



The Indianapolis Hiking Club

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Happiness - A Step at a Time



SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 2008 AND JANUARY 2009

(PLEASE --- NO PETS ON HIKES)

(CELEBRATING 52 YEARS OF SPONSORING HIKES AND OUTINGS)

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

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

Hikers should arrive at the meeting location 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) jballinger@lilly.com for weekend hikes or Ed Wright (219-5536) ewright@indyhike.org for weekday hikes.

WINTER HIKING: Hike leaders are responsible for safety first and may cancel a hike at any time. If the weather is bad or roads icy, please call the leader ahead of time to confirm a hike. Whenever possible, out of town leaders should make cancellation decisions by 6 PM of the preceding day.

ANNUAL DUES REMINDER: If you have not already paid your annual dues, please do so soon and save us the cost of sending out reminder letters. Dues are \$15 for one person and \$22 for a family. Your check should be made out to the Indianapolis Hiking Club and mailed to Mary Ann Layman at 3871 W. Fairview Rd, Greenwood, IN 46142. Contact her at 881-8416 or malayman@earthlink.net if you have any questions.

CLUB EMAIL GROUP: We have started a new email Yahoo group called "indyhike" to facilitate email communication between Club members. This free service is open to all members and is not open to the public. To find the group on the Internet, go to www.groups.yahoo.com and input "indyhike" in the search box. You are encouraged to use this email list to contact other members about subjects of common interest pertaining to the Club, such as carpooling to hikes, trail maintenance opportunities and upcoming events. When sending an email to the group, please use the subject line to indicate what your message is about. That way, members who are not interested in your topic (e.g., a trail maintenance project) can skip over the message. For example, if you are interested in carpooling to a specific hike, put "carpooling to Mary's hike on Sat" in the subject line. You get the idea.

If you submitted your email address with your annual dues renewal, you will receive an invitation by email to join the group. Then you simply follow the link in the email and join the group. If you did not provide your email address you may still join the group by going to www.groups.yahoo.com/group/indyhike. Click on "Join this group" and follow the instructions. You will be able to specify an email address where you want group emails sent. You will also need to join Yahoo groups (no cost) if you are not already a member. If you find any part of the process confusing or if you have questions please email me at j.griffitts@sbcglobal.net or call me at 297-7312.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER: WOW, the election over, fall fading, holiday happenings. We have many great hikes for you to choose from to avoid winter boredom. Our disaster relief collection during August and September totaled \$903.61. With the Club match, the check sent to the Salvation Army was \$1,807.22. Your generosity was welcome and Thank-you! Look for the Christmas party details later in this program. Hope you can join in the festivities on Sunday, December 7. I encourage all of us to remember that you represent IHC each time you attend a hike. What you say to strangers reflects on all of us as well as the Club. A member wants to remind us that while waiting for a hike to start, idling your car hurts the environment and costs you money. You're already dressed for the cold so how about turning off the engine.

See you on the trail.
Cheryl Conwell, President

HIKE SCHEDULE

Monday, December 1

- 9:00 AM BOBBY KENNEDY AND MARTIN LUTHER KING MEMORIAL Join us for a 5-6 mile hike to the inspirational memorial to two famous fallen leaders and through Indy's old north side. Take Meridian to 16th Street and go east a few blocks. Park in the southwest corner of Kroger's on 16th Street and Park Ave. (F,PS,3). Leader: Tish Brafford (251-8907 or 531-6700 cell) and Pat Lawler (329-2779; or 652-2779 cell)
- 9:00 AM LAKE CLEARWATER Park in the Gene B. Glick Junior Achievement Center parking lot, northwest of the Super Wal-Mart, at the intersection of 74th Street and Keystone Avenue. This will be a 6-mile hike. Repeats on December 29 and January 5. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Mary Ladd (430-3711)
- 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 January 5. (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Kate Curtiss (247-0283)
- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave. on Carrollton Avenue for a hike of 5-6 miles. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Tom Hollett (848-2648)

Tuesday, December 2

- 9:30 AM DEPAUW NATURE PARK & DEPAUW UNIVERSITY Allow one hour from the intersection I-465/I-70 on the west side. Take I-70 west to the Cloverdale/Greencastle (SR 231) exit. Turn right (north) and follow SR 231 for about 7 miles into Greencastle. Turn left on Washington Street (SR 231), which becomes Jackson Street (west side of the courthouse). Drive one block and turn right on Walnut Street. Continue 1/2 mile to park entrance on the left side. Follow the driveway about 1 mile to the main parking lot for an 8-mile scenic hike around the park and university. Repeats on December 9, 16 and 27. (F,HS,3.5) Leader: Lucy Neal (765-720-7337 cell; 765-653-1502 home)
- 9:30 AM SLOW HIKE AT SOUTHEASTWAY PARK Go southeast on US 52 (Brookville Road) to Carroll Road (stoplight) on the Marion-Hancock county line. Turn right (south) and go 3.2 miles to park entrance. Meet at Activity Center lot for a hike of 4-5 miles (F,NS/PS,2.5) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)
- 9:30 AM A DIFFERENT SLANT ON ZIONSVILLE Take SR 334 through the center of Zionsville. The road turns into Oak Street. Drive for about a mile until you reach Ford Road and then turn right (north) and go another mile until you come to a stop sign. Turn left (west) on Whitestown Road and park in the north lot of Zionsville United Methodist Church. We will walk a hiking path for 2 miles into town and then 3 miles back for a total of 5 miles. We will eat in a nice restaurant in Zionsville after the hike. Repeats on December 10, January 13 and 27. (F,PS,2.5-3) Leader: Marthene Kohlmeyer (cell 850-1291)
- 6:00 PM SOUTHPORT Meet behind (north side) Walgreens at the NE corner of Southport Road and Madison Avenue for a 5-mile hike (not self-guided); the route may vary each week. Repeats each Tuesday in December. (F,PS,3)) Leader: Ricki Jo Hoffmann (782-8147)

Wednesday, December 3

- 9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS This is a great 7-mile brisk workout on roads and trails, with a shorter option. Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside the 56th St entrance. Hike repeats each Wednesday in December and January. (M,NS/PS,3.5) Leader: Rich Peck (291-4873)
- 9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE Sign-up sheet for this self-guided* hike at Washington Square Mall will be at the Information Desk. Take as many one-mile laps as you wish. Repeats each Wednesday in December. (F,PS) Leader: Genie Waltz (897-6493)
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE From I-465N exit at Michigan Road and go north. Turn left on 116th Street and drive to downtown Zionsville and take SR 334 west. Meet in the parking lot of the Zionsville Town Hall at 1100 W. Oak Street (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 December and January, except December 24 and 31. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Ren. Elsner (873-6526).

