4
4:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See Friday, January 1

Saturday, January 23

- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, December 5
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, December 5
10:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL SATURDAY See Saturday, January 2
10:00 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 in the Turkey Run Inn lobby for a 5 mile hike (shorter option available) Join us afterwards for lunch in the Inn (depending on COVID conditions). (Map #46) (H,NS,2.5) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021-cell)

Sunday, January 24

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, December 6
10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, December 6
1:00 PM KARST FARM GREENWAY TRAIL, BLOOMINGTON From I-465 S take SR37/I-69 S to Bloomington Exit 117 (2nd St, Bloomfield Rd SR 45). Turn right onto SR 45 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 a quarter mile to Karst Park entrance on the left (2450 S Endwright Rd). Drive to the stop sign in the park then turn left, continue to the parking lot by the playground. Restrooms are available in the building to the left as you drive toward the parking lot. This will be an 8-mile hike out and back with shorter options on the paved Karst Farm Greenway Trail. (Note: Beginning 2021 SR 37 S will be closed between SR 144 and SR 39 due to road construction. Follow detours as posted to get to I-69 S) (F,PS,2.5) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)

Monday, January 25

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, December 14
9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, December 7
9:30 AM RIVER ROAD PARK IN CARMEL See Monday, December 28
4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, December 7
4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, December 7
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, December 7

Tuesday, January 26

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, December 1
9:30 AM JOHN CHESTNUT SR PARK, PALM HARBOR, FL From Mainlands travel north on 49th St (CR 611) for approximately 16 miles until you see sign for the park, entrance will be on your left (website - www.pinellascounty.org/park/04_Chestnut.htm). Plan to park at Shelter 2 which is on your right once in the park. A place to eat will be given out at the hike in the area. Call the leader if you need directions to Mainland which is where the leader lives. Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)
9:30 AM FASHION MALL See Tuesday, January 5
9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE See Tuesday, January 12
1:00 PM NORTH END OF EAGLE CREEK AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS For this 6 mile hike enter Eagle Creek Park at the north entrance on 71 St and park on both sides of the street just inside the entrance. The hike includes trails in the north end of the park as well as visiting the neighborhoods just east of the park. (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779 cell, 317-652-2779)
1:30 PM TUESDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Tuesday, December 8
4:00 PM UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS & ROSEDALE HILLS See Tuesday, January 5

Wednesday, January 27

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

Thursday, January 28

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, December 3
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, December 3
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, December 3
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, December 3
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, December 3

Friday, January 29

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE - BRISK PACE See Friday, December 4
8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE -MODERATE PACE See Friday, December 4
8:30 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, December 4
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, December 4
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, December 4
4:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See Friday, January 1

Saturday, January 30

- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, December 5
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, December 5
10:00 AM GREENWOOD MALL SATURDAY See Saturday, January 2
10:00 AM MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK WINTER HIKE 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 (Map #24)(M,NS/PS,2) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802 home) or 317-412-5190 cell)

Sunday, January 31

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, December 6
10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, December 6

FUTURE EVENTS:

MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK WINTER WEEKEND - March 5-7, 2021 This popular late winter weekend will be once again at McCormick's Creek State Park. Mary Ann Layman will be coordinating this trip and she plans to lead moderate 4-5 mile hikes on Saturday morning and afternoon and on Sunday morning. We hope to have another hike leader leading more challenging 6 mile options on Saturday morning and afternoon. To make reservations, please phone the call center at 877-563-4371 between 8:00 am – 8:00 pm and give them our group code of 0305HC. Our block of rooms will be released on January 18, 2021. Often you can find rooms after that date but to be guaranteed of a room, your reservations must be made by January 18. The rate will be whatever the current rate is at the time of your reservation. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Ann Layman at 317-346-1802 or malayman@earthlink.net.

24th ANNUAL SMOKY MOUNTAINS LONG WEEKEND – April 15-17, 2021 Mark your calendar for the annual Club trip to Smoky Mountains National Park. It's not too early to make your room reservations in Gatlinburg, TN. Some suggestions are Riverhouse at the Park (865-436-2070) and Bearskin Lodge on the River (across the street from Riverhouse) (865-430-4330). John Schlechte and Jim Goulding will be coordinating the trip. Contact John at 317-294-2021 or Jim at 317-695-8744 if you have any questions.

HOCKING HILLS STATE PARK – April 21-22, 2021 Join us for two days of hiking in this beautiful Ohio State Park. The club will visit Hocking Hills with hikes on April 21 and 22 (travel days the 20th and 23rd). Scenic rock formations, waterfalls and unique forests make this park one of the gems in Ohio's state park system. It is also Ohio's most visited state park. Hike options are being planned for both days. Check the April/May Hike Schedule for final details on hikes and meeting locations. Hike difficulty ranges from moderate to more challenging. Sections of trails include many steps, rock scrambling, tight areas and roots so sturdy footwear and poles suggested. The latest Visitor's Guide can be ordered online (www.ExploreHockingHills.com) or by calling 1-800- 462-5464. There are many cabins, B&Bs and hotels/motels as lodging options listed in the Visitors' Guide. Some suggestions are the DNR Park cabins online rentals at www.ohiodnr.com and Holiday Inn Express in Logan www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress. A good timeframe for making reservations is January 2021. The park is approximately 225 miles from Indianapolis, a 4-5 hour drive from the Indianapolis area. Hike Leaders: Terry Roesch, Jill McFall, Nan Tate and Lynn Thurston. If you have any questions, contact Terry, at troesch1@indy.rr.com or by phone at 317-910-2943.

