



OUTDOOR CLUB of SOUTH JERSEY

TREKKER

Spring 2016

APRIL 30

Annual Club Picnic

Hikes, canoeing, kayaking, food and fun!

MAY 14

Washington, DC bus trip and self-guided tour

Advanced Reservations a must!

JUNE 10-12

Annual Cape May Weekend

**Biking, shopping, canoeing/kayaking,
historic tours and more!**

JUNE 26

Bus trip to Hyde Park, NY

Only open to paid members and guests.

Celebrating 49 Years of Outdoor Experiences!



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FOR LATEST TRIP INFORMATION.
CYCLISTS JOIN THE GOOGLE GROUPS FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION.**

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Outdoor Club of South Jersey

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Outdoor Club of South Jersey, Inc., is an organization dedicated to providing opportunities for extending the individual's knowledge, appreciation and enjoyment of his or her environment through experiences in outdoor activities. The Club offers a twelve month program of activities designed for all ages and levels of ability and interest, and as is feasible with available leadership. The Club is open to all persons regardless of age or place of residence.

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The officers and members of the Board of Trustees actively seek and welcome your comments, suggestions or recommendations towards the fulfillment of our aims and objectives. Our progress and success are dependent upon the quality and effectiveness of our leadership. Your participation in activities, committees, or in programs and projects is solicited. When you have questions, need further clarification, or require additional details, you are welcome to call the pertinent committee chairman.

MEETINGS

Club members are invited to attend the monthly meetings. The Board of Trustees meets each month. See schedule for locations. After the business session, some meetings will feature a program presented by the various activities. Everyone is welcome! Come out and support your representatives.

Coming Events

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HIKE THE BATONA TRAIL IN 5 WEEKS. The Batona Trail was started in 1961 in Brendan Byrne State Forest. The Batona Trail traverses the Pinelands, a vast area of pine barrens in South Jersey. Through the years the trail was lengthened and now stretches for more than 50 miles through Wharton State Forest, through Franklin Parker Preserve and onto Bass River State Forest. PDF trail maps and description can be downloaded at www.nj.us/dep/parksandforests or available at Batsto Visitors Center. If you plan to hike all 5 weeks please preregister early for each week. You can also hike individual sections. There will be a limit on the amount of hikers each week because of the shuttling involved. You must be an Outdoor Club member to participate. Remember to change your RSVP to no if cancel any weeks. Check Meetup for any changes before the hike.

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APRIL 30 CLUB PICNIC AT PAKIM POND. Hikes at 8:45 am, 10 am, and 10:30 am. Paddle demo at 10 a.m. Picnic follows at 12:00 noon. Food and drink provided. Bring a chair and something to share. All members and non-members invited. See April 30 entries.

BEGINNER'S CAMPING/BACKPACK ON THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL IN PENNSYLVANIA. See May 21-22 listing.

SATURDAY MAY 14 WASHINGTON DC BUS TRIP. Packed with famous sights, celebrated symbols of patriotism, free attractions, the sights and sounds of the nation's capital offer inspiring experiences COST: \$35.00 per person. TO ORDER: Send check payable to OUTDOOR CLUB OF SOUTH JERSEY to Fran Katella, 10 Fairway Court,

Coming Events continued

Marlton, NJ 08053. You can also use pay pal on our web site. - All payments must be made by APRIL 14, 2016. ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST. Order tickets as soon as possible. We need an early response, in order not to disappoint anyone. First come, first serve. No reserved seats. Please include your telephone number and E-mail address (also cell phone number for the day of the trip). For a paper receipt, include self-addressed stamped envelope. All sales final. For refund, tickets must be re-sold. Meet at the Garden State Pavilion parking lot-Marlton Pike (Rt. 70) and Cornell Avenue, Cherry Hill, NJ. Meet at 7:00 a.m. Bus departs promptly at 7:30AM, rain or shine. Arrive DC 10 -11 a.m. Depart DC 5:00 p.m. Arrival time from DC approx. 8:30 p.m. (Volunteer gratuity for driver) Leader: Fran Katella, 856-313-3794, frankatella3@gmail.com. For more information on this trip see page 34 or to pay using PayPal please use the following link: <http://ocsj.org/washbustrip.html>

JUNE 10-12 CAPE MAY WEEKEND. To start the summer season, you are cordially invited to join us for our annual Cape MAY Outing. Our headquarters, as in years past, will be THE CHALFONTE HOTEL, 301 Howard Street, Cape MAY, New Jersey, (1-800-678-8946). Trip is only open to members and their guests. Meet at Chalfonte Hotel. For more information on this trip, please use the following link <http://ocsj.org/capemaytrip.html> or see page 9.

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BUS TRIP HYDE PARK NY. Visit the National Historic treasures: Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historical Site (FDR Home Springwood, grounds and Presidential Museum), Eleanor Roosevelt National Historical Site (Val-Kill), and the Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site (majestic home and gardens). See June 26 listing for details or page 34.

GREVE – SEIFRIED VOLUNTEER WORK TRIP VOLUNTEER TRIP TO HARPER'S FERRY, WV. Friday to Sunday, no dates yet but probably late April or early May. Dates will be on website early 2016. This is a volunteer trip to assist the Appalachian Trail Conservancy with whatever they need. Richard felt this was a way to "give back" to an organization that continues to make the trail such a wonderful experience. So if you can get into a little physical labor, or even boring office drudgery, we work on Saturday, play on Sunday, and get 2 free nights at the hostel. Call Eileen Greve, 609-204-6451, egreve212@gmail.com

JUNE 4-10 2016 THE 18 th. SCHUYLKILL RIVER SOJOURN (NON-OCSJ EVENT) is a 112-mile guided canoe/kayak trip on the Schuylkill River that begins in rural Schuylkill Haven and ends seven days later in Philadelphia's Boathouse Row. Sojourn participants register for as little as one day, or for the entire trip. Sometimes it is wet and wild. At other times it is peaceful and inspiring. There are a few rapids, calm water, plenty of laughs, songs at the campsites, and celebrations in the river towns. There is a little bit of everything in store for canoers and kayakers who take part in the week-long sojourn down the Schuylkill River that begins the first weekend of June. For details <http://www.schuylkillriver.org/sojourn.aspx>

VOLUNTEER VACATIONS. Enjoy an inspiring and unforgettable week vacationing in America's national parks, forests, state parks, and other public lands, while repairing and restoring trails – and rejuvenating your mind, body, and spirit! Volunteer Vacations are a series of trail building projects on America's public lands. Experience the camaraderie and sense of accomplishment after building a bridge or restoring a neglected trail. For more information, <http://www.americanhiking.org/em-volunteer-vacations/>

NEWS AND NOTES

**CHECK THE OCSJ WEBSITE FOR
THE LATEST TRIP INFORMATION
INCLUDING ADDITIONS AND CANCELLATIONS.**

*** THE FINAL MAILED PRINTED TREKKER WILL BE THE SPRING 2017 ISSUE. ***

The Club will no longer send membership cards for new or renewed memberships. We will notify you of expiring memberships by E-mail or post-card.

To ensure prompt notification, please send changes to Diane Ewell, Membership Secretary membership@ocsj.org or OCSJ P.O. Box 5040 Woodbury, NJ 08096-0040

Some activities may require limits on participation due to safety concerns and potential participants should RSVP.

You will notice that when you click on the Biking, Hiking and Canoeing Schedule pages, you are now re-directed to our corresponding meetup sites. Meetup allows leaders to directly manage their activities.

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Canoeing Meetup site: <http://www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Canoeing/>

Carpooling, Ride sharing or anything similar is strictly a private arrangement among the participants and not part of the official Club Activity. Participants assume the risks associated with this travel. The choice to participate is yours.

FOR LEADERS

Leaders should review items under "For Leaders" on OCSJ Website. They should also review the "Policy and Budget Page" listed below and under "About Us" on the OCSJ Webpage, in particular the Revised Group Activities Policy and the OCSJ Sign-in Waiver Policy.

Sign-in Sheets should be sent to appropriate Activity Chair or individuals designated by them—or Activities coordinator if Event involves more than 1 activity **NO LATER THAN EACH CALENDAR QUARTER** with few exceptions which are listed on website under "For Leaders".

PARTICIPATION NOTICE

The Outdoor Club, its officers and leaders, shall not be liable for any injuries, illness, loss or damage to any person or property, as a result of participation in any Club outing. Each participant assumes all risk and liability connecte therewith. All persons, MEMBERS ALIKE, are to sign with the leader at each activity.

HIKING GUIDE

Hike distances are in miles, and may optionally be followed by hike duration in hours. The following codes are used to show unusual features of a hike:

BW - Bushwhacking

WF - Wet feet possible

NS - No stops

NP - No pets

NC - No children

FS - Few stops

LP - Leashed Pet

Refer to the page listing Standard Meeting Places for directions to hikes.

WALKING PACE DEFINITIONS

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These are averages only; actual results may vary due to factors such as surfaces (e.g., trails, vs roads), terrain (e.g., bushwhacking vs clear), elevation changes, (e.g., hilly vs flat), and weather.

PACE:	EASY	MODERATE	BRISK	FAST
	less than 2.5 mph	2.5-3.0 mph	3.0 – 3.5 mph	over 3.5 mph
Avg. time per mile	25 or more minutes	20-25 minutes	17-20 minutes	17 or less minutes

HIKE DESCRIPTIONS

- **EASY** - pace defined as slower walking with more frequent rest breaks (e.g. for viewing surroundings, nature calls, equipment adjustments, and allowing walkers to catch up). For the slower walker.
- **MODERATE** - pace defined as comfortable walking with occasional rest breaks. For the average walker.
- **BRISK** - pace defined as faster walking with occasional rest breaks. For the average, better conditioned walker.
- **FAST** - pace defined as fitness walking with few rest breaks for any reason. For seasoned, in fit condition walkers.

TRAIL MAINTENANCE

The hiking trails our club enjoys are available primarily due the efforts of volunteers, just ordinary people. Among other things, our club helps to maintain the BATONA Trail. If you can help for a morning or afternoon at another time, contact Jack Dalton for what needs to be done. You can contact Jack at 609-287-3105 or w2hds@comcast.net.



STANDARD MEETING PLACES

If the meeting place is one of the standard meeting places shown below, no directions will appear in the hike listing.

Atsion - Meet in field on east side of Rt. 206 just north of Wharton State Forest Office.

Batsto - Meet at Batsto village parking, off Rt. 542, between Hammonton and Green Bank.

Bullock - Meet on north side of road in Bullock. Turn east from Rt. 72 at railroad bridge 6.5 miles southeast of Rt. 70/72 intersection. Continue 3.3 miles to the intersection. Turn right, then immediately left, and park.

Byrne Campsites - Meet at Byrne (Lebanon) campsite. Turn off Rt. 72, 1 mile southeast of Rt. 70/72 intersection. After 0.4 miles, turn right. Campsite parking is 3.5 miles beyond the Forest Office.

Byrne Office - Meet at Byrne (Lebanon) forest office. Turn east off Rt. 72, 1 mile southeast of Rt. 70/72 intersection. After 0.4 miles, turn right. Forest office is on the left.

Carranza - Meet at Carranza Memorial parking, 6.7 miles SE of Tabernacle on Carranza Road.

Cemetery - Meet at cemetery on Rt. 563, 0.6 miles south of Rt. 532 in Chatsworth.

D & R Parking - a mile N of Lambertville on Rt. 29, just before the Rt. 202 Bridge. Turn left and drive to the parking.

Evans - Meet just to the north of Evans Bridge (on east side of Rt. 563), 0.7 miles south of the Rt. 563/Rt. 679 split (about 10 miles south of Chatsworth).

Friendship - Meet at Friendship ruins on Carranza Road, 10 miles SE of Tabernacle.

