



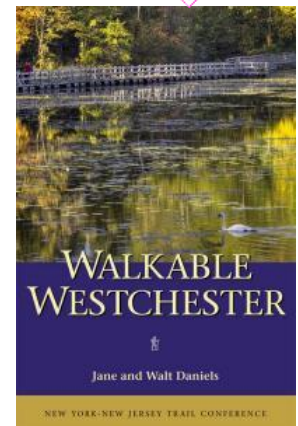
ADK Mohican Hikes Sept - November 2018

Come join our club on one of our hikes listed on the following pages. No matter what your level of hiking, there is something for everyone. You too can get some of these great patches below by setting some hiking goals and hitting the trail.

"Climb the mountains and get their good tidings. Nature's peace will flow into you as sunshine flows into trees. The winds will blow their own freshness into you and the storms their energy, while care will drop off like autumn leaves." John Muir



APPALACHIAN MOUNTAIN CLUB
FOUR THOUSAND FOOTERS



Westmoreland Sanctuary is on Chestnut Ridge Road, off Route 172 west of I-684, Exit 4



HIKES and STUFF

Attention Leaders and Hikers

When car-pooling, it is recommended that a charge of \$.30 per mile be equally divided among passengers, including the driver, and that everyone shares in the tolls. Trip tales go to c.harting@verizon.net. To enter the **leader lottery**, send your signup sheets (**new ones please**) to Jeanne Thomson, P.O. Box 219, Somers, NY 10589-0219

Be courteous to the leaders: If you are registering for more than one person, give the leader all the names; and if you have registered and your plans change, let the leader know so he/she knows not to wait for you.

There is an unofficial gathering of hikers who meet every Thursday morning at 10 a.m. and hike for about two hours. For information or to get added to the email list, contact Sandy Maguire at sandy.tsrm@verizon.net.

Saturday, September 1

Stonetown Circular (Joint with WTA)



10.5 miles, moderate to strenuous. This hike climbs five mountains with over 2500 feet of elevation gain while offering views of the Wanaque and Monkville Reservoirs. For further

information or to register, contact leader Bob Fiscina at fis6973@verizon.net. Rain cancels. No beginners please.

Saturday, September 1

Twilight in Rio (Joint with WTA)



3-4 miles, easy to moderate. Viva Brazil! A late afternoon jaunt in Untermyer Gardens, Lenoir Nature Preserve and on the Old Croton Aqueduct precedes a “Carnival

meets Vegas” spectacle. Brazil recording artist Silvana Magda with The Katende Band & Viva Brazil Dancers will knock out sparkling Afro-Brazilian sounds in this free Untermyer Performing Arts Council show (attending this 7:30 p.m. show is optional). Bring refreshment for pre-music supper. Transport to/from nearby Metro North station can be provided. To register, contact leader Debbie Farrell, debfarpr@gmail.com or (914) 282-9942.

Sunday, September 2 Harriman Hike (Joint with WTA)

5-6 miles, moderate. We will be looking for fall foliage in Harriman on this hike, as the blueberry bushes start turning a beautiful dark pink color. Leaving Sebago boat launch parking area, we will take various routes to Pine Meadow and Wanaksink Lakes. Rain or substantial threat of rain will cancel. Hiking boots, lunch, snacks and sufficient water are required. To register contact leader Sarah Davis, sewdavis@gmail.com or (917) 501-1322.

Sunday, September 2

Lake Taghkanic Hike and Swim (Joint with WTA)



5 miles, easy to moderate. We'll do a loop around the lake, then enjoy a swim in this Columbia County park in

Ancram, NY. There is a bath house for changing, and snacks are available. Expect a parking fee of \$8/car without an Empire Passport. Exit at the large green sign for the park exit off the Taconic State Parkway, past the Columbia County sign. Call leader Jean Dolen to register at (914) 522-4310.

Monday, September 3, LABOR DAY Hubbard Perkins Round Hill in Fahnestock (Joint with WTA)

7.5 miles, moderate. This delightful hike starts at the “Hubbard Lodge”, one-third mile north of the intersection of Route 9 and Route 301 in Cold Spring. We will do a circular hike on School Mt. Road, to the East Mt. Loop, to the Perkins Trail, and then take the Fahnestock trail back to the cars. Contact Carol Harting at c.harting@verizon.net for meeting time and place.

