



The Indianapolis Hiking Club

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Happiness - A Step at a Time

SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2006

(PLEASE --- NO PETS ON HIKES)

(49 YEARS OF SPONSORING OUTDOORS ACTIVITIES IN THE FORM OF HIKES AND OUTINGS)

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

	<u>TERRAIN</u>		<u>SURFACE</u>	<u>SPEED</u>
H (Hilly)	Continuously	NS (Natural)	Primarily Soft	Walking Speed in MPH
M (Mixed)	Hilly & Flat	HS (Hard)	Packed Dirt or Gravel	not including breaks
F (Flat)	Few Hills	PS (Paved)	Concrete or Blacktop	(e.g., 3.0 means 3 MPH or 20 minutes per mile)

Hikers should arrive at the meeting area at least 15 minutes early. This will enable the leader to complete sign-ups and start the hike on time. When adverse weather conditions prevail, the leader may reroute, shorten or cancel a hike. It is a good idea to check with the leader ahead of time if the weather is inclement.

Interested in leading a hike? Contact pathfinders: Jean Ballinger (276-2050 daytime) jbballinger@lilly.com for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (578-9026) ewright@indyhike.org for weekday hikes.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The Holiday Party was well attended and fun had by all! I would like to extend a special thank you to Donna Chastain, Joanne Applegate and Rita Bymaster for taking on the responsibility and doing such a fabulous job with the Holiday Party details. Also, I would like to thank Pat Lawler, Master of Ceremonies, for her clever ideas in keeping us entertained. We all thank Narcisso Povinelli, IHC member, who donated a kitchen knife to each IHC member, who attended the party.

Recently, several hike leaders expressed concern that they are being asked by some hikers to record more mileage than the hike is listed at (e.g., asking for 8 miles on a 6 mile hike), usually on the premise that they started early or plan to walk more miles after the hike is completed. The Board of Directors believes this is unfair to all members, many of whom walk many miles on their own for which they do not receive credit. Accordingly, the Board decided that the maximum mileage that will be awarded for any hike is the mileage listed in the schedule. The only exception will be if the planned hike turns out to be longer than what is listed in the schedule and everyone who completes the hike is credited with additional mileage (e.g., hike is listed at 6 miles, but everyone completes 7).

I extend the Club's gratitude to Ed Wright and Jean Ballinger for producing such terrific hike schedules. I encourage all to take advantage of the wonderful hikes in the upcoming months. Through hiking in February /March, one can begin to see the signs of spring while rekindling many friendships.

Please note on your calendars, our next General Assembly, Thursday, March 9th at the Unitarian Church where it has been held in the past. Come join us!

Happy Hiking, Michelle Buchanan

HIKE SCHEDULE

FEB 1 (WED 9:00 AM) EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS This is a great mid-week 8-mile workout on roads and trails. Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th Street entrance. Hike repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (M,NS/PS,3.5-4) Leader: Rich Peck (291-4873)

(WED 9:00 AM) PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE Sign-in sheet for this self-guided* hike will be at the Mall Information Desk. Take as many one-mile laps as you wish. Repeats each Wednesday in February. (F,PS) Leader: Genie Waltz (897-6493)

(WED 9:30 AM) GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL From I-70 in downtown Indy, take I-65 heading south. Exit I-65 at Raymond Street (exit 109) and go right (west) on Raymond Street for about 1/2 mile. Turn left (south) onto Pleasant Run Parkway N. Dr. and go to the next stoplight. Turn left onto Pagoda Drive; then turn left again and park in the swimming pool parking lot at 2450 Shelby Street. This is a 5-6 mile hike on the Pleasant Run Trail. Restroom break at beginning and half way through hike. Repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Reba Wooden (Home: 885-1612, Cell: 797-5892)

(WED 4:30 PM) EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE From I-465N exit at Michigan Rd. and go north. Turn left on 116th St. and drive to downtown Zionsville and take SR 334 west. Meet in the parking lot of the new Zionsville Town Hall at 1100 W. Oak St. (SR 334), across from McDonalds. This will be a 6-mile hike through quaint neighborhoods, the Zionsville Rail Trail and possibly Starkey Park. Repeats each Wednesday in February and March. In the event of inclement weather please call the hike leader. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Rena Elsner (873-6526).

(WED 6:00 PM) DOWNTOWN O'MALIA'S Meet in the northeast corner of O'Malia's parking lot at 320 N. New Jersey for a 5-7 mile self-guided* hike. Repeats each Wednesday in February and March. (F,PS) Leader: Michelle Buchanan (277-4008 work & 255-0588 home)

FEB 2 (THU 9:30 AM) EASY AT EAGLE CREEK Meet at the marina parking lot in Eagle Creek Park (fee) for a user-friendly trail hike of 5 miles with shorter options. Repeats each Thursday in February and March. (M,NS,2-3) Leader: Bill Larrison (388-0498)

(THU 4:30 PM) SPEEDWAY EXPRESS This is a hike Avis Shipman used to lead on Wednesday nights. Meet in northeast corner of Chase Bank lot at corner of Lynhurst and West 16th Street for a 5-mile hike with shorter options. Repeats each Thursday in February. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Jill McFall (291-6454)

FEB 3 (FRI 8:00 AM) CASTLETON MALL WALK Meet at food court near Dick's on the north side of Castleton Square for a self-guided* hike of one-mile laps for your desired mileage. Repeats each Friday in February and March. (F,PS) Leaders: Tom Patterson (849-9528) and Tom Bowers (846-5362)

