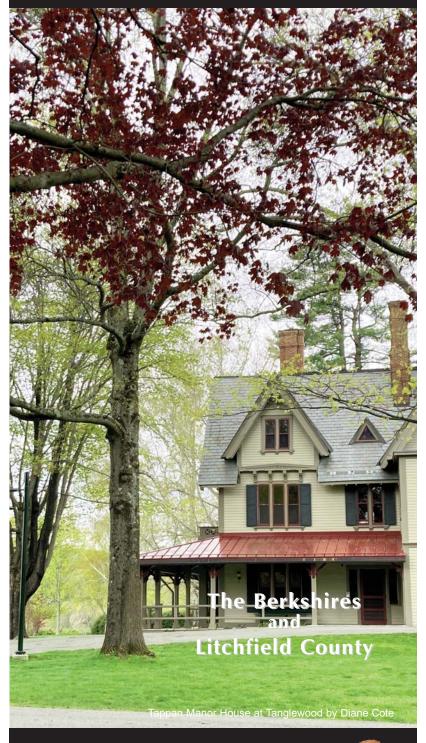
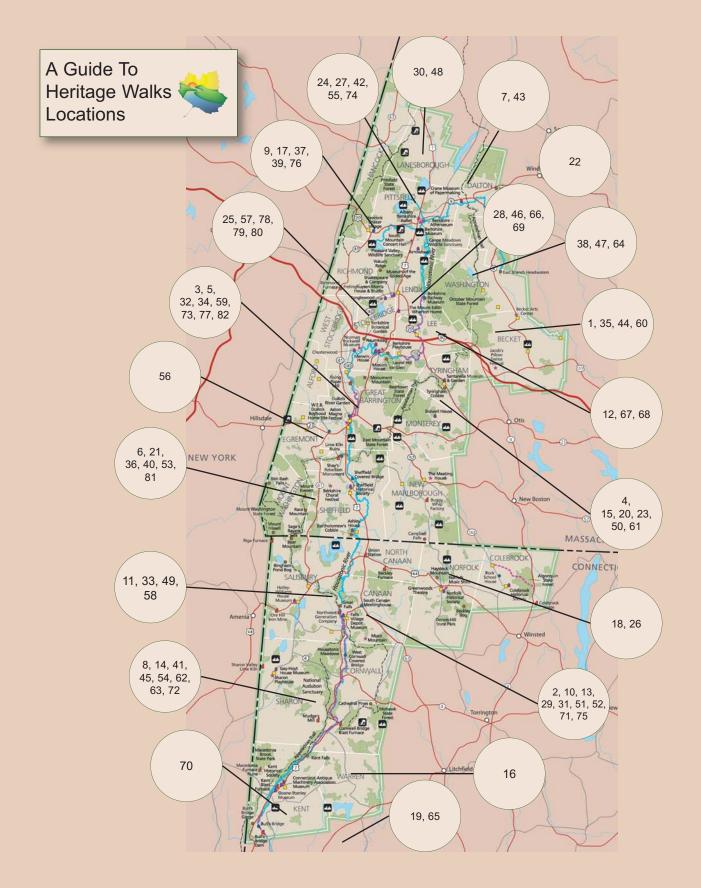
## Heritage Walks 2023 📚





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#### SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 2, 2023 Labor Day Weekend

1 - Becket, MA 9:30 AM - 1 PM HISTORY HIKE TO THE KEYSTONE ARCHES BRIDGES - A MOST MAGNIFICENT ENGINEERING FEAT BUILT IN THE 1840'S!

Join Dave Pierce (Friends of the Keystone Arches) and Meredyth Babcock (Westfield River Wild & Scenic Committee) for a hike to the first cluster of stone arch railway bridges built in America, in the 1830's. They are impressive, breath-taking stone structures, up to 70 feet high, brilliantly revealing their ancestry in the great cathedrals of ancient Rome!

NOTE - An inside tour of the Chester Railway Station Museum can be arranged after the free Heritage Walk. Donations are accepted. The Arches and the Railway Station were designated as National Historic Landmarks in 2021. 3.5 hours - 5 miles

To register, email - dpiercedlp@aol.com or 413-961-9166

From junction of Rts 20 & 102 in Lee, take Rt 20 east and drive 18 miles to Chester center. Meet at the Chester Railway Museum, 10 Prospect St. We will carpool 2 miles to the trailhead. GPS 42.28054, -72.97860

2 - East Canaan, CT TOURS FROM 10 AM - 2 PM 1 HOUR TOURS OF THE BECKLEY BLAST FURNACE, CT'S DEDICATED IRON INDUSTRIAL MONUMENT

Learn about the historic iron industry of the Upper Housatonic Valley, by the Friends of Beckley Furnace. Built in 1847, the furnace produced high quality iron until 1918, and is one of the last surviving examples of the 19th and early 20th century blast furnaces that were once commonplace CT sights, and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

There were 21 furnaces in northwestern CT, as rich veins of iron ore were discovered in the hills near the town of Salisbury. During the American Revolution, CT-forged iron helped fuel the



manufacture of American weaponry, most notably the cannons used by the Continental Army, Union weapons for the Civil War, and railroad car wheels. Tour begins when you arrive. 1 hour long tours - 0.4 mile

140 Lower Road, East Canaan, just off US Rtes 44 & 7. From the East, North, or West, take Route 44 to East Canaan, CT. At the Congregational church, turn South onto Lower Road, passing alongside the Church building, continue for about 1/2 mile, turning to the right and down the hill. The former furnace office and the furnace stack are visible on your left.

From the South, take Rte 7 to Canaan, CT. Pass a railroad yard on your left, and just before Blackberry River bridge, turn right into Lower Road. The Furnace is about 3 miles east of the intersection of Lower Road and East Canaan. GPS 42.01274, -73.29074

3 - Gt. Barrington, MA 10 AM - 12 NOON GREAT BARRINGTON'S ARCHITECTURE & HISTORY – THE STORY OF GREAT BUILDINGS IN A GREAT TOWN

This walking tour with Nicholas Greene, from Clark + Green, and

Bek, will lead participants on a stroll through historic downtown Great Barrington as they discover the rich history of the town's former and current inhabitants, their lives and the beautiful architecture they called home. 2 hours - 1 mile

To register, email greenen23@gmail.com (indicate "GB Architecture Tour & Date" in the subject line)

Meet at the small engraved stone monument at the corner of Main and Castle Street, Great Barrington, MA.



GPS 42.19378, -73.36382



4 - Monterey, MA 10 AM - 1 PM THE ROYAL HEMLOCK TRAIL - HIKE THROUGH TOWNSHIP #1

A walk on the Bidwell House grounds as well as the BNRC's Hudson-Howard property, this hike traces the route of the early settlers of Township No. 1 from their homes to the 1st meeting house on a hill near the Museum. Richard Greene will lead the group on the old roadways, past foundations and stone walls of long-ago homesteads, and explore flora and fauna along the way. Terrain is steep and rocky in a few places. NOTE - Does not include a tour of the museum interior, which can be arranged after the free Heritage Walk. Up to 3 hours - 4 miles

To register, email - bidwellhouse@gmail.com OR go to the Museum website - bidwellhousemuseum.org

From Monterey center - take Tyringham Rd. for 1.5 miles, and take a left onto Art School Rd. and drive 1 mile to the end; OR From the traffic light at Big Y in Lee - take Tyringham Rd., drive 5.5 miles, right onto Monterey Rd, drive for 2.3 miles, then right on Art School Rd. and drive 1 mile to the Bidwell House Museum. GPS 42.20888, -73.21830

#### 5 - Gt. Barrington, MA EXPLORE THE PERENNIAL PLANTS OF THE PFEIFFER ARBORETUM

Join Devan Arnold, from Sassafras Land Care LLC and the Great

Barrington Land
Conservancy, on a botanical
journey through the
woodlands of the Pfeiffer
Arboretum to meet and learn
some of our local floral
wonders. 2 hours - 1 mile



11 AM - 1 PM

Meet at 249 Long Pond Rd, Great Barrington. From the center of Great Barrington, take RT-183 / North Plain Road to Division Street, turn left, travel past a farm, up a hill, then take a right onto Long Pond Road at the flashing yellow lights. The trailhead is about a ½ mile down the road on the left.



