



# The Indianapolis Hiking Club

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## SCHEDULE FOR APRIL AND MAY 2022

(Please – no pets except on designated pet hikes)

Celebrating 65 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](mailto:jeanballinger77@gmail.com) for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (317-445-5646) [ewright@indyhike.org](mailto: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](http://www.indyhike.org/locations.shtml).

**ITEMS OF NOTE IN THIS SCHEDULE:** Book Club hikes are scheduled by Katy Smith on Friday, April 29 and Marsha Hutchins on Friday, May 27. Mary Williams plans to lead a Pet hike on Tuesday, May 24. Lots of good forest hike options in this schedule; here are just a few of them. Jim Goulding has scheduled two brisk Smokies training hikes on April 2 and 9. Terry Roesch has a hike at McCloud Nature Park on Sunday, April 3. Six Wildflower hikes are on the schedule on Sunday and Tuesday afternoons in April. On Sunday, April 16 Edeltraud Evans will lead a hike on Karst Farm Greenway in Bloomington. On Saturday April 30 Terry Roesch is leading a hike at rugged Raccoon SRA. On Saturday, May 21 Susan Sievers will lead an 11-13 mile brisk hike in the Deam Wilderness. Also on this day, Terry Roesch plans a hike in Brown County SP. If woods hikes are not your cup of tea, here are a number of great alternatives: Susan Sievers has a brisk paved trail hike on the Big 4 Trail – Thorntown to Colfax on April 30. Mary Bruss has scheduled what has become an annual event No Frills Half Marathon on Saturday, April 9 and for you traditionalists there is always the 500 Festival Mini Marathon on May 9. For our fans of slow and easy hikes (or if you are recovering from an injury), Barb West has scheduled a Very Slow and Very Easy 1-3 mile hike in Carmel every Wednesday in April. And to top it off, two extended stay trips are included in this schedule, notably the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Smoky Mountains Getaway which starts on April 19 and the twice pandemic deferred Highlands of Scotland trip beginning on Friday, May 14. See schedule write-up on the appropriate date for details.

### PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

The Japanese tradition of shinrin-yoku or "forest bathing" has inspired the modern concept of "forest therapy" or walking in the forest as a way to improve health and mood. Several studies over the past decade have found that being in a forest can lead to a relaxed and healthy well-being-- both physically and mentally-- and can even reduce blood levels of the stress hormone cortisol and boost the immune system. 1) Walking through the forest can reduce anxiety and negative feelings such as anger and fatigue. 2) Forest walking promotes relaxation. 3) Forest therapy may have antidepressant effects. 4) A brief walk in the forest for 15 minutes can result in a better state of mind. 5) Walking in nature may improve your immune system with lasting benefits. 6) "Forest bathing" may boost healthy antioxidants.

Check this schedule for our many 'hike in the forest' options every week.

Happy Trails!

Lori Showley

President, Indianapolis Hiking Club

**HIKE SCHEDULE:****Friday, April 1      *April Fool's Day***

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL Join me for a self-guided hike of 1-20 miles on the Monon Trail every Friday morning in April and May. Meet at the Monon trail-head parking lot on 96 St. Restrooms are available. (F,PS) Leader: Rick Kinnaman (317-407-9746)
- 8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE This will be moderate pace 5-6 mile hike through scenic Zionsville; expect a different route each week. 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. Hike repeats every Friday in April and May. (Map #34) (M,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586)
- 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 the Swimming Area (beach) parking lot. Use the 56th St entrance that is just west of the Colts facility. Hike repeats on all Fridays in April and May. (M,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Phil Smith (317-443-3955)
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL Since I-70 and I-65 are both closed in downtown Indy due to construction, you are going to have to find your own way to get to Garfield Park. In any event from exit 109 on I-65 (Raymond St) go 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 in Garfield Park. This is a 5-6 mile hike in various neighborhoods surrounding Garfield Park. Hike repeats every Friday in April and May. (Map #52)(F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 9:30 AM JACKSON GRANT NEIGHBORHOOD We will meet in the north west corner of the parking lot at Market District supermarket in Carmel for a 4 to 5 mile hike in the Jackson Grant neighborhood, located at 11505 N. Illinois St, Carmel 46032. I will have treats or it might be an April fools joke you'll have to come to find out! (F,PS,3) Leader June Sergi (317-372-3018)
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK ON FRIDAY This is the same 4-5 mile self-guided walk I lead every Wednesday, 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 on April 15 & 29 and May 13 & 27. (F,PS) Leader: Joan Griffiths (317-297-7312)
- 6:00 PM BUTLER, TOWPATH AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS This is a 6-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 April. (Map #32) (M,PS/NS,3.5) Leader: Jim Griffin (317-294-1121)

**Saturday, April 2      *Ramadan Begins***

- 8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD This will be a 7-8 mile hike 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. Repeats every Saturday in April and May. (F,PS,3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)

**Note, The start time of the following hike has been changed to 1 p.m. (from 9:00 a.m.) beginning on April 9 and continuing through all the Saturday's in April (not in May). Since this change was not made until April 4 it will only appear on the website and not in the printed schedule.**

- 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 April and May except May 7. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (317-407-4652)
- 9:00 AM SMOKIES TRAINING HIKE I This hike is to prepare you for the upcoming Smoky Mountains trip later this month. We plan to hike 11 miles, mostly on trail 9, please bring a packed lunch. From I-465 S, take I-65 south to the Columbus Exit. Then take SR 46 towards Nashville. Just after the turnoff for Story you will see the entrance to Brown County SP (fee) on the south side of SR 46. Once in the park follow signs for Rally Camp Ground about 3 miles, just before you enter the camp ground park in the lot on the west side. (Map #27)(H,NS,3) Leader: Jim Goulding ((317-695-8744)

- 10:00 AM HAYS TRAIL BLOOMINGTON From I-465 S take SR37 / I-69 S to Bloomington. take Exit 120A, SR 46 East, stay on SR46 E to SR446. Turn right (south), continue on SR446 across Lake Monroe causeway. After crossing the causeway go for about 2 miles. Look for the Hays Trail sign on your left. This will be a 6-mile hike on a scenic woods trail in the Deam Wilderness. There are no restrooms at the trail. Parking is limited, please carpool if possible. Bring water and a snack. After the hike join us for lunch at a local restaurant. (M,NS,2) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972-cell)
- 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 April and May. (Map #16) (F,PS) Leader: Rick Kinnaman (317-407-9746)
- 3:00 PM BAXTER YMCA TO SOUTHPORT RD Meet in SE corner of the parking lot for Baxter YMCA on Shelby St at Stop 11 Rd (south entrance). This is right off US 31 on Indy's south side. This is a neighborhood hike of 5 miles. Hike repeats on May 28. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593)

### Sunday, April 3

- 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 6 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)
- 9:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in the free parking lot ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave on Carrollton Ave (use 6229 Carrollton Ave for GPS address) 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)

**Note:** A change to the start time (was 10 AM now 1 PM) has been made to the following hike. Since the change was made after the April-May schedule was finalized in will only appear on the website and not in the printed schedule.