Harrisville - Meet at Harrisville Pond, on Rt. 679, 1.5 miles south of Rt. 563, between Chatsworth and New Gretna.

Henry Avenue & Walnut Lane parking area, Philadelphia – Take Rt. 76 (Schuylkill Expressway) West to Lincoln Drive, exit #340A. Turn right at bottom of ramp, cross short bridge and take Ridge Avenue West exit. Proceed to 2nd traffic light and bear right. Go two more lights and bear left. At the next light, turn right onto Walnut Ln. Go to 2nd light and turn left onto Magdalena and a quick left into parking area. Approximately 9 miles from Ben Franklin Bridge.

Jackson - Meet just north of small bridge on Rt. 534 (Jackson Road), 1.7 miles northeast of Atco Raceway.

Lake Absegami - Meet at Lake Absegami parking, Bass River State Forest. Entrance is on Stage Road, 3.4 miles E of Rt. 679 (from the N & W); or 6 miles W of Tuckerton (from the N & E); or 3 miles N of New Gretna (from the S).

Oswego - Meet at Oswego Lake parking, 3.1 miles northeast of Rt. 563 from Jenkins. (Turnoff is 8.4 miles south of Rt. 532 in Chatsworth, between Pine Barrens Canoes and Mick's Canoes).

Pakim Pond - Meet at Pakim Pond parking, Byrne S.F. Turn off Rt. 72, 1 mile southeast of Rt. 70/72 intersection. After 0.4 miles, turn right. Pakim Pond is 2.7 miles beyond the Forest Office.

Skit - Meet at the Skit Branch bridge, 5.2 miles SE of Tabernacle on Carranza Road.

Tyler Park - Take 1-95 and get off at exit 49, (Newtown/Yardley) and travel toward Newtown. Continue on the Newtown bypass and turn left into the park at the intersection of Swamp Road. Meet at the Boat House parking lot.

Wells Mills - Meet at Wells Mills Park, off Rt. 532 (which is 16 miles southeast of the Rt. 70/72 intersection), 3.6 miles northeast of Rt. 72.

Whitesbog - Meet at Whitesbog village parking. Go east on Rt. 70 6.9 miles from Rt. 70/72 intersection. Make a sharp left on Lakehurst Road, go 1.3 miles, turn right for the village.



CANOEING/KAYAKING

A Message from the Canoeing/Kayaking Chair



Consider become a leader. We can offer any help you need. Remember the trips you enjoy are only made possible by those that volunteer as leaders. I want to thank them. When you are on a trip take the time to thank them and consider becoming a leader.

Always check the website for current information
Hope to see you on the water,
Frank Pearce
Hornet71@verizon.net
856-767-2780.

Guidelines:

- 1- All participants must sign-in
- 2- PFD'S must be worn. (83% of canoeing fatalities were not wearing a PFD)
- 3- Stay between leader and sweep.
- 4- Wear appropriate clothes (Avoid Cotton) dress for water temperatures.
- 5- Have at least one change of clothing in a water- protected bag with you
- 6- Flip flops are not appropriate footwear. (No bare feet - 90 % of paddling injuries)
- 7- Flashlight required for evening trips.
- 8- Whistle is required for Delaware River trips and recommended for all trips.
- 9- A helmet for whitewater may also be a good investment.
- 10- Carpooling, ride sharing or anything similar is strictly a private arrangement among the participants and not part of the official Club Activity. Participants assume the risks associated with this travel. The choice to participate is yours.
- 11- You must assess the suitability and condition of your equipment and if a trip is within your abilities.
- 12- Please leave sufficient driving time to safely arrive.
- 13- If you have questions, especially if a trip is right for you, call the leader.
- 14- Check the Website –ocsj.org - for the latest information.
- 15- Minors (under 18) should be listed on sign-in sheets & parent/guardian sign for them.
- 16- Leaders have final say on trip participation involving safety concerns.
- 17- Leaders- if a trip is cancelled please notify the Chair.
- 18- Leaders -carry a copy of the incident report form. (can be obtained from website)
- 19- Leaders –send sign-in sheets and any incident reports to Canoe Chair.
- 20- Leaders must submit (mail/fax) sign-in sheets to the Canoeing/Kayaking Chair in a timely manner.

(Guideline- No later than 2 weeks after quarterly schedule ends.)

X/C SKIING AND SNOWSHOEING

A MESSAGE FROM THE X/C SKIING & SNOWSHOEING CHAIR

Hope everyone got out to ski this winter! Come to the Apres Ski at Fran and Dennis McKane's house to find out about the 2016/17 cross country ski season. The party will be on April 16 at 2:00, all are invited. Arrive in town early for an impromptu bike ride, hike, or walk on the boards. Our address is 406 E. 8th Avenue, North Wildwood, NJ 08260. Contact Fran to let her know if you will bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert. Email: dennisfran1@verizon.net Phone: 609-707-3025.

HISTORIC CAPE MAY WEEKEND

Friday to Sunday June 10,11, and 12, 2016

To start the summer session, you are cordially invited to join us for our annual Cape May outing. Our headquarters, as in years past, will be THE CHALFONTE HOTEL, 301 Howard Street, Cape May, New Jersey, (1-800-678-8946). Check in any time after 3:00 PM on Friday; check out by midday on Sunday.

This is a perfect outing for all club members. In addition to our popular 15-50 mile bike rides, there are also other activities available. These include paddling a kayak, shopping on the mall, historic walking tours (guided or on you own), nature hikes, bird watching, local theater, or just sit and rock on the porch. You can also visit the Cape May Zoo or take a ferryboat ride to Lewes, Delaware, a quaint place to spend some time. Many of us attend a play on Friday after dinner.

Our weekend starts with a Friday night Welcome Buffet (a time to plan what you want to do). Breakfast is provided on both Saturday and Sunday.

On Saturday evening, there is a party on the porch with Hors D'oeuvres and drinks and then a limited menu dinner in the dining room followed by desert.

NOTE: Trip is only open to paid members and their guests.

The entire cost for all of the above (room, meals, and social gathering,) is:

Room for one, 1 bed, shared bath	\$280 per person
Room for two, full or two twin beds, shared bath	\$205 per person
Room for one, full or queen bed, private bath	\$350 per person
Room for two, full or queen bed, private bath	\$250 per person
Room for two, two beds, private bath	\$280 per person

Any cancellation must be by April 9th to get refund.

If interested, Please Contact the Leaders ASAP

Please sign up early, as this will help us complete our plans to make our 2016 trip enjoyable for all. If you have any questions, or need more information, contact Jim Bodnar at 609-654-1507 e-mail: JRBodnar@verizon.net or Fran Horn at 856-786-0048 e-mail: FranHorn@aol.com

Please send the entire amount for the weekend with the form below no later than April 9, 2016. If you would like to use PayPal, go to. <http://ocsj.org/capemaytrip.html>

A refund minus the \$25 cancelation fee available up to 60 days before the event

YES! I want to participate in the Annual Historic Cape May Weekend. Enclosed is my payment.

Please make your check payable to OCSJ

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

I prefer (circle selection) double room 1 bed w/shared bath, double room 2 beds w/private bath, single room with shared bath or single room w/ private bath

I will be sharing my room with: _____

Please pair me with a roommate: _____

I am interested in riding my bike to Cape May on Friday. (Bikers leave from Medford area) _____

I am interested in leading an activity: hiking _____ biking _____ kayaking _____

Will you lead an activity? _____

Return this form to Jim Bodnar, PO Box 493, Medford, NJ 08055



April

"It's choice, not chance, that determines your destiny "



RESERVATIONS AND DEADLINE

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APRIL 1

Friday
9:00 am

FRIDAY BIKE RIDE B PACE. Social 45-50 mile B pace bike ride at a 17-19 rolling pace. Cafe stop at turnaround point. Meet at St Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Rd, Medford, NJ 08055. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

APRIL 1

Friday
7:00 pm



FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE . Brisk Pace, 8-10 miles. The ongoing, every Friday night, all year 'round, Friday nite fitness hike, where we try to work up a sweat exploring the sand roads and trails of Brendan Byrne State Forest. Be prepared to walk at an average of 3.5 mph, with few breaks. Bring water and wear well broken in boots, sneakers, or shoes (sneakers are adequate for dry conditions). Socks are also important foot gear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton sock Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds). Leader: Bob Hodges, RLHHLR@aol.com

APRIL 2

Saturday
9:00 am



HIKE THE BATONA TRAIL IN 5 WEEKS. SECTION 1. Section 1 of our 5 weekly section hikes of the complete Batona Trail. (See Coming Events for details). Distance of about 9.5 miles. We will meet at Evans Bridge Route 563 Washington Township and shuttle to the start of the trail in Bass River State Forest.

A 3 mph pace with a break for lunch. For more information, contact leaders: Paul Baumhauer, 609-706-3676 baumhapa@aol.com; and Valerie Danzey, 856-397-9519 vdanzey1@verizon.net. If you plan to hike all 5 weeks please preregister early for each week. You can also hike individual sections. There will be a limit on the amount of hikers each week because of the shuttling involved. Remember to change your RSVP to no if cancel any weeks. Check Meetup for any changes before the hike.

APRIL 2

Saturday
10:00 am



PADDLE THE OSWEGO. We will meet at Oswego River for the put-in Take-out Beaver Branch a 9 mile trip. We have to cross the lake to the dam carryover very easy and then put in on the other side. The water level must be 3 feet or it will be cancel. The water is still cold bring extra cloths in a dry bag Lunch, water and snacks. Leader: Ericka, 856-364-6029 or powerofpink58@verizon.net

APRIL 3

Sunday
10:00 am

BRENDAN BYRNE HIKE. Hike from Pakim Pond along the Cranberry Trail to the newly blazed Batona Trail returning to Pakim Pond. 5 miles easy pace. Bring water. We will eat lunch after the hike. Meet at Pakim Pond. If in doubt call leader: Janet Horton 609-706-5691, janeth1@comcast.net

APRIL 4

Monday
9:30 am

MONDAY PIZZA RIDE. 40-50 miles. Social easy pace (C+/B 15-17mph) ride with optional breakaways and a lunch break. No one gets dropped. Come join me for a pleasant ride, and help me find the best pizza in South Jersey. Meet at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Rd, Medford.
Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

APRIL 5

Tuesday
6:15 pm



AFTER WORK COOPER RIVER PARK WALK. Join us for a fun hour (and a bit) of walking and conversation. 3.8 miles at a brisk pace (3.5mph). Meet at the Yacht Club parking lot on South Park Drive across from the Marina Park Apartments. This is a paved walking and bike path. Flashlight or headlamp recommended. T-storms, ice, or other unsafe condition cancels. Check the web site for any updates.
GPS Parking lot: N39.55.449 W075.04.027
Leader: Valerie Danzey, 856-397-9519, vdanzey1@verizon.net

APRIL 6

Wednesday
9:00 am

WEDNESDAY COFFEE RIDE. Social C+ pace ride, 30 miles. Come out for a pleasant ride, and help me find some nice local cafes. Rain cancels. Meet at 327 Elbo Lane, Mt. Laurel
Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

APRIL 6

Wednesday
10:00 am



HISTORIC FAIRMOUNT PARK LOOP HIKE. About 10 miles at an easy to moderate pace (2.0 mph +/-). See the historic mansions of east Fairmount Park (Lemon Hill, Hatfield House, Smith House, Mount Pleasant, Rockland, Ormiston, Laurel Hill, Woodford, Strawberry and Chamounix). We pause at each mansion to admire its beauty and learn a little of its history. In previous years we have sometimes been invited inside one of the mansions for a tour, but there is no guarantee this will happen. Meet at Lloyd Hall. Cross Ben Franklin Bridge into Phila., Take Vine St. expressway (I-676 West) to 22nd St. (Art Museum) exit. Turn R. & go short distance, then Left onto Ben Franklin Parkway. Take Parkway past Art Museum onto Kelly Drive. When you see boat house row & the new Lloyd Hall public building on your left, turn right into the street directly across

Kelly drive from these buildings (Sedgely Drive). Park on either side of this street and walk back to Lloyd Hall. Rain (or forecast of same) MAY cancel or postpone, check this meetup message board or call leader if in doubt. NP. Bring lunch & beverage. Please RSVP. - Leader & Tour Guide: Jerry Goldstein, jerryhyker@yahoo.com. Please RSVP only if you ARE coming.

