

MEMBER OF THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL CONSERVANCY AND THE KEYSTONE TRAILS ASSOSCIATION

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Be a Participant!

Anyone who seriously knows our club is aware that our mission is not only to provide high quality leadership for recreational hiking, but also to volunteer our manpower in the maintenance and preservation of "our" 10.3 mile section of the beautiful Appalachian Trail. For 85 years now we have been dedicated to preserving this incredible natural and cultural resource so that it may be enjoyed by outdoor enthusiasts of all backgrounds or abilities. It wasn't until I became involved as a leader in the club that I realized the true scope of activities necessary to fulfill this mission. Thirty other clubs similar to ours also contribute to management of the AT; the Appalachian Trail Conservancy (ATC) oversees our efforts to assure that all responsible parties are coordinating their efforts for the best possible outcomes for preservation of the trail.

Overall, we've been very successful. The 2180 mile trail supports over 2 million visitors each year, hundreds or even thousands of whom thru-hike the entire distance in a single season. Although management and maintenance have a very high priority, we can't ignore the urgent need at this point in time to focus on recruiting "new blood" to carry on the work begun nearly a century ago which has culminated in this majestic hiking path. The latest leadership conferences held by the ATC (2014 and 2016) have stressed the need for encouraging diversity (age, gender, creed, ethnicity) in the hiking community and especially in the maintaining clubs. Additional goals of increasing membership and volunteerism, and fostering new leadership, would similarly be achieved if we could attract new hikers to our organization from a diverse social network.

It is our duty and our obligation to put our best foot forward on the challenge of achieving greater diversity within our club. Whatever can be done to reach our to our extended community and welcome new members into the AHC should be a number one priority. And don't forget the youth! We've had numerous interactions with Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, and we've supported the Trails to Every Classroom program; these efforts must also continue to set a foundation in the next generation for the work that must be carried on.

So come to the hiking club meetings and get involved! Be a part of the solution for boosting the power of our voice for AT and our enthusiasm for the great outdoors!

Lucy Cantwell AHC President



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Deadlines for the Winter 2017 Newsletter &

Schedule

Happy Hiker Newsletter

Wednesday, December 19, 2016

Activity Schedule

Wednesday, December 19, 2016

Please forward all club related articles, thoughts, and items to the Newsletter Editor by mail or, preferably, by email.

Send all hiking schedule activities to the Hiking Schedule Coordinator.

Welcome to our New Members!

<u>June 2016</u>		<u>July 2016</u>	
Deborah Amico	Slatington, PA	Oliver Graver	Allentown, PA
Michael Enright	Bethlehem, PA	Maureen Meier	Breinigsville, PA
Nancy Zalinski	Allentown, PA	Helen & Steven Petyerak	Orefield, PA
Katie Pritchett	Palmerton, PA	<u>August</u>	<u>2016</u>
Claire Coakley	Allentown, PA	Brian Baker & Family	Eddystone, PA
Margaret & Ray Stoudt	Allentown, PA	Septembe	er 2016
Sherry & Wayne Bancroft	Belvidere, NJ	Ronald Claven	Catasauqua, PA
Michael, Anne,		Gamini Vedage	Bethlehem, PA
Audrey & George Serfes	Bethlehem, PA	Robert Dunn	Palmerton, PA

Leadership Changes Announced

Many thanks to the members who have volunteered to fill some recent vacancies in club leadership positions. The following changes to the roster of club officers and committee chairpersons will be taking place in the fall quarter of 2016:

Barb Weimann, stepping down as AT Corridor Monitor Coordinator.

Carl Griffin will assume responsibility as AT Corridor Monitor Coordinator. Barb will continue representing the club, along with Anne Griffin, on the ATC Middle Atlantic Regional Partnership Committee (MARPC).

Carl Griffin is stepping down from position of Club Treasurer.

Michelle Hinkle has been elected to replace Carl in the office of Club Treasurer.

Edna Himmler, after many long years as Hiking Schedule Coordinator, relinquishing this position.

Dave Povenski has volunteered to oversee the quarterly scheduling of club activities.

