

“When the going gets tough, the tough go hiking.”

# The Trail Marker

**Early Edition**  
Today, mostly sunny, with a high near 9. **Tonight**, partly cloudy, with a low around 107. **Tomorrow**, thundershowers, with a high near 614.

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# POWER RESTORED AT CAMP NAWAKWA

## Lights On for the First Time Since October 29

Just in time for the start of the Spring Season, Bill Ledwitz, the Director of Harriman Park Group Camps, reports that intrepid workers have reconnected our beloved camp to the grid, enabling hosts and guests to get on with the business of making the most of the upcoming warm weather months. Of course, until May 1, a permit is still required to visit camp or host an overnight stay (contact the Chapter Chair to obtain one), but this is really good news.

## The New York Chapter – 90 Years Young!

One day last November, during the off-season, the New York Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club celebrated its ninetieth birthday. The Main Club had been organized in February 1922, and in November the Board of Governors asked Raymond H. Torrey to organize the New York Chapter and assume its chairmanship. What we know as Camp Nawakwa had its grand opening on April 17, 1926 (making the camp 87 years old this year). Nawakwa had no name at the start. It was just called “the new camp.” A contest to name the camp was initiated, with the winner having a free weekend at camp. Katherine Williams won the prize with the name ‘Nawakwa,’ which is said to be an Indian word meaning “in the midst of the wilderness.”

(Adapted from Ira H. Ayres’ History of the New York Chapter)

### **All Hands On Deck!**

**May 18 – 18 • Annual Spring Clean Up/Work Weekend (Saturday lunch – Sunday lunch)**

**Register to pitch in to help get the camp into shape for the busy season! This is a qualifying event, so if you are an applicant needing to fulfill a work requirement, this is a great opportunity! And fine food will be yours. . . See page 3**

## Steve Zubarik Receives the William Hoeflerlin Award

The Trail Conference awards were announced at their October 20, 2012 Annual Meeting and New York Chapter member Steve Zubarik received the William Hoeflerlin Award. This award recognizes Trail Conference volunteers who have demonstrated exemplary service to trail maintenance, management, and/or trail land protection. Steve is chief of the West Hudson South chainsaw crew. Last year, facing a massive blowdown challenge caused by two hurricanes, Steve led the crew in clearing more than 200 trees and large branches from miles of trails at Harriman, Bear Mountain, and Sterling Forest State Parks within just a few weeks. Steve has been a trails volunteer since 2000. Congratulations, Steve!



One can hardly see Steve for the trees.

Giacomo Servetti



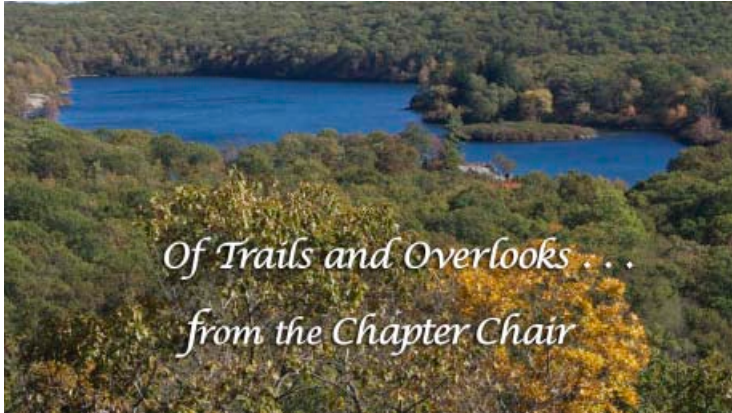
Left to right: Steve Zubarik, Noel Schulz, Ludwig Hendel, Despina Metaxatos and Ray Kozma enjoying the outdoors during the Annual Palm Sunday Hike to the Church in the Wilderness on March 24. A total of 11 hikers participated in the event. The hike was lead by Ray Kozma.

Photos by Ingrid Strauch



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In the main cabin, over the entrance-way to the kitchen, hangs a large black and white photograph of a long-time New York Chapter member whose name was Sally Stallard. During the clean-up last Fall, we found a Register Book from 1936 and saw that Sally had been the host for one of the weekends that year. Nearly fifty years later, when I was joining the Chapter, Sally was still a very active and dedicated member of Nawakwa. It was always a pleasure to meet and talk with her. Sally died in 1996, I think, when she was about 86 years old. But thinking about her reminded me of how important the members are to the New York Chapter and to any organization. We walk in the footsteps of those who have gone before us, sometimes quite literally. If you have ever hiked the Nurian Trail, you were on a trail built by New York Chapter member Kerson Nurian (who also made the HTS, the Yellow Triangle, and the White Cross trails). If you ever stopped at the Raymond Torrey Memorial on Long Mountain above Turkey Hill Lake, you were stopping to pay tribute to the first Chairman of the New York Chapter, the one who was asked by the Main Club to organize the Chapter back in 1922. Our history of an active, enthusiastic, and dedicated membership has helped ensure the life and growth of the Chapter for the benefit of all, down to the present day.

