

**MONDAY, JANUARY 1**

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**TUESDAY, JANUARY 2 — Reeves Meadow Visitor Center, Harriman State Park, NY**

*Leader:* Ray Adam, 973-476-9897, [adamr43s@hotmail.com](mailto:adamr43s@hotmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Reeves Meadow Visitor Center on Seven Lakes Drive. Approximately 6 to 7 miles on various trails at a moderate pace. Bring lunch and water.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3 — Watchung Reservation, Mountainside**

*Leader:* Marcia Sheldon, 732-574-1144, cell day of hike only 908-380-0867

*Meet:* 10 AM at Trailside Nature Center parking lot on Coles Ave. Moderate pace for 2 to 3 hours. Boots required, traction devices or snowshoes if ice or snow conditions present. Bring water. Severe weather cancels.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 4 — Ladentown, Harriman State Park, NY (southern map)**

*Leader:* Stuart Falls, cell 347-623-3953

*Meet:* 9:30 AM at Diltz Rd. parking. Take Exit 13 off the Palisades Interstate Parkway, turn right on Rt. 202 to Ladentown Rd., turn right on Mountain Rd., then left on Diltz Rd. Park in the gravel lot on the right. Hike will start on the TMI, to a path, up Iron Mountain, around Second Reservoir, for lunch at a shelter. Return on SBM and Mini Swamp Trail. This will be a steady pace, 8-mile hike, that can be strenuous for some. Bring water, food, and traction aids. Note early start.

**ALT. THURSDAY, JANUARY 4 — Tourne Park, Boonton Township/Denville**

*Leader:* Diane Willer, 973-627-4046, cell 973-713-3066, [dwiller34@gmail.com](mailto:dwiller34@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM We will hike 5+ miles on a variety of trails. If there is sufficient snow, we will snowshoe. Bring lunch, water, hiking boots and traction devices. You MUST REGISTER with the leader the day before the hike.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 6 — Tourne Park, Boonton Township**

*Leaders:* Charlie Stepnowski, 862-200-3956 and Bijoy Mechery, [bmechery@msn.com](mailto:bmechery@msn.com), cell 908-487-8482

*Meet:* 9:45 AM for a 10 AM start. Go past maintenance lot to meet in the next parking lot on left. Hike is about 5 miles, 2 to 3 hours at a brisk pace. Not recommended for beginners. Leader's choice of trails. Wear proper hiking boots and bring water. If snow or ice cover, traction devices required. Poles would be

helpful in slippery conditions. Closest GPS address: 89 Old Boonton Rd, Denville.

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 7— Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leader:* Gail Biggs, 973-401-1262, cell 973-769-6860, [biggsqail@yahoo.com](mailto:biggsqail@yahoo.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM Visitors Center parking lot. Hike 4 to 5 miles on various trails depending on weather conditions. Possible snow shoe if snow on the ground. Bring water, snack.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 8 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leader:* Betty Mills, 973-975-5264

*Meet:* 10 AM at the visitor center for a pleasant walk in our National Park. Wear boots, bring water. Steady rain cancels.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 9**

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**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10 — Silas Condict Park, Kinnelon**

*Leader:* David Sutter, cell day of hike only 973-568-2721, [dsuttr@gmail.com](mailto:dsuttr@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at second parking lot top of hill in Silas Condict Park, Kinnelon, NJ. GPS: 41 0 .23 N, 74 22.99 W or use 100 Kinnelon Rd., Kinnelon, NJ. From south take Rt. 287 North to Exit 52B, take NJ Rt. 23 North for approximately 5 miles and take Kinnelon Road left across Rt. 23 to William Lewis Dr. (Silas Condict Park). Turn right and go to top of hill. This moderate hike on Bear Trail (no bears) is less than 4 miles and we will have lunch at scenic location near the end. Back to cars at 12:30 PM. Steady rain cancels.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 11 — Sebago Boat Launch, Harriman State Park, NY**

*Leader:* George Kalosieh, 973-200-0969

*Meet:* 10 AM at Lake Sebago Boat Launch in Harriman State Park. This will be a moderately strenuous 6- to 7-mile hike, with lunch near Pine Meadow Lake. The hike includes several steep climbs up Diamond Mountain.

**ALT. THURSDAY, JANUARY 11**

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**SATURDAY, JANUARY 13 — Watchung Reservation, Mountainside**

*Leader:* Pat Horsch, cell 908-693-8331, [phorsch@verizon.net](mailto:phorsch@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Trailside Nature Center parking lot on Coles Ave. 4- to 5-mile moderate paced hike on leader's choice of trails, approximately 2 hours. Easy to

moderate terrain. Boots required, bring water. Traction devices required if snow cover. Inclement weather cancels.

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 14 — Watchung Reservation, Mountainside**

*Leader:* Bill LaChance, 973-216-8748, [bglachance@yahoo.com](mailto:bglachance@yahoo.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Trailside Nature Center parking lot on Coles Ave. A 4+ mile hike at a moderate pace. Boots strongly recommended. Traction devices required if snow cover.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 15 — Randolph Trails, Freedom Park, Randolph**

*Leader:* Jim McKay, 973-538-0756, cell 973-879-0669, [jrmckay@verizon.net](mailto:jrmckay@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 10 AM for a 3 miles, 1.5 hour moderately paced hike to Church Road in Brundage Park and back.

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**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17 — Chimney Rock Park, Martinsville**

*Leader:* Lynda Goldschein, 908-757-7058, cell day of hike only 908-347-5012

*Meet:* 10 AM at back of large parking lot. Chimney Rock Park is on Chimney Rock Rd. between Washington Valley Road and Rt. 22. Total distance is 5-mile hike and includes part of Washington Valley Park with an out at 4 mile. The bathrooms are heated and open all year. Hiking boots and poles recommended.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 18 — Skyline Drive/Ramapo Mt. State Forest, Oakland (North Jersey Map 115)**

*Leader:* Stuart Falls, cell 347-623-3953

*Meet:* 9:30 AM at the upper lot on Skyline Drive. The hike starts on the Schuber, to the Old Guard, to the Cannonball, to the Old Guard, to the Orange/Yellow to a great view point for lunch. After lunch we hike on the Yellow with plenty of ups and downs to the Todd and back to the cars. Total distance is 7.6 miles at a steady pace which can be strenuous for some. Bring water, food, traction aids. Note early start.

**ALT. THURSDAY, JANUARY 18 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville**

*Leader:* Diane Willer, 973-627-4046, cell 973-713-3066, [dwiller34@gmail.com](mailto:dwiller34@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Pyramid Mountain visitors center parking lot. We will hike about 6 miles on a variety of trails with ups and downs. Bring lunch, water, hiking boots and traction devices. You MUST REGISTER with the leader the day before the hike.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 20**

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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 21 — High Mountain Preserve Park, Wayne**

*Leaders:* Charlie Stepnowski, 862-200-3956 and Bijoy Mechery, cell 908-487-8482, [bmechery@msn.com](mailto:bmechery@msn.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM in trailhead parking lot. A moderate hike of approx. 2.5 hours at a brisk pace. Not suitable for beginners. Bring snack and water. Boots required, traction devices as needed.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 22 — Orange Reservoir, S. Mtn. Res., W. Orange**

*Leader:* Dave Hogenauer, 973-901-0824

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Oakdale/paddle boat parking lot on Cherry Lane. We will walk around the reservoir on a paved path at an easy pace. Distance 2 miles.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 23**

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**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24 — Mahlon Dickerson Reservation, Jefferson**

*Leader:* Jim McKay, 973-538-0756, cell 973-879-0669, [jrmckay@verizon.net](mailto:jrmckay@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Saffin Rock Rill parking lot for a 4-mile, 2-hour moderately paced hike around Saffin Pond and back.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 25 — Lake Skannatati, Harriman State Park, NY (northern map)**

*Leader:* Stuart Falls, cell 347-623-3953

*Meet:* 10 AM ready to hike. We will hike on the LP, Beech, Red Cross, and ASB trails. The terrain is easy with few climbs, but the pace will be brisk, which can be strenuous for some. Total distance is 8.5 miles. Bring water, food, traction aids.

**ALT. THURSDAY, JANUARY 25**

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**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27 — Round Valley Recreation Area, Lebanon**

*Leader:* Pat Horsch, cell 908-693-8331, [phorsch@verizon.net](mailto:phorsch@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 10 AM South Parking Area (stay to the right after passing through the main gate, no entrance fee off-season). This will be a moderate hike of approx. 5 miles on the Cushetunk Trail and day use trails, with scenic views of the reservoir.

Mixture of level terrain, ups and downs, and one substantial hill. Boots required, traction devices as needed. Bring water.

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 28**

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#### **MONDAY, JANUARY 29 — Orange Reservoir, S. Mtn. Res., W. Orange**

*Leader:* Elsie Hajdics, 973-377-2335

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Oakdale parking lot on Cherry Lane. Easy walk on paved way. Snow/Ice will cancel this walk.

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 30 — Governor's Mt./Ringwood State Park, Ringwood**

*Leader:* Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967

*Meet:* 10 AM at the second parking lot beyond Ringwood Manor. About 7 miles at a moderate pace without much change in elevation. We will hike the Cooper Union Trail to Governor's Mt. with a wonderful view over the reservoir. Snow will shorten the length of the walk. Bring lunch and water.

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31 — Watchung Reservation, Mountainside**

*Leader:* Marcia Sheldon, 732-574-1144, cell day of hike only 908-380-0867

*Meet:* 10 AM at Trailside Nature Center parking lot on Coles Ave. Moderate pace for 2 to 3 hours. Boots required, traction devices or snowshoes if ice or snow conditions present. Bring water. Severe weather cancels.

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#### **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3 — Tulip Springs, So. Mtn. Reserv., W. Orange**

*Leaders:* Bijoy Mechery, cell 908-487-8482, [bmechery@msn.com](mailto:bmechery@msn.com)  
and Charlie Stepnowski, 862-200-3956

*Meet:* 10 AM Tulip Springs parking lot. Leader's choice of trails, 4 to 6 miles depending on trail conditions, moderately brisk pace. Boots required, traction devices if snow or ice cover.

#### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

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#### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5 — Hacklebarney State Park, Long Valley**

*Leader:* Betty Mills, 973-975-5264

*Meet:* 10 AM at Hacklebarney State Park parking lot for a nice level walk of about 3 miles. See TSR website for directions.

