Laurentian Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club

Morth Mind

Oct - Nov - Dec 2023

Coming Home

By Neal Burdick

From early August past Labor Day, we were in other parts of the nation: the Rhode Island shore, the Badlands of South Dakota, Yellowstone, the Grand Tetons, Devils Tower of "Close Encounters" fame, an American smorgasbord of points between. Random observations:

 The United States is bigger than you realize until you ride a bus across Wyoming. You watch mile after mile of High Plains grasslands roll by as the deer and the antelope play, starkly beautiful in its own way if you



Sunset and storm, Grand Tetons National Park

open your eyes to that to which you are not accustomed. And you begin to appreciate why folks out there have no use for Washington, D.C., 2,000 miles away on the ground but infinitely farther in the mind.

- The Denver airport, only a little smaller than St. Lawrence County, spreads out across
 the flattest land imaginable. And then you realize, if you transplanted it to the
 Adirondacks, it would be almost 100 feet farther above sea level than the top of Mt.
 Marcy.
- Bison are curious but temperamental creatures. One family brought our tour bus to a
 halt. Their youngster wanted to play with it, but we got the feeling its father would
 rather head-butt us. And elk can peacefully graze one moment and kill you with
 their extravagant antlers the next.

Some say mountains are all alike – they sit there and never change. Nope – like everything else in nature, they're always changing if you're patient enough to watch for a millennium or two. They are no more the same than each of us is. The jagged Tetons, looking like gigantic shears ripped them one from the other; the Colorado Rockies,



Yellowstone Falls, Yellowstone National Park

tall and jumbled, patches of last winter's snow still showing; the ancient, sheer, worn-down Black Hills – none of these is anything like our Adirondacks, geologically, botanically, meteorologically or in any other way. They all have distinct personalities.



Hiking at 100+ F, Badlands National Park, South Dakota

• The Badlands are not bad; they're just different – rugged, dry, sandy, every color but green. "Bad" is a label we applied, judging the area only by how useful it was to us. Tellingly, it's also where we consigned the Lakota Sioux people when we wanted the gold under their ancestral home, a home we had promised them by treaty. We forced them, in atrocities of ethnic extermination that we condemn in other times and places, onto the "bad lands." And we called THEM savages.

Sometimes, we have to get away from the places we know in order to know them better. For us, the means to this end was a Road Scholar tour. We unequivocally recommend them.



Chapter Chair Report

Marianne Hebert

Getting Together

We aren't having a Fall potluck this year, but we hope to see everyone at the Annual New Years day outing on Monday Jan. 1st. We will be gathering at Higley Flow State Park from 1:00-3:00pm for a fun day of skiing, snowshoeing or hiking if there is no snow. At 3:00pm we will meet back at the Lodge for a finger-food potluck.

Elections of Laurentian Chapter Officers

Fall Elections will take place electronically again in October. An email with links to an e-ballots will be sent to member's email addresses. Paper ballots will be sent to members who do not have email addresses on file. Candidate Bios are on page 4.

Membership Report

Mary Mackinnon
Vice-Chair, Membership

We maintain 336 members in the Chapter, and welcome 3 new members:

- Brett Lloyd (Potsdam)
- Suzanne Smith (Potsdam)
- Zachary Jaworski (North Collins)

ADK Laurentian

Executive Committee

Marianne Hebert - Chair, Social Media Coordinator, EAP Outngs Coordinator chair@adklaurentian.org

Holly Woodworth - Vice-Chair, Outings outings@adklaurentian.org

Blair Madore - Vice-Chair, Education, Red Sandstone Trail Coordinator education@adklauretian.org

Tom VandeWater - Vice-Chair, Conservation conservation@adklaurentian.org

Mary MacKinnon - Vice-Chair, Membership membership@adklauretian.org

David Katz - Secretary, Webmaster secretary@adklauretian.org

Ellie Menz - Treasurer treasurer@adklaurentian.org

Appointed Positions

Marg Madore - Hospitality Coordinator hospitality@adklaurentian.org

Mary Cabral - Archivist archivist@adklaurentian.org

John Barron - Publicity Coordinator publicity@adklaurentian.org

Mark Simon - Stone Valley Trail Coordinator stonevalley@adklaurentian.org

Daqing Hou & Xiaoli Wang - Outdoors Indoors Program indoors@adklaurentian.org

Tom Ortmeyer - Advisory Council Trustee trustee@adklauren@an.org

Merchandise Coordinator—VACANT (If interested in volunteering for this posi□on, contact Marianne Hebert at chair@adklauren□an.org)

