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2006 - A great year for trail construction

For your consideration

Our friends go with us as we go
 Down the long path where beauty wends
 Where all we love foregathers, so
 Why should we fear to join our friends?

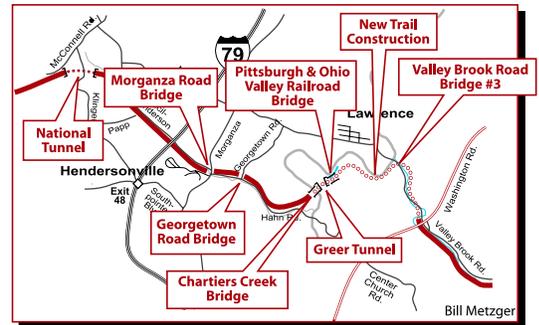
GOGARTY

This is an exciting year for the Montour Trail and volunteers will figure heavily in the success of the many construction projects taking place. Bridges, tunnels and more new trail are being worked on, bringing completion of the trail ever closer.

Peters Township

Two projects in west Peters are being done simultaneously, as each complements the other. Nearly two miles of new trail will be built which will connect the Cecil and Peters Township sections.

CECIL - PETERS CONSTRUCTION AREA 2006



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Bring Fido or FiFi down to the trail for a good time raising money to support the Montour Trail.

Tails to Trail II

The Cecil Friends of the Montour Trail are hosting the second Tails for the Montour Trail 5K Fun Walk to be held on National Trails Day, Saturday, June 3rd, 2006 between 9:00 a.m. and Noon with the barking off at 9:30 a.m. The Walk begins at the Kurnick (National) Access area along Cecil Henderson Road in Cecil Township and will take place between Kurnick's and the new Muse-Bishop Bridge. Registration will open at 9:00 a.m.

This year's National Trails Day theme is "Experience Your Outdoors", and what better way to experience the outdoors than with your four-legged friend. All licensed and vaccinated dogs are welcome to attend with their owners on

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Club MTC - A hot new place to meet

Many of us have found in trying to juggle the duties of family, work, and fitness that not much time is left to simply fraternize with the many friends we have made in connection with the Montour Trail.

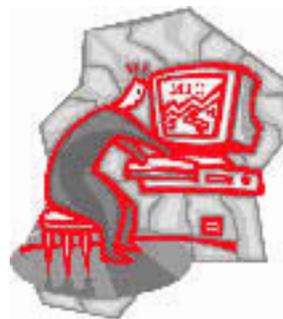
A new area has been created in cyberspace for just that purpose until those times when we can gather together in person. It is a cyber-place where people can come home from work or a run or bike ride, kick their shoes off, grab a cold drink (or a hot cocoa in the winter) and keep up with their trail buddies until they see each other again on the trail. Maybe some of us will never meet, but all are welcome at Club MTC. (www.clubmtc.com)

Club MTC was created as sort of an unofficial trail cyber-place, where news and announcements about the Montour Trail will be available, but where there still is room for the kind of social intercourse that might take place if we were gathered in someone's living room or at a local eatery.

The bulletin board format allows you to drop in at your convenience and access only those topics that interest you. Nothing will ever come to your email box except, if you are registered, important emergency notices.

Club MTC was not created to supplant the Yahoo email list, but to try to create a more social place to hang out and discuss Montour Trail issues,

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MTC Web Address
 Visit the Montour Trail web-site at:
www.montourtrail.org



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Perpetuate Your Trail Gifts

So you love the Montour Trail and have been riding or walking it for years. It has become a part of your life, a treasured friend. Naturally, you want to increase your contributions toward expanding and maintaining the trail. One great way to do so is to support the Montour Trail Endowment Fund that we established in 2004 to provide for the maintenance and operation of the trail in perpetuity.

Of course, we still need continued cash gifts to help with current operating needs. But the endowment fund is a way for your legacy to become a legacy for all future generations of trail users. Naming the Montour Trail in you will or as a partial beneficiary of your insurance program can help to build our endowment and strengthen the trail's long-term stability. Even a modest gift of one hour's pay per month can help to keep the trail in excellent condition just as you have known it.

The possible tax advantages of becoming a permanent supporter of trail development and maintenance through the Montour Trail Endowment Fund are best discussed with your financial planner or tax professional. If you'd like more information on financial planning steps that can maximize the benefits to both yourself and the Montour Trail's endowment, or if you have already made provisions for the MTC in your will or insurance program, please contact board member John Hooton at (724) 942-0115.

