



# Wanderings

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The Outdoors Club is a non-profit 501(c) (3) volunteer-run organization open to all adults 18 and over which engages in hiking, biking, wilderness trekking, canoeing, mountaineering, snowshoeing and skiing, nature and educational city walking tours of varying difficulty. Individual participants are expected to engage in activities suitable to their ability, experience and physical condition. Leaders may refuse to take anyone who lacks ability or is not properly dressed or equipped. These precautions are for your safety, and the wellbeing of the group. Your participation is voluntary and at your own risk. Remember to bring lunch and water on all full day activities. Telephone the leader or Lenny if unsure what to wear or bring with you on an activity. **Nonmembers pay one-day membership dues of \$3.**

**CHECK THE MAILING LABEL ON YOUR SCHEDULE FOR EXPIRATION DATE! RENEWAL NOTICES WILL NO LONGER BE SENT. It takes 4-6 weeks to process your renewal. Some leaders will be asking members for proof of membership, so please carry your membership card or schedule on activities (the expiration date is on the top line of your mailing label).**

**Need to confirm** has been underlined in the outing write-up. Please be sure to confirm that the outing will take place.

**ELECTIONS** will be held in November, and the following members will be running for office or re-election: Helen Mangione-Yee and Marie Liverpool, Co-Presidents; Ray Lin, Vice President; and Craig Nunn, Secretary. Alfred McKee was elected last year as the Treasurer.

**INQUIRIES, COMPLAINTS AND SUGGESTIONS** – Mail to the post office box, call Lenny Morgenstern at 917-842-9490 or send an e-mail to [hbmanyc@yahoo.com](mailto:hbmanyc@yahoo.com).

**TRANSPORTATION SERVICE DELAYS** are a constant problem on the weekends. It is a good idea to confirm transportation information the week of the trip by logging onto: [www.mta.nyc.ny.us](http://www.mta.nyc.ny.us) or calling or checking websites of local transportation companies for bus and train information.

Please remember winter walking may involve icy paths and extreme cold. Please dress appropriately to avoid frostbite and falls – wear hiking boots, face protection, a hat, gloves, use a cane, layer clothing, bring a hot beverage.

Don't hibernate! Come and join us often on walks and hikes. You'll have a wonderful time with fun companions.

Happy Holidays!

Helga, Dorothy, Ray and Helen

11/1 SUN, HUDSON RIVER SOUTH, slow pace, 5 mi. Meet at 10:45 am Penn Station near the police info booth by the LIRR waiting room area. We will walk west from Penn Station, do the High Line to its south end on Gansevoort St, then walk the Hudson River shore path south to the Winter Garden of the World Financial Center, where after resting and warming up we can continue on to the Battery or go past the 9-11 Memorial. Bring lunch; food is expensive and hard to find. Leader: Ken King 631-991-8170, [nhochike@optonline.net](mailto:nhochike@optonline.net) cell 516-238-7694 day of hike only, and Bob Ward. Members only.

11/1 SUN, DISCOVERING DUTCH NEW AMSTERDAM. Join leader Bob G. at 11:00 am in the Staten Island Ferry building, right side, up stairs on the left benches for 3-4 hour walk discovering Dutch New Amsterdam! Stops include Trinity and St. Paul's church's and other surprises. Did you know that the symbol of the USA was almost the turkey, not the eagle? Inclement weather i.e bitter cold or rain could cancel, leader will decide by 8 am, email [rsghiker@gmail.com](mailto:rsghiker@gmail.com). Nonmembers: \$3.

11/1 SUN, WEST SIDE SHOREWALK. About 6 miles, mostly flat. Meet 72<sup>nd</sup> Street & B'way Subway Station, 1,2,3 trains. Meet upstairs near turnstiles. We'll walk from 72<sup>nd</sup> to 180<sup>th</sup> St & the Little Red Lighthouse. Bring lunch/water. Leader: Ellen Juro 212-861-4267. Must call to confirm and for time. Nonmembers: \$3.

11/7 SAT, BATT-BEAR TRAIL: STATELINE TO NYACK, 7 miles. Autumn colors on the Long Path, extending through Tallman Mountain and the Old Erie RR bed. One steep descent en route to an optional dinner in Nyack. Return by a nearby bus stop. Meet: PABT South Wing before 8:45 am at the Commuter Statues at NJ Transit ticket windows. Bring lunch and water. Bus departure at 9:15 am (bus 9A, gate 220). Bus also at GWBBT at 9:40 AM. Here you must purchase ticket on bus o/w to state line (Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory). Leader: Marvin Malater 718-376-3608, phone for status or information. Joint hike. Nonmembers: \$3.

