



Founded in 1921 Utica, New York

IMPORTANT NOTICE: All hikes will start at the time and location specified in each individual hike description. In order to facilitate carpooling, these locations will be within 15 miles of Utica. Leaders and co-leaders will have phone numbers listed so that they may answer any questions participants may have about possible lastminute hike changes. Please try to arrive at the starting location 15 minutes before the start time so that you can be signed in and receive instructions. Reminder: If you plan to meet at the trailhead, call the leader to verify scheduled activity for late modifications.

HD - Hiking Distance (Total both ways)DD - Driving Distance (One way from meeting place)B - BikeH - HikeS - SkiC/K - Canoe/KayakTM - Trail MaintenanceRequired accessories: Helmets for a bike; PFDs for canoe/kayak.

SCHEDULE SUMMARY

	MARCH 2018		APRIL 2018		MAY 2018
3	Heart Walk - H	7	Tom & Cat Mt H	5	Pools Brook Park - H
4	Whetstone Gulf - SS	8	Floyd Town Pk H	6	Boonville area - B
10	Sherrill Br. Pk S/SS	10	Interesting Evening	12	Pratts Falls - H
11	Moose River Mt	14	Other Side of Rayhill Trail - H	13	Old Forge - C/K
	H/S/SS	15	Oriskany to Rome - B	15	Interesting Evening
17	Utica Marsh - H/SS	21	Erie Canal - TM	19	Helderberg Escarpment - H
18	Cazenovia Gorge -	22	Madison County - B	20	Susquehanna River - C/K
	H/S/SS	28	Gertrude's Nose - H	26	Deansboro Trail - H
24	UPC to UC - H	29	Mohonk Preserve - H	27	Verona Beach - B
25	Hamilton College - H			28	Forest Hill - H
31	Basswood Pond - H				

APRIL 2018

April 1



TOM & CAT MOUNTAINS H

Sat. Apr 7 HD: 7.2 mi. Difficulty: Difficult 8:30AM Hike # 6736 DD: 106 mi.

Leader: Mary Kate Scott – 315-941-5020 Co-Leader: Bobbie Scarpino – 315-269-4099 Meet At: Key Bank, Mapledale

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We will hike to Cat Mountain in the Lake George area and see some awesome views. There is a loop trail over to Thomas and then back to the car. Hike is labeled difficult only because of one steep section at the top of Cat Mtn. Option to do only Cat Mtn. ~6mi. or Cat & Pinnacle ~6.5mi. Tuesday, April 10 Social Time: 6:30PM Program: 7:00PM INTERESTING EVENING New Hartford Public Library Sammon Room Service Trips: Are they for you? Presented by Lu Blanchard

Last fall Lu took a weeklong service trip with the Sierra Club. She did work in Bear Run Reserve and explored the environments around the site. During the week she got to know 16 other people better and found that it's never too late to try something totally outside one's comfort zone. You will learn about the Sierra Club and its service trips, about Bear Run Nature Reserve and Western PA Conservancy, two Frank Lloyd Wright homes (Kentuck Knob and Falling Waters), Ohiopyle and rafting on the Yuk. Please bring snacks to share. Decaf coffee and tea will be provided.

FLOYD TOWN PARK

H Sun. Apr 8 HD: 5 mi. Difficulty: Easy Leader: Mike Huss – 315-768-7374 Co-Leader: Janice Huss – 315-768-7374 Meet At: Floyd Town Park Random hike in the Floyd area. The hike will be on paved roads.

OTHER SIDE OF THE RAYHILL TRAIL

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Sat. Apr 14	10:00AM	Hike # 6738				
HD: 5 mi.	DD: 0 mi.					
Difficulty: Easy						
Leader: Jim Wasiel	ewski – 315-736	-7425				
Co-Leader: Doug Wasielewski – 315-896-2817						
Meet At: Rayhill T	railhead on New	Hartford				
Street, NY Mills						
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ORISKANY TO ROME

DD: 0 mi.

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Sun. Apr 15 HD: 20 mi. Difficulty: Moderate

Difficulty: Moderate Leader: Lu Blanchard – 315-768-3566

Co-Leader: Dick Blanchard – 315-768-3566 Meet At: Oriskany Trailhead, Rt. 69

We will bike to Rome, taking a break for lunch (bring or buy). Return to Oriskany trailhead. This will be our first ride, so pace will be slower, and if we have a wet spring you may need comfort/hybrid tires.

GERTRUDE'S NOSE

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7:30AM Hike # 6742 DD: 135 mi.

Difficulty: Difficult Leader: Carolyn Eastman – 315-525-0366 Co-Leader: Nancy Schenck – 315-867-3088

Meet At: Gems Along the Mohawk

Sat. Apr 28

HD: 10 mi.

The hike is not hard, just long. It is a beautiful hike along rock ledge walls. After, there is a wonderful brewery at which to stop. Some will be getting rooms for the weekend at Hampton Inn, New Paltz. (845)255-4200



ERIE CANAL CLEAN-UP

Sat. Apr 21 HD: 2-6 mi. Difficulty: Easy 10:00AM Hike # 6740

Hike # 6739

i. DD: 0 mi. Easy

Leader: Pam Carrier – 315-896-4746 Co-Leader: Margaret Decker – 315-723-8154

Meet At: Mohawk St. Oriskany

It's Earth Day! We'll walk the Mohawk St. section of the trail adopted by our club. Bring gloves, tools and plastic grocery bags for clearing and picking up trash along the route. We'll start at both ends and meet in the middle.

MOHONK PRESERVE

H Sun. Apr 29 9:00AM Hike # 6743 HD: 7 mi. DD: 135 mi. Difficulty: Difficult

Leader: Nancy Schenck – 315-867-3088 Co-Leader: Carolyn Eastman – 315-794-4226 **Meet At: No local starter**

The hike will take us to the beautiful Mohonk Hotel in all its splendor and the surrounding buildings. The hike also has some caves to explore, along with crevasses to maneuver in and around. This is one of our favorite places to hike. If you are planning on hiking only on this day, **contact the leader** for a meeting place and time.

BIKE THE ROADS OF MADISON COUNTY B

Sun. Apr 22 HD: 15-25 mi DD: 0 mi Difficulty: Easy/Moderate Leader: Bobbie Scarpino – 315-269-4099 Co-Leader: Pam Carrier – 315-896-4746 Meet At: Douglass Park, Main St., Oriskany Falls A nice spring ride with lots of distance options! We'll start at the old mill parking lot next to Douglass Park and bike down the Valley Rd. toward Solsville. From there we can bike on to Bouckville, Leland Pond, and Madison.

Forest Ranger/DEC Emergency: 518-891-0235 Trail Conditions: 518-408-5850