(FRI 9:00 AM) BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St. entrance for a 6, 8 or 10-mile road hike. Repeats each Friday in February and March. (M,PS,3.5) Leaders: Elaine Wright (317-753-5516) & Fran Leone (849-7006)

(FRI 6:00 PM) OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI Note, a new leader for this long standing hike. Meet in downtown Shapiro's Deli lot, 808 S. Meridian, for a 6-mile hike. Repeats each Friday in February and March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Kinnaman (861-3979)

FEB 4 (SAT 8:00 AM) MONON RAIL-TRAIL Meet at the Monon Trail parking area just behind First Indiana Bank (next to Marsh supermarket) on 86th St. in Nora, for a 12 or 6-mile hike on the north end of the Monon Trail. (F,PS,3.5-4) Leader: Cindy West (299-7829)

(SAT 10:00 AM) EAGLE CREEK PARK Park in lot at the corner of Reed Road & 56th Street. Sign-up is at the parking lot, not inside the park. A 4-6 mile guided hike through woods, length depends on weather. Bathrooms may not be available. Join us for lunch afterwards at group or leader's choice. (H,NS,3) Leader: Anna Buckholz (371-8797)

(SAT 1:00 PM) SOUTHERN DUNES From I-465, go south on SR 37, turn right (west) on Southport Rd. Park in the Southport Landings lot on right. We will hike 7 mi. through this massive new development-in-progress. (F,PS,3.5). Repeats March 5. Leader: Ricki Jo Hoffmann (782-8147)

(SAT 7:00 PM) EUCHRE PARTY If you know how to play Euchre and would like to join other members of the IHC for a night of Euchre please join us at 615 W. 43rd St. in "The Commons", a building behind the Unitarian Universalist Church at that address. Ladies please bring snacks and gentlemen please bring drinks. Repeats March 4. Questions? Call Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell) or Cherie Voegel (848-7674)

- FEB 5 (SUN 9:00 AM) WALK AND WORSHIP From I-465 N, exit on Michigan Road heading south, turn left at first light (92nd. St.) and go ¼ mile to Pyramids. Meet in the parking lot for the Pyramids. This will be a 4-mile walk on paved roads followed by an optional 45-minute non-denominational and contemporary religious service inside Beef & Boards. Walking clothes are fine and there will be coffee, bagels, donuts, etc. Hope you stay for the inspirational service at the Garden. Bring the kids. Repeats each Sunday in February and March. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Rich Peck (291-4873)
(SUN 10:00 AM) YELLOWWOOD STATE FOREST Allow 1 1/2 hours from I-465. Take I-65 south to SR 46 west exit. Go west on SR 46 through Nashville. Between Nashville and Bloomington, watch for Yellowwood sign and Knights Corner Market on north side of road. From there follow signs to the forest and meet at the Visitors Center/Forest Office for a hike of 8 miles which will include seeing the unexplained rock in the tree. (M, HS, 2.5) Leader Tim Braun (883-2070 or cell 408-3051)
- FEB 6 (MON 9:00 AM) MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St. entrance for a 6-mile road hike. Repeats on March 6. (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Kate Curtiss (247-0283)
(MON 9:00 AM) EXPLORING CLERMONT From I-465 on the west side take the Speedway exit (16A) and immediately turn right at the first light onto 136 (Crawfordsville Road). At the 4th stoplight turn left (south) on Tansel Road. Go .3 mile to Clermont Lion's Club Park and turn left. This is a 5-6 mile hike with optional additional self-guided* miles. (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779)
(MON 6:00 PM) BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave. on Carrollton Ave. for a hike of 5-6 miles. Repeats each Monday night in February. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Brad Tollefson (875-9216)
- FEB 7 (TUE 9:30 AM) GARFIELD PARK AND SURROUNDING AREA This will be a 5-mile hike (with shorter options) around Garfield Park, the sunken garden, and along the walking path up Pleasant Run Pkwy. From I-70 in downtown Indy, take I-65 heading south. Exit I-65 at Raymond Street (exit 109) and go right (west) on Raymond Street for about 1/2 mile. Turn left (south) onto Pleasant Run Parkway N. Dr. and go to the next stoplight. Turn left onto Pagoda Drive; then turn left into the parking lot at the Burrello Family Center. (F,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Kathy Burch (cell: 625-3486)
(TUE 4:30 PM) BETTER THAN THERAPY Note, new leader. Meet at the Monon Trail parking area just behind First Indiana Bank on 86th St. in Nora (next to Marsh supermarket) for a 6-mile self guided* hike with shorter options. Repeats each Tuesday in February and March. (F,PS) Leader: Sukhbir Singh (842-5739)
(TUE 6:00 PM) SOUTHPORT & HOMECROFT Meet behind (north side) Walgreen's at the NE corner of Southport Road and Madison Avenue for a 5-mile self-guided* hike. Repeats each Tuesday in February. (F,PS) Leader: Ricki Jo Hoffmann (782-8147)
- FEB 8 (WED 9:00 AM) EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 1.
(WED 9:00 AM) PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See February 1.
(WED 9:30 AM) GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.
(WED 4:30 PM) EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
(WED 6:00 PM) DOWNTOWN O'MALIA'S See February 1.
- FEB 9 (THU 9:30 AM) EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.
(THU 4:30 PM) SPEEDWAY EXPRESS See February 2.
- FEB 10 (FRI 8:00 AM) CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.
(FRI 9:00 AM) BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 3.
(FRI 6:00 PM) OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 3.
- FEB 11 (SAT 8:00 AM) WEST CLAY TWP Meet at Village of West Clay Town Hall southeast of Towne Rd. and West 131st Street in Carmel for an 8-mile hike. Various routes mix trails, fields, country roads and neighborhood streets. Repeats March 4. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Tom Kapostasy (575-0768)

* SELF-GUIDED HIKES: Self-guided hikes are intended to allow you to walk at your own speed. Your leader is obligated only to sign you up & furnish you a map or instructions. If you do not wish to walk alone, plan for a partner ahead of time.

