

# ADK RAMAPO CHAPTER

## 2008 SPRING OUTINGS SCHEDULE

### APRIL • MAY • JUNE

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## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Thursday, June 19th RAMAPO CLUB MEETING

Donald "Doc" Bayne, Sterling Forest State Park Educator, Ranger, and Naturalist will make a power point presentation focusing on the mining era in Sterling Forest circa 1736 to 1923.

### Saturday, June 21st

"Doc" will lead a 3-4 hour walk and talk to the mines and mining facilities discussed in the Thursday night program. See Spring Newsletter for details.

### Sunday, 7/13 -Tuesday, 7/22 NH AT III/White Mountain Trip XIX

#### Aaron Schoenberg

Page one of Spring Outings Schedule for details.

Directions to Nanuet Public Library: Palisade Interstate Parkway to exit 8-W. West on Rt. 59. Left at first traffic light and straight for short distance. Library entrance on left as road curves right.

*If you need a hike schedule, please contact Denis Kmiec 845-634-1397 or kmiec20@yahoo.com*

## HIKERS GUIDE

**New hikers and non-members, please contact the leader in advance.** All hikes are rated. Choose only those hikes suitable for your abilities. Dress properly, especially footwear. The leader has the option of refusing unprepared persons. Carry a light lunch and water. In winter conditions, a hot drink is useful. Rain gear, extra socks, hat, sweater, and wind breaker permit you to adapt to the weather. A day pack is indispensable. Minors under 16 are welcome on day hikes when accompanied by a parent or guardian. No persons under 18 shall participate on overnight outings unless accompanied by a parent or adult sponsor over 21. **Non-members are welcome on two outings before joining ADK.**

**Footwear and Clothing:** Wear clothing suited to the weather and carry extra garments for unexpected weather and conditions. In winter conditions, dress in thin layers so you can adjust the number of layers as required to maintain comfort. Underwear made of polypropylene is recommended because it does not retain moisture but rather directs body moisture to the outer layers of clothing so you will not feel wet and cold. Wear and/or carry wool or polyester fleece pile outer layers which will retain heat when wet. Carry wool or polypropylene hat, gloves or mitts and a waterproof outer shell. Be prepared for rain by carrying rain gear. Wear comfortable, sturdy boots and two pairs of socks, a polyester liner and a heavy wool or polyester sock over it to avoid blisters. **Cotton sweat suits or jeans absorb moisture and do not retain their insulating properties when wet and therefore are unsuitable for winter conditions.** Most hikers carry a simple first aid kit, flashlight, compass, and pocket knife. Carry a map of the area you are hiking in.

**If drought conditions close trails, call leader, as location of hike might be changed.**

**Be aware of possible hunting in area you plan to hike.** Check with the Department of Environmental Conservation for local hunting regulations. Avoid places and times where hunting is permitted. The New York-New Jersey Trail Conference can help with hunting information. Call 201-512-9348 or go on line <NYNJTC.org> Hunting is not permitted in Harriman/Bear Mountain State Park. It is permitted in Sterling Forest State Park and Black Rock Forest. Hunting season is generally mid-October to mid-February. Sterling Forest has hunting in May from dawn to noon. **During hunting season, wear bright colors and stay on the trails.**

**HIKE RATINGS** represent the **Pace**, **Distance** and **Terrain** covered during the hike. A hike's rating is determined by the hike leader.

**Pace:**    **A** = fast - 2.5 mph or faster                      **B** = moderate - about 2 mph                      **C** = easy - 1.5 mph or less

**Distance is given in miles as noted**

**Terrain:**   **A** = Strenuous, long ups and downs, some rock scrambling possible.  
                  **B** = Moderate ups and downs as occurs typically in Harriman.  
                  **C** = Generally flat with little elevation change.

**ASSUMED RISK:** Hiking/biking involves certain inherent hazards. Persons participating do so at their own risk and must sign a release of liability.

**EXPENSE SHARING:** When car pooling, passengers are expected to offer the driver funds sufficient to cover the cost of fuel, tolls and parking fees. A \$1.00 minimum per person is recommended.