Saturday, September 8 Ledges and Lakes (Harriman Circuit Hike #9) (Joint with WTA)

8.85 miles, strenuous. This hike, which begins and ends at the Tuxedo railroad station, has 2,140 feet of elevation gain and includes two lakes, panoramic views, a shelter, and the historic Claudius Smith Den. To register, contact Kathie Laug, (203) 348-3993(H), (203) 722-5490(C), kfriedmanlaug@optonline.net.

Saturday, September 8

Briarcliff Peekskill Trailway Part 2: Watch Hill Road to New Croton Dam (Joint with WTA)

4.8 miles, easy to moderate. This is a re-listing of one of the Briarcliff Peekskill Trailway hikes on the summer schedule, which had to be canceled due to bad weather. There will be shady woods, wetlands and some road walking followed by dramatic views from the dam. For meeting place, contact leader Carolyn Hoffman, earthwormch@aol.com, home (914) 948-0608, cell on day of hike only (914) 420-5778. There will be a shuttle involved.

Sunday, September 9

East Mountain State Forest and Ice Gulch Sheffield/Great Barrington, MA (Joint with WTA)

7.2 miles, moderate. Want to try hiking in a new place? Then join us for a hike in the Southern Berkshires of Massachusetts. This out and back hike on the Appalachian Trail with 680' of elevation gain combines splendid views of the Housatonic Valley and Taconic Range with the cooling breezes emanating from the rocky cleft known as "Ice Gulch". The return offers a second chance to enjoy the stunning vistas; and if it's clear enough, views southwestward to the Catskills. To register or for more information, contact Pat Johnston at patjohnston@gmail.com.

Sunday, September 9

Wappinger Greenway Circular (Joint with WTA)

7 miles, easy to moderate. This hike along Wappinger Creek and its tributaries also passes through Bowdoin and Reese Parks in Wappingers Falls and continues onto some of its local streets. Our lunch stop will be at a park featuring the Mesier Homestead, site of the town's own "Tea Party Revolt" in 1777. Contact leader to register: Eileen West at eileenw1000@gmail.com. Rain cancels

Saturday, September 15

Orchard Beach, Twin and Hunter Islands (Joint with WTA)

3-4 miles, easy. Enjoy ocean breezes, varied terrain and spectacular views of Long Island Sound on this hike. Meet the leader on the right side of the Orchard Beach parking lot at 10 a.m. Rain cancels. To register, contact leader Toby Garfinkel (914) 337-6612.

Sunday, September 15

Silvermine Circular (Joint with WTA)

8.5 miles, moderate to strenuous. This pleasant fall hike will incorporate sections of the Menomine, Long Path, and a very nice stretch of the A.T. To register, please email the leader Judy Hirschman, hirschmanjudith@gmail.com no later than 48 hours prior to confirm and to get exact meeting place and time. Excessive rain/ foul weather cancels.

Sunday, September 16

Twin Lakes Loop, Teatown (Joint with WTA)

3 miles, moderate. Enjoy a wonderful, almost fall hike at Teatown Lake Reservation. This is an invigorating scenic route through one of Teatown's trails. Please bring snacks and water. Beginners are welcome. To register and for meeting time and location, contact the leader Elspeth Kramer, elspethkramer@aol.com, (347) 262-4802.

Saturday, September 22

Pine Swamp Mountain (Joint with WTA)

6 miles, moderately strenuous. This is Hike No. 18 in the Harriman Park Circuit Hikes book with a 1300 ft. elevation gain. These are always lovely interesting ventures. Register by 5 p.m. Friday evening with leader Jane Restani at irabjanea@aol.com.

Saturday, September 22

Bear Mt. Bridge and Environs (Joint with WTA)



5-6 miles, easy. Join the leader on a hike suitable for early fall weather. We will park on the east side of the Bear Mountain Bridge, walk across and do some combination of the ferry dock

(south of the bridge) and Fort Montgomery (north of the bridge). The latter also takes us across a small suspension bridge. Bring a lunch, sunblock and one to two liters of water. A broad brimmed hat would be useful since the walk across the bridge and back is unshaded. To register, contact leader Steve Klepner, spk010@yahoo.com, (845) 297-7066.

