

Hiking Schedule for Hilltop Hikers March, 2020

Celebrating 27 years!

This schedule allows you to hike with us as a guest. If you enjoy yourself and feel it will be a good fit, please join the club. Joining will give you special member privileges in addition to what you see listed here.

MARCH 1 SUNDAY 2 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE MASSILLON LINCOLN PARK (17TH ST.) Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Bring your dogs for a hike on the Sippo Valley Trail. Address: [644 17th Street NW at Lincoln Park Ave. NW, Massillon](#). Get to Massillon via Rte. 21. Take Cherry Ave. west from Rte. 21 and then turn left onto 17th St. Parking on the left. **Leader: Lynn**

MARCH 3 TUESDAY 9:30 AM CRYSTAL SPRINGS TRAILHEAD Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: [4503 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon](#). Meet at the Crystal Springs parking lot on Erie St. across from Bocca Grande Restaurant between Canal Fulton and Massillon close to High Mill. We will hike the Towpath. **Leader: Roseanne**

MARCH 4 WEDNESDAY 6 PM JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK Level 1, 3 to 5 laps (3 to 5 miles), RR. Address: [7660 Fulton Dr. NW, Massillon](#). Meet at the parking lot at Jackson Park Track by the gazebo and pond. Directions: Reach it from Fulton or Wales Rd. (241). Parking lot is ½ mile west of Wales Rd. on the right. **Leaders: Mary Lou and Sue**

MARCH 5 THURSDAY 10 AM SIPPO LAKE EXPLORATION GATEWAY Level 2/3, 3 miles. RR at library. Address: [5712 12th St. NW, Canton](#). Directions: Get to the intersection of 12th St. NW and Perry Dr. NW. Go west on 12th St. to entrance to Exploration Gateway at Sippo Lake Park on the left. Meet at the first parking lot on the right as you arrive. **Leader: Lucy**

MARCH 6 FRIDAY 11 AM WASHINGTON SQUARE Level 2, 5 miles. Restroom at Starbucks or Jimmy John's or Giant Eagle. Approximate address: [2197 E Maple St, North Canton](#). Directions: From Main Street in North Canton go east on Maple about 1.2 miles to Washington Square shopping plaza. Park behind Starbucks, back parking lot between 91 Wood Fired Oven and the bank. There is a nice parking lot near the trailhead. We will hike the Hoover trail. **Leader: Lena**

MARCH 7 SATURDAY 10 AM WAYNESBURG PARK LOOP AND SANDY VALLEY TRAIL HIKE Level 2, 5 miles, no RR. Address: [134 W. Lisbon St., Waynesburg](#). (Restroom at McDonald's, 8720 Waynesburg Dr. SE). Directions: Take I-77 south to Rte. 30 east, to Rte. 43 south towards Waynesburg. In Waynesburg, at the light in front of Rite Aid, go straight on Rte. 183 west. Do not turn left on Rte. 43 south. Go to the light in town and turn right. Park at Cibo's lot. We will hike the Waynesburg Village Park Loop trail and the Sandy Valley Trail along the Sandy Creek. Please join us for lunch afterwards at Cibo's. **Leader: Kathy**

MARCH 8 SUNDAY 2 PM ME AND MY DOG HIKE OAK HILL CVNP Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Address: [3901 Oak Hill Road, Peninsula](#). (Directions include Riverview Rd. and Rte. 8/303 ramp detours. Southbound ramps onto Rte. 8 are not affected at this time.)

Directions for Rte. 8: Exit ramp from Rte. 8 to Route 303 is closed through late April. Posted detour is to continue on Rte. 8 north to Boston Mills Rd. exit. Take Chittenden Rd. south across from exit ramp, then make right onto Rte. 303 to head west to Peninsula. Go straight through town, cross the river, then left onto Riverview Rd. (south). Go .6 mile south then make right onto Major Rd. Go about 1.5 mile then make left onto Oak Hill Rd. Parking lot less than a mile on the left.