From the membership is selected a group that we call the Board of Directors, whose role, on behalf of all the members, is to ensure the health and continued development of the Chapter. We ask the Board members, as it were, to stand on those "scenic viewpoints" of the trail so as to have a sense of where we have come from, where we are now, and where we will be going. We use this issue of the Trail Marker to introduce the individuals who comprise the current Board and we invite everyone to feel free to share your ideas with any of the Board members.

Building on the work of past years, we continue with the maintenance and upgrading of the Camp:

- The interior paneling of the sleeping cabins continues, making the cabins cleaner, neater, more sealed against the elements, and more user-friendly.
- Our kitchen will get an up-grade with the installation of new sink counter-tops and a new butcher-block top for the center preparation table.
- The safety of the Main Cabin will be improved with additional lighting and electrical outlets, eliminating all the extension cords that have been used in the past.
- The swimming dock will get an overhaul with the replacement of many warped and splintered boards.
- The Major Capital Improvement this year, planned with and approved by Harriman Park officials, will be the cleaning, repair, and restoration of the main cabin's fireplace and chimney, including new flashing at the roof to eliminate leaks.

New this year, for those members who enjoy key-holder status, is the introduction of an optional Annual Nawakwa Passport, described more fully within this issue of the Trail Marker. By opting for the Passport, and its up-front fee, we hope to make it even easier and more convenient for key-holders to make frequent use of camp.

For over ninety years (eighty-seven of them in operating Camp Nawakwa), the New York Chapter has enjoyed a rich and productive history. Our Chapter exists for the members and because of the members. Together with the Main Club, we work to promote and engage in those outdoor, educational and recreational activities that have drawn us together in the first place. May we enjoy another fruitful ninety years, and may all enjoy the new season that begins at Camp Nawakwa.

Ray Kozma, Chapter Chair



The new, improved, Cabin 5

Kim Waldhauer

## Hosted Weekends:

### April–May 2013

(visit [www.adkny.org](http://www.adkny.org) for frequent updates)

To host a weekend or midweek, contact Host Chair:

**Janet Sibarium (212) 254 0738**

**Email: [jansib@mindspring.com](mailto:jansib@mindspring.com)**

Commissary Concerns?

**Call or email Maryann Poris (973) 731-7117**

**[maporis@aol.com](mailto:maporis@aol.com)**

A note to hosts: There is a limit of one host plus one co-host per weekend or midweek, and both host and co-host must be either a keyholder or an applicant. This includes summers and holidays. This also includes families with adult and minor children.

#### April 13 – 14 • Early Spring Weekend

Spring is a time of reawakening, renewal and hope. Join Alex Wilkie and Despina Metaxatos to celebrate spring with an assortment of traditional Greek dishes. Call before 10 p.m. on Thursday the 11th. **Email Alex at [afwilkie@verizon.net](mailto:afwilkie@verizon.net) or call him at 856-727-0267.**

#### April 20 – 21 • Caretaker Host: Ron Engasser

#### April 27 – 28 • Caretaker Host: Robert Matson

#### May 4 – 5 • Caretaker Host: Derek Lomer

#### May 11 – 12 • Mother's Day Weekend: Host (or Caretaker Host) Needed

#### May 18 – 19 • Annual Spring Clean Up/Work Weekend (Saturday lunch – Sunday lunch)

### All Hands On Deck!

Healthy tasty meals to nourish the body and Nawakwa spirit! A Saturday complimentary lunch will be provided for all volunteers. Stay for dinner for Janet's baked whole wheat ziti (Please specify if you want vegetarian or with carnivore option), salad, seasonal fruits. (Dinner will be prepared prior to workday, so there will be minimal dinner prep and easy clean up guaranteed.) Please register by Thursday, May 16th and specify which meals and if you request vegetarian.

Co-Hosts: Janet Sibarium (registrar) and Everod Carter

**[Jansib@mindspring.com](mailto:Jansib@mindspring.com) Tel: 212 – 254-0738**

#### May 25 – 27 • Memorial Day 2013

Another season of the northeastern sun by Lake Sebago. Come join Giaco and Russell for treats natural and culinary. We will hike, swim, and celebrate our Nawakwa community.

Email [gservetti08@gmail.com](mailto:gservetti08@gmail.com) or call 845-947-0054 before 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22, to register for Saturday dinner and Sunday breakfast and lunch. Those staying overnight Sunday be aware that hosts will not be doing Sunday dinner or Monday breakfast or lunch.