6 - Sheffield, MA 1:30 PM - 4 PM WALK THE SHAYS REBELLION SECTION OF THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL

Learn about the Appalachian Trail, the most famous hiking trail in the U.S., and Shays' Rebellion in 1787 that likely influenced the U.S. Constitution. Bess Dillman, Berkshire Chapter of the Appalachian Mountain Club, will lead us through fields, hardwood forests and across a boardwalk in a wetland. The trail is uneven with roots and rocks, but a lovely walk through a variety of habitats. 2.5 hours - 4 miles

Registration is Required - limited to 20 participants - email elizabeth.dillman@gmail.com or 413-528-7974

AT parking is across the road from 1024 Sheffield/Egremont Rd., Sheffield. From Great Barrington, South on Rte 7 to a right on Lime Kiln Rd. Drive one mile and turn right on Sheffield/Egremont Road. Monument is on right, parking on left. GPS 42.1468, -73.3859

#### SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 3, 2023 Labor Day Weekend

### 7 - Dalton, MA 10 AM - 11:30 AM FAMILY HIKE AT THE PINES COMMUNITY FOREST

Join Taylor Staubach of Berkshire Family Hikes and the Dalton Open Space & Recreation Committee for a family-friendly hike around The Pines property in Dalton. Discover the history of the land and learn about the current work being done to create an

accessible recreational trail for all. 1.5 hours, ~2-miles

To register, email - taylor@berkshirefamily-hikes.com

Meet and start from the Dalton Senior Center, 40



Field Street, Dalton. GPS 42.474528,-73.1666913



8 - Sharon, CT 10 AM - 12 NOON GOODBODY PRESERVE - HIKE INDIAN MOUNTAIN

Join Tim Hunter, Sharon Land Trust, for a moderate / difficult walk of the Goodbody Preserve. The preserve lies on the southern reach of Indian Mountain and combines acres of high-value farmland with a protected forest corridor to the highest elevations on Indian Mountain. Spanning 107 acres, it features a loop trail that climbs to an elevation of 1,065 ft. Three separate viewpoints can be found along the trail - Sharon Valley, Millerton Valley, and Mudge Pond - each one featuring a bench on which to take in some of the most spectacular views in this area of Sharon. 2 hours - 2.5 miles

To register, email - maria@sharonlandtrust.org OR (860) 364-5137

Meet at the trailhead, at 140 Millerton Road, Sharon, CT 06069. Parking is at the top of the drive in a farm field. GPS 41.898304, -73.488056

#### 9 - Pittsfield, MA 10 AM - 11:30 AM ARCHITECTURAL WALK AT HANCOCK SHAKER VILLAGE

Shaker buildings tell us so much about the community's values, beliefs, and lifestyle. Join John Parker for a walk through the village and into some of our historic buildings to examine more closely the Shakers' built environment. We'll focus on building materials, architectural styles, function vs. style, and change over time. We will learn to "read" a building. Stops include the Machine Shop, Brick Dwelling, Round Stone Barn, and Tannery. NOTE: This walk does not include general admission to the Village. For a fee, admission to the Village can be arranged after the free Heritage Walk. Easy-to moderate.

1.5 hours - 1.5 miles

To register - 413-443-0188 x-213 or email cdickinson@hancockshakervillage.org

Meet at the HSV Visitor Center/ticket desk, main entrance, on Rt 20 (34 Lebanon Mt. Road), Pittsfield/Hancock. GPS 42.43091, -73.34049



10 - Canaan, CT VINTAGE CANAAN

11 AM - 12 NOON

Walk with Kathryn Boughton, from the Canaan History Center, to look at how North Canaan village expanded following the coming of the Housatonic Rail Road in December 1841. Follow its history through to its heyday in the first half of the 20th century, and subsequent decline after World War II. Hear of efforts being made today to revitalize it. Visitors will see how the streetscape changed with each generation; learn of the kinds of businesses that reflected the needs of those generations. The History Center will be open to visitors before and after the walks. 1 hour - 0.25 mile

To register, email - kathrynwboughton@gmail.com

Meet at the Canaan History Center, 115 Main St. in the former Roraback Law Offices.

## 11 - Salisbury, CT 1 PM - 2 PM CANNON AT 20 PACES! THE RISE AND FALL OF THE AMES IRON WORKS

Contrast a shaded walk along a flat trail beside the Housatonic River with the smoky history of the same land. Lou Bucceri, from the Salisbury Association Historical Society, will share the history

about the factory and the people that produced the most powerful cannon of the Civil War. Learn how the cannon destroyed no Confederate targets, but only the man and company who created it. 1 hour - 0.25 mile



From the Rt 7 & Rt 112 junction in Falls Village - West on Rt 112 to Dugway Road (opposite the Outfield Entrance to Lime Rock Park), turn right and follow Dugway Rd. for 2 miles. At iron bridge, turn left, then immediately turn right onto Housatonic River Rd. Go 0.5 mile to parking lot for Falls Village Dam boat launch. OR from Rt 44 or Rt 41 - East on Rt 112 until you reach the Outfield Entrance to Lime Rock Park, then turn left onto Dugway Road and follow the above highlighted directions. GPS 41.96389, -73.37200



#### SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 9, 2023

12 - Lee, MA WALKING TOUR OF HISTORIC LEE 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Join Tracie Etheredge, from the Lee Historical Society, for a walking tour of Main Street, including learning about the important buildings, people and historical events that occurred in town. 2 hours - 1.5 miles

To register, email - ether@gmail.com

Meet at the town picnic gazebo next to the post office on Frank Consolati Way. GPS 42.305441, -73.251334

13 - East Canaan, CT TOURS FROM 10 AM - 2 PM 1 HOUR TOURS OF THE BECKLEY BLAST FURNACE, CT'S DEDICATED IRON INDUSTRIAL MONUMENT

REFER TO WALK # 2 FOR DETAILS

14 - Sharon, CT 10 AM - 12 NOON MARY MOORE PRESERVE - HIKE THE CLIFF LOOP TRAIL AND VISIT THE CHINKAPIN OAK

One of Sharon Land Trust's most popular properties, Mary Moore Preserve sits on the southwestern reach of the Red Mountain range. Join Maria Grace, for a moderate walk through farm fields, forests, and boulder fields. The short climb to the lookout offers some of the best vistas in the Berkshires, with a view that encompasses three states (and benches so you can take a rest). The loop

around the cliff trail from the parking area passes by dramatic, moss-covered boulder fields and the State Champion Chinkapin Oak. 2 hours - 2.5 miles

To register, email - maria@sharon-landtrust.org OR (860) 364-5137



Meet at the parking area at 24 Williams Road, Sharon, CT GPS 41.890813, -73.453203



15 - Monterey, MA

10 AM - 12 NOON
FOREST ECOLOGY AND TREE IDENTIFICATION WITH A
FORESTER FROM THE MASS. DEPT. OF CONSERVATION &
RECREATION

Explore the woodland trails of the Bidwell House Museum with forester Tom Ryan, from the Department of Conservation and Recreation. Participants are encouraged to ask questions and will learn about tree and plant identification, carbon sequestration, climate and wildlife habitat adaptive forestry. NOTE - Does not include a tour of the museum interior, which, for a fee, can be arranged after the free Heritage Walk. 2 hours - 2 miles

To register, email - bidwellhouse@gmail.com OR go to the Museum website - bidwellhousemuseum.org

From Monterey center - take Tyringham Rd. for 1.5 miles, and take a left onto Art School Rd. and drive 1 mile to the end; OR From the traffic light at Big Y in Lee - take Tyringham Rd and drive 5.5 miles, take a right onto Monterey Rd and drive for 2.3 miles, then take a right on Art School Rd. and drive 1 mile to the end at the Bidwell House Museum. GPS 42.20888, -73.21830

16 - Warren, CT 10 AM - 11:30 AM CHARLES FINNEY HOMESTEAD AND THE CUNNINGHAM NATURE PRESERVE - A FAMILY-FRIENDLY WALK

Join the Warren Land Trust and Warren Historical Society for a family-friendly walk in the woods on the WLT's new Cunningham Nature Preserve. Flat but uneven terrain (sturdy footwear recommended). You can explore the natural and historical highlights of this significant property, which includes the birthplace of Charles Finney, famous in his day as the father of American revivalism and president of Oberlin College. 1.5 hours - 2 miles

To register, email - info@warrenlandtrust.org

From the intersection of routes 45 and 341 in Warren, continue a half-mile on Route 341 West. Turn left onto Reed Road, continue .6 mile. Turn left onto Cunningham Road, and continue to the end of paved road. GPS 41.7306, -73.3741



17 - Pittsfield, MA SHAKER MOUNTAIN HIKE

10 AM - 1 PM

Hike the Shaker Trail, located across Rt 20 from Hancock Shaker Village, to the HSV North Family Site and to Mount Sinai, a spiritual "feast ground" for the Shaker community. Led by Bill Bernbeck and Rick Ryer, the hike will include stops at remains of mill sites, the North Family dwelling site (active from 1821-1867), and the summit of the mountain, where the Shakers held special celebratory services twice a year in the mid-19th century. Moderate to strenuous hike. NOTE: This walk does not include general admission to the Village. For a fee, admission to the Village can be arranged after the free Heritage Walk. 3 hours - 2.5 miles

To register - 413-443-0188 x-213 or email cdickinson@hancockshakervillage.org

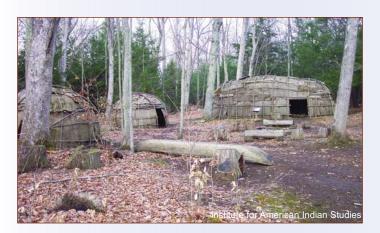
Meet at the HSV Visitor Center/ticket desk, main entrance, on Rt 20 (34 Lebanon Mt. Road), Pittsfield/Hancock. From the junction of Rt 41 & Rt 20 junction - drive west on Rt 20 for 1/2 mile to the HSV entrance. GPS 42.43091, -73.34049

#### 18 - Norfolk, CT 1 PM - 3 PM GUIDED TOUR OF THE ELLEN BATTELL STOECKEL ESTATE

Join Barry Webber, of the Norfolk Historical Society, on a guided tour of the unique and historic Ellen Battell Stoeckel Estate, which is the summer home of Yale University's School of Art and School of Music, and several of the historic buildings



have recently been renovated. The tour will include an overview of the family's history, a timeline of the development of the estate buildings, and how it is used today. Walking is on paved surfaces, but includes hills. 2 hours - 0.25 mile