Nominating Committee Report

We are pleased to nominate the following candidates to serve on the executive committee starting on January 1, 2024:

For Chair: Tom Wheeler

Tom loves the Adirondacks. He has served the chapter as Outings Chair, Director, and Chapter Chair and is a former President of ADK and of the Adirondack 46ers. In recent decades he and his wife Eileen have been avid bird watchers both in the local area and abroad. For the past four years he has been one of the regional coordinators for New York's third Breeding Bird Atlas. This has led him to explore many of the less visited public lands in St. Lawrence and surrounding counties in the north country and the Adirondacks. Technological changes, climate change, and ADK structural change all present challenges that require the Chapter to examine its mission and how it should adapt to better meet the needs of its membership. Working with the talented members of our executive committee he hopes to have a chapter that benefits all of our membership and has relevance to the community.

For Vice Chair, Education: Brenda Curley

Brenda Curley retired as an educator in July of 2018. She taught instrumental music for thirty two years in the Edwards-Knox School District, and two years in the Southern Tier. She continues to keep busy with her music. In addition to this, she volunteers at the local Church and Community, where she is also a board member. She continues to work as an educator and is the associate director for the New Horizons Band.

The most significant change to her life after retirement is her renewed passion for all things outdoors. She has rediscovered her love for hiking, canoeing, biking, camping, cross country skiing, and snowshoeing. Joining the Adirondack Mountain Club has opened up so many opportunities for her. She has found like-minded people that enjoy the same outdoor activities as her and has been able to take advantage of that experience and comradery. There are so many opportunities within the Laurentian chapter to meet new people and explore new places.

This summer, Brenda had the opportunity to travel to Newfoundland with other members of the ADK. This was an amazing opportunity to experience an awe-inspiring place with others who were so incredibly generous with their time and knowledge, as well as people like herself, who were just so happy to hike, explore, and witness one of the most beautiful places. Brenda plans to continue being part of the ADK, and would like to strengthen her commitment by helping and working in any capacity that is needed.

For Secretary: David Katz

David Katz climbed his first Adirondack fire tower at age 4 and paddled his first Adirondack lake shortly thereafter. He particularly loves the woods and waters of the northwestern foothills, where he lives. When not in the woods, he can often be found in the garden or making music. He has been a member of the Adirondack Mountain Club for 30 years, the Laurentian Chapter's Webmaster since 2005, and a member of the chapter Executive Committee since 2016.

Red Sandstone Trail Work Report

It is just early fall but there has already been a tremendous amount of work done this season on the Red Sandstone Trail. Over three consecutive Sundays in August and September, volunteers joined Pete Biesmeyer and I in weed whacking and brush trimming on Sugar Island. There are about 4 miles of trail on Sugar Island so this is a serious undertaking and we did not complete all the work. On September 16, sixteen students from Clarkson's Delta Upsilon and four students from SUNY Potsdam Environmental Studies program joined us for trailwork.



We appreciate the work of our student volunteers! (9/16/23)

by Blair Madore Red Sandstone Trail Coordinator



Students from Clarkson's Outings Club 9/24/23

Dr. Jessica Pearson led a group of students working on weedwhacking and trail trimming. The remaining students carried materials and tools into the four corners on Sugar Island. They added a six foot ramp on the east side to make it easier for skiers and snowshoers in the winter time (as opposed to stairs). They also repeated this exercise by adding a ramp to the bridge at the southern tip of Sugar Island as well. They began repairing the bridge at the west side at the four corners, though we ran out of boards before we could complete the exercise.