## Wanted! June Weekend Hosts!

## Help Needed for the Education and Conservation Committee

Under the Bylaws of the New York Chapter, there are a number of "standing committees" which are envisioned as being "representative of the core programs and activities of the organization." So, for example, we have the **Camp**, the **Hikes**, the **Trails**, and the **Membership** committees, the mission and scope of each being self-evident. But there is also an **Education and Conservation Committee** listed as a standing committee in our Bylaws. Right now this committee is in need of someone to be its chairperson. This could be one individual, or a couple of members who would like to work together on such a committee.

The scope and mission of the Education and Conservation Committee can be taken from the very objectives of our Chapter and the Main Club: "To promote and engage in outdoor, educational and recreational activities...to support conservation and ecological progress and goals...to support the work and activities of the Adirondack Mountain Club Inc and like-minded organizations." Anything that can help educate, advertise, and promote these goals could all be part of the committee's work. The main way of communication for the committee would be our web site and the Trail Marker. But the committee might also propose additional methods (printed material?, speakers?) which would then be considered by the Board.

Any member of the Chapter, including any Affiliate, is eligible to be the Chair of this committee. If you are interested in furthering the goals and activities of the Club through the Education and Conservation Committee, please speak to any of the Board Members or notify the Chapter Chair, Ray Kozma, by sending an e-mail to: [rmk129koz@aol.com](mailto:rmk129koz@aol.com).



Five members of the new Board of Directors: l-r, Chapter Chair Ray Kozma, Director Maryann Siebert-Poris, Vice Chair Steve Barre, Secretary Janet Sibarium and Treasurer Bruce Rosenbloom. Not pictured are Mark Fedow, Kim King, Derek Lomer, Bill Burns, and Ron Engasser. See pages 7 and 8 for introductions to all Board members.

## Reactivated Keyholders Since Last Trail Marker

Doug Harper

Laura Harper

Doug and Laura were active key holders in the past (hosting, serving on the Board, etc.). They recently renewed their ADK Main Club membership and plan to actively participate once again as active Nawakwans.

**Welcome Back!!**

# Hikes: April–May 2013

(visit [www.adkny.org](http://www.adkny.org) for frequent updates)

**Hikes Chairperson: Glen Nison**

**718-625-2182**

**[gnisonbike@juno.com](mailto:gnisonbike@juno.com)**

**Please check schedules of various public transportation options as fares and schedules may have changed.**

## **Saturday, April 13 • Fort Tryon & Inwood Hill Parks**

About 2-3 miles at a very moderate pace. Take “A” train to 190 St. and the elevator up to Fort Washington Ave. -- or take the #4 bus directly to 190 St. and Fort Washington Ave. Meet 11 a.m. by the benches at the entrance to Fort Tryon Park. After a stroll through the Heather Garden (the largest public garden in New York City) we will head on to Linden Terrace (the highest point in Fort Tryon Park and the second highest natural elevation in Manhattan, with great views of the Hudson and the city). After lunch, we will continue through the rest of the park, including a visit to the Cloisters (admission is “pay what you wish” -- \$1 is fine). Then walk through Inwood Hill Park. The walk should end around 4 with a pause for refreshment at the Indian Road Cafe on 218 St. (near the 215 St. stop on the #1 subway). Email me during the prior week or call me the evening before to be sure that the walk is on. NOT QUALIFYING

No smoking.

**Bob Susser 212 666-4371; [rsusser@aol.com](mailto:rsusser@aol.com)**

## **Sunday, April 14 • Southern Harriman**

Moderately-paced hike, 8-10 miles, with usual ups and downs on leader's choice of trails. Could be muddy. Bus riders take the 8:30 am Coach Shortline bus to Sloatsburg, arriving at 9:15 am. Drivers meet at the Sloatsburg Municipal Building parking lot, located north of second stoplight in Sloatsburg, by 9:15 am. Joint with AMC. Qualifying.

**Leader: Ingrid Strauch; [istrauch11@yahoo.com](mailto:istrauch11@yahoo.com)**

## **Saturday, April 20 • Mount Taurus**

A long uphill, but rewarded with spectacular views of the Hudson Valley. Around 6 miles at a moderate pace. Call or preferably email me to confirm, and if you need or can offer a ride from NYC. Take the 9:51 MetroNorth Hudson Line train from GCT arriving in Cold Spring at 11:05. Or, take the 9:40 local at the Marble Hill station (one block from the 225th St. stop of the #1 subway) changing at Croton-Harmon for the express. Please sit in the 1st or 2nd open car of the train, and please use the restrooms on the train. Out around 4, but plan to hang around for a while afterwards for some refreshment at the Depot Cafe. Qualifying and joint with AMC. Sorry, no children, no pets, no smoking.