Sunday, September 23

Three Lakes/AT Loop (Joint with WTA)

6-7 miles, moderate. This circular hike in Fahnestock Memorial Park passes two lakes and features multiple ups and downs through wooded areas. Carpooling available from North White Plains train station leaving at 9:00 a.m. or at the large Canopus Lake parking lot on Route 301 at 9:45 a.m. To register or if you need details before the hike, contact leader Elena Burova by phone (914) 837-4235 or e-mail at elena.burova@gmail.com.

Sunday, September 23

Cranberry Lake Preserve (Joint with WTA)



3-4 miles, easy to moderate. This is a two-to-three hour hike through a North White Plains preserve in

an area of quarry used to build the Kensico Dam a century ago. Trails, some of which may be rocky, go past various ponds, woods, rock formations, bridges and the foundation of an old quarry building (the quarry climb is optional). To register, contact leader Jean Dolen, (914) 522-4310.

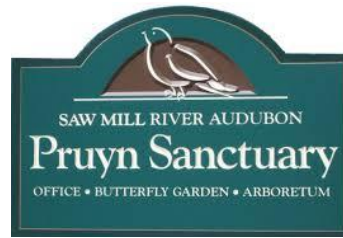
Saturday, September 29

NYC and Brooklyn Walk (Joint with WTA)

13 miles, easy. From Grand Central Station, we will walk south to the Brooklyn Bridge, cross the bridge and walk to Red Hook in Brooklyn, then take the IKEA ferry (\$5) to Wall Street and walk back to Grand Central. Along the way, we will stop for lunch (bag it or buy it) and see icons of the city like the Washington Square Arch, public art installations, the newly extended Brooklyn waterfront, the infamous IKEA, and other curiosities. There are options to shorten the walk by taking the subway to Grand Central Station at some point along the way. For questions and to register, contact the leader Linda Wildman at lindawildman88@verizon.net or text/call (914) 316-5674.

Saturday, September 29

Pruyn Sanctuary (Joint with WTA)

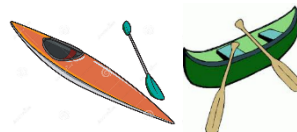


3 miles, easy to moderate. Hike on various trails along a pond, a brook, and a system of boardwalks through Gedney Swamp, a protected wetland, and

a small Butterfly and Hummingbird garden. Meet at 10 a.m. at the Woodmill Road "Trails Entrance". For Google map or GPS directions, use the address 16 Woodmill Road, Chappaqua, NY; directions for the "Trails Entrance" can also be found at <http://www.sawmillriveraudubon.org/pruyn.html>. Park along Woodmill Road without blocking driveways or the sanctuary entrance. Rain cancels. To register, contact leader Asha Chauhan at (212) 730-2351, a1chauhan@gmail.com.

Saturday, September 29

Canoe/Kayak Croton River (Joint with WTA)



This is a favorite--an easy and relaxing flatwater paddle on the Croton River. We will launch at the Croton

RR station and paddle under 9A heading into the river on the incoming tide as this is a tidal river. We will take advantage of mid-tide to explore the river, its side channels and estuaries. We will lunch, and swim, if warm enough, at the gravel beach. Rentals are available: info@kayakhudson.com. Bring binoculars, lunch, and swimsuit. To register, call leader Jane Smalley (914) 276-0413 or e-mail jsmallpt@aol.com.

Sunday, September 30

Race Brook Falls and Mount Everett (Sheffield, MA) (Joint with WTA)



6 miles, strenuous. If you are interested in spending the day challenging yourself on a hike of 2,185 feet elevation gain with beautiful waterfalls and tremendous views on a mountain summit, then this is the hike for you. For more information and to register, contact Pat Johnston at patcjohnston@gmail.com.

Sunday, September 30
Orchard Beach, Twin and Hunter Islands
(Joint with WTA)

3-4 miles, easy. Enjoy the diverse environments of this park (marshlands, woodlands, meadows) with wonderful views of the Long Island Sound. Meet the leader at the Orchard Beach parking lot at 10 a.m., on the right side closest to the beach. To register, contact leader Diana Catz, dscatz@gmail.com.

Saturday, October 6
Tuxedo Circular, Southern Harriman
(Joint with WTA)

7-8 miles, moderate. Starting on the Ramapo-Dunderberg trail, the hike continues towards Parker Cabin Mountain, then descends onto the Triangle trail. We stop at Lake Skenonto for a scenic lunch before returning on a variety of trails. From Rt. 17 in Tuxedo, make a right and meet in the commuter lot on East Village Road just past the tracks. Rain cancels. For meeting time and directions, contact leader Marvin Pasternak, marvp7025@gmail.com.