Bruce Barron

PORTA POTTIES NECESSARY PART OF TRAIL EXPERIENCE

Whether you're on a long-distance trail ride or a three-mile walk, sometimes the most urgently desired sight is a light blue or green, seven-foot-high, sweet-smelling cubicle. Yes, a port-a-potty.

It may not be the most glamorous part of trail maintenance, but the Montour Trail Council invests heavily in strategically placed portable toilets along the trail. In 2005, the MTC spent over \$5,000 on the port-a-potties of two companies, Mr. John and Vincenty Sanitation, maintained along the trail from early spring to November 1.

In addition, Mr. John delivers a long row of potties to the edge of IKEA's parking lot so that 1,000 runners and walkers can relieve themselves in timely fashion before competing in the Montour Trail/IKEA race each September.

"When I tell donors their contributions funds our port-a-johns, they never feel like it's money down the drain," says MTC treasurer Judy Thompson, who has managed potty rentals for the last eight years. In fact, in a survey of trail users six years ago, portable toilets were the number-one amenity request.

- ◆ A lot of planning goes into where to put the potties. Issues to be considered include:
- ◆ Intervals – we don't want to spend more than is prudent, but we want to hold the distance between potties to no more than about five miles.
- ◆ Security – the potties should be at visible, non-secluded locations to reduce the risk of misuse.
- ◆ Servicing – you can't put a potty where the rental company trucks can't keep it clean. (All units are serviced once a week.)

Trail usage patterns – for example, we know that many trail users in the Cecil area use the National Tunnel as a turnaround point, so last year we began to maintain convenient potties near each end of the tunnel.

Although a few potties have mysteriously fallen over, the only incident of severe potty damage in MTC history occurred when Hurricane Ivan sent several units careening down Montour Run. Mr. John generously replaced the lost potties at no charge.

You can find the location of our potties on the website maps at www.montourtrail.org

The Montour Trail Council is an all volunteer organization founded in 1989 to convert the abandoned Montour Railroad right of way and the abandoned Peters Creek Branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad into a fifty-five mile recreational trail for non-motorized activity regardless of physical ability or financial wherewithal.

Friends' Meetings and Work Parties

MTC Board Meeting,

every third Monday of the month - 6:00 p.m. at 304 Hickman St., Suite 3, Bridgeville, PA. Turn right off of the Bridgeville exit of I-79. Turn left at the next light, go straight at next light and make left turn onto Hickman St. just after the Post Office. Call Peter at 412-854-1835 for more information or to get on the agenda.

Cecil Events:

Friends of the Trail meeting, every fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. From May-August, meetings are held at the Kurnick Access area along the trail off Cecil-Henderson Road; other months meet at the MTC Offices, Call 412-257-2553 for more information. Work & Clean-up party, every third Saturday of the month - 9:00 a.m. (Subject to change; check information boards.) Meet at the Storage shed at Hendersonville. Call 412-257-2553 for more info.

Moon/Robinson Events:

Friends of the Trail meeting, the Wednesday before the second Saturday of the month at 7:00 p.m., at the Forest Grove Fire Department. Anyone from the communities of Moon and Robinson are encouraged to attend. Call 412-859-3020 for more information.

Work & Clean-up party, every second Saturday of the month - 9:00 a.m. Call 412-262-3748 for more information and location.

Findlay/North Fayette Events:

Friends of the Trail, call Don at 724-899-3695 or Pete at 412-788-4136 for more information.

Work & Clean-up party, every fourth Saturday of the

month - 9:00 a.m. Meet at the Enlow Ballfield. Call 412-788-4136 for more information.

Bethel Park Events:

Friends of the Trail meeting, every first Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Bethel Park Municipal Building Council Chambers. Anyone interested in the Bethel Park Trail segment is encouraged to come. For Clifton Road Bridge Committee meetings, contact Peter Kohnke at 412-854-1835 for more information. Work & Clean-up party, every second and fourth Saturday of the month - 8:30 a.m. Call Bob O'Connell at 412-833-6259 for location and information.

South Hills Trailblazing:

Friends of the Trail Work & Clean-up party, last Saturday of every month. All volunteers are welcome. For more information, call Paul McKeown at 412-835-6692.