(SAT 9:00 AM) ANARCHY HIKE Yup, you heard right. On this hike, mob rule prevails. Meet at the north end of Monument Circle in downtown Indy for a 5-6 mile hike. Everyone who shows up gets a turn deciding which way we go. Only rule is that we stay within the boundaries of North, East, South and West streets. Should be lots of fun. After the hike, please join us for hot chocolate at the South Bend Chocolate Company on the circle. (F,PS,3) Mob rulers: Pat Lawler (329-2779) and Ellen Mutzl (852-5846; cell 490-5478)

(SAT 10:00 AM) MORGAN MONROE Allow about 1 hour and 15 minutes travel time from the intersection of I-465 and SR 37 on Indy's south side. Take SR 37 south about 4 miles south of Martinsville. Turn left at the sign for Morgan-Monroe State Forest and go about 4 miles to the forest entrance. Proceed into State Forest and turn right at Bryant Creek Lake parking area where we will start a 7 mile hike to Lazy Lake and back. Hiking boots required for this hilly hike. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Phil Short (856-7598)

FEB 12 (SUN 8:00 AM) NEW PALESTINE From I-465 on the east side take US 52 east for about 9 miles. Go past stop light in New Palestine about ¼ mile and turn right into the high school lot. Park in the NW corner. Bring water for a hike of 12-15 miles. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Kinnaman (861-3979)

(SUN 9:00 AM) WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.

(SUN 1:30 PM) GREENFIELD SCHOOLS Take I-70 east to the Greenfield exit. Turn right (S) on SR9 and go ½ mile to the stoplight. Turn left (E) and go 0.7 mile to North Apple Street. Turn right (S) and continue 1.9 miles to Riley Park. Park in lot next to pool. Sorry, no restrooms. Hike will be 5-6 miles in historic Greenfield. Repeats February 26, same starting location but different route. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (765-663-2739)

FEB 13 (MON 8:30 AM) ZOO AND CANAL Park in the southeast corner of the Indianapolis Zoo parking lot for a 7-mile hike along the canal and through the heart of downtown Indy. Repeats on February 27 and March 13 & 27. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rich Peck (291-4873)

(MON 9:00 AM) FALL CREEK Meet at Windridge Center at 5435 N. Emerson Way (O'Malia's parking lot near pond) for a 5 or 8-mile hike. The 8-mile option includes a mile loop through the State Fair grounds. Repeats on March 27. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Tish Brafford (251-8907)

(MON 6:00 PM) BROAD RIPPLE See February 6.

FEB 14 *HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!*

(TUE 9:00 AM) OVER, AROUND & THRU IUPUI - PLAGERIZED FOR AM This hike is similar to the one done every Friday evening. Meet in downtown Shapiro's Deli lot at 808 S. Meridian for a brisk 6 mile hike. Repeats on February 21 and March 21. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Phil Short (856-7598)

(TUE 9:30 AM) GLENDALE MALL TO BROAD RIPPLE PARK Meet at the food court inside the mall (Keystone Avenue at 62nd Street). We will have a 5-mile hike from the mall to the park. If conditions are bad (e.g. slippery), we will walk inside the mall instead. Repeats February 21 and 28. (F,P/N,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078)

(TUE 4:30 PM) BETTER THAN THERAPY See February 7.

(TUE 6:00 PM) SOUTHPORT & HOMECROFT See February 7.

FEB 15 (WED 9:00 AM) EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 1.

(WED 9:00 AM) PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See February 1.

(WED 9:30 AM) GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.

(WED 4:30 PM) EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.

(WED 6:00 PM) DOWNTOWN O'MALIA'S See February 1.

FEB 16 (THU 9:30 AM) EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.

(THU 4:30 PM) SPEEDWAY EXPRESS See February 2.

FEB 17 (FRI 8:00 AM) CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.

(FRI 9:00 AM) BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 3.

(FRI 6:00 PM) OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 3.