### **HIKE MEETING LOCATIONS OTHER THAN TRAIL HEADS:**

*Clarkstown:* Commuter Parking Lot on Middletown Rd. just south of Exit 10 of the Palisades Interstate Pky.

*Suffern:* Commuter Parking between R.R. tracks and junction of Lafayette Ave. and Rt. 202.

*Harriman:* Commuter Parking Lot at intersection of Rt. 6 and NY 17, Use parking meters.

*Tuxedo:* Tuxedo Commuter Parking Lot off Rt. 17, one street north of R.R. station, Tuxedo, NY.

**Most hike meeting locations can be found can be found on NY-NJ Trail Conference maps (TC map #)**

**Be at meeting place at least 10 min. prior to departure time.**

**Pets are not permitted on hikes.**

**Sunday, 7/13 -Tuesday, 7/22 NH AT III/White Mountain Trip XIX**

B-10/15- A Aaron Schoenberg (R) askus3@optonline.net (preferred) 845-986-8645  
This annual trip to the White Mountains of New Hampshire will include almost 50 miles of hiking along the Appalachian Trail and the climbing of twenty NH 4,000 footers. Mileages range from 10-15 miles per day. Elevation gain per hike will be 3000-4000 feet. This will be a strenuous trip. Accomodations will be staying at various AMC huts in the White Mountains and Ravine Lodge at the base of Mt. Moosilauke. Hikers are welcome to attend for shorter duration. Contact leader for detailed itinerary. **Deadline to register: May 31.**

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SAVE THE DATES ( OCTOBER 31-NOV 2) FOR A FALL FOLIAGE HIKING WEEKEND AT THE BEAUTIFUL SHAWNEE INN AND RESORT IN SHAWNEE ON DELAWARE, PA. PLEASE LOOK AT THEIR WEBSITE: WWW.SHAWNEEINN.COM. CALL OR EMAIL ME FOR MORE DETAILS. SUZAN GORDON, PROGRAMS CHAIR  
201-871-3531 OR [www.browning.27@verizon.net](mailto:www.browning.27@verizon.net)?

**Wednesday, 4/2 HARRIMAN CIRCULAR TC map 119**

C-5.5-B Nick Viggiano (R) 845-359-2465  
A circular hike using the ASB, Red Cross, Beech, Hasenclever Rd. Trails, and an unmarked trail over Rockhouse Mt. Great view of lakes. Steady precipitation cancels. Meet at Lake Skannatati Parking Area off Seven Lakes Drive at 10 AM.

**Thursday, 4/3 IN THE WOODS**

C-4/5-B Betty Heald (NJ) 201-967-2937 or ebheald@aol.com  
Call or email to register. Do not call after 9PM. Pace and location will be determined by weather conditions.

**Saturday, 4/5 LONG PATH FROM FORT LEE, NJ TC map 108**

B-7-B Dean Gletsos (R) 845-354-0738  
We will start/end at the Fort Lee Visitor Center and follow the L. P. north to Dyckman Hill Trail. We will have lunch by the river and then follow south the Shore Trail back to the Visitor Center. If time permits, we will visit the Center and learn more about the area and its history. Very nice views all the way. Meet 9:30 AM at the parking area near the V. C. Bring suitable hiking gear, food and water. If in doubt call leader by 8:30 AM morning of hike.

**Sunday, 4/6 STERLING FOREST FIRE TOWER TC map 100**

B-5/6-B Peg Wissler (R) mwissler@tenafly.k12.nj.us or 914-260-7506  
Search for signs of Spring on the trails leading to the fire tower. Meet at 9 AM at Sterling Forest Visitor Center parking lot. Please call leader by Friday, April 4 to register for hike. Heavy rain cancels the hike.

**Sunday 4/6 ELK PEN CIRCULAR TC map 119**

B-7-8-B Linda Schutz (NJ) LindaSchutz@msn.com  
Leader's choice ... we will meet at 10:00 at Elk Pen for a lovely spring hike using a combination of favorite trails. Heavy rain cancels.