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#### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leader:* Gail Biggs, 973-401-1262, cell 973-769-6860, [biggsgail@yahoo.com](mailto:biggsgail@yahoo.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Visitors Center parking lot. Hike length 4 to 5 miles on various trails depending on weather conditions. Possible snow shoe if snow on the ground. Bring water, snack.

#### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8 — Ramapo Valley County Reservation, Mahwah**

*Leader:* George Kalosieh, 973-200-0969

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Ramapo Valley County Reservation parking lot, off Rt. 202, in Mahwah. This hike travels on less used areas of the reservation, passing MacMillan Reservoir, and eventually climbing to a panoramic viewpoint overlooking the Manhattan Skyline. This moderately strenuous hike will be approx. 8 miles long. Traction aids may be required.

#### **ALT. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8**

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#### **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10 — Ken Lockwood Gorge, High Bridge**

*Leader:* Pat Horsch, cell 908-693-8331, [phorsch@verizon.net](mailto:phorsch@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Columbia Trail parking area, see directions. 7-mile, 3-hour loop on the Columbia Trail, paved and dirt roads along the Ken Lockwood Gorge with scenic views along the South Branch of the Raritan River. Easy terrain, suitable for beginners. Bring a light lunch and water.

#### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11 — Hacklebarney State Park, Long Valley**

*Leader:* Brooke Tippens, 973-902-5650, [brooketippens@gmail.com](mailto:brooketippens@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM in the parking lot near the kiosk. This will be about a 4-mile, 2-hour hike at a pace to allow picture taking along the Black River with some waterfalls and scenic views. Combination of paved paths and rocky trails. Suitable for beginners. Hiking boots required, traction devices if snow cover. Bring water.

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12 — Turtle Back Rock, S. Mtn. Res., W. Orange**

*Leader:* Len Shnitzer, 732-499-9176

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Turtle Back rock parking lot for a enjoyable walk until 11:30 AM. Inclement weather cancels.

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13 — Norvin Green State Forest, Wanaque**

*Leader:* Ray Adam, 973-476-9897, adamr43s@hotmail.com

*Meet:* 10 AM at The New Weis Center (formerly the Weis Ecology Center) parking lot. Approximately 6 to 7 miles on various trails at a moderate pace. Bring lunch and water.

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 — Chimney Rock Park, Martinsville**

*Leader:* Lynda Goldschein, 908-757-7058, cell day of hike only 908-347-5012

*Meet:* 10 AM at back of large parking lot. Chimney Rock Park is on Chimney Rock Rd. between Washington Valley Road and Rt. 22. Total distance is 5-mile hike and includes part of Washington Valley Park with an out at 4 mile. The bathrooms are heated and open all year. Hiking boots and poles recommended.

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15 — Sebago Boat Launch/Harriman State Park, NY**

*Leader:* Ray Adam, 973-476-9897

*Meet:* 10 AM at Sebago Boat Launch off Seven Lakes Drive in Harriman State Park. This hike will be moderately strenuous. Distance and route will be weather dependent. Hoping for snow and to make this a snow shoe hike.

**ALT. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leader:* Gail Biggs, 973-401-1262, cell day of hike only 973-769-6860, biggsgail@yahoo.com

*Meet:* 10 AM Visitors Center parking lot. Hike 5.5+ miles around Jockey Hollow. Possibly over to the Audubon Society via the river route. Lunch at Cross Gardens. Route will depend on weather. Bring water and lunch.

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17 — Midwinter 3 Boardwalk walk, Seaside to Lavalette**

*Leader:* Gary Petrie, 732-257-0137

*Meet:* 10:30 AM at entrance to Island Beach State Park. We will then move to another parking space. We will walk on three different boardwalks, Seaside, Ortley Beach and Lavalette. Things will be quiet on the Eastern Front. The trip will not be a bored walk and not as a last resort. The coast will be clear and a sight for shore eyes. About 5 to 6 miles. Bad weather may cancel. Please



register with leader. Directions: Take Garden State Parkway Exit 82 (Toms River). NOTE late start.

### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18 — New York City Walk**

*Leader:* Ed Leibowitz, 201-332-1709 or email [eleibow@verizon.net](mailto:eleibow@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 10:00 AM at 59 St & Lexington Ave in Manhattan. Walk over Queensborough Bridge to Queens and then over the Pulaski Bridge to Greenpoint Brooklyn and through the gentrified section of Williamsburg. Walk will end in Manhattan by the Delancy-Essex subway station near the Williamsburg Bridge. Rain or snow on day of walk cancels. Bring water. Will stop at Whole Foods in Williamsburg for lunch or bring your own lunch. Distance approximately 7 miles and should take 5 to 6 hours. Must call or email leader prior to 5:00 PM on 2/17/18 to register. Directions provided on request. Cellphone (201-850-9649) on day of walk **only** after 9:30 AM.

### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19 — Tulip Springs, S. Mtn. Res., W. Orange**

*Leader:* Len Shnitzer, 732-499-9176

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Parking lot for a nice 1.5 hour walk on the leader's choice of path.

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### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22 — Lake Tiorati, Harriman State Park, NY**

*Leader:* Ray Adam, 973-476-9897

*Meet:* 10 AM at Lake Tiorati picnic area off Seven Lakes Drive in Harriman State Park. This moderately strenuous hike will be approx. 8 miles long. Weather will determine route.

### **ALT. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22**

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*Leaders:* Charlie Stepnowski, 862-200-3956 and Bijoy Mechery, bmechery@msn.com, cell 908-487-8482

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Visitors Center parking area. Hike is 5 to 6 miles, 2 to 3 hours at a brisk pace on leader's choice of trails. Not recommended for beginners. Wear proper hiking boots and bring water. If snow or ice cover, wear traction devices. Poles would be helpful in slippery conditions.

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*Leader:* Elsie Hajdics, 973-377-2335

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Oakdale parking lot on Cherry Lane. Easy walk on paved way. Inclement weather cancels.

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#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 1 — Ramapo Valley County Reservation, Mahwah**

*Leader:* Bob Bieri, 201-664-3813

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Ramapo Valley County Reservation, off Rt. 202, in Mahwah. This moderately paced hike will be approx. 7 miles long and will include hiking on most of the newly formed loop trails. Route will be determined by trail conditions.

#### **ALT. THURSDAY, MARCH 1 — Schiff Nature Preserve, Mendham**

*Leader:* Eileen Gavin, cell 908-334-6215

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Schiff parking lot. See TSR website for directions. Be sure to enter the Schiff Natural Lands Trust between the stone pillars. This will be a moderately-paced hike of about 5 miles through woods and meadow. There are some changes in elevation and a few rocky sections. Hiking boots required. Bring lunch and water.

#### **SATURDAY, MARCH 3 — Seeley's Pond/Watchung Res., Berkeley Hts.**

*Leader:* Pat Horsch, cell 908-693-8331, phorsch@verizon.net

*Meet:* 10 AM at Seeley's Pond parking lot. We will do a 4- to 5-mile moderate paced hike on leader's choice of trails, approximately 2 hours. Easy to moderate terrain, with a few good climbs. Boots recommended, bring water. Traction devices required if snow cover. Inclement weather cancels.

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 4**

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*Meet:* 10 AM at the visitor center parking lot for a nice, easy walk.

#### **TUESDAY, MARCH 6 — Norvin Green State Forest, NJ**

*Leader:* Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967

*Meet:* 10 AM at The New Weis Center (formerly named Weis Ecology Center) parking lot. Approximately 6 to 7 miles on various trails at a moderate pace. Bring lunch and water.

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#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 8 — Lake Skannatati, Harriman State Park, NY**

*Leader:* George Kalosieh, 973-200-0969

*Meet:* 10 AM at Lake Skannatati in Harriman State Park. This will be a moderately strenuous hike, approx. 7 to 8 miles long. Hike to include ASB and LP and possibly the Lichen Trail if trail conditions allow.

#### **ALT. THURSDAY, MARCH 8 — Cooper Mill/Black River, Chester**

*Leader:* Bill Reynolds, 973-361-5527, cell day of hike 201-874-8758, [wmfxir@gmail.com](mailto:wmxir@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Cooper Mill parking lot. We will hike a 6.5-mile lollipop loop on the blue, Patriots' Path and red trails. Hiking boots required. Bring lunch and water.

#### **SATURDAY, MARCH 10**

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**SUNDAY, MARCH 11 — DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS — Set clocks forward**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 11 — Locust Grove/South Mt. Res., Millburn**

*Leader:* Brooke Tippens, 973-902-5650, [brooketippens@gmail.com](mailto:brooketippens@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Locust Grove parking lot. Overflow parking is available at the library and municipal lot. A 4-mile moderate hike on leader's choice of trails. Bring water.

**MONDAY, MARCH 12 — Waterloo Village, Stanhope**

*Leader:* Leslie McGlynn, 973-668-6512, [mcgly66@gmail.com](mailto:mcgly66@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM Parking area on your left. Waterloo Village is a restored 19th-century canal town in Byram Township. It is about 1 mile flat paved/gravel walk through the village and some adjoining trails. We can do it in reverse and make it 2 miles if everyone is willing. Finish before noon. Bring your camera and water.

There are picnic tables here and it's so very peaceful and quiet if anyone wishes to stop to have lunch/snack afterwards. Directions: 206 North to Waterloo Road. Make Left turn on Waterloo Road. (Gas station is on your left, Santander Bank on your right). Stay straight on Waterloo Road. Waterloo Village is on your left. Right turn into the parking area.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 13 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leader:* Gail Biggs, 973-401-1262, cell day of hike only 973-769-6860

*Meet:* 10 AM Visitors Center. Hike various trails depending on the weather. 5+ miles. Bring lunch/snack and water.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14 — Turtle Back Trail, So. Mtn. Reservation, W. Orange**

*Leader:* Dave Hogenauer, 973-287-6268

*Meet:* 10 AM at Turtle Back Rock Picnic Grove off of Walker Road in West Orange. We will hike on 2 recently added trails in the Reservation: the Turtle Back Connector and the Turtle Back Bypass besides the Turtle Back Trail itself. About a 3-mile hike at an easy to moderate pace with only a few slight uphill segments.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 15 — Ringwood State Park/NJ State Botanical Gardens, Ringwood**

Co-Leaders: Kathe Serbin, cell 973-715-0491 and Tonya Biondi, cell 908-403-5441

*Meet:* 10 AM at Parking Lot C in Ringwood State Park. Follow TSR directions to SKYLANDS up until the entrance gate. Just before the gate, turn right onto the park rd. (Honeysuckle Lane). Follow for .06 miles to Parking Lot C on left. The lot is just before a "do not enter" sign because the road turns into a one way. You will see several brown signs directing you to Lot C. This moderately strenuous hike is 7.5+ miles long. This is a hilly hike including at least 3 different view

points. We plan to eat lunch at Shepherd Lake and then continue on to Cupsaw Mtn. Toward the end of the hike you will have a chance to walk the grounds of the 1922 Skylands Tudor Mansion and NJ State Botanical Gardens which is on the State & National Registers of Historic Places.

