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Finally – Work On The Library Viaduct Has Started by Tom Prezel

After over 20 years of planning, the work to restore the Library Viaduct in Library has finally started. On June 23, 2014, Thornbury, Inc. began work on the Library Viaduct. The work is being supported by the MTC contracts with Mackin Engineering for construction inspection and with WEC Engineering for construction consultation.

Those of you travelling through Library may have noticed the daily lane closures on Route 88 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Mondays through Thursdays. These closures are necessary to do work over Route 88 and to place an underdeck protective shielding over the road.

In the first three weeks, Thornbury has removed the rails from spans 1 through 8 and the ties from span 1 and most of span 2 (see pictures above right). Work to cut the large corner from the Abutment 1 has been accomplished – which has improved the line of sight already for those exiting the Lindenbrooke Apartments. Also, the major effort to replace some of the rivets has begun on Span 1.

To provide access for the next portion of the viaduct, trees have been cut on the south side of the viaduct. By the time this newsletter is ready for press, everyone will be able to observe even more progress. The contract date for completion with Thornbury is April, 2015. We all can't wait for the day we can finally travel over this beautiful railroad structure.



REI Awards MTC \$7000 by Dave Borrebach and Phyllis McChesney

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REI recently awarded the Montour Trail Council \$7000 “to care for and create access to the outdoor recreation places our customers love.”

Dennis Pfeiffer, MTC President, announced the award, saying “REI is an ongoing supporter of the Montour Trail Council, and we’re delighted to receive this generous grant. REI’s support continues to demonstrate the value REI places on the Trail, and shows their willingness to continue partnering with us.”

Peter Greninger, Outdoor Programs & Outreach Market Coordinator at REI and liaison to the MTC, summarized REI’s reasoning in making the award: “The Montour Trail is an iconic outdoor recreation amenity in SW Pennsylvania that our members and employees are passionate about.

“REI is excited to be able to continue to build our relationship with the Montour Trail Council and assist with the continual improvement of the trail. Most of all we see this as an opportunity to show our appreciation for the tireless volunteer efforts that have made the trail what it is today!”

The grant will be used to extend the guide rail along the trail southwest of the five-points intersection in Imperial at Mile Post 7.9. At this point the Trail runs parallel and close to Main Street. The new guide rail will more clearly separate the trail from the road, making the area safer and more friendly to all trail users.

Drivers on Main St. will see a typical metal guide rail. Trail users will see 2x12 treated wooden boards spanning between the guide rail posts, presenting a smooth, straight surface.

REI grant funds will be used to purchase all materials and to hire a contractor to install the metal guide rail. MTC Airport Friends and REI volunteers will install the boards and also to perform any miscellaneous items needed to complete the job.

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To Converse, join the Yahoo Group at: <http://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/Montour-Trail/info> or

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The Prez Sez:

I extend greetings to the members, friends and supporters of the Montour Trail. We are very appreciative of your support of the Montour Trail. Please email or call us directly with your questions or suggestions on improving the trail at MTCoffice@montourtrail.org or 412-257-3011.

I hope your summer is going well with hopefully many enjoyable hours spent on our beloved Montour Trail. Speaking of enjoying the Montour Trail, the MTC was proud to have just hosted three hundred fifteen (315) participants for two days on the Rails to Trails Conservancy's (RTC) 2014 Greenway Sojourn.

Starting in 2002, the RTC once a year highlights various rail trails that have been mostly in Pennsylvania by having a 5 to 6 day fully supported bicycle ride. This year the Sojourn commenced on the Panhandle Trail in Weirton and ended on the Great Allegheny Passage in Cumberland, Maryland. On the first day (June 22), the sojourners biked from Weirton onto the Montour and ended the day by camping in Cecil Park for the evening. The next day the sojourners rode the rest of the Montour Trail to Clairton and then the Great Allegheny Passage to Cedar Creek Park.

The MTC wanted to make the evening a special event for the 315 sojourners that were camping in Cecil Park. Thus, we threw a party for them. The pavilion where Burgh's Pizza & Wing Pub hosts their annual running event was the perfect venue for this party. Don Thobaben lead our efforts in securing a very nice variety of libations and Dino Angelici lined up a very good band. The welcoming and support of the Montour Trail Council was overwhelming for this RTC event. Special thanks to those ambassadors who rode part of the way, wearing the new Montour Trail Ambassador bike shirt.