Registration is Required, limited to 28 participants - email norfolk.ct.historical@gmail.com

The tour will start at the Norfolk Historical Society, 13 Village Green, to view the current exhibition, "Shedding Light: Two Hundred Years of Art & Music in Norfolk"

# 19 - Washington, CT 1 PM - 2 PM WALKING WITH BOTH EYES OPEN - SCIENTIFIC AND INDIGENOUS ECOLOGICAL KNOWLEDGE AT THE INSTITUTE FOR AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES

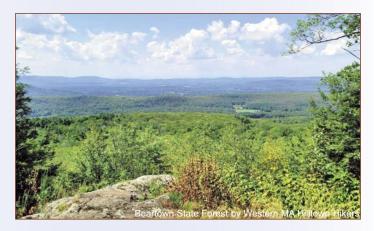
Etuaptmumk is a Mi'kmaw saying that translates to "Two-Eyed Seeing." As attributed to Mi'kmaw Elder Albert Marshall, this concept refers to learning from one eye the strengths of Indigenous knowledge, and from the other eye the strengths of "Western" scientific knowledge. Join IAIS staff for a guided walk along our museum trails and learn about scientific and Indigenous understandings of local animal and plant life as you become more familiar with this concept. End at our replicated 16th Century Algonkian Village for a discussion with one of our Indigenous educators about lessons that can be learned from their traditional understandings of the environment. NOTE - Does not include a tour of the museum interior. An inside tour, for a fee, can be arranged before or after the free Heritage Walk. 1 hour - 1 mile

To register, email - events@iaismuseum.org

Drive on Rt 67 towards Roxbury. Turn onto Rt 199 and follow for 2 miles, then turn onto Curtis Road and drive to the end. IAIS is the last driveway on the right. Meet inside the gift shop. GPS 41.61069, -73.32521

### 20 - Monterey, MA 2 PM - 4:30 PM THE WEATHER PROPHET OF BEARTOWN - LEVI BEEBE

Beartown State Forest is a ghost town. Throughout the 1800s Beartown was a vibrant agricultural community; now only mere traces remain. It was also home to Levi Bebee, a renowned folk weatherman, who famously predicted the incredible Blizzard of 1888. Join Alec Gillman of the Department of Conservation and



Recreation (DCR) to discover more about the life and times of this curious celebrity, where he lived, and how he predicted the weather from this seemingly remote place. Some areas may be wet. Attendance and parking is limited. 2.5 hours - 1.6 miles, with the option for a longer 3.8-mile hike loop to additional cultural sites. Rain or shine

Pre-registration is required, email alexander.gillman@mass.gov or phone 413-426-7890

Take Beartown Mountain Road/Benedict Pond Road to access from state forest main entrance, 69 Blue Hill Road, Monterey, MA. Follow Benedict Pond Road for 4.6 miles to trailhead. Parking is roadside. GPS:42.249938, -73.280523

#### **SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 10, 2023**

21 - Sheffield, MA 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM EXPLORE THE NATURE CONSERVANCY'S DRURY PRESERVE & MOON IN THE POND ORGANIC FARM

See how nature conservation and sustainable agriculture live harmoniously side by side. Explore the unique beauty and nature of Schenob Brook with a spectacular view of the Berkshire-Taconic mountains, on a moderate hike with naturalist, Rene Wendell, from The Nature Conservancy. We will also walk through the Moon

In The Pond Farm and learn about this diverse, organic farm that TNC helped protect.

Farmer Dominic Palumbo will give a tour of his farm, talk about eco-agriculture and his relationship with TNC. The farm store will be open for purchases. It



will also be the height of fall bird migration. 4 hours - 3 miles

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From Rt 7 in Sheffield center, turn onto Berkshire School Rd. In 0.25 mile, take a left onto Salisbury Rd; after 0.75 mile, turn left on Barnum St. and drive 1.3 miles; park on right side of road. GPS 42.08139, -73.37835

22 - Windsor/Savoy, MA 10 AM - 12:30 PM BOREAL SPRUCE-FIR FOREST - PLANT, TREE AND WILD EDIBLE HIKE AT THE TAMARACK HOLLOW NATURE & CULTURAL CENTER

Led by naturalist and director of the Tamarack Hollow Nature & Cultural Center, Aimee Gelinas, leads this hike which features the unique high elevation flora of the boreal forest including tips for tree, plant and wild edible identification.

The hike is free (donations accepted for Tamarack Hollow). Supported by the Berkshire Taconic Foundation Berkshire Environmental Endowment Fund & the Cultural Council of Northern Berkshire & the Cultural Council of Northern Berkshire. 2.5 hours - 2 miles

Registration is Required - email aimee@gaiaroots.com Visit: www.tamarackhollownatureanculturalcenter.org

Tamarack Hollow Nature & Cultural Center, 1515 & 1516 Savoy Hollow Rd, Windsor, MA. \*Please DO NOT USE a GPS to locate us on Savoy Hollow Road...Only enter Savoy Hollow Road via Griffin Hill Rd off Route 116 in Savoy, MA (you can use a GPS to find Griffin Hill Rd).

From Rt 9, in Windsor center take 8A north to Rt 116 in Savoy. At end of Rt 8A take a right onto Route 116 heading towards Savoy Center and Plainfield. Go approx. 1.1 miles through the center of Savoy and take your first right after the center of town onto River Rd (there is a small light brown house with cream trim on the corner, this is #4 River Road). After the small house, cross the bridge over the river and go immediately to your right up the hill this is Griffin Hill Rd (there is a sign saying "Tamarack Hollow-1 mile"). Continue up Griffin Hill Road (which will become Savoy Hollow Rd) for approx. 1 mile until you reach Tamarack Hollow.

To register, email - rene.wendell@tnc.org or 413-229-0232



23 - New Marlborough, MA 10 AM - 12 NOON A HIKE AT BERKSHIRE NATURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL'S STEEPLETOP RESERVE - A WALK INTO THE PAST

At 1,230 acres, Steepletop Reserve is the Berkshire Natural Resources Council's largest reserve, containing five miles of marked and maintained trails, all on easy grades. Bring your binoculars (we have some to lend!) and thinking cap as we explore the vast wetlands, stonewalls, and cellar holes. 2 hours - 2.5 miles

To register, email - chood@bnrc.org

From Great Barrington, take Route 23 east to Monterey. Just after the Monterey line, bear right onto Route 57/183 into New Marlborough. Just before the Old Inn on the Green in New Marlborough, turn left onto North Road; follow for 1.6 miles. Turn right at the steep, inclining driveway marked "684". Bear right into our gravel parking lot at the top of the little hill. The trails begin right at the trailhead parking; there is a kiosk just beyond the gate. GPS: 42.1370, -73.2082

#### 24 - Pittsfield, MA 10:30 AM - 1 PM BICYCLE TOUR: PITTSFIELD'S AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY TRAIL & TOUR OF THE REV. SAMUEL HARRISON HOUSE

Join Marge Cohan, from the Berkshire Bike Path Council, and Kamaar Taliaferro, of the NAACP Berkshire County Branch, as they bike ride to historic African American sites in Pittsfield and then enjoy a tour of the historic 1850s Rev. Samuel Harrison House. The Rev. Harrison was a regionally-prominent African-American minister who served as chaplain to the 54th Massachusetts Infantry

Regiment during the American Civil War. This is a short bike ride, beginner cyclists welcomed, helmets required. 2.5 hours - 5 to 8 miles

To register, email - momimarge@msn.com



Meet at Persip Park, 175 North Street/Columbus Ave.



25 - Stockbridge, MA 1 PM - 2:30 PM A PLEASANT STROLL OVER LAUREL HILL PARK AND THE MARY FLYNN TRAIL

Join Patricia Flinn for a leisurely history walk of the Laurel Hill Association's signature property, and continuing on to the Mary Flynn Trail, which is handicap accessible. The Association was founded in 1853, and is the oldest existing village improvement society in the U.S. Wear sensible walking shoes.