- 1:00 PM MC CLOUD NATURE PARK Join us for a 5 mile trek through McCloud Nature Park located at 8518 Hughes Rd in North Salem (Hendricks County). Terrain is easy to moderate on mostly natural trails. Hike features are the newly completed boardwalk, wetlands area, and Big Walnut Creek. We'll check out the honeybees at the Observation Hive and surely see wildflowers along the trail. Meet at the Nature Center parking lot. From I-465 W merge onto I-74 at Exit 16B. Travel about 21 miles to SR 75, Exit 52. Turn left onto SR 75 and travel about 6.5 miles through North Salem. Turn right when SR 75 crosses W CR 500 N. You are now on Hughes Rd. Continue 1.5 m. to the park. An alternate route would be from I-465 W, taking US 36 (Rockville Rd) about 21 miles to SR 75. Turn right and travel about 6 miles to Hughes Rd. Turn left onto Hughes Rd traveling 1.5 miles to the park. Bathrooms available. Join us for authentic Italian food at Perillo's Pizzeria & Italian Kitchen after the hike. Note: CASH only, no credit cards. (Map #62) (M,NS,2.75) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)

### Monday, April 4

- 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 brisk 6-mile road hike. Repeats on Monday, March 2. (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 April and May. (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY: TOWPATH, BUTLER, ROCKY RIPPLE Join us for a walk the canal tow path, Butler University campus and the quaint town of Rocky Ripple. From Meridian St, turn west on 56th St and drive two blocks; park on either side of Kenwood, but not in the parking lots. Restroom available at Starbucks on 56 St. Walk will have 3, 4 and 5 mile options. Hike repeats on May 2. (F,PS/HS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)
- 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 April and May when Rick Kinnaman and Sandra Kleber will share leading. (Map #16) (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Sandra Kleber (317-435-0174)

- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON Meet to signup at the food court at 4:00 pm; otherwise look for the leader during the hike (she will have the signup sheet with her). Self guided hike of up to 6 miles with shorter options between the hours of 4-6 pm. If the weather is nice we may walk outside. Hike repeats every Monday in April and May. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING Meet in 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 April and May. (Map #25)(F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

## **Tuesday, April 5**

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL This is a 1-12 mile self-guided hike (most people do 5-8 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 in the north end of the parking lot close to the Monon trail. Hike repeats every Tuesday in April and May. (Map #51) (F,PS) Leader: Jo Anne Starzyk (317-771-0914)
- 9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS 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 into the Baptist 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 April and May. (F,PS,3) Leader: Glee Crowder (317-859-8159)
- 9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK Enjoy a moderate 5-mile hike near White River and up Mann Hill, the second highest elevation in Marion County. Meet at Southwestway Park; the address is 8400 Mann Rd, 46221. From I-465 S heading west, take Mann Rd exit (There is no Mann Rd exit traveling east). Turn south on Mann Rd and go 2.7 miles to the park. If coming from the west, from I-465 SW exit onto SR 67 (Kentucky Ave) heading southwest toward Mooresville and go just over a half mile. Turn left on High School Rd. In another 0.2 miles turn left onto W Thompson Rd and go about 2.3 miles to Mann Rd. Turn right onto Mann Rd and go 2.5 miles to the park. Enter the park on the east side of the road just after the ball diamonds. (GPS will take you to the golf course.) Meet in the upper parking lot at the end of the drive. Restrooms might be open as Little League season begins. Hike repeats every Tuesday in April and May except for April 19. Pat Lawler (317-329-2779) will lead on April 5 and 12. (Map #61)(M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Debbie Bucholz (317-361-9210)
- 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 (across from Post Office) for a 5-6 mile hike. Hike may include parts of Holliday Park, Marott Park, Monon Trail, Arden neighborhood, Rocky Ripple or Broad Ripple Park. Hike repeats on May 3. (M,NS/HS/PS,2.5) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)
- 10:30 AM EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS Join us for a 5 mile hike around our city's historic neighborhoods. From 5700 East Washington St, turn south on Audubon Rd by the Irvington Library. Restrooms available at the Library – mask may still be required. From the Library, drive south to the second four way stop sign - turn right on Bonna Ave and park on the north side of the street next to the Pennsy Trail. After the hike - please join us for lunch at one of Irvington's eating places. Hike repeats each Tuesday in April. No hike on Tuesday May 3 - Election Day -Please Vote. Hike resumes Tuesday, May 10 & 17. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Melinda Jones 317-850-2500
- 1:00 PM WILDFLOWER HIKE AT HOLLIDAY PARK. This is the first of five wildflower hikes every Tuesday in April and two Sundays. Since wildflowers are sensitive to cold, a 1:00 PM start time gives them a chance to open up. Because of the diversity of terrain and numerous water sources, Holliday Park is arguably the best place in the Indy area to view wildflowers. Meet at the Nature Center parking lot, 6340 Spring Mill Rd for a 4-5 mile hike. (Map #47) (M,NS/PS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802, 317-412-5190 cell)
- 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 May 3. (F,PS) Leader Kae Ramey (317-701-5805 cell)
- 5:00 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 Tuesday evening in April and May. (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: David Kincaid (317-787-6593)

**Wednesday, April 6**

- 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 toward the park. About 100 yards before you get to the park (which is closed due to construction) turn right on Park View Lane and park on both sides of the street. 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 April and May. (Map #58)(F,PS,3) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646) and other leaders.
- 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 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. Join us at a nearby Starbucks after the hike. (Map #40)(M,NS,3-3.5) Leader: Jim Goulding (317-695-8744)
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK Join me for a 4-5 mile self-guided 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) Leader: Joan Griffiths (317-297-7312)
- 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) Leaders: Harold Crooks (317-730-4850) and Susanne McNeely (317 384-2909)
- 1:30 PM VERY SLOW AND VERY EASY AT CENTRAL PARK IN CARMEL If you are recovering from an injury; just introducing yourself to hiking; or prefer a very slow pace, this is the hike for you! Hike includes guided options of 1-3 miles. All are welcome. 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 in the north end of the parking lot close to the Monon trail. Hike repeats every Wednesday in April. (Map #51) (F,PS,2) Leader: Barb West (317-979-6045)
- 1:30 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK Meet at Unitarian Universalist Church of Indianapolis parking lot at 615 W 43rd St for a guided 5–6-mile hike exploring Butler University and surrounding area. There are many sites to explore in this neighborhood. Hike repeats on Wednesday 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, 5/18 and 5/25. (F,M/PS,3) Leader: Kathy Whalen (317-409-3265)
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON Meet to signup at the food court at 4:00 pm; otherwise look for the leader during the hike (she will have the signup sheet with her). Self guided hike of up to 6 miles with shorter options between the hours of 4-6 pm. If the weather is nice we may 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