RESCHEDULED HIGHLANDS OF SCOTLAND - tentatively May 2021 In light of the fact that Mervyn Cohen was forced to cancel his trip to Scotland originally scheduled for May 2020 due to Covid-19 concerns, he is planning to reschedule the same trip next year. The dates are not completely finalized, but it will be a 7 day trip in the middle of May, most likely between the 10th and the 21st. Considering that the original trip was full (limit of 24) with a waiting list, Mervyn will approach individuals confirmed on the original trip in early November for a definite commitment and deposit. Then he will try and clear the waitlist. In the unlikely event that spots are still available after clearing the waiting list, Mervyn will open the trip up to the general membership in late November. Please email Mervyn Cohen at mecohen@iu.edu if you have any questions.

CUMBERLAND FALLS STATE PARK, KY - October 22-23, 2021 The Club last visited this park in September 2007. Join us for two days of hiking in this beautiful Kentucky SP. Plan on arriving the 21st and departing the 24th. The Park is famous for the magic of the "Moonbow" which is created by the mist of the falls on moonlit nights. The park is nicknamed the Niagara of the South. In addition to its namesake waterfall, the park has one of the most extensive trail systems in the Kentucky park system. The park is located near Corbin, KY, about 300 miles or 5½ hours from Indy. A variety of rooms and modern cabins are available. More information is available at <https://parks.ky.gov/corbin/parks/resort/cumberland-falls-state-resort-park> or 606-528-4121. Further information will be available in the February/March newsletter. Contact: John Schlechte at jschlechte@ameritech.net or 317-294-2021.

PLEASE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

Jacki Caviston	Greenwood, IN	Daryl Daugherty	Carmel, IN
Barbara Fagan	Indianapolis, IN	Annie Falvey	Indianapolis, IN
Cathy Fischer	Brownsburg, IN	Randy Fischer	Brownsburg, IN
Deborah Bucholz	Indianapolis, IN	Connor Endres	Indianapolis, IN
Stacey Gibbens	Greenwood, IN	John McShea	Indianapolis, IN
Regina McShea	Indianapolis, IN	Bruce Meier	Greenwood, IN
Mary Wilson	Moorseville, IN	Mike Diamente	Noblesville, IN
Charlene Williams	Indianapolis, IN	David Williams	Indianapolis, IN

PLEASE WELCOME BACK THE FOLLOWING FORMER MEMBERS:

Larita Killian	Indianapolis, IN	Jeffrey Watt	Indianapolis, IN
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RECENT MILEAGE AWARDS:

Allan Roberts	41,500	June Sergi	7,000	Patty Hechinger	500
Rick Kinnaman	33,500	Narcisso Povinelli	7,000	Linda Gibson	500
Cherie Voege	29,500	Judy Torrence	5,500	Monica Endres	500
David Kincaid	28,500	Priscilla Dick	5,500	Gary Pratt	400
Michele Kestle	24,500	Anthony Uliana	5,000	Patty Hechinger	400
Ed Wright	23,000	Judith Maas	3,500	Barb Cicholski	400
Rick Braun	15,000	Christine Nitz	3,000	Gabrielle Bovenzi	400
Curtis Hinds	14,000	Pat Babineau	3,000	Melinda Jones	300
Pat Lawler	12,500	Carolyn Daly	2,000	Therese Cokain	300
Bob Layman	11,000	Rick Wortman	1,500	Jenny McClure	200

Mike Khalil	10,500	Robert Dickinson	1,500	Sandy Duncan	200
Phil Smith	9,000	Sharon Dean	1,000	Jamey Daugherty	200
John Gaebler	9,000	Linda Crawford	1,000	Cathy Ladd	100
Jo Anne Starzyk	8,500	Jane Quimby	500	Becky Cothran	100

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

Long time member Hal Rynerson passed away on Friday, November 6th. He would have been 90 on November 23rd. Hal is most remembered as a wonderful hike leader of many woods hikes.

We wish all the best to the following members:

Marty Johnson fell and broke her ankle on a hike at Whitewater State Park on September 19. It was a compound fracture for which she needed surgery. She is recovering now, but will not be hiking again for at least 6 months.

Dori Davis fell on the Wednesday hike in Eagle Creek Park in early October and broke a bone in her arm. She is recovering and back to hiking.

Chris Jones fell on a Saturday morning hike in October and damaged her kneecap which required surgery. She is healing fine and is back to work and has resumed walking a bit.

Phil Smith is recovering from knee surgery he had on October 29 to repair a torn meniscus. The surgery went well and he should be back hiking before Thanksgiving.

Mike Seeman is recovering from back surgery he had on October 29. The surgery went well, but his recovery will take months. He is looking forward to the day when he can get back on the trail.

NOTES OF APPRECIATION: I was touched that so many people (48) came to Ron's Memorial Hike on Saturday, October 3rd. That really meant a lot to me. *Claudia Clark*

I would like to thank the Club for the large turnout (46 members) at Jim's memorial hike on October 31 at Mounds SP. The weather was perfect and a dozen of Jim's family had a memorable time. I have a new phone number if you wish to call me and catch up – 317-485-4101. Thanks again. *Barb Shoufler*

Text of a card addressed to the Indianapolis Hiking Club from Jim Shoufler's family: Thank you for having the hike in Jim's honor. The day was beautiful and inspiring. The Club was more of a family to him than you will ever know and your kindness and support is very much appreciated. The Hiking Club will always be special to us. Thanks for your thoughtfulness. *Jim's family, Barb, Debbie, Dennis and Dan Shoufler*

Mike and Cherie would like to express their sincere appreciation for the kind wishes, thoughtful cards, phone calls, emails and texts following Mike's recent back surgery. Your thoughtfulness is so appreciated. Just thinking of your kindness brings a smile. Mike is on his way to feeling better and hopes to see you on the trail soon. *Mike & Cherie Seeman*

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. 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."