APRIL 6
Wednesday
6:30 pm



COOPER RIVER PARK WALK. Join us on a 3.7 mile walk at a 3.0 mph pace. Meet at the Yacht Club parking lot on South Park Drive across from the Marina Park Apartments. This is a paved walking and bike path. Bad weather cancels. Check the web site for any updates. GPS Parking lot: N39.55.449 W075.04.027. Leader: Paul Baumhauer, 609-706-3676, baumhapa@aol.com

APRIL 7
Thursday
4:00 pm

A WALK IN THE PARK. This will be a 3 mile moderate pace walk which includes a nature trail and paved sections. It will take us about an hour or slightly longer. Meet at Washington Lake Park. Leader: Kate Laible

APRIL 8
Friday
9:00 am



FRIDAY BIKE RIDE B PACE. Social 45-50 mile B pace bike ride at a 17-19 rolling pace. Cafe stop at turnaround point. Meet at St Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Rd, Medford, NJ 08055. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

APRIL 8
Friday
7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. Brisk Pace, 8-10 miles. The ongoing, every Friday night, all year 'round, Friday nite fitness hike, where we try to work up a sweat exploring the sand roads and trails of Brendan Byrne State Forest. Be prepared to walk at an average of 3.5 mph, with few breaks. Bring water and wear well broken in boots, sneakers, or shoes (sneakers are adequate for dry conditions). Socks are also important foot gear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton sock Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds). Leader: Bob Hodges, RLHHLR@aol.com

APRIL 9
Saturday
9:00 am

HIKE THE BATONA TRAIL: SECTION 2, EVANS BRIDGE TO BATSTO. We will meet at Batsto Village parking lot and shuttle to Evans Bridge to begin the hike. This section is 9.1 miles. A 3 mph pace with a break for lunch. There can be some puddles along this section so be prepared. There will be a limit on the amount of hikers each week because of the shuttling involved. Remember to change your RSVP to no if you are going to cancel. Check Meetup for any changes before the hike. For more information, contact leaders: Paul Baumhauer, 609-706-3676, baumhapa@aol.com; and Valerie Danzey 856-397-9519 vdanzey1@verizon.net

APRIL 9
Saturday
9:30 am

EASY TRAIL WORK AT UNEXPECTED WILDLIFE REFUGE. Easy trail work, painting or waterproofing of existing wooden signs and clipping branches so signs are visible. This is a beautiful beaver refuge, so it's wet and swampy. Waterproof boots are a plus, wet feet possible. Bring gloves and clippers. Wear old clothes. We should be done by 1 pm. We plan to do a 3 mile loop trail. Bring lunch and beverage. Meet at Unexpected Wildlife Refuge. I intend to post directions on meet-up for those who prefer to drive alone. Leader: Pat B., camperpat@hotmail.com

APRIL 10

Sunday
10:45 am



MID WISSAHICKON VALLEY HIKE. 5 or 7 miles, moderate pace. We'll check out Devils Pool, traverse the Fingerspan bridge and climb our way to the Indian Statue. Rugged terrain. Sturdy shoes required. Wimp out at 5 miles. Bring or buy lunch at the Valley Green Inn. No Pets. Meet at 10:45 a.m. at Henry Ave. and Walnut Lane parking area. Inclement weather may cancel. Check Meetup for updates. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856-316-6292.

APRIL 11

Monday
9:00 am

WALK FROM THE BRENDAN BYRNE CAMPGROUNDS.

There are dozens of possibilities suitable to almost all conditions. I'll select a different one each time to keep it interesting. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds. Call at least a day prior for more info. Leader: Jay Schoss, 609-283- 0252 or walkinginmud@aol.com

APRIL 11

Monday
9:30 am



MONDAY PIZZA RIDE. 40-50 miles. Social easy pace (C+/B 15-17mph) ride with optional breakaways and a lunch break. No one gets dropped. Come join me for a pleasant ride, and help me find the best pizza in South Jersey. Meet at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Rd, Medford. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

APRIL 12

Tuesday
6:15 pm



AFTER WORK COOPER RIVER PARK WALK. Join us for a fun hour (and a bit) of walking and conversation. 3.8 miles at a brisk pace (3.5mph). Meet at the Yacht Club parking lot on South Park Drive across from the Marina Park Apartments. This is a paved walking and bike path. Flashlight or headlamp recommended. T-storms, ice, or other unsafe condition cancels. Check the website for any updates. GPS Parking lot: N39.55.449 W075.04.027 Leader: Valerie Danzey, 856-397-9519, vdanzey1@verizon.net

APRIL 13

Wednesday
9:00 am



PADDLE CEDAR CREEK. We'll paddle to Dudley Park. Starting at either Ore Pond (6.4 miles) or Dover Forge (9.3 miles). Meet at Double Trouble State Park, Pinewald-Keswick and Double Trouble Roads. Leader will decide section to paddle. Leader: Joe Logan, 609-634-1542, or mayandpops@aol.com

APRIL 13

Wednesday
9:00 am

WEDNESDAY COFFEE RIDE. Social C+ pace ride, 30 miles. Come out for a pleasant ride, and help me find some nice local cafes. Rain cancels. Meet at 327 Elbo Ln, Mt. Laurel Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

APRIL 13

Wednesday
10:00 am



HIKE TYLER STATE PARK PA. Beautiful 6 mile hike on paved and dirt paths to see Spring Flowers. Restrooms available at Boat house parking which is the start and finish. Bring lunch and beverage, as we'll take a break at the covered bridge. Meet at Tyler State Park-Boat House Parking. Good directions on the parks webpage. I'll post directions on meetup as we get closer to date. Leader: Pat B., camperpat@hotmail.com 856 - 767-8064.

APRIL 14

Thursday
4:00 pm

A WALK IN THE PARK. This will be a 3 mile moderate pace walk which includes a nature trail and paved sections. It will take us about an hour or slightly longer. Meet at Washington Lake Park. Leader: Kate Laible

APRIL 14
Thursday
7:30 pm



MONTHLY CLUB MEETING. Board of Trustees. Activity Committees Leaders. New Cherry Hill Library, 1100 Kings Hwy. (Rt. 41) North of Route 70 in Cherry Hill. All welcome.

APRIL 15
Friday
9:00 am

FRIDAY BIKE RIDE B PACE. Social 45-50 mile B pace bike ride at a 17-19 rolling pace. Cafe stop at turnaround point. Meet at St Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Rd, Medford, NJ 08055. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

APRIL 15
Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. Brisk pace, 8-10 miles. See April 1 listing.

APRIL 16
Saturday
9:00 am

HIKE THE BATONA: SECTION 3, BATSTO TO CARRANZA MEMORIAL. Meet at Carranza Memorial on Carranza Road about 9 miles from Hwy 206 and shuttle to Batsto Village parking lot. This section is 12.4 miles. A comfortable pace of about 3 mph, one break for lunch. We will be hiking up along Batsto River past Quaker bridge and Lower Forge Camp to Carranza Memorial. There will be a limit on the amount of hikers each week because of the shuttling involved. Remember to change your RSVP to no if you are going to cancel. Check Meetup for any changes before the hike. For more information, contact leader: Paul Baumhauer 609-706 3676 baumhapa@aol.com

APRIL 16
Saturday
10:00 am



CANOE/KAYAK THE N. BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK. We'll paddle 10 miles from the trailhead behind Burlington County Community College to Smithville. Meet at the Canoe Trail launch ramp on W. Rancocas Road, off Rt. 530 in Pemberton. Participants MUST be ready to shuttle at 10 am so arrive early to unload your boat and gear. Rentals are not available. Leader: Frank P., e-mail hornet71@verizon.net

APRIL 16
Saturday
2:00 pm

APRÈS SKI PARTY – Hope everyone got out to ski this winter! Come to the Apres Ski PARTY at Fran and Dennis McKane's house to find out about the 2016/17 cross country ski season. The party will be on April 16 at 2:00 pm, all are invited. Arrive in town early for an impromptu bike ride, hike, or walk on the boards. Our address is 406 E. 8th Avenue, North Wildwood, NJ 08260. Contact Fran to let her know if you will bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert. E-mail: dennisfran1@verizon.net Phone: 609-707-3025.

APRIL 16-17
Sat.-Sun.
10:00 am



BACKPACKING THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL IN VIRGINIA. Strenuous hike, total of 14.1 miles. (7.9 miles on Sat, 6.2 miles on Sunday – some ups & downs on Sunda). We will meet near Snickers Gap, VA, stage half the cars, then drive to the starting place, the Blackburn trail center (must see for AT hikers). From there we'll hike south, stopping to see sites from the Blue Ridge, before stopping for the night at the Bear's Den Hostel (pretty nice spot, check it out online). The next morning, we'll get up early, because we've got 6.2 miles to go, and a lot of that is up & down, as we see Buzzard Hill and Lookout point, before finishing up and heading home. Limited to 16 backpackers. Hike Leader: Kevin Drevik, 856-630-2485 or kdrevik@aol.com.

APRIL 17
Sunday
9:00 am

HIKE THE FRANKLIN PARKER PRESERVE. 7-8 miles. Moderate Pace. We will hike the White and Yellow Trails of the preserve. Chance to see interesting flora and fauna. The Preserve is part of the NJ Conservation Foundation. Very

scenic, with views of the Wading River and Eagle reservoir. Bring lunch and beverage, insect repellent. Meet at Franklin Parker Preserve parking south gate off of Rt. 563. Leader: Christine Denneler, 609-351-2789, e-mail: cdenneler157@yahoo.com Check Meetup or ocsj.org for changes or cancellation.

APRIL 17
Sunday
10:00 am

HIKE HISTORIC SMITHVILLE PARK. Hike 4 miles at an easy pace. Meet at the Smith's Woods parking lot (2nd parking lot) off of East Railroad Ave. Take Rt. 38 to Smithville Road. Bring water. If in doubt call leader: Janet Horton, cell 609-706-5691 janeth1@comcast.net

APRIL 17
Sunday
10:00 am



OSWEGO RIVER PADDLE. We meet at Oswego Lake Put-In, Oswego Lake Road off Rte. 563, Chatsworth. Pack lunch and change of clothing in dry bag as cold water conditions may still apply, especially waterproof footwear for the mandatory portage. Call or e-mail to confirm. Leader: Vicki S., 856-341-3901 or ravingwriter@gmail.com

APRIL 18
Monday
9:30 am

MONDAY PIZZA RIDE. 40-50 miles. Social easy pace (C+/B 15-17mph) ride with optional breakaways and a lunch break. No one gets dropped. Come join me for a pleasant ride, and help me find the best pizza in South Jersey. Meet at St Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

APRIL 19
Tuesday
6:15 pm



AFTER WORK COOPER RIVER PARK WALK. Join us for a fun hour (and a bit) of walking and conversation. 3.8 miles at a brisk pace (3.5mph). Meet at the Yacht Club parking lot on South Park Drive across from the Marina Park Apartments. This is a paved walking and bike path. Flashlight or headlamp recommended. T-storms, ice, or other unsafe condition cancels. Check the web site for any updates. GPS Parking lot: N39.55.449 W075.04.027. Leader: Valerie Danzey, 856-397-9519, vdanzey1@verizon.net

APRIL 20
Wednesday
9:00 am



PADDLE TOMS RIVER. Contact leader for directions and the section of the river that we will cover. I have four sections of the Toms that we paddle. The upper section from Route 547 by Lakehurst NAS to Riverwood Park. The middle section, from Riverwood Park to Winding River Park. The lower section from Toms River, Huddy Park, up river and return, and the Toms River Bay from Huddy Park out and around. The section that I will run will depend on water level and river blockage. Joe Logan, 609-634-1542, or mayandpops@aol.com.