**Thursday, April 7**

- 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 April and May. (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 April and May. After the hike join us for lunch (we have been doing it for over 30 years) at Golden Corral on 38th St. We have lots of fun. (Map #17)(M,NS,3) Leader: Rick Wortman (317-701-1329)
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE Same directions and repeat dates as Easy at Eagle Creek - Five Mile. This is a 4 mile slower paced hike mostly on groomed trails. Same lunch invite as the 5 mile hike. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Harold Crooks (317-730-4850)
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE Same directions and repeat dates Easy at Eagle Creek - Five Mile. This is a 3 mile hike at an even slower pace, mostly on paved roads and groomed flat trails. Same lunch invite as the 5 mile hike. (M,PS/NS,2.5-3) 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 brisk hike. Hike repeats every Thursday in April and May.(F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Braun (317-679-2972)

### Friday, April 8

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, April 1
- 8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, April 1
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 1
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 1
- 9:30 AM MONON TRAIL SOUTH FROM CENTRAL PARK Join us for a self guided hike of 3, 4 or 5 miles starting from the Monon Center in Carmel heading south and returning on the same 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)and go to the parking lot at the end. Meet in the north end of the parking lot close to the Monon trail. (Map #51)(F,PS) Leader: June Sergi (317-372-3018)
- 6:00 PM BUTLER, TOWPATH AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See Friday, April 1

### Saturday, April 9

- 8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 2
- 9:00 AM SMOKIES TRAINING HIKE II This hike is to prepare you for the upcoming Smoky Mountains trip later this month. We plan to hike 14-16 miles on hike and bike trails, please bring a packed lunch. From I-465 S, take I-65 south to the Columbus Exit. Then take SR 46 towards Nashville. Just after the turnoff for Story you will see the entrance to Brown County SP (fee) on the south side of SR 46. Once in the park follow signs to Ogle Lake parking lot. (Map #27)(H,NS,3) Leader: Jim Goulding ((317-695-8744)
- 9:00 AM NO FRILLS HALF MARATHON No shirts, no medals, no water stations and NO FEES. This 13.1 mile half marathon is self guided. Restrooms will be located 2 1/2 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. 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. Any questions, please call Mary. Be sure to leave nothing visible in your car. (F,PS/NS) Leader: Mary Bruss (317-308-0182)
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 2
- 1:00 PM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, April 2

### Sunday, April 10

#### *Palm Sunday*

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 3
- 9:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 3
- 1:30 PM WILDFLOWERS AT FORT HARRISON STATE PARK This is one of two wildflower hikes scheduled on the weekend in April, the others are on Tuesday's. From I-465 E go east on 56th St. Turn left on

Post Rd and turn left into Fort Harrison SP (fee). Meet at the Cherry Tree parking area for a 5 mile hike, stopping a bit to point out lovely spring ephemerals. If you want speed or distance, this hike may not be for you. (Map #18) (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Cheryl Smolecki (317-696-8922)

**Monday, April 11**

- 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 April and May, except May 2. (Map #40) (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Janet Cohen (317-873-6586)
- 9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 4
- 9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY Enjoy a scenic walk in America's fourth largest private cemetery established in 1863 and final resting place to many famous Hoosiers and home to 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. Just after you enter the cemetery proper, please park behind the mausoleum (large limestone 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 May 9. (Map #42)(M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, April 4
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, April 4
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 4

**Tuesday, April 12**

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 5
- 9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 5
- 9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, April 5
- 10:30 AM EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS See Tuesday, April 5
- 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 the 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, 317-412-5190 cell)
- 5:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See April 5

**Wednesday, April 13**

- 9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 6
- 9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 6
- 9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 6
- 9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 6
- 9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 6
- 1:30 PM VERY SLOW AND VERY EASY AT CENTRAL PARK IN CARMEL See Wednesday, April 6
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, April 6
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 6

**Thursday, April 14**

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 7
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 7
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 7
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 7
- 6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 7

**Friday, April 15*****Good Friday and Passover Begins***

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, April 1
- 8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, April 1
- 9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 1
- 9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 1

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK ON FRIDAY See Friday, April 1

6:00 PM BUTLER, TOWPATH AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See Friday, April 1

### **Saturday, April 16**

8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 2

10:00 AM KARST FARM GREENWAY TRAIL From I-465 S take SR37/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 for about 1/4 mile to the Karst Park entrance on the left (2450 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. Plan on having lunch at a restaurant in Bloomington. (F,PS,2.5) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 2

1:00 PM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, April 2

### **Sunday, April 17**                      *Easter*

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 3

9:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 3

1:00 PM DEVONSHIRES Join us on a 6 mile road hike through attractive and somewhat hilly neighborhoods which should be ablaze with spring color. Meet behind the Starbucks in the Avalon Crossing shopping center on the east side of Binford Blvd just south of 71st St. (M,PS,3) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)

### **Monday, April 18**

9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, April 11

9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 4

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. Hike repeats on May 16. (F,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)

4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, April 4

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

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 4

### **MULTIDAY TRIP: Tuesday, April 19 – Thursday, April 21**

25<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SMOKY MOUNTAINS GETAWAY 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 become US 441, to Gatlinburg. John Schlechte, Konnie Schlechte, John Lyghtel and Tim Braun will lead AM and PM moderate hikes and Jim Goulding will lead more challenging full-day hikes. Bring water, snacks and lunch each day, as we may not return to Gatlinburg between hikes. Full details about all the hikes will be distributed on Tuesday morning at the Sugarland Visitors Center in Smoky Mountain NP (please don't miss this meeting). Contact John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell or [jschlechte@fastmail.com](mailto:jschlechte@fastmail.com)) if you have questions regarding the moderate hikes. Contact Jim Goulding (317-695-8744 cell or [jimgo21@gmail.com](mailto:jimgo21@gmail.com)) for questions regarding the more strenuous hikes. Wednesday evening April 20, IHC will celebrate 25 years of great hiking in Smoky Mountains NP with a catered dinner (\$) in the historic Appalachian Clubhouse in the park. We hope you will join us for this event. Don't miss out — make a reservation with Konnie at [kmschlechte@gmail.com](mailto:kmschlechte@gmail.com).