In a speech to the sojourners that Sunday evening, RTC Northeastern Executive Director Tom Sexton thanked us and said "The Montour Trail Council is the best trail organization in the country. They really know how to do things right". The Sojourners spoke very highly of the Montour Trail and its volunteers. We in turn thank Tom Sexton of the RTC for hosting this fun event and Wilderness Voyagers who do most of the day-to-day organization for the event.

Finally we must mention the work of our superb trail paving crew who resurfaced the trail where needed all of the way up to the McDonald viaduct. The crew was headed by Frank Ludwin with assistance from Bill Capp, John Kozak and a few other volunteers. They did a terrific job in making the trail the best it could be for this 2014 sojourn. (Please see some photos of the event)

Happy trails,

Dennis Pfeiffer, President



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 Dennis at 412-262-3748 for more information or to get on the agenda.

Airport Area Friends: (MP 0 to MP 12.6 and the 6.3 mile Airport Connector) The Airport Area Friends of the Trail meet every second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Forest Grove Fire Hall, 2044 Ewings Mill Road, Robinson Township, PA 15108. New volunteers are always welcomed. Contact Phyllis McChesney at 412-264-6303 for more information. Numerous Saturday "work parties" are held during the season. Please call 412-262-3748 to lend a hand at the work parties.

Fort Cherry Friends: (MP 12.6 to MP 20.7)

Friends of the Trail meeting: Second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the McDonald Trail Station, 160 S. McDonald Street, McDonald, PA 15057 (adjacent to the Panhandle Trail). Work and cleanup parties will be scheduled as needed. For more information contact Tim Thomassy, 724-926-4617 or Chuck Hughey, 724-926-9436.

Cecil Friends: (MP 20.7 to MP 28.5)

Friends of the Trail meeting, every fourth Monday 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 (with the exception of November and December) meet at the MTC Offices. Work and cleanup parties are scheduled as needed. Call 412-496-4308 for more information, or email densimwx@comcast.net

Peters Township Friends: (MP 28.5 to 30.4, Library Jct to near MP 35 and part of the Bethel Branch)

Friends of the Trail Meeting, first non-holiday Monday of the month at Peters Township Community Recreation Center at 7:00 p.m. For more information on work and cleanup parties, please contact Jim Robbins at 724-941-6132, or for monthly meetings, Mark Imgrund at 724-941-6351 or by e-mail at markimgrund@gmail.com

Bethel Park Friends: (The 2.75 mile Bethel Branch and a short piece of main line trail around MP 35) 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. Work and cleanup 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 Friends: (MP 35.4 to 46.3)

Meeting second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at South Park Township Community Room, located behind the Township Building at 2675 Brownsville Road, South Park, 15129. Work and cleanup parties scheduled and advertised as needed. For more information, contact David Oyler at 412-831-9288, davidoyler@verizon.net, or Paul McKeown at 412-835-6692, mckeownp@comcast.net

The Montour Railroad Historical Society:

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Tails for Trails #10 by Dennis Sims

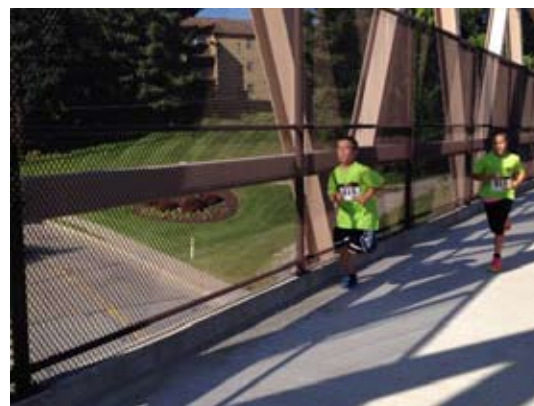
The Cecil Friends held their 10th Annual Tails for Trails Dog Walk on the Montour Trail in Cecil Township on National Trails Day, June 7 under sunny skies and mild temperatures. Once again this year, the walkers and their canine companions headed east to the turn-around sponsored by the Tandem Connection for their second year. Almost 100 dogs signed up for the walk and were treated hot dogs and a 10th anniversary cake. As an extra special gift, the walkers were given a stainless steel water bottle for their trail treks. We wish to thank Black Box and Miller Centrifugal for being our title sponsors and Companions First Veterinary Clinic, The Gubinsky Law Firm and Mark West Energy Partners for being corporate sponsors. Due to space considerations, the listing of our supporters is not possible. Without them, our event could not be a success. Special thanks to Mark Kiernan whose donation of a case of wine and the creativeness of our members, made the Chinese auction a big hit. Also, a barkout to Miner and his handler, Officer Jeff Holt of the Cecil Township Police Department for attending.