- FEB 18 (SAT 9:30 AM) M-M-M-M MARTIN STATE FOREST (MY WAY) Allow 2 hours travel from the I-465 south and SR 37. Take SR 37 south through Bedford, then US 50 west 17 miles to forest entrance. Veer right upon entering and park at Tower Hill Shelter for a 10-12 mile hike. Bring lunch and water. This should be an enjoyable hike that ties together the Martin, Hardwood & Pine Lakes. (M,NS,3) Leader: Nanette Tate (812 254-2485, 812 254-8456 cell).
(SAT 9:30 AM) DEVONSHIRES Meet near Cord Camera in Lakewood Village shopping mall at the southeast corner of 71st Street and Binford Blvd. (SR 37) for a 6-mile hike. (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Michele Kestle (251-7157)
- FEB 19 (SUN 9:00 AM) WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.
(SUN 9:00 AM) FRANKLIN TRAIL AND MUCH MORE Follow US 31 South through Franklin past the intersection of SR 44 & 144. Go over Young's Creek and turn right onto Franklin Lakes Blvd. Immediately on the right is the parking lot for Blue Heron Park. This is where we will park and meet for a 12 mile hike through Franklin. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Paula Perry (885-7517)
(SUN 11:00 AM) MONON-CARMEL CENTRAL PARK SNEAK PREVIEW WITH LUNCH OPTION A 12-mile (approx.) hike mainly on the Monon Trail with a side trip to the new Central Park area near 111th Street in Carmel. Numerous shorter options are available. For those who wish, we will stop midway for lunch or snack at Paradise Bakery/Cafe (awesome cookies) in the new Clay Terrace shopping center off 146th Street. Meet at the trailhead parking area on the north side of 96th Street east of US 31 about 1 mile. (F,PS,3) Leader: Cheryl Smolecki (575-8819)
- FEB 20 *PRESIDENTS DAY!*
(MON 9:00 AM) RISE AND SHINE This 6-mile hike is similar to the one I lead every Wednesday morning in Eagle Creek, only shorter and a little slower. Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th Street entrance. Hike repeats on March 20. (M,NS/PS,3.5) Leader: Rich Peck (291-4873)
(MON 6:00 PM) BROAD RIPPLE See February 6.
- FEB 21 (TUE 9:00 AM) OVER, AROUND & THRU IUPUI - PLAGERIZED FOR AM See February 14.
(TUE 9:30 AM) GLENDALE MALL TO BROAD RIPPLE PARK See February 14.
(TUE 4:30 PM) BETTER THAN THERAPY See February 7.
(TUE 6:00 PM) SOUTHPORT & HOMECROFT See February 7.
- FEB 22 (WED 9:00 AM) EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 1.
(WED 9:00 AM) PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See February 1.
(WED 9:30 AM) GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.
(WED 4:30 PM) EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
(WED 6:00 PM) DOWNTOWN O'MALIA'S See February 1.
- FEB 23 (THU 9:30 AM) EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.
(THU 4:30 PM) SPEEDWAY EXPRESS See February 2.
- FEB 24 (FRI 8:00 AM) CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.
(FRI 9:00 AM) BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 3.
(FRI 6:00 PM) OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 3.
- FEB 25 (SAT 9:30 AM) THREE LAKES TRAIL Allow 1 hour and 15 minutes travel time from the intersection of I-465 and SR 37. Take SR 37 south to about 4 miles south of Martinsville. Turn left at the sign for Morgan-Monroe State Forest and go about 4 miles to the park entrance. Turn left and go to the Three Lakes Trailhead for a 10-mile hike. Wear boots and consider bringing your hiking stick. Bring water and lunch. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Chuck Combs (841-1392)
(SAT 9:30 AM) FRANKLIN Take I-65 south to the SR 44 exit in Franklin (Exit 90). Turn right (west). Stay on SR 44 (it takes a couple of turns) until you see the courthouse. Meet on the south side of the courthouse. Alternatively, you can take U.S. 31 south to SR 44 in Franklin. Turn left onto SR 44, and go until you see the courthouse. Meet on south side of courthouse for 6-mile hike. Plan on

lunch afterwards at one of the local pubs or restaurants. (F,PS,3) Leader: Kathy Burch (782-3702; cell 625-3486)

- FEB 26 (SUN 8:00 AM) EAGLE CREEK VOLKSMARCH TRAIL AND BRISK ROAD HIKE After entering Eagle Creek Park's 56th St. entrance (fee), take the first left which goes to the beach. Park in the first lot on the right that is half way to the beach – if you reach the beach parking lot, you've gone too far. This is a 6 or 12-mile hike starting with the 6-mile Volksmarch trail and ending with a 6-mile road hike. (M,NS,3.5(trail),4(road)) Leader: Cindy West (299-7829)
(SUN 9:00 AM) WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.
(SUN 1:30 PM) GREENFIELD SCHOOLS Same starting location, different route. See February 12.
- FEB 27 (MON 8:30 AM) ZOO AND CANAL See February 13.
(MON 9:00 AM) NEAR NORTHSIDE Meet in the northeast corner of the downtown O'Malia's parking lot at 320 N. New Jersey. Hike will be 6-7 miles through old neighborhoods on Indy's north side. Repeats on March 20. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Ellen Mutzl (852-5846 or cell 490-5478)
(MON 6:00 PM) BROAD RIPPLE See February 6.
- FEB 28 (TUE 9:00 AM) BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Avenue on Carrollton Avenue for a 6 or 10-mile hike. Hike repeats on March 7, 14 and 28. (F,PS/NS,3.5) Leader: Tom Patterson (849-9528)
(TUE 9:30 AM) GLENDALE MALL TO BROAD RIPPLE PARK See February 14.
(TUE 4:30 PM) BETTER THAN THERAPY See February 7.
(TUE 6:00 PM) SOUTHPORT & HOMECROFT See February 7.
- MAR 1 (WED 9:00 AM) EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 1.
(WED 9:00 AM) PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE Sign-in sheet for this self-guided* hike will be at the Mall Information Desk. Take as many one-mile laps as you wish. Repeats each Wednesday in March. (F,PS) Leader: Bob Pedigo (891-1943)
(WED 9:30 AM) GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.
(WED 4:30 PM) EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
(WED 6:00 PM) DOWNTOWN O'MALIA'S See February 1.
- MAR 2 (THU 9:30 AM) EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.
(THU 6:00 PM) SPEEDWAY NIGHTS This is a revival of a hike that Avis Shipman used to lead. Meet in NE corner of parking lot in front of Kohl's in Speedway (5600 Crawfordsville Rd.) for a 4-6 mile hike. Repeats each Thurs. in March except 3/9. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Jill McFall (291-6454)
- MAR 3 (FRI 8:00 AM) CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.
(FRI 9:00 AM) BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 3.
(FRI 9:30 AM) MY OLD NEIGHBORHOOD Meet at 58th Street and Pennsylvania Ave. Park along the street in front of my childhood home. We will walk to 56th Street and Illinois Ave., then down the canal towpath to Butler and back at total of about 5-miles. After the hike, join us for lunch at the Illinois Street Emporium. Repeats on March 24. (F,PS/NS,2.5-3) Leader: Marthene Kohlmeyer (849-5051; cell-850-1291)
(FRI 6:00 PM) OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 3.
- MAR 4 (SAT 8:00 AM) WEST CLAY TWP See February 11.
(SAT 9:30 AM) KOTEEWI PARK The newest park in Hamilton County. This will be a prairie and river hike of 5-7 miles with shorter options. Take US31 north to light at CR236. Turn right at Cicero sign. Go east through Cicero. Just after crossing bridge over White River, turn left for parking area. OR take SR37 north to Strawtown Road. Turn left, parking area on right just before bridge over White River. (F,NS,3.0) Leader: Cheryl Conwell (872-2583)
(SAT 10:00 AM) BIG WALNUT NATURE PRESERVE Allow 1 1/4 hr. to drive from I-465 & Hwy. 36 on west side to Bainbridge. Turn right or north at only stop light in town which is Washington St. and go 2.4 miles to North Putnam High School parking lot for a 10 mile hike on paved and graveled