1.5 hours - 1.5 miles

Meet at the Stockbridge Town Offices building at 50 Main St., at the 'Town Offices' sign on the right side. GPS 42.28164, -73.30583

26 - Norfolk, CT 1 PM - 3 PM GUIDED TOUR OF THE ELLEN BATTELL STOECKEL ESTATE

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27 - Pittsfield, MA 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM TREE IDENTIFICATION WALK AT SPRINGSIDE PARK

Take a leisurely tree identification walk with Chelsey Simmons, from Berkshire Environmental Action Team (BEAT), in Springside

Park, Pittsfield's largest park and home to the Hebert Arboretum and an American Chestnut Preserve. Participants will learn key characteristics of common trees in western Massachusetts and get tips to help identify them. The walk will be on paths with fairly even flat ground



through fields and wooded areas. 2 hours - 1.5 miles

Pre-registration is required. Limited to 15 participants. Email: chelsey@thebeatnews.org or call 413-464-9402

Meet at the Hebert Arboretum parking lot, 874 North St, Pittsfield, MA GPS 42.4651N, 73.2458W



28 - Lenox, MA 3 PM - 4:30 PM EXPLORE THE IMPRESSIVE GARDENS & LANDSCAPE OF THE MOUNT - HOME OF EDITH WHARTON

Anne Schuyler will guide you on an exploration of the impressive gardens and woodland trails of The Mount - Edith Wharton's Estate, a 1902 home (a National Historic Landmark) of Pulitzer Prize-winning author Edith Wharton. NOTE: Does not include an interior house tour, which, for a fee, can be arranged before the free Heritage Walk. 1.5 hours - <1 mile

From the traffic light junction of Rt 20 & Rt 7 in Lenox, head south on Rt 7, and drive 1 mile, and take a left turn onto Plunkett St. The Mount is right after making the turn. Meet at the ticket booth. www.EdithWharton.org GPS 42.33558, -73.28293

#### 29 - Falls Village, CT 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM ANCESTORS TO DESCENDANTS - AN ADAMAH FARM WALK

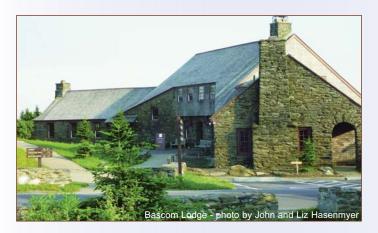
Join Janna Siller for this walking tour of Adamah Farm, where we grow produce using regenerative practices. As we wander through the perennial food forest, no-till fields, and compost and chicken yard, we'll explore how Adamah Farm honors our ancestors with our descendants in mind. 1 hour, < 0.25 mile

To register, email - janna.siller@hazon.org

On Rt 7 or on Rt 126, about 2 miles south of the center of Falls Village, Adamah Farm is located on the corner of Beebe Hill and Johnson Rds. Park across the street from 181 Beebe Hill Rd. We'll meet you there. GPS 41.940141, -73.347176

30 - Lanesborough-Adams 5:30 PM - 6:45 PM BOREAL FOREST ECOLOGY SLIDESHOW & SUMMIT WALK AT BASCOM LODGE AND MT. GREYLOCK SUMMIT

Learn about the ecology of high elevation Boreal Spruce-Fir forests on a short and easy plant/tree ID summit walk and a narrated slideshow in Bascom Lodge with naturalist Aimee Gelinas, Director of the Tamarack Hollow Nature & Cultural Center. Program is free (donations accepted for the nature & cultural center) thanks to



support from the Berkshire Taconic Foundation Berkshire Environmental Endowment & Barrett Funds. Stay for dinner after the free presentation at the Bascom lodge - visit www.bascomlodge.net for dinner reservation information and dinner cost. 1.25 hours - 0.25 mile

Registration is required, email - aimee@gaiaroots.com Visit: www.tamarackhollownatureanculturalcenter.org

Meet at Bascom Lodge at the summit of Mount Greylock – the address is 3 Summit Road, Adams. The summit can be reached by taking Rockwell Rd from the Lanesboro side or Notch Road from the North Adams side. For more info visit: www.bascomlodge.net and www.mass.gov/locations/mount-greylock-state-reservation. GPS 42.636875, -73.16692

#### SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

31 - East Canaan, CT TOURS FROM 10 AM - 2 PM 1-HOUR TOURS OF THE BECKLEY BLAST FURNACE, CT'S DEDICATED IRON INDUSTRIAL MONUMENT

REFER TO WALK # 2 FOR DETAILS

32 - Gt. Barrington, MA 10 AM - 1:00 PM HIKE TO FLAG ROCK VISTA - A MOUNTAIN OF BOULDERS

Join Christy Butler (Author & Photographer of Berkshire Destinations,) along with Elizabeth Massa, and Karen Sikes

McTaggart from the Western Mass Hilltown Hikers, for a moderate hike to Flag Rock Vista which passes through its lower boulder field. Exploration of some splendid and humongous sized boulders will require short side-trips off the main trail. 3 hours - 3 miles

Early registration is requested chrisjan@berkshirephotos.com (413) 743-4326

At the junction of Rts 7 & 183 at the north





end of Gt. Barrington, drive north on Rt 183 for 0.8 mile. Trailhead is located 0.2 miles north of Taft's Farm at the junction of Division Road and Rt 183. GPS: 42.236355° -73.348120°

PLEASE NOTE--Parking at the trailhead is limited. If you must park along Rte 183, make sure that you are off the roadway and use parallel parking only, along the edge of the roadway (vehicles must be on the other side of the white line). Please don't park head-in or back in - only park parallel to the roadway to avoid parking on private property.

### 33 - Lakeville, CT 10 AM - 11:30 AM TRINITY LIME ROCK 150th ANNIVERSARY HISTORY WALK

Trinity Lime Rock began construction in 1873, the project of U.S. Senator William H. Barnum and – importantly – his wife. We'll explore the interior of the church, including the newly restored stained-glass windows, learn how the church was built and how it has changed over time. We'll also visit the undercroft, the church basement (not open to the public), at one time the church and community hall. Outside, we will discuss the exterior, nearby structures past and present, discuss Lime Rock Park (across the street), the Lime Rock Garden Club monument (reflecting a time when Black chattel slavery was present in Lime Rock), and visit the Lime Rock Cemetery, mainly the removals from the old Lime Rock cemetery and the monuments of the community's leading citizens back in the 1800s. Tour Leader is Geoffrey Brown, author of "Trinity Lime Rock in Context – a History". 1.5 hours - 0.5 mile

Meet at 484 Lime Rock Road (Route 112), opposite the outfield entrance of Lime Rock Park, in the Lime Rock neighborhood of Lakeville, Connecticut. Please enter via Dugway Road. Free parking is available behind the church in Reid Field. **Please** do not park on the road. The tour begins in Walker Hall (enter through the red doors).

34 - Gt. Barrington, MA

10 AM - 12 NOON
GREAT BARRINGTON'S ARCHITECTURE & HISTORY – THE
STORY OF GREAT BUILDINGS IN A GREAT TOWN

REFER TO WALK # 3 FOR DETAILS



35 - Becket, MA 10 AM - 12 NOON EXPLORING THE HISTORIC BECKET QUARRY AND FOREST

Join Ann and Ken Smith on this moderate hike to explore the Becket Quarry (and the beauty of this forest), the newest addition to the southern Berkshires portfolio of The Trustees of Reservations. Learn about the history of the quarry with the Becket Land Trust and how The Trustees of Reservations are continuing the management and care of this unique and historic property. The granite quarry was used from the 1850s - 1950's and is now filled with water, but you can still find glimpses of the old Quarry days with a standing wooden derrick, winches, and parts of old machinery once used by quarry workers. 2 hours - 2 miles

From junction of Rts 20 & 102 in Lee, take Rt 20 east and drive about 14 miles, to the junction where Rt 8 turns left off Rt 20 - here, you will turn right on Bonny Rigg Hill Rd. Drive about 2 miles and turn left on Quarry Rd. and drive for 1 mile, parking is on the right. GPS 42.25116, -73.02014

#### 36 - Sheffield, MA 11 AM - 12 NOON LIME KILNS - HISTORY AND HOW THEY WORKED

Walking tour of the Mass Audubon's Lime Kiln Farm Wildlife Sanctuary will focus on the lime kiln at the site. Ever wondered what exactly a lime kiln is, how they work, and what the resulting product has historically been used for? Mike King, expert on lime kilns in Sheffield, will answer those questions and more. The 1909

kiln is an excellent example of a typical kiln, towering 40 feet. We'll follow the .75 mile Lime Kiln Loop; participants are welcome after the walk to explore the other nature trails at the sanctuary. Rain Date - Sept. 17. 1 hour - 0.75 mile

To register, email sheffieldhistoricalsociety@gmail.com or phone 413-229-2694

From Rt. 7 in Sheffield, turn onto Silver Street and drive 1.1 miles to the Mass Audubon's Lime Kiln Farm Wildlife Sanctuary entrance on the right. Meet at the orientation panel near the parking lot.



37 - Pittsfield, MA

11 AM - 12:30 PM
WALK THROUGH TIME ON THE FARM AND FOREST TRAIL AT
HANCOCK SHAKER VILLAGE

Explore the history of the land, the natural landscape, the indigenous presence, and the Shakers' time here, along Hancock Shaker Village's Farm & Forest Trail. On this leisurely guided walk, HSV staff will identify features of the landscape and discuss it's change over time. The route will also include a stop at the South Family. NOTE: This walk does not include general admission to the Village. Admission to the Village can be purchased after the free Heritage Walk. Easy to moderate. 1.5 hours - 1.5 miles

To register - 413-443-0188 x-213 or email cdickinson@hancockshakervillage.org

Meet at the HSV Visitor Center/ticket desk, main entrance, on Rt 20 (34 Lebanon Mt. Road), Pittsfield/Hancock. From the junction of Rt 41 & Rt 20 junction - drive west on Rt 20 for 1/2 mile to the HSV entrance. GPS 42.43091, -73.34049

38 - Hinsdale, MA 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM MIGRATING FROM THE MOUNTAINTOP TO THE HOUSATONIC HEAD WATERS - AN INDOOR POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Enjoy an indoor powerpoint presentation by Peter White, as you will learn the history of Hinsdale's migrating town centers and the

eventual use of the Housatonic River in Hinsdale. Hear about the large, successful Hinsdale Woolen Mill and other mills and the dams that powered the saw mill and grist mill on the river and the development of the town center after the railroad came through. 2 hours



