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OUR OBJECTIVES:

GROUP HIKING + TRAIL MAINTENANCE + OUTDOOR RECREATION

IMPORTANT NOTICE

DUES ARE DUE AND PAYABLE APRIL 1

HAVE YOUR DUES BEEN PAID? CHECK YOUR LABEL!

If the digits 10499 or 20499 appear above your name, your dues are payable now!

February 27 Saturday	8:00 AM	<u>Pine Grove Furnace S.P. to Lewis Rocks / Tumbling Run</u> E+/Bring lunch and water. Fast-paced loop hike in Michaux Forest with several steep climbs and descents. Leader: Tom Scully 774-7534 work, 671-8241 home	14 miles [75 miles hwy]
February 28 Sunday	10:00 AM	<u>Holly Preserve</u> B+/One long steep hill and down again. Bring lunch and water. Leaders: Bob Keyes, 763-7743 and Tom Coogan, 234-8296	6-7 miles [50 miles hwy]
March 3 Wednesday	9:00 AM	<u>Historic Downtown Lewisburg</u> A/Easy terrain, slow pace. Meet at Summerdale Plaza on the right side of McDonald's. Lunch at a local restaurant. Leader: Louise Sis, 774-0196	4-5 miles [130 miles hwy]
March 6		<u>Registration deadline</u> for March 20th Annual Banquet. See article for details.	
March 6 Saturday (shorter hike)	1:00 PM	<u>Wildwood Lake</u> A/Meet at the pavilion at the upper end of Wildwood Lake at Industrial Road. Bring snacks and water. Leader: Kris Kyler, 558-8417	4 miles [0 miles hwy]

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March 6 Saturday (longer hike)	9:00 AM	<u>Clark's Valley Circle Hike</u> D+/New trails, beautiful views. Bring lunch and water. Leader: Gail Guers, 232-0387 if no answer, 737-7675	12 miles [65 miles hwy]
March 7 Sunday	9:00 AM	<u>West of Goldmine Road</u> C+/One or two significant climbs. Loop hike. Bring lunch and water. Leaders: Ray Swingholm, 867-1638; Susanne Donmoyer, 545-5308	8 miles [50 miles hwy]
March 10 Wednesday	9:00 AM	<u>Appalachian Trail, Leidigh Drive to Ridge Road</u> C+/Hike the AT through the valley with one gentle uphill. Moderate pace. <i>Meet at the Boiling Springs Post Office across from the Mid-Atlantic A.T. Office on Route 174.</i> Bring lunch and water. Leader: Thyra Sperry, 258-5261	7.3 miles [0 miles hwy]
March 13 Saturday	1:00 PM	<u>Third Annual St. Patrick's Day Hike and Covered Dish</u> A/Bring a covered dish with something Irish or green in it (or bring something in a green dish) and <i>meet at Bonnie's (39 West Maple Avenue, Hershey)</i> for a short hike in the Hershey Area. We will hike first and eat at about 4:00 PM. <i>Directions: Route 422 to square in center of Hershey. Turn onto Cocoa Avenue (right turn if coming from Harrisburg). Go four blocks and turn right onto Maple. Brick house with yellow trim on right in middle of block, Irish flag out front</i> Leaders: Bonnie Booth, 533-3566 and Sylvia Miller, 533-5422	4-5 miles [0 miles hwy]
March 14 Sunday	9:00 AM	<u>Appalachian Trail Maintenance</u> Help maintain SATC's section of the AT. Winter blowdowns will be removed, blazes may be painted and more. Bring lunch, water and work gloves if you have them. Morning or full day option. Hiking mileage varies. Leaders: Jeff Buehler, 657-8281 and Will Webster, 838-9629	[30 miles hwy]
March 20 Saturday	5:30 PM	<u>SATC Annual Banquet and Election of Officers</u> See page 11 for more details.	
March 21 Sunday (shorter hike)	1:00 PM	<u>Stony Creek</u> B/An in-and-out hike over flat terrain. Bring snacks and water. Leader: Sally Huff, 737-8705	5-7 miles [30 miles hwy]
March 21 Sunday (longer hike)	8:00 AM	<u>Tuscarora Trail</u> C+/Hike section 8 of the Tuscarora Trail from PA 16 to the end of the yellow-blazed trail (PA 456). Terrain very rocky to very good. Bring lunch and water. Moderate pace. Leader: Thyra Sperry & Dick Martin, 258-5261 or hikethrya@aol.com	9 miles [100 miles hwy]
March 24 Wednesday	9:00 AM	<u>Shenk Park Trail and Road Loop Hike</u> C+/Meet at Bull Frog Valley Park, behind Hershey Medical Center. One climb, moderate terrain and pace. Bring snacks and water. Lunch at a local restaurant. Leader: John Stein, 533-3679	8 miles [0 miles hwy]
March 26-28 Friday - Sunday		<u>Keystone Trails Association Meeting and Hiking Weekend</u> Contact Clarence Fredlund, 564-1447, for more information about this event near Renovo in Clinton County, PA on the west branch of the Susquehanna River close to the Chuck Keiper and Donut Hole trails.	