**Thursday, 4/10 IN THE WOODS TC map 118**

C-5/7-C+ Eileen Berch (NJ) 973-506-7078  
We'll hike 5 to 7 miles depending on the group and trail conditions. Meet 10 AM at Sebago Boat Launch Parking Area. No need to register, but NO GO if raining. Call by 8:00AM morning of hike if weather is doubtful. No calls after 8PM please.

**Saturday, 4/12      L. P. ENGLEWOOD TO HUYLER'S LANDING      TC map 108**  
B-10-B      Dean Gletsos (R)      (845) 354-0738

We will meet by the Englewood picnic parking area by the river. We will take the Dyckman Hill Trail up to connect to the Long Path Trail. Then north to Huyler's Landing Trail and down to the Shore Trail. Return south to the Englewood Boat and Picnic Area. Visit several landmarks and enjoy many great views. Meet 9:30 AM at the picnic area. Bring suitable hiking gear, food and water. Call leader, if in doubt until 8:30 AM of the hiking day.

**Saturday, 4/12      IN THE WOODS**

C-5/7-B      Phyllis Key (NJ)      201-768-5573 or pkeyhiker@juno.com  
Call or e-mail (preferred) no earlier than 3 days prior to hike. Do not call after 8:30 PM. Pace and location will be determined by weather conditions.

**Saturday, 4/12      BLACK RIVER TRAIL**

B-7.5-B      Leslie McGlynn (NJ)      failte\_629@verizon.net or 862-219-3386.  
We will start from Cooper's Mill Park in Chester and hike to Willowood Arboretum in Chester. This is a hike from end to end, so we will need to park a few cars at either end of the trail. Meet at Willowood Arboretum in Chester at 10 AM. Please provide your name and phone number to leader in case of a cancellation. Directions: From Morristown - Travel SOUTH on Route 287 to Exit 22. Take Route 206 NORTH. Travel 4 miles to Pottersville Road (Somerset County 512). Turn left onto Pottersville Road and proceed on Pottersville Road toward Pottersville. Turn RIGHT onto Lisk Hill Road and continue for 1/10 of a mile and come to a "T". Turn RIGHT and continue for 3/10 of a mile. Turn LEFT at the "Y" onto Longview Road. The entrance to Willowood Arboretum will be LEFT side of the road.

**Sunday, 4/13      SEVEN HILLS END TO END      TC Map 118**

B-8-A-      Peter Reiner (R)      845-634-7635      psr7@aol.com  
Starting at the Reeves Center, we hike the entire length of the Seven Hills Trail with spectacular views from several mountain tops. Several steep climbs are involved. We'll cross Diamond Mountain and end up at the Lake Sebago Boat Launch lot. Meet hike leader at 9 AM at the Sebago Boat Launch Parking Lot off Seven Lakes Drive. Car shuttle involved to start hike at Reeves. Rain or snow cancels hike.

**Thursday, 4/17      IN THE WOODS**

B-5/7-B      Phyllis Stewart (NJ)      201-327-6319 or pastewart@optonline.net  
Ups and Downs. Call or email leader by 9 PM Wednesday night for details.

**Saturday, 4/19      ROCKEFELLER STATE PARK PRESERVE**

C-4-C      Mary Sive (R)      mrsive@gmail.com      973-746-3986  
Bridle trails along a brook and a waterfall are features of this pleasant ramble. Contact leader for time and place of meeting.

**Saturday, 4/19      STOCKBRIDGE MOUNTAIN      TC map 119**

C-6-B      Rita Boyd (R)      845-365-1638  
We hike the Menominee, Long Path, AT Trails and woods roads over and around Stockbridge Mountain. Meet 10 AM at the Silvermine Parking Area off Seven Lakes Drive. Steady rain or temperature over 85 degrees cancels hike. If in doubt, call between 7:30 and 8:30 morning of hike.

**Sunday, 4/20**                              **LONG PATH / AT TRAVERSE**                              **TC map 119**  
B-8.5-B              Karen Rose (NJ)                              201-825-8166 o r kkarose@aol.com  
Meet 9AM sharp at Elk Pen parking for shuttle to start of hike at Route 6 Long Path crossing parking lot. At a steady pace we will follow Long Path over Stockbridge Mt. to AT around Island Pond and back to Elk Pen. Rain cancels, call leader before 8 AM if weather uncertain.