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roads to Nature Preserve and 2 covered bridges. No water or restrooms available. Lunch afterwards at Bainbridge Tap? (F,HS,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Phil Short (856-7598)
(SAT 7:00 PM) EUCHRE PARTY See February 4.

MAR 5 (SUN 8:00 AM) ACTON Meet at Retherford Park next to Acton Elementary School at 8010 Acton Road. Take I-74 to the Acton Road exit (heading south) and travel approximately two miles, just beyond the railroad tracks, the cemetery, Exchange Street and the school, on the right side of the road. Or, take I-65 to the Southport Road exit and head east for approximately 7 miles to where Southport Road "Ts" into Acton Road. Turn right - the park is less than a mile. This is a 19-20 mile road hike on country roads. Bring water and lunch. (F,PS,3.5-4) Leader: Rory Wyss (784-5312)
(SUN 9:00 AM) WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.
(SUN 1:00 PM) SOUTHERN DUNES See February 4.

MAR 6 (MON 9:00 AM) MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL See February 6.
(MON 9:00 AM) DOWN BY THE RIVERSIDE Meet at White River Park Visitors Center on West Washington Street, across from Victory Field, for a 5-6 mile hike which will take us by the White River and other parts of downtown Indy. (F,PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)
(MON 6:00 PM) BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave. on Carrollton Ave. for a hike of 5-6 miles. This hike is not self-guided. (F,PS/NS,3.5) Leader: Tom Hollett (848-2648)

MAR 7 (TUE 9:00 AM) BROAD RIPPLE See February 28.
(TUE 9:30 AM) MORGAN-MONROE STATE FOREST Allow about 1 hour and 15 minutes travel time from the intersection of I-465 and SR 37 on Indy's south side. Take SR 37 south about 4 miles south of Martinsville. Turn left at the sign for Morgan-Monroe State Forest and go about 4 miles to the forest entrance. Turn left and go about 5 miles to the Fire Tower parking lot, which is beyond the turnoff for the Fire HQ. This is a hike of 5-6 miles. If the roads are icy, call the leader to ensure that the hike has not been cancelled. Repeats each Tuesday in March. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (881-8416) and JC Overton (831-5135)
(TUE 4:30 PM) BETTER THAN THERAPY See February 7.
(TUE 6:00 PM) GREENWOOD Meet in the parking lot by the softball field at Westside Park in Greenwood. Westside Park is ½ mile west of Highway 31 on Main St. Entrance is on the right side (north side) of Main St. 6-mile hike repeats each Tuesday in March. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Reba Wooden (885-1612)

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(WED 6:00 PM) DOWNTOWN O'MALIA'S See February 1.

MAR 9 (THU 9:30 AM) EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.
(THU 6:30 PM) GENERAL ASSEMBLY All members and guests are invited to attend this semi-annual meeting. Refreshments will be served. Once again, the meeting will be held at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Indianapolis, 615 W. 43rd St., between Crown Hill Cemetery and the main dorm at Butler University. Our featured speaker will be from Eagle Creek Park. His presentation will be on the new Earth Discovery Center, a state of the art 17,000 sq feet facility that will replace the current nature center. Considering all the hiking we do in the park you won't want to miss the talk.

MAR 10 (FRI 8:00 AM) CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.
(FRI 9:00 AM) BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 3.
(FRI 6:00 PM) OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 3.

MAR 11 (SAT 9:30 AM) PATOKA LAKE (Newton-Stewart SRA) Allow 2½ -3 hours travel. Take SR37 south to SR64 west at English (10 miles) to SR145 north (3 miles) to SR164 west (1 mile) to Wickliffe.