Directions for I-77: Take I-77 north to I-271 east. Take exit 12 to Rte. 303 (Streetsboro Rd.) make right from ramp and then an immediate right onto Major Rd. Follow through curves, make right onto Oak Hill Rd. Parking lot less than a mile on the left. **Leader: Carl**

MARCH 10 TUESDAY 9:30 AM CRYSTAL SPRINGS TRAILHEAD Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: [4503 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon](#). Meet at the Crystal Springs parking lot on Erie St. across from Bocca Grande Restaurant between Canal Fulton and Massillon close to High Mill. We will hike the Towpath. **Leader: Patty**

MARCH 11 WEDNESDAY 6 PM JACKSON COMMUNITY PARK Level 1, 3 to 5 laps (3 to 5 miles), RR. Address: [7660 Fulton Dr. NW, Massillon](#). Meet at the parking lot at Jackson Park Track by the gazebo and pond. Directions: Reach it from Fulton or Wales Rd. (241). Parking lot is ½ mile west of Wales Rd. on the right. **Leaders: Mary Lou and Sue**

MARCH 12 THURSDAY 10 AM JACKSON BOG STATE NATURE PRESERVE Level 2/3, 3 miles, RR. Address: [7984 Fulton Dr NW, Massillon](#). Meet at the Jackson Bog parking lot, west of Jackson High School near the old school house. Pull into the South Park entrance and go right into the Jackson Bog parking lot. **Leader: Deb**

MARCH 13 FRIDAY 11 AM WASHINGTON SQUARE Level 2, 5 miles. Restroom at Starbucks or Jimmy John's or Giant Eagle. Approximate address: [2197 E Maple St, North Canton](#). Directions: From Main Street in North Canton go east on Maple about 1.2 miles to Washington Square shopping plaza. Park behind Starbucks, back parking lot between 91 Wood Fired Oven and the bank. There is a nice parking lot near the trailhead. We will hike the Hoover trail. **Leader: Lena**

MARCH 14 SATURDAY 9 AM CAMP TUSCAZOAR MAPLE DAYS Level 4, 5 miles, RR. Meet at the parking lot at the entrance for Camp Tuscazoar. Early start time because parking can be tight. Overflow parking across the street. Address: [6066 Boy Scout Rd NE, Dover](#). After the hike, stay for a pancake breakfast which includes: pancakes, sausage, eggs, apple sauce, orange drink and maple syrup. Cost is \$10. Directions: Take I-77 south to Bolivar/Zoar exit. Take Rte. 212 left (east)

through Zoar to Rte. 800, turn left (north), go a short distance, turn right (east), go over a bridge, turn right onto Boy Scout Rd. and go 1.5 miles to camp entrance on the right. For more information about this event: <http://tuscazoar.org/events/maple-days/> **Leader: Denver**

MARCH 15 SUNDAY 2 PM HUNT FARM CVNP Level 2, 5 miles, RR.. Meet at Hunt Farm Trailhead parking lot on Bolanz Rd. We will hike the Towpath. Address: [2045 Bolanz Rd., Peninsula](#). (Directions include Riverview Rd. and Rte. 8/Steels Corner Rd. ramp detours. Southbound ramps onto Rte. 8 are not affected at this time.)

Directions for Rte. 8: Exit ramp from Rte. 8 to Steels Corners Rd. is closed through late April. Detour is to continue on Rte. 8 north to Seasons Rd. Make left from ramp, then left onto Wyoga Lake Rd. Make right onto E. Steels Corners Rd. Follow Steel's Corner Rd., after 3 miles make right on to Northampton Rd. After 2.5 miles, make left onto Akron Peninsula Rd. Go to Bolanz Rd. (about ½ mile) and turn right, parking lot on your left. If you get to Szalay's Farm market at Riverview Rd., you went too far.

Directions for I-77: Take I-77 north to I-271 east. Take exit 12 to Rte. 303 (Streetsboro Rd.) make right from ramp, take 303 into Peninsula. Go across the river and make right onto South Locust St./Akron Peninsula Rd. Go to Bolanz Rd. (a little over 3 miles) and turn right, parking lot on your left. If you get to Szalay's Farm market at Riverview Rd., you went too far

Leader: Kathy

MARCH 16 MONDAY 9:30 AM SIPPO LAKE EXPLORATION GATEWAY Level 2/3, 5 miles. RR at library. Address: [5712 12th St. NW, Canton](#).

Directions: Get to the intersection of 12th St. NW and Perry Dr. NW. Go west on 12th St. to entrance to Exploration Gateway at Sippo Lake Park on the left. Meet at the first parking lot on the right as you arrive. **Leader: Kathy**

MARCH 17 TUESDAY 9:30 AM LEPRECHAUN HIKE AT JACKSON BOG STATE NATURE PRESERVE Level 2/3, 5 miles, RR. Address: [7984 Fulton Dr NW, Massillon](#). Meet at the Jackson Bog parking lot, west of Jackson High School near the old school house. Pull into the South Park entrance and go right into the Jackson Bog parking lot. WEAR GREEN! **Leader: Deb**

MARCH 18 WEDNESDAY 5:30 PM PETROS PARK Level 2, 5 miles, RR.

