

THE INDIANAPOLIS HIKING CLUB
APRIL 1968

- April 7 LINK OBSERVATORY - Meet at the State House at 1:00 p.m. Take S.R. 67 south and go past Mooresville. Continue south on S.R. 67 and go past Kelly's Restaurant (right hand side of road). Continue past Kelly's Restaurant ^{2.8 miles} and turn right at the 3rd road on right hand side. This is new blacktop road going up a steep hill. There are no signs. Go about 1 1/4 miles to the parking lot of the Link Observatory, after you have turned off S.R. 67. The jonquils and spring flowers should be gorgeous on the Link estate. Easy hike to follow. Leader - Nell Larrison. *HIKE 2:15 PM*
- April 14 EASTER HIKE - leave Standard Insurance Company Building, 300 East Fall Creek Pkwy., North Drive, at 7:00 a.m. and hike to the Tee Pee Restaurant for breakfast and return to starting point. Leader - May Duckett.
- April 21 CAVE EXPLORATION - Leave the State House at 9:00 a.m. Take Ind. 37 to Bloomington. Rendezvous at 10:30 a.m. in the parking lot of the park at the north edge of the city where Ind. 37 splits into two one-way streets. Take Ind. 37 to Ind. 45. Go southwest on Ind. 45 for 4 miles to Airport Road. Go west on Airport Road for 2 1/2 miles to the end of the black top. Go north for 1/4 mile to the first lane west. Go west 1/8 mile and park along road. Hike starts at 11:00 a.m. and will last 5 hours. Most of the cave will permit standing walking. The cave will be wet and muddy with a temperature of 52°. Bring a change of clothes, a good flashlight, and a lunch for eating inside the cave. Our guide will have carbide lamps and hard miner type hats for sale for anyone who is interested. The price - lamps \$3.75 and hats \$4.75. It is suggested that the ladies should wear slacks, and it would be advisable for all to have a hat or cap or head covering of some kind. Guide - Robert Armstrong. Leader Graeme Miller
- April 28 REDBUD VALLEY, WOODS AND HILLS. Meet at the State House at 1:30 p.m. Take S.R. 135 to Morgantown. Turn south on S.R. 135 and go to the end of Marion Street. Turn right. Follow blacktop (Morgantown Helmsburg Road) about 3 1/2 miles to the cement block church. Turn left. Go to the first house on the right and park. There will be a 5 mile hike and a 3 mile hike, both to begin at 2:30 p.m. Leader: Margret Veale.

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On May 5th there will be a tour of CASTALIA, Miss Elsie Sweeney's fabulous home in Columbus, Indiana. This will be in connection with our regularly scheduled hike which will be in the Columbus area. Tickets in advance are required for the tour of the home. These may be obtained from Geneva Ryan (784-1859) for \$1.00.

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Our May schedule will have a special supplement containing reservation blanks for our overnight meet with the Louisville Hiking Club at the Flat Rock YMCA Camp near St. Paul, Indiana. This is the weekend of June 15 and 16. This beautiful camp has 210 acres of native land bordering 1 mile on Flat Rock river - a small lake, swimming pool, 5 hiking trails, 16 cabins, recreation lodge with fireplace and a dining hall equipped to feed 150, basketball court, rifle range, archery range, wild-life museum, and camp fire area.

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We are most happy to welcome the following new members voted in at the last board meeting. Bill and Doris Flora - Gerald and Muriel Wingrove - Sally Beasley - Mary Calyeen - Judith Ann Dormann - Jane Ford - Roseanne Mader - Noni Stratmann - Robert and Alice Davis - James and Naomi Boyer - E. Lavagnino. To our new members: we want to apologize for the delay in getting your name badges. Grace and Joe Breimeir have been in touch with the people making these badges and they have promised them within the next few weeks. Please let Grace know (631-9959) if you do not receive them in a reasonable amount of time.

For information about the hiking Club: Call Juanita Lauth, 6154 Compton Avenue, Apt. A.

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- May 5 TOUR OF CASTALIA This is the fabulous home of Miss Elsie Sweeney in the Harrison Lake area near Columbus, Indiana. This home has been featured in national magazines as one of the outstanding examples of architecture in America. It sits on an island reminding one of the temples of Greece or Rome. The flowers in the gardens surrounding it should present a perfect frame for the camera enthusiasts. This tour is sponsored by the Retirement Foundation of Bartholomew County in Columbus as a fund raising means. The price of the tickets is \$1.00 each and we have reserved tickets for the 3:00 p.m. tour. Please call Geneva Ryan (Phone 784-1859) and reserve your ticket as soon as possible sending her your check payable to Retirement Foundation. Note: Children are not encouraged as they must be carefully supervised at all times.
- Meet at the State House at 1:15 p.m. Take U.S.#31 to I-65. Turn right on Road 46 to the third road on the left which is the Harrison Lake Road. (4-5 miles from I-65). Turn left on the Harrison Lake Road and bear right at the two forks. There will be a short, easy hike after the tour. Turn right from Castalia's driveway - bear right at each fork and proceed to the Columbus Youth Camp on Youth Camp road. Leader: Geneva Ryan
- May 9 SOCIAL (Thursday Night) At the Indiana National Bank community room in the branch bank at 5635 North Illinois Street. Short business meeting followed by entertainment and refreshments. A good opportunity for our newer members to learn more about the Club's activities and objectives.
- May 12 BLATCHLEY NATURE STUDY CLUB WOODS Leave State House at 1:00 p.m. Take State Road #37 north to Noblesville. Meet in Noblesville on the east side of the Court House at 2:00 p.m. We will hike about 2 miles north to the Blatchley Nature Study Club Woods. Bring a small transistor radio with an ear plug (if you have one) and food for a cook out in Forest Park after the hike. Leader: Victor Knarr.
- May 19 HAYES REGIONAL ARBORETUM IN RICHMOND, INDIANA. Leave the State House at 10:30 a.m. Take road #40 east to Greenfield. Turn north in Greenfield to I-70. Go east and by -pass Richmond to the road #40 interchange. Turn right (west) and go about 1 1/2 miles to Elks Club Road. Turn right (north). Hayes Arboretum is on the east side of this road. Meet in the Auditorium at 12:00 noon. Bring a sack lunch for noon and a small transistor radio with an ear plug (if you have one). If time permits we will visit some other places of interest in Richmond. Leader: Vic Knarr.
- May 26 SURPRISE HIKE A new area to most people. Meet at the State House at 1:00 p.m. Follow road #37 to about 10 miles south of Martinsville and reassemble at 2 p.m. just inside the Morgan-Monroe State Forest at the Bryant Creek Lake Picnic Area. The hike is 5-6 miles. Plan for a cook out afterwards. Leaders: Ken & Sylvia Retherford

We are happy to welcome the following new members into our Club: Martha Bell, Diantha DeGraw, Sachiko Kitamura, Monica Webster, and Nancy and Max Ortega.

Note: Labor Day weekend-2 nights August 31 and Sept. 1. The Club has reserved rooms at Hemlock Lodge at Natural Bridge State Park. Please keep this date open if you are interested. Reservations will be accepted in a future schedule. This park is a particularly fascinating area for hikers and we will have a complete schedule of events for the Club including hikes in the Daniel Boone National Forest near the Park. Beautiful camping area for those desiring to camp.

For information about the Hiking Club, contact our Membership Chairman, Juanita Lauth, 6154 Compton Avenue, Apt. A, Phone: 251-5989