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Turn north and follow signs to Visitor's Center parking lot for a 10-12 mile hike. Bring lunch and water. The scenic uplands include rock shelters, stone outcroppings, pine plantations, and fine vistas of the lake. (M, NS, 3) Leader: Nanette Tate (812 254-2485, 812 254-8456 cell)
 (SAT 10:00 AM) STORY Take SR 135 south through Nashville. Turn left at the 2nd light onto SR 46 heading east. Go past the entrance to Brown County State Park until you get to 135 South (Horseman's camp sign, same road you take to Gnaw Bone Camp). Drive about 7 miles south until you reach Story. Alternatively, you can take I-65 south to the SR 46 exit at Columbus. Go west about 15 miles until you see 135 South and turn left and follow the directions above to Story. Park at the Story Inn's parking lot or across the road. We will walk along country roads and into Hoosier National Forest for about 8 miles and afterwards we will eat at the Inn. (M,PS,3) Leader: Marthene Kohlmeier (849-5051)

- MAR 12 (SUN 9:00 AM) WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.
 (SUN 9:30 AM) NEWCOMERS' HIKE Park in the Gene B. Glick Junior Achievement Center parking lot, northwest of the Super Wal-Mart, at the intersection of 74th St. and Keystone Ave. This will be a 5-mile hike with a 3-mile option. Restrooms available. (F,PS,3) Leader: Betty Steed (251-8210)
 (SUN 1:30 AM) MOSCOW COVERED BRIDGE Allow 1 hour travel time from I-465 S. Take I-465 south to I-74 east towards Cincinnati. Go to Exit 119 - Milroy/Andersonville (25 miles). Turn east (left) on SR 244. Go to Co. Rd. 650W (7 miles) and turn right. You will see a sign for Moscow. Go into Moscow and park. We will meet at the covered bridge for a 7-10 mile walk. Shorter options available. (M,PS,3) Leader: Julie Litten (765-663-2739)
- MAR 13 (MON 8:30 AM) ZOO AND CANAL See February 13.
 (MON 9:00 AM) ALL AROUND THE TOWN Park at the White River Park Visitor Center off West Washington Street across from Victory Field for a 7 mile hike. (F, PS, 3-3.5) Leader: Ellen Mutzl (852-5846 or cell 490-5478)
 (MON 6:00 PM) BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave. on Carrollton Ave. for a hike of 5-6 miles. This hike is not self-guided. Repeats March 20 & 27. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Jean Ballinger (276-2050 daytime)
- MAR 14 (TUE 9:00 AM) BROAD RIPPLE See February 28.
 (TUE 9:30 AM) MORGAN-MONROE STATE FOREST See March 7.
 (TUE 4:30 PM) BETTER THAN THERAPY See February 7.
 (TUE 6:00 PM) GREENWOOD See March 7.
- MAR 15 (WED 9:00 AM) EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 1.
 (WED 9:00 AM) PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See March 1.
 (WED 9:30 AM) GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.
 (WED 4:30 PM) EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
 (WED 6:00 PM) DOWNTOWN O'MALIA'S See February 1.
- MAR 16 (THU 9:30 AM) EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.
 (THU 6:00 PM) SPEEDWAY NIGHTS See March 2.
- MAR 17 (FRI 8:00 AM) CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.
 (FRI 9:00 AM) BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 3.
 (FRI 4:30 PM) ST. PATRICK'S DAY IN ZIONSVILLE From I-465N exit at Michigan Rd. and go north. Turn left on 116th St. and drive to downtown Zionsville and take SR 334 west. Meet in the parking lot of the new Zionsville Town Hall at 1100 W. Oak St. (SR 334), across from McDonalds. This will be a 6-mile hike through quaint neighborhoods and downtown. Join us at Friendly Tavern's party tent after the hike to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Rena Elsner (873-6526).
 (FRI 6:00 PM) OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 3.
- MAR 17, 18, 19 (FRI,SAT,SUN) WINTER WEEKEND AT SPRING MILL STATE PARK for members and their invited guests. A room reservation supplement for the Spring Mill Inn was mailed to all members

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with the Dec-Jan schedule. Deadline for Friday and Saturday night room reservations is Feb. 17. Hikes are tentatively planned for SAT 9:00 AM, SAT 2:00 PM and SUN 9:00 AM. All hikes will begin at the Inn. Day hikers are welcome to come down and hike with the overnights. Allow 1 1/2 hours travel time from I-465 on the south side of Indianapolis. Take SR 37 south through Bloomington and Bedford to Mitchell. Turn left on SR 60 and go a few miles to the Park entrance (fee). Contact Bill Larrison (388-0498) for additional information.