Ed Ritter, long-time Corridor Monitor, turning over his section of AT border monitoring to

Karen Gradel and Michelle Hinkle who will monitor that section of the corridor as a team. Ed continues to be our Trails Chairperson and the club representative to the KTA.

A very sincere "Thank You!" to these folks for past and future service to the Allentown Hiking Club and to the ATC! You are stellar examples of what it means to serve our friends and community!

The Appalachian Trail Conservatory now has a blog!

The Appalachian Trail Conversancy's mission is to preserve and manage the Appalachian Trail - ensuring that its vast natural beauty and priceless cultural heritage can be shared and enjoyed today, tomorrow, and for centuries to come.

For news, announcements & stories you can email theregister@appalachiantrail.org. Send your email address, first and last name to subscribe.



Winter 2016 Hiking Schedule and **Upcoming Events**

FOR THE MOST CURRENT SCHEDULE OF EVENTS, CHECK OUR WEBSITE AT



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The general public is invited to join us on hikes and other events. If a club or organization wishes to include one of our hikes as a formal activity on its schedule, we ask that it contact the leader in advance for permission. Times listed are departure times; please arrive at least 15 minutes before the listed time. Starting times are strictly observed and appropriate clothing and sturdy shoes/boots should be worn at all times.

Generally, our pace is moderate with opportunities for resting and sightseeing. Every attempt is made to assist and encourage hikers, but we cannot be responsible for their safety on the trail. Any rugged outdoor activity entails risk, and we expect all participants to rely on their own judgment and good sense to take care of themselves and know their limitations. Anyone under 18 must be accompanied and supervised by an adult. Hikers are expected not to lag too far behind the main party.

We car-pool as much as possible to save fuel. PASSENGERS PAY DRIVERS 10 CENTS PER MILE TO DEFRAY FUEL EXPENSE. Drivers, please remember to check your mileage and let the passengers know how much mileage reimbursement they owe you.

Meetings are held at 7:30 pm the first Wednesday of the month at St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, 140 South Ott Street, Allentown, Pa. Meetings include a discussion of the previous month's activities, as well as upcoming activities. Scheduling meetings are held quarterly for members to coordinate hikes/trips, etc. for the upcoming schedule. All members are invited and encouraged to schedule activities; we are a 100% volunteer organization, and it is up to members to keep the schedule filled.

AHC HIKE RATING SYSTEM

In an attempt to assist hikers, a hike rating system has been set up to allow the hiker to judge his/her ability to complete the hike. The rating system will precede the Allentown Hiking Club's usual hike description. On multi-day outings such as backpacks, the rating for the hike will reflect the distance traveled on a per-day basis. Remember that the hike ratings are assigned by the hike leader, and are therefore based on the leader's subjective opinion. The rating system is:

RATING	DESCRIPTION (distance,terrain,pace)
A +	Up to 7 miles, little climbing and easy terrain, 2 mph or slower
Α	Up to 7 miles, some climbing and/or rocky terrain, 2 mph or slower
<u>B</u> +	Up to 7 miles, some climbing and/or rocky terrain, 2 to 2.5 mph
В	7-10 miles, some climbing and easy terrain 2 to 2.5 mph
C+	7-10 miles, some climbing and/or rocky terrain, 2 to 2.5 mph
С	7-10 miles significant climbing and/or rocky terrain, 2 to 2.5 mph
D+	10-12 miles, some climbing and/or rocky terrain, 2 to 2.5 mph
D	10-12 miles, significant climbing and/or rocky terrain, 2 to 2.5 mph
<u>E</u> +	Over 12 miles, some climbing and/or rocky terrain, over 2.5 mph
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Sunday	Walnutport Canal Festival
10-16-16 9:00 am	A rail trail hike and then the festival.
Round trip road miles	Hike 5 miles of rail trail at Weissport and then return to Walnutport and the canal festival. Lots of good
distance: 15 miles	Three 3 limes of fail than at well-sport and then feture to wallutport and the canal festival. Lots of good
distance. 13 miles	food & entertainment at this nice festival.
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	Meeting place: Pathmark parking lot, PA 145, in Walnutport.
distance: 5 miles	Posted on meetup.com? NO
	Leader: Carl Griffin 610-760-0479
	Co-leader: Anne Griffin 610-760-0479
Wednesday	
3	Wed Evening Walk in Quakertown
10-19-16 6:00 pm	Easy walk around Quakertown Memorial Park
Hike / bike / on-water	Meet at Proper Brewing Co and walk to the park and around the loop trail. Walk back to Proper Brewing
distance: 3.5 miles	Co for optional refreshments. Cell phone 267-424-4602
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Hike rating: A+	Meeting place: Proper Brewing Co., 117 W Broad St, Quakertown. Parking is in the back.
	Posted on meetup.com? NO
	Leader: Karen Gradel 215-536-5857
	Co-leader: Cynthia Paetow 215-536-7311
Saturday	Chestnut & Oak Trail Maintenance
10-22-16 noon	
10-22-10 110011	Semi-annual maintenance & clean up with some possible construction.
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Round trip road miles	Meeting place: Osprey House at Lehigh Gap Nature Center
distance: 5 miles	Posted on meetup.com? NO
	Leader: Jim Gabovitz 610-262-3578 gapples@rcn.com
Hike / bike / on-water	Co-leader: Carl Griffin 610-760-0479
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Sunday	Scenic Hike in Beltzville S.P.
10-23-16 9:45 am	Hike in the Wild Creek Cove area of Beltzville S.P.
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	I'm posting this hike again because there were several people on the Meetup's wait list The hike will
distance: 5.5 miles	start at the Wild Creek Trailhead. We'll do the Christman Trail counter-clockwise with a side trip on the
	Green Trail along the stream. We'll then have lunch at the waterfall, hike both the Falls Trail and Cove
Hike rating: B+	Ridge Trail, which offers nice views of Wild Creek Cove. before heading back to the cars. This hike has
	a few short climbs, but otherwise is fairly flat and only a few places have stones, but nothing like on the
	AT, so hiking boots are not necessary. A great, short hike for those wanting to see if hiking is for them.
	Bring water and lunch. Heavy rain cancels 1. Directions from south or south west: get to PA 248
	past Slatington and make a right onto US 209 north. Just before you go under the turnpike bridges, make
	a left onto Harrity Rd, and then before you pass the P.J. Whelihans, make a right onto Pohopoco Rd. It's
	7 miles to the Wild Creek Trail head on the right 2. Directions from the east or south east: take US
	209 South and then make a right onto Trachsville Hill Rd for 1.3 mi. At the SS, turn left on Pohopoco Rd
	for 1 mi. The Wild Creek Trail Head will be on your left 3. Directions from I-476 (PA Tpk): Get off
	at the US209/Mahoning Valley exit #74. DO NOT take the ramp labeled US 209 North. If you do, you
	cannot make the left onto Harrity. You have to take the US 209 South Ramp to the left and keep left at
	the bottom of the ramp to the Stop Sign and make a left onto US 209 North. Make the left at the traffic
	light onto Harrity and then follow the rest of the directions in #1. The GPS coordinates for the Wildcreek
	Trail parking lot: 40.890788 -75.563405
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	directions.
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	Deep Lake Hike			
10-30-16 10:30 am	Hike to Deep Lake and back.			
Round trip road miles	Bring lunch and Water. No pets please.			
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TT'1 /1'1 /	Meeting place: McDonalds in Wind Gap			
	Posted on meetup.com? NO			
distance: 4 miles	Leader: Jim Gabovitz 610-262-3578 gapples@rcn.com			