11/7 SAT, HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT: SNYDER SCHOOLS IN CHINATOWN. We'll look at eight remarkable Progressive-Era public schools designed by Charles B. J. Snyder, the sites of another five, and other interesting sights. MEET at 9:45 a.m. so we can leave promptly at 10.00 am. Email: [jean.arrington@gmail.com](mailto:jean.arrington@gmail.com) for the meeting place the week of the walk, or call. Leader: Jean Arrington, 646-290-4119. Nonmembers: \$3.

11/7 SAT, MANHATTAN TO THE BRONX. After 40 years the Highbridge is open. 7 to 10, miles some hills. We will walk to the Bronx section of the Aqueduct, then on to the Highbridge. We will also pass the Morris Jumel Mansion and Sylvan Terrace. Bring lunch and water. Leader: Leonard Morgenstern, call 917-842-9490 (ANY TIME 24/7) starting Wednesday for meeting place and time. Nonmembers: \$3.

11/8 SUN, BROOKLYN BRIDGE PARK TO CHINATOWN, about 5-8 miles at a brisk & steady pace, mostly on paved streets. Start walking from York & Jay street in Brooklyn walking to Adams & Plymouth street to view public art exhibition displaced under the Brooklyn Bridge and heading to Myrtle Ave. for another public art exhibition showing various sculptures in the park, followed by walking to Atlantic & Flatbush avenue for Middle Eastern stores to taste its products. We will continuously walk to the East River in Brooklyn to see the Brooklyn Bridge Park & Pier 6 for free ferry service to the Governors Island (Memorial Day Labor Day 11:00am-5:00pm). We also walk through the Swing Bridge to reach Dumbo, possibly taste a free sample of a hot/cold chocolate drink. Finally we will walk over the Brooklyn Bridge to have an optional post-lunch snack at a Chinese café/restaurant in Chinatown. Meet 10:30am on the corner of York & Jay street in Brooklyn. Take F train to York street. Metrocard fares. Bring lunch and water. Dress according to the weather. Heavy rain /storm cancels the walk. **NO FLIP-FLOP FOOTWEAR and NO SLOW WALKERS PLEASE.** Leader: YOUN: 718-392-4645. Call for the walk status on the week of the walk (No calls after 9:30pm). Members only.

11/8 SUN, HEMPSTEAD LAKE PARK. 6 easy miles. Meet at 11:10am at Rockville Centre LIRR station across from St Agnes Church where leader will meet you. Get to train station at NYC or Brooklyn about an hour earlier. Bring lunch and water. Wide carriage path type trails. Cancelled if raining. Possible optional museum visit. Bathrooms available. Leader: John, questions (email preferred) finch1149@gmail.com, serious calls only 516 359 1591. Nonmembers: \$3.

11/8 SUN. BRONX RIVER GREENWAY. 7-8 miles, moderate pace with some ups and downs. North on Greenway to Williamsbridge Oval then various trails in Van Cortlandt Park. End at #1 subway 242nd Street stop. Bring lunch/water. Rain cancels. Take #2 or #5 train to E. 180th Street. Follow exit signs to Morris Park Avenue. Meet: 11:00 in plaza in front of station. Metrocard. Leader: Joel Pomerantz 1-212-691-3844 eves before 10 PM. Joint hike. Rain Cancels. Nonmembers: \$3

11/14 SAT, RIVERSIDE PARK. A very leisurely morning stroll of around a mile in Riverside Park. Riverside Park is widely regarded as Manhattan's most spectacular waterfront park, and one of only eight officially designated scenic landmarks in NYC. Meet at 11 just inside the northernmost entrance of the Broadway and 96th St. subway station (you get there by taking the 2, 3 or 1 train). Afterwards, a nice bowl of hot soup -- or whatever -- at Ollie's Chinese restaurant at Freedom Place. Please email or call me to make sure that the walk is on and/or if you have any questions. Bob Susser, rsusser@aol.com, 212-666-4371. Members only.

11/15 SUN, BRONXVILLE TO VALHALLA along the Bronx River Parkway Reservation. Distance: 12 miles. See the beautiful and bucolic Bronx River Parkway preserve. Pass a waterfall, ponds, and gurgling water. Take the 9:24 a.m. Harlem River line train from Grand Central Station to the Bronxville station, arriving at 10:04 a.m. Several drop-off points. Meet leader at the Bronxville station of the Harlem River line on Metro-North. Fare: \$18.00 r/t, senior \$12.00 r/t. Leader: Bill Wrublewski. Cell: 646-369-0279 Email: summer.time101@verizon.net. Nonmembers: \$3.