- MAR 18 (SAT 8:00 AM) MONON RAIL-TRAIL Meet at the 96th Street parking lot for the Monon Trail for a 26-mile hike with 6 or 12-mile options beginning on the Monon Trail. The second half of the 6 or 12 mile option will be self-guided*. (F,PS/HS,3.5-4) Leader: Cindy West (299-7829)
(SAT 8:45 AM) HOLLIDAY PARK ANNUAL TRAIL RUN/WALK Meet in front of the park Nature Center for 5 mile *self-guided hike. Event starts at 9:00 AM. Pre-registration available on www.tuxbro.com. Registration is limited, so it may close before the day of event. (M,NS) Leader: Swati Gunale (847-0684)
(SAT 10:00 AM) EAGLE CREEK TRAIL HIKE Meet inside Eagle Creek Park (fee) at 1st lot past the 56th St. entrance for a 5-mile hike. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leader: Bob Corya (297-3926)
- MAR 19 (SUN 9:00 AM) WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.
(SUN 9:00 AM) HIKE AROUND EAGLE CREEK A 12-mile hike around Eagle Creek Reservoir, including the more rugged west side. Meet at Eagle Creek Park (fee) beach parking lot. Take the first left after entering the 56th St. park entrance and go halfway down the hill toward the beach. Or park on Reed Road and walk in. Save your gate receipt, since we will leave the park and return. Bring water. (M,NS,3.5) Leader: Ed Wright (578-9026)
- MAR 20 (MON 9:00 AM) RISE AND SHINE See February 20
(MON 9:00 AM) NEAR NORTHSIDE See February 27.
(MON 6:00 PM) BROAD RIPPLE See March 13.
- MAR 21 (TUE 9:00 AM) OVER, AROUND & THRU IUPUI - PLAGERIZED FOR AM See February 14.
(TUE 9:30 AM) MORGAN-MONROE STATE FOREST See March 7.
(TUE 4:30 PM) BETTER THAN THERAPY See February 7.
(TUE 6:00 PM) GREENWOOD See March 7.
- MAR 22 (WED 9:00 AM) EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 1.
(WED 9:00 AM) PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See March 1.
(WED 9:30 AM) GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.
(WED 4:30 PM) EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
(WED 6:00 PM) DOWNTOWN O'MALIA'S See February 1.
- MAR 23 (THU 9:30 AM) EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.
(THU 6:00 PM) SPEEDWAY NIGHTS See March 2.
- MAR 24 (FRI 8:00 AM) CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.
(FRI 9:00 AM) BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 3.
(FRI 9:30 AM) MY OLD NEIGHBORHOOD See March 3.
(FRI 6:00 PM) OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 3.
- MAR 25 (SAT 9:00 AM) DEAM WILDERNESS, PART II Allow 2 hours from I-465. Go south on SR 37 and east on SR 46 through Bloomington. Turn right on SR 446, cross Monroe Reservoir causeway, and go 4.3 miles farther. Just after Maumee Boy Scout sign, turn left on Tower Road and go 6.1 miles to fire tower. Bring lunch and water for a 16-mile hike with a 10-mile option. (M,NS,3) Leader: Jill McFall (291-6454)
(SAT 9:30 AM) FORT HARRISON STATE PARK Park entrance (fee) is located at 59th and Post Road. Meet at Delaware Lake lot for a hike of 5-7 miles with shorter options. (M,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078)

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- MAR 26 (SUN 8:00 AM) ELLENBERGER PARK Meet in lot near swimming pool at Ellenberger Park (5400 E. St Clair & 800 N. Ritter) for a 12-15 mile hike. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Rick Kinnaman (861-3979)
 (SUN 9:00 AM) WALK AND WORSHIP See February 5.
 (SUN 9:30 AM) MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK Take SR 67 southwest to Spencer and SR 46 east to the park (fee). Meet in the Inn parking lot for a 5-6 mile hike. Lunch at the Inn. (M,NS,3) Leader: Jean Ballinger (276-2050-days; 696-2120-cell)
 (SUN 1:00 PM) MCCORMICK'S CREEK STATE PARK Follow directions above for a 6-7 mile hike. (M,NS,3) Leader: Jean Ballinger (276-2050-days; 696-2120-cell)
 (SUN 1:00 PM) GARFIELD PARK TO FOUNTAIN SQUARE Park at swimming pool in Garfield Park (2450 Shelby Street) for a 10 mile hike with 6 and 8 mile options. Enter park off of Southern Avenue. We will visit the historical homes and businesses of Fountain Square with a stop at the Dairy Queen. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Glee Crowder (859-8159)
- MAR 27 (MON 8:30 AM) ZOO AND CANAL See February 13.
 (MON 9:00 AM) FALL CREEK See February 13.
 (MON 6:00 PM) BROAD RIPPLE See March 13.
- MAR 28 (TUE 9:00 AM) BROAD RIPPLE See February 28.
 (TUE 9:30 AM) MORGAN-MONROE STATE FOREST See March 7.
 (TUE 4:30 PM) BETTER THAN THERAPY See February 7.
 (TUE 6:00 PM) GREENWOOD See March 7.
- MAR 29 (WED 9:00 AM) EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See February 1.
 (WED 9:00 AM) PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See March 1.
 (WED 9:30 AM) GARFIELD PARK/PLEASANT RUN TRAIL See February 1.
 (WED 4:30 PM) EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE See February 1.
 (WED 6:00 PM) DOWNTOWN O'MALIA'S See February 1.
- MAR 30 (THU 9:30 AM) EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See February 2.
 (THU 6:00 PM) SPEEDWAY NIGHTS See March 2.
- MAR 31 (FRI 8:00 AM) CASTLETON MALL WALK See February 3.
 (FRI 9:00 AM) BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See February 3.
 (FRI 6:00 PM) OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See February 3.

PLAN FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS: Contact a pathfinder if you would like to preview a future event.

CALIFORNIA HERE WE COME AGAIN – April 2-8 For complete details about this exciting trip to sunny southern California check www.indyhike.org/LA on the Club web site. It should answer all your questions. This trip is really coming together. Planned hikes and sightseeing activities include: Pasadena and the Rose Bowl, Monrovia Canyon, Eaton Canyon, visit to Jay Leno show, day trip to Catalina Island, Santa Anita Canyon, sightseeing in Hollywood, night hike in Griffith Park, Joshua Tree National Monument, Palm Springs, Sam Merrill Trail, Topanga Canyon and Santa Monica Beach. We plan to travel together by van(s) and split the cost of rental and gas. Make your own air arrangements to Los Angeles. Most people will probably arrive in LA on Saturday afternoon. The first hike is on Sunday afternoon, April 2. A block of rooms has been reserved in Pasadena at the Vagabond Inn. Call 626-449-3170 and ask for the Indianapolis Hiking Club special rate of \$67/night for one double bed or \$74/night for two double beds, plus tax. Since time is getting short, please call Pat ASAP at 329-2779 or 652-2779 cell if you are interested in joining this trip or if you have any questions.