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## **Saturday, April 27 • Garrison**

Woods roads and trails. A long uphill at the beginning and downhill at the end, but otherwise mostly gently rolling hills with no scrambling. Around 7 miles at a moderate pace. Call or preferably email me to confirm, and if you need or can offer a ride from NYC. Take the 9:51 MetroNorth Hudson Line train from GCT arriving in Garrison at 11. Or, take the 9:40 local at the Marble Hill station (one block from the 225th St. stop on the #1 subway), changing at Croton-Harmon for the express. Please sit in the 1st or 2nd open car of the train, and please use the restrooms on the train. Out around 5. Sorry, no children, no pets, no smoking. Qualifying and joint with AMC.

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## **Saturday, April 27 • To Big Hill Shelter and Back Again**

We will meet and start from the Fisherman's Parking Area on Lake Sebago, which is about half a mile down from the camp entrance road. Using a ski trail, a cairn-marked trail, the Buck Trail and an unmarked trail, we will make our way up and around the shore of Breakneck Pond (where we will take a short break) and then take a woods road up to Big Hill Shelter for lunch. Since it is still April, dress warmly (layers, no cotton), bring lunch, snacks, water, sturdy hiking shoes and rain gear. Hike is qualifying, about 7-8 miles. Please call leader to register. Meeting time: 9:45AM. A ride up from Sloatsburg for any coming by way of public transportation can be arranged.

**Leader: Ray Kozma. Telephone: 917-406-3782.**

Please register by Thursday, April 25th.

## **Saturday, May 4 • Long Path – Haverstraw to Hook Mountain**

A moderate 7 mile hike. Bus riders take the 8:15 a.m. No.9 Coach Red and Tan Line bus from the PABT (or at 8:40 a.m. from the GWBT) to Route 9W and Christian Herald Road in Upper Nyack, arriving at 9:30 a.m. (leader will be on the bus). Drivers park briefly on the west side of 9w to meet bus. The cars will drive north with a car or cars parking at the foot of Hook Mountain and the remaining car or cars parking at the start of the hike on 9W in Haverstraw. The hike will go south on the Long Path back to Hook Mountain and the cars near there. All hikers call leader to establish logistics. Qualifying.

**Leader: John Lipsett (b) 212-867-8280 (h) 212-864-6109.**

## **Sunday May 5 • New Jersey Palisades Circular 3D9**

A 9-mile loop up the Shore Path to the state line, then back on the Long Path. Terrain ranges from flat and sheltered to rocky and exposed. Bring water and lunch; wear hiking boots. Bus riders take 8:15 am Rockland Coaches bus to Closter Dock Road, arriving at 9 am. Drivers meet bus riders at intersection of 9W and Closter Dock Road by 9 am. (There is parking at the trailhead.) Joint with AMC. Qualifying.

**Leader: Ingrid Strauch; [istrauch11@yahoo.com](mailto:istrauch11@yahoo.com)**

## **Sunday May 5 • Rockefeller State Park Preserve**

A leisurely stroll of around 6 miles along some of the shady carriage paths and intimate wooded lanes with panoramic vistas which characterize this beautiful preserve. (Please note: this walk will proceed at a fairly slow pace and is therefore hardly designed for those looking to get aerobic exercise.). Take the 10:20 MetroNorth Hudson Line train from Grand Central, arriving in Philipse Manor at 11:12. This train may also be boarded 10:40 at the Marble Hill station, one block from the 225th St. stop on the #1 subway. Please sit in the first or second open car of the train. No need to register, but you must call or preferably email me beforehand to make sure that the walk is on, and if you need or can offer a ride from NYC. Sorry, but no children, no pets, no smoking. Qualifying and joint with AMC.

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## **Saturday May 11 • Green Pond – Island Pond Circuit**

Starting from the Elk Pen parking area and using a variety of trails and woods roads (including a newly re-located section of the Stahahe Brook Trail), we will take in views of Green Pond and Island Pond, with lunch at either Green or Island Pond. The Elk Pen is off Arden Valley Road close to the NYS Thruway, accessed from Route 17 just south of Arden or from Tiorati Circle Road. We will pass through the Valley of Boulders and see some nice views from the Green Pond area. There is a moderately strenuous uphill at the start of the hike and a downhill back to the parking area. The rest is easy walking. Qualifying – about 6-7 miles. Bring lunch, water, snacks, rain gear, and wear sturdy hiking shoes.

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*(Hikes, continued)*

A ride from Sloatsburg or Tuxedo can be arranged for those coming up by way of public transportation.

Leader: Ray Kozma. Telephone: 917-406-3782. Please call to register by Thursday, May 9th.