* 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.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE Meet in the northeast corner of the Marsh at Lockerbie (formerly O'Malia's) parking lot at 320 N. New Jersey. In addition to the usual 5 or 7-mile self guided* option, during December John will lead a moderate pace (3-3.5 MPH) guided hike through downtown to view the holiday decorations with an optional dinner stop after the hike. Repeats each Wednesday in December and January, except Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. (F,PS) Leader: John Lyghtel (578-9756)

Thursday, December 4

9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL Meet at Windridge Center at 5435 N. Emerson Way in front of O'Malia's near pond for a 6-mile hike. Repeats each Thursday in December and January, except Christmas and New Year's Day. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Elaine Wright (753-5516)

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK Meet at the Earth Discovery Center parking lot in Eagle Creek Park (fee), which is located off of west 56th Street, just west of the Colts facility. Join us for a moderately paced (3.0 MPH) 5-mile trail hike or one of several slower/shorter options. Repeats each Thursday in December and January, except Christmas Day. (M,NS,3) Sponsored by Bill Larrison (388-0498), various leaders.

3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL Take US 52 East to Rushville. Turn left on Spencer St (right after you go by the VP) and take it to the T (stop sign) and turn right. Continue until you pass the football field on the left and turn left on Lions Path. Park in the lot across from Rushville High School. Restrooms and water are available in the high school. This will be a 6-mile walk on the fitness trail through the park and around the schools. Repeats each Thursday in December and January, except Christmas Day. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (765-663-2739 or 407-4652)

6:00 PM CHAPEL HILL Park in the Chapel Hill Shopping Center behind the Arby's on West 10th Street across from the newly named Chapel Hill 7th and 8th grade center (looks like a palace). This will be a 5-mile hike. Repeats on December 18. (F,3-3.5,PS) Leader: Jill McFall (291-6454)

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

Friday, December 5

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE 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 Zionsville Town Hall at 1100 W. Oak Street (SR334) across from McDonalds. This will be a 6-mile hike with a 4 or 5-mile option, through quaint neighborhoods, the Zionsville Rail Trail and possibly Starkey Park. Repeats each Friday in December and January. (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Rena Elsner (873-6526)

9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK This is a fast-paced 6, 8 or 10-mile road hike. Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside the 56th St entrance. Repeats each Friday in December and January. (M,PS,3.5-4) Leader: Joan Griffiths (297-7312)

9:00 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. Call if the weather is inclement to insure the hike is not canceled. Repeats each Friday in December and January, except December 26 and January 2. (F,PS) Leaders: June Sergi (372-3018) and Marge Braun (842-0584)

9:30 AM HUMMEL PARK Take I-70 west to the Plainfield exit (SR 267). Go right (north) to the first stoplight, Hadley Road, and turn left. At Center Street (4-way stop) turn right. Go to the second entrance to Hummel Park and turn left into the park. Continue to the parking lot at the rear of the park. This will be a 5-mile hike. Repeats on January 16 and 30. (F,PS,2.5) Leaders: Len and Gay Behling (839-3002)

6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI Meet in downtown Shapiro's Deli lot, 808 S. Meridian, for a 6-mile hike. Repeats every Friday in December and January. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Rick Kinnaman (861-3979)

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Saturday, December 6

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL Sign in at the food court for this self guided* hike. Take as many one-mile laps as you want. Repeats each Saturday in December and January. (F,PS) Leader: Glee Crowder (859-8159)
- 8:45 AM TECUMSEH TRAIL MARATHON AND YELLOWWOOD LAKE FUN RUN Marathon (26.2 mi.) starts at 10:00 AM, and fun run (5.5 mi.) starts at 11:00 AM and is self-guided*. For information and pre-registration (required) see <http://www.dinoseries.com/marathon.html>. Allow 1½ hours travel time. From I-465 on the south side, take SR 37 south to SR 252. Turn left on SR 252 and go to SR 135. Turn right on SR 135 and go to SR 45. Turn right on SR 45 and go to Lanam Ridge Road. Turn left, then right on Yellowwood Lake Road to campground/shelter house. Meet at bus at 8:45 AM to shuttle to start line. (M/NS) Leader: Joan Griffiths (297-7312)
- 9:30 AM SLOW HIKE AT FORT HARRISON STATE PARK From the east leg of I-465 take 56th Street east. Turn left on Post Road. Park entrance (fee) is located at 59th and Post Road. Meet at Delaware Lake lot. Hike of 4-5 miles will be repeated on January 3 and 31. (M,NS/PS,2.5) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078, or 439-1468-cell)
- 10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER Meet in the free parking lot ½ block south of Broad Ripple Avenue on Carrollton Avenue for a self-guided* 6 or 10-mile hike. Repeats each Saturday at 10:00 AM and Sunday at 1:00 PM in December and January except December 7. (F,PS) Leader: Donna Maurer (328-1974-home; 413-5709-cell)
- 10:30 AM NEWCOMERS HIKE GARFIELD PARK TO PROSPECT AND BACK Join us for a pleasant walk along Pleasant Run Pkwy. This will be a 5-mile hike starting at Garfield Park's swimming pool parking lot at 2450 Shelby Street. Enter park off Southern Avenue. Turn left and follow road back to the pool, or enter off Pleasant Run Pkwy and turn left at the pool parking lot. (F,HS,3) Leader: Marti Applegate (784-3721; 289-1756-cell)
- 2:00 PM CHRISTMAS AT THE MILL Allow 2½ hours from I-465 (130 miles) taking I-70 East to Rt. 72 (Exit 54) in Ohio. Go south (right) on Rt. 72 to Clifton. Turn right at the mill on Water Street. Go to curve at end of street and park in Clifton Gorge State Nature Preserve parking lot. This is a 5-mile woods hike along Little Miami River. Listen to rushing water in western Ohio's most scenic state park. Meet at 12:30 PM for lunch at the mill before the hike. The Christmas light display (over 3 million lights) comes on at 6:00 PM (\$7.00/adult). Suggested carpool location: 10:00 AM at I-465 & E. Washington St., SE quadrant of intersection in front of Skyline Chili. (M,HS,2.5-3) Leader: David Kincaid (787-6593)
- 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 January 3. Questions? Call Pat Lawler (329-2779; or 652-2779-cell) or Cherie Voegel (848-7674)

Sunday, December 7***Pearl Harbor Day***

- 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 December and January. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Rena Elsner (873-6526)
- 9:00 AM WEDNESDAY ON SUNDAY This is the same brisk 8-mile trail hike we do every Wednesday morning in Eagle Creek Park (fee). Meet in parking lot just inside 56th Street entrance. The hike will be over by 11:15 AM, so you will have plenty of time to make the Christmas Party. (M,NS,3.5) Leader: Ed Wright (219-5536)
- 2:00 PM CHRISTMAS PARTY *Oh, come all ye faithful* members. It's our annual holiday celebration for members and invited guests. This year we will be entertained by our own "Dancing with Our Stars" dance club. Rumor has it that some of the dancers are hiking club members. It should be lots of fun. Bring your favorite meat, *no partridge in a pear tree* please, veggie, salad or dessert pitch-dish and be prepared for good food and great company. Eating utensils, paper products, coffee, tea and lemonade will be provided. The facility has a liquor license so BYOB. And, *jolly ole St. Nickolas, la la la la*, will probably make an appearance. Also, in keeping with the season of giving,

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you are invited to bring a non-perishable foodstuff for the Healthy Families Food Pantry. Where, one might ask, is this haven of holiday frivolity? Ah yes, at the Clermont Lions Club located at 3201 Tansel Road on the west side of Indy. From I-465 take the Speedway exit (16A) and immediately turn right at the first light onto 136 (Crawfordsville Road) heading west. Go to the 5th stop light (Tansel Road) and turn left. Go 1/3 mi. and turn into the park on your left. *It's beginning to look a lot like...* the same place as last year. If you have questions, call Sue Bullock (288-0793), Sandy Fillenwarth (465-9129) or Susanne McNeely (247-4101).