To register, email - Pepawhite@aol.com

Driving south on Rte 8 through Hinsdale, drive thru the traffic light, to the Hinsdale Town Hall, 39 South St., Hinsdale. GPS 42.43767, -73.12283



39 - Richmond, MA 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM MEET THE RESIDENTS OF THE CONE HILL CEMETERY

Join Gloria Morse and Bill Edwards, from the Richmond Historical Commission, on a tour of the Cone Hill Cemetery in Richmond. Visit the unusual headstones of Soul Effigies in some of the very old stones in one of Richmond's early burial grounds and learn about the early residents from the Southeast and Southwest Districts who are interred there. Heavy rain cancels. 2 hours - minimal walking

To register, email - gloriamorse1@gmail.com

Meet at 350 Cone Hill Road, Richmond, MA, which is located off of Swamp Road OR off Rt 41/State Road, just south of the Richmond Fire House

40 - Sheffield, MA 1:30 PM - 4 PM WALK THE SHAYS REBELLION SECTION OF THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL

REFER TO WALK # 6 FOR DETAILS

41 - Sharon, CT 2 PM - 4 PM AMONG THE STONES - HISTORICAL SNIPPETS OF SHARON'S LESS ACTIVE RESIDENTS

Learn about the various members of Sharon's history as Cooper Sheldon, curator from the Sharon Historical Society and Museum, talks you through burial and medical practices throughout New England's history, notable historical figures of Sharon's past, and the material and iconography of gravestones at the Hillside Cemetery.

The walk will begin at the Sharon Historical Society and move to the cemetery. We will wander amongst the headstones, stopping at a couple of the less talkative locals. Then we'll enjoy refreshments and conversation back at the Historical Society.



2 hours - 2 miles

To register, email - curator@sharonhist.org



Meet at the Sharon Historical Society, 18 Main St. Drive on Rte 4 to Sharon. At the crossroads, take a right, and the Sharon Historical Society will be on your right. The museum is a brick-faced building with a large yard. Please park on the gravel, with overflow parking on the grass. GPS 41.877026, -73.476601

#### SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

42 - Pittsfield, MA 9:30 AM - 11 AM THE CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS (CCC) AT PITTSFIELD STATE FOREST

Join the Mass. Dept. of Conservation & Recreation (DCR) to explore a landscape shaped by the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC). This New Deal program during the 1930's Great Depression improved our public parks and forests nationwide.

The program inspired a recreational heritage that we still enjoy today. Join Bob Rando for a tour of forgotten Pittsfield State Forest recreation features built by the CCC some 80 years ago, including the famous Ghost and Shadow Ski Trails. Visit the rustic ski lodge still in use. 1.5 hours - 1.5 miles

To register, email - rrando21@verizon.net

Pittsfield State Forest – 1041 Cascade St., off of West St. From the park entrance, drive straight another 0.7 mile (Shamrock Boulevard) to the meeting place at Lulu Cascade day-use area parking lot. GPS 42.4854, -73.3011

43 - Dalton, MA 10 AM - 12 NOON EXPLORE THE FAUNA, FLORA AND CULTURAL HISTORY OF WACONAH FALLS

Led by naturalist and director of the Tamarack Hollow Nature & Cultural Center, Aimee Gelinas, will lead this hike, weaving through hemlock groves, glacial erratics and along a cascading brook and falls. Participants will learn about the flora (plants, trees, wild edibles), the fauna (signs of wildlife) and the cultural history (talc mill) at this unique state park.



Hike is free (donations accepted for the Tamarack Hollow Nature and Cultural Center). The walk is supported by the Dalton Cultural Council & the Berkshire Environmental Endowment Fund. Co-sponsored by MA DCR State Parks. 2 hours - 1.5 miles

Registration is Required - email aimee@gaiaroots.com - Visit: www.tamarackhollownatureanculturalcenter.org

From the center of Dalton, take Rt 8A north and drive a couple of miles and take a right onto Back Dalton Road and drive 0.5 mile to the Wahconah Falls State Park parking lot. www.mass.gov/locations/wahconah-falls-state-park

#### 44 - Chester, MA CHESTER HISTORIC FACTORY VILLAGE TOUR

10 AM - 1 PM

Join the Hilltown Hikers for a narrated tour by Dave Pierce (Chester Railway Museum) and John Garvey (Chester Historical Society) of the history of Chester Village. Established in 1783, we will visit the historic buildings of early industry and railroad history including; the Chester Granite Company, Pratt Truss Bridge, Irish

Dormitory, Jail, Feed Store, White's Hotel (1850), Bevan's Drugstore, Pease Dry Goods Store, The Chester Becket Railroad Trail including trestle, and more.

The Railway Museum and Historical Society will be open after the walk. 3 hours - 2 miles



To register, email - westernmasshilltownhikers@aol.com

Parking and start of tour at the Chester Railway Station Museum, 10 Prospect Street, Chester, MA . From Lee, take Route 20 to Main Street, Chester, take right onto Prospect St., take left after underpass.



45 - West Cornwall, CT 10 AM - 12 NOON A 15-MILE BICYCLE RIDE FROM WEST CORNWALL TO FALLS VILLAGE

Enjoy a leisurely, scenic bike ride along low traffic roads from West Cornwall to Falls Village and back, with Terry Burke, from the Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area. Easy cycling, and 6 miles is on hard packed dirt, with great views of the Housatonic River. The route is part of the newly-established Western New England Greenway that runs from Norwalk, CT, to the Canadian border. Riders must have their own bikes and bike helmets are required. Maps and cue sheets will be provided.

To register, email - terryfburke@gmail.com

Meet in West Cornwall in the parking lot at The Bend boat launch on the Housatonic River, located where Rt 128 exits off of Rt 7. GPS 41.86905, 73.36299

46 - Lenox, MA 10:30 AM - 12 NOON BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR OF TANGLEWOOD -BOSTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA'S SUMMER HOME

Enjoy a tour of the Boston Symphony Orchestra's Tanglewood campus, the Koussevitzky Music Shed, Ozawa Hall, and the Linde Center for Music and Learning. Learn of the historic background of

Tanglewood, the BSO and the Tanglewood Music Center.
1.5 hours - <1/2 mile

Starts at the Tanglewood Main Gate. From the Rt 102 & Rt 183 flashing light, intersection at the Berkshire Botanical Gardens, drive



on Rt 183 north for 4 miles to the Main Gate. OR FROM Rt 41 IN RICHMOND, across from the fire station, drive 4.5 miles east up Lenox Rd., and over then down Richmond Mt. Rd. Tanglewood is at the bottom of the mountain. Turn left and you will shortly see the Main Gate. OR FROM LENOX CENTER, drive a few miles on West St./Rt 183 to the Main Gate. GPS 42.34924, -73.31084



47 - Hinsdale, MA 1 PM - 3 PM EXPLORE THE FAUNA, FLORA AND CULTURAL HISTORY OF THE OLD MILL TRAIL

This easy hike, led by naturalist and director of the Tamarack Hollow Nature & Cultural Center, Aimee Gelinas, will follow the Housatonic River and will feature riverbank, forest and floodplain ecology. Participants will learn about the flora (plants, trees, wild edibles), the fauna (signs of wildlife) and cultural history of this unique conservation land along the Housatonic River. Hike is free (donations accepted for the Tamarack Hollow Nature and Cultural Center). Supported by the Hinsdale/Peru Cultural Council. Co-sponsored by Berkshire Natural Resources Council. 2 hours - 1 to 2 miles

Registration is Required, email aimee@gaiaroots.com - Visit: http://www.tamarackhollownatureanculturalcenter.org

From the center of Dalton, take Route 8 south to the Hinsdale line. From the town line, continue 4/10 mile to a left on Old Dalton Road. The trailhead parking is the first, immediate left, across from the Hinsdale Trading Company. https://www.bnrc.org/trails-and-maps/old-mill-trail/ GPS 42.4480, -73.1305

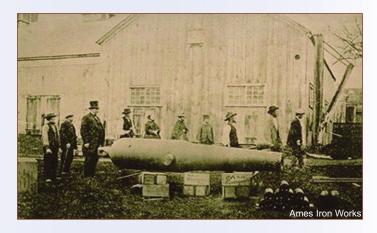
## 48 - Lanesborough-Adams, MA 1 PM - 3 PM A CULTURAL AND NATURAL HISTORY TOUR OF MT. GREYLOCK'S SUMMIT - A MOUNTAINTOP WALK

Join Mike Whalen, from the Mass. Dept. of Conservation and

Recreation, and Peter Dudek, from Bascom Lodge, atop the most scenic, highest elevation (3,491') and oldest wilderness state park in Massachusetts. Discover the 1930's period of great park building when government work programs like the Civilian Conservation



Corps (CCC), created special places for recreation. The rustic, yet elegant, "parkitecture" of Bascom Lodge became a distinctive style that defined America's parks.