Address: [3519 Perry Dr. SW, Canton](#). Meet at the Parking Lot on Perry Road.

Directions: Take Rte. 77 to Faircrest Exit south of Canton. Turn west, go to Perry Road, turn north to parking lot on the left.

Leader: Margie

MARCH 19 THURSDAY 10 AM TAM O'SHANTER PROPERTY, Level 2/3, **3 miles**, RR. Address: [5055 Hills and Dales Rd NW, Canton](#) 44708. Directions: Go South on Dressler Road from Belden Village, then turn right onto Hills and Dales road and go west for about 1 mile. Turn right into the Tam O'Shanter Property. Go

to the parking lot on the right side of the entrance.

Leaders: Lola & Ted

MARCH 20 FRIDAY 11 AM WASHINGTON SQUARE Level 2, 5 miles. Restroom at Starbucks or Jimmy John's or Giant Eagle. Approximate address: [2197 E Maple St, North Canton](#). Directions: From Main Street in North Canton go east on Maple about 1.2 miles to Washington Square shopping plaza. Park behind Starbucks, back parking lot between 91 Wood Fired Oven and the bank. There is a nice parking lot near the trailhead. We will hike the Hoover trail. **Leader: Lena**

MARCH 21 SATURDAY 10 AM SAND RUN INCLUDING MINGO AND DOGWOOD TRAILS Level 4, 5 miles, RR. Lots of hills on this hike! Meet at Sand Run's Wadsworth Parking Lot. Address: [1400 Sand Run Pkwy., Akron](#). Directions: Take I-77/8 to Tallmadge Rd., turn west (left), it becomes Memorial, go to Portage Path and turn right (north). At the bottom of a long hill, you will see the entrance to the park on the left side. Turn left. The third parking area is the Wadsworth Parking lot. There is a sign for the Wadsworth Parking area. **Leader: Lynn**

MARCH 22 SUNDAY 2 PM GOODYEAR HEIGHTS METRO PARK Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Address: [2077 Newton St., Akron](#). Meet at the 2nd parking lot north of Newton St. Take Cleveland Ave./Canton Rd. north (becomes Rte. 91/Darrow Rd.) to Newton St. Turn west (left) on Newton to entrance just west of the shelter, go to 2nd parking lot. **Leader: Lynn**

MARCH 23 MONDAY 10 AM HUSTON BRUMBAUGH NATURE CENTER Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Meet at the Huston Woods parking lot on Daniel St. south of Alliance. Address: [16146 Daniel St. NE, Minerva](#). Directions #1: Take Route 62 east to Route 44. Turn right onto Route 44 south. Continue to Louisville. At Route 153 (E. Main St.) by the gas station, turn left. Continue to Route 183 (Union Ave.). Turn right and continue to Daniel Street. Turn left on Daniel and go a short distance to parking lot on the right. Alternate Directions #2: Take Maple Street (which becomes Easton) to the roundabout at Paris Ave. Turn right and continue to Route 153 (by Motts). Turn left. Continue to Route 183 (Union Ave.). Turn right and continue to Daniel Street. Turn left on Daniel and go a short distance to parking lot on the right. **Leader: Karla**

MARCH 24 TUESDAY 9:30 AM CRYSTAL SPRINGS TRAILHEAD Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: [4503 Erie Ave. NW, Massillon](#). Meet at the Crystal Springs parking lot on Erie St. across from Bocca Grande Restaurant between Canal Fulton and Massillon close to High Mill. We will hike the Towpath. **Leader: Patty**

MARCH 25 WEDNESDAY 5:30 PM PETROS PARK Level 2, 5 miles, RR. Address: [3519 Perry Dr. SW, Canton](#). Meet at the Parking Lot on Perry Road. Directions: Take Rte. 77 to Faircrest Exit south of Canton. Turn west, go to Perry

Road, turn north to parking lot on the left.