**Sunday May 12 • Central Park Trees (southern part)**

Bring your mother on this relaxed Mother's Day stroll to identify some of the approximately 140 species of trees in Central Park. Both tree experts (whose assistance will be much appreciated) and complete beginners are cordially welcome. Of necessity, this walk will proceed at a snail's pace, with many stops to look at trees. Meet 10:30 just inside the Time-Warner Building at Columbus Circle. I expect that the walk will end around 3, so bring lunch. Email or call me if the weather seems doubtful, or if you have any questions, otherwise just show up. No smoking. NOT QUALIFYING.

**Bob Susser 212-666-4371; rsusser@aol.com**

**Saturday, May 18 • Bronx Botanical Garden**

Roses, tulip trees, forest walk and optional visit to conservatory. (Please note: this approximately 3-mile walk is not a "hike" but simply a garden visit, and is therefore not designed for those looking for aerobic exercise.) Take the 10:23 Harlem Line train from Grand Central, arriving at the "Botanical Garden" Station at 10:42. Alternatively, take the 4 or D subway to "Bedford Park Blvd." and then the #26 bus east to the Mosholu Gate entrance -- or, the 2 subway to "Allerton Ave." and then the #26 bus west to the entrance. Meet just inside the Mosholu Gate at 10:45. Admission to the Garden is free on Saturdays until 11. No coordination of rides. Visit will end by 3, but you're free to leave earlier or stay later. No need to register, but you must call or preferably email me beforehand to make sure that the visit is on. Bring lunch and beverage, or buy it in the cafeteria. Sorry, but no pets; no smoking. NOT QUALIFYING.

**Bob Susser 212-666-4371; rsusser@aol.com**

**Sunday, May 19 • Ringwood Circular 2C5 Ringwood, NJ**

Join us for an easy hike up to the ridge and enjoy a nice view. We'll pass three lovely ponds and and walk through the formal gardens of Skylands Manor House. Qualifying and joint with AMC. Transportation: 8:45 a.m. COACHUSA/Short Line (212-736-4700 www.coachusa/shortline). Purchase ticket at Short Line Ticket Windows (North Wing) to Suffern, Rockland CO., NY. Arr. 9:38. Meet pkg. lot opp. bus ticket off. nr. jct. Rtes. 59 & 202 in business district.

**L Renate Jaerschky (845-368-1749)**

**May 24-26 Friday-Sunday • CHICAGO WALK**

Travel on Amtrak train to the Windy City. Sleep on train two nights; spend 10 hours touring City on foot. Cost \$164. Round trip. 2000 Miles, 13 states. See America. Register with leader.

**RON ENGASSER, usron@juno.com or 631-289-5375**

**Sunday, May 26 • Central Park Trees (northern part)**

A relaxed stroll to identify some of the approximately 140 species of trees in Central Park. Both tree experts (whose assistance will be much appreciated) and complete beginners are cordially welcome. Of necessity, this walk will proceed at a snail's pace, with many stops to look at trees. Meet 10:30 in the Dana Discovery Center (bathrooms!), a short distance east inside the entrance to the park at 110th St. & Lenox Ave. I expect that the walk will end around 3, so bring lunch. Email or call me if the weather seems doubtful, or if you have any questions, otherwise just show up. No smoking. NOT QUALIFYING.

**Bob Susser 212 666-4371; rsusser@aol.com**

**Sunday, June 2 • Sterling Forest Circular, 2C5, Sterling Forest, NJ**

Join us for an easy hike around lovely Sterling Lake. We will also explore the Iron Mining History Trail and the former town of Lakeville. Qualifying and joint with AMC. Transportation: 8:45 a.m. COACHUSA/Short Line (212-736-4700 www.coachusa/shortline). Purchase ticket at Short Line Ticket Windows (North Wing) to Suffern, Rockland CO., NY. Arr. 9:38. Meet pkg. lot opp. bus ticket off. nr. jct. Rtes. 59 & 202 in business district.

**L. Renate Jaerschky (845-368-1749)**

**Sunday, June 9 • Johnstown Circular**

An approximately 7-mile moderately-paced ridge walk on the Blue Disc and other trails, passing by Lake Skenanto with its oceans of mountain laurel (now at their peak). Out around 4. No need to register, but you must call or preferably email me beforehand to make sure that the hike is on, and if you need or can offer a ride from NYC. Take the 9:14 Jersey Transit train from Penn Sta., changing at Secaucus for the 9:31 Port Jervis train to Sloatsburg, arriving at 10:12. Or, take the 9:10 ShortLine bus from the PABT arriving in Sloatsburg at 10:07. Out in time for the 4:28 train back to Penn Sta. Sorry, but no children, no pets, no smoking. Qualifying and joint with AMC.