Fort Cherry Events:

Friends of the Trail Meeting, first Wednesday of the month at McDonald Borough Bldg., Council chambers at 7:00 p.m. Work & Clean-up parties, scheduled as needed. For more information, contact Joe Seibel at 724-693-2523.

Peters Township Events:

Friends of the Trail Meeting, first non-holiday Monday of the month at Peters Township Parks and Recreation Center at 7:00 p.m. For more information on Work & Clean-up parties, please contact Mark Imgrund at 724-941-6351 or by e-mail at mcimgrund@adelphia.net.

CLUB MTC OPENS

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provide information about other trails and a place for off-topic banter among friends. The Yahoo list remains the avenue for official MTC announcements and the types of information exchange currently taking place there.

Members can also add things to the calendar. We hope that all the Friends groups list their activities and event dates in the calendar and in the special Friends of the Trail sections. Let us know if there is anything we can add to the scrolling news banner at the top of the page. Guests can, if they like, read and post messages without registering as well (but without the advantages mentioned above).

We encourage you to drop in and check out Club MTC at www.clubmtc.com, add it to the favorites list of your internet browser, and then drop by often to see what is happening. Click around and try things out... you won't hurt anything. Make suggestions and by all means, post something. We'd love to see your latest trail picture, your new grandchild or the funny thing you found on the 'net. We'll use some of your trail pics as the centerpiece of the board.

Come see what Club MTC is all about. It's an edgy kind of place, but hopefully with that great Montour Trail atmosphere. Let us know how you like it.

Spread the word and see ya' at the Club... Club MTC!

Tim Killmeyer, Bill Orr

National Tunnel Remediation Begins

The National Tunnel was rebuilt in 1928 and took the Montour Railroad underneath Klinger Road. The tunnel is structurally in good shape, but has liner leakage from deterioration over the years. Anyone who travels through the tunnel is aware of the drainage problem - from the drips in warm weather to the icy stalactites and stalagmites that form during the winter.

In January 2005, a large chunk of the liner, actually a patch installed by the railroad, fell from the ceiling, most likely loosened by the freezing and thawing over the years. For the past year the Montour Trail Council has been looking at ways to rehabilitate the tunnel. The first step in the process was completed this January over several days.

Employees of Betler Construction Company, using shovels and bars, knocked down the loose and potentially loose pieces of the liner and hauled them from the tunnel. The Trail Council's Engineering and Construction Committee is awaiting a report from Betler Construction regarding possible cost-effective ways of controlling the drainage.

Once the drainage issue is addressed, the Trail Council will improve the trail surface through the tunnel, and possibly pave the pathway through the tunnel with reflectors inserted in asphalt to mark the edges.

And the Prez sez...

Hello to the members and friends of the Montour Trail,

Thanks to all of the longtime and new members of the Montour Trail Council. Your support has been fantastic and directly impacts the success of the Montour Trail. The next newsletter will show your support in the Annual Report insert.

Your support will allow the MTC to again hopefully have a very busy trail building season. The following projects are being planned: Montour to Panhandle connector, a bridge over Peters Creek in South Park Township, National Tunnel repairs, Cecil to west Peters trail construction and hopefully a Federal Enhancement project to refurbish two trestles and build a new bridge for the Cecil to west Peters corridor. Please see details in this newsletter and future issues.

Speaking of construction, you probably know that the Montour Trail is a member of the Allegheny Trail Alliance (ATA), the system of seven trails known as the Great Allegheny Passage. Bill Atkinson of the Allegheny Highlands Trail in Maryland made a significant announcement at the ATA board meeting on March 10th. He announced that construction bids are to be opened on March 14th for the Woodcock Hollow to Cumberland, Maryland trail section. The opening (maybe October?) of this nine mile section will complete the Great Allegheny Passage from McKeesport to Cumberland.

Linda Boxx, President of the ATA, said "The Steel Valley Trail Council has made significant progress with the various land negotiations to ultimately connect McKeesport to Pittsburgh at Point State Park. Allegheny County Executive Director Dan Onorato has been very supportive of these efforts." The goal is to complete this portion of the Great Allegheny Passage by 2008 in time for Pittsburgh's 250th anniversary celebration.

A very significant Montour Trail mission for the Great Allegheny Passage is the connection to Pittsburgh International Airport. A recent meeting with Randy Forister, Director of Development and Findlay Township representatives Gary Klingman and Chris Caruso was very productive. The highlight of this meeting was a presentation by Mary Shaw and Roy Weil, authors of *Free Wheeling Easy in Western PA*. The presentation included an assembling demonstration of their tandem bicycle from the parts contained in two standard size suitcases.