**Thursday, 4/24**                              **IN THE WOODS**  
C-5/7-B                              Phyllis Key (NJ)                              201-768-5573 or pkeyhiker@juno.com  
Exploring Historic Tappan, New York. Start time 10 A.M. We will be shown a film at the DeWint Museum and have a tour of Washington's Headquarters. We will walk up to the site where the spy, John Andre, was hung and return to the DeWint area for lunch. After lunch we will walk around the historic area of Tappan. The DeWint House is 1 block west of route 303 in Tappan, New York. This event is on rain or shine and can be done in sneakers! Registration required.

**Saturday 4/26**                              **PYRAMID MOUNTAIN**  
B-4/5-B+              Jeffrey Sovelove (NJ)              Hiker\_Dood@yahoo.com and  
Lee Ousley NJ              Ousleycl@mindspring.com .  
Hike past Tripod Rock using a variety of trails. See the Morris County Parks web site <http://www.morrisparks.net/aspparks/pymntnmain.asp> for directions and info. Optional lunch at a local eatery afterward if we get done in time. Meet in the Visitor's Center parking lot at 10 AM. Inclement weather cancels. Joint with Sierra Club.

**Sunday, 4/27**                              **PYNGYP- AN EASIER WAY**                              **TC map 119**  
B-8-B                              Ike Siskind (R)                              845-352-8506 or IkeMar@Verizon.net  
We will climb this 1,032 ft. summit from the north and avoid the precipitous south face. After lunch and views we will return via marked and unmarked trails. Joint with NJ. Meet 9:30 AM at Anthony Wayne South Lot (exit 17 from Palisades Pky). No need to call. Just show.

**Sunday, 4/27**                              **WALK THE ESPOSITO TRAIL IN NYACK**  
C-2.5-C                              John and Louise Parnell (R)                              845-290-5287 or parnelljt@optonline.net  
Walk a level dirt path with great views of the Tappan Zee Bridge and Hudson River. Meet in front of the Nyack Police Station on South Broadway, Nyack at 10 AM.

**May 1-31**              **TURKEY HUNTING IN STERLING FOREST UNTIL NOON**

**Thursday, 5/1**                              **IN THE WOODS**  
B-7/8-B+                              Deanna Felicetta (NJ)                              845-216-2021  
Ups and downs and maybe some scrambles . Call leader by 9 PM Wednesday night for details.

**Thursday, 5/1**                              **EASY IN THE WOODS**                              **TC map 115**  
C-3/5-C                              Phyllis Stewart (NJ) 201-327-6319 or pastewart@optonline.net  
Hike for beginners and anyone who enjoys an easy pace. Meet at Ramapo Reservation, Rt 202, Mahwah at 10 AM. Please call to register.

**Saturday, 5/3**                              **POUND MOUNTAIN CIRCULAR**                              **TC map 118**  
C-5/6-B                              Denis and Joan Kmiec (R) 845-634-1397 (no calls after 9 PM)  
The Blue Disc to Claudius Smith for lunch. Return on the TMI and White Bar Trails. Out by 1:30 PM. Rain cancels. Meet at 10 AM at Johnstontown Rd. Circle.

**Sunday, 5/4** **SURPRISE LAKE** **TC map 116**  
B-7/8-B Jennifer Leonard (NJ) rudybird2766@yahoo.com or 973-657-9490  
Meet at A & P parking lot in Hewitt before 9:30 AM. We will hike up Jeremy Glick Trail to the Bearfort Ridge Trail and Surprise Lake. Then go down the State Line Trail to my house (in Hewitt) and I'll give everyone a lift back to the A & P.

**Thursday, 5/8** **HOOK MOUNTAIN STATE PARK** **TC map 111**  
B-8-B Debbie Bell (R) deb2@columbia.edu or 845-358-8386 (no calls after 9 PM)  
A circular hike from the Rockland Lake Fire Station, north on the Long Path, and returning on the underused northern section of the Hook Mountain Bike Path. Meet 9:30 AM at parking area immediately east of Rockland Lake Fire Station (at intersection of Long Path and Landing Hill Road). Call or e-mail for detailed directions, if needed. Steady rain cancels.