Monday, December 8

- 9:00 AM OVER, UNDER, AROUND AND THROUGH Explore Broad Ripple and nearby environs on this 6-mile hike. Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave. on Carrollton Avenue. Repeats on January 12. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Tish Brafford (251-8907, 531-6700 cell)
- 9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE Meet in Eagle Creek Park (fee) at lot just inside 56th St. entrance for a fast-paced 6 or 8-mile road hike. Repeats each Monday in December and January, except January 5. (M,PS,3.5-4) Leader: Joan Griffiths (297-7312)
- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave. on Carrollton Avenue for a hike of 5-6 miles. (F,PS/NS,3.5) Leader: Ron Mutzl ((769-3220 or cell 490-5478)

Tuesday, December 9

- 8:00 AM EARLY MORNING IN BROAD RIPPLE Meet in the free parking lot ½ block south of Broad Ripple Avenue on Carrollton Avenue for a 10-mile self-guided* fast-paced hike, with 6 and 8-mile options. Let's plan on coffee afterwards. Repeats on December 23. (F,NS) Leader: Jeff Edmondson (733-0143)
- 9:30 AM DEPAUW NATURE PARK & DEPAUW UNIVERSITY See December 2.
- 9:30 AM SLOW HIKE TO HIDDEN LAKE Meet in the visitor lot on the east side of Clowes Hall at Butler University (46th and Sunset) for a hike of 4-5 miles. (M,HS/NS,2.5) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)
- 1:30 PM RURAL ZIONSVILLE Take I-65 north to Zionsville Exit (highway 334) and go east .9 mile to the Baptist Church on the left (Rd. 700E) OR go west from Boone Village shopping center in Zionsville on SR 334 for 3.2 miles to the Baptist Church on Rd. 700E. Then go north for .9 mile to Rd. S 550. Turn right (east) for .3 mile to the leader's house at 7282 E. 550 S. House is on the left side back in the woods, down a long driveway. Park by the house or along the driveway. This new 6-mile hike is along country roads. Repeats on December 23. (F,PS,3) Leaders: Ron & Claudia Clark (769-6566 or cell 626-1553)
- 6:00 PM SOUTHPORT See December 2.

Wednesday, December 10

- 9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See December 3.
- 9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See December 3.
- 9:30 AM A DIFFERENT SLANT ON ZIONSVILLE See December 2.
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE December 3.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See December 3.

Thursday, December 11

- 9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL See December 4.
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See December 4.
- 3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See December 4.
- 6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See December 4.

Friday, December 12

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See December 5.
- 9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See December 5.
- 9:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See December 5.
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Saturday, December 13

8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See December 6.

9:00 AM KNOBSTONE TRAIL IV: ELK CREEK LAKE-LEOTA TRAILHEADS LOOP This 15-mile hike includes 6.6 miles of back roads and two segments of the Knobstone Trail: Elk Creek to Leota (7.0 miles) plus part of Oxley Memorial to Elk Creek (1.2 miles). The trail traverses bottomlands around the lake and a variety of ridges as it is 1,000 feet elevation near Leota Trailhead. Hiking boots, poles, lunch and plenty of water are recommended. Allow 1 ½-2 hours travel time from the intersection of I-465/I-65 on the south side. Go south 77 miles on I-65 to Salem exit (SR 56) and turn west 8.3 miles to the sign for Elk Creek or Ratts Road. Turn left (south) and go 2.3 miles on N. Elk Creek Road and then another left (south) on Elk Creek Entrance Road to the Elk Creek Trailhead. Carpool location: Exit I-65 on Southport Road and turn left back over I-65. Turn right at second traffic light (Emerson Ave.). Meet at 7:00 AM in the northeast corner of the Menard's parking lot (on your right). (M, NS/PS/HS, 2-3) Leaders: Jeff Edmondson (317-733-0143 and cell 317-450-2526) and Cathy Bridge (317-283-7758 and cell 317-201-6551)

9:30 AM SLOW HIKE AT EAGLE CREEK PARK Meet at the far south end of the Earth Discovery Center lot in the park (fee). Hike of 4-5 miles will be repeated on January 10. (M, NS/HS/PS, 2.5) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078, or 439-1468-cell)

9:30 AM OLD GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH Park along east side of Pennsylvania St. just north of 40th St. in front of the former Greek Orthodox Church for a 7-mile hike with a 5-mile option. (F, PS, 3.5) Leader: Michele Kestle (251-7157)

10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.

2:00 PM METAMORA AT CHRISTMAS TIME Allow 1 1/2 hours travel time from the south side. Take US 52 southeast to Metamora. Park in Whitewater Canal parking lot up the hill on Claybourne Street. A 5-mile hike will start at the playground park area north of the grist mill. Arrive early to get a parking space and visit the town. The town will be decorated for the season, and as it gets dark the luminaries will light up the streets. Join us at the Hearthstone restaurant after the hike. (F, NS/PS, 3) Leaders: Narcisso Povinelli (784-9381 or 874-6212-cell) and Marthene Kohlmeyer (849-5051)

Sunday, December 14

9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See December 7.

9:00 AM AROUND THE AIRPORT From I-465 on the west side, go west on Washington St. Meet at southwest corner of K-Mart at 6780 West Washington St near the McDonalds. Water and restrooms are available. This is a 12-mile hike with a 6-mile self-guided* option. We will hike around the perimeter of the Indianapolis International Airport. Repeats January 11. (F, PS, 3.5-4) Leader: Joan Griffiths 297-7312

1:00 PM CARMEL ARTS AND DESIGN AT CHRISTMAS Park in the lot immediately north of Old National Bank at the NW corner of 116th St and Rangeline Rd (Westfield Blvd. turns into Rangeline Road north of 96th street). This will be a 7 mile stroll through the ever-changing face of Central Carmel including the "Arts and Design District," Government Center, and future sites of the controversial Gramercy Development and Concert Hall. View holiday decorations and whimsical and serious outdoor art. (F, PS, 3) Leader: Cheryl Smolecki (cell 696-8922)

1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.

Monday, December 15

9:00 AM EXPLORING CLERMONT From I-465 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 including a wooded trail and local neighborhoods. (F, NS/PS, 2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779)

9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE See December 8.