This is an interpretive walk around the summit of Mount Greylock, with an emphasis on its unique ecology and historic structures as they comprise a fully realized historic landscape; and take an insider's tour of Bascom Lodge. NOTE - Summit Parking Fee may apply, unknown at this time. Rain cancellation date Sept 24. 2 hours - 0.1 mile

To register - 413-499-4262 OR email mikewindigo79@outlook.com

Meet at the summit of Mt. Greylock in front of Bascom Lodge. Access to the reservation is from Rockwell Rd., off Rt 7 in Lanesborough OR from Notch Rd. in No. Adams. GPS 42.6023, 73.1763

49 - Salisbury, CT 1 PM - 2 PM CANNON AT 20 PACES! THE RISE AND FALL OF THE AMES IRON WORKS

REFER TO WALK # 11 FOR DETAILS

50 - New Marlborough, MA 1 PM - 3:30 PM A WOODLAND HIKE FROM GOULD FARM TO THE BERKSHIRE NATIONAL FISH HATCHERY

Learn about Gould Farm's history, mission, and connection to the land as you begin your walk along the forested trails with Liz

Halla-Mattingly and Bob Rausch. The second half of the walk is led by Joseph Xamountry from the Berkshire National Fish Hatchery, who will take you on a tour of the historic property, where, for over a century, hundreds of thousands of fish have been cultured in a



pristine aquifer that supplies a system of beautiful, natural pools with 200 gallons of water per minute. Van service back to Gould Farm will be provided. Rain or shine. 2.5 hours - 3 miles

From Rt 102 in Lee, at the traffic light at Big Y - take Tyringham Rd and drive 5.5 miles south, then turn right on to Monterey Rd and



drive 4 miles to Rt 23 in Monterey center. At Rt 23, turn right, and drive 2 miles, then turn left onto Curtis Rd and drive 0.5 mile to Gould Rd. Turn left and continue to the 2nd driveway, to the Harvest Barn OR From the traffic light junction of Rts 7 & 23 in Gt. Barrington - Take Rt 23 east and drive 6.2 miles and turn right onto Curtis Rd and drive 0.5 mile to Gould Rd, then turn left and continue to the 2nd driveway, to the Harvest Barn. GPS 42.17477, -73.24111

51 - Falls Village, CT 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM AMERICAN CHESTNUTS - LOST & FOUND

Join Woods Sinclair and friends for a talk and walk in a 2-acre planting American chestnut orchard. Learn of the dramatic sudden loss of this major tree and the ecological impact. Hear of The American Chestnut Foundation's efforts to restore this iconic tree to our landscapes. Rain cancels. 1 hour - <0.25 mile

To register - 860-824-7454 or email fayaway7@gmail.com

From Falls Village, drive north on Route 7. At intersection of Rts 7 and 63, take Barnes Road to its end. Turn right on Under Mountain Road. The orchard is approximately 3 miles on the left - across from 392 Under Mountain Rd. GPS 41.94321, -73.28306

#### SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

52 - East Canaan, CT TOURS FROM 10 AM - 2 PM 1 HOUR TOURS OF THE BECKLEY BLAST FURNACE -CT'S DEDICATED IRON INDUSTRIAL MONUMENT

REFER TO WALK # 2 FOR DETAILS





53 - Sheffield, MA 10 AM - 12 NOON 15 MILE BICYCLE TOUR OF HISTORIC SHEFFIELD & ASHLEY FALLS

This bike tour will bring riders through the rural, scenic roads of Sheffield & Ashley Falls. Catherine Miller, from the Sheffield Historical Society, will stop to tell about historic sites along the way. Recommended for those who have experience biking long distances with some incline, though most of the route is flat. Bring your own bike and helmet. Rain date will be Sunday, Sept. 24 at 10 AM. 2 hours - 15 miles

To register, email - sheffieldhistoricalsociety@gmail.com or call 413-229-2694

Meet at the Sheffield Historical Society, in the municipal parking lot next to the Society grounds, 159 Main St./Route 7, behind the Mobil Station. GPS 42.110729, -73.353073

#### 54 - West Cornwall, CT 10 AM - 11:30 AM THE MAGIC OF MIGRATION - BIRDING AT THE MILES WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

Join the Sharon Audubon Center at Miles Wildlife Sanctuary - 800 acres of protected habitat with wetlands, meadows, and mixed forest. View the scenic beauty while observing birds on the move. The riparian habitat attracts migrating warbler species, waterfowl, and raptors such as Bald Eagles. Learn how to identify these birds while also learning about the property's namesake, Emily Winthrop Miles, whose sculptures and facilities from the early 1960's can be observed on the property. The terrain can be rocky, gravel and uneven along parts of the trail, for intermediate or advanced walkers. 1.5 hours - 1 mile

To register - 860-364-0520 x-115

From Route 41 in Sharon: take Calkinstown Road on the east side of Route 41 (across from the Country Corner Restaurant and near Sharon Motor Lodge and Sharon Extra Mart). Travel 1.8 miles and make a slight right onto West Cornwall Road (do not take the left fork onto White Hollow Road). Continue about 1.8 miles passing



Miles Pond and seeing the sanctuary sign on the right. Pull in and follow signs to the parking area. OR From Route 7 in West Cornwall: Turn onto West Cornwall Road on the west side of Route 7 (directly across from Cornwall Auto Body and near the intersection of Route 128 and the West Cornwall Covered Bridge). Travel for approximately 3 miles and see the sanctuary sign on the left. Pull in and follow signs to the parking area. GPS 41.882431, -73.402948

#### 55 - Pittsfield, MA TOUR THE HISTORIC COLONIAL THEATRE

10 AM - 11 AM

Enjoy a journey with Bill Munn through the history of the gilded age Colonial Theatre, owned by The Berkshire Theatre Group, as

you hear the story of the 1903 world-class theatre, movie house, National Historic Treasure appointment by Hillary Clinton, restoration, and 2006 grand re-opening. 1 hour



To register, email - meghan@berkshiretheatre.org

Located at 111 South St., just north of the junction of Rts 7 & 20 in the center of Pittsfield. Wear sensible walking shoes for walking through 3 floor levels. We do have elevator access. GPS 42.44622, -73.25402

## 56 - So. Egremont, MA TOUR HISTORIC APRIL HILL FARM AND BIOBLITZ DIVERSITY DAY

10 AM - 11 AM

Join director of Greenagers, Will Conklin, for a tour of Historic April Hill Farm. The tour will include the historic house and barns as well as visits to various farm operations including a large vegetable garden, orchard, and more. This year's walk coincides





with the Berkshire BioBlitz, so Heritage Walk folks can check in on the inventorying of all the Biota of nearby Bow Wow Woods (also a Greenagers property). 1 hour - 0.25 mile

To register, email - director@greenagers.org or 413-644-9090

Meet at 62 Undermountain Rd., (Rt 41) So. Egremont, MA. From the north: while driving on Rt 23 through the center of So. Egremont, MA, at the junction of Rt 23 & 41, turn onto Rt 41 and drive 1 mile. From the south: from Salisbury, CT, drive 12 miles on Rt 41. GPS 42.15456, -73.42070

57 - West Stockbridge, MA
TOURING THE NEIGHBORHOODS OF WEST STOCKBRIDGE THE VILLAGE CENTER

Explore the back streets of West Stockbridge's Village Center with Bob Salerno from the West Stockbridge Historical Society. Our walk will view the lesser traveled areas, an eye to the mid 1800's when the village center was being developed and home to many of the prominent movers and shakers that created the town we see today. Reception to follow at the Old Town Hall. 1 hour - 0.5 mile

To register, email - info@weststockbridgehistory.org

Start at the Old Town Hall - 9 Main Street, West Stockbridge

58 - Salisbury, CT 10 AM - 11 AM AN INTERPRETIVE WALK THROUGH DARK HOLLOW PRESERVE

Join Tom Key, from the Salisbury Association Land Trust, for a walk on the three major trails in the Dark Hollow Preserve.

The trails run through mixed hard woods and pine/hemlock forest, skirt large rock outcroppings, and descend along fields and wetlands. Prominent along one of the trails is a demonstration of the power of nature from a micro burst of wind two years ago.





Old maps of the area have Farnam Road named Spooky Lane and Dark Hollow designated as Spooky Hollow. We will discuss the possible reasons for these names but hopefully will not encounter the rationale or remnants for the designations. Actually they are quite shy, but do not whistle during the walk! 1 hour - 2.5 miles

If coming from Farnam Rd. (South end), meet at the first pull off on Dark Hollow Rd. OR if coming from Salmon Kill Road, go to the last pull off. To view and download trail maps, visit www.salisburyassociation.org/land-trust/hiking-trails-preserves/ GPS 41.964148, -73.417601

### 59 - Gt. Barrington, MA 10 AM - 11:30 AM GREAT BARRINGTON'S FIRST MEETING HOUSE

Join Bernard Drew at the Water Street Cemetery to learn about the town's first meeting house and emergence of the graveyard. The program will begin at the marker installed by the Thursday Morning Club in 1908 and restored by that organization in 2023. The group will walk a section of the original Native American pathway that became a fur trade route and was used by Gen. Henry Knox to transport cannons from Fort Ticonderoga to Charlestown Heights in 1776. The tour will visit the graves of the first Congregational pastor, Samuel Hopkins, and members of the Kellogg family. 1.5 hours - 0.1 mile

Meet at the Water Street Cemetery, on State Road/Route 23, just east of the Great Bridge. There is parking along the highway and on Anderson Street. GPS 42.201322, -73.356578