APRIL 20
Wednesday
9:00 am

WEDNESDAY COFFEE RIDE. Social C+ pace ride, 30 miles. Come out for a pleasant ride, and help me find some nice local cafes. Rain cancels. Meet at 327 Elbo Lane, Mt. Laurel. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

APRIL 20
Wednesday
9:30 am



HIKE BATSTO TRAILS. We'll hike about 8 miles at a brisk pace on several of Batsto's many colorful, scenic trails. Tree roots and stumps can pose tripping hazards for the unwary. Bring snack and water for a short break. Meet at the back of the Batsto Visitor's Center parking lot, where restrooms are available; we leave on time. Severe weather (heavy rain, sleet, snow, winds, etc.) cancels. Positive responses only, please. No dogs. Those who are not members of OCSJ are entitled to

one free hike only; then you must join the club to participate in our events. Leaders: Vera C. Stek verastek@verizon.net; and Bill Schaefer weschaefer@verizon.net 908-337-7040

APRIL 20
Wednesday
10:00 am

3 B HIKE IN OCEAN CITY. 7 miles. Walk on boardwalk, then thru the Gardens, over Longport bridge, lunch at fishing pier (or later on the boardwalk), then back on the beach (tides permitting) or back on boardwalk to starting point. Meet at 12th street pavilion on boardwalk at 10 a.m. Noel Wirth, 609-938-0418 ocnw101@comcast.net

APRIL 20
Wednesday
6:30 pm

COOPER RIVER PARK HIKE. THIS IS NOT OUR REGULAR MEETING PLACE. Check the map on meetup. We will be walking on grass, a dirt trail along the river bank crossing a very unusual bridge and also paved sidewalks. This loop is between Cuthbert Rd and Grove St. Distance 3.5 to 4 miles at about a 3mph pace. Check the web site for any updates. Bad weather cancels. GPS Parking lot: 39°55'19.2"N 75°03'12.2"W
Leader: Paul Baumhauer, 609-706-3676, baumhapa@aol.com

APRIL 21
Thursday
4:00 pm



A WALK IN THE PARK. This will be a 3 mile moderate pace walk which includes a nature trail and paved sections. It will take us about an hour or slightly longer. Meet at Washington Lake Park. Leader: Kate Laible.

APRIL 22
Friday
9:00 am



FRIDAY BIKE RIDE B PACE. Social 45-50 mile B pace bike ride at a 17-19 rolling pace. Cafe stop at turnaround point. Meet at St Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford, NJ 08055. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

APRIL 22
Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. Brisk pace, 8-10 miles. See April 1 listing.

APRIL 23
Saturday
9:00 am

HIKE THE BATONA TRAIL: SECTION 4, CARRANZA MEMORIAL TO ROUTE 72. Meet on Route 72, a mile South of junction with Route 563 for shuttle to Carranza Memorial. This section is 12.3 miles. A comfortable pace of about 3 mph with a stop for lunch. This section traverses Apple Pie Hill and by cranberry bogs in Franklin Parker Preserve. There will be a limit on the amount of hikers each week because of the shuttling involved. Remember to change your RSVP to no if you cancel. Check Meetup for any changes before the hike. For more information, contact leaders: Paul Baumhauer, 609-706 3676 or baumhapa@aol.com; and Valerie Danzey, 856-397 9519 or vdanzey1@verizon.net

APRIL 23
Saturday
10:00 am



EARTH DAY TRAIL WORK. Celebrate Earth Day by giving back to Mother Nature for giving us this beautiful area we call the NJ Pinelands to hike. Light clipping, re blazing the trail markers on the Batona Trail and lots of camaraderie with fellow club hiking members. We will work for only 2 hours. Bring clippers/loppers/work gloves and lunch. Dessert will be provided. Check meetup 2 hours prior for possible weather cancellation. Meet at Batsto Historic Village. Leader: Rosemarie Mason, romason@comcast.net

APRIL 23
Saturday
10:30 am

GREAT FALLS OF THE POTOMAC. You won't want to miss this hike. This will be about a 7 mile hike (about 5 hours on the trails). Meet at Great Falls Maryland Hiking Entrance. Park at the parking lot across from the Old Anglers Inn. Plenty of

parking but this is a popular place, so parking may be tight. We'll meet in front of the bathrooms right off the road (yes, running toilets). I'll have a bright yellow shirt on. Carpool info below. The first 3.5 miles are easy terrain to the visitor center at the Potomac Falls on the Maryland side. This is the C & O Canal National Historical Park. From there we'll walk on the walkway over to the falls. Some great photo opportunities here so make sure you have a camera. After the boardwalk, we'll be doing the "A" section of the Billy Goat Trail. This is where it gets fun. The Billy Goat trail is a rock scramble and a fun rock scramble. It's not a super hard scramble, but can be strenuous at times. Know your limits. Once on that trail, there is no bailing out. At one point we'll be scaling the side of the mountain in a crevice in the rock. Maybe a bite to eat across the street at the Old Anglers Inn after the hike. It's about a 2.5 - 3 hour ride from the Deptford Mall area. Plan accordingly for traffic and pit stops. For those that want to car pool. Meet at 7:15 in front of the Sam's Club where Clements Bridge road meet rt 42. We roll at 7:30 a.m. I have a blue Honda Pilot car. Leader: Doug Hillebrecht, 856-309-8817 m-f 8 a.m.-5 p.m., cell - 856-816-8824 till 9:30 p.m.

APRIL 24

Sunday
9:00 am



PADDLE TOMS RIVER. Contact leader for directions and the section of the river that we will cover. I have four sections of the Toms that we paddle. The upper section from Route 547 by Lakehurst NAS to Riverwood Park. The middle section, from Riverwood Park to Winding River Park. The lower section from Toms River, Huddy Park, up river and return, and Toms River Bay from Huddy Park out and around. The section that I will run will depend on water level and river blockage. Joe Logan, 609-634-1542, or mayandpops@aol.com.

APRIL 24

Sunday
10:00 am

SOME PEOPLE CALL ME MAURICE RIVER PADDLE, But it's pronounced like "Morris" the cat. Meet at Garden Road, off Route 55. Will paddle to Sherman Avenue, Vineland. Pack lunch and spare clothes in dry bag. Call or e-mail to confirm route. Leader: Vicki S. 856-341-3901 or ravingwriter@gmail.com

APRIL 24

Sunday
10:30 am



WISSAHICKON DAY PARADE HIKE. Miles: 5 or 7, moderate pace. We'll hike down to the Valley Green Inn and have lunch while watching all of the trappings of the annual Equestrian Parade. The parade commemorates the closure of Forbidden Drive to vehicular traffic many years ago. We'll also check out the covered bridge, The falls and maybe a side trip on the Lavender Trail. Rugged terrain. Bring or buy lunch at Valley Green snack bar. No Pets. Meeting Place: Meet 10:30 at Andorra Nature Center, Ridge and Northwestern Avenues, Philadelphia. Inclement weather may cancel. Check Meetup for updates. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856-316-6292.

APRIL 25

Monday
9:30 am



MONDAY PIZZA RIDE. 40-50 miles. Social easy pace (C+/B 15-17mph) ride with optional breakaways and a lunch break. No one gets dropped. Come join me for a pleasant ride, and help me find the best pizza in South Jersey. Meet at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

APRIL 26-27

Tues.-Wed.
10:00 am

A BACKPACK WITH BENEFITS. Moderate mid-week backpack on the Batona Trail from Evans Bridge to Batsto with an overnight stop at the Buttonwood campsite. We'll have a camp-

fire plus the use of running water and flush toilets across the street at Crowleys Landing. Everyone responsible for their equipment and food/beverages. You must pre-register to participate as a site(s) need to be reserved and shuttle arrangements made. Total mileage approx. 11 miles. Meet at Batsto Historic Village. Contact leader by e-mail to register and receive final arrangements as meeting place and time start could change. We will share the cost of the campsite which will be about \$5
Leader: Rosemarie Mason, romason@comcast.net

APRIL 26
Tuesday
6:15 pm



AFTER WORK COOPER RIVER PARK WALK. Join us for a fun hour (and a bit) of walking and conversation. 3.8 miles at a brisk pace (3.5mph). Meet at the Yacht Club parking lot on South Park Drive across from the Marina Park Apartments. This is a paved walking and bike path. Flashlight or headlamp recommended. T-storms, ice, or other unsafe condition cancels. Check the website for any updates. GPS Parking lot: N39.55.449 W075.04.027. Leader: Valerie Danzey, 856-397-9519, vdanzey1@verizon.net

APRIL 27
Wednesday
9:00 am



WEDNESDAY COFFEE RIDE. Social C+ pace ride, 30 miles. Come out for a pleasant ride, and help me find some nice local cafes. Rain cancels. Meet at 327 Elbo Lane, Mt. Laurel. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

APRIL 27
Wednesday
9:30 am

EXPLORE THE COOPER RIVER HIKE. Join us on this Haddonfield/Cherry Hill section of the Cooper. We will be walking on a dirt trail along the river bank and also sidewalks. Trails could be muddy this time of year. Two short viewing stops along the way. Bring snacks and water. Moderate pace a distance of about 8 miles. Lunch on Croft farm house porch after returning to cars. Optional Additional two miles after lunch. Restrooms at start location and sometimes a port-a-pot along the way. Meet at Challenge Grove Park. Check the website for any updates. Leader: Paul Baumhauer, 609-706-3676.

APRIL 28
Thursday
4:00 pm



A WALK IN THE PARK. This will be a 3 mile moderate pace walk which includes a nature trail and paved sections. It will take us about an hour or slightly longer. Meet at Washington Lake Park. Leader: Kate Laible.

APRIL 29
Friday
9:00 am

FRIDAY BIKE RIDE B PACE. Social 45-50 mile, B pace bike ride at a 17-19 rolling pace. Cafe stop at turnaround point. Meet at St Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford, NJ 08055. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

APRIL 29
Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. Brisk pace, 8-10 miles. See April 1 listing.

APRIL 30
Saturday
8:45 am

PICNIC HIKE.8-10 miles. Parts of the White, Red and Pink trails will be walked to help us build up an appetite for the club picnic. We will walk at a 3 mph steady pace to get back in time to chow down at the pond. Meet at the Pakim Pond Brendan Byrne State Forest, Woodland Township parking area on Cooper Road, 3/4 of a mile before the campground. We leave at 8:45 am so be on time or wait for the next hike. Leaders: Jay and Faye, 609-273-0252 or walkinginmud@aol.com

APRIL 30

Saturday
10:00 am

PICNIC MID LENGTH HIKE. 6 miles. Pre-Picnic Hike. Easy to moderate pace. A mid length hike before the picnic to work up an appetite. Meet at the Pakim Pond Brendan Byrne State Forest, Woodland Township parking area on Cooper Road, 3/4 of a mile before the campground. Leader: TBA.

APRIL 30

Saturday
10:00 am



CANOE & KAYAK DEMO AT PAKIM POND. One of the many activities at the Annual OCSJ Picnic. Members will bring canoes/kayaks for demo. This is your chance to try various boats and ask your questions about paddling. ACA certified instructor(s) will be on hand. All welcome.

APRIL 30

Saturday
10:30 am

PICNIC SHORT HIKE. 3-4 miles. Easy pace. Short hike before the picnic. Meet at the Pakim Pond Brendan Byrne State Forest, Woodland Township parking area on Cooper Road, 3/4 of a mile before the campground. Leader: TBA.