6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave. on Carrollton Avenue for a hike of 5-6 miles. (F, PS/NS, 3-3.5) Leader: Sandy Fillenwarth (465-9129 or cell 340-0369)

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Tuesday, December 16

- 9:30 AM. THE MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL We will meet in the parking lot of Whole Foods (formally Wild Oats) in the Clay Terrace shopping center in north Carmel. We will walk 5-6 miles along the Monon Trail, including a portion of the unimproved trail north of 146th Street. Whole Foods can be reached from either 146th Street or from US 31 via the southern entrance to Clay Terrace. Join us for lunch afterward at the Paradise Cafe. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Bob Hackenberg (773-2934)
- 9:30 AM SLOW WALK FROM BROAD RIPPLE PARK TO HOWLAND DITCH Meet in Broad Ripple Park, 1550 Broad Ripple Avenue, in the Family Center lot for a walk of 4-5 miles. (F,PS/NS/HS,2.5) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)
- 9:30 AM DEPAUW NATURE PARK & DEPAUW UNIVERSITY See December 2.
- 6:00 PM SOUTHPORT See December 2.
- 6:00 PM GANACHE CHRISTMAS TRUFFLE HIKE Join us for an evening hike of 5-6 miles through the town of Zionsville which will be lit up and decorated for Christmas. Meet in Zionsville on Main St in lot south of Friendly Tavern. Bring flashlights/torches. Join us for dinner afterwards at Friendly Tavern. (M,PS,3) Leader: Jeff Edmondson (733-0143)

Wednesday, December 17

- 9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See December 3.
- 9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See December 3.
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE December 3.
- 6:00 PM OLD TOWN CARMEL Take Keystone Avenue north from I-465 about 3.5 miles, turning left on Main Street (131st St). Turn left at the first stoplight and park in the Carmel Clay Public Library lot on your left. This is a 5-6 mile hike to view holiday lights and explore quiet neighborhoods and Main Street sparkle. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Tom Kapostasy (690-5656)
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See December 3.

Thursday, December 18

- 9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL See December 4.
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See December 4.
- 3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See December 4.
- 6:00 PM CHAPEL HILL December 4.
- 6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See December 4.

Friday, December 19

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See December 5.
- 9:00 AM IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME IN THE CITY Meet at White River Park Visitors Center (\$2 fee) on West Washington St across from Victory Field, for a 5-6 mile hike through downtown to view outdoor and indoor holiday decorations. (F,PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)
- 9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See December 5.
- 9:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See December 5.
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See December 5.

Saturday, December 20

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See December 6.
- 9:00 AM CHRISTMAS VOLKSMARCH Meet in the lobby of the downtown Hyatt Regency (One South Capitol Avenue between Washington & Maryland Streets) for a 6 or 12-mile self-guided hike. Each hiker must have a walk card (free) to be stamped at the checkpoints and turned in at the starting desk when the hike is completed. We may participate in the Volksmarch at no charge, however donations are appreciated. (F,PS) Leader: Marti Applegate (784-3721; 289-1756-cell)
- 9:30 AM SLOW WALK ON FALL CREEK TRAIL Meet at Windridge Center at 5435 N. Emerson Way. Park between O'Malia's and the pond for a walk of 4-5 miles. (F,PS,2.5) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078, or 439-1468-cell)
- 10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.

Sunday, December 21

First Day of Winter

- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See December 7.

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- 1:00 PM FISHERS – HOLLAND PARK AND GOVERNMENT CENTER Park in the Kroger lot at the NW corner of 116th St and Allisonville Rd in Fishers. Explore the SW part of Fishers. Hike is 6 miles with an 8-mile option. Repeats on January 25. (PS,F,3) Leader: Cheryl Smolecki (cell 696-8922)
- 1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.

Monday, December 22 *Hanukkah*

- 9:00 AM FALL CREEK TRAIL 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 January 26. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Tish Brafford (251-8907, 531-6700 cell)
- 9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE See December 8.
- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave. on Carrollton Avenue for a hike of 5-6 miles. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Sue Bullock (288-0793)

Tuesday, December 23

- 8:00 AM EARLY MORNING IN BROAD RIPPLE See December 9.
- 9:30 AM RICK'S BOATYARD CAFÉ From I-465 on the west side, take 38th Street west to where it curves left (south). Stay to the right and turn right onto Dandy Trail. Go a short distance north to Rick's Boatyard Café. Park in the north lot away from the building for a hike of 5-6 miles. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Jill McFall (291-6454)
- 9:30 AM SLOW HIKE TO ARTSPARK & MAROTT PARK FROM MONON SHELTER From College Avenue go east on 65th Street a few blocks to Cornell. Turn left and park near the shelter for a hike of 4-5 miles. (F,PS/NS,2.5) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)
- 1:30 PM RURAL ZIONSVILLE See December 9.
- 6:00 PM SOUTHPORT See December 2.

Wednesday, December 24 *Christmas Eve*

- 9:00 AM A CHRISTMAS TRADITION Join us for this fun annual event on the day before Christmas. Park at White River State Park on West Washington Street across from Victory Field (\$2 fee for 3 hours) for a 5-mile moderately paced hike through the heart of downtown, which should be buzzing with Christmas spirit. Wear your Santa hat, reindeer antlers, jingle bells and bring your grandkids. We will be handing out holiday candies to passers by and the hike leaders will treat everyone to hot chocolate on the circle. (F,PS,3) Leaders: Ed and Linda Wright (219-5536)
- 9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See December 3.
- 9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See December 3.

Thursday, December 25 *Christmas Day*

- 9:00 AM THE 1 1/2 HOUR HOLIDAY HIKE Meet at the Marott Park parking lot on College Avenue across from Park Tudor between 71st and 75th streets for a one and half hour hike. Speed will be dictated by ground conditions 3-4 mph. Distance will depend on speed (4-6 miles). If the ground is not icy and the trails are open it will be mostly trails. If the trails are icy it will be mostly paved. (M,NS/PS,3-4) Leader: Brad Tollefson (490-9878)

Friday, December 26 *Kwanzaa*

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See December 5.
- 9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See December 5.
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See December 5.

Saturday, December 27

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See December 7.
- 9:30 AM SLOW HIKE AT HOLLIDAY PARK & BEYOND Enter the park via north entrance located at 64th Street and Spring Mill Road. Take the road to the left and meet at northwest end of Nature Center lot. Hike of 4-5 miles will be repeated on January 24. (M,NS/PS,2.5) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078, or 439-1468-cell)
- 9:30 AM DEPAUW NATURE PARK & DEPAUW UNIVERSITY See December 2.
- 10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.

2:00 PM HILL VALLEY EAST Meet in parking lot for Baxter YMCA on Shelby St. at Stop 11 Road (south entrance). This is right off Highway 31 on Indy's south side. This is a neighborhood hike of 6-miles, with a 5-mile option. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (787-6593)

Sunday, December 28

9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See December 7.

10:00 AM MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL From North Meridian go east on 106th St. 1.5 miles to Westfield Blvd. Turn left (north) on Westfield and go about 0.7 miles. Park entrance (look for sign) will be on your left just past 111th Street. Meet on the Monon Trail under the bridge between the two buildings near the skateboard park. This will be a 7-mile self-guided* hike on the Monon Trail to 146th Street and back, with shorter options. Repeats January 11 and 25. (F,PS) Leader: Jim Robinson (587-0066)

1:00 PM CARMEL FLOWING WELL From the intersection of Keystone and 106th street proceed east one block to Lake Shore Drive West (Fire Station on corner). Turn north one block to Forest Dale Elementary, on the right. Park in the north lot. This is a 7-mile hike through a variety of Carmel neighborhoods and winding through Flowing Well Park. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Cheryl Smolecki (cell 696-8922)

1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.