11/15 SUN, EAST RIVER PROMENADE, 5 mi slow pace. Meet at 10:45 am Penn Station near the police info booth by the LIRR waiting room area. We will take the M34 bus to its last stop at 1st Ave and 34th St to meet members of other clubs at 11:15 am, then walk the shore path along the East River, under the Williamsburg, Manhattan, and Brooklyn Bridges, down to the Battery. Bring lunch. Ken King 631-991-8170, nhochike@optonline.net and Bob Ward. Cell 516-238-7694 day of hike only. Members only.

11/19 THU, FORT TRYON TO WAVE HILL. 6 miles at a moderate pace. Meet 10AM, at the entrance to Ft. Tryon Park, at the end of Fort Washington Ave. Take the M4 bus to the entrance to Ft. Tryon Park or the "A"-train to 190th Street and the elevator up. Return via bus to the #1 train. We'll walk through Ft. Tryon and Inwood Hill parks, and on to Wave Hill. Wave Hill admission \$4 for seniors. We'll be on paved walks much of the time except for well-maintained woodland trails in Inwood Hill and later in the Bronx in Riverdale Park. Hiking boots are recommended as the trail can be muddy. A few gradual ups and downs. Bring water and lunch or buy lunch at Wave Hill. Leader: Pat Belanoff, 212-568-2052. Rain cancels. Call after Monday, but not after 9:30 at night or email padaulton@gmail.com, but you must check to make sure hike is on. You can also call up to 9AM morning of hike. Joint Hike. Members only.

11/21 SAT, HARTSDALE TO HASTINGS. 10 miles moderate pace with some ups and downs. West to the Hudson using Ferncliff Cemetery, South County Trailway, Hart's Brook, Ridge Pond, Macy, Lefurgy and Hillside Parks. Visit graves of Garland, Joan Crawford, Paul Robeson and more! Rain cancels. Bring lunch/water, wear hiking boots. Meet at GCT info kiosk at 10:05 am for 10:24 train. R/T tickets \$17.50/seniors \$11.50. Leader: Joel Pomerantz 212-691-3844, call evenings before 10 pm. Nonmembers: \$3.

11/21 SAT, NORTH BRONX WALK. A sampling of the Bronx in its far reaches -- Tour Lehman College campus & view 2 exhibitions in its art gallery, then explore nearby areas of Kingsbridge, Kingsbridge Heights, & Van Cortlandt Village. We will be in pursuit of a little mystery (a shrine) & some history (United Nations beginnings, the WAVES, exemplary worker housing, the reservoir & its parks & fortifications). We'll also see varieties of domestic architecture, including some cozy cottages nestled beneath a craggy hillside. Unavoidable but manageable ups &

downs, 3 or so miles. Steady rain &/or slippery underfoot conditions cancel. Bring snacks & water. Meet 12:30PM at NW corner of Grand Concourse & Bedford Park Blvd. ("D" train to "Bedford Park Boulevard") Leader Devra Zetlan 212-662-8922. Nonmembers: \$3

11/21 SAT, BERG'S LULU AND THE UPPER EAST SIDE. We'll have a short, brisk walk exploring parts of the Upper East Side, ending at 12:30 at Snyder's Julia Richman High School for the 1:00 free Metropolitan Opera Simulcast of *Lulu*. MEET at 9:45 a.m. so we can leave promptly at 10:00. Email [jean.arrington@gmail.com](mailto:jean.arrington@gmail.com) for the meeting place the week of the walk, or call. Leader: Jean Arrington, 646-290-4119. Nonmembers: \$3.

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11/25 WED, BLUE MOUNTAIN RESERVATION. About 9 miles at a moderate pace. Meet at GCT for departure on Hudson Line at 8:46, arriving at Peekskill at 9:49. Bring lunch and liquid. Return by train about 5:00 P.M. Questions call me, Oliver Wayne 201.840.4145. Members Only.

11/26 THU, ASTORIA PARK to ROOSEVELT ISLAND. 6-7 miles easy hike along the East River with drop off available. Bring water/snacks. NO SMOKING ON HIKE. Take N, Q train to Ditmars Station, last stop and meet in front of McDonald at NOON. Fare: Metrocard. Leader: Rolande Chapeau. Rain/Shine. Members only.

11/28 SAT, FORT TRYON PARK, with a visit to the Cloisters. About one mile at a very leisurely pace. Take the "A" train to 190 St. and then the elevator up to Fort Washington Ave. -- or take the #4 bus directly to 190 St. and Fort Washington Ave. Meet at 11 just inside the subway entrance there. We'll go through 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 (bring lunch and hot beverage -- we will not be passing any place to buy food) we'll visit the Cloisters (restrooms) where we can take a look at the famous Unicorn Tapestries -- and anything else people might want to see. Admission is pay what you wish (\$1 is fine). Please email or call me to make sure that the walk is on and/or if you have any questions. Bob Susser, [rsusser@aol.com](mailto:rsusser@aol.com). 212-666-4371. Members only.