60 - Becket, MA 11 AM -12 NOON 91 SEASONS OF JACOB'S PILLOW DANCE FESTIVAL

The buildings and grounds of Jacob's Pillow have many stories to tell, including Indigenous roots, history as a stop on the Underground Railroad, and championing men dancers in the 1930s. Now recognized as a National Historic Landmark, the site maintains its rustic character while serving as a home for dance artists from throughout the world since 1933. Led by Norton Owen, Director of Preservation, this tour offers an opportunity to gain a behind-the-scenes understanding of why Time magazine



called this secluded spot "the hub and mecca of dancing in North America." 1 hour - minimal walking on flat, gravel walkways. To register: https://my.jacobspillow.org/housatonic For questions, contact community@jacobspillow.org

Jacob's Pillow is located at 358 George Carter Road, Becket, MA. From Lee, follow Route 20 East for 9 miles into Becket, and then left onto George Carter Road. Main entrance to the parking lot will be on right after ¾ of a mile. Meet at the Welcome Center, adjacent to the Ted Shawn Theatre. GPS 42.264087,-73.117888

61 - Monterey, MA 1 PM - 3 PM MONTEREY MILLS - AN EXPLORATION OF WATER POWERED INDUSTRY

The village of Monterey today is small and quaint, but in the 1740s through the late 1800s, it was bustling with saw mills, grist mills, carding and fulling mills and a paper mill, as well as stores and

other businesses. Join Rob Hoogs from the Bidwell House Museum and Monterey Historical Society for an illustrated walk to explore the remains and history of these water-powered mills, beginning inside the Monterey Library for a 0.5 hour talk, followed by a 1.5

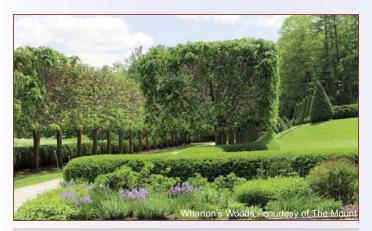


hour walk along the Mill Brook (Konkapot River) to visit the foundations of the mills, dams, and other features. The walk in some places is rough and may be wet. Wear hiking shoes, trekking poles if you like and bring bug repellant. 2 hours - 1 mile

To register - bidwellhouse@gmail.com OR go to the Museum website - www.bidwellhousemuseum.org

Meet at the Monterey Library - 452 Main Rd. Limited parking at the library, additional parking behind Monterey Town Hall.

62 - Sharon, CT 2 PM - 4 PM AMONG THE STONES - HISTORICAL SNIPPETS OF SHARON'S LESS ACTIVE RESIDENTS



#### **SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 24, 2023**

63 - Sharon, CT 10 AM - 12 NOON-HAMLIN PRESERVE - HIKE RED MOUNTAIN

Join Sharon Land Trust's Tim Hunter for a moderate walk along the forest edge to the beautiful upper reaches of Red Mountain. The Hamlin Preserve, protected in 2002, is part of the Red Mountain Trail System, which connects Hamlin Preserve to the Mary Moore Preserve via the Wike Connector Trail. This walk will traverse along ledges and rock outcrops, over streams, and beside vernal pools. 2 hours - 2.5 miles

To register - maria@sharonlandtrust.org OR (860) 364-5137

Meet at the trailhead, at 19 Stonehouse Road, Sharon. Stone House Road intersects with Route 41 (Gay Street) approximately 3 miles north of the Town of Sharon. GPS 41.909854, -73.439770

64 - Washington, MA

10 AM - 12 NOON
THE SECRETS OF MUDDY POND AND THE BUILDING OF THE
1ST U.S. RAILROAD MOUNTAIN CROSSING

Dave Pierce, from the Chester Railway Station Museum, offers this hike to Muddy Pond, on the watershed divide of the Berkshires. You will learn of it's interesting history, as this area presented unique challenges to Whistler's father as he engineered the world's

first mountain railroad up and over the Berkshire plateau. Hinsdale, MA, is the highest point between Boston and Chicago along the rail line. This area is wonderfully scenic, has abundant wildlife and has an amazing history.



Learn why this 5-acre Housatonic River headwaters has earned the title of "most deceptive body of water in Mass." and the challenges it posed to the first railroad builders over the Berkshires Plateau. This is a level walk on the traprock on the side of the railroad tracks. A tour of the Chester Railway Station Museum, designated a National Historic Landmark in 2021, can be arranged after the free Heritage Walk. Donations for the Railway



Station Museum are welcome. Heavy rain will cancel. 2 hours - 4 miles

To register - dpiercedlp@aol.com or 413-961-9166

At junction of Rt 102 & Rt 20 in Lee - Drive 7 miles east on Rt 20 to West Becket, to the junction where Rt 8 splits. Left onto Rt 20-east/Rt 8-north. Drive 5 miles, at the bottom of a long hill, left turn onto Rt 8-north. Drive 10 miles to the Washington Town Hall, right turn onto Summit Hill Rd. Shortly, you will reach a narrow bridge over the railroad tracks - park along here. OR FROM DALTON - follow Rt 8 south (approx. 9 miles) and turn left onto Summit Hill Rd. in Washington. Within a short distance, you will reach a narrow bridge over the railroad tracks - park along here. Please don't park along Summit Hill Rd. past the bridge. GPS 42.37490, -73.11129

#### 65 - New Preston, CT 10 AM - 1 PM HIKE THE WARAMAUG ROCK AND BOULDERS TRAIL AT MACRICOSTAS PRESERVE

Enjoy a moderate to hilly hike exploring the Waramaug Rock and Boulders Trail with Brian Hagenbuch, exec. director of the Steep Rock Association. This trail meanders through woodlands, glacial erratics, waterfalls, and vernal pools, and will include a short

side-loop to Waramaug Rock, with its breathtaking views of Lake Waramaug, the second largest natural lake in Connecticut. The Boulders Trail was designed and constructed using sustainable building methods that reduce erosion, withstand increased foot traffic,



and have minimal long-term maintenance requirements. 3 hours - 4 miles

To register - visit https://steeprockassoc.org/events-programs/

Meet at Macricostas Preserve, 124 Christian Street, New Preston, CT GPS 41°40'58.2", 73°20'01.6"



66 - Lenox, MA 10:30 AM - 12 NOON BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR OF TANGLEWOOD -BOSTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA'S SUMMER HOME

REFER TO WALK # 46 FOR DETAILS

67 - Lee, MA 11 AM - 12 NOON A NATURE WALKING TOUR AT GOLDEN HILL TOWN FOREST

Join naturalist Linda Cysz, from the Lee Land Trust, for a meandering walk through this town forest with huge boulders and

colorful fall mushrooms to get a sense of the natural setting and learn some of Lee's town history. 1 hour - 1 mile

Head North on Rt 20 from the center of Lee, after crossing the railroad tracks over the river, drive 0.8 mile to Golden



Hill Road (across from the Retro Pop Shop). Right onto Golden Hill Road and uphill for 0.3 mile to a parking site on the right,, at Lee Town Forest sign. GPS 42.322441, -73.255433

68 - Lee, MA 11 AM - 1 PM WALKING TOUR OF HISTORIC LEE

REFER TO WALK # 12 FOR DETAILS

#### SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

69 - Lenox, MA 9 AM - 11 AM EDITH WHARTON'S WOODS, WETLANDS AND MEADOWS - HUMAN HISTORY AND ECOLOGY AT THE MOUNT

Join the Mass Audubon Society for a walk on the wild side at The Mount. Explore the intersection of human history and ecology while enjoying the beautiful woods, meadows, wetlands, and lake views and the full expanse of Edith Wharton's original estate, including recently conserved land/trails leading to Edith Wharton Park on Laurel Lake. 2 hours - 3 miles



Registration required via Mass Audubon's online program registration system - www.massaudubon.org/programs. Please do not respond by email.

From the traffic light junction of Rt 20 & Rt 7 in Lenox, head south on Rt 7, and drive 1 mile to the next traffic light, and take a left turn onto Plunkett St. The Mount is right after making the turn. Meet at the ticket booth. www.EdithWharton.org GPS 42.33558, -73.28293

70 - Kent, CT 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM HIKE UP COBBLE MOUNTAIN AT MACEDONIA BROOK STATE PARK

Join Zach Adams, from the Northwest Connecticut Land Conservancy, for a challenging hike at Cobble Mountain Preserve,

accessible from Macedonia Brook State Park. The trail passes along Macedonia Brook and includes a steep ascent over a rocky outcrop to the blue-blazed Macedonia Ridge Trail. NCLC has protected 192 acres of Cobble Mountain and the surrounding area that



includes 86 acres of ridgeline and the northwestern hillside, and conservation easements on 106 acres. This hike is steep, but offers amazing views of the Taconic and Catskill Mountain ranges. Encourage using hiking poles. 4 hours - 3 miles

To register - events@ctland.org

159 Macedonia Brook Road. From center of Kent, Rte 341 west from the junction of Rte 341 & Rte 7. Right onto Macedonia Brook Road. Stay left at the intersection of Macedonia Brook and Fuller Mountain Roads. Look for park signs. GPS 41.76806, -73.49457

71 - East Canaan, CT TOURS FROM 10 AM - 2 PM 1 HOUR TOURS OF THE BECKLEY BLAST FURNACE, CT'S DEDICATED IRON INDUSTRIAL MONUMENT



72 - Sharon, CT 10 AM - 12 NOON VON AHN PRESERVE - HIKE SHARON LAND TRUST'S NEWEST PUBLIC RESERVE

Protected in 2022, the Von Ahn Preserve protects 170 acres of field and forest. Situated on Western side of Indian Mountain, the Von Ahn Preserve is part of a contiguous corridor of forest that is home to a diversity of wildlife. Join Maria Grace for a moderate walk through fields and forests. Traverse the top of Indian Mountain and be in awe of the views overlooking Indian Lake and the Millerton Valley. 2 hours - 2.5 miles

To register - maria@sharonlandtrust.org OR (860) 364-5137

Meet at the parking area at 276 Millerton Road, Sharon, CT GPS 41.914940, -73.489645

73 - Gt. Barrington, MA

10 AM - 12 NOON
GREAT BARRINGTON'S ARCHITECTURE & HISTORY – THE
STORY OF GREAT BUILDINGS IN A GREAT TOWN

REFER TO WALK # 3 FOR DETAILS

74 - Pittsfield, MA 11 AM - 12:30 PM ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPE AT HERMAN MELVILLE'S ARROWHEAD

Berkshire County Historical Society offers an enlightening walk around the grounds of Arrowhead. John Dickson will provide an overview and evolution of the architectural features of the Arrowhead home from the 1780s to the present.