Monday, December 29

9:00 AM LAKE CLEARWATER See December 1.

9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE See December 8.

6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave. on Carrollton Avenue for a hike of 5-6 miles. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Jeff Edmondson (733-0143)

Tuesday, December 30

9:00 AM INDY'S BEST KEPT SECRET This is a 7-mile hike in Town Run Trail Park, Indy's premier mountain biking trail along the White River. From I-465 on the north side, go north on Allisonville Road. Turn left (west) on 96th St. and go 0.6 miles to the park entrance on your left (look for partially hidden park sign) across the street from a Carmel water treatment plant. Suggest you bring hiking poles if there is snow/ice on the ground. (M,NS,3-3.5) Leader: Ed Wright (219-5536)

9:30 AM SLOW WALK AT CROWN HILL CEMETERY From the 700 block of West 38th Street, go north on Clarendon Road less than a block to the cemetery entrance. Meet just inside the gate for a walk of 4-5 miles. (M,PS/NS,2.5) Leader: Marsha Hutchins (251-9078 or cell 439-1468)

6:00 PM SOUTHPORT See December 2.

Wednesday, December 31

New Year's Eve

9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See December 3.

9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See December 3.

7:00 PM WELCOME IN THE NEW YEAR Meet in the northeast corner of the Marsh at Lockerbie (formerly O'Malia's) parking lot at 320 N. New Jersey for a fun 5-mile hike through downtown, still glistening with holiday lights. Join us afterwards at a downtown restaurant to ring out the old and ring in the new. (F,PS,3) Leader: Donna Chastain (347-0107)

Thursday, January 1

New Year's Day

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See December 4.

3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See December 4.

6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS Note, this is the same hike led by Glee Crowder in December. Meet at Southport Middle School at 5715 South Keystone Ave. Park your car by the basketball court on the south side of the school for a 5-mile hike. Flashlights are suggested. Repeats every Thursday in January. (F,NS/PS,3-3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (787-6593)

Friday, January 2

3:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See December 5.

9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See December 5.

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

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Saturday, January 3

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See December 6
 9:30 AM SLOW HIKE AT FORT HARRISON STATE PARK See December 6.
 10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.
 7:00 PM EUCHRE PARTY See December 6

Sunday, January 4

- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See December 7.
 1:00 PM COOL CREEK PARK AND WESTFIELD Take US 31 north through Carmel to the intersection at 151st Street. Turn east for a few blocks to the park entrance, immediately east of the fire station on the north side of the street. Park in the Nature Center lot. This is a 6-mile hike through prairie and wooded sections of the park and then on a footpath leading from the park to the town of Westfield and back. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Cheryl Smolecki (cell 696-8922)
 1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.

Monday, January 5

- 9:00 AM THATCHER PARK, SPEEDWAY WOODS AND THE LEVEE This 5-6 mile hike will begin at Thatcher Park. We will make our way to and through Speedway Woods and return by the Levee. The intersection of Rockville Rd and I-465 is under construction so use one of the following set of directions. From I-70 westbound, exit at Holt Rd and turn right (north). Take Holt Rd to Rockville Rd and turn left (west). Stay on Rockville Rd. until you get to Gasoline Alley. Turn right (north) and travel until you get to Vermont St. Turn left and go a short distance until you come to Thatcher Park on your left. OR from W. 10th St turn South on Lynnhurst Dr. until you get to Vermont St. Turn right (east) and go about a mile until you come to Thatcher, which will be on your right. (M,NS/PS,2.5-3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)
 9:00 AM LAKE CLEARWATER See December 1.
 9:00 AM MORNING CONSTITUTIONAL See December 1.
 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE Meet in free parking lot that is ½ block south of Broad Ripple Ave. on Carrollt Avenue for a hike of 5-6 miles. Repeats each Monday in January. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Brau Tollefson (875-9216)

Tuesday, January 6

- 10:00 AM BRADFORD WOODS This is a wonderful place to hike in the winter. From I-465W take SR 67 southwest about 8 miles past Gray's Cafeteria in Mooresville. Watch for sign for Bradford Woods. Turn right at entrance and follow signs up a one-way hill to the office parking lot. Hike will be 5-6 miles with shorter slower options. Repeats each Tuesday in January. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Mary Ann Layman (881-8416) .
 10:00 AM DOWNTOWN AND EITELJORG MUSEUM Meet in front of the Eiteljorg Museum. Parking is free in the museum garage if you eat lunch there or take the optional tour of the museum after the walk. You may park at the White River Park Visitor Center for \$2 for up to 3 hours. The 5-6 mile hike will be along the canal with an optional lunch afterwards at the Eiteljorg Sky City Cafe (no museum fee). There will be an optional tour by Claudia Clark of "Our Land: Contemporary Art from the Arctic" as well as of the rest of the museum. Reduced rate on admission is \$5 for senior (over 65) and \$6 for others. (F,PS,3). Leaders: Ron and Claudia Clark (769-6566 or cell 626-1553).
 6:00 PM CRUIZIN' NEW WHITELAND Meet in parking lot of Sawmill Woods Elementary school for a 5-mile hike through the neighborhoods of New Whiteland. Take I-65 South to the Whiteland Exit 95. Go west on Whiteland road. After you cross US 31, turn right at the 2nd stop sign onto Sawmill. Go about 1/2 mile to the school on your left. Or take US 31 south to Tracy Rd in New Whiteland (Shell station on your right). Turn right onto Tracy Rd. At the 2nd stop sign, turn left onto Sawmill Rd and continue south for 1/2 mile and school is on your right. Park in front of parking lot. Bring flashlight. Repeats each Tuesday in January. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Nancy Larmore (535-9317).

Wednesday, January 7

- 9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See December 3.

- 9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE Sign-up sheet for this self-guided* hike at Washington Square Mall will be at the Information Desk. Take as many one-mile laps as you wish. Repeats each Wednesday in January. (F,PS) Leader: Bob Pedigo (891-1943)
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE December 3.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See December 3.

Thursday, January 8

- 9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL See December 4.
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See December 4.
- 3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See December 4.
- 6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See January 1.

Friday, January 9

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See December 5.
- 9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See December 5.
- 9:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See December 5.
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See December 5.

Saturday, January 10

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See December 6
- 9:00 AM BROWN COUNTY Take SR 135 south through Nashville or I-65 South to SR 46 West to the park (fee). After entering the park, follow signs to the campground. Turn to your right when you see the sign for the campground registration. On your immediate right and just before you go through the campground gate is the parking lot for the Rally Campground and Ogle Hollow Nature Preserve. Meet there for an 11-mile hike on trails. Bring snacks & water. We can go to the Corn Crib Lounge afterwards. (M,NS,2.5) Leader: Narcisso Povinelli (784-9381 or 874-6212-cell) Suggested carpool location: 7:15 AM at southeast end of Kroger parking lot at Southern Plaza, located two blocks north of I-465 & US31.
- 9:30 AM SLOW HIKE AT EAGLE CREEK PARK See December 13.
- 10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.