#### **ALT. THURSDAY, MARCH 15**

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#### **SATURDAY, MARCH 17 — Merrill Creek Reservoir, Washington**

*Leader:* Pat Horsch, cell 908-693-8331, [phorsch@verizon.net](mailto:phorsch@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 10AM Visitors Center parking area (to the right after entering the area) Leave extra travel time if you have not been here before, as it is not GPS friendly for some systems. This will be an easy but scenic hike of 6 miles, about 3 hours, around the reservoir with a few ups and downs and some rocky areas. Bring water and snacks or light lunch for a brief stop midway. Boots required and traction devices if there is snow cover.

#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 18 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville**

*Leader:* Kathe Serbin, 973-597-9622

*Meet:* 10 AM at Pyramid Mountain Visitors Center. Approx. 5 to 6 miles, fast paced with some steep sections, about 2.5 to 3 hours, with no stop for lunch. This loop hike has a lot of up and down paths with great views. Bring water. Boots recommended.

#### **MONDAY, MARCH 19 — Central Park of Morris County, Morris Plains**

*Leader:* Jim McKay, 973-538-0756, [jrmckay@verizon.net](mailto:jrmckay@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 10 AM at parking lot on Central Ave, near bathroom for a 3 mile moderate paced hike. We will see where the old Greystone park hospital used to be before being taken down. A map of the park may be downloaded at Central Park of Morris County and then Central Park Map. Directions from Morristown Square: take Speedwell ave. 2 miles to Glenbrook Ave, & turn left. Go 0.6 miles and turn right just after sharp left turn onto Central Ave. go 0.6 miles, bearing left at next intersection, to parking lot on left near bathroom. Parking Lot coordinates: 40°49.814' N by 74°29.939' W

#### **TUESDAY, MARCH 20**

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#### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21 — Seeley's Pond, Watchung Reservation, Berkeley Heights**

*Leader:* Lynda Goldschein, 908-757-7058, cell day of hike only 908-347-5012  
*Meet:* 10 AM at Seeley's Pond parking lot. Hike about 4.5 miles, 2.5 hours. One or two uphill sections, the rest fairly level. Hiking boots and walking stick recommended. Bring hat or sunglasses as the sun will be directly in your eyes.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 22 — The New Weis Center/Norvin Green Forest, Wanaque**

*Leader:* Ray Adam, 973-476-9897

*Meet:* 10 AM at the The New Weis Center (formerly Weis Ecology Center) parking lot off Snake Den Road in Wanaque. This moderately strenuous, 8- to 9-mile hike, will travel on various trails.

**ALT. THURSDAY, MARCH 22 — Pine Meadow Lake Loop/Harriman State Park, NY**

*Leader:* Sheree Bennett, 973-857-0543, cell day of hike only 973-932-9466, [shereestarrett@yahoo.com](mailto:shereestarrett@yahoo.com)

*Meet:* 9:30 AM at Reeves Meadow Parking Lot on Seven Lakes Drive. This is a 7-mile moderately strenuous hike with one strenuous climb with some scrambling before lunch. We should finish by 2:30. Hiking boots required. Bring lunch and water. Poles are optional. Traction devices may be needed depending on the weather and any prior ice or snow. You MUST REGISTER with the leader no later than the day before the hike. NOTE early start.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 24 — Cheesequake State Park, Matawan**

*Leader:* Jay Dibble 908-289-8813, cell day of hike only 908-209-2936

*Meet:* 10 AM at the large parking area by the lake. 4 to 5 miles at a moderate pace over both flat and hilly terrain. Heavy rain or snow cover cancels the hike.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 25**

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**MONDAY, MARCH 26 — Loantaka Brook Reservation, Morris Twp.**

*Leader:* Terry Kulmane, 973-644-4547

*Meet:* 10 AM at South St. parking lot for a walk through the woods on the horse trail.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 27 — Ramapo Valley County Reservation, Mahwah**

*Leader:* Bob Bieri, 201-664-3813

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Ramapo Valley Reservation parking lot off Rt. 202. This moderately paced, 6-mile hike, will include most of the newly formed loop trails.

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leader:* Pat Cappello, 201-546-2044

*Meet:* 10 AM at Visitors Center parking lot. Hike 4 to 5 miles at a moderate pace on a variety of trails. Bring water. Rain cancels.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 29 — Anthony's Nose, Cortlandt, NY**

*Leader:* Bill Correa, 917-656-3015

*Meet:* 9:30 AM at Castle Rock parking area in Garrison, NY. This moderately strenuous hike is approx. 10 miles long with 1500' elevation gain. This is a point to point hike. We will shuttle from Garrison to the beginning of Camp Smith trail, south of the Bear Mt. Bridge. There are beautiful views from the top of Anthony's nose. Directions: Palisades Interstate Parkway to the end, cross the Bear Mountain Bridge, and turn left on 9D. In approx. 4 miles turn right onto a dirt road at a sign for Castle Rock on the right. The road leads into the parking area. If you cross 403, you missed it, turn back. Note early start.

**ALT. THURSDAY, MARCH 29 — Lewis Morris County Park, Morris Township**

*Leader:* Diane Willer, 973-627-4046, cell 973-713-3066, [dwiller34@gmail.com](mailto:dwiller34@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at the lower Sunrise Lake parking lot. We will hike about 5 miles on a variety of trails. Bring lunch, water and hiking boots. You MUST REGISTER with the leader the day before the hike.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 31 — Lewis Morris Park, Morristown**

*Leaders:* Bijoy Mechery, cell 908-487-8482, [bmechery@msn.com](mailto:bmechery@msn.com) and Charlie Stepnowski, 862-200-3956

*Meet:* 9:45 AM at the Doe Meadow parking area for a 10 AM start. From the main entrance, go 0.5 mi and turn left into the lot, right side of the parking area. Hike is 5+ miles, 2 to 3 hours at a brisk pace. Not recommended for beginners. Leader's choice of trails. Wear proper hiking boots and bring water. If snow or ice cover, wear traction devices. Poles would be helpful in slippery conditions.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 1 — DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES FOR OAK LEAF**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 1**

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**MONDAY, APRIL 2 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leader:* Betty Mills, 973-975-5264

*Meet:* 10 AM at the visitor center parking lot for a pleasant walk in our National Park. Wear boots, bring water, steady rain cancels.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 3 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville**

*Leader:* Kathe Serbin, cell 973-715-0491

*Meet:* 10 AM at Pyramid Mountain Visitor Center parking lot. A 6- to 7-mile hike over various trails at a moderately brisk pace. Bring lunch and water. Hiking boots required.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4 — Eagle Rock Reservation, West Orange**

*Leader:* Dave Hogenauer, 973-287-6268

*Meet:* 10 AM at the 9/11 Memorial at Eagle Rock Reservation next to the Highlawn Pavilion. We will hike around the perimeter of the reservation at an easy to moderate pace, after taking in the spectacular view of NYC. About 3.5 miles.

**THURSDAY APRIL 5 — Giant Steps/Alpine Boat Basin, Alpine**

*Leader:* Bill Correa, 917-656-3015

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Alpine Boat Basin, in Alpine, NJ. This moderately strenuous hike is approx. 10 miles long with 700 ft. elevation gain. 70% of the hike is flat. The Giant Steps are a scramble approx. one mile long. The hike is mostly horizontal and does not involve heavy breathing just being careful.

*Directions:* Palisades Interstate Parkway Exit 2. From the south, follow the road down the hill past the Police Station on the left. At the bottom, you come to a circle, turn left into the Alpine Boat Basin. Go to the end of the parking lot. From the north, take Exit 2, turn right on 9W, take the first quick right under the Parkway, bear right, down the hill, and then follow above directions.

**ALT. THURSDAY, APRIL 5 — Buttermilk Falls/India Brook Natural Area, India Brook Park, Mendham Township**

*Leader:* Bill Reynolds, 973-361-5527, cell day of hike 201-874-8758, wmfir@gmail.com

*Meet:* 10 AM at India Brook Park parking lot (see TSR directions to meeting places India Brook, option #2) This will be a 5.5-mile moderate/slightly difficult hike. This beautiful trail has it all; ups and downs, flat/soft and rocky sections and is adjacent to India Brook for more than half the hike. There will be one stream crossing that has to be made. Hopefully stream flow will be low. It will be a loop trail for the most part with back tracking only along the final reach. Recommend hiking poles. Bring snack or lunch for a stop at the Buttermilk Falls.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 7 — Palisades Interstate Park, Alpine**

*Leader:* Pat Horsch, cell 908-693-8331, phorsch@verizon.net

*Meet:* 9:45 AM for a 10 AM hike start at State Line Lookout. This will be a challenging hike of 5 miles at a relaxed pace with steep ups and downs, a lengthy but fun boulder scramble through the Giant Stairs, and gorgeous views of the Hudson River and cliffs. Wear good boots. Bring plenty of water and lunch. Inclement weather cancels.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 8 — Ramapo Mt. State Forest, Oakland**

*Leader:* Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967



*Meet:* 9:30 AM at the Lower Lot on Skyline Drive. This is an 8-mile moderate hike to Ramapo Lake on the blue, up the yellow to the 287 overpass, back to the lake, a climb to the Castle Ruins before we descend along a woods road and then head back to the parking lot. Early outs are available to shorten the hike. Bring lunch and sufficient water. Hiking boots recommended. Note early start time.