9th ANNUAL SMOKY MOUNTAINS WEEKEND - April 20-22 It's time to make your room reservations for the annual Club trip to the Smokies. Some suggestions are Riverhouse at the Park (865-436-2070), Riverhouse Motor Lodge (865-436-7821) and Rainbow Motel (800-422-8922). Jean Ballinger ((882-4760)

C&O CANAL ONE DAY HIKE – April 29 Join us for the mid-Atlantic region's oldest long-distance day hike - 100K (62.14 miles) from Washington DC to Harpers Ferry, WV. The hike is an annual event sponsored by the DC Sierra Club. There are options of 80K (49.7 miles) and 50K (31 miles). All options are self-guided* and

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registration (\$27) is required before April 17. Check www.onedayhike.org for details on registration, lodging, etc. Don't wait too long to make your lodging reservations as this is a popular time for this area. Our group will be staying in Harper's Ferry and taking a shuttle (\$42.40) around midnight to the trailhead in Washington. The hike begins at 3:00 AM. (F,HS) Leader: Cindy West (299-7829) or e-mail cwest@binghammchale.com.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND – September 2-4 Mark your calendar for next year's Club labor day weekend, which will be held at Greenbo Lake State Resort in eastern Kentucky.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK, ESTES PARK, CO – September 26-October 1 Hikes are planned beginning on Tuesday, 9/26 through Saturday, 9/30, with an optional hike on October 1 for those staying through the weekend. Most hikes will be moderate distance (5-7 miles) with modest altitude gain (usually under 1,000 feet). Shorter and more challenging options will be available on most hikes, making the trip suitable for just about everyone. All hikes will offer beautiful mountain vistas, flowing streams, pristine lakes and golden aspens. You are guaranteed to see many elk this time of year. Since most hikes will ascend from over 9,000 feet, give yourself at least 24 hours (preferably two full days) to adjust to the altitude before you start to hike. Make your own flight (to Denver), hotel and car reservations. Because of the high altitude, we suggest a six-cylinder car or SUV. There are many accommodations in Estes Park to choose from - elegant to modest. Here are a few suggestions. Valhalla Resort (where Narcisso and about 30 other club members plan to stay) offers nicely appointed vacation homes with living room, equipped kitchen, fireplace, cable TV, deck, BBQ and 1-3 bedrooms. Linens and towels are included. Each unit is different and so are the rates. Most units are already booked, so call soon if you are interested. Check www.ValhallaResort.com or call 1-800-522-3284. Mention you are with the Hiking Club and ask for a senior discount if you are over 62. Other hotel possibilities include Comfort Inn (800-228-5150), Best Western Silver Saddle (800-528-1234) and All Budget Inn (800-628-3438). Also, check out www.estesparkresort.com or www.estes-park.com for many more accommodations and information about the area. If you plan to attend this trip, please call me with the names of the members and guests in your party so we can get a count and plan appropriate hikes. Narcisso Povinelli (784-9381 or narcisso_povinelli@sbcglobal.net)

PLEASE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS VOTED IN AT RECENT BOARD MEETINGS:

12/15 Laird, Joy	7605 Broadview Dr.	46227	888 3368
12/15 Tavel, Carole	1139 Frederick, S. Dr.	46260	253 7542
1/19 Spangler, Sheila	356 Boylston St. Apt 5201, Carmel, IN.	46032	
1/19 Patterson, Mark & Darlene	14944 East 206th St., Noblesville, IN.	46060	765 534 5131

RE-INSTATEMENTS

Bryant, Larry	7470 Monaghan Lane	46217	888 7680
Martin, Brendan	33 N. Munsie St., Cumberland IN.	46229	894 0963
Tygun, James L.	25 North Catherwood Ave.	46219	352 0639
Sheets-Eaton, Celeste	8201 E. Michigan St.	46219	897 8711

ADDRESS AND PHONE CORRECTIONS ON NEW ROSTER

Roesch, Thomas & Theresa	1698 Ginseng Trail, Avon, IN.	46123	317 718 5532
Rogers, Audrey	3866 Gourneck Road, N.W., Tullahoma, TN	37388	931 393 5144
Mitzel, Carolyn	11664 Boardwalk Ln, Fishers, IN.	46037	409 2381
Higdon, Ron	P.O. Box 17755	46227	

OBITUARY: The Hiking Club extends sympathy to the following members in the loss of loved ones.

Mary Ann Layman in the loss of her mother.

Ricki Jo Hoffmann in the loss of her father.

Lu Ann Daub in the loss of her mother.

HEALTH NEWS: Kate Curtiss fell and broke her wrist in December.

Olga Woolman had a stroke recently. Is in a health care center.

June Pogue had toe operation. Is out of hiking for several weeks.

Tom Kafoure is taking additional treatments.

Glee Crowder fell on a recent hike and broke her wrist.

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CONGRATULATIONS: Mary MacIntosh and Walter Weaver were married November 4, 2005.
Our best wishes for their future happiness.

SPECIAL REPORT: Kim Mullers house burned recently and is presently uninhabitable.
(Probably 2 to 3 months during repairs). She is staying at the RESIDENCE
INN on 71st St just west of I-465 west. Her phone is 275-6000 (suite 204)
in case you want to call and offer help.

INDIANAPOLIS HIKING CLUB INFORMATION: Contact Mary Williams, 695 Old Plank Road,
Franklin, IN 46131 (422-9384) for information. Membership applicants must be at least
18 years old and have hiked on at least 2 hikes as a guest