**Saturday, 5/10** **CAMP SMITH TRAIL** **TC map 101**  
B-7/8-B+ Deanna Felicetta (NJ) 845-216-2021  
Beautiful views of the Hudson River from this trail along the east shore. Constant ups and downs all day, and a scramble or two. Recommended for experienced hikers only. Please call to register for meeting place and time.

**Sunday, 5/11** **TRESTLE TO TRESTLE** **TC Map 114**  
B-7.5-A Chris Connolly (R) 201-816-9465 or c.connolly7@verizon.net  
We'll see scenic Schunemunk east ridge views from end to end as we take LP, Jessup, Barton Swamp, and Trestle Trails. Meet 9 AM at Otterkill Parking Lot. Car shuttle required. Rain cancels.

**Thursday, 5/15** **IN THE WOODS-BEARFORT RIDGE** **TC map 116**  
C+-7.5-B Diane Grunthal (NJ) 973-728-8057 or dgrunthal@yahoo.com.  
We will hike Bearfort Ridge in Hewitt, NJ. Scenic hike through Rhododendron Forest and really nice views with rugged, rolling ups and downs with some scrambling, at an easy to moderate pace. Meet at 9:30 AM at A&P in Hewitt. Registration with leader required. Call or email by Tuesday, 6 PM if interested.

**Saturday, 5/17** **WAWAYANDA LAKE CIRCULAR** **TC map 116**  
B-4/5-B Leslie McGlynn (NJ) failte\_629@verizon.net or 862-219-3386.  
Moderate 4-5 miles around the lake. We will meet 10 AM at beach house. Please provide your name and phone number to leader in case of a cancellation. Directions: Take Route 23 north to Union Valley Road. Follow Union Valley Road about 6 miles to stop sign. From Stop sign, go to second traffic light. Turn left, travel to fork in road (about 2 miles) go left about 1/2 mile to Warwick Turnpike. Turn left. The park entrance is four miles on the left.

**Saturday, 5/17** **RAMAPO RESERVATION** **TC map 115**  
C-5/6-C+ Lou O'Neill (R) 845-357-0497 (No Calls After 8 PM)  
Easy Spring hike at the Ramapo Reservation. Hike the Havermeyer, Yellow, and Silver Trails. Rain cancels. Meet 10 AM at the Ramapo Reservation Parking Lot off Rt. 202.

**Sunday, 5/18 THE WANAUKE RIDGE TRAIL TC map 115**  
B-7-B Pete Heckler (R) 973-831-2307 ( Please, no calls the morning of hike)  
Hike 7 miles of scenic trails also including the new Wanaque Ridge Trail, Indian Rock, Cannon Ball, Hoeflerlein, Mac Evoy, and Castle Point circling Ramapo Lake. Rain cancels. Please pre-register by e-mail to: p\_heckler@msn.com. Meet 9:30 AM at Back Beach Park in Wanaque, NJ. Directions: From Rt. 287 Exit 55, to Ringwood Ave (Rt. 511) north. Take it and make a right turn onto 4th Ave. ( Lakeland Bank & Valero Gas Station on corners) drive a couple of blocks east and make a left onto Blvd. Ave. Drive approx. 1-1 1/2 mi. north to Back Beach Park.

**Sunday, 5/18 NYACK BEACH STATE PARK TC map 110**  
C-C (for 2 Hrs.) John and Louise Parnell (R) 845-290-5287 or parnelljt@optonline.net  
Walk on a gravel trail along the Hudson River. Meet 10 AM at the Nyack Beach Parking Lot located at the end of North Broadway, Nyack.

**Thursday, 5/22 IN THE WOODS TC map 119**  
B-5/7-B Kay Plahutnik (NJ) fplahutnik@optonline.net or 845-215-5175  
Starting in the Anthony Wayne North End Parking Lot, taking the Anthony Wayne Trail to the 1779 Trail, going south to the Appalachian Trail, then down off the mountain on the Silvermine Ski Road pass the Silvermine Lake, then cross the Seven Lakes Drive to the Cranberry Mine, and back to the Anthony Wayne Trail and Parking Lot. Please call to register .

