MEMBER OF THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL CONSERVANCY AND THE KEYSTONE TRAILS ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Maintenance on the AT

Summer is here and each year over 3,000,000 people will hike on the Appalachian Trail, including 3,000 who attempt to Thru Hike the entire trail. Not all of them will pass our section of the trail but the ones that do will find a well groomed trail. This spring we’ve had several trail maintenance work hikes getting the trail ready for the many hikers using the trail this summer. Club members and volunteers have removed weeds, picked up trash, cleared paths and painted blazes to make navigating the trail easier for the thousands of hikers who use the trail each summer. The new Field and Brush Mower the club got with a grant from LL Bean made clearing a wider path easier. The 10.3 miles of the trail we maintain may seem like a drop in the bucket compared to the 2190 miles of the entire trail but it is still crucial to maintain to keep a continuous clear path. I recently lead a hike on the D & L trail that included a section of the trail that had not yet been completed. That small missing section had a significant impact on the route of the hike just as a poorly maintained 10 mile section of the AT would have been.

Last year our club had 39 members contribute 1149 hours of maintenance. This saved the tax payers around twenty five thousand dollars according to amount of pay the National Park Service pays for this type of work. We also preserve history by maintaining Lock # 2 along the Lehigh Canal which was used to transport anthracite coal and pig iron beginning in the 1800s.

We always get compliments on how well maintained our shelters and our section of the trail are and I want to thank all of our volunteers who get out there and work hard. I also want to thank all of our “administrative” volunteers and board members both past and present who have kept this club operating for 86 years.
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Deadlines for the Fall 2018 Newsletter & Schedule

Happy Hiker Newsletter Wednesday, September 19th 2018
Activity Schedule Wednesday, September 19th 2018

Please forward all club related articles, thoughts, and items to the Newsletter Editor by mail or, preferably, by email.
Send all hiking schedule activities to the Hiking Schedule Coordinator.

Welcome to our New Members!

March
Gail Sweeney .......................... Allentown, PA
Jill Pask ............................... Bethlehem, PA
Dave Laxx ............................ Barto, PA
John Bingaman ........................ Birdsboro, PA
Shelly Mertz .......................... Kutztown, PA
Judi Massaro .......................... Kutztown, PA
Vito Tamborino Jr. ...................... Easton, PA
Stockton Bates ........................ Heathsville, VA

April
Michael & Anita Witkowski ............ Allentown, PA
Edward Johns .......................... Hatfield, PA
Richard Plinke ........................ Allentown, PA
Mary Ann Keller ....................... Allentown, PA
Abby Imaino .......................... Perkasie, PA
Thomas Barron ........................ Reading, PA
Dara Vande Bunte ..................... Center Valley, PA

May
Barbara Katz .......................... Allentown, PA
Dennis Fried .......................... Zionsville, PA
Our First Hike On The Appalachian Trail

After many day hikes on the Appalachian Trail, we decided to take the plunge and invest in all the accoutrements for a section hike. We bought items at REI, Walmart, from Amazon, and numerous other sources to round out all the items we thought we’d need. Our favorite items were the front strap water bottle holder and our sit pads.

Our friend Patti and I pulled out our copies of AWOL’s Guide to figure out where we could do a short section hike. One important factor was covering a part of the trail that Tom and Trip had not hiked yet. Tom and Trip are working to complete the entire trail. We decided on a 23.6 mile section in Virginia which would go through Grayson Highlands State Park and would also give us opportunities for water, shelter, and trailhead parking.

We drove down to Marion, VA in the rain and stayed at a local hotel. Tom, Patti and Trip met us there, they drove from MD. It rained all night and the next morning was cool with fog and mist. Our shuttle driver to Massie Gap was “Rambunny.” She hiked the AT three times in a row! Great inspiration for us as we headed out for three days. We saw a few ponies and were surprised to see many Longhorns. We did 8+ miles to Old Orchard Shelter and made camp.

