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Volunteers Needed

The chapter has several positions open for volunteers. A most immediate position to be filled is the Treasurer. Our current treasurer is moving to another volunteer position in the AMC and we need a replacement as soon as possible. If you have, or know of anyone who has, financial skills in book keeping, please contact Tom Eagan.

Our Membership Chair is also looking for a reprieve of years of service. If you have interest or require information on what Robin actually does as membership chair, contact Robin Kuznitz.

The webmaster has for several years been looking for an assistant. Several potential volunteers have stepped forward but other commitments have taken priority. If any member has, even limited technical skills, and wants to help please contact the webmaster.

We also have other volunteer positions open. Check out our volunteer page for something you might consider.

Multi Activity, Camp Winaukee Labor Day 3 Day Weekend.

Friday, Aug. 29 - Monday Sept. 1

Hike, bike and paddle Lake Winnepesaukee, intermediate & easier activities, \$195. Explore Lake Winnepesaukee. Hike the Sandwich Range, grand views, bike scenic roads. Comfortable lakeside cabins w/plumbing & pvt. rooms for couples. Relax & enjoy last rays of summer on quiet northwest section of the lake. Intermediate & easier activities each day. Happy Hr, 3 breakfasts, 3 bag lunches, 3 dinners, evening program. Choice of regular or veggie meals. \$195 full price. **Register as soon as possible.**

Please call Linda to register first, 401-351-2234. Then write check to AMC Narragansett Chapter, mail to Linda Pease 130 Sunbury St. Providence, RI 02908, include your email address and phone number. Alternate contact: email Jack Schempp at jschempp1@gmail.com. L Linda Pease, L Jack Schempp (jschempp1@gmail.com), reg/w Linda Pease (401-351-2234 evening, linda.pease@cox.net)

Narragansett Chapter Cardigan Weekend Friday Oct 3 – Sunday Oct 5

A weekend of activities and fun for members,

family, and guests. Hikes & walks (all levels), paddling, local tours, lawn games, and some unannounced activities too. Enjoy crisp autumn air and breathtaking mountain & lake views, all in the beautiful New Hampshire forest. Factor in the first-class full service accommodations of the renovated AMC Cardigan Lodge and you can easily see why this is THE must-attend chapter event of the year. We have reserved the whole lodge for the weekend, but reservations must be in by Aug. 25. [Booking instructions are through the AMC on the website.](#)

Registration Open for Fall Gathering 2014 in Maine October 17-19

Gear up for some great AMC fun this October when AMCs from all Chapters will gather for three days of exciting outdoor activities and socializing along the Maine coast! The Maine Chapter has been working hard to organize this year's Fall Gathering, which will be held in Jefferson, Maine October 17-19. Registration is now open—make sure you reserve a spot before it fills up! For more information or to register, visit www.outdoors.org/fallgathering.

Narragansett Chapter Annual Meeting Save November 8th

Our Annual meeting will be held on Saturday November 9th at the Save the Bay facility, and is a nice opportunity to meet other members while enjoying great food and presentations. The Chapter's major awards, as described below, are presented as this time.

1. The Appie of the Year award is presented annually to that person who, in an outstanding manner, exemplifies the mission of the Appalachian Mountain Club. The recipient of this award receives an individual engraved plaque as a permanent memento and is also presented with a plaque with their name engraved, along with the names of the previous Appies. This plaque is retained for one year before it is passed on to the next Appie of the Year. The recipient of this award is chosen by the Narragansett Chapter membership and is confirmed by the Chapter Executive Board.

2. The John Clark Service Award is the Chapter's second highest honor. This award is given to the "unsung hero" of our chapter - someone who quietly goes about their business of contributing to the chapter.

3. Over the years, some members have given their time and talent to the AMC, and to our Chapter, for such a long time that other yearly awards do not express the appreciation the Chapter has for these members. To show our appreciation, the Chapter has inaugurated our Golden Appie Award. This award is not a yearly award but a lifetime achievement award for service to the Narragansett Chapter.