**Saturday, 5/24 IN THE WOODS**  
C-5/7-B Phyllis Key (NJ) 201-768-5573 or pkeyhiker@juno.com  
Call or email (preferred) no earlier than 3 days prior to hike. Do not call after 8:30 PM. Pace and location will be determined by weather conditions.

**Sunday, 5/ 25 RAMAPO RESERVATION TO SKYLANDS TC map 115**  
B-7-B Despina Metaxatos (NJ) dmetaxatos@hotmail.com (e-mail preferred)  
Hike begins with a car shuttle from Skylands to Ramapo Reservation, where we start hiking. Following the ups and downs of the Halifax (Green) trail, we pause for views at Hawk Rock, pause for lunch in the vicinity of Bear Swamp Lake, and follow the Crossover (White) trail into Skylands to admire whatever's blooming. Potential \$5 seasonal fee for those parking at Skylands. Meet at Skylands Botanical Gardens Parking Lot A at 9 AM.

**Wednesday, 5/28 RAMAPO RESERVATION CIRCULAR TC map 115**  
C-5-B Nick Viggiano (R) 845-359-2465  
A moderately paced circular hike using the Halifax, Ridge and other Trails with fine views at Hawk Rock. Steady precipitation cancels. Meet at Ramapo Reservation Parking off Rt. 202 at 10 AM.

**Thursday, 5/29 IN THE WOODS**  
C-5/7-B Phyllis Key (NJ) 201-768-5573 or pkeyhiker@juno.com  
Call or email (preferred) no earlier than 3 days prior to hike. Do not call after 8:30PM. Pace and location will be determined by weather conditions.

**Saturday, 5/31 STONETOWN TC map 115**  
C-6-B Richard Zinn (R) 201-357-4642 hrzinn@aol.com  
Scenic, hilly hike climbing Windbeam, Bear & Board Mts., plus new part of Stonetown Circular along Monksville Reservoir. Meet 9:30 AM Wanaque NJ, Rte. 511 and Skyline Lakes Dr. Park in mall behind Skyline Diner ( do not park at diner). Car shuttle from parking. Phone if weather doubtful.

**Saturday, 5/31**      **Deadline to register**      **NH AT III/White Mountain Trip XIX**  
Aaron Schoenberg (R)      askus3@optonline.net (preferred)      845-986-8645

**Sunday, 6/1**      **PANTHER & GIANT LEDGE TRAVERSE**      **TC map 42**  
B-8/9-A      George Preoteasa (R)      201-694-8344 or g.preoteasa@att.net  
A one way moderately paced but strenuous trail hike (provided a shuttle can be arranged), will take you to some of the best views in the Catskills. Total ascent estimated at 2800 ft. Bad weather cancels. Car pool arrangements out of the Harriman Train Station Parking Lot. For meeting time and place, registration with leader is required no later than Friday, May 30.

**Sunday, 6/1**      **WALK AROUND ROCKLAND LAKE**      **TC map 111**  
C-3-C      John and Louise Parnell (R)      845-290-5287 or parnelljt@optonline.net  
Walk a level, paved path around the lake. Meet 10 AM at the Boat Launch Parking Area off Rt. 9W, Congers.

**Sunday 6/1**      **BLACK ROCK FOREST GRAND CIRCULAR**      **TC map 113**  
B-12-B      Aaron Schoenberg (R)      (preferred) askus3@optonline.net      845-986-8645  
This grand circular hike incorporates many of the highlights of the entire Black Rock Forest. We will follow myriad trails as we trek around this splendid preserve. The hike is lengthy. It is scenic. It will be challenging and it will be enjoyable. Also, if weather permits a swim in Sutherland Pond will be included. Contact Aaron for meeting location and time.

**Thursday, 6/5**      **IN THE WOODS**  
B-7/8-B+      Deanna Felicetta (NJ)      845-216-2021  
Ups and downs and maybe some scrambles . Call leader by 9 PM Wednesday night for details.