Saturday, October 6
Taxter Ridge Park Preserve (Joint with WTA)

3-4 miles, easy to moderate. This leisurely walk with some hills will be on the preserve's reopened and reblazed trails in lovely woods with tall trees high above. Meet 10 a.m. at the newly built parking lot on Taxter Road. From Route 119, go south on Taxter Road for about half a mile--the parking lot entrance is well marked on the right. If coming from U.S. 9, turn east on Sunnyside Lane. The name of the road changes to Taxter Road when it reaches the Mountain Road fork--stay left (on Taxter) for about a mile. The parking lot will be on your left. We will stop briefly for an early lunch or snack. Rain cancels; prediction of rain does not. To register or if you have any questions, you may call leader Ellie Carren (914) 591-7038 up to 11 p.m.

Sunday, October 7
Harriman Hike (Joint with WTA)



6-7 miles, moderate. Ridge walking all day after a short walk from the Kanawauke Lake boat

launch parking area off of Route 106. We will start on unmarked trails, then to the Dunning and R-D trails, passing through Times Square. Plenty of beautiful views with fall foliage. Rain or substantial threat of rain will cancel. Hiking boots, lunch, snacks and sufficient water are required. To register, contact leader Sarah Davis, sewdavis@gmail.com or (917) 501-1322.

Sunday, October 7
Rockwood to Rockefeller (Joint with WTA)

6 miles, easy to moderate. This hike will be approximately four hours through rolling hills and on flat carriage roads with views of the Hudson River. Bring lunch, water, snacks. To register, contact leader Jean Dolen, (914) 522-4310.

Monday, October 8, COLUMBUS DAY
Osborn Loop in the Hudson Highlands
(Joint with WTA)

This is a moderate hike of about 7-8 miles. We will start from the parking lot for Manitoga (off Route 9D in Garrison) and hike along the Osborn Loop up to the wonderful lunch spot on Sugarloaf South overlooking the Hudson. The hike will be about 4 hours plus lunch. To register, email Carol Harting at c.harting@verizon.net.

Saturday, October 13
North South Lake Area Catskill Escarpment Hike
(Joint with WTA)

10 miles, moderately strenuous. Our goal is to see the vistas painted by the Hudson River School artists of the 19th century. This will involve some good climbs and a short car shuttle. Not a day to plan evening activities. We will leave our area early and expect to get back in the early evening. Register early in the week if possible but no later than noon on Friday so we can arrange the carpools. Contact leader Jane Restani at irabjanea@aol.com.

Saturday, October 13
Canoe/Kayak: Mohansic Lake and Crom Pond
(Joint with WTA)



We will enjoy the fall foliage exploring a section of Mohansic Lake located in FDR State Park, Yorktown. Once on the lake, we will hunt for the tiny connector into Crom Pond--truly a wilderness retreat. At some point, we may bring boats ashore and walk a section of the trail alongside the pond. Bring your own canoe or kayak, lifejacket, and lunch. There are no rentals

nearby. For information and to register, call Jane Smalley (914) 276-0413 or e-mail jsmallpt@aol.com.

Sunday, October 14
Sterling Forest (Joint with WTA)

8 miles, moderate. We will start at the Visitors Center and climb up to the fire tower, then hike along the ridge with spectacular views of the lake and foliage. Easy return along the lake shore. To register, contact leader Catharine Raffaele at Raffaele.Catharine@yahoo.com.

Sunday, October 14
Croton Gorge Park and OCA Fall Foliage Hike (Joint with WTA)

5-6 miles, easy. This mainly linear hike starts at the base of Croton Dam, continues south above the Croton river and then along the Old Croton Aqueduct trail to the Ossining border. We will return to our starting point via the OCA, then head to the top of the dam to enjoy the views across the Croton reservoir. Meet in the main parking lot off route 129; bring lunch or a snack. To register, e-mail leader Sheila Sarkar, at shechris6@gmail.com.

