Greetings to all of our Friends members! I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving and are looking forward to the Christmas holidays. I have a few things for you to mark down on your calendars, some are winter programs and others are spring-summer programs.

I would also like to remind everyone that your memberships are now due. We will be sending out a renewal letter but you have some options here. First, you can renew online at the PPFF website. [www.paparksandforest.org](http://www.paparksandforest.org). Go to the green Friends Group tab on the top of the page, then go to the Group List and find FOLR. There should be a donate button there...you can use your credit card. Or you can send your check to: M. Harrison c/o FOLR 599 Yahn Road Gaines, PA 16921. PLEASE make sure to make your check out to P.P.F.F and write FOLR in the memo line. Your membership is good for one year. Also, please consider joining at the “Supporting” level of $50 which allows us to provide family nature programming at a reduced cost or for free.

When you mail in your check, please provide us with your name, address, phone and email information as well.

Membership levels are:

$10 – Individual, $20.00 Family, $35.00-registered Non-Profit, **$50. – Supporting**, $100 – Business, $250.00 Lifetime

COMING UP THIS WINTER:

**Annual First Day Hikes** - there will be two of these running concurrently. One will be a family winter nature hike –mostly level terrain- kids welcome...bundle up! Meet at the Lower campground parking lot at 1:00 pm. Hike Leader – Maxine Harrison. Also at 1:00 pm... those of you looking for a more strenuous and longer hike can join hike leaders Chip Harrison and John Halter on their first Winter Adventure Hike...meet at the Day use area parking lot. Both groups are invited to enjoy some hot chocolate at the pavilion after the hikes.

**Winter Adventure Hikes Continue:** These hikes start at 9:00 am - meet in Day Use parking lot

- Saturday, January 26
- Saturday, February 23
- Saturday, March 23

All winter hikes are free
Coming this Spring/Summer – please note that these programs require pre-payment and pre-registration. Sign up at the PPFF Calendar of Events address above.

Sunday, May 12 – Mother’s Day Brunch and Hike to the old Birch Still. 10:00 am at the Park Pavilion. Cost is $10.00 per person. Pre-pay, preregister.

Sunday, June 16 – Father’s Day Breakfast and Kayak Tour – 9:00 am at the Park Pavilion. Cost is $10.00 per person. Pre-pay, preregister.

Saturday, July 5 – Kayak Nature Tour and Dessert – 6:00 pm Meet at Concession Stand. $10.00 per person. Pre-pay, preregister.

Saturday, July 27 – Instructional Dutch Oven Dinner Program – 5:00 pm at the Park Pavilion. Cost is $10.00 per person. Pre-pay, preregister.

Saturday, August 31 – Kayak Nature Tour and Dessert – 6:00 pm. Meet at the Concession Stand $10.00 per person. Pre-pay, preregister.

Friday, September 13 – Kayak Nature Tour and Dessert – 6:00 pm. Meet at the Concession Stand. $10.00 per person. Pre-pay, preregister.

- In the event of extreme weather, programs may be cancelled. Please check our FB page [www.facebook.com/Friends-of-Lyman-Run](http://www.facebook.com/Friends-of-Lyman-Run), or [www.solomonswords.blogspot.com](http://www.solomonswords.blogspot.com), or call the park office at (814) 435-5010.

There will be NO meeting in December. We will meet next on January 27 at 7:00 pm at the park maintenance building.

Have a wonderful Christmas!!

*Maxine Harrison*