**Bob Susser 212 666-4371; rsusser@aol.com**

**Saturday, June 15 • Fahnestock**

Various trails through woods and high-level meadows with a profusion of wildflowers and alpine-like vistas. Approximately 8 miles at a moderate pace. Out around 5. No need to register, but you must call or preferably email me beforehand to make sure the hike is on, and if you need or can offer a ride from NYC. Take the 9:50 Hudson Line train from GCT arriving in Cold Spring at 11:00. This train may also be boarded 9:40 at the Marble Hill station (one block from the 225th St. stop on the #1 subway), with a change at Croton-Harmon for the express. Please sit in the first or second open car of the train. Sorry, but no children, no pets, no smoking. Qualifying and joint with AMC.

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**Sunday, June 23 • Highlights of Central Park**

North Woods, Conservatory Gardens, The Ravine, Belvedere Castle, Shakespeare Garden, and The Ramble, ending up around 1:15 at the Boat Basin Cafe or at another convenient & inexpensive restaurant for lunch. Take the No. 2 or 3 subway to 110th St. & Lenox Ave. -- then walk a short distance east inside the park to the Dana Discovery Visitors Center (bathrooms!), where we will meet at 10:30. Call or preferably email me beforehand to make sure the walk is on. No smoking.

**Bob Susser 212 666-4371; rsusser@aol.com**

**For listings of hikes not lead by members of ADKNY, (and not necessarily qualifying) try these links:**

<http://www.nynjtc.org/content/scheduled-hikes>

<http://www.hudsonhikers.org/schedules.html>



Giacomo Servetti

## In Memoriam: Anne Weyrauch



Anne, a member of the New York Chapter - ADK since 1972, passed away on New Year's Day. She was an avid hiker and camper, outdoor enthusiast, adventurous global traveler, and former board member. In recent years, Anne suffered from painful and severe osteoporosis, which limited her visits and activity at camp. However, her devotion to Camp Nawakwa was exemplified by her recent donation to the Camp Improvement/Sustainability Fund, which was made in her final days.

My most vivid memory of Anne was when she told me about her travels whenever she wore a T-shirt from some remote mountainous region; the t-shirt always spurred my curiosity to ask about her trip, and I enjoyed hearing about her adventures.

Anne met fellow members, Helga Abel and Margot Heuman, at Camp Nawakwa, and they became lifelong friends. This year Anne would've celebrated her 40th anniversary as a member of NY Chapter - ADK. She will be remembered and missed by her friends, many of whom are also devoted members of the NY Chapter.

— Janet



Giacomo Servetti

## We Thank You for your Generosity!

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**In Memory of Noam Kornfeld  
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Janet Sibarium**

**In Memory of Anne Weyrauch  
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**AND 20 ANONYMOUS DONORS  
TOTAL: \$14,290  
(AS OF MARCH 28, 2013)**

## Key-holder's Special Option: *The Annual Nawakwa Passport*

For New York Chapter members who are key-holders, there is a new, optional way to cover the cost of Day Fees. Key-holders may continue to pay the \$10 Day Fee for each day they decide to use camp, or for an annual, up-front fee, they may choose to participate in the new ***Annual Nawakwa Passport***, which will cover the Day Fee cost for an unlimited number of visits to camp per calendar year. The Board hopes that, by making the payment of the Camp Fee as convenient as possible, more key-holders will use Camp Nawakwa on a more regular basis. Upon arrival at camp when you sign-in to register at the desk, in the column listed for Day Fee, Passport holders will sign NP and the five-digit number of their Passport. The cost of this ***Annual Nawakwa Passport*** is \$125 per individual key-holder and is non-transferable. Please note that the Passport exempts only one individual adult key-holder from paying Day Fees. There is no family category for the passport. If a key-holder with the Passport brings spouse, children, other family members or guests to camp, these other must pay the Camp Fees as usual.

To obtain an ***Annual Nawakwa Passport***, key-holders should send their request, with their name address, phone number and check (payable to the New York Chapter, Inc.), to the Chapter Chair, Ray Kozma, at:

Raymond Kozma, Chapter Chair  
New York Chapter-ADK  
585 North Railroad Ave-3D  
Staten Island, NY 10304

## 2013 Locker Renewals and Locker Availability

Many Nawakwa members find it convenient to rent a locker at Camp to store such items as sleeping bag, tent, air mattress, toiletries, towels, spare shoes, change of clothing, hiking gear, camp chair, and other necessities of camp life. The lockers are fairly spacious, and at \$35 a year, they're probably the cheapest real estate you'll ever rent.

If you rented a locker in 2012, you will receive a locker renewal notice during the coming month with instructions for mailing your \$35 renewal fee.