Day two the weather was good, but rain was building. We hiked 8.5 miles with a tough 2 mile uphill section. I’m sure I was quite amusing to the young thru-hikers zipping by me as I stopped to catch my breath. This is tough! We hiked off trail to the Hurricane Creek Campground. As soon as we got our tents up, it started raining. It rained for 40 minutes and when it stopped we scrambled out of our tents to make dinner. Ate real fast, cleaned up, hung our bear bags and then the crashing thunder and pouring rain started again. It rained from 6:30 pm to 4:00 am. Note to self, bring a book, I had not brought one because of weight. There was no cell reception and my phone charger was only good for one charge, which I used the day before. So with a low cell battery, I turned off my phone hoping to save power for picture taking. I kept my phone on Airplane Mode while hiking.

Day three was a soggy, muddy, slippery trail. We still made good time for a 9+ mile day. When we came to the side trail for the Trimpi Shelter, I decided I didn’t want to hike the 0.1 mile to go to the privy. We got to a beautiful meadow and the sun came out, and Rambunny drove up to pick us up within 5 minutes of us reaching VA 670. What timing! We were sore and tired, but oh so happy that we were able to accomplish our first section hike. We celebrated with a cold beer at the Flying Mouse Brewery in Daleville, VA.

Terri Stubits
MEMBER OF THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL CONSERVANCY AND THE KEYSTONE TRAILS ASSOCIATION