Thanks again for your efforts, Mary and Roy. Tim Killmeyer, who is heading our Airport connection efforts, will be providing more details as plans develop.

Happy Trails

Dennis Pfeiffer, President

Time is Money

Since I've been working through our newsletter staffing issues for several weeks, I get to write one more editorial as we transition. We've all heard the phrase "time is money" many times in our life, and by now it probably sounds simplistic and trite. Maybe so, but two things I've been involved with in the last month have made me think about how appropriate this phrase is for our volunteers' time spent toward the goals of the Montour Trail Council.

First, I've had some email exchanges with our treasurer Judy Thompson, who is putting together the 2005 annual report with Bruce Barron and Jerry Agin. Although 2005 figures are still being tabulated, she tells me that in-kind donations to the MTC in 2003 and 2004 totaled \$173,500 and \$211,700 respectively, the bulk of that coming from the value of our volunteers' donated time (which I strongly suspect is largely underreported). Compared to the equally important membership dues of \$60,000 and \$71,000 in those two years, it is clear that our organization's life blood is the time of its volunteers. Their gift of time allows us to maintain and operate the trail in a very cost-effective manner, and use their contribution of time toward the local match requirements of

many of our trail building grants.

Secondly, I've been overwhelmed at the response that my recent request for a newsletter team has triggered. This newsletter was put together by a diverse, talented group of volunteers, all of whom have and will be giving some of their time and talent to bringing this publication to you.

Many thanks to the following individuals who have volunteered for this team, many of whom brought you this issue: Bruce Barron, Diana Blocher, Troy Bogdan, Charlie Forquer, John Hooton, Elaine Ireland, George Jucha, Tim Killmeyer, and alphabetically last, but certainly not least; Bill Metzger (design & layout), and Dennis Sims. Tim, Bill and Dennis are original board members of the MTC. Dennis, who has stepped forward to lead this team, is the original editor of the Montour Trail Letter and the President of the Cecil Friends group.

It's volunteers like these who make the MTC the great organization it continues to be.

Mark Imgrund

2006 Trail Construction

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The first project involves the overall structural rehabilitation of three bridges: Valleybrook #3 bridge the Pittsburgh & Ohio Central Railroad bridge at Greer and the Chartiers Creek bridge at Greer. This major undertaking has required significant engineering and volunteer resources. Mackin Engineering is currently 95% complete. The engineering and documents are being prepared to begin taking construction bids later this spring, with construction slated to begin later in the summer.

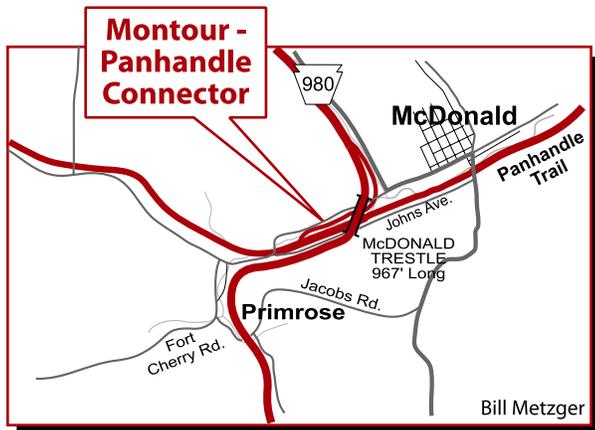
While the bridges are being done, the 1.65-mile trail connection between Chartiers Creek and Valleybrook Road will be constructed using MTC volunteer labor and council-owned machinery.

Funding of this phase is anticipated to be received in April when the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources announces their awards. This funding will be matched by local, in-kind, and volunteer work and will pay for construction equipment rentals as well as purchase fencing, aggregate, drainage piping, sub-base and trail surface materials.

Trail construction will involve over 4,000 cubic yards of debris and landslide removal, construction of small trailhead and parking areas, fencing, ditching and drainage work, in addition to some lighter earthwork, final grading, and trail surfacing.

As always, we're looking for volunteers to share in the joy of building this new trail section.

Please contact: Mark Imgrund 724-941-6351, Gil McGurl 724-745-8979



The Montour-Panhandle Connector

This "trail interchange," connecting the Montour and Panhandle trails, involves constructing a .6 mile section of the trail and rehabilitating the bridge over Robinson using volunteers and MTC equipment.