**Saturday, 6/7**      **WANAQUE RIDGE HIKE**      **TC map 115**  
B-5.5-B      Phyllis Stewart (NJ)      201-327-6319 or pastewart@optonline.net  
Meet 9:20 AM at the NYNJ Trail Conference office in Mahwah to carpool or at the parking lot on Back Bay Park in Wanaque where the hike will begin. Directions to Park: Route 287 South to exit 55, right at light onto Union Ave., left at next light onto Ringwood Ave. Go to Fourth Ave., turn right and go to end of road, turn left and go straight to Back Bay Park.

**Sunday, 6/8**      **STERLING RIDGE TO EAST SHORE ROAD**      **TC map 100**  
B-7.5-B      Pete Tilgner & Suzan Gordon (R)      201-871-3531 or browning.27@verizon.net  
Hike the Sterling Ridge and Lake To Lake Trails in Sterling Forest. Meet at Hiker Parking P14 (NY-NJ-TC Sterling Forest Map 100), at 9 AM. We car pool from East Shore Rd. (Greenwood Lake) to Sterling Ridge Trail Head parking on Rt. 17A. (P8). Joint with IHC. From NJ take Rt. 287 N. to Exit 15A / Rt.17 north to Co. Rt. 72 W. (Sloatsburg, Sterling Mine Rd.), to Margaret King Ave. (Little League Ball Field on right), turn right driving to Co. Rt. 511 (Greenwood Lake Tpk.). Turn right and follow it past Monksville Reservoir to East Shore Rd. Turn right and drive north 5.5 miles ( NY State) to parking area P14 on right.

**Wed., 6/11- Wed., 6/18**      **LONG TRAIL II PLUS**  
B-15-A      Aaron Schoenberg (R)      askus3@optonline.net (preferred) or 845-986-8645  
This is the second in a six year project to day hike the Long Trail in Vermont from the Canadian border to Massachusetts southbound.



**Thursday, 6/12**

**IN THE WOODS**

C-5/7-B Phyllis Key (NJ) 201-768-5573 or pkeyhiker@juno.com  
Call or email (preferred) no earlier than 3 days prior to hike. Do not call after 8:30 PM. Pace and location will be determined by weather conditions.

**Saturday, 6/14**

**DINE WITH THE ROCKEFELLERS**

C-6-C+ Peter Reiner (R) 845-634-7635 psr7@aol.com  
Starting at the Visitor Center of the Rockefeller State Park Preserve on Rt. 117, we will walk on carriage, woods trails, and along the Croton Aqueduct Trail to reach our lunch spot- Rockwood Hall, former home of the Rockefellers, overlooking the Hudson River. Meet hike leader in the Visitor's Parking Lot at 9:30 AM. The State Park is located off Rt. 117 in Sleepy Hollow, NY. Call for directions. Rain cancels the hike.

**Saturday 6/14**

**STERLING FOREST FIRE TOWER RAMBLE**

**TC map 100**

**B-5-B+** Jeffrey Sovelove (NJ) Hiker\_Dood@yahoo.com and  
Lee Ousley Ousleycl@mindspring.com

We will hike to the Sterling Forest Sterling Fire Tower with the option to extend if the group desires. Meet at the Sterling Forest Visitor Center at 10 AM sharp. See the Sterling Forest web site for information and directions: <http://nysparks.state.ny.us/parks/info.asp?parkID=8>. Inclement weather cancels.

**Saturday, 6/14**

**BONTICOU CRAG AND TABLE ROCKS**

**TC Map 10**

B-6-A George Preoteasa (R) 201-694-8344 or g.preoteasa@att.net  
A break from Harriman, this Shawangunks hike features exquisite scrambles and sensational views of the surrounding farmland with the Catskills in the distance. The pace will be very reasonable and the total elevation gain modest. There are options around scrambles. Mohonk Preserve fee \$9 per person. Car pool arrangements out of the Harriman Train Station parking. For meeting time and place, registration with leader is required no later than the Friday before the hike.

