Piedmont Plateau - February 2022 E-News

PPG traditionally sponsors outings, trail/creek clean-ups, social gatherings and educational programs that address climate and environmental concerns in Guilford, Rockingham, Randolph, Richmond, and Montgomery Counties.

Joining together to Explore, Enjoy and Protect our Planet!

February Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, February 1, 2022 7:00 to 8:15 PM

Meet & Greet PPG's Executive Committee for 2022











Don Henza

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Linda Margo

Tom Taylor

All members and friends are invited to join *PPG's* Volunteers to help plan future programs, outings, events, special projects, stream & trail clean-ups, newsletter articles and website updates.

To join the meeting on Google Meet, click this link: meet.google.com/jkk-fxre-shu or register for this meeting at: https://www.meetup.com/ppgsierraclub If interested, but can't attend the meeting, please contact us at 336 686-4806

First Hike of 2022



Hanging Rock State Park

Saturday, February 5, 2022

Meet at 10:30 AM

We'll meet at the Hanging Rock Visitor Center and hike the Hanging Rock Trail to the summit, aka the "hanging rock". Length is 1.3 miles each way (2.6 total). It's a bit rugged near the top, so we'll take our time. There we'll enjoy spectacular views of the park below and the Blue Ridge Mountains to the north. Hikers rate this trail as "moderate". Wear sturdy shoes and bring water.

Dogs permissible but must be kept on leash.

Contact Tom Taylor, tnt2703@yahoo.com, (336)402-6100

More info at https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/north-carolina/hanging-rock-trail

February Program & General Meeting

Tuesday, February 8, 2022 7:00 to 8:30 PM







Green Burials of the Triad

Guest speakers, **Deborah Parker** and **Reverend Randall Keeney**, will discuss their experiences with end-of-life care and green burials. For Deborah her interest began in1989, when she had a positive experience with her brother's home death and celebration of life. For Randall, he helped form the *All Souls Natural Burial Association, Inc. (ASNBA)* in February 2019. *ASNBA advocates* for: eco-friendly, noninvasive, affordable, non-sectarian and natural burial practices. The *All Souls Natural Burial Grounds* are located on 3 acres of beautiful, wooded terrain leading to a tranquil stream near Jefferson Road in Greensboro.

Deborah has been a Hospice volunteer, facilitated many Death Cafés in the Triad area, and served on the Cafe Mortal team that created *It's About Life, A Death-Defying Film Series*. Deborah now serves on the board and as the family liaison for the *All Souls Natural Burial Ground*. Deborah is also an educator for End-of-Life home care and vigils, a visual artist and a student of mindfulness meditation.

Randall is the minister of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church and began to learn about burial and its relationship with the environment about 10 years ago. He served on the board of the Funeral Consumers Alliance of the Piedmont (President for 2 years) and was part of the group that worked toward making natural burial available in the Piedmont (PICBUS). He has been involved with all aspects of forming ASNBA and maintaining the burial ground, which is located on the grounds of St. Barnabas.

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Sierra Club's Statement of Purpose

- To explore and protect the wild places of the Earth
- To practice and promote the responsible use of the Earth's ecosystems and resources
- To educate and enlist humanity to protect and restore the quality of the natural and human environment

Comments or suggestions? Contact us at PiedmontPlateauGroup@gmail.com

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