Finally, the students installed two cedar posts at the four corner intersection intended to hold new directional signs. Jeff Miller served as both guide and photographer – documenting the work of the day

On September 24, nine students from the Clarkson Outing Club joined Jeff Miller and I, to continue work at the four corners on Sugar Island. They carried in a huge load of materials and tools – not an easy task even with a cart. First, they completed the bridge repair on the west side begun the week before. Then, they removed old board walks on the left side and proceeded to build a 16 foot long new board walk. This includes adding posts to level it, decking it with boards and finally adding shingles for traction. It's a major improvement to that part of the trail! At the same time, one of the students finished the weedwhacking of the railbed part of the trail.

The trail is in great shape thanks to these efforts and many more over the previous weeks, months and years. There are always more projects, so anyone who knows a group or just wants to help themselves should get in touch with me. Hope to see you out there!

Blair Madore Red Sandstone Trail Coordinator <u>madorebf@potsdam.edu</u> 315 261-0751



10th Annual Fire Tower Lighting

by Marianne Hebert, Chair

On Sat. Sept, 2, 2023, four Laurentian Chapter members enjoyed a brisk climb up Azure Mountain in the early evening to catch the sunset and participate in the annual lighting of the fire towers. The event was coordinated by The New York State Chapter of the Forest Fire Lookout Association. Tom Ortmeyer, Laurentian Chapter Trustee and Chair of Azure Mountain Friends organized the climb up Azure. Eighteen NYS firetowers participated in the lighting this year.

It wasn't very cold, but the wind was hard and gusty. At 9:00pm we lit the firetower with LED lights and looked to see if we could see the lights on Mt. Arab and St. Regis Mountain. It was a bit over cast but clear enough to see the lights on St. Regis. At 9:30 we pack up and began the descent down in the dark (with headlamps), and very glad we weren't on one of the taller fire tower mountains.

Save the date: The 2024 lighting of the fire towers will happen on August 31, 2024.

Bring headlamps & binoculars!







Chapter members: Jane Khondker, Tom Ortmeyer, Brenda Curley. Photo by M. Hebert

2023 Laurentian Chapter Photo Contest Deadline Looming

Submissions for the Laurentian Chapter's 2023 Photo Contest are due by October 10. Please submit photos to contest organizer Tom Ortmeyer by email to tortmeye@gmail.com. Photos must be taken between October 1, 2022 and September 30, 2023. Photos should be on topics of interest to the Adirondack Mountain Club and Laurentian chapter. Preference will be given to photos taken in and near the Adirondack Mountains and the Saint Lawrence and Ottawa River Valleys plus photos taken at ADK events. Photos from Laurentian Chapter members are accepted, as are photos from non-members that are taken on chapter outings.

What Are Weekly Walks?

Since March 2021, we have been diligently walking each Thursday morning for our Weekly Walk outing after a local resident expressed interest in finding walking partners. Rose Rivezzi, Blair Madore, Tom Ortmeyer and Marianne Hebert switch off each week to lead walks on the Munter Trail, at Bayside Cemetery and the Brookfield access roads near the Red Sandstone Trail. We walk year round, in most weather, and typically see 2-8 participants each time. The walks are slow paced, on easy terrain, meant to be inclusive of all abilities. Lots of comraderie and conversations abound!



Come Join us!

Fall Schedule: Thursdays at 7:30am

Oct: Munter Trail Nov: Bayside

Dec: Red Sandstone Trail Access Roads

July Annual Potluck Picnic

On July 16th, 30+ members and guests turned out for a fun day of hiking, paddling, birding and FOOD! We couldn't have done it without our outing leaders and picnic helpers:



Gabby Smith, set up assistant



Tom Ortmeyer, grill master



Cindy Glover, Greg Smith, Holly Chorba



Bob Platte, Danielle Jerry, Jean Giblin, John Barron



Ann Ortmeyer

July Annual Picnic

A good time was had by all!



Brenda Curley, Carolann Jacobs, Dallas Shannon, Kris Vaska



Eileen Wheeler, Holly Woodworth, David Katz, Neil Woodworth, Tom Wheeler

Annual Potluck Picnic Outings, July 16, 2023

Sugar Island Hike

We had a nice but buggy hike on Sugar Island, and enjoyed the riverside walk on the east side and met a father with his daughter who had paddled over to the dock and were taking a swim. We then made our way to the Chapter picnic, and enjoyed the food and company.