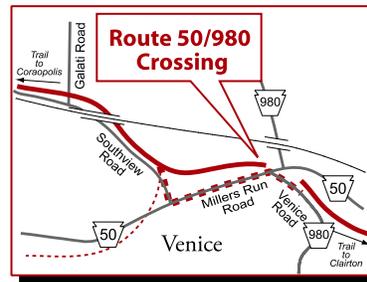
Directional signage will be installed, and trailhead parking areas will be completed, along with ditching and drainage work, some light earthwork and final grading. The work will begin very soon this spring.

McDonald Borough and Robinson Township have generously offered equipment and crews to assist with the construction. Grant money will be used to purchase trail sub-base and surface materials.

If you are interested in volunteering to assist with this

project, please contact volunteer Project Manager Charlie Beaumariage at 412-531-6994.

Route 50/980 Crossing



The trail will cross Routes 30/980 "at grade" in Venice for several years until the intersection is rebuilt by PENNDOT. This project will improve safety conditions for trail users.

Funding for this project was generously provided by Mary Shaw and Roy Weil,

authors of "Freewheeling Easy," the definitive guide to trails in and around western Pennsylvania. The MTC thanks Mary and Roy for their contribution.

This project will be 100% completed by volunteer efforts. Please contact Ned Williams at 724-225-9856 if you would like to help!

Trail Re-surfacing North of Boggs

Sadly, a ½ mile section of the Trail north of Boggs (near Imperial) was one of the trail sections heavily rutted by Hurricane Ivan. Fortunately Allegheny County provided recycled asphalt pavement millings for use as an interim surfacing material. North Fayette Township has also generously offered to place and compact the material for the MTC. In addition to these efforts, MTC engineer Dave Wright is implementing a design to improve drainage for that section of the trail. This project will be underway very soon this Spring.

Water Line Construction – Moon & Robinson

The Municipal Authority of Robinson Township installed a 30" high pressure water line along the trail in Moon and Robinson Township. This water line parallels the trail for approximately 2.5 miles from milepost 0 near Route 51 (almost to Beaver Grade Road). The contractor has re-built the trail in the affected areas and the balance of the work is to be completed in Spring 2006.

Upcoming Projects

- ◆ A new trail bridge over Piney Fork Creek east of Triphammer Road
- ◆ Two new trail bridges over Georgetown and Morganza Roads in Cecil Township
- ◆ The rehabilitation of the Library Viaduct over Route 88 in South Park Township
- ◆ Water drainage and trail surface improvements to the National Tunnel in Cecil Township (see related article in this issue)

And several smaller, local projects all along the Montour Trail...but we won't be able to complete these projects without your help. We welcome individuals, organizations and companies to help us finish the trail. Come on out!

TRAIL RUNS AND WALKS

Third Annual Party on the Trail and J.R. Taylor Memorial Bridge 5K Race

The Friends of the Montour Trail in Bethel Park will be hosting the Third Annual Party on the Trail on Saturday, June 3rd. This year the Bethel Branch is expanding the activities held that day. The fun begins with a 5K race beginning at 8:30 a.m.. The price for the 5K race is \$8.00 for children age 3-10, \$12.00 for children 11-17, and \$16.00 for adults. The race registration includes an event t-shirt guaranteed to those registered by May 15th, snacks after the race and a door prize ticket. If race participants want to stay for the Party on the Trail, their additional cost will be only \$6.00 which would include lunch.

The other Party activities begin at 10:00 a.m. and end at 2:00 p.m. Beginning at 10:00 A.M. you can walk, run, or ride the trail at your leisure, as this is a noncompetitive event for trail users of all ages. Door prize tickets will be given at stations along the trail as well as everyone receiving a ticket with his or her registration. The further you go, the more tickets you acquire.

When you return from the trail, enjoy a delicious lunch provided by Brian's Hardwood Hogs. The drawing for prizes will be held at 2:00 p.m. but winners need not be present. After you enjoy your time on the trail, you can eat lunch and participate in our other activities. This year we will be featuring activities for our trail users who own dogs and children's activities. The price for the Party on the Trail as for the 5K race is \$8.00 for children age 3-10, \$12.00 for children 11-17, and \$16.00 for adults. The Party on the Trail registration includes lunch, a ticket for the door prizes, and an event t-shirt guaranteed to those whose register by May 15th. For same day registration, t-shirts will be given out as supplies last.