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Hike rating: A				
Wednesday	NOVEMBER MONTHLY MEETING			
11-2-16 7:30 pm	Monthly business meeting. Speaker to be announced.			
	Meeting place: St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, 140 South Ott Street, Allentown, PA.			
	Posted on meetup.com? NO			
	Leader: Lucy Cantwell 215-855-2793			
	Hike Little Gap to Wind Gap			
11-6-16 8:30 am	AT shuttle hike between Little Gap and Wind Gap			
11-0-10 8:30 am	A 1 shuttle nike between Little Gap and wind Gap			
	We will meet at the Wind Gap AT parking lot and then shuttle with as few cars as possible to Little Gap,			
	hiking along the ridge and then down a switchback to our cars. Sturdy hiking boots are recommended.			
	Bring at least 2 liters of water and food/snacks.			
Hike rating: E				
_	Meeting place: The Wind Gap AT parking lot, on the north side of Route 512, just east of Rout 33			
	Posted on meetup.com? YES			
	Leader: Paula Uhrin 484-951-4299 jcnj168@ptd.net			
Saturday	South Mountain Preserve Hike			
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Wednesday	DECEMBER HOLIDAY FEAST, MONTHLY MEETING & WINTER HIKE SCHEDULING
	We will have our potluck holiday dinner followed by our monthly business meeting and winter hike scheduling. Bring your favorite dish to share with others. Following the business meeting we will be
	scheduling hikes and other winter events. Please complete the AHC Hike/Event form and give to the Hike Scheduling Coordinator. NOTE: START TIME FOR THIS EVENT IS 6:30
	Meeting place: St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, 140 South Ott Street, Allentown, PA. Posted on meetup.com? NO
	Green Lane Reservoir Hike
	Loop hike around the Green Lane Reservoir
distance: 12 miles	This loop hike will circle the Green Lane Reservoir, affording views of both the lake and countryside. There will be several short climbs and stream crossings. Sturdy hiking boots are recommended. Bring at least 2 liters of water, lunch and snacks. Rain cancels.
	Meeting place: Meet at the Park Office at the dead end of Snyder Road, just south of the dam. 2144 Snyder Road Green Lane, PA 18054 Posted on meetup.com? YES
	Leader: Paula Uĥrin 484-951-4299 jcnj168@ptd.net
	Bethlehem Holiday Hike Hike in downtown Bethlehem & enjoy the sights & lights.
Hike / bike / on-water	Optional trip to the Bethlehem Brew Works afterwards. Rain cancels
distance: 5 miles	Meeting place: The plaza next to the Bethlehem Library at 11 West Church St. in Bethlehem.
	Posted on meetup.com? YES Leader: Mike "Sparky" Wuerstle 610-346-7042 bluegrasshorizon@yahoo.com
_	New Year's Eve Hike to Allentown Shelter
12-31-16 11:00 am	Spend some time with other hikers on the Appalachian Trail on the last day of the year.
distance: 8 miles	We will meet at Rt. 309 for a 4 mile hike to the Allentown Shelter. At the shelter we will eat lunch and enjoy shared goodies. After a suitable time for socializing, we will hike 4 miles back to our cars. Anyone who would like a shorter 2 mile hike to the Shelter may join us at Fort Franklin Road. Bring lunch, water, and a snack item to share with the group. Since we will be spending time at the shelter, bring an extra layer of clothing to stay warm. No dogs or alcoholic beverages. Steady rain or snow on morning of hike cancels this event.
	Meeting place: Meet on Rt. 309 by the tower at the south end of the Blue Mountain Summit Restaurant parking lot, 2520 West Penn Pike, Andreas, PA 18211 Posted on meetup.com? NO Leader: Barbara Wiemann 610-262-6977 blwiemann@gmail.com
	JANUARY MONTHLY MEETING Monthly business meeting. A presentation will be given by Dr. Paul Braadt from the Cedar Crest Chiropractic Center, Allentown, PA.
	Meeting place: St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, 140 South Ott Street, Allentown, PA. Posted on meetup.com? NO Leader: Lucy Cantwell 215-855-2793

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE \$10.00 <u>PER CALENDAR YEAR</u> FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER, AND RENEWALS MUST BE MADE BEFORE JANUARY 31ST TO STAY ON THE CLUB'S MEMBERSHIP ROLLS. DUES CAN BE PAID AT THE MONTHLY MEETING OR MAILED TO THE CLUB

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Yes - Please sign me up for the Allentown Hiking Club's email list the AHC Forum		

AHC Hike / Event Form - <u>Please fill out all fields</u> and give this to the Hiking Scheduling Coordinator at the scheduling meeting or see page 2 of The Happy Hiker for email and phone contact information.

Date(s):		Time:		
Leader:	email: _		Phone:	
Co-Leader:	email: _		Phone:	
Type Of Event (circle o	one): hike / meeting / maintenance / l	oackpack / other		
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