If you don't have a locker currently but would like to enjoy the benefits of having one, you should notify Jerry Flower at [membership@adkny.org](mailto:membership@adkny.org) or drop a note to ADKNY Membership, 802 W. 190th Street #1F, New York, NY 10040 with a check for \$35.

## Boat storage now available

Store your boat at camp for the season! Boats will be stored at owner's risk under cabins 1 or 6 for \$35/season. Contact [Treasurer@adkny.org](mailto:Treasurer@adkny.org)

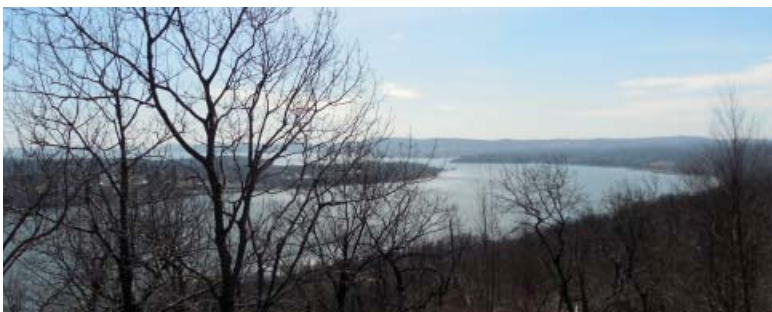


Presidents' Weekend 2013: On summit of Mt. Jo: Herman Barrocales, Despina Metaxatos, Janet Sibarium and Rosalie Goldberg  
photo courtesy Herman Barrocales



Janet at the Grand Canyon

photo courtesy Janet Sibarium



Looking down the Hudson River from Dunderberg Mountain

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Janet in Sedona

photo courtesy Janet Sibarium

# Meet the New York Chapter Board of Directors

## Ray Kozma, New York Chapter Chair



I joined the ADK Main Club in 1981 as a "Member at Large." Luckily for me they included a listing of local chapters as part of the new member packet that was mailed to me. That is how I first learned of the existence of the New York Chapter. I had been hiking in Harriman for many years and knew there were 'camps' in the Park, but I never knew much about them until then. So I quickly went up for a weekend and found two members who were willing to sponsor me, Art Wickborn and Jessie Wandel, and started my qualifying events. It wasn't until 1983, though, that I was able to finish all the events and be officially voted in. I live on Staten Island, am a Social Worker/Counselor for a local agency. I was previously on the Board, as Treasurer, in 1991-92. The above photo is from my official picture taken at the AT Conservancy office in Harpers Ferry when I became an official section hiker of the AT.

## Steve Barre, New York Chapter Vice Chair



You know that I'm at the camp when you drive in and see my motorcycle in the parking area. Actually, it was a motorcycle (not the present one) that played a big part in my early enjoyment of the outdoors when, at the age of 22, I ventured on a 3 month trans-Canada trip by motorcycle, camping along the way. And it was often not campground camping - I was on a tight budget, so I would look for an old fire road and just drive in until I was pretty

far back in the woods. There, I would set up my "camp" for the night. Sometimes I'd even find running water! Even primitive campgrounds seemed easy after that. And years later, Nawakwa made overnight experiences in the "outdoors" even easier. See you at camp!

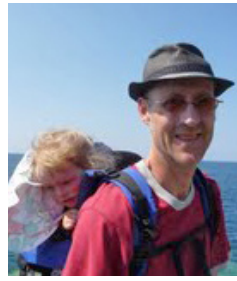
## Mark Fedow, New York Chapter Main Club Director



I have had the pleasure of serving on the New York Chapter Board since 2002 as Main Club Director. Although there have been a lot of changes in names and faces what remains is the desire to preserve the legacy of the chapter and maintain Nawakwa. I became interested in the outdoors in the mid 70's and have been an active hiker, backpacker, mountaineer and climber since then. I was hooked after a trip to the Adirondacks where we climbed MT Marcy. I have climbed mountains all over the US including many of the

high volcanoes of the Pacific Northwest. I attended all sections of the Winter Mountaineering School and have taught there. I continue to enjoy the mountains in winter and consider the Adirondacks a second home. The trails of the Hudson Valley and especially Harriman Park are a treasure we can all enjoy due to the foresight of those who came before us. I am happy to assist in whatever small way I can to continue to preserve our camp and the park. I am currently working for REI in the East Hanover store. Stop in and visit sometime.

## Derek Lomer, New York Chapter Camp Chair



Derek has been a member of ADK New York since 2008 and has been the Nawakwa camp chair since 2009. He has served on the board since 2010. Derek enjoys hiking, sailing and alpine skiing. He lives in Brooklyn with his wife Katharine and their three children. Derek is a licensed home inspector and a small real estate investor and developer in Brooklyn.