March 27 Saturday	8:00 AM	<u>Pen Mar to Ridge Road</u> E+/Another "1% hike" on the Appalachian Trail. Fast pace with several good climbs. Bring lunch and water. Leader: John Lenahan, 737-7675	21 miles [120 miles hwy]
March 28 Sunday	9:00 AM	<u>Circle Hike around Pinchot Lake</u> C/Gentle terrain, moderate pace. Bring lunch and water. Leader: Jon Kohn, 612-9705	8.5 miles [50 miles hwy]
March 30 Tuesday	9:00 AM	<u>Greenbelt to Shipoke and Return</u> A/Bring water. Lunch at a local restaurant. <i>Meet at the East Mall, lamp post #1.</i> Leader: Susanne Donmoyer, 545-5308	5 miles [0 miles hwy]
March 30 Tuesday	7:30 PM	<u>Westward Ho! meeting</u> See article on page _ 9 _ for details.	
April 4 Easter Sunday	1:00 PM	<u>Wildwood Lake</u> A/Meet at Pavilion at upper end of Wildwood lake at Industrial Road for this leaderless hike. Group decides whether to hike clockwise or counterclockwise around the lake. Bring snacks and water.	4-6 miles [0 miles hwy]
April 7 Wednesday	9:00 AM	<u>History of Two Towns - Marietta and Elizabethtown</u> A/Meet at Harrisburg East Mall, Light Pole #1. Easy terrain, slow pace. Lunch at a local restaurant. Leader: Louise Sis, 774-0196	4 miles [50 miles hwy]
April 9 Friday	9:30 AM	<u>South Middleton Belt Loop</u> A/We'll thru-hike the newest trail through Boiling Springs and make a loop with roadwalks and the AT. Flat terrain. <i>Meet at the Boiling Springs Iron Furnace on Bucher Hill Road, just south of SR 174. Optional lunch stop.</i> Leader: Peter Fleszar, 249-9305 H, 237-2298 W or pfleszar@epix.net	5 miles [0 miles hwy]
April 10 (Saturday)	8:30 AM	<u>Shenk's Ferry and Kelly's Run</u> A/Enjoy the spring wildflowers at Shenk's Ferry. Bring your camera and/or binoculars. Following our wildflower walk, we'll do a short hike at Kelly's Run. Bring lunch and water. Leaders: Bonnie Booth, 533-3566 and Sally Huff, 737-8705	4-5 miles [70 miles hwy]
April 10 Saturday	9:00 AM	<u>Horse-Shoe Trail Maintenance</u> Meet at the Shell station at Routes 39 and I-81. Bring lunch, water and work gloves. Some tools provided. Can work all day or four hours. Leader: John Stein, 533-3679	[12 miles hwy]
April 11 Sunday	1:00 PM	<u>Installation of Officers -- Hawk Rock</u> B+ or D+/Bring snacks and water. One steep climb/descent. Optional: One group will continue on for a longer 9 mile hike. Leaders: Jane Greber, 766-1913 and Katie Jones, 249-6727	3-4 miles or 9 miles [30 miles hwy]