Please contact us if you have nominations for any of these awards. Debbie Mitchell (401)743-4192 dmitchell@thebravegroup.com or Bob Tessitore at bobtess@gmail.com

ACTIVITIES

Fri., Aug. 1-3. Mt Hale by Firewarden's Trail. Join us hiking to the summit of Mt Hale by the Firewarden's Trail, a more interesting, less used approach, descending by the Lend-a-Hand and Zealand Trails. Sunday, leader's choice. Moderate hikes at a moderate pace. Approximate cost \$120.00, includes 2 nights lodging, 2 breakfasts and 1 dinner. L Charles Killam (Charlie.Killam@gmail.com) CL Debra Huntington, reg/w Debra Huntington (ddhuntington@gmail.com)

Sat., Aug. 2-3. Rock Climbing - Rumney. Climbers comfortable on 5.8 routes or better, camp at local campground. Dinner at an après climb restaurant or cost share BBQ. L Jeannine Peterson (surnurse@yahoo.com) CL Bill Baxter (mitziakramer@yahoo.com)

Sat., Aug. 2. Ninigret Pond Sea Kayak. Paddle 10 to 12 miles on scenic Ninigret Salt Pond. Mostly sheltered, but may encounter usual on-shore breeze of 10 to 15 kts. Bring lunch/snack for late afternoon stop. Usual safety equipment and clothing appropriate for expected weather. L Barbara Flagg (bakayaker51@verizon.net) L Gary Whitney (GaryWhitney3@cox.net), reg/w Barbara Flagg (bakayaker51@verizon.net)

Sat., Aug. 2. E Greenwhich/ Slocum bike ride. 35 mile moderate speed ride averaging 13 mph., through rolling and flat country side. Lunch stop in Slocum. Please bring lots of water, and snacks!! Helmets req'd. 9:30am start. L Nancy Baker (401-737-3052 evening, nancybaker654@gmail.com) CL Gail Larkin

Sun., Aug. 3. Paddle West Branch of the Westport River. Approximately 7 miles round

**Narragansett Chapter AMC
Leadership Roster**

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trip with options to continue paddling in the East Branch or into the ocean depending on conditions and makeup of the group. Good swimming at lunch spot. Departure promptly at 10 am. Please arrive by 9:30 am. L William Hahn (401-524-1612, bhahn02835@yahoo.com) L Barbara Flagg (baykayker51@verizon.net)

Tue., Aug. 5. Kayak Rescue Practice. At URI Bay Campus. 5:30pm start, but late arrival OK. Wet exits and rescues to be practiced. Come and watch or participate. Short paddle after possible. Contact Mike for questions. L Michael Krabach (401-333-5350, mkrabach@cox.net)

Thu., Aug. 7. East Bay Bike Path and Colt State Park Ride. 6 pm SHARP start, from Bristol. Meet at independence park. About 20 mile bike ride. All welcome. Comfortable pace, flat terrain. Helmets req'd. L Sidney Wax (401-849-2595, sid_w@yahoo.com)

Sat., Aug. 9. Annual Black Tie Paddle On Narrow River. Starting from Grovenor Camp, Saunderstown. Join us w/time to spend on the beach and dining in style (Bring plastic stemware). Call for rentals. Two paddle options: #1 shorter easier or #2 longer faster. Bill Rush leads faster paddle. Register w/Linda. L Linda Pease (401-351-2234, linda.pease@cox.net)

Fri., Aug. 15-17. Mt Isolation Weekend. Day hike to remote Mt. Isolation via Glen Boulder/Davis Path traverse. Unique, stunning views of Mt. Washington and southern Presidentials - one of finest views in Whites. Strenuous, long day hike, 13.3 miles with 3,800 ft elevation gain. Sunday, leaders' choice. Stay at Joe Dodge Lodge, approximate cost \$160.00, includes 2 breakfasts and 1 dinner. Register by Jul 31. L Charles Killam (Charlie.Killam@gmail.com) CL Elise Hedglen, reg/w Elise Hedglen (ehedglen@yahoo.com)

Sun., Aug. 17. Kayak to Beavertail Pt. Kayak from URI Bay Campus to Beavertail Pt. Open water kayaking subject to weather conditions. Sea Kayaking rules apply, PFD and safety gear. Distance about 10 miles. Bring lunch, water and standard safety gear. L Michael Krabach (401-333-5350,

