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Miami Valley Outdoor Club

November, 2014

Tuesday November 4, 2014

7:00 p.m. Guest Speaker – Andy Niekamp

Denver to Durango –A 500 Mile Hike on the Colorado Trail



Take a 500 mile journey from Denver to Durango on the Colorado Trail through the beautiful Rocky Mountains with photos and narration as Andy Niekamp recounts his epic 2013 summer hike. The Colorado Trail is Colorado's premier long distance trail and travels through the spectacular Rocky Mountains amongst peaks with lakes, creeks and diverse ecosystems. It traverses six wilderness areas and eight mountain ranges topping out at 13,271 feet. The average elevation is over 10,000 feet and it rises and falls dramatically. Learn how Andy endured sun, heat, rain, wind, hail and snow to complete this six week hike. This program is free and open to the public with light refreshments. Guest speakers begin their presentation at shortly after 7:00 p.m.

Wegerzyn Gardens Metropark
1301 Siebenthaler Ave.
Dayton, Ohio 45414

Because it's election night, we'll be in the classroom down the hall, not the main auditorium.

Are You Interested In Giving A Presentation At An MVOC Meeting? Any relevant outdoor related presentation is welcome. If you are interested please contact [Tom Schommer](mailto:tschommer@sbcglobal.net). tschommer@sbcglobal.net

November Pick-a-Park Hueston Woods Trip

You're invited to join MVOC members the weekend of November 14-16 at Hueston Woods State Park near Oxford, Ohio. Patty has already reserved a cabin but there may be others available, as well as tent sites and lodge rooms. Hiking trails, bonfires, swimming (in the lodge pool), horseback riding and other activities await the fearless late fall camper. O yes, and fishing on Acton Lake. Weather permitting, some members will bring their kayaks and bicycles. If you're not interested in cooking, the lodge has a dining room which features breakfast, lunch and dinner at reasonable prices.

You can check availability and reserve a space either on line (<http://parks.ohiodnr.gov/huestonwoods#reserve>) or call the reservations center at 1-888-711-4725.

Fast Hikes at Taylorsville,

Tuesdays at 4:30, November 4, 11, 18, 25

Join members of MVOC for a Tuesday hike at [Taylorsville MetroPark](#), 2101 U.S. 40, Vandalia. Various members will take turns leading a FAST-paced hike through hilly wooded terrain and along the Great Miami River, beginning promptly at 4:30 at a pace around 4 miles an hour. Meet at the parking lot near the CCC shelter off Route 40. This is a conditioning hike, fast moving and not suitable for inexperienced hikers looking for a stroll in the park.

Note: Because of the time change, the second loop (about 5:40), at a slightly slower pace, may or may not happen, depending on darkness.

You can send email to all members of the MVOC easily. Just address your email to members@miamivalleyoutdoorclub.org and all club members will see your message.

Don't forget the annual December festivities

The December MVOC meeting will feature the annual carry-in, auction and elections. Bring your unwanted, slightly-used outdoor gear, a bunch of money, a dish to share and your appetite. More info next month.

Speaking of elections.....

Club elections will be held at the December meeting and we are in need of candidates. If you are interested in being part of the leadership team, please contact Jim Nies @ 275-9614 or any of the other members listed on the back page. Also, if we should happen to call to recruit, please consider answering.



The October Buckeye Trail maintenance crew from MVOC

MVOC Buckeye Trail Maintenance

On Sunday, October 19, seven MVOC members spent a few hours trimming grass and brush, straightening fences, painting signs and enjoying the GREAT fall weather. This marks the third time this year members have done trail maintenance on the club's section of the Buckeye Trail near Johnston Farm near Piqua.

There is talk of doing some section hiking on the trail, perhaps starting before the end of the year. Stay tuned.



Jen Davis straightens a fence.



Tuesday night hike anniversary

Once again, the Tuesday night hikers—and others—celebrated the anniversary of that hike, this time its fifth. For the past five years, someone in the club has hiked the Taylorsville Orange and Yellow trails every Tuesday evening, come rain or shine, snow or sleet, heat or cold (although lightning one evening sent us off pretty quickly.) 15 members and guests hiked, then roasted hot dogs and shared carry-in dishes, including some great desserts.

MOX winners

At the Metroparks annual October Midwest Outdoor Experience, the club came in second in the membership drive. 26 new and re-joining members made that happen. We didn't win a prize for that, but did collect a raffle prize of a certificate for a Buffalo Wild Wings wings party. In addition, member John Isreal's ticket was pulled from the hat so he won a \$75 gift basket full of outdoor-related goodies.



John Isreal with his raffle winnings.



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Membership Form

Miami Valley Outdoor Club Membership/Waiver Form

Renewing dues are the full year's amount: singles \$16 / families \$24 regardless of date of renewal.

Renewing members must fill out membership/waiver form every year. Both spouses/partners in a family must sign. Write additional family members on back of form.

New members please mark time-frame you are joining: ____ Jan. thru Mar. - singles \$16 / families \$24

____ April thru June - singles \$12 / families \$18 ____ July thru Sept. - singles \$8 / families \$12

____ Oct. and after - full-year membership dues (\$16 or \$24) will include the remainder of the current year and the entire following year.

***Circle one:** (Include) (Do not include) my name and information on the annual roster sent to all MVOC members.

Name _____ I'd like to join ____ I'd like to renew ____

Address _____ I'd like more information ____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone # _____

Email Address _____ Amount enclosed \$ _____

I hereby declare that I am at least 18 years of age and agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Miami Valley Outdoor Club. I do hereby relieve the Miami Valley Outdoor Club and/or its officers and members from all responsibility and liability regarding any loss, injury, or accidents incurred at, or related to, any club activity or function.

Signature _____ Date _____

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