Saturday, October 20
Black Rock Forest (Joint with WTA)

7-8 miles, moderately strenuous. Enjoy sweeping views from various summits including Mt. Misery and the Hill of Pines on this circular hike in Black Rock Forest. To register, contact leader Alice Benash, ajrb3@verizon.net or (914) 723-8722

Saturday, October 20
Mills Mansion and Norrie Point, Staatsburg, NY (Joint with WTA)



5-6 miles, easy. This hike will take us along hiking and carriage trails in the

Mills/Norrie State Park. We will do a loop hike and have lunch next to the Hudson River. Enjoy fall views of the Hudson and the Catskills. If you are interested in touring the mansion afterward, the last tour is at 4 p.m. (\$8 adults/\$6 seniors). To register, contact leader Janice Miller at majian11@optonline.net.

Sunday, October 21
Iron Mines Loop, Harriman State Park (Joint with WTA)

9.1 miles, moderate. This loop hike will traverse the ridge of Black Rock Mountain and pass the remnants of four iron mines along the Dunning and A-SB trails. For meeting time and other information, contact leader Mike Jablonski, mjab5749@gmail.com or (914) 588-1761. Rain cancels.

Sunday, October 21
Kitchawan Preserve (Joint with WTA)



4-6 miles, easy to moderate. We will come across fields, forests, streams and views of the new Croton Reservoir while exploring various Kitchawan Trails. Meet the leader at 10 a.m. at the preserve parking lot (712 Kitchawan Road in Ossining). To register, contact leader Sue Soni via email at surekhasoni1968@gmail.com or (914) 747-2452.

Saturday, October 27
NYC Walk (Joint with WTA)

13 miles, easy. From Grand Central Station, we will walk east to the United Nations, then alongside the East River to the tip of the island where we will circle around and walk north along the Hudson River. At Gansevoort, we'll take the High Line up to 34th Street, and finally wind our way back to Grand Central. Along the way, we will stop for lunch (bag it or buy it) and see icons of the city, such as, the South Street Seaport, Vietnam Memorial, public art installations, and other curiosities. There are options to shorten the walk by taking the subway to Grand Central Station at some point along the way. For questions and to register, contact leader, Linda Wildman, at lindawildman88@verizon.net or text/call (914) 316-5674.

Saturday, October 27
Pingyp Mountain (Joint with WTA)

7.1 miles, moderate to strenuous. The southern ascent of Pingyp Mountain is widely considered to be the most challenging climb on a marked trail in Harriman. Total elevation gain is 1495 ft. It is slightly more challenging than Popolopen Torne but slightly less difficult than Breakneck Ridge. Not for beginners. Short shuttle will be required. To register, contact leader Steve Klepner (845) 297-7066, spk010@yahoo.com.

Saturday, October 27
Doodletown (Joint with WTA)



5 miles, easy to moderate. In honor of Halloween, we will visit this "ghost town" in Harriman State Park. This picturesque valley was inhabited since at least 1762

and was a crossroads for soldiers during the Revolutionary War. At its height in the 1920's, the settlement had about 70 homes plus a school, church, and several businesses. In the 1960's, the last remaining residents were removed to include the property in the state park. Our walk will be at a relaxed pace to view the remains of the vanished hamlet and learn more about its history. To register, contact leader Kathie Laug, (203) 348-3993(H), (203) 722-5490(C), kfriedmanlaug@optonline.net.

Sunday, October 28
New Loop Trail at Garrison School Forest (Joint with WTA)

5-6 miles, moderate. One of the best East Hudson moderate hikes just got a lot better with the addition of a new shaded, soft earth, pristine trail. Trust me, you're going to love it. Anyway, I think so. The new trail, which appears on the latest NY/NJ Trail Conference maps, has about 1,100' of elevation gain. It starts at the South Redoubt and connects with existing trails to form a loop. So join me on a civilized exploration including a new viewpoint. We will meet on Snake Hill Road in Garrison. The parking area is plainly marked and is about 1/4 mile east of Route 9D or about 2 miles west of Route 9. To register, contact Howard Millman (914) 439-8031, hwardmillman@aol.com.

Sunday, October 28
Silver Lake Preserve, West Harrison, NY (Joint with WTA)



4-5 miles, easy to moderate. The route of this three-hour hike is through woods on varied terrain with some fallen trees to navigate, and along a lovely lake. To register, contact Jean

Dolen, (914) 522-4310.