**MONDAY, APRIL 9 — Randolph Trails Loop/Freedom Park, Randolph**

*Leader:* Bill Reynolds, 973-361-5527, cell day of hike only 201-874-8758

*Meet:* 10 AM at Freedom Park parking lot. I hope you can be there already at 9:45 AM for a 2.9 mile loop trail that features a great forest setting. It will take us 1.5 hours or less. The trail is good for all skill levels and primarily used for hiking, walking, trail running, and nature trips. Elevation gain: 269 ft

**TUESDAY, APRIL 10 — Turkey Mountain Loop/Pyramid Mt., Montville**

*Leader:* Louis Thompson, 732-577-9413, cell day of hike only 732-239-1012

*Meet:* 10 AM at Pyramid Mountain Visitor Center parking lot. We will hike 5 to 6 miles at a moderate pace, on the yellow, white, green, red and blue trails, passing a beaver dam, hopefully some cascades, and the Lake Valhalla overlook. Bring lunch, water, and hiking boots. Hike should end by 1:30 PM. Steady rain cancels.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leader:* Jim McKay, 973-538-0756, cell 973-879-0669, [jmmckay@verizon.net](mailto:jmmckay@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 10 AM for a 3.5- to 4-mile hike, 2-hour moderately paced hike on the blue and other trails. We will take a 5 to 10 minute snack break at the Jenks Family cemetery en route. Directions: From the Visitors Center parking lot. Take the tour road 1.3 miles and turn right. Then go 0.5 to the parking lot on the right next to the comfort station building. Alternate route from Morristown square: take Washington St. west 2 blocks and turn left onto Western Ave. Go 2.7 miles to park entrance and continue 0.4 miles to parking lot on left.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 12 — Long Pond Iron Works, Beech Road, Hewitt**

*Leader:* Ray Adam, 973-476-9897

*Meet:* 10 AM at the end of Beech Road in Hewitt. When traveling north on Greenwood Lake Turnpike (CR511) and passing Margaret King Ave. on your right, continue downhill, turn right on Beech Road which is just before the Monksville Reservoir. This moderately strenuous hike will be approx. 8 to 9 miles long on various trails.

**ALT. THURSDAY, APRIL 12 — Kincaid Trail/Pyramid Mtn., Kinnelon**

*Leader:* Gail Biggs, 973-401-1262, cell day of hike only 973-769-6860

*Meet:* 10 AM at Kincaid Trail entrance. A 6- to 7-mile lollipop hike from Kincaid entrance past Bear Rock to lunch with a view. We will follow the red trail back to Kincaid. Some steep hills. Hiking boots required. Bring lunch and water.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 14 — South River Roundabout, East Brunswick**

*Leader:* Gary Petrie, 732-257-0137

*Meet:* 9:30 AM at E. Brunswick Route 18 and Tice's Lane at Boston Market in Mid-State Mall. Walk through the area where the leader grew up. A hilly walk for those who feel up to it. Walk up and down "killer" hills and through parks, wooded and residential areas, along ponds and meadowlands. Terrain will be varied with sidewalk walking. We will walk down Russian Alley and see the "Jewel" of South River. Washington slept here. About 6-7 miles. You must register with the leader the day before the hike. Note early start time.

**Bike Icon SATURDAY, APRIL 14 — Kittatinny Vally State Park, Newton**

*Leader:* Gloria Friedman, 973-295-6864, cell day of ride only 973-886-9662.

*Meet:* 10 AM at parking lot on Limecrest Rd (Limecrest Rd. entrance) about 1 mile east of Rt 206N, on left. We'll do about 23 miles on quiet country roads with a few moderate hills. Register with Leader by 6 PM the night before. Helmets Required.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 15 — 4 Birds Indian Cliffs, Rockaway**

*Leader:* Jean Fletcher, 973-285-5263, cell 973-452-1567

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Boy Scout Camp Winnebago/Farny State Park parking lot for a moderately paced 4 to 6 miles around the camp to the Indian Cliffs above Split Rock Reservoir. One steep hill to the view point, but we will take our time. Trail will be rocky with possible wet or muddy spots. Bring a light lunch and water. We will be done before 3. Seriously inclement weather cancels. Directions: From the south: take Rt. 80 East or West to Exit 37 Hibernia. Follow the ramp to Green Pond Rd. Go left and continue 6.5 miles to Timberbrook Rd. Turn right. Proceed 1.3 miles (continue on the unpaved road) to sign indicating Farny State Park Hiker Parking. From Rt. 23 North or South take Green Pond Rd. at Newfoundland. Go 5.1 miles. Turn left onto Timberbrook Rd. Follow the directions above.

**MONDAY, APRIL 16 — Paulinskill Valley Trail, Blairstown**

*Leader:* Leslie McGlynn, 973-668-6512, [mcgly66@gmail.com](mailto:mcgly66@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM in the park parking lot. We will walk 2 miles to a small airport where you can watch small planes and gliders in action. There are picnic tables here and also a very reasonable restaurant (The Runaway Café). Then we will hike back. A total of 4 miles. This is a flat dirt/gravel trail. Don't forget your water. Directions: Route 80 West to exit 12. Right onto Route 521, left onto Route 94. Entrance to the park is on your left before the traffic light.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 17 — Ramapo Mountain State Forest/Oakland, NJ**

*Leader:* Louis Thompson, 732-577-9413, cell day of hike only 732-239-1012

*Meet:* 10 AM at the lower parking lot. This will be a 6- to 7-mile hike. We will start on the blue trail, follow the yellow, red, orange, blue, and white to the castle ruins, then back to the blue, to the parking lot. Hiking boots required. Bring lunch and lots of water. Steady rain cancels.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18 — Seeley's Pond, Watchung Reservation, Mountainside**

*Leader:* Lynda Goldschein, 908-757-7058, cell day of hike only 908-347-5012

*Meet:* 10 AM at Seeley's Pond parking lot. Hike about 4.5 miles, 2.5 hours. One or two uphill sections, the rest fairly level. Hiking boots and walking stick recommended.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 19 — Reeves Meadow Visitor Center, Harriman State Park, NY**

*Leader:* Louis Thompson, 732-577-9413, cell day of hike only 732-239-1012

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Reeves Meadow Visitor Center on Seven Lakes Drive. This will be a moderately strenuous 7 to 8 mile hike, utilizing the Pine Meadow, Kakiat, Raccoon Brook, and Seven Hill Trails and possibly a section of the HTS Trail. Hiking boots required. Bring lunch, and plenty of fluids. Steady rain cancels.

**ALT. THURSDAY, APRIL 19 — Norvin Green State Forest, Wanaque**

*Leaders:* Carolyn and Jim Canfield, 973-728-9774, [cmjwcanfield@gmail.com](mailto:cmjwcanfield@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at The New Weis Center (formerly Weis Ecology Center) parking lot. Approximately 6 to 7 miles up and down on various trails with some views. Bring lunch and water.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 21 — Stephens State Park, Hackettstown**

*Leader:* Leslie McGlynn, 973-668-6512, [mcgly66@gmail.com](mailto:mcgly66@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM in the main parking lot and finish before 12:00. Drive over the wooden bridge and into the parking lot on your left. This is an easy-paced walk on the Red Trail to Waterloo Road and then back into the park, about 2 miles. Red trail is a short rocky upgrade. The rest is an easy paved path. There is an option to do more walking on the road in the park and in the campground. This is a pretty park, so you may want to bring your camera, and lunch/snack to hang out afterwards.

**Bike Icon SATURDAY, APRIL 21 — D&R Canal Towpath/Frenchtown Loop, Frenchtown**

*Leader:* Jean Fletcher, 973-285-5263, [jrfletc@optonline.net](mailto:jrfletc@optonline.net)

*Meet:* 10 AM, River Road and Bridge Street, Frenchtown. Parking area for the D&R Canal State Park, <http://www.dandrcanal.com/pdf/parkmap.pdf>. We will cycle along the Delaware River on the former towpaths of the D&R Canal, now parks in 2 states; lunch at Bulls Island, approximately 9 miles downriver; option to go further south to Stockton. hybrid tires or better; Bring lunch and water and carry money for refreshment stop; Helmets required. Arrive early as parking fills quickly. Must register with leader by 6 PM previous day. Rain cancels. Directions: Take I-78 West (off I-287) to Exit 15, Clinton, left onto County Route 513 through Pittstown all the way into Frenchtown to the Bridge.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 22 — Norvin Green State Forest, Bloomingdale**

*Leader:* Jay Dibble 908-289-8813, cell day of hike only 908-209-2936

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Otter Hole parking area. 5 to 6 mile loop at a moderate pace over mostly hilly terrain. Some nice views including Wyanokie High Point. Bring lunch and water.

**MONDAY, APRIL 23 — Cherry Blossom Center, Branch Brook Park, Newark**

*Leader:* Dave Hogenauer, 973-901-0824

*Meet:* 10 AM at Branch Brook Park visitor center parking lot. We will walk about 2 miles at an easy pace, with a number of stops to photograph the sights and smell the flowers. The path will be either paved or hard-packed dirt with some moderate uphill sections. Branch Brook has the largest display of Cherry Trees in the United States, and since there is a wide variety of trees there are early bloomers as well as late bloomers, making for a longer display.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 24 — Pequannock Watershed, West Milford**

*Leader:* George Smith, 973-464-1792

*Meet:* 10 AM at Terrace Pond, Parking Lot 7 on Clinton Rd. Hike about 6 miles at a moderate pace with lunch at scenic Terrace Pond.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25 — Historical Tour of So. Mtn. Reservation, Millburn**

*Leader:* Dave Hogenauer, 973-287-6268

*Meet:* 10 AM at Locust Grove, off of Glen Ave. in Millburn across from the Millburn Library and First Aid Squad. We will visit the old quarry, the line of the West Jersey RR, the sites of a couple of paper mills and the area known as Painter's Point, noting the historical significance of each place. The leader has recently written a book about the history of South Mountain Reservation. Learn why the railroad never went anywhere, why the Rahway River ran pink and who was the painter at Painter's Point. About 2-mile hike at an easy to moderate pace with a number of stops along the way to hear stories from the past.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 26 — Undercliff Trail, Cold Spring, NY**

*Leader:* Bill Correa, 917-656-3015

*Meet:* 10 AM (see directions below). This moderately strenuous 8-mile hike has two climbs, beautiful views, and 2300' elevation gain. The second half of the hike is a flat 4 mile walk out. Directions: Palisades Interstate Parkway to Bear Mountain Bridge. Cross the bridge, turn left on Rt. 9 to Cold Spring. After crossing Rt. 301, and traveling .3 miles, parking lot is on the right.