This event has raised over \$25,000 for the Cecil Friends in its 10 year reign which has brought trail improvements to the Cecil Section.

J. R. Taylor Memorial 5K by Kerry Boehner

The Bethel Branch of the Montour Trail held its 9th annual J. R. Taylor Memorial 5K Race/Walk on Saturday, June 7, 2014. Nearly 200 runners and walkers participated on a beautiful, sunny Saturday morning on the Montour Trail by Clifton Road in Bethel Park. The fastest female runner was Genise Green with a time of 20:12 and the winning male runner was Joshua Kameraad at 17:49. The masters winners included Susan Filoon at 21:28 and Bruce Barron at 19:22.



A team of volunteers contributed to the success of the event including Molly Nagy, Amy Kuntz, Nicki Woolensack, Colleen Conley, Cyndee Welsh, Barb McGrath, Bill and Roxanne Capp, Bill and

Kerry Boehner, Peter Kohnke, Cyndee Welsh, Barb McGrath and Tom Prezel.

The J. R. Taylor Memorial 5K Race/Walk is a combined effort of the sponsors and The Friends of the Montour Trail in Bethel Park. All proceeds from this event support trail and bridge maintenance and improvements along the trail.

May/June Photo Contest Winner

You would have had to get up pretty early to beat our May/June Photo Contest winner, Kashif Mushtaq. Being on the Montour Trail at dawn can yield some pretty interesting photographs. Good photographers know that the light at dawn and dusk makes for a much better photo and Kashif certainly took advantage of that in his picture taken near Milepost 4 in Moon Twp. The judges have noticed that the quality of the photos gets better all the time but they are also chomping at the bit to see that black bear or baby raccoon (or even more biped homo sapiens). You can view all the photos by going to <http://www.montourtrail.org/> and clicking on the link on the homepage. Don't forget to enter yours.



Enter Our Bi-Monthly Photo Contest

Everyone is invited to submit *one* photo between each newsletter. Content, composition, and artistic expression will be taken into account. Subjects might include, but are not limited to, trail users, flora and fauna, exercise equipment, pets, trail structures and the like. The trail should be included in the shot but is not absolutely necessary. *Photos must be taken on the Montour Trail.* Photos from other trails will not be considered.

The winner of each bi-monthly contest will receive Montour Trail accoutrements worth thousands of pennies and selected just for them. But of course, what are a few baubles compared to the inestimable feeling of accomplishment you will receive from knowing that your photographic skills have finally received the recognition they deserve? Winners will also have their photo published (with their name) in the Montour Trail Newsletter for all to adore and admire! What could be better than that?

All submissions will be added to the trail's photo album on its website and will be subject to use by the Montour Trail Council for publicity purposes.

So email your photo to mtcphotocontest@montourtrail.org. Please include your name and a brief description of where on the trail the picture was taken.

Montour Trail Airport Access Impacted by Construction

The airport access from the Montour Trail to Pittsburgh International Airport will be closed due to construction activities through mid-November. The Montour Trail will be open to Gate BBBB on Moon Clinton Road in Findlay Township. The portion between this gate and the airport parking lot at Pittsburgh International Airport will be closed.

Travelers with bicycles can use the Port Authority 28X Bus located on the Commercial Curb on Baggage Claim Level to either go to Downtown Pittsburgh and begin their Great Allegheny Passage journey at the Point or they can take the same bus to the IKEA stop at Robinson Towne Center and ride down the hill to the Montour Trail at Mile 4.5. All buses have bike racks on the front.

Hassam Road Crosswalk – Trail Mile 1.4 By John Shaver

Over the last two years, at the same time they installed three new road bridges adjacent to the Montour Trail, Allegheny County also had their contractor place new crosswalks at three trail crossings (Miles 4.3, 5.9 & 6.2) on the roads near the bridges. The MTC is very thankful to Allegheny County for making these safety improvements. We really liked how and where in the road the crosswalks were placed. The crosswalk material is burned into the road and placed so vehicles normally pass between the lines. We thus believe these crosswalks should last much longer than previous painted ones. We liked them so much that we decided to try the process ourselves.