April 13 Tuesday	6:15 PM 7:30 PM	<u>Board Meeting</u> <u>Program Meeting for all Members and Guests.</u> Come, help plan your favorite hikes for the June-July- August quarter. Meet at the Senior Citizen's Center, 122 Geary St., New Cumberland, PA. <u>Program:</u> The American Chestnut Foundation will provide slides and information about the once abundant and important American Chestnut tree. The program will also cover the course of the Chestnut blight, potential solutions, and how hikers can help to save the tree.	
April 14 Wednesday	5:30 PM	<u>Preseason After-Work Hike</u> B+/Moderately paced hike from Whiskey Spring to White Rocks on the Appalachian Trail and the White Rocks Trail. Several climbs. Bring snacks and water. Licorice will be provided. Meet at White Rocks trailhead on Kuhn Road in Boiling Springs. Call leader if any questions. Leaders: Rob Shaw, 697-4618 ext. 233 or <rshaw@coltplumbing.com> and Barb Strock, 795-5627	4.3 miles [0 miles hwy]
April 17 Saturday	8:00 AM	<u>Bluffs and Glens of the Lower Susquehanna River</u> D+/Bring lunch and water. Fast paced hike on the Conestoga Trail in Lancaster County. Many steep climbs and descents (1,000'+ vertical). Rough terrain and stream crossings. Leader: Tom Scully, 774-7534 work or 671-8241 home	10 miles [125 miles hwy]
April 18 Sunday (shorter hike)	1:00 PM	<u>Kings Gap Hollow</u> B+/Two climbs, moderate terrain and pace. Bring snacks and water. Leader: Janet Eshleman, 774-1318	4-5 miles [60 miles hwy]
April 18 Sunday (longer hike)	9:00 AM	<u>Stony Valley - New Log Roads</u> D+/One climb, moderate terrain and pace. Bring lunch and water. Leader: John Stein, 533-3679	10 miles [30 miles hwy]
April 22 Thursday	9:00 AM	<u>Indiantown Gap Hike</u> A/Bring water. Lunch at a local restaurant. Meet at the K-Mart parking lot on route 22. Leader: Susanne Donmoyer, 545-5308	3-4 miles [30 miles hwy]
April 24 Saturday	7:45 AM 10:00 AM	<u>Mid State Trail - Southern Extension</u> E+/This will be the first group hike of a newly completed section of the Mid State Trail. Joint hike with other hiking clubs. The Trail section runs mostly on a narrow ridge between Everett, PA and Rt 326 (Buchanan State Forest) overlooking two beautiful valleys. Bring good hiking boots, plenty of water and lunch. Moderate pace. Hike takes 6-8 hours with car spotting. Optional dinner stop after hike. Meet at Fisher Plaza or Meet at the "Gateway" parking lot at PA Turnpike Exit #12. After exiting the Turnpike, "Gateway" is at the end of feeder road at Rt. 30 Breezewood. Hikers can also drive to Breezewood area Friday and stay the night in one of the many motels or camp overnight at Crest View, (814) 652-2427, Graceville Road, Breezewood. Leader: John Stein, 533-3679	14 miles [200 miles hwy] [40 miles hwy]