**Tuesday, April 19**

8:00 AM SMOKY MOUNTAINS (MODERATE) – DAY 1 MORNING This will be a moderate paced hike of about 5 miles. Meet at the Sugarland Visitor Center in Smoky Mountains NP. A 3-day schedule of all hikes will be provided at this time. Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)

8:00 AM SMOKY MOUNTAINS (CHALLENGING) – DAY 1 FULL DAY This hike will be a challenging 13-17 miles hike taking the better part of the day. Meet at the Sugarland Visitor Center. A 3-day schedule of all hikes will be provided at this time. Leader: Jim Goulding (317-695-8744 cell)

**The following hike was added on April 11 and will only appear on the website, not the printed schedule**

9:00 AM NEBO RIDGE This will be a 17-mile brisk trail hike out and back on the Nebo Ridge Trail. Bring snacks/lunch and plenty of water. Allow 1.5 hours travel time from I-465 S. Take I-65 south to SR 46 at Columbus. Go west on SR 46 to SR 135 and turn south (left). Go 9 miles to the community of Story (just a few buildings). At the Story Inn go straight off SR 135 onto the unmarked paved Elkinsville Rd, which eventually becomes a gravel road. Travel about 2.7 miles. At a creek bridge take the left fork and go 0.3 miles to the Nebo Ridge trailhead on your left. Rain or shine is fine, heavy winds will cancel this hike, so be sure to check the website the morning of the hike. (H,NS,3-3.5) Leader: Theresa Ray (317-627-1205)

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 5

9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 5

10:00 AM KRANNERT PARK AND NEAR BY NEIGHBORHOODS Meet in the NW corner of the parking lot at Krannert Park located at 605 S High School Rd for a 5-6 mile hike. Krannert Park is midway between Washington St and Rockville Rd so exit I-465 W at either exit and head west. From Washington St go west to the first light (High School Rd) and turn right (north) or from Rockville Rd go west and turn left (south) at the first light. (F,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779, 317-652-2779 cell)

10:30 AM EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS See Tuesday, April 5

1:00 PM WILDFLOWER HIKE ON THE WEST SIDE OF EAGLE CREEK Because of reported muddy trails, we are going to park in a different location for this hike on the west side of Eagle Creek Park. Take 56th S west past the main entrance to Eagle Creek Park and continue across the causeway and take the second right into the first golf course parking lot. (Note, usually we take the first right after the causeway with the statue of the Iron Bear, but not today.) (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802, 317-412-5190 cell)

1:00 PM SMOKY MOUNTAINS (MODERATE) – DAY 1 AFTERNOON This hike will start around 1 PM and be about 5 miles. Location and start time will be announced at the 8:00 AM morning hike. Contact: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)

5:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See April 5

**Wednesday, April 20**

8:00 AM SMOKY MOUNTAINS (MODERATE) – DAY 2 MORNING This will be about a 5 mile hike. Details, location, start time and leader, will be announced at the previous morning's initial meeting. Contact: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)

8:00 AM SMOKY MOUNTAINS (MODERATE) – DAY 2 FULL DAY This hike will involve a short car shuttle. Hike starts on the Appalachian Trail at Clingmans Dome Tower and ends at Newfound Gap (about 8-9 miles). You will want to pack lunch. Full details will be available at the previous morning's initial meeting. Leader: Tim Braun (317-408-3051 cell)

8:00 AM SMOKY MOUNTAINS (CHALLENGING) – DAY 2 FULL DAY This will be a 13-17 mile hike. Full details including meeting location and time will be announced at the previous morning's initial meeting. Leader: Jim Goulding (317-695-8744 cell)

9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 6

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 6

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 6

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 6

9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 6

1:00 PM SMOKY MOUNTAINS (MODERATE) – DAY 2 AFTERNOON Plan on this hike being about 5 miles at a moderate pace. Details, including start time and meeting location will be announced at the previous morning's initial meeting. Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)

- 1:30 PM VERY SLOW AND VERY EASY AT CENTRAL PARK IN CARMEL See Wednesday, April 6  
1:30 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK See Wednesday, April 6  
4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, April 6  
4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 6

**Thursday, April 21**

- 8:00 AM SMOKY MOUNTAINS (MODERATE) – DAY 3 MORNING Plan on this being about 5 miles at a moderate pace. Details will be announced at Tuesday morning's initial meeting. Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)  
8:00 AM SMOKY MOUNTAINS (CHALLENGING) – DAY 3 FULL DAY Plan on this hike being between 13 and 17 miles at a brisk pace and hilly terrain. Details will be announced at Tuesday morning's initial meeting. Leader: Jim Goulding (317-695-8744 cell)  
9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 7  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 7  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 7  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 7  
1:00 PM SMOKY MOUNTAINS (MODERATE) – DAY 3 AFTERNOON This will be about a 5 mile hike at a moderate pace. Details will be announced at Tuesday morning's initial meeting. Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)  
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 7

**Friday, April 22** *Earth Day*

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, April 1  
8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, April 1  
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 1  
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 1  
6:00 PM BUTLER, TOWPATH AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See Friday, April 1

**Saturday, April 23**

- 8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 2  
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 2  
1:00 PM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, April 2

**Sunday, April 24**

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 3  
9:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 3  
1:00 PM WILDFLOWER HIKE - HOLLIDAY PARK Because of the diversity of terrain and numerous water sources, Holliday Park is arguably the best place in the Indy area to view spring wildflowers. Meet at the Nature Center parking lot, 6340 Spring Mill Rd, for a 4 mile slow and easy hike with commentary focusing on late blooming wildflowers, which are usually gone by early May. This is the one of only two weekend wildflower hikes (other on April 10) for people who cannot make the Tuesday wildflower hikes in April. (Map #47) (M,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)  
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. Restrooms are available. Repeats May 1 and 29. (F,PS) Leader: Kae Ramey (317-701-5805 cell)

**Monday, April 25**

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, April 11  
9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 4  
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY BROAD RIPPLE PARK & BEYOND Park in Broad Ripple Park, 1550 Broad Ripple Ave in the large parking lot behind the dog park to the right of the swimming pool. Hike options of 3, 4 and 5 miles. Hike repeats on May 23. (Map #57)(F,HS/PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)

- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, April 4  
4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, April 4  
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 4