Photo by Trail User Joe Vargo. Crew - John Shaver, Pete Merther, Terry Flaherty, Tim Killmeyer, Dennis Pfeiffer

The Hassam Road (Mile 1.4) crossing seemed like a place that needed a new crossing the most. At this site the trail crosses a busy road and the intersection is further compromised by blind spots and the speed that vehicles sometimes are traveling. This is a busy crossing in normal times and has become more congested by the closing of the trail and trail head at mile "0".

On June 24, volunteers Tim Killmeyer, Dennis Pfeiffer, Pete Merther and John Shaver worked with Terry Flaherty of Ennis-Flint to apply PreMark-Pavement markings. The PreMark pavement markings are a preformed thermoplastic material that is far superior to a painted crossing.

While Dennis and Pete directed the alternating one lane traffic as flagman, Tim, Terry and John applied the material. This was an involved process which required precise placement of five strips that were 24 inches wide and twelve feet long and then heating these strips with large propane torches to melt them and permanently seal them to the road. Fortunately, Tim had previously worked with Terry to apply the bicycle markings on the airport connector and had become an expert on applying the material.

Since applying the crosswalk, it is obvious that more people are now slowing down, which allows our trail users to cross more safely.

Tour the Montour – Can You Believe This Is Our 12th Year ??

by Sam Hvifelt, Tour Director

The **Twelfth** Annual Tour the Montour will be taking place on Saturday, September 20, 2014. Mark your calendars, save the date, and come on out for Western Pennsylvania's best autumn trail ride around – the Newlata Tour the Montour Trail Ride !

The Tour offers a variety of ride distances ranging from the family-friendly 6 mile ride to the hard-core Metric Century (62 miles) ! Riders willing to test their mettle against the elevation of Hassam Road should be sure to sign up for the King/Queen of the Mountain Challenge. At an average 8% grade, the man and woman with the fastest times up the 7/10s of a mile hill will truly be the "King" and "Queen" of the Mountain and, in addition to bragging rights, will receive an Aerotech Design special bicycling jersey for their effort! So whether you're in it for bragging rights, the jersey or just in it to push yourself or challenge your family and friends, the "Mountain" is calling your name !

Lunch will again be sponsored at Brothers Grimm Restaurant at Mile 3 on your way back to Mile 0. As expected, there will be yummy and substantial fare on the lunch menu to keep our carnivorous and vegetarian riders nourished and satisfied regardless of ride distance. As always, we'll have some unique and useful raffle prizes to give away - all registered participants are eligible based on their ride bib number.

As with prior years, the ride will be starting at Mile "0" in Coraopolis. Trail mile "0" is located at Route 51 and Montour Road, just off of I-79 and the Coraopolis Bridge that connects to Neville Island. The parking area for the event will be near the entrance to Mile "0". If you are using your GPS, the address 2316 State Avenue, Coraopolis, PA 15108 will lead you to the entrance to the parking area. Look for our parking volunteers on the morning of ride day to guide you into the parking area.

Registration begins at 7:00 a.m. with staggered start times for each ride distance. The Metric Century riders depart at 8:15 a.m., the long distance (44 mile) riders leave at 8:30 a.m., the middle distance riders (15 and 24 miles) leave at 8:45 a.m., and the Family Riders (6 miles) leave at 9:00 a.m.. Pre-register before September 5, 2014 and you are guaranteed one of our world famous, limited edition Tour the Montour Ride T-shirts !! Remember, only pre-registered riders are guaranteed a T-shirt !

Thanks to the generosity of Pro Bikes, we will be raffling off a 2014 Specialized Sirrus Elite Bicycle – sized for the winner. And our friends at Seven Springs have donated a two-night stay, including breakfast, bike and helmet rental for one day, transportation to and from the Great Allegheny Passage, and a packed GAP lunch. Tickets for both prizes are available now from any Tour committee member and will also be on sale at packet pickup and at the ride.

We will be providing a pre-event Packet Pickup on Thursday, September 18 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the REI Settlers Ridge Store – some riders find the Thursday evening option saves a little extra time and excitement on the morning of the ride. Packets will still be available the morning of the ride; the Thursday evening availability is just an option, so feel free to stop by if you would prefer to collect your ride bag prior to the event.