**ALT. THURSDAY, APRIL 26 — Cooper Mill/Black River, Chester**

*Leader:* Debbie Stuart, 908-768-8044, djsearch@aol.com

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Cooper Grist Mill parking lot. We will hike a 6.5-mile variation of the lollipop loop on the blue, red and possibly other trails. Moderate hike with some rocky terrain. Bring lunch, water and hiking boots.

**Canoe Icon FRIDAY, APRIL 27 — Saxon Lake/Musconetcong River, Stanhope**

*Leaders:* Stan & Bev Kaltnecker, 201-602-4074

*Meet:* 10 AM at Waterloo Rd. parking lot, 1087 Waterloo Rd., Stanhope, NJ 07874 (GPS: 40.8969,74.7911). Enjoy a nice scenic paddle “up a lazy river” (about an hour upstream) then back and around Saxon Lake; total trip time about 3 hours. Directions: Take I-80 exit 25/Rt. 206 north; go 0.5 mile on Rt. 206 north to ramp on right to Continental Dr.; follow brown signs toward Waterloo Village; proceed 0.5 mile to stop light; turn right; continue one mile; turn left at “T” intersection (Waterloo Road/CR604); after 3.3 miles the NJ State parking area (small) is on the left (river side), immediately after an abandoned white building. This is our launch site. See Canoeing General Instructions. You must register with the leaders the day before the event. A personal flotation device must be worn.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 28 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leaders:* Charlie Stepnowski, 862-200-3956 and Bijoy Mechery, bmechery@msn.com, cell 908-487-8482

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Visitors Center parking area. Hike is 5 to 6 miles, 2 to 3 hours at a brisk pace on leader’s choice of trails. Not recommended for beginners. Wear proper hiking boots and bring water. Poles would be helpful in slippery conditions.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 29**

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**MONDAY, APRIL 30 — Hilltop Reservation/West Entrance, N. Caldwell**

*Leader:* Louise White, 973-856-3327

*Meet:* 10 AM at big parking lot behind the ball field for a nice walk on a variety of trails. Bring binoculars. Direction: From Bloomfield Ave. in Caldwell, take Mountain Ave, north to Courtier Lane. Turn east (right) and drive to parking lot.

**TUESDAY, MAY 1 — DEADLINE FOR LISTING HIKES IN THE NEXT SCHEDULE**

**TUESDAY, MAY 1 — Pyramid Mountain, Montville**

*Leader:* Louis Thompson, 732-577-9413, cell day of hike only 732-239-1012

*Meet:* 10 AM at Pyramid Mountain Visitor Center parking lot. We will hike 5 to 6 miles at a moderate pace, on the blue, white, blue, up the steep red stripe, back on the white and blue trails. We will pass bear rock, tripod rock, and whale head rock. Bring lunch, water, and hiking boots. Hike should end by 1:30 PM. Steady rain cancels.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 2 — Patriots’ Path, Morristown**

*Leader:* Gail Biggs, 973-401-1262, cell day of hike only 973-769-6860, [biggs\\_gail@yahoo.com](mailto:biggs_gail@yahoo.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Fosterfields (see club directions #3 under Patriots' Path). Park in the lot near the pavilion furthest from the Visitor Center. Hike 4 miles on mostly level terrain. One big up at beginning and end.

**THURSDAY, MAY 3 — Schunemunk Mountain, Mountainville, NY**

*Leader:* Alan Breach, 973-875-4376, [abreach@ptd.net](mailto:abreach@ptd.net), cell day of hike only 973-600-3846

*Meet:* 10 AM at Schunemunk Parking Lot for a 9+ mile, moderately strenuous hike, with 1500' elevation gain. This hike will take about 5 hours using the Jessup and Western Ridge Trails, with a visit to the Megaliths. This hike offers great views, if you haven't done it, you should!

**ALT. THURSDAY, MAY 3 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leader:* Meg Fernandez, cell day of hike only 908-612-9527, [megfernandez@msn.com](mailto:megfernandez@msn.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Visitors Center parking lot. Hike 5.5 miles at a moderate social pace. Bring lunch and water.

**Canoe Icon FRIDAY, MAY 4 — Wawayanda State Park, Hewitt**

*Leader:* Henry Fernandez, 973-462-7747, [HENRY8000@YAHOO.COM](mailto:HENRY8000@YAHOO.COM)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Wawayanda State Park, Boat Launch Parking, Warwick Twp; Hewitt, NJ 07421 (Park Entrance GPS 41.1963, -74.3920), (Boat Launch GPS

41.1881, -74.4258) Spend a day on a pretty lake with easy paddling. Rentals may be available. DIRECTIONS: From I-287 Exit 55: Go north on Ringwood Ave. (Rt. 511) about 13 mi. to Warwick Tpk. at south end of Greenwood Lake. Continue straight-ahead 5 mi. on Warwick Tpk. past Upper Greenwood Lake. Turn left at park entrance. Continue past the Ranger Station 2¼ mi. to the entrance to Beach Parking on the left. Drive left past the Beach Parking ¼ mi. to the Boat Launch Parking Area. See Canoeing General Instructions. You MUST REGISTER with leader the day before. A PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE MUST BE WORN.

**SATURDAY, MAY 5 — Frelinghuysen Arboretum, Morristown**

*Leader:* John Gilris, 973-386-1168

*Meet:* 10 AM at Frelinghuysen Arboretum parking lot. Walk 3 miles around arboretum to Acorn Hall and back along Whippany River. Then cross street and continue another 2 to 4 miles on Patriots' Path; whatever walkers prefer. Good for beginners.

**SUNDAY, MAY 6 — Eagle Rock Reservation, West Orange**

*Leader:* Brooke Tippens, 973-902-5650, [brooketippens@gmail.com](mailto:brooketippens@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM in hikers parking area just past the Highlawn Pavilion. 4 miles of mostly easy terrain with some ups and downs on leader's choice of trails. Wear good hiking shoes. Bring water.

**MONDAY, MAY 7 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leader:* Carol Czajkowski, 973-539-4048

*Meet:* 10 AM at the visitor center parking lot for a pleasant walk in our National Park. Leaders choice of easy trails. Bring water, wear boots.

**TUESDAY, MAY 8 — Ramapo Valley County Reservation, Mahwah**

*Leader:* Kathe Serbin, cell 973-715-0491

*Meet:* 10 AM in the Ramapo Valley Reservation parking lot off Rt. 202. We will hike various trails on a moderately brisk hike of 6 to 7 miles.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 9 — Ramapo Lake, Oakland**

*Leader:* Dave Hogenauer, 973-287-6268

*Meet:* 10 AM at the lower parking lot on Skyline Drive in Ramapo State Forest. We will hike about 4 miles circumnavigating the entire reservoir on woods roads after the uphill McEvoy Trail reaches the lake. Bring a snack for a stop high above the waters on a beautiful lookout. Back to cars by 12:30 PM.

**THURSDAY, MAY 10 — Snake Den Road/Norvin Green Forest, Wanaque**

*Leader:* Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967

*Meet:* 10 AM at The New Weis Center (formerly Weis Ecology Center) parking lot. This 8- to 9-mile, moderately strenuous hike, includes many climbs, steep downhills, several views, and a waterfall or two.

**ALT. THURSDAY, MAY 10 — North Allamuchy State Park, Stanhope**

*Leaders:* Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, 201-602-4074

*Meet:* 10 AM at Waterloo Road and Sussex Branch parking lot (see TSR directions to meeting locations Allamuchy Mountain State Park #3). We will hike about 5 to 6 miles at a moderate pace on various trails over hilly terrain, stopping at a view point or Cranberry Lake for lunch. Bring lunch and water. Rain cancels. You MUST REGISTER with the leaders the day before the hike.

**Canoe icon FRIDAY, MAY 11 — Split Rock Reservoir, Boonton Twp**

*Leader:* Jean Fletcher, 973-285-5263, JRFLETC@OPTONLINE.NET, cell day of paddle only 973-452-1567

*Meet:* 10 AM at Split Rock Reservoir Parking Lot, 345 Split Rock Road, Boonton Twp, NJ 07005 (GPS 40.9625, -74.4575) A reservoir recently opened to boating and canoeing. Very pretty and quiet. Directions: From I-287N Exit 44: At the top of the ramp, turn right over I-287 onto Main St. (Rt-511) in Boonton. Drive 0.3 mile to Boonton Rd. (Rt-511) Turn right and go 2.5 miles to Rockaway Valley Rd. Turn left and drive 2.2 miles to Split Rock Rd, a 150 degree turn on the right. (Stone Rd. is the street 0.1 mile before Split Rock Rd.) Follow Split Rock Rd. 2.8 miles (Stay to the right at Decker Rd. and to the left at Charlottesburg Rd.) to the parking lot and launch area. (The last 0.8 mile is gravel.) From I-80 Exit 37 Rockaway/Hibernia: Go north on Green Pond Rd. (Rt-513) toward Hibernia. At about 6.5 miles turn right at the Marcella Firehouse sign. This is Upper Hibernia Rd. Continue 2 mi. to fork in the road. Bear left onto Split Rock Rd. After the



pavement ends keep going over the dam. The new fisherman's boat launch parking lot is about 1/8 mile on the left after the dam. See Canoeing General Instructions. You must register with the leader the day before the event. A personal flotation device must be worn.

**SATURDAY, MAY 12 — Mt. Minsi/Delaware Water Gap NRA, Delaware Water Gap, PA**

*Leader:* Pat Horsch, cell 908-693-8331, phorsch@verizon.net

*Meet:* 9:30 AM at the Resort Point Overlook parking lot on Rt. 611. No facilities at trail head, recommend stopping at the PA Visitors Center when you get off I-80. We will ascend along a little waterfall to meet the Appalachian Trail and head south, enjoying some beautiful views overlooking the Delaware River. We will return on the fire road, then loop back to return to the cars. The terrain is mostly moderate but a little steep and rocky in a few sections. The hike will be approx. 4 hours, 6 miles. Bring snacks or light lunch and water. Hiking boots required. Steady rain cancels. Optional stop on the way home for the most incredible pie in the area. NOTE early start time.

**SUNDAY, MAY 13 — Hartshorne Woods, Atlantic Highlands**

*Leader:* Louis Thompson, 732-577-9413, cell day of hike only 732-239-1012

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Rocky Point parking area. This will be a 5 to 6 mile hike (there will be an early out after about 2.5 miles for those who wish), at a moderate pace, on the Rocky Point, Grand Tour, and Laurel Ridge trail where we should have lots of mountain laurel in bloom. We will also pass by an historic gun battery, and the Navesink River. Hiking boots required. Bring lunch and lots of water. Steady rain cancels.