11/29 SUN, MARINE PARK AND VICINITY, about 2-3 miles, easy pace. Visit Marine Park, nature trails, Lott House, and optional early dinner. Take Q train to Kings Highway; sit in first car (from Manhattan) and use Quentin Road exit. Meet at 1:00 PM downstairs inside station. Bring MetroCard for B100 bus. Bad weather cancels! Leader: Alan Hecht (718-252-2161). Nonmembers: \$3.

12/3 THU, BLYDENBURGH COUNTY PARK. 7 miles at a moderate pace, some ups and downs. Take the 9:15 train to Smithtown (change at Hicksville); return will be from the same station. We'll walk around Blydenburgh Lake and view the ducks and turtles. Bring lunch and water and wear boots as the trail can be muddy in spots. Fare round trip: \$15/21.50. Rain cancels. Leader: Pat Belanoff, 212 568-2052. Call after Tuesday, but not after 9:30 at night or email [padaulton@gmail.com](mailto:padaulton@gmail.com), but you must check to make sure hike is on. Joint Hike. Members only.

12/5 SAT, GREAT SOUTH BAY PLUS BAYARD ARBORETUM. Two options 6 or 10 miles – Moderate/brisk, steady, flat, varied. Not for slow hikers. Hike to a fantastic view of the Great South Bay in Heckscher State Park. Drop out after 6 miles or if you wish continue to explore the beautiful Arboretum. Bring water and lunch; wear hiking boots. Rain or snow cancel. From Penn Station take the 9:16 AM LIRR train to Great River. Fare \$26.50 round trip/seniors \$18. Leader will meet group at Great River train station at 10:33 AM. Check [mta.info/lirr](http://mta.info/lirr) for current train schedule. Leader Quyen (Quinn) Pham 631-234-5486, 8PM - 10 PM and morning of hike. E: [qwpham@yahoo.com](mailto:qwpham@yahoo.com). Members only.

12/6 SUN, EAST SIDE WALK TO CHINATOWN. Approx 4-5 miles. Walk along 1st Avenue and East River Walkway from 59th St and Lexington Ave to Chinatown. Optional (possibly late) lunch at Chinese Restaurant of leader's choice. Meet 10 AM outside of Bloomingdales on 59th Street and Lexington Ave. Bring water. Rain or snow on day of walk cancels. Leader: Ed Leibowitz. Please call 201-332-1709 or email: eleibow@verizon.net for walk status. Cellphone 201-850-9649 on day of walk only between 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM. Might be joint walk. Nonmembers of Shorewalkers & Outdoors Club: \$3.

12/6 SUN, BRONX HOLIDAY TRAIN SHOW. This will be our annual visit to the Enid Haupt Conservatory in the New York Botanical Garden for Annual Holiday Train SHOW. Even if you have seen the show, before, please plan to join us again. It will be worth it as the exhibit changes from year to year. Leaders: BOB WARD & KEN KING. For information and to register, which you must, please call Bob (718-471-7036) AFTER 8:00PM, AT LEAST ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE. Members only.

12/06 SUN, GREENWICH POINT PARK, CT. 6-7 miles, circular hike on easy terrain. Very beautiful place. Scenic views from the Greenwich Cove Harbor. Bring lunch/water. Sneakers OK. NO SMOKING ON HIKE. From GCT (42nd St.) board the New Haven Line at 10:36 AM train to Old Greenwich Station or from Fordham near D subway at 10:54, arriving at 11:40 (time changes, check schedule). Fare: O/W \$9.50/Srs. \$6.50, or buy R/T, less from Fordham. Free access to Park in winter (admi. From Apr. 2/Nov. 30 \$10.00). Leader: Rolande Chapeau. Car may park by train station. Members only.