APRIL 30

Saturday
12:00 pm

ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC. Come join us at the annual club picnic! There will be hikes, canoeing and kayaking opportunities in Pakim Pond. If you have never paddled but would like to try it, this is your chance. There will be canoes and kayaks to try and instructors to guide you. Food and drink will be served starting at noon at the pavilion. The picnic is totally free. All members and prospective members are welcome. Bring a chair. Don't miss the favorite club event! If you would like to bring a picnic food to share, feel free to do so, but e-mail president@ocsj.org so we can plan the food properly.

APRIL 30

Saturday
11:30 am

BEGINNERS BACKPACK/CAMPING LESSONS & "GARAGE SALE" AT OCSJ ANNUAL SPRING PICNIC. As part of the Outdoor Club's annual spring picnic (see notes in this edition) Kevin Drevik will be presenting several classes on outdoor camping and backpacking, with handouts. He will also be inviting other OCSJ folks to provide lessons and stories. Also, as part of this, he invites all experienced folks with extra gear to bring it for our first annual camping equipment garage sale! If you've got extra stuff taking up space in your closet, why not bring it and let someone new purchase it at a reduced cost, and put it to use. Kevin's planning on bringing an air mattress, some cooking gear, and other items. Unlimited attendees.

Volunteer Opportunities

The Club offers all members an opportunity to be a part of, or to create their own outdoor experience or activity. All activities are led by volunteer members. NO volunteers, NO activities. It's that simple!

You can make a difference. Your volunteer involvement in Club activities is unique and special contributions that play a valuable role in *YOUR* Club.

PLAN AND LEAD AN ACTIVITY.

HELP TO MAINTAIN THE TRAIL.

PLAN AND LEAD A "LITTER" CLEAN-UP DAY.

HELP THE TRAIL COORDINATOR BUILD A FOOT BRIDGE.

WRITE YOUR LEGISLATORS. A SIMPLE NOTE IN SUPPORT OF TRAILS, BIKE PATHS AND GREENWAYS IS ALL IT TAKES.

CHAIR A COMMITTEE. (See Christmas Party, Officer Nominations, etc.)

PLAN AND LEAD A TOUR TRIP.

Talk to your Activity Committee Chair about what you can volunteer to do to improve *YOUR* Club.



May



"Diligence is the mother of good luck."

RESERVATIONS AND DEADLINE

MAY 14 WASHINGTON DC BUS TRIP. See Coming Events. For details.

BEGINNER'S CAMPING/BACKPACK ON THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL IN PENNSYLVANIA. See May 21-22 listing.

JUNE 10-12 CAPE MAY WEEKEND. See page 9.

GIRLS KAYAK CAMPOUT. See June 14-15 listing for details.

EXTENDED BACKPACKING TRIP THROUGH SHENANDOAH NATIONAL PARK IN VIRGINIA. See June 18-26 listing for details.

JOSEPH TRUJILLO MEMORIAL HIKE AND PICNIC. See June 25 listing for details.

BUS TRIP HYDE PARK NY. See page 34 for details.

CHECK THE OCSJ WEBSITE ON YOUR COMPUTER AT (WWW. OCSJ.ORG) FOR LATEST TRIP INFORMATION.

Hiking Meetup site: www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Hiking/

Bicycling Meetup site: www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey

Canoeing Meetup site: www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Canoeing/

MAY 1
Sunday
10:45 am



WISSAHICKON AND CRESHEIM EXPLORER BY RICH KRANZ. 5 or 8 miles. Following the Orange Trail, we'll traverse the Fingerspan Bridge and pass Shakespeare Rock and Devils Pool on our way to our eventual lunch spot at Valley Green Inn. Afterwards, we will head upland along the scenic Cresheim Creek and wander through a stand of majestic pine trees with the sound of pine needles crunching underfoot before returning to the rocks, sand and mud. Rugged terrain. Sturdy shoes required. Wimp out at 5 miles. Bring or buy lunch at the Valley Green Snack Bar. No Pets. Inclement weather may cancel so check Meetup for updates. Meet at 10:45 a.m. at Henry Avenue and Walnut Lane parking area. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856-316-6292.

MAY 2
Monday
9:30 am

MONDAY PIZZA RIDE. 40-50 miles. Social easy pace (C+/B 15-17mph) ride with optional breakaways and a lunch break. No one gets dropped. Come join me for a pleasant ride, and help me find the best pizza in South Jersey. Meet at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

MAY 3
Tuesday
6:15 pm



AFTER WORK COOPER RIVER PARK WALK. Join us for a fun hour (and a bit) of walking and conversation. 3.8 miles at a brisk pace (3.5mph). Meet at the Yacht Club parking lot on South Park Drive across from the Marina Park Apartments. This is a paved walking and bike path. Flashlight or headlamp recommended. T-storms, ice, or other unsafe condition cancels. Check the web site for any updates. GPS Parking lot: N39.55.449 W075.04.027. Leader: Valerie Danzey, 856-397-9519, vdanzey1@verizon.net

MAY 4
Wednesday
9:00 am

WEDNESDAY COFFEE RIDE. Social C+ pace ride, 30 miles. Come out for a pleasant ride, and help me find some nice local cafes. Rain cancels. Meet at 327 Elbo Lane, Mt. Laurel. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

MAY 4
Wednesday
6:30 pm

COOPER RIVER PARK WALK. Join us on a 3.7 mile walk at a 3.0 mph pace. Meet at the Cooper River Yacht Club parking lot on South Park Drive across from the Marina Park Apartments. This is a paved walking and bike path. Bad weather cancels. Check the web site for any updates. GPS Parking lot: N39.55.449 W075.04.027. Leader: Paul Baumhauer, 609-706-3676, baumhapa@aol.com

MAY 5
Thursday
4:00 pm

A WALK IN THE PARK. This will be a 3 mile moderate pace walk which includes a nature trail and paved sections. It will take us about an hour or slightly longer. Meet at Washington Lake Park. Leader: Kate Laible

MAY 6
Friday
9:00 am

FRIDAY BIKE RIDE B PACE. Social 45-50 mile B pace bike ride at a 17-19 rolling pace. Cafe stop at turnaround point. Meet at St Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford, NJ 08055. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

MAY 6
Friday
7:00 pm



FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. Brisk pace, 8-10 miles. The ongoing, every Friday night, all year 'round, Friday nite fitness hike, where we try to work up a sweat exploring the sand roads and trails of Brendan Byrne State Forest. Be prepared to walk at an average of 3.5 mph, with few breaks. Bring water and wear well broken in boots, sneakers, or shoes (sneakers are adequate for dry conditions). Socks are also important foot gear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton sock. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds). Leader: Bob Hodges, RLHHLR@aol.com

MAY 7
Saturday
9:00 am



HIKE THE BATONA: SECTION 5, ROUTE 72 TO ONGS HAT. For the final section of the trail, we will meet at Onga's Hat Trailhead for the shuttle to Rt. 72. The distance for this section is 9.9 miles. A comfortable pace of 3 mph with a break for lunch. This loop includes Pakim Pond and Lebanon Fire Tower. There will be a limit on the amount of hikers each week because of the shuttling involved. You must be an Outdoor Club member to participate. Remember to change your RSVP to no if you cancel. Check Meetup for any changes before the hike. For more information, contact leaders: Paul Baumhauer, 609-706-3676 or baumhapa@aol.com; and Valerie Danzey, 856-397-9519 vdanzey1@verizon.net

MAY 7
Saturday
10:00 am



PADDLE THE OCTORARO RIVER. This is the eleventh year that the Club has participated in this joint trip with the Wilmington and Lancaster Canoe Clubs. The section to be run depends on water levels but expect some whitewater. Previous whitewater experience required. Bring lunch, water, and protected change of clothes. The area is about 85 miles from Philadelphia. No rentals available. You must contact leader to confirm participation. Leader: Frank Pearce, 856-767-2780 or hornet71@verizon.net

MAY 7
Saturday
10:30 am

CATTUS ISLAND COUNTY PARK HIKE. About 7 miles, moderate pace. This park is a jewel of the Jersey shore with great views of the bay and surrounding wetlands. Bring lunch. Directions: Rt. 37 East. Three miles east of Parkway, turn left onto Rt. 627 (Vaughn Avenue), then right on Bay Avenue, left on Fischer Blvd. and right on Cattus Island Blvd. Then turn left into park. Drive in 0.5 mile and park in third lot. Meet by large Cattus Island Park map. Leader: Bruce Steidel, 609-915 0956. bsteidel@yahoo.com

MAY 8

Sunday
9:00 am



SKIT BRANCH HIKE. 7-8 miles, moderate pace. Hike is along the Batsto River and the Skit Branch. Bring lunch and Beverage. Hope to see Hudsonia and Sand Myrtle in bloom. Meet just past the Skit Branch Bridge on Carranza Road, SE of Tabernacle. Leader: Christine Denneker, 609-351-2789, e-mail cdenneker157@yahoo.com.

MAY 8

Sunday
10:00 am

PADDLE CEDAR CREEK. Paddle 7 miles along the scenic Cedar Creek from Ore Pond to Dudley Park. Meet at Ore Pond access in Double Trouble State Park. Off of Pinewald-Keswick. (Look for Power lines) Experienced preferred. Very scenic. Take out at Dudley Park, Rt. 9. Please contact leader to confirm trip and reservation. Leader Harry Barok, 856-985-6172 or harrykaraoke7@verizon.net

MAY 9

Monday
9:00 am



WALK FROM THE BRENDAN BYRNE CAMPGROUNDS. A 6-8 mile moderate paced walk on the roads, trails and fire-cuts around the camp grounds. There are dozens of possibilities suitable to almost all conditions. I'll select a different one each time to keep it interesting. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds. Leader: Jay Schoss, 609- 283 0252 or walkinginmud@aol.com. Contact at least a day prior for more info.

MAY 9

Monday
9:30 am



MONDAY PIZZA RIDE. 40-50 miles. Social easy pace (C+/B 15-17mph) ride with optional breakaways and a lunch break. No one gets dropped. Come join me for a pleasant ride, and help me find the best pizza in South Jersey. Meet at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

MAY 10

Tuesday
6:15 pm

AFTER WORK COOPER RIVER PARK WALK. Join us for a fun hour (and a bit) of walking and conversation. 3.8 miles at a brisk pace (3.5 mph). Meet at the Yacht Club parking lot on South Park Drive across from the Marina Park Apartments. This is a paved walking and bike path. Flashlight or headlamp recommended. T-storms, ice, or other unsafe condition cancels. Check the web site for any updates. GPS Parking lot: N39.55.449 W075.04.027. Leader: Valerie Danzey, 856-397-9519, vdanzey1@verizon.net

MAY 11

Wednesday
9:00 am

WEDNESDAY COFFEE RIDE. Social C+ pace ride, 30 miles. Come out for a pleasant ride, and help me find some nice local cafes. Rain cancels. Meet at 327 Elbo Lane, Mt. Laurel. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

MAY 11

Wednesday
10:00 am

BACK TO BIVALVE. 7 miles. Meet at 2800 High St. (BCB) Bivalve (Port Norris). Park by Shipping Sheds. Walk to Shell pile by Maurice River to Bivalve village and observation decks. Picnic at BCB wharves where NJ tall ship is anchored. Tour Shipping Sheds and Museum. Bring cameras, binoculars and insect repellent. Leader: Noel Wirth, 609-938-0418. ocncw101@comcast.net

MAY 11

Wednesday
10:00 am

CANOE/KAYAK THE N. BRANCH RANCOCAS CREEK. We'll paddle 10 miles from the trailhead behind Burlington County Community College to Smithville. Meet at the Canoe Trail launch ramp on W. Rancocas Road, off Rt. 530 in Pemberton. Participants MUST be ready to shuttle at 10 a.m. so arrive early to unload your boat and gear. Rentals are not available. Leader: Frank P., E-mail hornet71@verizon.net

MAY 11
Wednesday
6:30 pm

COOPER RIVER HIKE HADDONFIELD / CHERRY HILL AREA. Join us on this Haddonfield / Cherry Hill section of the Cooper. We will be walking on a dirt trail along the river bank and also sidewalks. Moderate pace a distance of about 4 miles. Dinosaurs are sometimes seen in this area. Check the web site for any updates. Bad weather cancels. Meet at Challenge Grove Park, Borton Mill Road, Cherry Hill, NJ. Leader: Paul Baumhauer, 609-706-3676, baumhapa@aol.com

MAY 12
Thursday
4:00 pm

A WALK IN THE PARK. This will be a 3 mile moderate pace walk which includes a nature trail and paved sections. It will take us about an hour or slightly longer. Meet at Washington Lake Park. Leader: Kate Laible

MAY 12
Thursday
7:30 pm



MONTHLY CLUB MEETING. Board of Trustees. Activity Committees Leaders. New Cherry Hill Library, 1100 Kings Hwy. (Rt. 41) North of Route 70 in Cherry Hill. All welcome.