**MONDAY, MAY 14 — Patriot's Path to Sunrise Lake/Lewis Morris Park, Morristown**

*Leaders:* Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, 201-602-4074

*Meet:* 10 AM at the parking area on Sussex Avenue (CR617). Directions from the Morristown Green: Take Speedwell Avenue (US Rt. 202) to Sussex Avenue. Turn left on Sussex Ave. and proceed for about 1 ½ miles to parking lot on right. The hike will start there. Bring boots, just in case.

**TUESDAY, MAY 15 — Reeves Meadow Visitor Center, Harriman State Park, NY**

*Leader:* Bob Bieri, 201-664-3813

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Reeves Meadow Visitor Center on Seven Lakes Drive. This moderately paced hike will be approx. 6.5 miles long. Among others, we plan to hike on the Stoney Brook, TMI, Seven Hills, and Pine Meadow Trails.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 16 — Seeley's Pond, Watchung Reservation, Berkeley Heights**

*Leader:* Lynda Goldschein, 908-757-7058, cell day of hike only 908-347-5012

*Meet:* 10 AM at Seeley's Pond parking lot. Hike about 4.5 miles, 2.5 hours. One or two uphill sections, the rest fairly level. Hiking boots and walking stick recommended.

**THURSDAY, MAY 17 — Ramapo Valley Reservation, Mahwah**

*Leader:* Mike Handelsman, 718-884-2869, [hikermike7@msn.com](mailto:hikermike7@msn.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at the parking lot on Rte, 202. We will hike 8 to 9 miles in this scenic and hilly area. Soon after a flat start on the yellow trail, the hike takes a steep climb up to Hawk Rock. Lunch at Bear Swamp Lake, with return route tbd. The pace will be moderate to brisk.

**ALT. THURSDAY, MAY 17 — Six Mile Run Reservoir Site/D&R Canal State Park, Somerset (Franklin Township)**

*Leader:* Debbie Stuart, 908-768-8044, [djsearch@aol.com](mailto:djsearch@aol.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Six Mile Run Canal Road Parking Lot: 661 Canal Road, Somerset (Franklin Township), NJ 08873. The lot is on Canal Road between Blackwells Mill Road and Jacques Lane across the street from the D&R Canal Path. This will be a 6.3-mile loop; blue to red and a few hundred yards walk on Canal Road back to the parking lot. Mostly easy/flat with slight rolls. Woods, fields and streams (no, there is not a reservoir there) and hopefully beautiful spring wild flowers. Rain that day or heavy prior rain will cancel due to muddy conditions. Bring lunch and water.

**Canoe Icon FRIDAY, MAY 18 — Cranberry Lake, Byram Township**

*Leaders:* Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, 201-602-4074

*Meet:* 10 AM at NJ State Parking Lot and launch area off South Shore Road.

GPS (40.9506, -74.7370) Directions: I-80 West to Exit 25. Go approximately 3.5 miles on Rt. 206 West to left turn onto South Shore Road. Landmarks before South Shore turnoff are first: Byram Township Fire Department and then The Stonewood Tavern on the left. Once on South Shore Road go about 100 yards to left turn and continue 200 yards to a sharp right turn up to parking lot and launch area. See Canoeing General Instructions. You must register with the leaders the day before the event. A personal flotation device must be worn.

**SATURDAY, MAY 19 — Hewitt State Forest, Hewitt**

*Leader:* Jay Dibble 908-289-8813, cell day of hike only 908-209-2936

*Meet:* 10 AM at the large A&P parking lot (see website for TSR club directions). 8-mile loop at a brisk pace. Our destination is Prospect Rock with its spectacular overlook of Greenwood Lake. We'll use the Bearfort Ridge, Ernest Walter and Appalachian Trails to get there. We'll take easier trails back. This is an arduous hike in distance, pace, and elevation gain(over 1,000 ft.). Not for beginners or stragglers. Bring lunch and plenty of water.

**Bike Icon SATURDAY, MAY 19 — D&R Canal, Colonial Park, Somerset**

*Leader:* Pat Horsch, cell 908-693-8331, [phorsch@verizon.net](mailto:phorsch@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Colonial Park Area F (closest to the Canal) and enjoy the spring flowers in bloom. Bike on the canal towpath to Lake Carnegie and back, approx. 20 to 25 miles, depending on the group. Lunch stop at Kingston Lock. Hybrid tires or better. Bring lunch, snacks and plenty of water. Rain cancels. Registration required by the evening prior to the event. Helmets required.

**SUNDAY, MAY 20 — Pyramid Mountain Loop 1, Montville**

*Leader:* Bill LaChance 973-216-8748, [bglachance@yahoo.com](mailto:bglachance@yahoo.com)

*Meet:* 10:00 AM at Pyramid Mountain Visitors Center. Approx. 5 miles, moderate pace. There are some uphill climbs so beginners may find this hike challenging. Boots strongly recommended. Bring a snack or light lunch. This loop hike passes two unusual glacial erratics, Tripod Rock and Bear Rock, and climbs to several panoramic viewpoints.

**MONDAY, MAY 21 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leader:* Betty Mills, 973-975-5264

*Meet:* 10 AM at the visitor center parking lot for a leisurely walk. Bring water.

**TUESDAY, MAY 22 — Hartshorne Woods/Atlantic Highlands, NJ**

*Leader:* Louis Thompson, 732-577-9413, cell day of hike only 732-239-1012

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Buttermilk Valley parking area, 307 Navesink Ave., Atlantic Highlands, NJ. This will be a 6- to 7-mile hike on the Laurel Ridge trail where we should have lots of Mountain Laurel in bloom, and through some very pretty forest on the Grand Tour and Cuesta Ridge trails. We will also pass by an historic gun battery, and the Navesink River. Hiking boots required. Bring lunch and lots of water. Steady rain cancels.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 23 — Locust Grove, So. Mtn. Reservation, Millburn**

*Leader:* Pat Cappello, 201-546-2044

*Meet:* 10 AM at Locust Grove parking lot. A strong climb at the start of a moderately paced 5-mile hike on the Lenape and others. Bring water. Rain cancels.

**THURSDAY, MAY 24 — Gertrude's Nose/Minnewaska, New Paltz, NY**

*Leader:* Joyce Breach, 973-875-4376, cell day of hike only 973-600-3846, [jbreach@ptd.net](mailto:jbreach@ptd.net)

*Meet:* 10 AM at the lake parking lot (upper lot) in Minnewaska. There is a \$10 fee for parking so you may want to car pool. The hike will be 7+ miles long and moderately difficult. Some steep climbs, rocks, and a small knife edge will be encountered. Optional early supper or snack at the Mountain Brauhaus Restaurant is planned. This hike offers wonderful views!

**ALT. THURSDAY, MAY 24 — Schooley's Mountain County Park, Long Valley**

*Leader:* Diane Willer, 973-627-4046, cell 973-713-3066, [dwiller34@gmail.com](mailto:dwiller34@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM in the parking lot by the children's play area. We will hike 5 to 6 miles on a variety of trails and enjoy a view of the valley and a waterfall. Bring lunch, water and hiking boots. You MUST REGISTER with the leader the day before the hike.

**SATURDAY, MAY 26 — Riverfront Park, Hackettstown**

*Leader:* Leslie McGlynn 973-668-6512, [mcgly66@gmail.com](mailto:mcgly66@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM in the parking lot on Seber Road. We will finish by 12:00 pm. Easy-paced walk of about 2.5 miles on paved and gravel trails. This was once an old fish hatchery and has now been turned into a great place for all activities. The trail is totally flat, so sneakers are okay. Bring water. Directions: From I80 W take Exit 26 ("Budd Lake-Hackettstown") and bear right onto Rt. 46 W. Proceed 8 miles to the traffic light in Hackettstown where Valley National Bank is on the right. Bear right and take another quick right onto Willow Grove St., just before the Hess gas station. Seber Rd. is on your right between a Red Medical building on your left and a Veterans Legion building on your right. If you come to Hackettstown Hospital, you've come too far. Continue 0.3 miles on Seber Rd. to park entrance on the right. From Rt. 206 N follow Rt. 206 North to Waterloo Rd. Turn left on Waterloo Rd. Gas station is on your left, Santander Bank on your right. Stay straight on Waterloo Rd. which changes names to Willow Grove St. Just past Hackettstown Hospital turn left onto Seber Road, between a Red Medical building on your left and a Veterans Legion building on your right. Drive 0.3 miles to the lot on your right.

**SUNDAY, MAY 27 — Tulip Springs, So. Mtn. Reservation, W. Orange**

*Leader:* Gail Waimon, cell 973-229-7414, [gswaimon@comcast.net](mailto:gswaimon@comcast.net)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Tulip Springs parking. Hike 4 to 5 miles to the Zoo Loop around the Reservoir and back. We will be on some paved terrain.

**MONDAY, MAY 28 — Kittatinny Valley State Park, Andover**

*Leader:* Leslie McGlynn, 973-668-6512, [mcgly66@gmail.com](mailto:mcgly66@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM in the second parking lot. Easy paced walk on a paved road and through a campground trail. The walk is about 2.5 miles and only one small hill. We will finish before noon. Don't forget your water. Directions: 206 North to Goodale Rd. on your right. Follow road to second parking lot. See TSR website for more detailed directions.

**TUESDAY, MAY 29 — Doris Duke Trail to Mombasha High Point, Sterling Forest State Park, Tuxedo, NY**

*Leader:* Alan Breach, 973-875-4376, cell day of hike only 973-600-3846

*Meet:* 10 AM at Doris Duke Trailhead, 22 Benjamin Meadow Road, Tuxedo, NY. (This is off Rt 17A near the Renaissance Faire area.) It is a moderate loop hike of about 5 to 6 miles. It includes the new Doris Duke Trail, Allis Trail and the AT to Mombasha High Point. Bring lunch and water.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 30 — Memorial Day Hike to Washington Rock, So. Mtn. Reservation, Maplewood**

*Leader:* Dave Hogenauer, 973-287-6268

*Meet:* 10 AM at Brahmhall Terrace on Crest Drive in South Mountain Reservation in Maplewood. We will walk a little over 2 miles to the spot where Washington reportedly stood during the Battle of Springfield in 1780, a battle that many consider the turning point of the Revolution. Since this is the original date of Memorial Day before its always-on-Monday placement, we will make note of why it is now believed Washington was most likely not there at the time and the amazing story of Pastor Caldwell, whose wife was killed during the battle. Brahmhall Terrace is located 0.3 miles in from South Orange Avenue along Crest Drive in Maplewood.

