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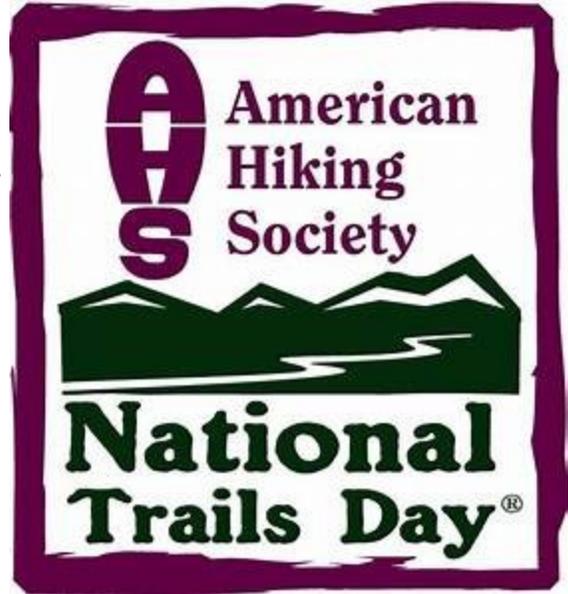
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## National Trails Day in Victor

Saturday, June 5, 1993 was the first American Hiking Society National Trails Day®. On Saturday, June 5, 1995, Victor Hiking Trails participated in a National Trails Day hike in Victor with Crescent Trails of Perinton for a sneak peak on our new Auburn Trail. Every year since then VHT has hosted a day of hikes in Victor, showcasing our new trails and trail improvements. We have always done this on the first Saturday of June. Until this year.



On SUNDAY, June 2, 2019 we will celebrate the 27th annual National Trails Day with hikes in Victor, starting at 8:30 A.M. with a continental breakfast at the Victor Parks and Recreation facility, 7891 Lehigh Crossing Rd., off Wangum Rd.

Beginning at 9:00 A.M., we will traverse about 3 miles of the trails in Fishers Park, returning to our starting point around 10:30 A.M. for snacks and drinks.

At 10:45 A.M. we will take a hike on the Lehigh Valley Trail heading west to the Domine Trails and the Auburn Trails and return to headquarters around noon for pizza and drinks, followed by a drawing for door prizes. And everything is free.

At 1:00 P.M. the last hike will head east on the Lehigh Valley Trail to Lehigh Crossing Park and the nearby trails. This will be a longer hike of approximately five miles. Everyone should be back by 3:30 P.M.

All participants who complete all three hikes will receive a free one-year membership to Victor Hiking Trails.

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**VHT MONTHLY HIKES FOR 2019**

Apr 13, 9 AM Ganondagan State Historic Site  
 April 20, 6 PM Educational Hike, Ionia Astronomy Observatory  
 April 27, 10 AM Arbor Day in the Village, Rothbury Circle  
 May 11, 9 AM Bentley Woods and Domine Trails  
 June 2, 8:30 AM National Trails Day Hikes, Victor Recreation Ctr.  
 June 8, 9:30 AM Outdoor Expo at Mendon Ponds  
 July 13, 9 AM Wesley Hill Nature Preserve  
 July 21, 2 PM Educational Hike, Butterflies at Ganondagan  
 Aug 10, 9 AM Grimes Glen and Tanner Falls, Naples  
 Aug 31, 5:30 PM Bare Hill Ring of Fire, Middlesex  
 Sep 7, 11 AM Hang Around Victor  
 Sep 14, 9 AM Fillmore Glen State Park  
 Sep 29 8 AM Challenge Hike  
 Oct 12, 9 AM Finger Lakes Trail, Bristol Hills Branch  
 Nov 9, 9 AM Powder Mills Park  
 Dec 14, 9 AM Fishers Park

Note: Please check the message line at 585-234-8226 for details and last minutes updates. Also, if you join Meetup/ Victor-Hiking-Trails, you will get notifications of hikes and other events, reminders if you are signed up for a hike and last minute changes.

All hikes meet at Victor Town Hall rear parking lot, 85 East Main Street, at 9:00 A.M. unless otherwise noted. Most hikes are relatively easy and take 2-3 hours. Always bring a snack and something to drink. Dress for the weather. We rarely cancel due to inclement weather.

We usually carpool to the trailhead. Expect to share the cost of gas with the driver. If you have any questions regarding any of the hikes, or if you have suggestions for places to hike, please leave a message at the VHT Message Line, 585-234-8226.