Sunday, January 11

- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See December 7
- 9:00 AM AROUND THE AIRPORT See December 14.
- 10:00 AM MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See December 28.
- 1:00 PM PARK 100 From I-465W, exit at 71st Street, head east on 71st Street about 1 mile past Zionsville Road to stop light at Waldemar Road across from Pike High School. Turn left and then sharply right to the National FFA Merchandise Center parking lot at 5155 Technology Way. We will hike 6 miles around the perimeter of Park 100, following railroad tracks, visiting Piazza produce and the Keebler elves. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Tom Kapostasy (690-5656)
- 1:00 PM GREENFIELD SCHOOLS Take I-70 east to the Greenfield exit. Turn right (S) on SR 9 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 the pool. Sorry, no restrooms. Hike will be 5-6 miles in historic Greenfield. (F,PS/NS,3-3.5) Leader: Julie Litten (765-663-2739 or 407-4652-cell)
- 1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.

Monday, January 12

- 9:00 AM OVER, UNDER, AROUND AND THROUGH December 8.
- 9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE See December 8.
- 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See January 5.

Tuesday, January 13

- 9:30 AM A DIFFERENT SLANT ON ZIONSVILLE See December 2.
- 10:00 AM BRADFORD WOODS See January 6.
- 6:00 PM CRUIZIN' NEW WHITELAND See January 6.

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Wednesday, January 14

- 9:00 AM FOUR SEASONS AT POTTERS BRIDGE Meet at the parking lot by Potters Bridge in Noblesville. From I-465N take I-69 north to SR 37. Take SR 37 to 191st St. and turn left. Go west on 191st St (watch your speed in the school zone) to the second stop sign. Turn right (north) on 10th St and proceed approximately 1/4 mile. The entrance the Potters Bridge will be on your left. Allow about 25 minutes from I-465. This will be a 6-7 mile hike along White River to Noblesville and back. Look for the hike to repeat in the spring, summer, fall and winter. (F,PS,3.5) Leader: Ruth Ann Loser (849-9716)
- 9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See December 3.
- 9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See January 7.
- 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE December 3.
- 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See December 3.

Thursday, January 15

- 9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL See December 4.
- 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See December 4.
- 3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See December 4.
- 6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See January 1.

Friday, January 16

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See December 5.
- 9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See December 5.
- 9:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See December 5.
- 9:30 AM HUMMEL PARK See December 5.
- 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See December 5.

Saturday, January 17

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See December 6
- 9:00 AM HOOSIER NATIONAL FOREST IN WINTER - ONE This is an 18-20 mile rugged hike in the forest striding southern Brown and northern Jackson counties. It requires approximately 1.5 hours of travel time from I-465 on the south side of Indy. Allow additional time if the weather is inclement. Take I-65 south to SR 46 in Columbus. Go west on SR 46 to SR 135 and turn left. Go 9 miles to Story Inn and turn west on the unmarked gravel road. At approximately 2.7 miles on a creek-bridge take the leftward fork. Go .3 miles and park at the Nebo Ridge Trailhead on your left. Look for another hike in the series in February. Carpool Location: Exit 1-65 at Southport Rd; turn left and back over I-65. Turn right at the 2nd Traffic Light (Emerson Ave.) Must depart from the north-west corner of the parking lot of the Menards (on your right) by 7:15 AM (H,NS,2-2.5) Leader: Sukhbir Singh (842 5739)
- 9:30 AM GNAW BONE Note, if there is 3+ inches of snow, Gnow Bone Camp will be open for cross country skiing instead of hiking, so call the leaders if in doubt. Allow 1½ hours travel. Take SR 135 south to Nashville. Turn left on SR 135 at the light and go about 6 miles to where SR135 turns south. Go right (south) on SR 135 about 2 miles to Gnow Bone Camp on the left. There will be three different hikes of 4 miles, 5 miles and 7-8 miles. (M,NS,2.5-3) Leaders: Narcisso Povinelli (784-9381 or 874-6212-cell), Marthene Kohlmeyer (849-5051) and Mary Ann and Bob Layman (881-8416)
- 10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.

Sunday, January 18

- 7:00 AM P.F. CHANG'S ROCK "N" ROLL ARIZONA MARATHON If you are looking for a break from the cold or happen to be in Arizona, why not join me for this fun marathon or half marathon through downtown Phoenix. Advance registration is required which can be accomplished at www.nr4z.com. If you are interested in participating in this self-guided* event call or email me at foster.p@att.net and we can work out where and when to meet. (F,PS) Leader: Paula Foster (327-7206)
- 9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See December 7
- 1:00 PM CARMEL - WHITE RIVER GREENWAY From the intersection of Keystone and 131st Street (Main Street) in Carmel, proceed east through roundabout intersection of 131st Street and Hazel Dell

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Parkway for approximately .5 mile to Lawrence Inlow Park which is on the north side of 131st St. This is a 6-mile hike from the park to a greenway footpath. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Cheryl Smolecki (cell 696-8922)

1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.

Monday, January 19

9:00 AM INSIDE INDY Although some of this 5-mile hike will be outside, the goal is to beat the icy winter weather by seeking out tunnels, malls, sky bridges and other indoor routes throughout downtown Indy. Park at White River State Park (\$2 fee for 3 hours) on West Washington Street across from Victory field. (F,PS,3) Leader: Pat Lawler (329-2779 or 652-2779 cell)

9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE See December 8.

6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See January 5.

Tuesday, January 20

9:30 AM WHITE RIVER FROM POTTERS BRIDGE We will walk 5-6 miles along the White River from Potters Bridge and visit Forest Park and part of Noblesville. Meet at the parking lot by Potters Bridge in Noblesville. From Indianapolis head north on SR 37 to 191st St. and turn left. Go west on 191st St. to the second stop sign (10th St./Allisonville Rd.). Turn right (north) on 10th St. and proceed approximately 1/4 mile. The entrance the Potters Bridge will be on your left. Join us for lunch afterwards at Logan's Restaurant. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: Bob Hackenberg (773-2934)

10:00 AM BRADFORD WOODS See January 6.

6:00 PM CRUIZIN' NEW WHITELAND See January 6.

Wednesday, January 21

9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See December 3.

9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See January 7.

4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE December 3.

6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See December 3.

Thursday, January 22

9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL See December 4.

9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See December 4.

3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See December 4.

6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See January 1.

Friday, January 23

8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See December 5.

9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See December 5.

9:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See December 5.

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

Saturday, January 24

8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See December 6

9:30 AM CASS CASSITY MEMORIAL - OWEN-PUTNAM STATE FOREST Allow 1½ hours travel from I-465 and SR 67. Take SR 67 south to Spencer and SR 46 west 5 miles to Fish Creek Road. Watch for signs. Travel 4.4 miles on Fish Creek Road to Horsemen's Camp/Day Use Parking sign on left, then 0.2 miles to parking area on right for 10-12 mile hike through some of the most beautiful hills of south central Indiana and view a 50-ft sandstone bluff. Bring lunch and water. (H,NS,3) Leader: Nanette Tate (812 254-8456 cell)

9:30 AM SLOW HIKE AT HOLLIDAY PARK & BEYOND See December 27.