## Janet Sibarium, New York Chapter Secretary and Host Chair



Janet has been a keyholder of NY Chapter-ADK since 1996, Host Chair for 13 years and Secretary for nine years. Her enthusiasm for camping and hiking began as a girl scout. For many years, she participated in day hikes and kayaking



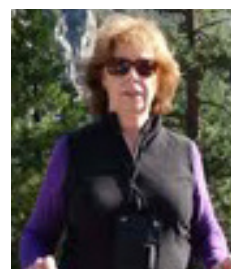
trips with local groups; her interest in camping was rekindled when she participated in a Sierra Club Invitational Weekend at Camp Nawakwa (with Bob Susser) in the fall of 1995. Within less than a year she completed her applicant qualifying events and immediately became an active member hosting weekends. An additional benefit of joining the NY Chapter of ADK is her expanded network of close friends who share common interests. Her love of camping and outdoors is multi-generational in her family; her son was a camper and later unit head of a wilderness camp at Lake Tiorati, and her grandchildren have enjoyed camping at Camp Nawakwa. Janet recently retired as a Special Education teacher in the NYC Public Schools. With her new flexible time, she enjoys traveling, volunteering, being politically active and resuming her artistic interests, particularly stone carving and ceramics.

## Bruce Rosenbloom, New York Chapter Treasurer



I have been a Nawakwan since 1988, and Treasurer/Board Member for the past 2+ years. I enjoyed the beauty of the camp for many years and wish to preserve it for future ADKers. In my work, I direct the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning at City College, CUNY.

## Maryann Siebert-Poris, New York Chapter Director



Maryann Siebert-Poris, board member, and ADK-NY member for twelve years, is also known as the "commissary lady." Maryann and husband, Mike, have become active hikers due to the encouragement of ADK member Noel Schultz, and friends at Nawakwa. Maryann is currently involved in the field of global education in New Jersey. She is also interested in any and all

of the camp and the preservation of our natural resources, the most important gift we have to pass on to future generations.



**Kim King, New York Chapter Director**



I have a picture of me taken in 1951 on Lake Tiorati with a string of sunfish. I was six years old and have been coming to Harriman Park since. I grew up camping at Lake Welch, went backpacking as an adult. After an absence of a number of years I rediscovered Harriman and started backpacking around the park in the early 90s. A friend turned me on to Thendara which I joined right away. On my last qualifying event Anthony Scibelli, the Nawakwa membership chair, was my bunk mate and he invited me to Nawakwa as his guest. I fell in love with Nawakwa and finished my qualifications that summer.

I've been a key-holding member since 1995, served two terms on the Board and was the original webmaster. I build websites for a living and play guitar for pleasure. There have been many fun evenings singing and playing at Nawakwa when I have brought my guitar.



Bald eagles near the Hudson River in February

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**Bill Burns, New York Chapter Director**



I have been a member of the ADK since the 90's. I joined as a member at large while working on completing the 46 high peaks. Then I joined the Knickerbocker Chapter after which I transferred to the New York Chapter. I became a key holder around 2000 and have been the Trail Chairman for about 10 years. I am retired from Verizon after 46 years of service. I am active in Boy Scouts with my grandsons.

**Ron Engasser, New York Chapter Director**



I was introduced to Nawakwa by Ernie Kriese, who I knew from the LI ADK Chapter. We started weekday hiking on all the trails on Long Island, and I was the editor of the LI ADK newsletter for three years. Ernie took me to Nawakwa several times, and I liked the rustic setting of this

collection of crumbling cabins that seemed to be sliding down a hill. So I did the hikes, washed dishes, chopped wood and raked leaves to get the coveted "Keys" to the "Holy Grail." I am a retired digital electronics technician and I fixed flight control computers for jet aircraft. The president of one of the electronic companies used to take employees on hikes upstate, and after the outdoor adventure, he'd invite the hikers to join him for dinner. I wasn't in the Boy Scouts and knew nothing of survival skills, so this was my introduction to hiking. I enjoyed the camaraderie of others who also liked hiking. In 1985, I joined LI ADK and hiked half the mountains in the Adirondacks and Catskills. In addition, I climbed Mt. Lassen Volcano, CA, Mt. St. Helens, WA, Volcanic Island of Saba in the Caribbean, and Mt. Vesuvius in Naples, Italy. I like active mountains!

I also enjoy trail maintenance and cleared the Brothers' Trail (in the Adirondacks) and cleared trails on Schunemunk Mountain, (Orange County.) My stays at Nawakwa are refreshing for the quiet, unhurried atmosphere. Just sit on the front porch and contemplate your existence. Vacancies in the Board Of Directors led me to volunteer and by golly, here I am!



Bear Mountain Bridge on ice

Giacomo Servetti



Spring is here!

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