Again this year we have scheduled several hikes in Victor or the surrounding communities. We are also leading shorter and easier hikes to encourage families and younger hikers to join us. Based on the success of past years we will again be adding an educational element to some of the hikes.

We only hike as fast as the slowest hikers, so don't worry about not keeping up. If we need to split into more than one group, that is not a problem. **Come enjoy the fun.**

**NOTE:** There are several hiking Meetup groups in our area that schedule hikes in Victor. If you like to hike, join those Meetup groups as well.

## Past Hikes

**January 12– Harriet Hollister Spencer State Recreation Center.** 14 people participated, including a small group of avid hikers from Naples. The hike was 4.5 miles long and there was a light covering of snow.



**February 21– Mendon Ponds Park.** Only two people attended as it was quite cold and windy.

**February 21– Victor Winterfest.** There was a family of 4 plus 4 others that attended the hike. The hike was 1.75 miles long starting from the Victor Recreation Center and traversing the trails in Fishers Park.

**March 21– Crescent Trail, Indian Hills.** 14 hikers enjoyed a beautiful morning hiking the trails in Perinton. They covered 5 miles in about 2 hours. More pictures can be seen on our VHT Meetup page.



## Trail Maintenance Schedule

Day	Time	Trail	Section
Saturday, April 13, 2019	9:00 AM	Monthly Hike	Ganondagan Hike
Friday, April 19, 2019	7:30 AM	Trail Sweep	Any and all trails sweep weekend - check out the trails and report back to see what needs to be done
Saturday, April 20, 2019	7:30 AM	Trail Sweep	Any and all trails sweep weekend - check out the trails and report back to see what needs to be done
Saturday, April 20, 2019	7:30 AM	Maint: Seneca	Clean up the northern section of the Seneca Trail
Sunday, April 21, 2019	7:30 AM	Trail Sweep	Any and all trails sweep weekend - check out the trails and report back to see what needs to be done
Monday, April 22, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Polidori	New Trail - north of Valentown and Monkey Run
Saturday, April 27, 2019	10:00 AM	Event: Arbor Day	Rothbury - Plant Trees
Monday, April 29, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Seneca	Judson/Duval - Cherry St to Apple Farm & Boughton Park
Wednesday, May 01, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Seneca	Ganondagan - Boughton Rd (CR 41) thru the Apple Farm
Monday, May 06, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Seneca	Ganondagan - Dryer Rd to School St
Wednesday, May 08, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Seneca	Fishers Ridge - Willowbrook to Rt 96
Friday, May 10, 2019	7:30 AM	Maint: Auburn	Break-of Day to East Victor Rd
Saturday, May 11, 2019	9:00 AM	Monthly Hike	Bentley's Woods and Domine Trails
Monday, May 13, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Seneca	Behind Plazas - High Street to Willowbrook
Wednesday, May 15, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Seneca	High Point - County Line to High St
Friday, May 17, 2019	7:30 AM	Maint: Polidori	New Trail - north of Valentown and Monkey Run
Monday, May 20, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Trolley	Lehigh Crossing Park, Omnitech & West from Rte 251
Wednesday, May 22, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Trolley	Trolley Trail - East from Rte 251 & Seneca to woods
Friday, May 24, 2019	7:30 AM	Maint: Mixed	Domine , Fishers Landing and FLCC Trails
Monday, May 27, 2019	5:30 PM	Holiday	
Wednesday, May 29, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Fishers Park	Fishers Park all trails including connecting trail to Lehigh
Friday, May 31, 2019	7:30 AM	TBD	Prep for National Trails Day?
Saturday, June 01, 2019	7:30 AM	TBD	Prep for National Trails Day?
Sunday, June 02, 2019	7:30 AM	National Trails Day	Victor Parks & Rec Center
Monday, June 03, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Monkey	Monkey Run all trails - come in gas line road
Wednesday, June 05, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Dryer	Dryer Rd Park to Carington Way & Warders Cove to Rte 251
Saturday, June 08, 2019	8:00 AM	Event: ADK Expo	Booth and lead hike at 10:30 AM
Saturday, June 08, 2019	10:30 AM	Monthly Hike	Part of ADK Expo
Monday, June 10, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Mixed	100 Acre & Blue Bird Sanctuary
Wednesday, June 12, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Seneca	Judson - Cherry St to Apple Farm
Monday, June 17, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Seneca	Duval - Cherry St to Boughton Park
Wednesday, June 19, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Seneca	Ganondagan - Boughton Rd (CR 41) thru the Apple Farm
Monday, June 24, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Seneca	Ganondagan - Dryer Rd to School St
Wednesday, June 26, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Seneca	Fishers Ridge - Willowbrook to Rt 96
Monday, July 01, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Polidori	New Trail - north of Valentown and Monkey Run
Wednesday, July 03, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Auburn	Break-of Day to East Victor Rd
Monday, July 08, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Seneca	Behind Plazas - High Street to Willowbrook
Wednesday, July 10, 2019	5:30 PM	Maint: Seneca	High Point - County Line to High St
Saturday, July 13, 2019	8:00 AM	Monthly Hike	Wesley Hill Preserve

