# MARCH 2018



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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 last-minute 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)
 B - Bike
 DD - Driving Distance (One way from meeting place)
 B - Ski
 SS - Snowshoe

**C/K -** Canoe/Kayak **TM -** Trail Maintenance

Required 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					

#### **MARCH MUD 2018**



#### **HEART RUN/WALK**

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Sat. Mar 3 10:00AM Hike # 6727

HD: 3 or 5 mi. DD: 0 mi.

Difficulty: Easy

Leader: Madonna Fellows – 315-736-2564 Co-Leader: Tom O'Hara – 315-853-5363

Meet At: Utica College in front of Strebel Hall Register online at wwwuticaheartrunwalk.org. You must search for our team, Tramp and Trail Club. You may also register in person Friday, 3/2 at the expo at Utica College Clark Athletic Ctr. On Saturday, meet at 10:00 in front of the Strebel Center. We will all begin the 5-mi. walk and those wishing to do 3-mi. will turn off.

#### WHETSTONE GULF

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Sun. Mar 4 10:30AM Hike # 6728

HD: 5 mi. DD: 50 mi.

**Difficulty: Moderate** 

Leader: Paul Fortin - 315-767-9708

Co-Leader: Sharon Kaelin – 315-338-1573

Meet At: Key Bank, Mapledale

Regroup at Burger King Boonville. How about a trek up and along the north rim trail before descending the south rim trail of Whetstone Gulf? High probability of some impressive views of the gulf below and the Black River valley to the east.

#### SHERRILL BROOK PARK

S/SS

Sat. Mar 10 10:00AM Hike # 6729

HD: 5 mi. DD: 0 mi.

Difficulty: Easy

Leader: Walt Pillar – 315-794-6770

Co-Leader: Sharon Kaelin – 315-338-1573

Meet At: Sherrill Brook Park

Let's get in some end-of-the-season skiing if the

snow is there.



#### **MOVE YOUR CLOCKS AHEAD!**

#### **MOOSE RIVER MOUNTAIN**

S/SS/H

Sun. Mar 11 10:00AM Hike # 6730

HD: 6 mi. DD: 45 mi.

**Difficulty: Moderate** 

Leader: Madonna Fellows – 315-736-2564 Co-Leader: Don Fellows – 315-736-2564

Meet At: Key Bank, Mapledale

Depending on late winter conditions, we will ski, snowshoe or hike a Tramp favorite. With good snow, we will look forward to a nice downhill run.

### **UTICA MARSH**

H/SS

Sat. Mar 17 11:00AM Hike # 6731

HD: 2 - 4 mi. DD: 0 mi.

**Difficulty: Easy** 

Leader: Sharon Kaelin - 315-338-1573

Co-Leader: Amanda Zdanowicz – 315-351-6143 **Meet At: DPW Parking Lot, Genesee St., Utica** We'll hike to the new observation tower in the marsh and continue toward Lock 20.

#### CAZENOVIA GORGE

H/SS/S

Sun. Mar 18 12:30PM Hike # 6732

HD: 4 mi. DD: 23 mi.

Difficulty: Easy

Leader: Charlene Zebley – 315-942-5176 Co-Leader: John Gilbert – 315-942-5176 Meet At: Madison Central School, Rt. 20

Re-group at McDonalds in Cazenovia. We will stroll along the old Lehigh Valley Railroad bed and view

Chittenango Creek.

## UPC TO UC AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN

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Sat. Mar 24 12:30PM Hike # 6733

HD: 4-5 mi. DD: 0 mi.

**Difficulty: Moderate** 

Leader: Lu Blanchard – 315-768-3566 Co-Leader: Pam Carrier – 315-896-4746 Meet At: Matt's Brewery; parking on Court

Street

We will start with a hike around the Utica Psychiatric Center grounds, to the quarter-mile Pinefield track and back to the brewery. There we will have a private tour (\$5.00 each - includes beer or soda at end) and finish in their tasting room. Tour does have stairs and is quite cool at times, so be prepared. Those wanting to continue the fun have the whole of Varick Street at their toe tips!

# DEADMAN TOUR OF HAMILTON COLLEGE

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Sun. Mar 25 10:00AM Hike # 6734

HD: 4-5 mi. DD: 0 mi.

**Difficulty: Moderate** 

Leader: Meg Higgerson – 315-841-8717 Co-Leader: Jerry Stewart – 315-264-8280 **Meet At: Hannaford parking lot, Clinton** 

After walking up College Hill, Bill Higgerson will give an exterior tour of the oldest buildings at Hamilton College. We may then extend our walk through the campus.

## BASSWOOD POND STATE FOREST

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Sat. Mar 31 10:00AM Hike # 6735

HD: 5 mi. DD: 28.8 mi.

**Difficulty: Moderate** 

Leader: Mary Pat Connors – 315-723-0085 Co-Leader: Dick Blanchard – 315-768-3566 **Meet At: Hannaford parking lot, Kellogg Rd.,** 

**New Hartford** 

We will explore state forest trails in the town of

Burlington, near Cooperstown.