Leader: Margie

MARCH 26 THURSDAY 10 AM VETERANS COMMUNITY PARK Level 2, **3 miles**, RR. Address: [1714 Schneider St. NE, Canton](#). Directions: South on Main Street from North Canton, then east (left) onto Schneider St NE. Go across Market and continue on Schneider to the Park, across from Glen Oak HS. We will hike the Middle Branch Trail. **Leaders: Lola & Ted**

MARCH 27 FRIDAY 11 AM WASHINGTON SQUARE Level 2, 5 miles. Restroom at Starbucks or Jimmy John's or Giant Eagle. Approximate address: [2197 E Maple St, North Canton](#). Directions: From Main Street in North Canton go east on Maple about 1.2 miles to Washington Square shopping plaza. Park behind Starbucks, back parking lot between 91 Wood Fired Oven and the bank. There is a nice parking lot near the trailhead. We will hike the Hoover trail. **Leader: Lena**

MARCH 28 SATURDAY 10 AM OLD CARRIAGE TRAIL (CVNP)- Level 2/3, 5 miles, RR. Meet at the Red Lock parking area across from Brandywine Ski Resort. Address: [1175 West Highland Rd., Sagamore Hills](#) (Northfield). Directions: This hike includes towpath, scenic woods and ravines, a couple short, steep hills, and a small water crossing. Take I-77/8 north to West Highland Road, turn West (left), Bob Evans will be on the left. Turn right on Olde Route 8 and then left on West Highland Rd. Take Highland to the parking lot on your right. Limited parking, consider carpooling. **Leader: Deb**

OR

MARCH 28 SATURDAY 11 AM HOCKING HILLS HIKE Level 4, 15 miles, RR. HOCKING HILLS STATE PARK Old Man's Cave, Ash Cave Loop Including Whispering Cave. Meet at Hocking Hills State Park Visitors Center which sits on SR 664 ¼ mile south of SR 374 ([21725 OH-664, Logan](#), OH 43138); this is a major paved parking lot capable of accommodating about 200 cars. We will simply meet in this parking lot. Plan on using the restrooms at the new Welcome Center. We will be hiking Old Man's Cave to Whispering Cave and continuing to Cedar Falls via the Buckeye Trail and Grandma Gatewood trail. We will proceed to Ash Cave; we will return to Cedar Falls via the Buckeye Trail and pick up the Gorge Overlook Trail to return us to our cars. Please come prepared for this hike with plenty of water; at least 60 - 100 ounces and a packed lunch for you to enjoy; snacks may also be desirable. This is a day hike with no overnight accommodations planned for the group; you can make lodging accommodations on your own as appropriate. For those wishing to Carpool; we will be meeting at the Home Depot parking lot (by Arby's) just West of I 77 at the Portage Street exit in Jackson Township at 7:30 AM. Drivers; please arrive with a full tank of gas please. Dinner immediately following the hike at Olde Dutch Restaurant Amish inspired dishes and baked goods [12791 OH-664, Logan](#), near Walmart (740)-385-1000. This will be a full day and we will not return to Stark County until 9:00 or 10:00 PM. **Leader: John**

MARCH 29 SUNDAY 2 PM FRY FAMILY PARK Level 3, 5 miles, RR. FRY FAMILY PARK HIKE Level 3, 5 miles, RR. Address: [2533 Farber St. SE, Magnolia](#). Directions: I-77 south, take the Cleveland Ave./Rte. 800 exit (exit # 103). Turn south onto Rte. 800 and after approximately 8.5 miles turn left onto Farber St. SE. The park will be 3/10 of a mile on the left. Drive through the park to the picnic shelter on the hill. Rolling terrain and various trails on grass.

Leader: Lynn

MARCH 30 MONDAY 9:30 AM TAM O'SHANTER PROPERTY, Level 2/3, 5 miles, RR. Address: [5055 Hills and Dales Rd NW, Canton](#) 44708. Directions: Go South on Dressler Road from Belden Village, then turn right onto Hills and Dales road and go west for about 1 mile. Turn right into the Tam O'Shanter Property. Go to the parking lot on the right side of the entrance.

Leader: Kathy

MARCH 31 TUESDAY 9:30 AM JACKSON BOG STATE NATURE PRESERVE Level 2/3, 5 miles, RR. Address: [7984 Fulton Dr NW, Massillon](#). Meet at the Jackson Bog parking lot, west of Jackson High School near the old school house. Pull into the South Park entrance and go right into the Jackson Bog parking lot. **Leader: Deb**