**Tuesday, April 26**

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 5  
9:00 AM PENDLETON FALLS From I-465 N, go north on I-69 about 18 miles to the Pendleton exit. Turn right after leaving I-69 and travel through Pendleton to the 2nd stoplight. Turn right and park behind the bank building in the main part of town. We will hike around historic Pendleton for 5-6 miles, including Pendleton Falls Park. After the hike join us at one of Pendleton's local restaurants. Hike repeats on May 24. (Map #59)(F,PS/NS,3) Leader: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516)  
9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 5  
9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, April 5  
9:30 AM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK Enjoy a 5-mile hike on forested trails. 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 May 10.(Map #18) (M,NS,2.5) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)  
10:00 AM RIVERSIDE PARK AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS This will be a 6-mile hike. From Meridian St go west on 16th St to 1502 W. 16th St. Park at the soccer field on 16th across from old Bush Stadium. We will have one restroom stop in the middle of the hike. (F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779, 317-652-2779 cell)  
10:30 AM EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS See Tuesday, April 5  
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 St (stoplight) and turn left on Main St and go several blocks to Market, turn right and Chambers will be on your left just before the next intersection, South Montgomery St. (Map #24) (M,NS/PS,2-2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (317-346-1802-home or 317-412-5190 cell)  
5:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See April 5

**Wednesday, April 27**

- 9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 6  
9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 6  
9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 6  
9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 6  
9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 6  
1:30 PM VERY SLOW AND VERY EASY AT CENTRAL PARK IN CARMEL See Wednesday, April 6  
1:30 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK See Wednesday, April 6  
4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, April 6  
4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 6

**Thursday, April 28**

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 7  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 7  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 7  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 7  
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 7

**Friday, April 29**

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, April 1  
8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, April 1  
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 1  
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 1  
9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK ON FRIDAY See Friday, April 1

- 1:00 PM BOOK CLUB HIKE - NORTHWESTWAY PARK Before the hike read *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* by Mark Haddon. Meet at Katy & Phil Smith's house - check your directory or call for the address. We will discuss the book before the hike mostly in Northwestway Park, with discussion possibly outside. You may hike and join the discussion even if you haven't read the book. Hike will be 5 miles with shorter options. (F,PS) Leader: Katy Smith (317-966-8702)
- 6:00 PM BUTLER, TOWPATH AND NEARBY NEIGHBORHOODS See Friday, April 1

### **Saturday, April 30**

- 8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 2
- 10:00 AM RACCOON SRA / HARDEN LAKE Join us for a 5-6 mi wooded hike. Terrain is moderate with some hilly trail sections. This SRA is more rugged than most state parks. Trails are through mature forest with scenic overlooks of a 2000-acre lake and sandstone cliffs. We'll check out the pioneer 1800's Payne Cemetery. Meet in the parking lot near the Fish Cleaning Station Parking Lot across from the beach. From I-465 W, travel west about 45 miles on US 36 to the property entrance, 1588 S Raccoon Pkwy, Rockville (fee). Bathrooms available. Join us for lunch after the hike at the fun Thirty Six Saloon and Grill in Rockville. They have awesome barbecue! (M,NS-PS,2.5) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943-cell)
- 10:00 AM BIG 4 TRAIL – THORNTOWN TO COLFAX Meet in Thorntown at the parking lot located on the east side of Stookey's Restaurant (125 E. Main St., Thorntown). We will hike the recently completed extension of the Big 4 Trail - Thorntown to Colfax and back to Thorntown for a total of 12 miles. This hike offers people the option of walking fewer or more miles (self-guided). Directions to Thorntown: Take I-65N. to SR52W. (Lebanon/exit 141). Continue on SR52W, turning left on SR47 (Thorntown), turn right on N. Pearl Street for parking. Following the hike, consider joining us for lunch at Stookey's. (F,HS,3) Leader: Susan Sievers (317-513-5239)
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 2
- 1:00 PM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, April 2

### **Sunday, May 1**

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 3
- 9:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 3
- 1:00 PM NONIE WERBE KRAUSS NATURE PRESERVE Join us to hike this 77 acre nature preserve in Fishers just east of the Carmel border. Spring wild flowers should be abundant. On this 7 mile loop hike we will also walk in Founders Park and nearby neighborhoods. There is a shorter 4 mile option, which includes the nature preserve. Meet at Founders Park in Carmel. From I-465 N take Keystone Ave north to 116th St and turn right (east) and go to Hazel Dell Pkwy. From the round-about, drive north on Hazel Dell 1/4 mile to the entrance to Founders park on your right. (F,PS/NS,3) Leader: Ed Wright (317-445-5646)
- 1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Sunday, April 24

### **Monday, May 2**

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

### **Tuesday, May 3**

- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 5
- 9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 5
- 9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, April 5
- 9:30 AM LET'S EXPLORE BROAD RIPPLE See Tuesday, April 5
- 1:30 PM TUESDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Tuesday, April 5
- 5:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See April 5

**Wednesday, May 4**

- 9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 6  
9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 6  
9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 6  
9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 6  
9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 6  
1:30 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK See Wednesday, April 6  
4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, April 6  
4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 6

**Thursday, May 5**

- 9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 7  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 7  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 7  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 7  
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 7

**Friday, May 6**

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, April 1  
8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, April 1  
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 1  
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 1  
9:30 AM SPRING SOUNDS AND SITES IN MACGREGOR PARK MacGregor Park is a 96 acre nature park located in Westfield. We will hike 4-5 miles on natural trails through scenic woods and prairies and see many birds and spring wildflowers. 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. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: June Sergi (317-372-3018)  
6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUUI 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 May. (Map #41) (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Jim Griffin (317-294-1121)

**Saturday, May 7**

- 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 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: Julie Litten (317-407-4652, [littenjulie@gmail.com](mailto:littenjulie@gmail.com))  
8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 2  
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 2

**Sunday, May 8*****Mother's Day***

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 3  
9:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 3  
1:00 PM AROUND LAKE MAXINHALL This is a 6 mile hike that Michele used to lead around Lake Maxinhall and through pretty neighborhoods. From I-465 N take Binford Ave south to 62nd St or if coming from the south take Fall Creek Pkwy north to Binford Ave and go north to 62nd St. Head west on 62nd St about 1/3 mile to Eastwood Middle School on the left. Meet in the parking lot at the front of school just east of the school. (F,PS,3) Leader: Michele Kestle (317-251-7157)

**Monday, May 9**

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, April 11  
9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 4  
9:30 AM SLOW & EASY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY See Monday, April 11  
4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, April 4  
4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, April 4  
6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 4