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

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

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

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

**AHC HIKE RATING SYSTEM**

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

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Let's hike around the Peace Valley Park trails  
According to the Peace Valley website, "Peace Valley offers 14 miles of nature trails in the woods and meadows at the eastern end of Lake Galena. The walking options vary from groomed foot paths near the Nature Center Solar Building to remote hiking trails in the mature woods. The foot paths are generally mowed or graveled and provided with bridges or stone steps at creek crossings." Most hikes go around the lake but lets explore some of the wooded trails. We'll walk around the trails for 2 to 3 hours checking out some of the various paths and wildlife.  
Meeting place: Peace Valley Nature Center, 170 N. Chapman Road, Doylestown, PA 18901  
Posted on meetup.com? YES  
Leader: Cynthia Paetow 215-536-7311 cpaetow@hotmail.com |
| Sunday     | 7-15-18 9:45 am | **Hike the Birdsboro Preserve**  
Hike the rolling hills through Birdsboro Watershed  
Hiking mostly in the shade, we will explore trails on both sides of Hay Creek in this beautiful, varied preserve, including both reservoirs and an old quarry that is now a climbing area. Two stream crossings over cable bridges or by wading. (We will cross each in both directions, for a total of four crossings.) Some wet, muddy areas. Bring lunch, plenty of water, and gloves and/or water shoes. This is a joint hike with BATONA Hiking Club. Leaders: Abbie Wysor (Batona), 610-742-5967, abbiewysor@gmail.com, and Paula Uhrin (Allentown), 484-951-4299, JCNJ168@ptd.net.  
Meeting place: Meet at Rustic Park, 1314 Haycreek Road, Birdsboro, PA 19508. Park at the shady end of the lot next to Rustic Park entrance.  
Posted on meetup.com? YES  
Leader: Paula Uhrin 484-951-4299 jcnj168@ptd.net |
| Wednesday  | 7-18-18 6:00 pm | **Weeknight Walks at 6:00 pm - Upper Saucon (2-4 miles)**  
Join us for a walk on the rail trail in Center Valley  
We will be walking on the towpath for about 45 minutes before turning around and heading back before dark. Afterward we can try out the Copperhead Grill on Route 378 for some refreshments. Thunderstorms or heavy rain cancels.  
Meeting place: Upper Saucon Township Community Park, Preston Lane, Center Valley/Bethlehem (parking lot by the bathrooms)  
Posted on meetup.com? YES  
Leader: Cynthia Paetow 215-536-7311 cpaetow@hotmail.com |
| Saturday   | 7-21-18 11:00 am | **Kayaking on Leaser Lake (2 hours) followed by a Picnic in the Park**  
Bring your Kayak and join us for a 2 hour Paddle with a picnic afterward  
Let's all meet at this one hundred seventeen acre lake and paddle on a Saturday afternoon. Make sure your boat is registered or you have a valid launch permit. Picnic afterward - bring a beverage, your choice of meat for the grill and a dish to share. If you do not have a kayak, you can rent one from Leaser Lake Boats, Bikes and Bait. (484) 221-1522. It is normally $35 for two hours but they are offering a 20% discount for Allentown Hiking Club members. They will deliver they kayak right to the lake. Heavy rain or thunderstorms cancel.  
Meeting place: Parking lot on Follweiler Ct off Leaser Road, New Tripoli PA  
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Leader: Michelle Hinkle 484-221-3172 |
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<td>Walk to Sounds of Summer Concert Series: Journey Former Lead Vocalist Steve Augeri at Quakertown's Park at 4th. You will need to bring a chair to sit in and $20 cash for the concert. There will be a concession stand with food and drinks available; cash only. Tickets are available at the door at 6 pm so lets meet and be ready to go by 6pm to get a good spot. Once your chairs are set up, we can walk around the park. Meet at the Chamber of Commerce at 21 N. Main Street, Quakertown, PA 18951 at 5:45 pm. (make sure you don't just put the Chamber in your GPS because it may take you to the old site off of 663 - the new one is in town down from McCool). It's about 3/4 to a mile walk to the park - and then back again when the concert is over. Info is available on the website below. Thunderstorms or rain cancels. (concert is still on unless severe weather, however, I am a fair weather concert go-er) Let me know if you are planning to attend in case parking is an issue: <a href="mailto:cpaetow@hotmail.com">cpaetow@hotmail.com</a>. <a href="https://quakertown.org/government/parks-recreation/concerts">https://quakertown.org/government/parks-recreation/concerts</a></td>
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<td><strong>Hike to the Pulpit and Pinnacle under the Full Thunder Moon</strong> Watch the moonrise from the Pinnacle.</td>
<td>8 miles C</td>
<td>Please arrive by 5:45pm for a 6:00pm departure. As we will need to make it up to the Pinnacle by sunset, the group will leave on time. Please plan accordingly. Come and watch the full moon rise from the Pinnacle! July's Full Moon, the Full Thunder Moon, was named due to the prevalence of thunder storms. This is an 8 mile loop hike, starting at the Hamburg Reservoir parking lot and then going up to the Pulpit and Pinnacle for spectacular views of the rising full moon. Sunset is at 8:23pm and moonrise is at 8:25pm. This is not a beginner's hike due to the ~1000' ascent, rocky terrain and nighttime conditions. Sturdy hiking boots are recommended. Bring a headlamp or flashlight, at least 2 liters of water and food/snacks. Rain or overly cloudy conditions will cancel the hike. Meeting place: Hamburg Reservoir parking lot, 420 Reservoir Road Hamburg, PA Posted on meetup.com? YES Leader: Paula Uhrin 484-951-4299 <a href="mailto:jcnj168@ptd.net">jcnj168@ptd.net</a></td>
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<td><strong>Weeknight Walks (Allentown)</strong> Join us for a short walk before the Allentown Hiking Club Meeting</td>
<td>1.5 miles A+</td>
<td>Let's get a little exercise before the meeting starts. We will meet at St. Timothy's and walk about .6 miles to Cali Burrito on Reading Road to have some dinner. Afterward we'll head back to the church for the club meeting. Thunderstorms or heavy rain cancel the walk. Meeting place: St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, 140 South Ott Street, Allentown, PA Posted on meetup.com? NO Leader: Cynthia Paetow 215-536-7311 <a href="mailto:cpaetow@hotmail.com">cpaetow@hotmail.com</a></td>