12/12 SAT, MOTT HAVEN/PORT MORRIS. City streets, about six miles. Some parts of this South Bronx area are of historic interest, others struggle to rise from poverty, while the parts adjoining the Harlem River are becoming ripe for gentrification. Meet 11 am at 125th Street and First Avenue (at the bus stop) for the walk across the Willis Avenue Bridge from Manhattan to the Bronx. Take any subway train that stops at 125th Street; then east take the BX15 or M100 bus to First Avenue. Leader: Robert Halasz. (home: 212-866-3563, cell (917) 482-9757), or rjhalasz@gmail.com. Nonmembers: \$3

12/12 SAT, HIGH BRIDGE. 9 miles, moderately brisk pace, flat. From Van Cortlandt Park hike the Croton Aqueduct over the newly opened High Bridge, past Jerome Park Reservoir, the Harlem River to 155th Street, then follow the Hudson River to 125<sup>th</sup> Street. Bring lunch and water. Take #1 Subway to last stop – Van Cortlandt Park. Meet 10 AM at Parkside. LEADER: Ludwig Hendel 1-718-626-3983. Must call for hike status Friday evening only, December 11. Members only.

12/13 SUN, BROAD CHANNEL TO BROOKLYN. We'll start at Broad Channel going over 2 bridges and end in Brooklyn. Look for Yahoo Group email the week of walk for details. Leader: Julia, questions email at walklover1@gmail.com or call to confirm with Helen 212-348-5344 on 12/12 Saturday evening 7-9 pm ONLY. Nonmembers: \$3.

12/19 SAT, ROEBLING MUSEUM, 2 miles, We'll visit the Roebling Museum in Roebling, NJ, and learn about the company who built the Brooklyn Bridge. Meet NJ Transit ticket windows (7th Avenue) at 8:45 am to take the 9:14 train to Trenton where we will change for the River Line Light Rail to Roebling. Fare: \$16.75 o/w to Trenton, seniors o/w \$7.65; River Line o/w \$1.60, seniors o/w 75 cents. Admission: \$6/seniors \$5. Leader: Yon Lee (718) 638-0010, yonderwalker@gmail.com. Snowy or icy conditions, hike is canceled. Nonmembers: \$3.

12/20 SUN, HOLIDAY WINDOW DISPLAYS. We will walk along 34 Street and then up Fifth Avenue, as far as 59 St. to see the Xmas Holiday Window displays. Meet LEADER Bob Ward (718-471-7036) ON THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF 34TH ST & 7th Ave. You must register, one week in advance. No go if snow is forecasted or on the ground. Bring lunch & beverage. Joint with other clubs. Members only

12/22 TUE, FIRST DAY OF WINTER HIKE, BLUE MOUNTAIN RESERVATION, PEEKSKILL. About 9 miles in this Park near Peekskill at a moderate pace. Call me for details, Oliver Wayne, 201.840.4145. Joint hike. Members only.

12/25 FRI, CENTRAL PARK TRAILS. 7-8 easy miles with drop points. Hike along ponds, Bethesda Fountain, Reservoir and up as much as we can hike. Bring lunch/water and dress warmly. NO SMOKING ON HIKE. Take A, C, D or #1 train to 59th St Columbus Circle and meet at 10:30 AM by the Statue. Fare: MetroCard. Leader: Rolande Chapeau. Possible snow, GO! Non-members \$3.00.

12/27 SUN, NORTHERN MANHATTAN AND ADJACENT BRONX STEP STREETS CONNECT-THE-DOTS PERIPATETIC PERAMBULATION. Walk a lot, perhaps all, the step streets, in Manhattan north of the GWB and adjacent parts of the Bronx connecting interesting things including the Highbridge. 12-15 miles with lots of ups and downs on public staircases at a moderately brisk pace. Bring lunch, snacks and water. E-mail (preferred) or phone leader a week before the hike for meeting time and place. Leader: Craig Nunn (551-206-6823 or dystopicnj@gmail.com). Joint Hike. Awful or dangerous weather cancels. Contact leader after 7:00 AM morning of hike if uncertain. Nonmembers: \$3.

1/1/2016 FRI, HIKE along the HUDSON RIVER. 7-8 miles easy and flat hike starting on the brand new subway station and going downtown along the Hudson River. Drop off available. Bring lunch/hot drink and dress warmly. NO SMOKING ON HIKE. Take any train to Times Square 42nd St (DO NOT GET OFF THE TURNSTILE) and meet promptly at 10:30 AM on the Flushing Line # 7 train platform by the elevator. Fare: Metrocard. Leader: Rolande Chapeau. Possible snow, GO! Non-members \$3.00.

1/2 SAT, ROOSEVELT ISLAND, about 3- 4 miles, easy/slow pace, rest stops. We'll walk around Roosevelt Island & take the tram back to Manhattan for an early dinner. Meet 2 PM (after lunch and bathrooms) near F-subway token booth on Roosevelt Island stop. Bring hot beverage. Take Tram, F subway or Q102 bus. Inclement weather (snow/ice) may cancel. Leader: Helen Mangione-Yee call ONLY morning of walk 9-10 AM to confirm 212-348-5344. Nonmembers: \$3.