Registration for both events is at the Washington Elementary School parking lot off of Clifton Road. All proceeds from the race and the Party will go to the J. R. Taylor Memorial Bridge fund. Help us build a bridge over Clifton Road to make the trail crossing safe for the entire family! For information, call Beverly at 412-835-4126.

6th Annual Burgh's Pizza & Wing Pub 10K Run & 2 Mile Walk

PSST! The lime green event application attached to your current newsletter is meant for YOU!

Please join us Sunday, April 23 at 10:00 a.m in kicking off the 2006 trail season at Cecil Park. For any first-timers visiting our area and the Montour Trail in particular, we should tell you that Burgh's fine eatery in Bridgeville hosts a really fun event that you won't want to miss. It is complete with great food, beverages of your choice, fellowship, and most likely fun music to keep you pumped. This event has become one of the most popular (and financially trail-supporting) of all we offer. The 2006 event promises to be even better.

Burgh's is hoping to see many more walkers this year and for only a \$20 bill -postmarked by April 2 - you get a trail beverage cooler in your walker packet of goodies for family use. So get your family, friends, and company groups together and make it a real party.

Also, wouldn't it be fun to see some of you runners team up in a costume format? (Remember some of the caterpillar runners the former Pittsburgh Great Race has sported?) All runners get a nice race packet as a "thank you". You serious runners will vie for prizes of \$300, \$200 and \$100 for first second and third place. Equal prizes are given for both men and women.

For those of us who have been involved with Burgh's Run and Walk from the beginning, it is hard to imagine that this is our sixth event. Tom Daily, who along with brothers Dan and Frank, own Burgh's, is a serious runner himself, having competed several times in The Boston Marathon (and placed in the top ten percent on at least one occasion). Their enthusiasm and thorough planning make this a quality trail event every year.

Please do join us--you'll be glad you did!

TAILS FOR TRAILS II

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a leash. Each participant is limited to two dogs for the event.

Register before May 15th and the fee is \$10.00 per dog, \$14.00 for two dogs. After May 15th to the event date, registration will be \$12.00 per dog. All proceeds from the event go towards the maintenance of the Montour Trail in Cecil Township. Each dog will get a neckerchief (guaranteed if registered by May 15th) and the owner will receive valuable pet information.

Refreshments will be available for both the four-legged and two-legged participants. There will be representatives from several animal-related organizations in attendance. You will also be able to have a photo of your pet taken and then have it placed on items such as t-shirts, mugs, etc. Additionally, you will be able to purchase specialized dog treats and participate in a Chinese Auction with the prizes provided by donors and sponsors in the Montour Trail area.

So leash up Fido or FiFi and bring him or her down to the trail to have a good time raising money to support the maintenance of the Montour Trail.

For more information or if you would like to be a sponsor, please call 724-745-8393, or go the Montour Trail website at <http://www.montourtrail.org/events/tailswalk.htm> where you can register for the event.

6th Annual Burgh's Pizza & Wing Pub 10K Run and 2 Mile Walk

Sunday, April 23, 10:00 a.m., Cecil Park

Third Annual J.R. Taylor Memorial Bridge 5K Race and Party on the Trail

Saturday June 3, 10:00 a.m.,
Bethel Park Branch Montour Trail

Tails for the Trail II

Saturday June 3, 10:00 a.m. Kurnick (National) Access Area.

Welcome New Members

The Montour Trail Council would like to welcome these new members and thank them for their support. We would also like to thank all our members who have renewed their membership and remind all that a growing membership is one of the criteria foundations look for when we apply for grants.

NEW MEMBERS

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| Craig & Ann Anderson | Ed Lingo |
| Andrew Baechle | John E. Little |
| Lorrie Biringner | Debbie Macejka |
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| Dennis Kriek | Dr. & Mrs. Steven T. Welch |
| Jason Kuzy | |

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| Giant Oaks Garden Club | Peter Stangert |
| John & Berenice Hooton | Judy & Tom Thompson |
| Louis & Vida Komer | Thomas C. Wagner |
| John & Sandy Newman | Roy Weil & Mary Shaw |
| Dennis Pfeiffer | |

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| Pete & Janet McGuire | Gregory Walz |
| Douglas McMillen | E. Steven White |
| Rachel & Ched Mertz | |

Membership Chair - Jerry Agin

Yes, I want to help build the Montour Trail!