Start Location Description	Start Location
Meet in main parking area - 7000 CR 41	42.961497,-77.415993
Meet to the west side of Bed Bath & Beyond	43.034145,-77.442726
Park on Valentown across from the gas line access road	43.027510,-77.409690 42.978184,-77.418900
Trailhead past the barns on Cherry Street	42.943960,-77.421942
South of CR 41 just west of School St	42.961268,-77.425314
Trailhead RG&E substation on Dryer Rd	42.974362,-77.412801
Fishers Ridge sign on Willowbrook just east of Rowley Rd	43.006161,-77.436962
Meet at Break-of-Day Parking area	42.968806,-77.384306
Meet behind Fishers Fire House 1 - 7853 Main St Fishers	43.008668,-77.467504
Trailhead south end of Victor Crossing Plaza (Goodwill)	43.020055,-77.438873
Follow High Point Drive to top of the hill and west side of parking area	43.030133,-77.435675
Park on Valentown across from the gas line access road	43.027510,-77.409690
Lehigh Crossing Park parking area off Rte 251 about 1/4 south of Rte 96	42.995345,-77.437049
Trailhead on Rte 251 just north of the Auburn Trail	42.992944,-77.436640
Lehigh Trailhead where it crosses Wangum Rd	43.001685,-77.469685
Trailhead Main Street Fishers parking area	43.009453,-77.473462
7891 Lehigh Crossing, Victor, NY 14564	43.003225,-77.473090
Trailhead on Valentine Rd	43.024455,-77.409797
Park in NE corner of the Dryer Road Park parking area	42.972664,-77.439911
Beach Parking area - Mendon Ponds Park	43.029110,-77.558362
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Trailhead South end of Yale Court then move to other locations	43.008044,-77.418680
Trailhead past the barns on Cherry Street	42.943960,-77.421942
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Metal Barns south of CR 41 just west of School St	42.960211,-77.425160
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Follow High Point Drive to top of the hill and west side of parking area	43.030133,-77.435675
Meet Behind the Town Hall and carpool	42.982914,-77.407882



Chauncy Young, our VHT Trail Boss, commissioned Mobile Graphics of Victor to dress up his new truck and help remind everyone who sees it to enjoy the great multi-use system of trails that we have in Victor.

## Educational Hikes

As noted on our schedule on page 2, we are sponsoring two educational hikes this year. The first one will be on Saturday, April 20 at the Max Farash Center for Observational Astronomy, located at 8355 County Road 14, Ionia, NY. We are limited to 30 participants. Hikers will meet at 6:00 P.M. for a short walk on the trails. Dinner will be provided. Around 7:30 P.M. a tour of the facilities will be offered. As the sun sets there will hopefully be a chance to observe the night sky.

The second educational hike will be on Sunday, July 21. Meet at 2:00 P.M. at the Ganondagan State Historic Site parking lot at 7000 Boughton Hill Road. Michael Thomas, radio host of "Discover the Finger Lakes" on WYSL (AM 1040 / FM 92.1 / FM 95.5), will lead the hikers on an observational walk looking for butterflies.

## ADK-GVC Outdoor Expo

If you want to learn about an outdoor sport or activity, come to Mendon Ponds 100 Acre Pond parking area. There will be water activities like canoeing and kayaking. There will be hiking groups like VHT, backpacking groups like ADK, astronomy, geology, and biking. There will be several hikes in the park, including a VHT hike at 10:30 A.M. There will be seminars on subjects like how to pack for a weekend campout, how to fix a flat tire on your bike and how to take great pictures with your phone.

Stop by our VHT table for information on our hikes and how you can help us grow.

## Twisted Branch 100K Trail Run

VHT will again be manning the first station on this challenging race. More details will be available in the next issue. Stay tuned.

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