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<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>8-1-18 7:30 pm</td>
<td><strong>AUGUST MONTHLY MEETING</strong></td>
<td>Presentation followed by Monthly Business Meeting Tom David will give a presentation on the Rocky Mountain National Parks. The presentation will be followed by the regular monthly business meeting. Meeting place: St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, 140 South Ott Street, Allentown, PA Posted on meetup.com? NO Leader: Karen Gradel 267-424-4602 Co-leader: Paula Uhrin 484-951-4299 <a href="mailto:jcnj168@ptd.net">jcnj168@ptd.net</a></td>
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<td>Sunday</td>
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<td><strong>Nolde Forest Loop Hike</strong></td>
<td>Loop hike through the Nolde Forest Nolde Forest encompasses more than 665 acres of deciduous woodlands and coniferous plantations. A network of trails makes the center’s streams, ponds, and diverse habitats accessible to all. We will hike most of the trails that wander throughout the park under tall trees and near creeks. Some trails are footpaths and others are remnants of gravel roads used by original owners of the mansion. We will stop at the Mansion to check out its unique architecture. Sturdy hiking boots are recommended. Bring at least 2L of water and lunch / snacks. Heavy rain cancels. Trail map can be found here: <a href="http://www.docs.dcnr.pa.gov/cs/groups/public/documents/document/dcnr_003596.pdf">http://www.docs.dcnr.pa.gov/cs/groups/public/documents/document/dcnr_003596.pdf</a> Meeting place: Please contact the event leader Posted on meetup.com? YES Leader: Paula Uhrin 484-951-4299 <a href="mailto:jcnj168@ptd.net">jcnj168@ptd.net</a></td>
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<td><strong>Weeknight Walks at 6:00 pm - Coopersburg (3-4 miles)</strong></td>
<td>Join us for a one hour walk on the rail trail in Coopersburg We will be walking on the towpath for about 45 minutes before turning around and heading back before dark. Afterward we can try out Copperhead Grill. Thunderstorms or Heavy rain cancels. Meeting place: Rail Trail Living Memorial Park, E Landis Street, Coopersburg, PA Posted on meetup.com? YES Leader: Cynthia Paetow 215-536-7311 <a href="mailto:cpaetow@hotmail.com">cpaetow@hotmail.com</a></td>
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<td><strong>Hike Jacobsburg State Park</strong></td>
<td>Hike the rolling hills of Jacobsburg We will cover many of the 18 miles of trails this park offers. Trails of varied surfaces are through meadows and forests with rolling hills. Hiking boots recommended and water shoes might be nice to have for a cooling walk through Bushkill Creek. Bring at least 2L of water and lunch/snacks. Heavy rain cancels. Meeting place: Meet at the large, triangular parking lot, just south of the park's Environmental Education Center, on Belfast Road. Posted on meetup.com? YES Leader: Paula Uhrin 484-951-4299 <a href="mailto:jcnj168@ptd.net">jcnj168@ptd.net</a></td>
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<td><strong>Weeknight Walks - Quakertown McCooles (3-4 miles)</strong></td>
<td>Join us for 3-4 mile walk from the Quakertown Chamber of Commerce to the “Park at 4th” in Quakertown. Let's get our blood flowing with a short midweek stroll through Quakertown to the Park at 4th and Mill. We can also enjoy some refreshments when we are done walking by meeting back at McCoole's Red Lion Inn for some appetizers and drinks. Thunderstorms or heavy rain cancels Meeting place: Please meet at 6:00 in the parking lot of the Chamber of Commerce (which is also the McCoole’s overflow parking) 21 N Main St, Quakertown, PA 18951 (This is located in town. If you put just the Chamber in your GPS it may take you to the old one on 663.) Posted on meetup.com? YES Leader: Cynthia Paetow 215-536-7311 <a href="mailto:cpaetow@hotmail.com">cpaetow@hotmail.com</a></td>
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| Sunday     | 8-19-18 11:00 am | Float the Lehigh River                                                              | Have fun floating the Lehigh River during the dam release. Float the Lehigh River from the new D&L boat launching site at Treichler's Bridge to the Rt. 329 bridge in Northampton. Wear a swimsuit, water shoes, wide-brimmed hat. Do not forget sun protection. Show up with an INFLATED truck tube. Vans and/or pick-up trucks would be helpful in transporting the tubes. Meet at the Whitehall Mall parking lot between Sears and the Auto Shop. | Meeting place: Sears at Whitehall Mall, 1259 Pennsylvania 145, Whitehall, PA 18052  
Posted on meetup.com? NO  
Leader: Gene Scharle 610-432-5652 |
| Wednesday  | 8-22-18 6:00 pm | Weeknight Walks (Quakertown Eagle)                                                   | Join us for a walk through Quakertown. We'll meet at the Eagle/Local in Quakertown and stay together as we head down to the Park at 4th. Once there, people can walk at their own pace as we circle around the different paths. After the walk we'll head back to the 200 year old historic Eagle/Local, a familiar local dive bar. Plans for renovations have been pushed back but the food is good! Meet in the parking lot behind the Eagle/Local. (Make sure your GPS takes you to Quakertown and not Trumbauersville - we've had a few problems with that) Thunderstorms, Heavy rain cancels | Meeting place: The Eagle, Corner of Rts 212 and 313; Quakertown PA. Parking is behind the hotel or on the street; Usually quite a few spots across from the front entrance on Route 313 (Broad Street)  
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Leader: Cynthia Paetow 215-536-7311 cpaetow@hotmail.com |