**Sunday, 6/15**

**MINNEWASKA IN BLOOM**

**TC map 104**

B-8-B+ June Slade (R) 973-835-2832  
Our hike takes us into the Mountain Laurel with a background of white cliffs. A memorable sight with some rock scrambles. Meet 9 AM in Minnewaska State Park Lower Parking Lot. Enter main Minnewaska gate (parking fee), turn right driving short distance to Lower Parking Lot. Rain cancels.

**Thursday, 6/19**

**IN THE WOODS**

B-6/8-B Paul Margiotta (NJ) 201-693-6705 pjmm@optonline.net  
Ups and Downs. Call or e mail leader by 9 PM Wednesday night for details.

**Thursday, 6/19**

**RAMAPO CHAPTER MEETING**

**7 PM** (earlier start time), Nanuet Public Library, Nanuet, NY.

Donald "Doc" Bayne, Sterling Forest State Park Educator, Ranger, and Naturalist will make a presentation focusing on the mining era in Sterling Forest circa 1736 to 1923.

**JUNE 21**

**SUMMER BEGINS !**

**Saturday, 6/21**                      **STERLING FOREST HISTORY WALK**                      **TC map 100**  
Meet 12 noon at Sterling Forest Visitor Center for brown bag picnic lunch on shore of Sterling Lake behind Visitor Center. Park at Visitor Parking Lot on Iron Forge Rd. across from Visitor Center. At 1 PM, Donald "Doc" Bayne will lead the group on a four mile walk through Sterling Forest's iron mining history discussed in his Thursday evening presentation at the Ramapo Chapter meeting. For the walk, participants are advised to wear hiking boots and bring water.

**Saturday, 6/21**                      **VOORHEES STATE PARK**  
B-6.4-B                      Leslie McGlynn (NJ)                      failte\_629@verizon.net                      or                      862-219-3386.  
We will be hiking on all 7 trails in this park. Meet 10 AM at the first parking lot on your right at the park entrance on Rte. 513. Please provide your name and phone number to leader in case of a cancellation. Directions: From New York or North Jersey: Take Route 78 west to exit 17, merge with Route 31 north. At second traffic light, make a right onto 513 north through High Bridge. Follow signs to the park.

**Sunday 6/22**                      **SEVEN HILLS PLUS**                      **TC map 118**  
B-8.5 -A                      Karen Rose (NJ)                      201-825-8166                      or                      kkarose@aol.com  
We will hike at a steady pace the Seven Hills Trail starting from Reeves Brook, making a detour up Old Red and then returning to Seven Hills to TMI with return on the Stoney Brook trail. Several sustained climbs and a few rock scrambles. Great views all along the way. Meet 9 AM at Reeves Meadow Visitor Center. Rain cancels, call between 7-8 AM if weather uncertain.

**Thursday, 6/26**                      **TIMES SQUARE TRAILS**                      **TC map 119**  
B-7-B                      Debbie Bell (R)                      deb2@columbia.edu                      or                      845-358-8386 (no calls after 9 PM)  
A "figure eight" hike on the LP, Dunning, Lichen, ASB, AT, and Surebridge Mine Trails. Meet 9:30 AM at Skannatati Parking Lot off 7 Lakes Drive. Steady rain cancels.

**Saturday, 6/28**                      **IN THE WOODS**  
C-5/7-B                      Phyllis Key (NJ)                      201-768-5573                      or                      pkeyhiker@juno.com  
Call or email (preferred) no earlier than 3 days prior to hike. Do not call after 8:30 PM. Pace and location will be determined by weather conditions.

**Saturday 6/28**                      **CASTLE ROCK RAMBLE**                      **TC map 101**  
B-6-B                      Janice Bortree (R)                      845-831-4430  
Various trails to 403 lookout. Lunch at AT lookout. Return with climb on Sugarloaf. Rain cancels. Meet at Castle Rock Unique Area Parking (4 miles north of Bear Mountain Bridge on Rt. 9D) at 10 AM.

**Sunday, 6/29**                      **SKANNATATI OUTING**                      **TC map 119**  
B-7-B                      Manny Silberberg (R)                      845-354-9165  
Meet 9 AM Lake Skanatati Parking Area off Seven Lakes Drive. This will be a circular hike from Lake Skannatati. Route to be determined. Rain will cancel.