April 25 Sunday	1:00 PM	<u>Bluebell Hike</u> B+/Hike the Appalachian Trail from route 850 to the Scott Farm. Bring lunch and water. Includes two moderate climbs and one steep descent. Leaders: Frank Bohn, 234-5169 and Kris Kyler, 558-8417	6 miles [50 miles hwy]
May 1 Saturday	6:30 PM	<u>Full Moon Anniversary Hike – Stony Mountain Fire Tower</u> C+/Bring flashlight, water and hors d'oeuvres to share. Plan to stay awhile and watch the moon rise over the fire tower. One long, very strenuous climb. Moderate-fast pace. Leaders: Jane and Randy Greber, 766-1913	9 miles [30 miles hwy]
May 2 Sunday	9:00 AM	<u>Colonel Denning State Park - Flat Rock</u> D+/Two significant climbs and one stream crossing. Circle hike, moderate pace. Bring lunch and water. Leaders: Barb and Sam Harvey, 766-7868	9-10 miles [80 miles hwy]
May 7-9		<u>Mountains of Bedford County – Hiking and Camping Weekend</u> Come just for the hikes or camp Friday and/or Saturday nights. Call leader for directions and camping details.	
Friday	8:00 AM	B+/Hike Tussey Mountain Road in Martin Hill Wild Area of Buchanan State Forest, descending 800 feet. Bring lunch and water. <i>Call leader for Harrisburg meeting location.</i>	6 miles
Saturday	10:30 AM	C+/Evitts Mountain top hike. Great views of mountain ranges to the east and west. 1100' ascent/descent. Bring lunch and water. Optional: leave Harrisburg at 7:30 AM to meet camping group. <i>Call leader for Harrisburg meeting location.</i> Evening cookout.	7 miles
Sunday	9:30 AM	B/Evitts Mountain Road hike in Martin Hill Wild Area. Descend 1500 feet. Bring lunch and water. Leader: Krista Cessna, 671-1421 home, 534-5046 work	5 miles [290 miles hwy]
May 8 Saturday (longer hike)	7:30 AM	<u>Appalachian Trail: Bake Oven Knob to Eckville</u> E+/Bring lunch and water. Fast pace. Some rock scrambling. Leader: Tom Scully, 774-7534 work or 671-8241 home	18 miles [175 miles hwy]
May 8 Saturday (shorter hike)	8:00 AM	<u>Ricketts Glen - Waterfalls Galore</u> C+/Twenty-one waterfalls! Bring lunch and water. Rugged terrain, moderate pace. Optional restaurant stop after hike. <i>Meet at Summerdale Plaza at the right side of McDonald's.</i> Leaders: Louise Sis, 774-0196 and Janet Eshleman, 774-1318	7 miles [250 miles hwy]
May 9 Sunday	9:00 AM	<u>Trail Maintenance</u> Bring lunch, water and work gloves. Trail work will be determined by the leader. Leader: Jeff Buehler, 657-8281	[30 miles hwy]
May 11 Tuesday	9:00 AM	<u>Greenbelt to Reservoir park and Return</u> A/Bring water. Lunch at a local restaurant. <i>Meet at the East Mall, lamp post #1.</i> Leader: Susanne Donmoyer, 545-5308	5 miles [0 miles hwy]
May 12 Wednesday	9:00 AM	<u>New Horse Shoe Trail</u> A/Moderate terrain and pace. Bring snacks and water. Lunch at a local restaurant. <i>Meet at the Shell station at routes 39 and I-81.</i> Leader: John Stein, 533-3679	6 miles [4 miles hwy]

May 16 Sunday	9:00 AM	<u>Cunningham Falls State Park</u> C+/One long, moderate uphill. Bring lunch and water. Optional dinner stop. Leader: Bob Keyes, 763-7743	8-10 miles [120 miles hwy]
May 18 Tuesday	6:00 PM	<u>New Cumberland Ice Cream Hike</u> A/Bring water. Meet at 1481 Simpson Ferry Road, New Cumberland. Leader: Louise Sis, 774-0196	3 miles [0 miles hwy]
May 19 Wednesday	6:00 PM	<u>After Work Strenuous Hike -- Pole Steeple Circle Hike</u> C+/Meet at the furnace parking lot at Pine Grove Furnace State Park. Moderate to fast pace. One strenuous ascent and descent. Bring snacks and water. Leaders: Jane and Randy Greber, 766-1913	7 miles [0 miles hwy]
May 22 Saturday	8:00 AM	<u>Pole Steeple to Whiskey Spring</u> D+/Two climbs, rough terrain, moderate pace. Bring lunch and water. Leader: Jon Kohn, 612-9705	12 miles [80 miles hwy]
May 23 Sunday	1:00 PM	<u>Mt. Gretna Hike</u> C+/Bring snacks and water Leader: Bob Keyes, 763-7743	6-7 miles [50 miles hwy]
May 29-31		Memorial Day Weekend -- no hikes	
June 5 - 6		<u>National Trails Day Work Weekend</u> Join SATC members as we complete a short, more scenic relocation of the Appalachian on our section of the trail in honor of National Trails Day. We hope to have the trail open and dedicated by the end of the weekend. Bring lunch, water and work gloves.	
Saturday	9:00 AM	Leader: Jane Greber, 766-1913	[30 miles hwy]
Sunday	9:00 AM	Leader: Jeff Buehler, 657-8281	
July 25 Sunday		<u>SATC Annual Picnic</u> Put this <u>revised</u> date on your calendar. We've reserved a pavilion at Colonel Denning State Park, so we can look forward to good hiking and good food! More details in the next bulletin.	