Saturday, November 3
Post-Halloween Hike: Sleepy Hollow, Following "The Legend" (Joint with WTA and Ramblers)



12-13 miles, easy to moderate. Every so often we celebrate Halloween with a reading of Washington Irving's "Legend of Sleepy Hollow" as we try to recreate the path taken by Ichabod Crane on the fateful night when he met the Headless Horseman. This time the hike is

on the NY Rambler's schedule so the route is, naturally, a longer one. In the morning, we'll explore different trails in Rockwood Hall and Rockefeller State Parks. Then after lunch, we'll read excerpts from the story as we follow Ichabod and the Horseman through the streets of Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow; and at the conclusion of the tale, we'll visit the burying ground of the Old Dutch Church to find the graves of the author and some of the characters in "The Legend". The plan is to leave the cemetery unaccompanied by ghosts or goblins, but there are no guarantees. Drivers, park at the Tarrytown station in Lot A on Depot Plaza across from the train station and board the 9:13 a.m. train to Philipse Manor (get a one way ticket, since the hike will end in Tarrytown). To register, contact Eileen West, eileenw1000@gmail.com. Awful weather cancels.

Saturday, November 3
Wonder Lake State Park (Joint with WTA)

5-7 miles, easy to moderate. This hike of about 3-4 hours is partially level (around the lake) with some hills in other sections of the trail and is not for first-time hikers. Wonder Lake State Park is in Putnam County and was acquired by NY State in 1998 and expanded in 2006. The park covers nearly 1000 acres in both the Towns of Paterson and Kent. To register, call leader Barry Leibowitz by 6 p.m. on the day before the hike at H: (845) 278-2479 or C: (914) 774-5321. Rain cancels.

Saturday, November 3
Van Cortlandt Park (Joint with WTA)

4-5 miles, easy to moderate. We will walk along several trails, including John Muir, John Kieran, Cass Gallagher, the Old Croton Aqueduct and the Putnam

Trail. Forests are diverse here, and we will see many birds, weather permitting. Meet 10 a.m. at the Van Cortlandt Stables parking lot: Broadway and Mosholu Avenue. For directions and to confirm attendance please contact leader Diana Catz (718) 549-1735; dscatz@gmail.com.

Sunday, November 4

**AT from Route 22 to Cat Rocks, Pawling, NY
(Joint with WTA)**

6 miles, moderate. This out-and-back hike offers a variety of paths. We'll commence at the Metro-North AT Station and travel south; over boardwalks, up and down hills, and through meadows to our destination with a view of where we've traveled. To register and for departure time, contact hike leader Rosanne Schepis at (203) 417-5552 or rschep@yahoo.com.

Sunday, November 4

**Arthur Butler Sanctuary, Mt. Kisco, NY
(Joint with WTA)**

4-5 miles, easy to moderate. This is a nice mixture of some steep hills in between rolling hills and flat terrain and varying scenery including ferns, large boulders, several streams, and a hawk watch area. To register, call the leader Jean Dolen at (914) 522-4310.

Saturday, November 10

Schunemunk Circular (Joint with WTA)

6-7 miles, moderate to strenuous. The Schunemunk conglomerate ridge is known for its interesting geology and varied terrain. Morning ascent via the Sweet Clover, lunch at the Megaliths and return on the Jessup trail. To register, contact leader



Catharine Raffaele at
Raffaele.Catharine@yahoo.com.

Saturday, November 10

Angle Fly Preserve (Joint with WTA)

5-6 miles, easy to moderate. Come hike this lovely Westchester Preserve in the fall foliage. The network of trails extends about 10 miles and spans the entire preserve property, and we will do about 5-6 miles (3-4 hours, including lunch) within the preserve. To register, call leader Jane Smalley at (914) 276-0413 or e-mail jsmallpt@aol.com.

Sunday, November 11

Ward Pound Ridge (Joint with WTA)

5-6 miles, moderate. We will hike on parts of the Rocks Trail in the southern part of the Preserve. Appropriate footwear, lunch, snacks and water are required. Carpooling will be from the Cross River Shopping Center. To register, contact leader Sarah Davis, sewdavis@gmail.com or (917) 501-1322

Sunday, November 11

Marshlands Conservancy (Joint with WTA)

3-4 miles, easy. Enjoy a two-hour hike in this Rye preserve on a network of trails through a field, a deciduous forest and a salt marsh. Meet at 10 a.m. at the Conservancy parking lot located at 220 Boston Post Road near the Rye Golf Course. To register, contact leader Leslie Millman by e-mail at oooleslie@aol.com. Cell number is for day of hike changes only: (914) 552-7720.