1/3 SUN, STATEN ISLAND ROADS, BEACH AND TRAILS, 10 miles, moderate pace. Lower Staten Island Mixture Hike - The exact location will depend on snow levels (if any). Road walking in Tottenville plus weather permitting a beach walk of several miles and some woods! Bring lunch, water and prepare for COLD! Meet: Take 9:30AM Boat to Staten Island. Meet Leader on STATEN ISLAND SIDE 10AM at entrance of Train. You MUST call (718 967-0855) on prior week to hear confirmation message as date may change due to leader's work/course schedule but registration is NOT required. For details it is best to e-mail: night.hiker.nyc@gmail.com or LEAVE message on phone at least a day in advance. LEADER: Brian J. Nonmembers: \$3.

1/9 SAT, SCULPTURE TO SHIPS PLUS, 3 1/2 miles, one hill. We will walk through Pratt Institute looking at the best outdoor modern sculpture in NY, then on to Ft. Greene Park with the Prison Ship Martyrs Monument. After a short detour through the Wallabout Historic District we get to the Brooklyn Navy Yard Museum, spending at least 45 minutes looking at the exhibits. Next the Vinegar Hill Historic District and end in DUMBO at the York St station. Awful or dangerous weather cancels. Bring lunch. Meet at the Classon Ave stop on the G train at 11:30. Call to confirm. Leader: Richard Sklar 718-782-7732. Nonmembers: \$3.

1/9 SAT. VAN CORTLANDT PARK TO YONKERS. 7 miles, moderately brisk pace, flat. From Van Cortlandt Park hike the South County Trail, past Tibbetts Brook Park, then follow the Old Croton Aqueduct into Yonkers. Bring lunch and water. Take #1 Subway to last stop - Van Cortlandt Park. Meet 10 AM at Parkside. Leader: Ludwig Hendel. 1-718-626-3983. Must call for hike status Friday evening only, January 8. Members only.

1/09 SAT, ALLEY POND ENVIRONMENTAL CTR./OAKLAND LAKE to ALLEY POND PARK. 8 miles on easy trails with some ups/downs. One drop off. Waterfowls viewing and newly restored trail around the lake. Bring lunch/hot drink and dress warmly and wear hiking boots. NO SMOKING ON HIKE. Take # 7 train to Flushing, Main Street, last stop and meet at 10:30 AM at the Q12 Bus Pole in front of the Shopping Mall on Roosevelt Ave. Fare: MetroCard. Leader: Rolande Chapeau. Light snow GO! Members only.

1/10 SUN, QUEEN'S WATERFRONT, PART-1, 12 to 13 miles. Meet at southwest corner of Vernon Blvd and 50th Ave., Long Island City at 9:00 a.m., Vernon Blvd-Jackson Ave. station, # 7 line. Check to be sure that the # 7 train is running. If the # 7 is not running, meeting place is still the same. MTA will provide a shuttle bus to meeting place. Walk the Queens waterfront from Long Island City to Flushing; at least as much of it as we can get to. Pass Socrates Sculpture Park, Steinway mansion, and Lent-Riker-Smith homestead (circa 1654). Drop-off points. Important: bring water and lunch. Food and water not available where we will have lunch. Leader: Bill Wrublewski, Email: [summer.time101@verizon.net](mailto:summer.time101@verizon.net) Cell: 646-369-0279. Nonmembers: \$3.

1/16 SAT, BROOKLYN BOTANICAL GARDEN. At around 50 acres (only one-fifth the size of the Bronx Garden) the entire garden can be comfortably seen in one visit. Maybe a mile of walking altogether, at a very leisurely pace with many stops. Meet just outside the Eastern Parkway entrance at 11. Take the 2 or 3 subway to the Eastern Parkway station. We'll buy lunch at the Terrace Cafe (reasonable). Admission is free on Saturdays until 12.. In case of inclement weather the garden visit will be converted into a visit to the Brooklyn Museum instead, which is right next door, and has a policy of pay what you wish for admission (\$1 is fine). In that case, we'll have lunch in the museum cafeteria. Please email or call me to make sure that the walk is on and/or if you have any questions. Bob Susser, [rsusser@aol.com](mailto:rsusser@aol.com); 212 666-4371. Members only.