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, all hikes leave from FISHER PLAZA
 (ENTRANCE TO THE STATE LIBRARY) behind the State Capitol Building.
 Should Fisher Plaza be closed, the alternate meeting site will be the parking island in front of the East Gate Office Center on 7th St. opposite the Herr St. underpass
 Five additional minutes will be allowed at the alternate site.

If you ride with someone, you should give the driver 4¢ times the highway mileage shown, to help defray the cost of gas.

NO PETS ALLOWED **CODES FOR THE HIKES ARE SHOWN ON PAGE 12**

FROM THE PRESIDENT

TRAIL MAINTENANCE WORKSHOPS

ATC is offering the following trail skills training workshops in 1999. If you are interested, contact John Wright, ATC., Boiling Springs, PA, (717) 258-5771. All classes listed will be held at the Scott Farm.

Chain Saw Certification May 1 & 2, Nov. 6 & 7
Winch Techniques Jun. 12 & 13
Basic Trail Maintenance Apr. 11, Apr. 25
Rock Work Sep. 11 & 12
Wilderness First Aid Certification Cost \$90.00
May 22 & 23,

The S.A.T.C. Board is considering partial sponsorship for active members wishing to take the Wilderness First Aid Certification workshop. We feel that it is important to have hike leaders trained in first aid. If you are interested in this workshop, contact an S.A.T.C. Board member, as well as John Wright.

S.A.T.C. WEBSITE

New member Steve Roy has generously offered to assist S.A.T.C. with our very own website. A committee composed of Steve, Will Webster, Pat Kline, and Dick Martin has been formed to work on this project. If you have suggestions call one of the Committee members. The website may be available as early as April.

Hike Leaders: If you feel uncomfortable about posting your phone number on the web, please let a board or committee member know. Also, if possible, provide an E-mail address when signing up for hikes.

ATC MID-ATLANTIC TRAIL CREW

The Mid-Atlantic Trail Crew was here October 22--26 to assist S.A.T.C. with its trail to the spring. There were twelve people working with the crew led by Joshua Adams and Cynthia Cortwell.

132 new rock steps were added this year, bringing the step total to 275. The trail is now finished after a three year effort. S.A.T.C. members donated a total of 117 hours of their time to assist the crew. On Sunday, while they were here, S.A.T.C. treated the crew to a picnic of subs and other goodies brought up the mountain by club members.

While the crew was here, S.A.T.C. also worked on the Peters Mountain AT relocation project. Over 200 hours of volunteer labor has been donated toward this effort by Club members and Messiah College and Dickinson College Outdoor Groups. This section will likely be opened in June, following some additional cosmetic work and rock work.

Jeff Buehler reported a total of 607.5 hours of volunteer work to ATC for the fiscal year of Oct. 1, 1997 through Sep. 30, 1998. These hours were accomplished by 27 individuals and included trail maintenance, trail monitoring, meetings, and the Local Management Plan.

**KUDOS TO S.A.T.C. MEMBERS!
KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!**

1999 MEETING SCHEDULE

The 1999 Quarterly Meeting Schedule area as follows:

January 12

April 13

July 6 *** This was changed to the first Tuesday to avoid conflict with the ATC Conference.

October 12

Happy Hiking! Hope to see you at a meeting, social function or a hike!!

Jane Greber
President

Article for Bushwack Bulletin March April May issue 1999

With the support of the Board of Directors, Past President, Thyra Sperry has formed a committee to review the Constitution and By-Laws. The following article describes the issues which prompted the review. Jane Greber, President

Proposed Revision of SATC Constitution and By-laws

The project of revising the SATC Constitution and By-Laws began due to many comments received from prospective hiking club members. Prospective members are required to acquire the signature of a sponsor when they submit their application for membership. Many people think this is discriminatory. They feel this is a method we are using to restrict or exclude membership to people of various races and ethnic backgrounds. To eliminate this impression, this requirement should be dropped.