9:30 AM DEVONSHIRES Meet near Cord Camera in Avalon Crossing shopping center at the SE corner of 71st St. and Binford Blvd. (SR 37) for a 6-mile hike. (M,PS,3.5) Leader: Michele Kestle (251-7157)

10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.

Sunday, January 25

9:00 AM WALK AND WORSHIP See December 7.

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- 10:00 AM MONON TRAIL IN CARMEL See December 28.
 1:00 PM FISHERS – HOLLAND PARK AND GOVERNMENT CENTER See December 21.
 1:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.

Monday, January 26

- 9:00 AM FALL CREEK TRAIL See December 22.
 9:00 AM FOLLOW THE SHADE See December 8.
 6:00 PM BROAD RIPPLE See January 5.

Tuesday, January 27

- 9:30 AM A DIFFERENT SLANT ON ZIONSVILLE See December 2.
 10:00 AM BRADFORD WOODS See January 6.
 6:00 PM CRUIZIN' NEW WHITELAND See January 6.

Wednesday, January 28

- 9:00 AM EAGLE CREEK ROADS AND TRAILS See December 3.
 9:00 AM PRESIDENTS' PROMENADE/WASHINGTON SQUARE See January 7.
 4:30 PM EXPLORE ZIONSVILLE December 3.
 6:00 PM DOWNTOWN EVENING HIKE See December 3.

Thursday, January 29

- 9:00 AM LAKE KESSLER AND FALL CREEK ON THE BOULEVARD TRAIL See December 4.
 9:30 AM EASY AT EAGLE CREEK See December 4.
 3:45 PM GET FIT ON THE FITNESS TRAIL See December 4.
 6:00 PM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL AND PERRY WOODS See January 1.

Friday, January 30

- 8:00 AM EARLY BIRD IN ZIONSVILLE See December 5.
 9:00 AM BRISK ROAD HIKE - EAGLE CREEK See December 5.
 9:00 AM CASTLETON MALL WALK See December 5.
 9:30 AM HUMMEL PARK See December 5.
 6:00 PM OVER, AROUND & THROUGH IUPUI See December 5.

Saturday, January 31

- 8:00 AM GREENWOOD PARK MALL See December 6
 9:30 AM M-M-M-MARTIN STATE FOREST Allow 2 hours travel from I-465 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 is an enjoyable hike that ties together the Martin, Hardwood & Pine Lakes. (M,NS,3) Leader: Nanette Tate (812 254-8456 cell)
 9:30 AM SLOW HIKE AT FORT HARRISON STATE PARK See December 6.
 10:00 AM BROAD RIPPLE TO BUTLER See December 6.
 2:00 PM BAXTER YMCA & PERRY PARK (LINDENWOOD) Meet in parking lot for Baxter YMCA on Shelby St. at Stop 11 Road (south entrance). This is right off US 31 on Indy's south side. This is a neighborhood hike of 6 miles with a 5-mile option. (F,PS,3-3.5) Leader: David Kincaid (787-6593)

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

GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND 2008 RECOGNITION AWARDS – March 12, 2009 Plan on a great speaker and we will announce winners of the 2008 hiking and trail maintenance recognition awards. All members are encouraged to attend. Meeting specifics will be provided in the next schedule.

WINTER WEEKEND – March 13-15, 2009 We will return to Spring Mill State Park and their beautiful Inn for our annual Club winter weekend. A reservations supplement is included with this schedule. Call Bill Larrison at 388-0498 if you have any questions.

ING GEORGIA MARATHON AND HALF MARATHON – March 29, 2009 For the hearty who don't mind a little travel, may we suggest a half or full marathon in downtown Atlanta GA. Advance registration is required which can be accomplished at www.inggeorgiamarathon.com/Left_Nav/Runners. There is a discount if you register

* 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.

before 12/31. Anyone interested in participating in this event should call the leader for more details and where to meet to sign-up for Club mileage. Valan Magnabosco (848-2566)

12th ANNUAL SMOKY MOUNTAINS WEEKEND – April 16-18, 2009 It's time to make your room reservations for the annual Club trip to Smoky Mountain National Park. Some suggestions are Riverhouse at the Park (865-436-2070), Riverhouse Motor Lodge (865-436-7821) and Carr's Cottages & Motel (865-436-4836). Call Ed Wright at 219-5536 if you have any questions.

MINI-MARATHON – May 2, 2009 Indy's Mini Marathon is the most popular half marathon in the country and a favorite event of many Club members. Last year's race sold out on November 30. You should register now if you hope to participate in the 2009 race. Register at www.500festival.com.

WASHINGTON, DC – May 8-11, 2009 Plan now to join this fun and educational trip to our nation's capital. Tentatively, we will hike six times over four days, including 5-6 mile morning and evening hikes on Friday and on Monday. One night hike will include the memorials to Jefferson, Lincoln, Vietnam War, Korean War and World War II. The other night hike will go up Capitol Hill and back down along Pennsylvania Avenue and around the White House. There will be longer hikes starting in the morning on Saturday and on Sunday; one of which will be through Arlington cemetery. Most of the hikes will start on the Mall side of the Smithsonian Castle; the Smithsonian Metro stop Mall exit is within one block. The Metro is convenient and easy to use; it will be your friend. There will be plenty of free time to sight see, visit museums and dine on Friday and Monday afternoons and Saturday and Sunday evenings. Hotels options (sorry no group rates) include the Holiday Inn Capitol (202-479-4000) which is three blocks from where the hikes will start and the following Northern Virginia hotels in (1) Crystal City-Sheraton, Hampton Inn, Hyatt and Marriott and (2) Pentagon City-Courtyard Marriott. These should all be near the Metro but be certain to ask. Any hotel on or near the Metro should work fine. Usually, the further out the better the rates. I will host a planning meeting in Feb/Mar 2009. If you are interested in participating on this trip, please let Jeff Edmondson know at either www.jeffret@indy.rr.com or 317-733-0143.

NORTHERN INDIANA HIKING WEEKEND – June 13-14, 2009 Mark your calendar for a fun weekend in northern Indiana. On Saturday we will hike in Indiana Dunes State Park near Chesterton and on Sunday we will walk the University of Notre Dame campus in South Bend. Look for more details and a hotel recommendation in future schedules. Leaders: Bobbie Mattasits 843-2309 and Lynn Thurston 844-9686.

HIKING IN BAVARIA – tentatively August 12-19, 2009 We are in the early planning stage for a 5-7 day Club hiking trip to beautiful Bavaria, Germany. The proposed base of operations will be the village of Reit im Winkl which is nestled in the Bavarian Alps along the Austrian border. This is a ski resort during the winter, but attracts summer vacationers who like to hike in the surrounding hills. There is plenty of housing in the village and the crowds should be thinned out by mid summer. We now have a web page that gives additional information about this trip: www.indyhike.org/bavaria.shtml. Information will be added to this web page as we get it. If you think there you might be interested, please contact Bob Hackenberg at rqh2@datasink.com or by calling 773-2934. Putting your name on the list will not commit you to going.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND - September 5-7, 2009 The Club last visited Pine Mountain State Park, KY in 1971 and found it a beautiful and historic area – Daniel Boone country. A group recently scouted the park and found the trails beautiful and challenging and the Inn and cabins wonderful. It should be a great weekend.