| Thursday   | 8-23-18 5:45 pm | Walk to Concert in the Park                                                        | Want to walk a mile to see The Little River Band. Want to walk a mile to see The Little River Band Walk to the final 2018 Sounds of Summer Concert Series: The Little River Band at Quakertown's Park at 4th. You will need to bring a chair to sit in and $20 cash for the concert. There will be a concession stand with food and drinks available; cash only. Tickets are available at the door at 6 pm so let's meet at 5:45 pm to get a good spot. Once your chairs are set up, we can walk around the park. Meet at the Chamber of Commerce at 21 N. Main Street, Quakertown, PA 18951 at 5:45 pm. (Make sure you don't just put the Chamber in your GPS because it may take you to the old site off of 663 - the new one is in town down from McCooles). It's about 3/4 to a mile walk to the park and then back again when the concert is over. Info is available on the website below. Thunderstorms or rain cancels. (concert is still on unless severe weather, however, I am a fair weather concert goer) Let me know if you are planning to attend in case parking is an issue: cpaetow@hotmail.com. https://quakertown.org/government/parks-recreation/concerts | Meeting place: Please contact the event leader if you are coming in case parking is an issue. cpaetow@hotmail.com  
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| Friday - Sunday 8-24-18 to 8-26-18 3:00 pm | **Camping Weekend - Save the date**  
Save the date for a camping weekend - Location to be determined  
Let's have a fun camping weekend. Still looking at various sites; details still being worked out. Contact leader if interested.  
Meeting place: Please contact the event leader  
Posted on meetup.com? NO  
Leader: Michelle Hinkle 484-221-3172 |
| Wednesday 8-29-18 6:00 pm | **Weeknight Walks - Lake Lenape Park, Sellersville (2 miles)**  
Let's take a walk through Lake Lenape Park  
We'll walk through Lenape Park stopping half way through our walk for ice cream at Dairy Queen.  
Meeting place: Lake Lenape Park, 210 E Walnut Street, Sellersville PA  
Posted on meetup.com? NO  
Leader: Cynthia Paetow 215-536-7311 cpaetow@hotmail.com |
| Wednesday 9-5-18 5:45 pm | **Weeknight Walks - Allentown (1.5 miles)**  
Join us for a short walk before the Allentown Hiking Club Meeting  
Let's get a little exercise before the meeting starts. We will meet at St. Timothy's and walk about .6 miles to Cali Burrito on Reading Road to have some dinner. Afterward we'll head back to the church for the club meeting. Thunderstorms or heavy rain cancel the walk.  
Meeting place: St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, 140 South Ott Street, Allentown, PA  
Posted on meetup.com? NO  
Leader: Cynthia Paetow 215-536-7311 cpaetow@hotmail.com |
| Wednesday 9-5-18 7:30 pm | **SEPTEMBER MONTHLY MEETING**  
Monthly business meeting.  
Quarterly scheduling meeting.  
Meeting place: St. Timothy's Lutheran Church, 140 South Ott Street, Allentown, PA  
Posted on meetup.com? NO  
Leader: Karen Gradel 267-424-4602  
Co-leader: Paula Uhrin 484-951-4299 jcnj168@ptd.net |
| Sunday 9-9-18 9:00 am | **Green Lane Reservoir Hike**  
Loop hike around the Green Lane Reservoir.  
This loop hike will circle the Green Lane Reservoir, affording views of both the lake and countryside. There will be several short climbs and stream crossings. Sturdy hiking boots are recommended. Bring at least 2 liters of water, lunch and snacks. Rain cancels.  
Meeting place: Meet at the Park Office at the dead end of Snyder Road, just south of the dam. 2144 Snyder Road Green Lane, PA 18054  
Posted on meetup.com? YES  
Leader: Paula Uhrin 484-951-4299 jcnj168@ptd.net |
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<td>Bethlehem and Bach</td>
<td>Hike the Monocacy Trail in Bethlehem and enjoy a Bach at Noon concert. Meet at Illick's Mill to hike the Monocacy Trail to center city Bethlehem, where we will enjoy a Bach at Noon concert at the Central Moravian Church. After the concert, we will eat lunch in the Colonial Industrial Quarter and then walk the Monocacy Trail back to our cars. Bring lunch and water. Steady rain on the morning of the event cancels the hike, but we will meet at 11:30 at the church balcony for the concert. No calls the morning of the hike.</td>
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<td>Weeknight Walks - Quakertown McCool's (3-4 miles)</td>
<td>Join us for 3-4 mile walk from the Quakertown Chamber of Commerce to the “Park at 4th” in Quakertown. Let's get our blood flowing with a short midweek stroll through Quakertown to the Park at 4th and Mill. We can also enjoy some refreshments when we are done walking by meeting back at McCool's Red Lion Inn for some appetizers and drinks. Thunderstorms or heavy rain cancels.</td>
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<td>Weeknight Walks at 6:00 pm - Quakertown Proper Brewery (2-4 miles)</td>
<td>Join us for 3-4 mile walk from The Proper Brewing Company to the new solar lighted “Park at 4th” in Quakertown. We will be walking through town to the park and can enjoy some refreshments when we are done walking by meeting back at The Proper Brewing Company for appetizers and drinks. Meet in the parking lot behind the brewery (on the side of the Police Station/borough hall) Thunderstorms or heavy rain cancels.</td>
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<td>Sunday, 9-23-18 9:00 am</td>
<td>Dunnfield Creek, Sunfish Pond, AT Loop Hike</td>
<td>Loop hike through the Delaware Water Gap including Dunnfield Creek, Sunfish Pond and the AT. From the Kittatinny Point Visitor Center parking lot we will walk under Route 80 then hike the Dunnfield Hollow Trail to Sunfish Pond. This section includes multiple stream crossings that, depending on how fast the creek is running, may require getting your feet wet, so please plan accordingly. Trekking poles are strongly recommended. After a lunch stop at a rock outcropping on the northeast side of Sunfish Pond we will continue around the north side of Sunfish Pond to the Appalachian Trail and then travel back down the AT to our cars. Sturdy hiking boots are recommended. Bring at least 2 quarts of water and lunch plus snacks. Steady rain cancels.</td>
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<td>Weeknight Walks - Quakertown Eagle (3-4 miles)</td>
<td>Join us for a walk through Quakertown. We'll meet at the Eagle/Local in Quakertown and stay together as we head down to the Park at 4th. Once there, people can walk at their own pace as we circle around the different paths. After the walk we'll head back to the 200 year old historic Eagle/Local, a familiar local dive bar. Plans for renovations have been pushed back but the food is good! Meet in the parking lot behind the Eagle/Local. (make sure your GPS takes you to Quakertown and not Trumbauersville - we've had a few problems with that) Thunderstorms, Heavy rain cancels.</td>
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**EMAIL:**