MAY 13
Friday
9:00 am

FRIDAY BIKE RIDE B PACE. Social 45-50 mile B pace bike ride at a 17-19 rolling pace. Cafe stop at turnaround point. Meet at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford, NJ 08055. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

MAY 13
Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. Brisk pace, 8-10 miles. See May 6 listing.

MAY 14
Saturday
7:00 am



WASHINGTON DC BUS TRIP AND SELF-GUIDED TOUR. Packed with famous sights, celebrated symbols of patriotism, free attractions, the sights and sounds of the nation's capital offer inspiring experiences COST: \$35.00 per person. TO ORDER: Send check payable to OUTDOOR CLUB OF SOUTH JERSEY to Fran Katella, 10 Fairway Court, Marlton, NJ 08053. You can also pay by charge -Click here for details & to make your reservation All payments must be made by APRIL 14, 2016. ADVANCE RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST. Order tickets as soon as possible. We need an early response, in order not to disappoint anyone. First come, first serve. No reserved seats. Please include your telephone number and e-mail address (also cell phone number for the day of the trip). For a receipt, include self-addressed stamped envelope. All sales final. For refund, tickets must be re-sold. NOTE: The trip is only open for paid members and their guests Meet at the Garden State Pavilion parking lot-Marlton Pike (RT. 70) and Cornell Avenue, Cherry Hill, NJ. Meet at 7:00am Bus departs promptly at 7:30 a.m., rain or shine. Arrive DC 10 -11 a.m. Depart DC 5:00 p.m. Arrival time from DC approx. 830 p.m. (Volunteer gratuity for driver). Leader: Fran Katella: phone 856-313-3794 frankatella3@gmail.com

MAY 14
Saturday
9:30 am



PALISADES INTERSTATE PARK, HIKE THE GIANT STAIRS! Join us for another spectacular hike along the Palisades. This time around we'll meet and start at the State Line Lookout are. We'll head down to the Women's Monument. Then continue down to the bottom of the trail and walk along the Hudson River. We'll soon hit the "GIANT STAIRS". This is about a mile long of climbing rocks as we get higher into the cliffs. Soon arriving and getting up close and personal with the bottom of the cliffs. Some really cool views of the cliffs here. We continue along the rocks and eventually come down back to the Hudson and to the Peanut Falls. Then a steep climb UP the cliffs and then make

our way back to the parking area. Somewhere around 7 miles. But about half of those seven are tough miles. Please know your limits. Bring lunch and plenty of water. Meet at Palisades Interstate Park. Detailed Directions: Directions: NJ Turnpike to exit 72 on the left to rt. 9/Palisades Pky. (this area is a little tricky, so follow your GPS and pay attention). Follow signs to Pky N. The state Line Lookout area is the exit in between exit 2 and exit 3 of the Palisades Interstate Parkway. It'll take you right to the parking and meeting area. I have a blue Honda Pilot with an Outdoor Club sticker on it. I'll have on a bright yellow shirt. Look for me. Car pool set up from SJ. Anybody interested in car-pooling meet at 7:15 at the Wawa on Route 73 northbound, right before the turnpike entrance. Leader: Doug Hillebrecht M-F 9 to 5, 856-309-8817 (work), cell: 856-816-8824 (till 9:30 pm).

MAY 15
Sunday
10:00 am

PADDLE THE MULLICA IN MAY. Paddle the meandering Mullica River, Listen for the frog calls on the marsh. Atsion to Pleasant Mills, 11 miles, all day trip. Meet at Atsion Ranger Station Parking Lot. Leader Vicki S., 856-341-3901, or ravingwriter@gmail.com

MAY 15
Sunday
10:30 am

SOUTH WISSAHICKON HIKE. 5 or 7 miles, moderate pace. Come explore historic Rittenhousetown, and the Hermits Cave and say hi to 'Billy Penn'. Rugged terrain. Sturdy shoes required. Wimp out at 5 miles. Lunch at Lovers Leap. Bring lunch, beverage. No Pets. Meet at 10:30 a.m. at Henry Avenue and Walnut Lane parking area. Inclement weather may cancel. Check Meetup for updates. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856 -316-6292. streetpilot58@gmail.com

MAY 16
Monday
9:30 am



MONDAY PIZZA RIDE. 40-50 miles. Social easy pace (C+/B 15-17mph) ride with optional breakaways and a lunch break. No one gets dropped. Come join me for a pleasant ride, and help me find the best pizza in South Jersey. Meet at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

MAY 16
Monday
9:30 am

HIKE PARKER PRESERVE. We'll choose the route, starting from the SOUTH gate of Parker on Rt. 563, based on the weather that day; severe weather such as thunderstorm, heavy rain, deep snow cancels. About 8 miles at a fairly brisk pace whichever way we go. Possible sightings: bald eagles, suspension bridge, oversize chairs, old bogs. Easy hiking along the bogs but somewhat challenging on the red trail if weather permits taking that route. Bring snack and water for a brief stop. Leaders: Vera C. Stek verastek@verizon.net and Bill Schaefer, 908-337-7040 POSITIVE responses only, please . . . NO dogs.

MAY 17
Tuesday
6:15 pm

AFTER WORK COOPER RIVER PARK WALK. Join us for a fun hour (and a bit) of walking and conversation. 3.8 miles at a brisk pace (3.5mph). Meet at the Yacht Club parking lot on South Park Drive across from the Marina Park Apartments. This is a paved walking and bike path. Flashlight or headlamp recommended. T-storms, ice, or other unsafe condition cancels. Check the web site for any updates. GPS Parking lot: N39.55.449 W075.04.027. Leader: Valerie Danzey, 856-397-9519, vdanzey1@verizon.net

MAY 18
Wednesday, 9:00 am

WEDNESDAY COFFEE RIDE. Social C+ pace ride, 30 miles. Come out for a pleasant ride, and help me find some nice local

cafes. Rain cancels. Meet at 327 Elbo Lane, Mt. Laurel.
Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

MAY 18
Wednesday
9:30 am



CANOE/KAYAK THE DELAWARE RIVER (HUNTERDON CO).

The trip is 8 miles from Kingwood Access to Bulls island. There is no fee. The fee per vehicle starts on Memorial Day. Bring lunch and beverage, sunscreen, and protected change of clothes. Allow time for drive-watch for speed limits thru Lambertville. Rain cancels. Rentals are not available. Meet at Kingwood access . Contact leader to confirm trip and participation. Leader: Frank Pearce, hornet71@verizon.net, 856-767-2780 hornet71@verizon.net Heavy rain cancels. Check website for any updates.

MAY 18
Wednesday
10:00 am

BASS RIVER RAMBLE. 7-8 mile moderate hike in Bass River State Forest utilizing the Batona Trail and old sand roads. Bring lunch and a beverage. Check meetup 2 hours prior for possible weather cancellation. Meet at Batona Trail parking on Stage Road. Leader: Rosemarie Mason romason@comcast.net

MAY 19
Thursday
4:00 pm

A WALK IN THE PARK. This will be a 3 mile moderate pace walk which includes a nature trail and paved sections. It will take us about an hour or slightly longer. Meet at Washington Lake Park. Leader: Kate Laible.

MAY 20
Friday
9:00 am



FRIDAY BIKE RIDE. B pace. Social 45-50 mile B pace bike ride at a 17-19 rolling pace. Cafe stop at turnaround point. Meet at St Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford, NJ 08055. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

MAY 20
Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. Brisk pace, 8-10 miles. See May 6 listing.

MAY 21
Saturday
9:00 am

PADDLE THE BRANDYWINE RIVER. Enjoy a scenic trip thru the historic Brandywine River Valley starting from a Private Park; stop for brown bag lunch at Wyeth's DAM, pass by the Brandywine River Museum, and end at a Covered Bridge in Delaware. Trip Length is approx. 8 miles with 2 dams (easy portage of 1st and 2nd may be run). Depending on water levels some easy riffles and a class I run thru the 2nd DAM (option to portage). Water level determines. No rentals available. Must contact leader to confirm participation and for details. Leader: Frank Pearce, 856-767-2780 or hornet71@verizon.net

MAY 21
Saturday
10:30 am

PHILADELPHIA MURAL HIKE. 4 miles moderate pace. We will be walking in center city following the path of some of the early murals painted by the Philadelphia Mural Arts Program. Meet either at the Patco Hi-Speed line, Westmont Station (lobby) at 9 a.m. or the Philadelphia Visitor Center (6th and Market) at 10:30. Leader: Janet Horton, 609-706-5691, janeth1@comcast.net

MAY 21-22
Sat.-Sun.
11:00 am

BEGINNER'S CAMPING/BACKPACK ON THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL IN PENNSYLVANIA:

Ever wanted to try out camping or backpacking, but wasn't sure? This will be a short hike or car camping experience, dedicated to letting folks try it out without too much stress. For this trip, you have the option of car camping at the shelter, or driving to the starting

point and backpacking 2.1 miles to the shelter. We'll meet near Port Clinton PA, drop off folks at the shelter, then drive to the start point and hike back up to the shelter. The famous 501 shelter has plenty of camping, and also sleeps up to 20 people. If you don't want to cook, you can actually order takeout (pizza, etc.) and they'll deliver to the car parking area! The next morning, folks can drive out or we'll hike back down to the cars and head back home. Limited to 24 campers. Hike Leader: Kevin Drevik, 856-630-2485 or kdrevik@aol.com.

MAY 21
Saturday
6:00 pm



WISSAHICKON FULL MOON HIKE. 6.5 miles. Moderate Pace. From the golf course, we will head north on the Yellow Trail. At the halfway point we will take a short break at the Valley Green Inn and then head south on the Orange trail under the light of a full moon (hopefully) and explore Shakespeare Rock, Devils Pool and the Fingerspan Bridge if the ambient light permits. This hike is a bit shorter than my regular Wissahickon hikes so there is no wimp out. Bring a snack, beverage, flashlight and bug spray and meet at the Golf Course parking lot at Henry Ave and Walnut Lane. Rugged Terrain. Sturdy shoes required. No Pets. Inclement weather MAY cancel so check Meetup for updates. Leader: Rich Kranz, 856 -316-6292.

