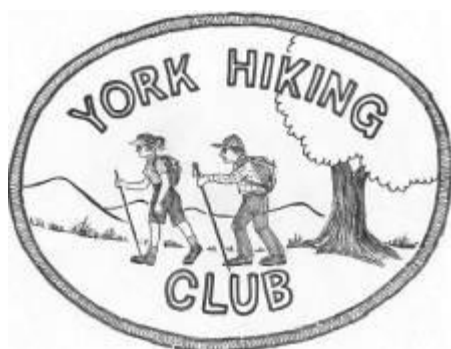


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March 1 Short Hike: Brogueville and the Muddy Creek area. 5 miler in and around the "metropolis" of lightly traveled paved and gravel roads with only gradual ups and downs encountered. Meet at the York Vo-Tech 1:30 P.M. Carpool fee \$2.00. Or you can meet at 1:50 P.M. at St. James Lutheran Church, which is about 2 miles south of Rt. 74S on Laurel Rd. The church is on a hill to the left. Leader: John Seville at 717-244-6769.

March 1 Long Hike: Approx. 13 miles in Swatara State Park & Gameland #80. Hiking on the old railroad grade & the A.T. featuring the old Waterville Bridge over Swatara Creek, a 1,000' climb up Blue Mountain & a stop at the William Penn Shelter. Bring good boots, lunch, & plenty of water. Leave north side meeting place (Rutters) at 8:00 a.m. Carpool fee \$7.00. Leader Jim McCoy (717-852-7570) or gonehikin830@Comcast.net

March 6 Covered Dish and Slides 6:30 PM Bring a dish to share and join us at the York Township Recreation Building. Having your own place setting is appreciated, but paper goods will be available. The slides will be of the Canadian Rocky Mountains, from Jasper to Banff during 11 days in Aug/Sept 2008. Follow the trip taken by 8 of our club members. Questions: Gwen Loose at (717) 891-9967.

March 7 Short Hike: Oregon Ridge Annual Pancake Breakfast and Hike. Meet York Vo-Tech at 10 AM and follow the aroma of maple syrup to the O.R. lodge for sausage, "all you can eat" pancakes, coffee/tea, O.J., milk for \$6/person. Funds raised support the nature center and park. We will then search for early signs of spring on a 4-5 mile hike. Expect mud, stream crossings and a few short hills. Also explore the nature center and learn the history behind maple sugaring. Bring boots, water and extra money for the gift shop, raffles, etc. Carpool fee \$3. Leaders: Gwen Loose (717) 891-9967, Kim Jones (717) 637-7103 willowj@embarqmail.com.

March 8 Medium Hike: State Game Lands 242, Rossville. A circuit hike of 6 miles. The trail will be a surprise to both of us. Wear good boots and bring your lunch and water. Carpool fee \$2.00 Meet at North Rutters meeting place. Leader: Jim Lecrone (717) 764-6695 or vwthyme@Comcast.net

March 15 Short Hike: Lake William at William H. Kahn County Park. 4 to 5 mile circuit hikes around trails with some hills, but mostly even terrain. Water, snacks and boots recommended. Meet at York County Vo-Tec at 1:30 P.M. Carpool fee: \$. 50 Hike Leader: Alan Noble at 717-938-8506 or email amnoble@ptd.net .

March 15 Long Hike: Middle Creek Wildlife Area and Horseshoe Trail. 8 miles from Lancaster County on the Horseshoe Trail into the Wildlife Area (stopping at the Visitors Center) and then back onto the Horseshoe Trail. This will be a strenuous hike including a couple of significant climbs. We'll keep a moderate pace so that all can enjoy this hike. Wear good hiking boots, bring lunch and water. Leave the east meeting place (Boscov's) at 8:00 AM. Carpool fee: \$5. Leader Deb Clemons (717) 246-1497 debruss629@Comcast.net .

March 21 (Saturday) JPJ WORK DAY: Come out and help get JPJ Cabin ready for fun activities! Jobs available for everyone inside and out. Wear old clothes and bring lunch. Meet at JPJ at 9:30 AM. Coffee, iced tea, and hot chocolate will be served with homemade cookies! Information contact: Duane Hyson (717) 993-6026 or Sarah Tateosian (717) 741-2652 or Sarah for carpooling.

March 22 Medium Hike: Mason Dixon Series and Meeting. Meet at 8:30 AM at the Boscov's parking lot or 9 AM at the Wrightsville boat launch. The hike will go from the boat launch to the big parking lot on Long Level just short of Fishing Creek. Approx. 7 miles, including the Murphy's Hollow to High Point relocation, two proposed new relocations, and the Devils Hole section. Some bushwhacking. Meeting at the Hooper's farm at 2 PM. Carpool fee: \$1.00. Contact Jim Hooper 252-3784 or j.e.hooper@ieee.org with any questions.

March 28 (Saturday) Long Hike: Mason-Dixon Trail/Holtwood Preserve. 10-mile hike along the Mason-Dixon trail from Lock 12 to JPJ (Otter Creek Campground). Dramatic views of the river and nesting eagles. Joint hike of our club and AMC-Delaware Valley Chapter. Optional covered-dish supper at JPJ cabin follows hike. Meet 9:30 am at JPJ cabin. Bring lunch, snacks and water. Prepare for very rocky terrain, strenuous climbs; last several miles on roads. Leader: Jim Hooper (717) 252-3784 or j.e.hooper@ieee.org .

March 29 AT Work Hike: Spring cleanup on the AT and the shelter as required and boundary work. If required, we will go chainsaw work. Meet 8:30 AM at the North (Rutters) meeting place. Bring work gloves, boots and lunch. Contact Jim Hooper 252-3784 or j.e.hooper@ieee.org if you have any questions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Volunteer to assist the A.T. Museum any day/time during March in Harpers Ferry by helping to label and scan the photos taken from 1980 to the present of A.T. long-distance hikers when they reach the headquarters. FREE lodging at an historic inn in town in exchange for your service. Contact Gwen Loose (717) 891-9967 for details.

Thursday Work Trips: Come join the group that does trail work, usually on the MDT. Call Jim Hooper at (717) 252-3784 for time and place.

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