HOOSIER OUTDOOR EXPO – September 25-27, 2009 Patterned after highly successful Outdoor Expo's in other states this will be Indiana's first. The three day event will be coordinated by the Indiana's DNR and will take place at Ft. Harrison State Park. Your Club expects to play an active role in the event offering hikes and other hands on outdoor activities to a crowd expected to exceed 10,000. The focus will be on families and minorities (especially children) with little or no outdoor experience. Watch for more details in future schedules. We will be looking for lots of Club volunteers. Ron Higdon is coordinating this event. Call him at 439-6930 if you would like to participate on the planning committee.

HOCKING HILLS, OH – October 22-24, 2009 Note the dates for the Club's bi-annual trip to beautiful Hocking Hills, Ohio during the peak of the fall color. Mary Ann and Bob Layman will lead moderate hikes; Steve and Cindy West will lead longer hikes.

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

10/16	Scriven, Eric	4523 W. Tomahawk Trail, Trafalgar, IN.	46181	878	4170
10/16	Martin, Lynn	6101 N. Dearborn	46220	257	0307
10/16	Vezina, Kay A.	7814 Geist Bluff Dr.	46236	823	9408
10/16	Hubbard, Karen	135 S. 11th St., Beech Grove, IN.	46107	783	9437
10/16	Basile, Mary	2411 Temple Court	46240	846	4776
10/16	Povinelli, Frank	955 East Georgia St.	46202	632	9174
10/16	Tetmeyer, Jane	825 West Oak St., Zionsville, IN.	46077	873	4431
10/16	Fletcher, Diane	1529 Woodpointe Dr.	46234	209	1075
10/16	Leibrock, Rebecca S.	8118 Bittern Lane	46256	595	9212
10/16	Isaacson, Anita	5437 Heights Ave.	46237	791	8565
10/16	Bova, Peggy	5913 Red Maple Dr.	46237	783	9866
10/16	Wilson, Gene & Cheryl	1845 Pine Meadow Dr.	46234	271	1931
11/20	Riall, Roslyn	3061 Colby Lane Unit #B	46268	332	5275
11/20	Bindhammer, Lue	1515 Prairie Depot Dr.	46241	248	1650
11/20	Bell, Rachel	6986 W. SR 44, Morgantown, IN.	46160	422	8871
11/20	Gartner, Don	3027 Gorham Court, Carmel, IN.	46033	816	0792
11/20	Parnell, Elizabeth	P.O. Box 231, St. Paul, IN.	47272	765	525 9420
11/20	Jack, Carol	14644 Chatsworth Dr., Noblesville, IN.	46062	840	3401
11/20	Perry, Tom	5830 Paradise Lane, Martinsville, IN.	46151	690	1464
11/20	Crooks, Harold	372 W. Pearl St., Greenwood, IN.	46142	730	4850

CHANGES - ADDRESS AND PHONE

Cederholm, Doug & Julie	1250 W. Pagoda Path S, Martinsville, IN.	46151	765	342	5414
Nepesa, John	2246 Emily Drive	46026		402	7665
Paxson, Karen	343 Innisbrooke Ave., Greenwood, IN.	46142		888	7454
Wajda, Walter	235 N. Mill Rd. #317B, Addison, IL.	60101	630	391	7238
Povinelli, Anthony	6709 Buckhorn Dr. #717	46254			
O'Connor, Bonnie	6709 Buckhorn Dr., #717	46254			
Way, Samantha	347 Carmelaire Court, Carmel, IN.	46032		446	7038
Leone, Joe & Fran	20381 Cavallo Court, Venice, Florida	34292	317	501	5578
Harrison, Judy	4721 Ernie Pyle Court, Avon, IN.	46123		839	1372
Snively, Nancy	9536 Cedar Spring Drive	46206		443	3051
Crutchfield, Maria	622 East 47th St.	46205	317	258	3069
Duncan, Kathy	13027 Chew Street, Carmel, IN.	46032		844	8025

CONGRATULATIONS: Amy Brown was married recently. Her name is now Amy Auberry.

Same address: 6233 Deerfield Drive, Greenwood, IN. 46143 887 2005

OBITUARY: Paul Jackson died on Oct 2nd. He had been a member since 1997.

Tish Brafford's sister, Marie Murphy, died on October 5th.

Sylvia Davis' father passed away on November 14th.

Sam Lloyd's wife, Billie Lloyd, passed away on November 11th.

The hiking club extends its sympathy to the members, friends, and relatives of the above

HEALTH NEWS: Jean Ballinger had hip replacement surgery November 10th.

Don Holden's wife, Beth, had hip replacement in November.

Vi Hill had colon surgery November 18th.

At last report all the above are recuperating and doing all right.

WELCOME BACK - The Club is proud to welcome back to the U.S.A., Sgt Tracy Benson, who spent 8 months with the military in Iraq.

The membership officers announce the following mileage awards:

Mary Lester	19,000	Barbie McNeely	3,000	Maureen Posey	200
Allan Roberts	18,000	Terry Roesch	2,000	Jean Jackson	200
Dick Kinnaman	16,500	Bud Buedel	1,500	Tammy Ault	100
Michele Kestle	15,000	Ron Clark	1,000	Stacey Roesch	100
Glee Crowder	14,000	Anthony Uliana	1,000	Michael Mendez	100
Tom Hollett	14,000	Aarmen Avakian	1,000	Steve Klusman	100
Avis Shipman	11,500	Tom Kafoure	1,000	Sharon Klusman	100
Ricki Jo Hoffmann	11,000	Claudia Clark	1,000	Annamarie Disbro	100
Jerry Heidenblut	10,500	Karen Bacon	500	Jeff Roberts	100
Anna Lee Johnson	10,500	Don Hayes	500	Anne Polk	100
Tish Brafford	9,000	Sandy Merrion	400	Kay Parnell	100
Mary Pulsifer	8,000	Debi Cox	400	Tina Wilson	100
Kathy Braun	7,000	Duke Merrion	400	Janet Selby	100
Donna Chastain	6,500	Macie Stephens	400	Judi Lewis	100
Ron Mutzl	6,000	Samantha Way	400	David Kollmeyer	100
Joanne Applegate	6,000	Christine Nitz	300	Jane Ann Fisher	100
Phil Slaughter	5,500	Jim Rench	300		
Ellen Mutzl	5,500	Will McLaughlin	300		
Julie Litzen	5,000	William Thomas	300		
Marthene Kohlmeyer	5,000	Peg Fillenwarth	300		
Rory Wyss	5,000	Lee Bohner	300		
Carol Radke	4,500	Marv Witzerman	300		
Bernard West	4,500	Beth Maschino	200		
Rick Maxwell	4,000	Dick Bacon	200		
Jane Hilaire	3,500	Pat Stern	200		
Ruth Ann Loser	3,500	Charlotte Lyle	200		
Narcisso Povinelli	3,000	Keith Tolliver	200		

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 with the Club as a guest.

LETS ALL SHOW PRIDE IN THE CLUB

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