**THURSDAY, MAY 31 — Hartshorne Woods/Atlantic Highlands**

*Leader:* Louis Thompson, 732-577-9413, cell day of hike only 732-239-1012

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Rocky Point parking area. See TSR website for directions. This will be a 8- to 9-mile hike using the Rocky Point, Grand Tour, and Laurel Ridge trails. We expect to see lots of mountain laurel in bloom. We will also pass a historic gun battery, and the Navesink River. Hiking boots required. Bring lunch, and plenty of fluids. Steady rain cancels.

**ALT. THURSDAY, MAY 31 — Ramapo Mountain State Forest, Oakland**

*Leader:* Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967, [diannejones428@gmail.com](mailto:diannejones428@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Back Beach Park, Haskell, NJ parking lot (GPS 41.03463, -74.28553). This is an easy to moderate 7+ mile hike on the Wanaque Ridge trail to lunch at Ramapo Lake. It's an easy walk out to the lakeshore path with an optional excursion to the 287 overpass on the way back to the parking lot.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 2 — Delaware Water Gap Nat'l Rec. Area/Sunfish Pond**

*Leader:* Pat Horsch, cell 908-693-8331, [phorsch@verizon.net](mailto:phorsch@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 9:30 AM Delaware Water Gap Dunnfield Creek/A.T. Parking Lot. Due to limited parking, recommend carpooling and/or arriving early. Contact leader for alternate parking info. Water levels permitting, we will hike on the beautiful and shady Dunnfield Creek trail with multiple water crossings to Sunfish Pond, where we will have lunch and return on the AT. Optional loop around the pond if time permits. High water conditions will force an out and back on the AT. 8 to 10 miles, 5 hours, 1000' gradual elevation gain. Boots required, hiking poles highly recommended. Bring lunch, snacks, plenty of water, and extra socks. Note early start time.

**Bike Icon SATURDAY JUNE 2 — Jersey City, Governors Island via water taxi from Liberty State Park to Manhattan, bike through the Battery, board a free ferry to Governors Island. Return by same route.**

*Leader:* Jean Fletcher, 973 285-5263 cell on day of trip 973-452-1567

*Meet:* 9:30 AM at Visitor Center at Liberty State Park, 200 Morris Pesin Drive, Jersey City, in the parking lot. Manhattan route will be in parks and shared with

pedestrians. Governors Island has about 2 miles of paved trail plus sites to see: [www.govisland.com](http://www.govisland.com). Round trip fare on the Liberty Island Water Taxi is \$12 for adults / \$10 for senior citizens. Governors Island Ferry is free. Food trucks available on the island. OK to bring lunch. Potable water is now available. There is ample free parking near the Liberty State Park Visitor Center. Total biking distance is less than 10 miles. Directions to Liberty State Park: take I-78 or the New Jersey Turnpike to Turnpike Extension Exit 14B and follow signs. Weather unpleasant for water travel will cancel. Cancellation will be posted by 10 PM previous evening. Registration required by 6:00 previous day. Helmets required. Note early start time.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 3 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leader:* Eck Khoon Goh, [908-790-0939](tel:908-790-0939)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Visitors' Center parking lot. Hike 4 to 5 miles at a moderate pace on a variety of trails. Bring water. Rain cancels.

**MONDAY, JUNE 4 — Sunrise Lake/Lewis Morris Park, Morristown**

*Leaders:* Stan and Bev Kaltnecker, 201-602-4074

*Meet:* 10 AM at Sunrise Lake, the lowest parking lot down the hill near the boat house. Easy hike, mostly on Patriot's Path, along the Whippany River. There will be a POT LUCK, bring a dish, picnic lunch after the hike. Non-hikers are very welcome to attend.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 5 — Camp Mohican/Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, Blairstown**

*Leader:* Joyce Breach, 973-875-4376, [jbreach@ptd.net](mailto:jbreach@ptd.net), cell on day of hike only 973-600-3846

*Meet:* 10 AM at Camp Mohican parking lot in the DWGNR. This 7-mile relatively flat hike will be done at a moderate pace, hiking on the Copper Mine Trail, Kaiser Trail and the AT. Great views!

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6 — Chimney Rock Park, Martinsville**

*Leader:* Lynda Goldschein, 908-757-7058, cell day of hike only 908-347-5012

*Meet:* 10 AM at back of large parking lot. Chimney Rock Park is on Chimney Rock Rd. between Washington Valley Road and Rt. 22. Total distance is 5-mile hike and includes part of Washington Valley Park with an out at 4 mile. Hiking boots and poles recommended.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 7 — Bearfort Mountain/Abram S. Hewitt State Forest, Hewitt**

*Leader:* Dianne Jones, cell 973-224-3967

*Meet:* 9:30 AM at the old A&P parking lot in West Milford. We will hike the Jeremy Glick Trail up and down as the lollipop stick, and the Ernst Walter, AT, and State Line Trails as the lollipop. This 8+ mile, moderately strenuous hike, will be performed at a moderate pace. Hopefully, we will see mountain laurel in bloom. A late-ish lunch will offer a gorgeous view over Greenwood Lake. If

conditions are wet, this trail can be muddy and will have stream crossings. Note early start time.

**ALT. THURSDAY, JUNE 7 — Orchard/Pioneer Trails and Van Campens Glen Loop, Millbrook Village, Columbia**

*Leader:* Ken Saloway, cell 973-885-6461, [ksaloway@optonline.net](mailto:ksaloway@optonline.net)

*Co-Leaders:* Chuck Pollack and Bill Montick

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Millbrook Village parking lot (see TSR directions to meeting locations Delaware Water Gap #5). This is an easy to moderate, very enjoyable loop hike covering 6+ miles in the Delaware Water Gap area. Lunch will be at a lovely waterfall. Following lunch, we will follow a stream gorge upstream as we head back to Millbrook Village. Hiking boots recommended. Bring lunch and water. You MUST REGISTER with the leader no later than midday the day before the hike.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 9 — Cooper Mill, Chester**

*Leaders:* Bijoy Mechery, [bmechery@msn.com](mailto:bmechery@msn.com), cell 908-487-8482 and Charlie Stepnowski, 862-200-3956

*Meet:* 9:30 AM at parking lot. Hike is about 6+ miles, 3+ hours at brisk pace. Not recommended for beginners. Leader's choice of trails. Note early start.

**Canoe Icon SATURDAY, JUNE 9 — Merrill Creek Reservoir, Washington**

*Leader:* Pat Horsch, cell 908-693-8331, [PHORSCH@VERIZON.NET](mailto:PHORSCH@VERIZON.NET)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Boat Launch, Merrill Creek Reservoir, 1 Merrill Creek Rd, Washington, NJ 07882 (GPS 40.7388, -75.0907) An easy paddle around a nice reservoir above the Delaware River. Perhaps we may see the Eagle again. Directions: From I-78 West Exit 4: Turn right at the end of the ramp on to S. Main St. and drive north 1.8 mi. to the center of Stewartville. At the blinking light, turn right on Washington St. (becomes Stewartville Rd.) and go 2.7 mi. to Rt. 57 in New Village. Cross Rt. 57 diagonally, turning left onto Montana Rd. which goes uphill for 2 mi. Left on Richline Rd. and drive 0.3 mi, turning left again, onto Merrill Creek Rd. Follow signs to the Boat Launch. See Canoeing General Instructions. You MUST REGISTER with the leader the day before the event. A PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE MUST BE WORN.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 10 — Voorhees State Park, Glen Gardner**

*Leader:* Jay Dibble 908-289-8813, cell day of hike only 908-209-2936

*Meet:* 10 AM at the first parking area past the park office on the right.

Hike 4 to 5 miles at a moderate pace over both flat and hilly terrain.

Directions: I-78 West to exit 17. Go north on Rt. 31. Just before the second traffic light, turn north on Rt. 513. Go approx. 5 miles to the Park entrance on the left.

Watch signs carefully, as 513 makes a few sharp turns. Alt Directions: At the junction of Rts. 206 and 513 in Chester, take Rt. 513 south for approx. 15 miles to the Park entrance on the right.

**MONDAY, JUNE 11 — Randolph Trails Loop, Randolph**



*Leader:* Bill Reynolds, 973-361-5527, day of hike: 201-874-8758

*Meet:* 10 AM at Freedom Park, Millbrook Ave. Hope you can be there ready at 9:45 AM for a 2.9 mile loop trail that features a great forest setting. It will take us 1.5 hours or less. The trail is good for all skill levels and primarily used for hiking, walking, trail running, and nature trips. Elevation gain: 269 ft

**TUESDAY, JUNE 12 — Reeves Meadow Visitor Center/Harriman State Park, NY**

*Leader:* Louis Thompson, 732-577-9413, cell day of hike only 732-239-1012

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Reeves Meadow visitor center on Seven Lakes Drive. The hike will be a moderately strenuous 6- to 7-miles on the Pine Meadow, Kakiat, and Raccoon Brook trails. Hiking boots required. Bring lunch, and plenty of fluids. Steady rain cancels.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13 — Cheesequake State Park, Matawan**

*Leader:* Alan Marks, 732-254-7691, cell day of hike only 908-202-8757

*Meet:* 10 AM at the parking lot by the White Trailhead. As you enter the park, drive to the end of the road and make a right. Go a short distance to the parking lot on the right. The White Trail is about 2.5 miles, moderately difficult with ups and downs. Pass through forests and wetlands and along fields. Free NJ Senior pass is available at the ranger station at the entrance. Otherwise, a fee is charged.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 14 — Ramapo Mountain State Forest, Oakland**

*Leader:* Mike Handelsman, 718-884-2869, [hikermike7@msn.com](mailto:hikermike7@msn.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at the upper lot on Skyline Drive. We will hike 8 to 9 miles in this scenic and hilly area. The hike starts with the Schuber Trail, with lunch likely at the east-looking ridge view where the yellow trail joins. A rest stop at Matapan Rock gives us a west-looking view on the return. The pace will be moderate to brisk.