**Tuesday, May 10**

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 5

9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 5

9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, April 5

9:30 AM FORT HARRISON STATE PARK See Tuesday, April 26

10:00 AM ELLENBERGER PARK AND PLEASANT RUN SOUTH Ellenburger Park is located at the corner of St Clair St and N Ritter. Take Washington St east from downtown to Ritter (about 4.5 miles). Turn left (N) and go to St Clair (about .5 mi). The park will be on your left. (F,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779, 317-652-2779 cell)

10:30 AM EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS See Tuesday, April 5

2:00 PM DOWNTOWN FISHERS ON THE NICKEL PLATE TRAIL Join us for a 5 mile hike on the Nickel Plate Trail in Fishers and other nearby trails. From I-465 N, take I-69 north to 116 St and go west for about 1/2 mile to Municipal Dr. Find a parking spot on the street, before the circle and Government Center or close by in a free parking garage. Meet in the Central Green, a small park dividing Municipal Dr. (F,PS,3) Leader: John Lyghtel (317-626-9117)

5:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See April 5

**Wednesday, May 11**

9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 6

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 6

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 6

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 6

9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 6

1:30 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK See Wednesday, April 6

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, April 6

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 6

**Thursday, May 12**

9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 7

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 7

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 7

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 7

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 7

**MULTI DAY TRIP: Friday, May 13 - Wednesday, May 18**

HIGHLANDS OF SCOTLAND Twice cancelled due to the pandemic, third time is a charm. Mervyn Cohen is leading this trip and it is currently fully booked. Although the hotel and coach parts of the trip are full, any Club member is welcome to join any hike, should they be visiting Scotland. If this applies to you, please contact Mervyn by email at [mecohen@iu.edu](mailto:mecohen@iu.edu) for details about how you can join the group and receive mileage credit.

**Friday, May 13**

8:00 AM SCOTLAND - DAY 1 MORNING This hike will be 5.7 miles in Loch Garten. Check with the leader for details and start times. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mervyn Cohen (317-417-2626, [mecohen@iupui.edu](mailto:mecohen@iupui.edu))

8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, April 1

8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, April 1

9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 1

9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 1

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK ON FRIDAY See Friday, April 1

1:00 PM SCOTLAND - DAY 1 AFTERNOON This hike will be 4.6 miles in Loch an Eilen. Check with the leader for details and start times. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mervyn Cohen (317-417-2626, [mecohen@iupui.edu](mailto:mecohen@iupui.edu))

6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, May 6

**Saturday, May 14**

- 8:00 AM SCOTLAND - DAY 2 MORNING This hike will be 4.7 miles in Pitlochry. Check with the leader for details and start time. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mervyn Cohen (317-417-2626, [mecohen@iupui.edu](mailto:mecohen@iupui.edu))
- 8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 2
- 9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, April 2
- 9:30 AM VERSAILLES STATE PARK Allow 1½ hours from I-465 SE. Take I-74 southeast to Greensburg, US 421 south to Versailles and US 50 east to the park (fee). After the gate house, take the 3rd left turn into the large parking area at the top of the hill (Oak Grove shelter). If you arrive at Campground A or B, you went too far. Meet in picnic area up the hill past the campground for a 6-7 mile hike, with shorter options. Join us for lunch after the hike at Crossroads Family Restaurant in Versailles. (H,NS,2.5) Leader: John Schlechte (317-294-2021 cell)
- 10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 2
- 1:00 PM SCOTLAND - DAY 2 AFTERNOON This hike will be 2.9 miles in Birks of Aberfeldy. Check with the leader for details and start time. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mervyn Cohen (317-417-2626, [mecohen@iupui.edu](mailto:mecohen@iupui.edu))

**Sunday, May 15**

- 8:00 AM SCOTLAND - DAY 3 MORNING This hike will be 5.4 miles in Loch Venacher. Check with the leader for details and start times. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mervyn Cohen (317-417-2626, [mecohen@iupui.edu](mailto:mecohen@iupui.edu))
- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 3
- 9:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 3

**Note, the following hike was previously scheduled on Saturday, May 14 at 10 AM. The change only appears on the website, not in the printed schedule.**

- 1:00 PM BROWN COUNTY LIME KILN TRAIL From I 465 S take I-65 S to Columbus / SR46 W Exit 68 to Brown County State Par (fee). Or take SR135 S to Nashville and turn left (east) to park entrance. Once in the park follow signs to the Nature Center. This will be a 6 mile hike on the Lime Kiln bike trail. After the hike join us for a early dinner at a restaurant in Nashville. (M,NS/PS,2) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)
- 1:00 PM SCOTLAND - DAY 3 AFTERNOON This hike will be 3.7 miles in Bracklinn Falls. Check with the leader for details and start time. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mervyn Cohen (317-417-2626, [mecohen@iupui.edu](mailto:mecohen@iupui.edu))

**Monday, May 16**

- 8:00 AM SCOTLAND - DAY 4 MORNING This hike will be 3.8 or 6.0 miles in Comrie Glen. Check with the leader for details and start times. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mervyn Cohen (317-417-2626, [mecohen@iupui.edu](mailto:mecohen@iupui.edu))
- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, April 11
- 9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 4
- 9:30 AM RIVER ROAD PARK IN CARMEL See Monday, April 18
- 1:00 PM SCOTLAND - DAY 4 AFTERNOON This hike will be 2.2 miles in Dollar. Check with the leader for details and start time. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mervyn Cohen (317-417-2626, [mecohen@iupui.edu](mailto:mecohen@iupui.edu))
- 4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, April 4
- 4:00 PM GREENWOOD MALL - MONDAY AFTERNOON See Monday, April 4
- 6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 4

**Tuesday, May 17**

- 8:00 AM SCOTLAND - DAY 5 MORNING This hike will be 5.1 or 5.8 miles in Dunkeld Hermitage. Check with the leader for details and start times. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mervyn Cohen (317-417-2626, [mecohen@iupui.edu](mailto:mecohen@iupui.edu))
- 9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 5
- 9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 5
- 9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, April 5
- 10:00 AM BROOKSIDE PARK This 5-6 mile hike will begin at Brookside Park. 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. From there we will hike through Brookside

and Spades Parks and nearby neighborhoods. No restroom at beginning of hike. (F,NS/PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-652-2779 cell, 317-329-2779)

10:30 AM EAST SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS See Tuesday, April 5

1:00 PM SCOTLAND - DAY 5 AFTERNOON This hike will be 4.7 miles in Dunkeld Inver Path. Check with the leader for details and start time. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mervyn Cohen (317-417-2626, [mecohen@iupui.edu](mailto:mecohen@iupui.edu))

5:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See April 5

### Wednesday, May 18

8:00 AM SCOTLAND - DAY 6 MORNING This hike will be 5.3 miles in St Mary's Walk. Check with the leader for details and start times. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mervyn Cohen (317-417-2626, [mecohen@iupui.edu](mailto:mecohen@iupui.edu))

9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 6

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 6

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 6

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 6

9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 6

1:00 PM SCOTLAND - DAY 6 AFTERNOON This hike will be 2.75 miles in Glenturret. Check with the leader for details and start time. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mervyn Cohen (317-417-2626, [mecohen@iupui.edu](mailto:mecohen@iupui.edu))

1:30 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK See Wednesday, April 6

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, April 6

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 6

### Thursday, May 19

9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 7

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 7

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 7

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 7

6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 7

### Friday, May 20

8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, April 1

8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, April 1

9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 1

9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 1

6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, May 6

### Saturday, May 21

8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 2

9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, April 2

9:00 AM DEAM WILDERNESS – SYCAMORE LOOP AND AXOM LOOP On this 11-13 mile hike, we will combine two scenic loops in the Deam Wilderness for a brisk hike. We will meet in the Grubb Ridge trailhead parking lot (located on both the right and left sides of Tower Ridge Rd). Please bring lunch and plenty of water. From I-465 S take I-65 south to Columbus and exit SR 46 west to Nashville then towards Bloomington. At the intersection of SR 46/446 turn left on SR 446 towards Lake Monroe and continue for 12 miles to Tower Ridge Rd (the entrance to Deam Wilderness). Turn left and go 4.4 miles to Grubb Ridge trailhead. (M,N,3) Leader: Susan Sievers (317-513-5239)

10:00 AM BROWN COUNTY STATE PARK Join us for a 5 mi loop hike on the Hoosiers Hikers Council Trail, Trail 8. This is a Brown County moderate hike, "more rugged than central Indiana". Prepare for hills! We will hike from the West Lookout Tower to Hesitation Point, one of the best views in the park. From there, descend a wooden staircase of approximately 150 steps and back up to the West Lookout Tower for trail lunch/snack. Travel to Brown County SP (fee) your favorite way and meet at the West Lookout Tower parking lot. This lot is near the West Gatehouse entrance. After lunch, join us for a short (2 mi) hike around Ogle Lake. Note: bathrooms available at Ogle Lake, none at meeting location. Bring trail lunch/snack. (Map #27) (H,NS,2.5) Leader: Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)

10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 2



**Sunday, May 22**

9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 3

9:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 3

1:00 PM RICHEY WOODS Meet in the main parking lot at Richey Woods, 10410 Hague Rd in Fishers for a 5 mile hike. Inside the preserve we will proceed at a moderate pace. Trails may be muddy and we will also use some paved paths. (F,PS/NS,3) Leader: Cheryl Smolecki (317-696-8922)

**Monday, May 23**

9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, April 11

9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 4

9:30 AM SLOW & EASY BROAD RIPPLE PARK & BEYOND See Monday, April 25

4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, April 4

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

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 4

**Tuesday, May 24**

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 5

9:00 AM PENDLETON FALLS See Tuesday, April 26

9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 5

9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, April 5

10:00 AM IRISH HILL On this 5-6 mile hike we will visit some of the more prominent places in Indy's Irish history. Meet in the downtown Shapiro's Deli parking lot, 808 S. Meridian St. Park in the back of the lot away from the restaurant entrance. (Map #41) (F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (317-329-2779, 317-652-2779 cell)

10:00 AM OLD TOWN WAVERLY PARK - PET HIKE From I-465 SW take SR 37 south 10 miles. Turn right on Hwy 144, take the first road on left at stoplight (Old Hwy 37) and go about 1.5 miles to Waverly Rd. Turn right and after about 1/4 mile the parking lot will be on your left. Hike will be about 4-5 miles. All hikers are welcome; you do not need a dog to join us. Bring a picnic lunch, if you would like to join us after the hike. Please be prepared to provide the date of the dog's latest rabies vaccination. All dogs must be on a 6' or less non-retractable leash at all times - no exceptions. Owners please be prepared to and responsible for picking up after your pet (poop patrol). Please note that the hike leader shall have the authority to ask any participant to leave the hike if their dog becomes aggressive toward other dogs or hikers. (F,PS,Dog Speed) Leader: Mary Williams (317-736-1259 home, 317-919-8574 cell)

2:00 PM FLAT FORK CREEK PARK This is the first time we have visited Flat Fork Creek, Fishers newest park, The park includes 5 miles of trails winding around ponds, a sledding hill, fishing pond, tree houses and mountain bike trails. We will hike 5 miles in the park and surrounding neighborhoods. The address of the park is 16141 E 101st St, Fishers. From the corner of 96th St and Olio Rd in Fishers, travel east on 96th St about 1.5 miles to Cyntheanne Rd. Go north on Cyntheanne Rd to 101st St and then east to the park entrance on your right. (F,PS/HS,3) Leader: John Lyghtel (317-626-9117)

5:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See April 5

**Wednesday, May 25**

9:00 AM MEADOWLARK PARK, CARMEL See Wednesday, April 6

9:00 AM AMPHITHEATER ROAD HIKE See Wednesday, April 6

9:00 AM BRISK WALK IN THE WOODS See Wednesday, April 6

9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK See Wednesday, April 6

9:30 AM DOWNTOWN INDY ON THE CULTURAL TRAIL See Wednesday, April 6

1:30 PM BUTLER-TARKINGTON NEIGHBORHOOD WALK See Wednesday, April 6

4:00 PM GREENWOOD PARK MALL - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON See Wednesday, April 6

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See Wednesday, April 6

**Thursday, May 26**

9:00 AM THE OTHER THURSDAY MORNING HIKE See Thursday, April 7

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FIVE MILE See Thursday, April 7

- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - FOUR MILE See Thursday, April 7  
9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK - THREE MILE See Thursday, April 7  
6:00 PM FORT HARRISON/LAWRENCE See Thursday, April 7