1/17 SUN, WILLIAMSBURG WALK. Approx 5-6 miles. Walk over Queensboro Bridge, going through Greenpoint and Williamsburgh and over the Williamsburgh Bridge. Optional (possibly late) lunch in gentrified section of Williamsburg. Bring water. Rain or snow on day of walk cancels. Walk will end at subway station on Delancy & Essex Street in Manhattan. Meet 10 AM at Roosevelt Island Tram station entrance on 59th street and Second Ave. Leader: Ed Leibowitz. Please call, 201-332-1709 or e-mail: [eleibow@verizon.net](mailto:eleibow@verizon.net) for walk status. Cellphone 201-850-9649 on day of walk only between 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM. Might be joint with Shorewalkers. Nonmembers of Shorewalkers and Outdoors Club \$3.

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1/23 SAT, MCNY & CARNEGIE HILL WALK, 3 miles, easy pace. We'll visit the Museum of the City of NY and walk around the Carnegie Hill Historic District. Afterwards we'll have a late lunch in a Chinese restaurant. Meet inside Museum at 11:15 am. Admission: Pay what you wish. Any ice or snow cancels! Take #6 subway to 103<sup>rd</sup> St. stop or buses M1, 2, 3, 4, 101, 102 or 103. Leader: Helen Yee 212-348-5344 call Saturday (2/6) evening 7pm-8pm to confirm (message on answering machine). Nonmembers \$3.

1/24 SUN, KEW GARDENS & FOREST HILLS. 5 miles, easy pace, some hills. Starting with a stroll through Maple Grove Cemetery (on National Register of Historic Places) through Kew Gardens with a loop on the Forest Park bridle path (if not too muddy) then into the private streets of Forest Hills Gardens and ending at the tennis stadium (former home of the US Open). Meet at 1:00 PM at Queens Blvd & 80th Rd (Kew Gardens stop on E&F trains). Exit near front of train. Meet at top of stairs marked "South Side Queens Blvd & 80th Rd". Awful or dangerous weather cancels. Call to confirm. Leader: Richard Sklar 718-782-7732. Members and friends only.

**1/30 SAT, PUCCINI'S *TURANDOT* AND BROOKLYN.** We'll have a short, brisk walk exploring a couple of Brooklyn neighborhoods, ending at 12:30 at Brooklyn's High School for the Arts for the 1:00 free Metropolitan Opera Simulcast of *Turandot*. **MEET at 9:45 a.m. so we can leave promptly at 10:00. Email [jean.arrington@gmail.com](mailto:jean.arrington@gmail.com) for the meeting place the week of the walk, or call.** Leader: Jean Arrington, 646-290-4119.

**1/31 SUN, SOUTH BRONX WALK (MELROSE/MORRISANIA NEIGHBORHOODS),** city walk, about 4-5 miles, rest stops, easy pace, ups/downs. Take 2, 4, 5 subway or Bx19, B1, Bx2 bus to 149th Street & Grand Concourse. We'll see "green" buildings, and landmarked historic districts/buildings. Meet after lunch 12:45 PM at the post office corner of 149th St. & Grand Concourse. Use bathrooms before walk either at McDonalds or Lincoln Medical Center. Walk ends at a restaurant. Rain, ice, any snow, temperatures below 20 cancels! Leader: Helen Mangione-Yee call to confirm morning of walk ONLY 9-10 AM 212-348-5344. Nonmembers: \$3.

**2/6 SAT, NEW YORK HARBOR WALK.** 8 miles, moderately brisk pace, flat. From 65th Street Brooklyn follow the shore line past Owl's Head Park, the Verrazzano Bridge and Gravesend Bay to Coney Island. Bring lunch and water. Take "R" Train to Bay Ridge Avenue. Meet 10 AM on NW corner of Bay Ridge Avenue and 4th Avenue. Leader: Ludwig Hendel. 1-718-626-3983. Must call for hike status Friday evening only, February 5. Members only.

**2/6 SAT, CROTON POINT PARK.** 7 miles, circular easy hike. Great trails and views of the Hudson Valley. We'll cover the new promenade, Model Airplane Field, Nature Center and the Mound. We may see owls, eagles and Red Tail Hawks. Bring lunch/hot drink and dress warmly, (HIKING BOOTS ONLY IF SNOW). NO SMOKING ON HIKE. From GCT (42nd St.) board the Hudson Line train at 9:47 AM to Croton Harmon or from Marble Hill (near 225th St subway # 1) at 10:08 AM, arriv. 10:50. Fare: O/W \$10.25/Srs. \$6.75, (less from M. Hill). Leader: Rolande Chapeau. (May park in the Park (free) and join us on the bridge). Heavy snow cancel. Members only.

**2/7 SUN, 57TH STREET, RIVER TO RIVER.** The northern end of midtown is the nexus between art and commerce. Gigantic new residential buildings for the superrich crowd, familiar landmarks such as Carnegie Hall and the Art Students League; continuing east, the walk ends by Sutton Place and the Queensboro Bridge (sorry, Ed Koch). Meet at 11 am in the lobby of the Time Warner Building at nearby Columbus Circle. Leader: Robert Halasz (home 212-866-3563, cell 917-482-9757 or [rjhalasz@gmail.com](mailto:rjhalasz@gmail.com). Nonmembers: \$3.