**ALT. THURSDAY, JUNE 14 — Crater Lake, Delaware Water Gap NRA**

*Leaders:* Stan and Bev Kaltnecker 201-602-4074

*Meet:* 10 AM at the gravel parking lot at the END of the paved section of Blue Mountain Lake Road. Follow TSR directions to meeting places DWG NRA #5 to Millbrook Village. At Millbrook turn right on Old Mine Rd. and go 1.5 miles to Blue Mountain Lake Rd. and Crater Lake. Stay on that road for 2.5 miles to the end of paved road and park. Hike will be about 6 miles at a moderate social pace. Facilities are available at Blue Mountain Lake parking lot at about 1.5 miles on Blue Mountain Lake Rd. There are no facilities at the start of the AT. We will take the AT to the Hemlock Pond trail. The AT has reaches of rocks, and poles would be helpful. There is also a short rock climb on the AT, but there are hand holes and foot holes to help. When we reach Hemlock Pond Trail, we will go down to Hemlock Pond for a brief time and return back up to the AT. Hemlock Pond is about a 10% grade for .5 mile each way. Once back to the AT, we will take a trail down to Crater Lake picnic and swim area for our lunch. There are bathroom

facilities available. The return route is leaders' choice. It will either be along a gravel road with many viewpoints or continue on a trail around the Crater Lake until it meets the AT where we will backtrack to the cars. Bring lunch, water and sturdy hiking boots. Rain will cancel the hike. You MUST REGISTER with the leader the day before the hike.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 16 — Sussex Branch Trail, Stanhope**

*Leader:* Leslie McGlynn, 973-668-6512, [mcgly66@gmail.com](mailto:mcgly66@gmail.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Sussex Branch trail parking on Waterloo Road. See club directions for North Allamuchy. Easy paced walk about a total of 4 miles to Cranberry Lake and back to parking lot. Trail is flat, but dirt and some sections are rocky and wet. We will take a break at Cranberry Lake, so snacks/lunch is a good idea and don't forget your water.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 17**

No hike is scheduled as of this printing. Leaders wishing to lead a hike are encouraged to post a hike on YahooGroups three days prior to this date. Send the listing to [Tristateramblers@Yahoogroups.Com](mailto:Tristateramblers@Yahoogroups.Com). TriState Rambler sign-in sheets can be obtained from our website.

**Bike Icon SUNDAY JUNE 17 — Liberty State Park to Weehawken Bicycle Ride**

*Leader:* Ed Leibowitz, 201-332-1709, [eleibow@verizon.net](mailto:eleibow@verizon.net), cell only after 9:30 AM on day of ride 201-850-9649

*Meet:* 10 AM at Liberty State Park, (Exit 14B - NJTPKE Newark Bay Extension) at 3rd Parking lot nearest the information center. Ride from Liberty State Park through Jersey City, Hoboken, and Weehawken, taking in the beautiful views along the Hudson River along with a brief stop at the Liberty National Golf Course. Distance approx. 25 miles. Lunch will be at the Weehawken Ferry Terminal. Must register on or before 5 PM on June 16th. Helmet required. Bring lunch and water. Rain cancels.

**MONDAY, JUNE 18 — Hilltop Reservation/West Entrance, N. Caldwell**

*Leader:* Louise White, 973-856-3327

*Meet:* 10 AM at big parking lot behind the ball field for a nice walk on a variety of trails. Bring binoculars. Direction: From Bloomfield Ave, in Caldwell, take Mountain Ave, north to Courtier Lane. Turn east (right) and drive to parking lot.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 19 — Hartshorne Woods/Atlantic Highlands**

*Leader:* Louis Thompson, 732-577-9413, cell day of hike only 732-239-1012

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Rocky Point parking area. Directions as in the TSR website. This will be a 5- to 6-mile hike at a moderate pace, on the Rocky Point, and Grand Tour trails where hopefully the mountain laurel will still be in bloom. We will also pass by an historic gun battery and the Navesink River. Hiking boots required. Bring lunch and lots of water. Steady rain cancels.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20 — Jockey Hollow National Park, Morristown**

*Leader:* Meg Fernandez, cell 908-612-9527, [megfernandez@msn.com](mailto:megfernandez@msn.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at Visitors Center parking lot. Hike 2 hours on various trails at a social pace. Bring water.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 21 — Johnstown Circle, Harriman State Park, NY**

*Leader:* Bob Bieri, 201-664-3813

*Meet:* 10 AM at Johnstown Circle in Harriman State Park. This moderately paced hike will be approx. 7 miles long and will include hiking on the Blue Disk, RD, and TMI Trails with a stop at Claudius Smith Rock. We will hike on an unmarked woods road which will minimize our time on the White Bar Trail.

**ALT. THURSDAY, JUNE 21 — Stokes State Forest, Branchville**

*Leader:* Ken Saloway, cell 973-885-6461, [ksaloway@optonline.net](mailto:ksaloway@optonline.net)

*Co-Leaders:* Chuck Pollack and Bill Montick

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Kittle Field parking lot (see TSR directions to meeting locations Stokes State Forest #4). NOTE: Stokes State Forest requires a NJ State Park Service Senior Citizen Pass or payment of a per car entrance fee. Seniors can obtain a non-expiring Senior Citizen Pass at the Park Office on Coursen Road near Route 206. This is an easy to moderate, enjoyable loop hike covering 6 miles. We will hike on the Blue Mountain, Tinsley, Swenson and Stoney Brook Trails. Hiking boots recommended. Bring lunch and water. You MUST REGISTER with the leader by not later than midday the day before the hike.

**Canoe Icon FRIDAY, JUNE 22 — Passaic River/Essex Co. Environmental Center, Roseland**

*Leaders:* Carol Czajkowski and Martin Frahme, 973-539-4084, cell day of paddle only 973-580-9859

*Meet:* 10 AM at E.C.E.C., 621 Eagle Rock Avenue, Roseland NJ 07068. (GPS 40.8263, -74.3328) Paddle the mighty Passaic River, NJ's longest river. We will go both upstream and downstream (no shuttling cars). We will eat lunch at the Environmental Center. No boat rental available. Directions: From I-80 and I-280 intersection, go east on I-280 3 miles to exit 4A, to Eisenhower Parkway south. Drive 0.5 miles to Eagle Rock Ave., turn right, go 0.5 miles to ECEC on left, the second driveway. Bring lunch and water. See Canoeing General Instructions. You MUST REGISTER with the leaders two days before the event. A PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE MUST BE WORN.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 23**

No hike is scheduled as of this printing. Leaders wishing to lead a hike are encouraged to post a hike on YahooGroups three days prior to this date. Send the listing to [Tristateramblers@Yahooogroups.Com](mailto:Tristateramblers@Yahooogroups.Com). TriState Rambler sign-in sheets can be obtained from our website.

**Bike Icon SATURDAY, JUNE 23 — Columbia Trail, High Bridge**

*Leader:* Pat Horsch, cell 908-693-8331, [phorsch@verizon.net](mailto:phorsch@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 9:30 AM at the Columbia Trail parking area in High Bridge. Bike the entire length of the rail trail to Bartley and back, about 30 miles. Ride can be shortened if needed. Hybrid tires or better. Bring lunch and plenty of water. Rain cancels. Must register with leader via email or phone by June 22nd. Helmets required. Note early start time.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 24 — Watchung Res. Evening Hike, Mountainside**

*Leader:* Pat Horsch, cell 908-693-8331, [phorsch@verizon.net](mailto:phorsch@verizon.net)

*Meet:* **6 PM** at Trailside Nature Center parking lot on Coles Ave. Enjoy a 4 mile moderate paced hike in the early evening light on leader's choice of trails, around 2 hours. Easy to moderate terrain. Sturdy hiking shoes required, bug spray recommended. Bring water. Steady rain cancels.

**MONDAY, JUNE 25 — Hacklebarney State Park, Long Valley (Chester)**

*Leader:* Betty Mills, 973-975-5264

*Meet:* 10 AM at Hacklebarney State Park Parking lot for a nice level walk of about 3 miles. Bring water. See TSR Website for directions.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 26 – State Line Lookout/Palisades Interstate Park**

*Leader:* Edward Leibowitz, 201-332-1709, [eleibow@verizon.net](mailto:eleibow@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 10 AM at the State Line Lookout parking area off the Palisades Interstate Parkway. See TSR website for directions. We will hike various trails in the area. Some trails might be difficult. Wear hiking boots. Bring snack and water.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27 — Tulip Springs, So. Mtn. Reservation, W. Orange**

*Leader:* Gail Waimon, 973-467-4761, cell 973-229-7413

*Meet:* 10 AM at Tulip Springs parking lot. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to hike. We will hike 4+ miles on easy terrain following the Zoo Loop and Turtleback trails. There will be some pavement walking around the Reservoir. Bring water and good footwear.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 28**

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**ALT. THURSDAY, JUNE 28 — Langdon Palmer Fishing Area/Schooley's Mountain, Long Valley**

*Leader:* Meg Fernandez, cell day of hike only 908-612-9527, [megfernandez@msn.com](mailto:megfernandez@msn.com)

*Meet:* 10 AM at the Langdon Palmer Fishing Area parking lot off Fairview Ave. From the intersection of County Route 513 and Schooley's Mountain Road (County Route 517) in Long Valley, drive north on Schooley's Mountain Road for 0.1 mile and turn right onto Fairview Avenue. Drive 0.8 mile on Fairview Ave. to

the Langdon Palmer Fishing Area parking lot on the right. This circular hike climbs approximately 400 feet on the Bee-Line Trail and then follows parts of the Grand Loop Trail and Highlands Cut and crosses over George Lake via a 470-foot floating bridge. We return via the Falling Waters Trail descending along Electric Brook with its' pools and waterfalls and a possible side trip on the Boulder Gorge Trail. Hiking boots are required. Bring lunch and water. You MUST register with the leader the day before the hike.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 30 — Van Campen's Glen/Millbrook Village, Delaware Water Gap NRA**

*Leader:* Pat Horsch, cell 908-693-8331, [phorsch@verizon.net](mailto:phorsch@verizon.net)

*Meet:* 9:30 AM at Millbrook Village parking at the intersection of Old Mine Rd. and Millbrook Flatbrook Rd. See club directions under Delaware Water Gap Nat'l Recreation Area. This is a loop hike of 7 miles through the Delaware Water Gap NRA, with beautiful scenery along VanCampen's Brook. Terrain is easy to moderate, with a small climb at the beginning and some rocky areas along the brook. Wear sturdy hiking shoes, poles recommended. Bring lunch and plenty of water. Approx. 4 hours. Note early start time.