Saturday, November 17

**Forest View Trail/Closter Dock from PIP
Headquarters, Alpine NJ (Joint with WTA)**



6 miles, moderate. Only 20 minutes from the Mario Cuomo Bridge in Tarrytown. Stunning panoramic views up and down the Hudson on this loop hike with a walk atop the Palisades. Descend to and stroll along the river, and visit the historic, castle-like Women's Federation Monument. Carpooling from Route 119 in Tarrytown, and/or pickup at a Metro North station are available. To register, contact Debbie Farrell debfarpr@gmail.com, or (914) 282-9942.

Saturday, November 17

FDR State Park (Joint with WTA)

3.5 miles, easy. FDR is more than a picnic park. Join Walt and Jane Daniels for an afternoon hike to woodlands and wetlands made accessible by trails, boardwalks and bridges built by the Friends of FDR State Park in 2017. Meet at 2 p.m. at the back of the parking lot at Downing Park on Route 202 just east of the FDR Park entrance. Driving directions: From the Taconic Parkway take the Route 202 exit and head east towards Yorktown. Downing Park is 0.6 mile from the light at the northbound exit from the Taconic Parkway. Do not use the FDR park entrance. To register or for information, call (914) 471-5545 or email jdhikes@gmail.com.

Sunday, November 18
Bear Mountain (Joint with WTA)

7 miles, moderate plus. We will take about 1000 winding steps up to the summit on the Appalachian Trail with a return through woods and rocky sections on the 1777 and Suffern-Bear Mt. trails. A beautiful view from the top surrounding Perkins Tower--a historical museum. There is a parking fee of \$10/car without an Empire Passport. To register, call leader Jean Dolen at (914) 522-4310.

Sunday, November 18
Teatown Lake Reservation and Cliffdale Loops (Joint with WTA)

7 miles, easy to moderate. We'll walk along the east side of the lake, then through Griffin swamp and along the Cliffdale-Teatown trail to Cliffdale farm, continuing on the Cliffdale loop and Catamount hill trails, and returning via the southern shore of the lake. Bring lunch; optional stop at the cider mill after the hike. Meet in the main parking lot of the Nature Center. Parking fees may still apply so carpooling is encouraged. To register, e-mail the leader Sheila Sarkar at shechris6@gmail.com.



Saturday, November 24
West Mountain (Harriman Circuit Hike #23) (Joint with WTA)

6.45 miles, moderate to strenuous. This hike, with 1,810 feet of elevation gain, provides spectacular views of Bear Mountain, the Hudson River, and other peaks in Harriman Park. A moderate stretch through hardwood forests gives way to a strenuous climb followed by scenic vistas and interesting rock formations. To register, contact leader Kathie Laug, (203) 348-3993(H), (203) 722-5490(C).

Saturday, November 24
Leatherstocking Trail in Saxon Woods (Joint with WTA)

4-5 miles, easy. This area of Saxon Woods Park is east of the Hutchinson River Parkway. We will meet at the Weinberg Nature Center at 9:30 a.m. and walk east over a gently rolling trailway. Before coming to Old Post Road, we will return on the loop which passes the lake. A pleasant and peaceful hike. To register or for directions, email the leader Joe Rodriguez, jpr50@optonline.net or call (914) 364-8090.

Sunday, November 25
Hook Mountain (Joint with WTA)

6 miles, moderate. Spectacular views from the top of the Palisades. Starting near Rockland State Park (near the fire house), we will take the aqua-blazed Long Path south and do a counter-clockwise circular to the white Upper Nyack Trail, and then return along the shore. To register or for meeting information, contact leader Frank Lee at fleessa@yahoo.com.

Sunday, November 25
Turkey Mountain Preserve, Yorktown Heights (Joint with WTA)

3 miles, easy to moderate. (NWP). Walk off some of the Thanksgiving feast, thanking the turkeys, with one of the best viewpoints in Westchester. Meet at NWP at 9:30 a.m. To register or to meet at the trailhead, contact leader Carolyn Hoffman, earthwormch@aol.com, home (914) 948-0608, cell on day of hike only (914) 420-5778.