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

**Selection Options:**

- **Club T-shirt @ $6.00 + $3.50 shipping ea.**
- **Club golf shirt @ $12.00 + $3.50 shipping ea.**
- **Club Embroidered patch @ $1.50 + $.75 shipping ea.**
- **Club window decal @ $2.50 + $.75 shipping ea**
- **Club window cling decal @ $2.50 + $.75 shipping ea**

Checks payable to "Allentown hiking Club"

Total enclosed _______

**PAYMENT OPTIONS:**

- **Dues @ $10.00 / $15.00 Household**

- **SML**
- **MED**
- **LRG**
- **XLG**

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

Date(s): ________________________________________ Time: _____________________
Leader: __________________________________________ email: _____________________ Phone: _____________________
Co-Leader: _______________________________________ email: _____________________ Phone: _____________________
Type Of Event (circle one): hike / meeting / maintenance / backpack / other
Round trip road miles: ________ Hike distance: ________ miles
Meeting Place: check _____ contact hike leader, or enter directions
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Hike Rating (from AHC Hike Rating System):_____ Add this hike to Meetup.com? yes / no (select one)
If yes limit hike to ____ hikers or no limit.
Event Title: __________________________________________
Description: A one-sentence description of the event that appears on the website Activities page, the main page, and in the AHC Weekly Update email.
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