MAY 23
Monday
9:30 am



MONDAY PIZZA RIDE. 40-50 miles. Social easy pace (C+/B 15-17mph) ride with optional breakaways and a lunch break. No one gets dropped. Come join me for a pleasant ride and help me find the best pizza in South Jersey. Meet at St Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford.
Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

MAY 24
Tuesday
6:15 pm

AFTER WORK COOPER RIVER PARK WALK. Join us for a fun hour (and a bit) of walking and conversation. 3.8 miles at a brisk pace (3.5mph). Meet at the Yacht Club parking lot on South Park Drive across from the Marina Park Apartments. This is a paved walking and bike path. Flashlight or headlamp recommended. T-storms, ice, or other unsafe condition cancels. Check the web site for any updates. GPS Parking lot: N39.55.449 W075.04.027. Leader: Valerie Danzey, 856-397-9519, vdanzey1@verizon.net

MAY 25
Wednesday
9:00 am

PADDLE THE TOMS RIVER. Contact leader for directions and the section of the river that we will cover. I have four sections of the Toms that we paddle. The upper section from Route 547 by Lakehurst NAS to Riverwood Park. The middle section, from Riverwood Park to Winding River Park. The lower section from Toms River, Huddy Park, up river and return, and the Toms River Bay from Huddy Park out and around. The section that I will run will depend on water level and river blockage. Joe Logan, 609-634-1542, or mayandpops@aol.com.

MAY 25
Wednesday
9:00 am

WEDNESDAY COFFEE RIDE. Social C+ pace ride, 30 miles. Come out for a pleasant ride, and help me find some nice local cafes. Rain cancels. Meet at 327 Elbo Lane, Mt. Laurel. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

MAY 26
Thursday
4:00 pm



A WALK IN THE PARK. This will be a 3 mile moderate pace walk which includes a nature trail and paved sections. It will take us about an hour or slightly longer. Meet at Washington Lake Park. Leader: Kate Laible.

MAY 27
Friday, 9:00 am

FRIDAY BIKE RIDE B PACE. Social 45-50 mile B pace bike ride at a 17-19 rolling pace. Cafe stop at turnaround point. Meet

at St Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford, NJ 08055. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

MAY 27
Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. Brisk pace, 8-10 miles. See May 6 listing.

MAY 28
Saturday
10:00 am



BATSTO LOOP DE LOOP. 5 mile moderate double loop hike utilizing the Batona, and the Red, White and Blue trails in beautiful Wharton State Forest. Bring a snack and beverage for the rest break and an optional lunch for after the hike. Check meet-up 2 hours prior for any possible weather cancellation. Meet at Batsto Village. Leader: Rosemarie Mason
romason@comcast.net

MAY 28
Saturday
10:00am

PADDLE THE MULLICA RIVER. Atsion to Pleasant Mills, 11 miles. Meet at Atsion Park Office Parking Lot. Please contact leader. Limited to 15. Leader: Ericka, 856-364-6029 or powerofpink58@verizon.net

MAY 29
Sunday
9:00 am



PADDLE THE TOMS RIVER. Contact leader for directions and the section of the river that we will cover. I have four sections of the Toms that we paddle. The upper section from Route 547 by Lakehurst NAS to Riverwood Park. The middle section, from Riverwood Park to Winding River Park. The lower section from Toms River, Huddy Park, up river and return, and the Toms River Bay from Huddy Park out and around. The section that I will run will depend on water level and river blockage. Joe Logan, 609-634-1542, or mayandpops@aol.com.

MAY 29
Sunday
9:30 am

PADDLE THE UPPER BATSTO. Meet at Pinelands Alliance Outfitters on Atsion Road, across from Atsion Lake. Leader Harry Barok, 856-985-6172 or harrykaraoke7@verizon.net

MAY 29
Sunday
10:00 am

SUMMER KICK OFF GREAT EGG HARBOR PADDLE. Weymouth Furnace to the Lake. Good run for less experienced paddlers and usually very well attended. 4 hour trip. Bring lunch and hydration. Volunteer shuttle. Leader Vicki S. call 856-341-3901, or ravingwriter@gmail.com

MAY 30
Monday
9:30 am



MONDAY PIZZA RIDE. 40-50 miles. Social easy pace (C+/B 15-17mph) ride with optional breakaways and a lunch break. No one gets dropped. Come join me for a pleasant ride, and help me find the best pizza in South Jersey. Meet at St Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

MAY 30
Monday
10:00 am

MEMORIAL DAY PADDLE ON THE MULLICA. Line up for the paddle parade, Atsion to Pleasant Mills, 11 miles, No rentals. Meet at Atsion Ranger Station Parking Lot. Please contact leader Vicki S. phone 856-341-3901, or ravingwriter@gmail.com

MAY 31
Tuesday
6:15 pm

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June



"Life's burdens are lighter when I laugh at myself."

RESERVATIONS AND DEADLINE

JUNE 10-12 CAPE MAY WEEKEND. See page 9 for details.

GIRLS KAYAK CAMPOUT. See June 14-15 listing for details.

EXTENDED BACKPACKING TRIP THROUGH SHENANDOAH NATIONAL PARK IN VIRGINIA. See June 18-26 listing for details.

JOSEPH TRUJILLO MEMORIAL HIKE AND PICNIC. See June 25 listing for details.

BUS TRIP HYDE PARK NY. See page 34 for details.

**CHECK THE OCSJ WEBSITE ON YOUR COMPUTER AT (WWW. OCSJ.ORG)
FOR LATEST TRIP INFORMATION.**

Hiking Meetup site: www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Hiking/

Bicycling Meetup site: www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey

Canoeing Meetup site: www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Canoeing/

JUNE 1

Wednesday
9:00 am

WEDNESDAY COFFEE RIDE. Social C+ pace ride, 30 miles. Come out for a pleasant ride, and help me find some nice local cafes. Rain cancels. Meet at 327 Elbo Lane, Mt. Laurel. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

JUNE 1

Wednesday
10 am to 2 pm



PADDLE THE ABBOTT MARSHLANDS. An 8-mile paddle through the Abbott marshlands (check it out at www.marsh-friends.org) from Bordentown to Watson Woods and then back to Bordentown. Meet at Bordentown Beach. Take US130 or US206 to Bordentown. Turn left onto Farnsworth St. Go in about 1 mile and turn left onto Park St and follow it to the end to the beach. Bring lunch and beverage. Leader: Bruce Steidel, 609-915-0956 bsteidel@yahoo.com

JUNE 1

Wednesday
6:30 pm

COOPER RIVER PARK WALK. Join us on a 3.7 mile walk at a 3.0 mph pace. Meet at the Yacht Club parking lot on South Park Drive across from the Marina Park Apartments. This is a paved walking and bike path. Bad weather cancels. Check the website for any updates. GPS Parking lot: N39.55.449 W075.04.027 Leader: Paul Baumhauer, 609-706-3676, baumhapa@aol.com

JUNE 2

Thursday
4:00 pm

A WALK IN THE PARK. This will be a 3 mile moderate pace walk which includes a nature trail and paved sections. It will take us about an hour or slightly longer. Meet at Washington Lake Park. Leader: Kate Laible.

JUNE 3

Friday
9:00 am

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JUNE 3

Friday
7:00 pm



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gear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton sock. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds). Leader: Bob Hodges, RLHHLR@aol.com

JUNE 5
Sunday
10:00 am

O' WE GO PADDLE the OSWEGO. We meet at Oswego Lake Put-In. Pack Lunch. Volunteer shuttle call or e-mail to confirm participation Leader: Vicki S., 856-341-3901 or ravingwriter@gmail.com

JUNE 6
Monday
9:30 am



MONDAY PIZZA RIDE. 40-50 miles. Social easy pace (C+/B 15-17mph) ride with optional breakaways and a lunch break. No one gets dropped. Come join me for a pleasant ride, and help me find the best pizza in South Jersey. Meet at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

JUNE 7
Tuesday
6:15 pm



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JUNE 8
Wednesday
9:00 am

PADDLE CEDAR CREEK. We'll paddle to Dudley Park. Starting at either Ore Pond (6.4 miles) or Dover Forge (9.3 miles). Meet at Double Trouble State Park, Pinewald-Keswick and Double Trouble Roads. Leader will decide section to paddle. Leader: Joe Logan, 609-634-1542, or mayandpops@aol.com

JUNE 8
Wednesday
9:00 am

WEDNESDAY COFFEE RIDE. Social C+ pace ride, 30 miles. Come out for a pleasant ride, and help me find some nice local cafes. Rain cancels. Meet at 327 Elbo Lane, Mt. Laurel. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

JUNE 9
Thursday
4:00 pm

A WALK IN THE PARK. This will be a 3 mile moderate pace walk which includes a nature trail and paved sections. It will take us about an hour or slightly longer. Meet at Washington Lake Park. Leader: Kate Laible.

JUNE 9
Thursday
7:30 pm



MONTHLY CLUB MEETING. Board of Trustees. Activity Committees Leaders. New Cherry Hill Library, 1100 Kings Hwy. (Rt. 41) North of Route 70 in Cherry Hill. All welcome.

JUNE 10
Friday
9:00 am

FRIDAY BIKE RIDE B PACE. Social 45-50 mile B pace bike ride at a 17-19 rolling pace. Cafe stop at turnaround point. Meet at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford, NJ 08055. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

JUNE 10-12
Fri.-Sun.
4:00 pm



CAPE MAY WEEKEND. To start the summer season, you are cordially invited to join us for our annual Cape MAY Outing. Our headquarters, as in years past, will be THE CHALFONTE HOTEL, 301 Howard Street, Cape MAY, New Jersey, (1-800-678-8946). Trip is only open to members and their guests. Meet at Chalfonte Hotel For more information on this trip, please use the following link <http://ocsj.org/capeMAYtrip.html>

JUNE 10
Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. Brisk Pace, 8-10 miles. See June 3 listing.

JUNE 11
Saturday
9:00 am

PADDLE CEDAR CREEK. Paddle 9.3 miles along the scenic Cedar Creek from Dover Forge to Dudley Park. Meet at Dover Forge Canoe Access. Check meetup for directions. Bring lunch. There is a wooden sign at the turn in off Dover Road. Steady rain cancels. Please contact leader to confirm trip and reservation. Leader: Bruce Steidel, 609-915-0956
bsteidel@yahoo.com

JUNE 12
Sunday
9:00 am

PADDLE TOMS RIVER. Twists and turns of the best river in the state. birds, deer, turtles and other interesting things. For details contact leader thru meetup. Leader: Jason Estelle.

JUNE 13
Monday
9:00 am

WALK FROM THE BRENDAN BYRNE CAMPGROUNDS. A 6-8 mile moderate paced walk on the roads, trails and fire-cuts around the camp grounds. There are dozens of possibilities suitable to almost all conditions. I'll select a different one each time to keep it interesting. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds. Leader: Jay Schoss, 609-283-0252 or walkinginmud@aol.com. Contact at least a day prior for more info.

JUNE 13
Monday
9:30 am

MONDAY PIZZA RIDE. 40-50 miles. Social easy pace (C+/B 15-17mph) ride with optional breakaways and a lunch break. No one gets dropped. Come join me for a pleasant ride, and help me find the best pizza in South Jersey. Meet at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

JUNE 14-15
Tues.-Wed.
9:00 am



GIRLS KAYAK CAMPOUT. This is a Tues.-Wed. overnight kayak camping trip. Everyone is responsible for their own camping gear and food. Tent camping only. This will be a pine barrens trip. River to be selected at a later date but expect to paddle 4 hours each day. Do not respond on meet up, send me a personal e-mail and I will contact you and give you information. This is helpful to me for emergencies. Contact me with questions thanks patcamperpat@hotmail.com

JUNE 14
Tuesday
6:15 pm



AFTER WORK COOPER RIVER PARK WALK. Join us for a fun hour (and a bit) of walking and conversation. 3.8 miles at a brisk pace (3.5mph). Meet at the Yacht Club parking lot on South Park Drive across from the Marina Park Apartments. This is a paved walking and bike path. Flashlight or headlamp recommended. T-storms, ice, or other unsafe condition cancels. Check the web site for any updates. GPS Parking lot: N39.55.449 W075.04.027. Leader: Valerie Danzey, 856-397-9519, vdanzey1@verizon.net

JUNE 15
Wednesday
9:00 am

WEDNESDAY COFFEE RIDE. Social C+ pace ride, 30 miles. Come out for a pleasant ride, and help me find some nice local cafes. Rain cancels. Meet at 327 Elbo Lane, Mt. Laurel. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

JUNE 16
Thursday
4:00 pm

A WALK IN THE PARK. This will be a 3 mile moderate pace walk which includes a nature trail and paved sections. It will take us about an hour or slightly longer. Meet at Washington Lake Park. Leader: Kate Laible.