**Friday, May 27**

- 8:00 AM FRIDAY MORNING ON THE MONON TRAIL See Friday, April 1  
8:30 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See Friday, April 1  
9:00 AM TGIF IN EAGLE CREEK PARK See Friday, April 1  
9:30 AM GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See Friday, April 1  
9:30 AM PIKE LIBRARY AND NORTHWESTWAY PARK ON FRIDAY See Friday, April 1  
10:00 AM LAURA HARE NATURE PRESERVE, DOWNEY HILL This is a peaceful and secluded nature preserve of continuous forest habitat, protected forever by the Sycamore Land Trust for the benefit of songbirds and other wildlife. Our 6 mile hilly route goes from the ridge line down to the creek in the valley then back. It is a moderately challenging "Brown County" hike with steep switchbacks on the climb out. If you are looking for some hills, this is a hike for you! Travel south on I-65 and take Exit 68 for SR 46 toward Nashville for about 10 miles. Turn left onto Valley Branch Rd/Mt Liberty. If you pass the Gnaw Bone sign, you have passed it. Travel 1.6 mile to small parking lot on left. There is only room for 6-7 cars though the preserve on Friday should be less crowded than on the weekend. Since parking is extremely limited, please carpool or contact hike leader for suggestions. Many lunch options in Nashville after the hike. (H, NS,2.5) Leader Terry Roesch (317-910-2943 cell)  
1:30 PM BOOK CLUB HIKE – CANTERBURY PARK Before the hike read the novel *Out Stealing Horses* by Per Petterson. Marsha has some copies to give away. If you don't see her at a hike or book club, contact her at [marshahutchins5354@gmail.com](mailto:marshahutchins5354@gmail.com). Meet at the shelter in Canterbury Park, 5510 Carvel Ave. Take Kessler Blvd east from College Ave or west from Keystone. Carvel is the first street east of the Monon Trail overpass. Go south on Carvel to the park. Leave your car on the west side of the street since no parking is allowed on the east side. We'll start with the book discussion followed by a self-guided walk on the Monon. Options up to 6 miles. (F,PS) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (317-251-9078)  
6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See Friday, May 6

**Saturday, May 28**

- 8:00 AM WESTSIDE PARK, GREENWOOD See Saturday, April 2  
9:00 AM PENNSY TRAIL See Saturday, April 2  
10:00 AM LOWER CASCADE PARK AND TRAIL From I-465 S take exit 4 I-69 S. Follow I-69 S to Exit 123 (College Ave/Walnut St.). Turn right at Old SR 37 (road is open to the park) and go for about 1 mile to the Lower Cascade Park entrance to your right (2851 Old State Rd 37 Bloomington). This will be a 6-mile hike on paved and natural trails. Restroom are available. After the hike plan on having lunch at a local restaurant. (F,NS/PS,2.5) Leader: Edeltraud Evans (812-322-3972 cell)  
10:00 AM TEN AT TEN See Saturday, April 2  
3:00 PM BAXTER YMCA TO SOUTHPORT RD See April 2

**Sunday, May 29** *Indy 500 Race*

- 9:00 AM COLLEGE PARK See Sunday, April 3  
9:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE See Sunday, April 3  
1:30 PM SUNDAY AFTERNOON ON THE B&O See Sunday, April 24

**Monday, May 30** *Memorial Day*

- 9:00 AM CLEAR THE COBWEBS See Monday, April 11  
9:15 AM SOUTHPORT PARK See Monday, April 4  
9:30 AM MEMORIAL DAY AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY This is the Club's traditional Memorial Day hike at Crown Hill Cemetery, which will be flying thousands of flags to honor veterans. We may even see Civil War reenactors. 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. Just after you enter the cemetery proper, please park behind the mausoleum (large limestone

building) on both sides of the street not blocking any drive ways or dumpsters. Hike includes options of 3, 4 and 5 miles. (Map #42)(M,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Rick Wortman (317-873-3203)

4:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE EVENING HIKE See Monday, April 4

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

6:00 PM EXPLORE FISHERS IN THE EVENING See Monday, April 4

### **Tuesday, May 31**

9:00 AM CENTRAL PARK/MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See Tuesday, April 5

9:30 AM MERIDIAN WOODS See Tuesday, April 5

9:30 AM SOUTHWESTWAY PARK See Tuesday, April 5

5:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See April 5

### **FUTURE EVENTS:**

**ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC- Saturday, July 16** Please mark the date on your calendar for our annual Club Picnic in Eagle Creek Park, Shelter A. As usual there will be three hike options before the picnic.

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS - Thursday, September 8** Although the last two General Assemblies had to be cancelled due to Covid-19, we are hoping to have it this year at the same location where we have held it in the past - Unitarian Universalist Church.

**WINTER BANQUET - Sunday, December 4** We will have our catered annual banquet again Nativity Catholic Church on Sunday afternoon. We will honor 2022 Achievement Award winners and new 25 year members.

### **PLEASE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:**

Kathryn (Kath) Clark	Franklin, IN	Chris Kaufman	Indianapolis, IN
Sheila Kaufman	Indianapolis, IN	Ruth Kelly	Indianapolis, IN
Effie Lewin	Westfield, IN	Patricia Lindgren	Indianapolis, IN
Debi Mitchell	Indianapolis, IN		

### **RECENT MILEAGE AWARDS:**

Glee Crowder	52,500	Mary K Johnson	5,500	Betty Johnson	400
Allan Roberts	44,000	Kathy Lyghtel	4,500	Myra Summerlot	400
David Kincaid	30,500	Dori Davis	2,000	Connor Endres	200
Rick Braun	16,500	Konnie Schlechte	2,000	Phyllis McNamara	200
Jo Anne Starzyk	10,500	Lorraine Smith	1,500	Beth Baker Schoch	100
Don Hayes	9,000	Cathy Fischer	1,000	Jamie Campbell	100
Marthene Kohlmeyer	8,000	Russ Himes	1,000	John Gervais	100
Cheryl Conces	6,500	Larry Sievers	1,000	Paul Labbe	100
Dewey Conces	6,500	Joe Thurston	500		

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

Board Member Barb Strite passed away on January 28 from pancreatic cancer. All who were blessed to know Barb will remember her as the most gentle soul, always so pleasant to be around. She loved being an active member of our club which she was for over 10 years.

We wish the best to the following members:

Jean Ballinger experienced another hip separation in February.

Ed Wright experienced a setback after his recent reverse shoulder replacement and had to go back into surgery on March 9. As of press time his recovery is well underway and he is hiking again.

Mary Ann Layman is recovering nicely from her shoulder replacement in early January.

**NOTE OF APPRECIATION:** I appreciate the many get well cards and emails I received after my first shoulder surgery replacement last November and my most recent repair surgery several weeks ago. The doctor gave me a good report on March 14, so let's hope this is my last setback. You guys are the best. *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 Marti Burton, 8812 River Ridge Dr, Brownsburg, IN 46112 (317-306-9878, [mjburton51@hotmail.com](mailto:mjburton51@hotmail.com)). 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 Marti 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."