- I want to spread the word. Please send me additional flyers.
- I have written my Legislator and County Commissioners asking them to support the trail.
- My organization would like to provide a letter of endorsement.
- I know a group interested in a presentation.

- STUDENT / SENIORS** \$15
- INDIVIDUAL** \$25
- FAMILY** \$35
- SUPPORTING** \$50
- SUSTAINING** \$100
- BENEFACTOR** \$250
- LEADERS CIRCLE** \$500 + up

- I wish to become a member of the Montour Trail Council. **(Membership is tax deductible)**
- I wish to make an additional tax deductible contribution of \$ _____ to the Montour Trail Council to help make the Montour Trail a reality. (Make your check payable to the Montour Trail Council)

NAME _____

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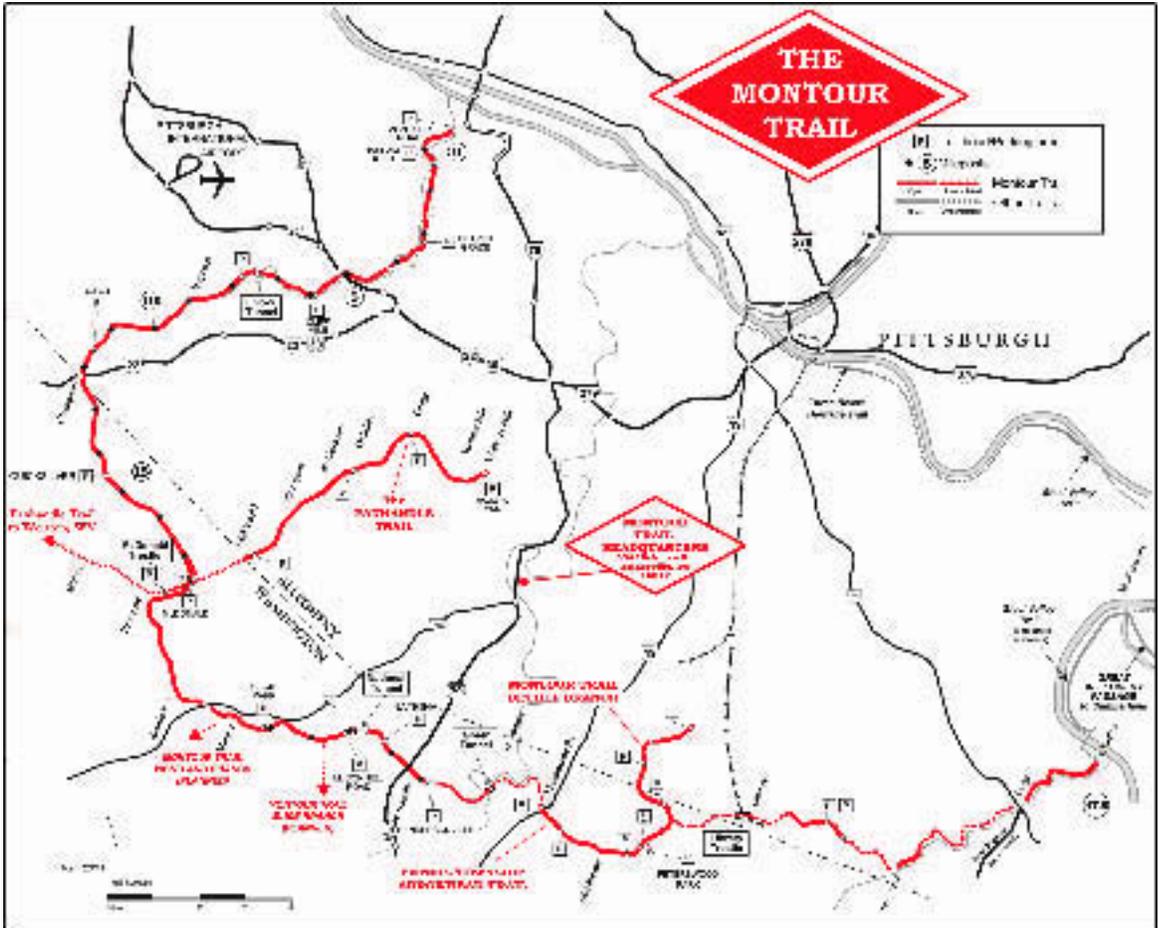
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