The idea of needing a sponsor to join SATC is not a valid one as we have no specific or general criteria for club membership. I approached the Board of Directors to suggest eliminating the sponsor signature requirement from the application. The entire membership would have to receive a ballot and vote on this issue, according to our present By-Laws. By-Law changes require a majority of those voting, provided at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the membership of record vote.

The way the Constitution is written requires that each club member receive a copy of the proposed amendment. Two-thirds (67%) of those voting—provided twenty-five percent (25) of the membership of record have voted—shall be required for final approval of the proposed amendment.

Designed for a small club, the amendment process outlined in our present Constitution and By-Laws is unwieldy for a club this large. Our membership fluctuates each year from approximately 550 -600 members.

As I read the Constitution and the By-Laws, I began updating some Articles and By-laws for content and language.

I sent a letter to the Board of Directors and Committee members outlining my reasons for the revision project on November 24, 1998. I distributed copies of my first draft of the Constitution and the By-laws to Board members and other interested members.

A Revisions committee composed of SATC members, Frank Bohn, Shirley Bottiglia, Jeff Buehler, Krista Cessna, Carl Donmoyer, Sam Harvey, Bob Keyes, Carol Mayer, Thyra Sperry and John Stein is meeting to discuss proposed changes in the constitution and by-laws.

We welcome and ask for ideas from our membership at large. Please request a free copy of the Constitution and by-laws from anyone on the Board of Directors or Committee Chairs (listed on the back page of the Bushwack Bulletin). Please submit your comments to any member of the Revisions Committee by April 2, 1999.

The **June -July- August** issue of the Bushwack Bulletin will include the proposed revised constitution and by-laws. A ballot will also be included and must be returned by June 30.

Thyra C. Sperry, Past President 258 5261 or < hikethyra@aol.com >

The BULLETIN BOARD

Summer 1999 - Westward HO!

If you are interested in spending two weeks in the west this summer, attend the planning session at my house at 7:30 PM on **March 30, 1999**, 415 Hopi Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA (717-612-7905). The trip is tentatively scheduled for July 24 to August 7. We will discuss possible itineraries and arrangements which include central Idaho (Sawtooth Mountains) and Montana (Beartooth Wilderness and Bob Marshall Wilderness)

Participants should be strong hikers who are interested in both day hiking from remote campgrounds and moderate backpacking trips (3-4 days). Feel free to call me for more details before the meeting or for directions

Jon Kohn

September 1999 - Backpacking Out West

Plans are now being made for a 3--4 week hiking/backpacking trip in September 1999. The Wind River Range in Wyoming, the Bob Marshall Wilderness in Montana and the Continental Divide are some of the ideas. Because these trails are so remote and difficult, this trip is for experienced backpackers only who have spent considerable time in harsh environments. Hikers must have all necessary equipment

There will be a planning meeting. Call or e-mail John Stein for information:
102544.627@CompuServe.com or (717) 533-3679

FARM SHOW KUDOS

Twenty-eight S.A.T.C. members manned the Keystone Trails Association exhibit at the Pennsylvania State Farm Show from Sat. Jan. 9 through Wed. Jan 13. A resounding success, the public was most interested in the PA map of hiking trails across the commonwealth. A close tie was their interest in the Web address. We had KTA newsletters, KTA information sheets, lists of hiking clubs, list of hiking trails with available maps and guides and a KTA membership application. Many of the public that I spoke with were very interested in the trail closest to their home -- they have some fond memories and they were interested in getting information about other trails.

We just about ran out of materials every day, and the S.A.T.C. members rose to the occasion and were able to make more copies. They saved the day! Carl Lorence made it all possible!

Our thanks to S.A.T.C. members:

Frank Bohn	Katie Jones	Thyra Sperry
Bonnie Booth	Pat Kline	John Stein
Shirley Bottiglia	Kris Kyler	Gail Stoner
Ken DeMartyn	Carl Lorence	Ray Swingholm
Melanie DeMartyn	Dick Martin	Mary Walsh
Clarence Fredlund	Bill Mayer	Phil Walsh
Jane Greber	Carol Mayer	Jane Webster
Randy Greber	Sylvia Miller	Will Webster
Sally Huff	Louise Sis	Mary Young
Ed Huffner	Richard Sis	

And, our special thanks to Carl and Thyra for making it happen!