Trail patrol and SAG assistance will be available along the course. Rest stops will be stationed at miles 7.5 (Enlow Ballfield), 11.5 (Boggs Rd.), 21.5 (Galati Rd.) and the 31 mile turnaround. Fruit, snacks, and beverages will be provided at each rest stop to keep the riders going. Please note that helmets are mandatory for all riders. For the safety of the other participants, headphones will not be permitted on the ride.

Entry fees are \$25 for individuals, \$45 for the Family Rate (up to 4 members), and all kids under 12 are only \$5 until September 5. Late and ride day registration is \$30 for individuals, \$50 for the Family Rate, and kids under 12 are still only \$5. Registration forms and more information are available at www.montourtrail.org, by calling 412-257-3011, by email at thetour@montourtrail.org, or you can register online at www.Race360.com (event 15908). A form is also available on the back page of the newsletter for your convenience. All proceeds from the ride and our raffles benefit the maintenance and expansion of the Montour Trail.

We hope to see everyone come out to celebrate our 12th Tour the Montour on Saturday, September 20 - we've ordered up a lovely day of biking, good food and great times with friends and family !

Valued Trail Spruce Trees Given New Life! By John Hooton

Pictured here are 11 employees of the Southpointe office of Wood Group Mustang, Inc. who responded enthusiastically to the mandates of Environmental Day 2014, June 5.



They are, L/R:
Andrew Sams, Gary Phillips, Dave Heffner, Jim Albitz, Gen Mgr., Mustang, Berenice Hooton, Event Coord. Montour Trail, Anthony Coleman, Jennifer Lamay, Event

Coord. Mustang, Darla Erlinger, Travis Kerfoot, Cody Landsbaugh, Lori Meuser, Rich Curry. Also present, not pictured, John Hooton, Trail Volunteer.

They wanted "to make a difference" in their community and chose our Trail as their project for the Day. Years before, at the Trail's inception, some 20 blue spruce trees were planted alongside that gave welcome evidence the old railroad bed would have a new life. Wild grape vines and assorted weeds, however, proved strong adversaries. Mustang cleaned up!

Mustang, Inc., a worldwide design and construction firm in the oil and gas industry with some 63,000 employees, has a strong "community focus", from hurricane relief to aiding those with health issues. Jennifer Lamay had canvassed her "crew" who selected MTC; Jennifer used the MTC website to contact Dennis Pfeiffer, President MTC, who called Dennis Sims, President of Cecil Friends. Dennis, knowing of the gardening efforts of Berenice and John, saw her on the Trail and completed the connection. (Do you get the idea we follow up our leads?)

MONTOUR RAILROAD HISTORY

Library Viaduct By Bryan Seip - Montour Railroad Historical Society

The Library Viaduct was one of the signature sights on the Montour Railroad. At 506 feet, it was the second longest bridge on the railroad. Only the McDonald Viaduct was longer.



This 1973 view shows three Montour locomotives shoving a coal train over the viaduct. Gene P. Schaeffer photo.

A viaduct is defined as a bridge composed of several small spans for crossing a valley or gorge. Viaducts may span land or water or both. The Library Viaduct consists of eleven spans, supported by ten bents, or vertical steel columns. It crosses over the Piney Fork Creek valley, including Route. 88 at the western end of the bridge and the PAT trolley tracks on the east side of the valley. It was built in 1919 by the American Bridge Company.

The spans are deck plate girders, with a timber deck. A deck plate bridge has its main girders built as large rectangular steel plates, with the decking resting entirely on top of the girders. Wooden bridge deck timbers, which look like oversized railroad ties, supported the rails on the bridge. The viaduct had a safety walkway along its length and the sections over Route. 88 and the trolley tracks were planked over and had chain link fencing attached to side railings to keep any chunks of coal that might fall off the loaded hoppers from dropping onto the traffic below.

While most bridges on the Montour Railroad had a single builder's plate affixed to the bridge, the Library Viaduct has four builder's plates to inform the public as to who erected the bridge, a bit of century old advertising over the busy road and trolley line.

In 1918, the Montour Railroad started construction of a two mile segment of track, leaving the main line at the Milton Douglas farm in Peters Township. This track ran to the planned site of the Pittsburgh Coal Company's Montour Mine #10 along Brownsville Road in Library.

Coming down the steep grade from Library Junction, the viaduct was the first bridge on the Library Branch. After crossing the valley and curving behind the old school building, the railroad crossed over Pleasant Street and into the Montour #10 complex. The old steam engines were an impressive sight as they ventured out onto the tall, narrow bridge hauling a string of coal hoppers going to or from the mine.