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Wed., Aug. 20. Pasta Challenge/Rehoboth Bike Ride. Scenic rural biking. Two rides start/end at Hillside Country Club. One easy, one intermediate pace. Pasta afterward. 6pm start. Helmets req'd. L Linda Pease (401-351-2234, linda.pease@cox.net) L Bill Rush (whr0316@msn.com)

Sun., Aug. 24. New Moon Kayaking. Late evening paddle in East Passage from URI Bay Campus. Consider it a contrarian answer to a Full Moon Paddle. Proper safety gear required, including at least one working light. This is kayaking with no moonlight, with just available light from shoreline and any sky glow from Providence and region. For night paddling see referenced page. L Michael Krabach (401-333-5350, mkrabach@cox.net), reg/w Leader.

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Sat., Sep. 6-7. Rock Climbing - Cannon. Climbers comfortable on 5.8 routes or better, camping is at a private campground we have arranged. Dinner is catered. L David Curry (dmc Curry13@yahoo.com) CL Mary Stevenson (mesbbkc@verizon.net)

Sat., Sep. 6. Bold Point to Dragon Festival, Pawtucket. Kayaking from Bold Pt. into Seekonk River to Pawtucket to watch Dragon

boat races and festival. Intermediate paddle for sea kayaks. Bring lunch and water, or indulge at the Festival. Paddle about 10 miles. L Michael Krabach (401-333-5350, mkrabach@cox.net) CL Herrick Spencer (401-723-1974, spencer295@cox.net)

Sat., Sep. 6. Warwick to Wickford Bike Ride. 30-35 mi. for intermediate riders, average speed of 13 mph. This is rolling but not too difficult, a nice ride w/a stop in the village of Wickford. Bring water and lunch or snacks, but will be able to get something in town. 9:30 SHARP start. Helmets required. L Nancy Baker (401-737-3052 after 7:00 pm, nancybaker654@gmail.com) CL Gail Larkin

Sat., Sep. 13. Boston Harbor - Advanced Sea Kayak Trip.. Launch from Morrissey Ave. Paddle to Spectacle Island for lunch. Then on to Georges Island where we visit Fort Warren. This is for experienced sea kayakers. It is sure to include busy channel crossings and bumpy confused water. Bring a lunch, and the usual equipment, obviously including a PFD. L Michael Krabach , reg/w Mike Krabach (401-333-5350, mkrabach@cox.net)

Fri., Sep. 19-21. Paddling/Camping on Moon Island - Squam Lake, NH.. Annual weekend of kayaking and camping on Moon Island, enjoying the last weekend of summer on this pristine lake surrounded by the foothills of Sandwich, NH. Participants should be experienced and have proper equipment for camping/kayaking. Sea kayak is required and participant must be able to carry all of their camping equipment to island. Limited participation. Cost is \$40. L Bill Rush reg/w Bill Rush (whr0316@msn.com)

Fri., Sep. 19-21. Mt. Garfield Weekend. Stunning views of the Pemigewasset Wilderness from the site of an old fire tower. Ten miles with 3,000 feet of elevation gain. \$120.00 covers 2 nights lodging in Twin mountain, 2 breakfasts & 1 dinner. Sunday hike is leaders' choice. Twin mountain, 2 breakfasts & 1 dinner. Sunday hike is leaders' choice. L Sue Warthman (401-270-3363 after 5:00pm, SWarthman@cox.net) CL Steve Harrison

Fri., Sep. 26-28. Hike Vermont. Join us for a weekend of interesting day hikes in scenic Vermont. Saturday we'll hike to summits of Mts. Wilson and Breadloaf, two of the NE 100 Highest in the Breadloaf Wilderness. Sunday, probably Camel's Hump. Approximate cost \$60.00, includes 2 nights lodging, 2 breakfasts, 1 dinner. L Charles Killam (Charlie.Killam@gmail.com) CL Elise Hedglen , reg/w Elise Hedglen

ADVANCE NOTICES

Sat., Oct. 11-12. Rock Climbing - Gunks. Climbers capable of 5.6 routes or better. Trip size may be limited due to leader to second ratio. L Sarah Rich (saeandpetzl@gmail.com) CL Ken Hamel (kenskibike@cox.net)

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