The Keystone Trails Association.

EDITOR'S NOTE

This is just the kind of exposure the Keystone Trails Association needs. Let's see more of it. But let's not stop there. We need to mend our political fences, and get closer with some of our Legislators, both in the House and the Senate, so that at least some participate when the sporting element want to abuse the trails, we work so hard to construct.

**WE REGRET TO REPORT
THE DEATH OF
LONG TIME MEMBER**

ROBERT TUCKEY

**Our deepest sympathies
to his wife Kathryn
who was his hiking
companion as well
as his loving wife.**

REPORT OF THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS is held at the Annual Dinner Meeting. The Annual Dinner Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 20, 1999, this year. See announcement in this issue of the BUSHWACK BULLETIN.

The BY-LAWS of the Club provide for the election as follows:

BY-LAW - ELECTION AND QUALIFICATION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS:

Section 1 **NOMINATIONS:** The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee, which shall be chaired by a non-officer member of the Board of Directors, not later than sixty (60) days before the next succeeding Annual Meeting. The Nominating Committee shall notify all Club Members at least thirty (30) days before the Annual Meeting of the nominated persons. The Nominating Committee is limited to one nomination for each office and non-officer directorship. Additional nominations, which are reserved to the membership at large, may be submitted in writing to the Nominating Committee, until one week prior to the Annual Meeting. No nominations are to be made nor accepted from the floor at the Annual Meeting.

Section 2 **ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND NON-OFFICER DIRECTORS:** Election shall be at the Annual Meeting. If there are more than one nominee for any office or non-officer directorship, the elections shall be by secret ballot and by plurality vote.

Section 3 **TERM OF OFFICE:** Officers shall be elected annually, but the President and Vice President shall in no event serve more than two consecutive terms in their respective offices. The Secretary and Treasurer may serve successive one year terms without limitation. Non-officer members of the Board of Directors shall be elected to serve a two year term, but they shall in no event serve more than two consecutive elected terms.

In accordance with the Constitution and By-laws of the SUSQUEHANNA APPALACHIAN TRAIL CLUB, the Nominating Committee, appointed by the President, submits the following slate of officers for your consideration for the coming year:

President:	Kathryn H. Jones
Vice President:	Barbara Harvey
Secretary:	Richard A. Martin
Treasurer:	Clarence V. Fredlund

Board Members: (For 2 Year Term)	Rob Shaw Will Webster
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In accord with the by-laws, any member desiring to submit additional nominations, may do so by submitting the nomination in writing to any member of the Nominating Committee, so as to reach the member of the Committee by Saturday, March 13, 1999.

Bonnie Booth, Chair
39 W Maple Ave
Hershey PA 17033-1456

Richard Martin
740 Oak Dr.
Boiling Springs PA 17007-4413

Jane M Webster
522 E Maple St.
Palmyra PA 17078-2618

Will Webster
522 E Maple St.
Palmyra PA 17078-2618

DEADLINES FOR THE NEXT BUSHWACK BULLETIN

ARTICLES	Apr. 18, 1999
HIKE SCHEDULE:	Apr. 26, 1999

Apr. 26th is the absolute deadline, beyond which no articles can be accepted. Once the Bulletin is set up, it is too much work to go back, make revisions and have to spend hours redoing the setup, still be able to meet our tight schedule.

The next issue of the BUSHWACK BULLETIN is scheduled to arrive about May 28, 1999. Should you fail to receive your copy by May 31, call Clarence Fredlund, 564-1447.

ANNUAL BANQUET & ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- WHEN:** Saturday, March 20, 1999
- WHERE:** Elizabethtown College,
- SOCIAL HOUR:** 5:30 PM
DINNER: 6:00 PM
- DEADLINE:** Reservations should be made, no later than March 13, 1999
- PROGRAM:** REHABITAT will give us an informative slide show on caring for injured and orphaned birds of prey, along with, hopefully, some live birds.

REHABITAT, located in Dillsburg, PA., is an organization that is licensed by the Pennsylvania Game Commission and the U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service to rehabilitate injured birds of prey. An average of 25 hawks, owls and raptors are cared for daily at Rehabitat.