JUNE 17

Friday
9:00 am

FRIDAY BIKE RIDE B PACE. Social 45-50 mile B pace bike ride at a 17-19 rolling pace. Cafe stop at turnaround point. Meet at St Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Rd, Medford, NJ 08055. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

JUNE 17

Friday, 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. Brisk Pace, 8-10 miles. See June 3 listing.

JUNE 18

Saturday
10:00 am

PADDLE THE GREAT EGG HARBOR FROM PENNY POT TO WEYMOUTH FURNACE. This is a 10 mile paddle bring water lunch and snack. Meet at Penny Pot County Park (8th St. just north of Black Horse pike/Rt. 322, Folsom) Any question call leader. Leader: Ericka, 856-364-6029 or e-mail powerofpink58@verizon.net

JUNE 18-26

Sat.-Sun.
1:00 pm

EXTENDED BACKPACKING TRIP THROUGH SHENANDOAH NATIONAL PARK IN VIRGINIA. Strenuous hike for multiple days in Virginia. We can stage cars for folks who want to end early (we already have one request for a 4-day part). The idea is to do the entire Shenandoah section. We'll meet in the afternoon at the Southern portion of the park to stage cars, then drive north and drop-off as necessary. Saturday evening, we'll hike 2 miles into the park to start with. From that moment on, its typically 12-15 miles a day till Saturday or Sunday, June 26th (a lot depends on how fast folks hike). Lots of excellent landscape and views as you hike through one of the premier parks of the US. Limited to 12 backpackers. Leader: Kevin Drevik, 856-630-2485 or kdrevik@aol.com.

JUNE 19

Sunday
10:00 am



FATHER'S DAY ON THE MAURICE RIVER PADDLE. Eat your Wheeties for a real man's trip. Start at Garden Road and end at Union Lake boat ramp on the longest day of the year. Pack lunch and water, bug and sun protection. Volunteer shuttle Call or email to confirm participation. Leader: Vicki S., 856-341-3901 or ravingwriter@gmail.com

JUNE 20

Monday
9:30 am

MONDAY PIZZA RIDE. 40-50 miles. Social easy pace (C+/B 15-17mph) ride with optional breakaways and a lunch break. No one gets dropped. Come join me for a pleasant ride, and help me find the best pizza in South Jersey. Meet at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

JUNE 21

Tuesday
6:15 pm



AFTER WORK COOPER RIVER PARK WALK. Join us for a fun hour (and a bit) of walking and conversation. 3.8 miles at a brisk pace (3.5mph). Meet at the Yacht Club parking lot on South Park Drive across from the Marina Park Apartments. This is a paved walking and bike path. Flashlight or headlamp recommended. T-storms, ice, or other unsafe condition cancels. Check the web site for any updates. GPS Parking lot: N39.55.449 W075.04.027. Leader: Valerie Danzey, 856-397-9519, vdanzey1@verizon.net

JUNE 22

Wednesday
9:00 am

PADDLE THE TOMS RIVER. Contact leader for directions and the section of the river that we will cover. I have four sections of the Toms that we paddle. The upper section from Route 547 by Lakehurst NAS to Riverwood Park. The middle section, from Riverwood Park to Winding River Park. The lower section from Toms River, Huddy Park, up river and return, and the Toms River Bay from Huddy Park out and around. The section that I

will run will depend on water level and river blockage. Joe Logan, 609-634-1542, or mayandpops@aol.com.

JUNE 22
Wednesday
9:00 am

WEDNESDAY COFFEE RIDE. Social C+ pace ride, 30 miles. Come out for a pleasant ride, and help me find some nice local cafes. Rain cancels. Meet at 327 Elbo Lane, Mt. Laurel. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

JUNE 22
Wednesday
10:00 am



ISLAND BEACH STATE PARK PADDLE. We will paddle the Sedge Islands Marine Conservation Zone. After entering the park, drive to almost the south end. We will meet at parking area 21. Rest rooms are available there. Bring lunch, sunscreen, bug spray and plenty of water. No shuttle required. We will paddle about 3 to 4 hours. Minimum 13-foot kayak required. Note: Admission fee required to enter park unless you have a senior citizen pass or season pass. NJ residents age 62 and up may get a free senior citizen pass. Ask at entrance if you do not have one. Leader: Bruce Steidel, 609-915-0956 bsteidel@yahoo.com

JUNE 23
Thursday
4:00 pm

A WALK IN THE PARK. This will be a 3 mile moderate pace walk which includes a nature trail and paved sections. It will take us about an hour or slightly longer. Meet at Washington Lake Park. Leader: Kate Laible.

JUNE 24
Friday
9:00 am

FRIDAY BIKE RIDE B PACE. Social 45-50 mile B pace bike ride at a 17-19 rolling pace. Cafe stop at turnaround point. Meet at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Road, Medford, NJ 08055. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

JUNE 24
Friday
7:00 pm



FRIDAY NITE FITNESS HIKE. Brisk Pace, 8-10 miles. The ongoing, every Friday night, all year 'round, Friday nite fitness hike, where we try to work up a sweat exploring the sand roads and trails of Brendan Byrne State Forest. Be prepared to walk at an average of 3.5 mph, with few breaks. Bring water and wear well broken in boots, sneakers, or shoes (sneakers are adequate for dry conditions). Socks are also important foot gear; synthetics and wool being better at preventing blisters (avoid cotton sock. Meet at Brendan Byrne State Forest Campgrounds). Leader: Bob Hodges, RLHHLR@aol.com

JUNE 25
Saturday
9:00 am

PADDLE THE TOMS RIVER. Contact leader for directions and the section of the river that we will cover. I have four sections of the Toms that we paddle. The upper section from Route 547 by Lakehurst NAS to Riverwood Park. The middle section, from Riverwood Park to Winding River Park. The lower section from Toms River, Huddy Park, up river and return, and the Toms River Bay from Huddy Park out and around. The section that I will run will depend on water level and river blockage. Joe Logan, 609-634-1542, or mayandpops@aol.com.

JUNE 25
Saturday
10:00 am

JOSEPH TRUJILLO MEMORIAL HIKE AND PICNIC. A 5 mile hike at a moderate pace to one of Joe's favorite places. Then return for the picnic. Those not wanting to hike can come around 12 noon. Leader will supply grill, hot dogs with the fix' ins. Paper plates and utensils. Bring picnic type food to share. Leader will do a late afternoon paddle (kayak-canoe) on the Wading river. Time and length of trip to be determined that day. Meet at Harrisville Pond on Rt. 679 a spur of 563 south of

JUNE 26

Sunday
9:30 am

PADDLE THE DELAWARE FROM KINGWOOD TO LAMBERTVILLE, DELAWARE: Approximately 15 miles. Meet at Kingswood Access and take out at Lambertville. Mild whitewater, but includes haystacks beyond a wing dam. Leader Harry Barok, 856-985-6172 or harrykaraoke7@verizon.net

JUNE 26

Sunday
10:00 am

A DAY ON THE GREAT EGG HARBOR PADDLE. Weymouth Furnace to the Lake. Good run for less experienced paddlers and usually very well attended. 4 hour trip. Bring lunch and hydration. Volunteer shuttle. Leader: Vicki S., call 856-341-3901, or ravingwriter@gmail.com

JUNE 26

Sunday
7:00 am



BUS TRIP HYDE PARK NY. THIS EXCITING HUDSON RIVER TRIP IS FOR OCSJ MEMBERS AND up to 2 GUESTS each. See page 34 for full details.

JUNE 27

Monday
9:30 am

MONDAY PIZZA RIDE. 40-50 miles. Social easy pace (C+/B 15-17mph) ride with optional breakaways and a lunch break. No one gets dropped. Come join me for a pleasant ride, and help me find the best pizza in South Jersey. Meet at St Peter's Episcopal Church. 1 Hartford Rd, Medford. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

JUNE 28

Tuesday
6:15 pm



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JUNE 29

Wednesday
9:00 am

WEDNESDAY COFFEE RIDE. Social C+ pace ride, 30 miles. Come out for a pleasant ride, and help me find some nice local cafes. Rain cancels. Meet at 327 Elbo Lane, Mt. Laurel. Leader: Jim M., theor98@hotmail.com

JUNE 30

Thursday
4:00 pm

A WALK IN THE PARK. This will be a 3 mile moderate pace walk which includes a nature trail and paved sections. It will take us about an hour or slightly longer. Meet at Washington Lake Park. Leader: Kate Laible.

JULY 3

Sunday
10:00 am

JULY PADDLE ON THE MULLICA. Paddle the wide open Mullica proper, from Rt 206, thru Lillypad City and ending at Pleasant Mills, 11 miles later. This is an all day trip lots of twists and turns. Pack snacks and lunch, plenty of hydration. No rentals. Meet at Adison Ranger Station Parking Lot. Please contact Leader Vicki S., phone 856-341-3901, or ravingwriter@gmail.com

JULY 4

Monday
10:00 am



FOURTH OF JULY ON THE MAURICE RIVER. Meet at Garden Road, south side, we paddle down river to meet & cross Union Lake. This is NOT a "lake only" trip, & requires paddling in current, under and around river obstacles. Pack lunch and hydration; also bug and sun protection as the lake offers no cover. Leader: Vicki S., 856-341-3901 or ravingwriter@gmail.com

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JUNE 26 BUS TRIP TO HYDE PARK, NY

Home of the National Historic treasures: Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historical Site (FDR Home Springwood, grounds and Presidential Museum), Eleanor Roosevelt National Historical Site (Val-Kill), and the Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site (majestic home and gardens). **COST: \$40 PER PERSON.** Mail checks, **PAYABLE TO THE OUTDOOR CLUB OF SOUTH JERSEY,** to Jane Paone 29 West Second St., Moorestown NJ 08057. Payment may also be made using PayPal (preferred) <http://www.meetup.com/Outdoor-Club-of-South-Jersey-Canoeing/events/227366543/>

FULL PAYMENT DUE no later than May 20, 2016. **ADVANCE PAYMENTS ARE A MUST.** We need an early response in order to reserve the bus. No reserved bus seating. If paying by check, please include your telephone number and e-mail.

YOUR CANCELLED CHECK IS YOUR RECEIPT. All sales are final. Refunds only if ticket can be resold. **TIMED ADMISSION TO THE Roosevelt homes and library,** as well as the Vanderbilt Mansion are not included but may be purchased at the Wallace Visitor Center or, reserved ahead of time by contacting the park at 1-800-337-8474 or 845-229-9115. Sr. Interagency Pass: 1-800-337-8474. Lunch is not included but maybe purchased or brought with you. The Wallace Visitor Center, trails, grounds, Roosevelt Rose Garden, Roosevelt Ride and magnificent Vanderbilt Gardens are free of charge. More than a full day's activities to see and hike. Sample itineraries available via email request to hike leader. **THIS TRIP IS ONLY OPEN TO PAID MEMBERS AND THEIR GUESTS.** Meet at the rear Moorestown Rec/Library/Municipal parking lot, 111 W. Second St. Moorestown NJ, at 7:00 am for prompt 7:30 departure, rain or shine. Arrive Hyde Park, NY around 10:30 am, home again around 7:30 pm. Leaders: Jane Paone and David Szawlewicz: phone 856-264-4411; email janepaone@gmail.com

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3. Keep your membership current. Memberships must be renewed one month prior to March, June, September, and December. **Membership Cards are no longer being issued. You will receive renewal information by e-mail or post card.**
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