**2/13 SAT, HIGHLIGHTS OF CENTRAL PARK.** The Obelisk, Turtle Pond, Belvedere Castle, with its panoramic views, and the Ramble (38 acres of winding wooded trails). Maybe a mile altogether at a very leisurely pace and with quite a few stops. We'll end up around 1pm with lunch at the Boathouse Cafe -- bring your own or buy it there. In case of inclement weather the Central Park visit will be converted into a visit to the Metropolitan Museum instead, which is right next door, and has a policy of pay what you wish for admission (\$1 is fine). If we decide to go to the museum, we'll have lunch in their cafeteria. Meet at 11 on the benches at the SW corner of 85th St. & 5th Ave.(restrooms). Please email or call me to make sure that the walk is on and/or if you have any questions. Bob Susser; [rsusser@aol.com](mailto:rsusser@aol.com); 212 666-4371. Members only.

**2/14 SUN, FLUSHING BAY PROMENADE.** 6-to-7 miles, flat and easy hike. Walk through Corona to lovely promenade along the Bay with its magnificent views of the Harbor with waterfowls viewing. Continue through Flushing Corona Park. Surprise on the way! Bring lunch/hot drink, (WEAR BOOTS ONLY IF SNOW). NO SMOKING ON HIKE. Take # 7 Flushing Line Train to 111th St Station and meet downstairs west corner of 111 St/Roosevelt Ave. at 11:30 AM. Fare: Metrocard. Leader: Rolande Chapeau. Heavy snow cancel. Nonmembers \$3.00

**2/20 SAT, BROOKLYN BOTANIC GARDENS,** 1-2 miles, very slow easy pace with rest stops. We will slowly walk around the gardens, and then take a bus (bring Metrocard) to Greenpoint for a late lunch. Admission free before noon. Take #2 or #3 subway to Eastern Parkway stop (right after turnstiles, right after steps). Meet outside the Eastern Parkway entrance to gardens at 11:30 AM. Bad weather (any ice, snow) cancels. Leader: Helen Mangione-Yee 212-348-5344 call to confirm day of walk only 8-9 AM. Nonmembers: \$3.

2/21 SUN, BROOKLYN'S "BEST" BLOCKS (PART V). Fifth in an indeterminate series of hikes aiming to connect some 200 or so "best" blocks in Brooklyn suggested in a series of articles published between 2010 and 2014 in "The L Magazine". Connecting two t.b.d. subway stations. Probably "best blocks" in the Coney Island/Sheepshead Bay areas, but perhaps something different. Bring lunch, snacks and water. E-mail (preferred) or phone leader a week before the hike for meeting time and place. Leader: Craig Nunn (551-206-6823 or dystopicnj@gmail.com). Joint Hike. Awful or dangerous weather cancels. Contact leader after 7:00 AM morning of hike if uncertain. Nonmembers: \$3.

2/27 SAT, SHORE HIKE. 7 miles on easy beautiful trails through 8 inter-connected restored parks. Bronx River Art Center, Starlight Park, Concrete Park, Soundview Park, Promenade to Clason Point Park, Puglsey's Creek Park to Castle Hill Park. Drop off available. Good neighborhood with great views of the Bronx Rvr. and the Airport. See waterfall and red tails hawks. Bring lunch/hot drink. (WEAR BOOTS ONLY IF SNOW!). NO SMOKING ON HIKE. Take the # 2, 5 subway to West Farm Sq, E. Tremont Ave. and meet downstairs, West side of street at 10:00.AM. Fare: Metrocard. Leader: Rolande Chapeau. Heavy snow cancel! Nonmembers \$3.00.

2/28 SUN, SMOGGED APPLE EXPEDITION, 10 Miles, moderate pace Manhattan to Central Park - The exact location will depend on snow levels (if any). We will walk along the West Shore of Manhattan and take a tour of Central Park. Dress for COLD and bring lunch and hot beverage. We might go down the East Side to Indian Restaurant 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Meet: 11:35 AM in S.I. Ferry Terminal at the base of the escalator. We will not be taking the boat. You MUST call (718 967-0855) on prior week to hear confirmation message as date may change due to leader's course schedule. But registration is NOT required. For details/questions it is best to e-mail: night.hiker.nyc@gmail.com or LEAVE message on phone at least a day in advance. LEADER: Brian J. Nonmembers: \$3.

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