Send your reservations with a check for \$12.00 per person to:

Clarence R. Fredlund
7901 Chambers Hill Rd
Harrisburg PA 17111-5409

DIRECTIONS FROM HARRISBURG TO ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE

Take Route 283 east to Elizabethtown-Hershey exit (Route 743). Right at exit onto Route 743 into Elizabethtown. At light turn left onto Market Street. Go through 3 more lights. After the 3rd light, stay to left and turn left onto College Avenue.

Go two blocks and turn right onto Mt. Joy Street. Go three blocks and turn left onto Cedar (See Church of the Brethren on the right). Park in the church parking lot in the spaces furthest away from the church. The College Myer Dining Hall (Susquehanna Room) is directly across the street on Cedar. You will see the entrance from the parking lot.

NEW MEMBERS

Please join us in welcoming these new members:

NAME	ADDRESS	POST OFFICE
Eric Anderson Jennifer A Bennett Mary & Michael Borocz Carrie Brocius Kathleen Conrey		Harrisburg PA 17112-2874 Harrisburg PA 17103-1973 Lewisberry PA 17339-9410 Camp Hill PA 17011-8026 Harrisburg PA 17102-2047
Jennifer Crandall Chistoper Edmonds William A Esmond Sonja Fisher Erika D Geserer		Harrisburg PA 17110-1303 Harrisburg PA 17109-5492 Camp Hill PA 17011-2530 Harrisburg PA 17111-6809 Harrisburg PA 17111-4762
Christina & David Greninger Patricia A & Chris Harhi Vickie Hauser Jonathan Heilman Chet Hemmerle		Harrisburg PA 17112-1209 Mechanicsburg PA 17055-3510 Harrisburg PA 17110-3225 Hummelstown PA 17036-9526 Emmaus PA 18049-1719
Mark W Killinger Charles T Kumpas Ellen M Lyon Roni Mullen Robert C Peterman		Harrisburg PA 17106-1111 Hummelstown PA 17036-9746 Mechanicsburg PA 17055-3079 Harrisburg PA 17111 Hummelstown PA 17036-7424
David Raup Stacy Schwalm Richard Seeds Lynne Sheppard Marie Stape		Mechanicsburg PA 17055-4614 Annville PA 17003-9577 Mechanicburg PA 17055-3621 Shippensburg PA 17257-2136 Harrisburg PA 17110-3477
Betty S Staub Sandra L Strauss Sue Z Unger Jodie L Webb Brenda Wick		Carlisle PA 17013-9119 Harrisburg PA 17110-2305 Lewisberry PA 17339-8900 Mechanicsburg PA 17055-4614 Harrisburg PA 17110-1016
Carol Worley Christopher J Ziegler Michael T Zimmerman		Elizabethtown PA 17022-1429 Harrisburg PA 17112-1426 Highspire PA 17034-1120

CODES FOR THE HIKES

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| <p>A - Easy</p> <p>B - Fairly Easy</p> <p>B+ - Moderate</p> <p>C - Fairly moderate</p> <p>C+ - Strenuous</p> <p>D - More strenuous</p> <p>D+ - Very strenuous</p> <p>E - Difficult</p> <p>E+ - Very difficult</p> | <p>- Hikes of up to six miles with very little hill climbing [Excellent for beginners.]</p> <p>- Hikes of up to six miles with some climbing. [Good for beginners.]</p> <p>- Hikes of up to six miles with more difficult climbs.</p> <p>- Hikes of 7 to 9 miles with very little climbing.</p> <p>- Hikes of 7 to 9 miles with several significant Climbs</p> <p>- Hikes of 10 to 12 miles with very little climbing.</p> <p>- Hikes of 10 to 12 miles with several significant climbs.</p> <p>- Hikes of over 12 miles.</p> <p>- Hikes of over 12 miles on very rugged terrain.</p> |
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In addition the leaders should describe the pace and footing, where this is essential, such as: "Easy with moderate or fast pace;" or "Easy with nature stops;" or "Good footpath;" or "Rocky and rough;" etc.

SMOKING GUIDE LINES

The S.A.T.C. prefers that hikers refrain from the use of tobacco products during club activities.

Smokers are responsible for damage to the forests.

Pack out all waste materials.