The Montour Trail now uses this old Library Branch line as its main trail, connecting with the Great Allegheny Passage trails at Clairton. Thus, a bit of difference of opinion often exists between Trail volunteers and the Montour Railroad historical buffs as to which parts of the Rail-to-Trail corridor are the "main line".

A retired Montour passenger coach was brought to the east end of the viaduct in the early years, repainted yellow and used as an office by the Montour Railroad Agent at Library. At a later time, a small brick station freight house was built along Pleasant Street to handle local freight shipments. This station is still in place, housing the South Park Historical Society.

In the last eight years of railroad operations, the steep and winding railroad branch roadbed had deteriorated and most train movements were operated caboose first with the locomotives shoving on the rear of the train. So in the 1970's, the first sight of a train crossing the viaduct would not be the locomotives, but the caboose being pushed at the head of a string of coal hoppers.

In 1978, the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad, which then owned the Montour Railroad, put an end to operations over the Library Branch. The final Montour train to work Montour Mine #10 retrieved a single hopper full of coal on June 30, 1978. This car had been set out of an earlier train because of a broken air line and after repairs had been completed, it was then picked up for shipment.

The Montour Railroad abandoned the Library Branch and thus the Library Viaduct when Montour #10 was permanently closed in late 1978.



June 30, 1978. This small train consisting of engine #80 with caboose #36 and a single coal hopper was the last Montour Railroad movement over the Library Viaduct. Gene P. Schaeffer photo.

You can contact the Montour Railroad Yahoo group at http://finance.groups.yahoo.com/group/montour_rr/ There are currently 335 members from across the country. You are encouraged to join. There is a wealth of information about the Montour Railroad at this location and you can pose questions of its membership, from whom you are sure to get an answer. There is also much information at <http://www.montourrr.com>

Welcome New Members

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

New Members

Jim & Barb Bucci
 Barnett Bursley
 Barry Christenson
 Michael Collins
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 Alberta Boyd
 Mr. & Mrs. Donald Nelson

Update – Mile "O" Trail Head Is Closed

The cleanup of hazardous materials at the Superfund site at mile zero is well underway. Thus, the trail from mile "0" to "0.5" and the trail head at mile "0" will remain closed for the most part until October 23. In the early fall, there is a possibility for some Sunday openings and the trail will be opened for the Tour the Montour on September 20.

Please see website for more detailed information.

I want to help complete the Montour Trail!

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Family Rate **

Postmarked by September 5: \$45
 Postmarked after September 5: \$50

Children Under 12

Postmarked by September 5: \$5
 Postmarked after September 5: \$5

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Individual	\$25
<input type="checkbox"/>	Family	\$35
<input type="checkbox"/>	Supporting	\$50
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sustaining	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/>	Benefactor	\$250
<input type="checkbox"/>	Leader's Circle	\$500+

**The Family Rate applies to the 6 and 12-mile courses only. Limit of 4 family members per family rate. Children under 12 pay \$5 when accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Feel free to include an additional donation to the Montour Trail Council if you like. Make checks payable to:

Montour Trail Council (Please do not send cash.)

Mail to:

Tour the Montour
 PO Box 459
 Imperial, PA 15126

Please print

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Male/Female: _____ Age: _____

Additional Names:

Name: _____ M/F: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ M/F: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ M/F: _____ Age: _____

Name: _____ M/F: _____ Age: _____

Entry Fee:

Single \$30 per person _____ x \$30 = \$ _____

Family (limit 4 members) _____ x \$50 = \$ _____

Children Under 12 \$5 _____ x \$5 = \$ _____

King/Queen of the Mountain _____ x \$5 = \$ _____

Montour Trail Membership/Donation \$ _____

\$5 Discount for Trail Members (\$ _____)

Total Entry Fee \$ _____

Distance (miles): 6 15 24 44 62

T-Shirt Size: S M L XL XXL

Waiver: : in consideration for the acceptance of this entry, I waive for myself, my heirs and assigns, all rights and claims for damages which I might have against the Montour Trail Ride, to be held on Saturday, September 20, 2014; the Montour Trail Council, other sponsoring organizations, business, or individuals as a result of any and all injuries suffered by myself in that event. I also release any photos that may involve myself. (Must be signed by guardian if under the age of 18)

Signature:

If under 18, parent or guardian must sign below:

 Signature of parent or guardian