Lesley Herzberg will then lead the walk through the north field to discuss the cultural landscape where the entire Melville family participated in the cultivation of the farm and gardens in the 19th century. (Rain date: Sunday, Oct 1 at 11 AM) 1.5 hours - 1 mile

780 Holmes Rd, Pittsfield, MA - GPS 42.415387, -73.24938



75 - Falls Village, CT 1 PM - 2 PM GUIDED WALKING TOUR OF HISTORIC FALLS VILLAGE

Join Judy Jacobs and Tracy Atwood, from the Falls Village-Canaan Historical Society, for a guided tour of downtown Falls Village, a designated historic district. NOTE - Does not include a tour of the museum interior. An inside tour, can be arranged before or after the free Heritage Walk. 1 hour - 0.5 mile

Meet at the Falls Village Depot at 44 Railroad Street, Falls Village. GPS 41.953487, -73.364268

76 - Richmond, MA 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM TOUR THE NORTHEAST SCHOOLHOUSE AND PART OF THE NORTHEAST DISTRICT

Join Gloria Morse and Bill Edwards, from the Richmond Historical

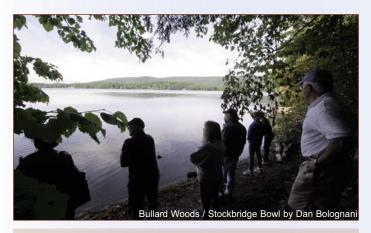
Commission, for an interior view of the historic one room Northeast Schoolhouse, 1791-1937. This is Richmond's last remaining one room schoolhouse not converted into a home. See the classroom, and photo display of Richmond from the 1930's. Outside, from the lawn, view part of the



Northeast District, remains of the Branch Tavern, and the Cyprian Branch and Linius Hall store and funeral parlor. 2 hours - minimal walking

Meet at 981 Summit Road, corner of Summit and Swamp Roads. Park at school yard off Osceola Ext. Road. From Richmond – Rt. 41 to Summit Road. From Pittsfield – Barker Road to Swamp, just past Bartlett's Orchard. From W. Stockbridge – Swamp Road North to Summit.

77 - Gt. Barrington, MA EXPLORE THE PERENNIAL PLANTS OF THE PFEIFFER ARBORETUM 2 PM - 4 PM



#### **SUNDAY - OCTOBER 1, 2023**

78 - Stockbridge, MA 9 AM - 11:30 AM BULLARD WOODS - A WALK AMONG THE ANCIENTS & SHADOWBROOK ESTATE RUINS AT KRIPALU

Enjoy a hike on a historic gilded age landscape formerly known as Shadowbrook, presently owned by Kripalu Center. Kevin Foran, from the Stockbridge Bowl Association, will take you on a walk from Bullard Woods, an old growth forest, traverse along the north shore of Lake Mahkeenac (Stockbridge Bowl) through Gould Meadows, loop through the Kripalu/Shadowbrook landscape, visiting the remains of the former Shadowbrook/Carnegie home and returning to Bullard Woods.

To register, email - moose4an@verizon.net

Meet at the yellow/brown Bullard Woods trailhead sign at the north end of Stockbridge Bowl at the junction of Hawthorne Rd & Hawthorne St. From Lenox center - from the tall marble monument junction, take West St. (towards Tanglewood) for 1.6 miles, take left onto Hawthorne Rd. for 0.6 mile. Or from Rts 102/183 junction in Stockbridge - drive north on Rt 183 for 4 miles to Hawthorne Rd., take right and drive for 0.6 mile. GPS 42.34446, -73.30601

79 - Stockbridge, MA 10 AM - 12 NOON SCULPTING THE LAND - DANIEL CHESTER FRENCH'S ARTIST-DESIGNED LANDSCAPE AT CHESTERWOOD HISTORIC SITE

Join the Historic Artists' Homes and Studios, a program of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, for this walk with Valerie Balint through the various designed landscapes, including the house environs, formal gardens, and woodland walks. This was the summer home, studio, and gardens of America 's acclaimed sculptor of public monuments, Daniel Chester French, who created 100+ public sculptures. See the design features created by French while living here and place his efforts in the greater context of artist-designed landscapes throughout the country. Participants will go into the studio for a short introduction to this building and how



both it and the house relate to the landscape. NOTE - this event does not include a formal tour of the studio or house interiors. An inside tour, for a fee, can be arranged for after the free Heritage Walk. 2 hours - 2 miles

Space is limited, and pre-registration is required - email: vbalint@savingplaces.org

From Stockbridge center, West on Rt 102, left on Rt 183. 1/4 mile past the Norman Rockwell Museum, right onto Mohawk Lake Road, left onto Willow St., which becomes Williamsville Rd., just before reaching Chesterwood. Meet at the Barn Gallery. GPS 42.33915, -73.28927

80 - Stockbridge, MA 10 AM - 12 NOON WALK THROUGH AN OLD GROWTH FOREST AT ICE GLEN RAVINF

Join this small excursion with Chelsey Simmons, from Berkshire Environmental Action Team (BEAT), through one of the oldest forests in Massachusetts, where you'll walk along hundreds of years-old trees and through a lush landscape of boulders thick with mosses. 2 hours - 1.5 miles



Registration is Required. Limited to 10 participants. Email - chelsey@thebeatnews.org or call 413-464-9402

Meet at Goodrich Memorial Park parking lot on Park St., 0.25 mile South of the Red Lion Inn, on Rt. 7. GPS 42.278559, -73.307583

81 - Sheffield, MA 12 NOON - 3 PM THE MOHICAN JOURNEY - HOMELANDS, HISTORY AND HOPE

View Sheffield Historical Society's exhibit on the history of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians. Tour the exhibit on display at the Dan Raymond House. The exhibit is a collaboration with members of the Stockbridge-Munsee



Community Band of Mohican Indians. After the exhibit, view a historically-accurate wigwam built by Mt. Everett high school students in 2022 under the guidance of a tribal member.

Route 7 to Sheffield center. Park in the municipal lot next to the Society grounds, 159 Main St., behind the Mobil Station. The Dan Raymond House is the orange building, follow the signs to the entrance. GPS 42.110729, -73.353073

82 - Gt. Barrington, MA 1 PM - 2 PM & 2 PM - 3 PM ENCOUNTERING W.E.B. DU BOIS - NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK TOUR

W.E.B. Du Bois, the great African-American author and civil rights leader, was born and raised in Great Barrington and returned

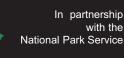
frequently. Join David Glassberg, UMASS History Professor, for an interpretive tour on a level woods trail leading to the foundation of Du Bois's boyhood home - a National Historic Landmark and the first destination in the U.S. to tell the story of his life and legacy. 1 hour - 0.5 mile



Meet at the Homesite (at 612 So. Egremont Rd), located 2 miles south of Gt. Barrington. At junction of Rt 7 & Rt 23, take Rt 23 West for about 1 mile. GPS 42.17702, -73.39430

#### Please Remember -

- Wear sturdy footwear for those 'Walks' that include trail hikes and outdoor trekking.
- Bring a water bottle / beverage to stay hydrated.
- Bring insect repellent if you're hiking outside.
- Read the Heritage Walks description carefully some require pre-registration!
- Enjoy!





### Heritage Walks 2023

Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area invites you to explore the wonders of this region during Heritage Walks 2023 - five weekends:

September 2 & 3
September 9 & 10
September 16 & 17
September 23 & 24
September 30 & October 1

Please Note - registration for certain Heritage Walks is required if indicated in the listing.

Otherwise - arrive and enjoy!

Historians, naturalists and environmentalists will be your guide as you explore the Upper Housatonic Valley and surrounding area.

- **Learn** about the history of the villages and towns in the region as expressed in archaeological and industrial sites, architecture, bridges and monuments.
- **Discover** both prominent and unsung geological, ornithological and horticultural resources.
- **Enjoy** splendid autumn foliage and scenic vistas as you explore the rich historical, cultural and natural heritage of the Upper Housatonic Valley.

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