Participants: TL Tom Ortmeyer, Jean Giblin, John Barron, John Wilson

Paddle on the Raquette from Sandstoner Park

Before the Laurentian chapter annual picnic, we launched canoes & kayaks at Potsdam beach and paddled upriver toward the Potsdam dams and the remains of Potsdam Falls.

You can't see this from the road; there is a rock shelf below the Eastern dam the last remains of Potsdam Falls. We went back in history to when the river was dammed up to generate power for lumber mills and the large Clarkson workshop that cut and chiseled Potsdam Red Sandstone. The railroad that brought sandstone slabs downriver from Hannawa was right over there!

Then we headed downstream and circled two islands. Chatting it up, you could not have guessed - we had two former music teachers and two large systems computer experts. Returning to the beach, after our 3-mile circuit, paddlers conferred to identify the unusual flora before retiring to the picnic shelter for a tasty potluck.

Participants: Holly Chorba, Cyndi Grover, Carolann Jacobs, Dallas Shannon, Brenda Curley, Kris Vaska, Gabby Smith, Marianne Hebert, TL Greg Smith





Annual Potluck Picnic Outings, July 16, 2023

Paddling at Sandstoner Park (photo by Greg Smith)



Birding at Sandstoner Park



Outings Schedule

Oct - Dec 2023

Holly Woodworth Vice Chair, Outings

Foot Travel

Difficulty Level 5-Very Strenuous >1.500 feet. 10+ 1.000-1500 feet 8-10 4-Strenuous 500-1,000 feet 5-8 3-Moderate <500 feet 3-5 2-Fairly Easy Mostly level. 1-3 1-Easy

Elevation Gain

Miles.traveled

Cycling

Leaders will specify mileage, elevation and surface.

- *Check for last minute updates: www.adklaurentian.org
- *Please contact the leader at least one day before the trip.
- *Car pooling makes sense—so does sharing the cost of gas.

Thu. Oct 5, 12, 19, 26: Weekly Walk, Munter Trail 7:30am. We will walk the roads for approximately 2 miles, 1 hour round trip. Meet in the parking lot behind the Clarkson Walker Arena and Hantz Field off Clarkson Ave aka Back Hannawa Rd (CR 59). Leaders for each week will vary. Contact Marianne Hebert, chair@adklaurentian.org, (315) 265-0756.

Sat. Oct. 7: Forest Therapy Walk/Hike. Join Debra Mitchell, LCSW-R, at Higley Flow State Park for a healing wellness hike through immersing the senses in the calming and restorative atmosphere of the forest. 10-Noon.Originating from the Japanese tradition of Shinrin Yoku or "forest bathing" it has been backed by research to provide an array of health benefits. No experience necessary, this is a walk/hike with a series of guided invitations that allow depth, creativity, and individual inspiration. Level 1 moderately easy 2-mile loop with a couple of hills. Limited to 6 people. Register at dmitchell317@twcny.rr.com or (315) 244-3082.

Sat. Oct. 7: Stone Valley Trail Work. We will be building new bridges and performing routine trail maintenance on the east side of Stone Valley in Colton. Trail work will involve walking several miles, carrying bridge materials, and swinging hand tools. Level 2. Participants should have boots, gloves, a lunch, and water. Trail tools such as Pulaski's, and fire rakes will be provided. The start time is 9:00am, ending at approximately 3:00pm. Contact: Mark Simon at (315) 261-8644.



Frontenac Provincial Park "Wetlands" (photo by M. Hebert)

Outings Schedule

Oct-Dec 2023 continued

Sat. Oct 21: The Moore Trail. The trail follows the Oswegatchie River from Wanakena to Inlet, which is the launch point for paddling trips up-river. We will maintain a leisurely pace so we can enjoy the various views along the way. It is 4 miles round trip with some ups and downs. Contact Holly & Neil Woodworth at hswoodworth@gmail.com or (315) 848-2953.

Wed. Oct 25: Exploring the Church Pond Forest Preserve off Rt 56. Distance may only be 2-3 miles one way, but bushwacking can be challenging. Big trees, beautiful pond. 10 AM-3 PM. Wear bright colors, dress for weather and bring a lunch and water. Contact Tom VandeWater, (315) 261-1723.

Sat. Oct. 28: Hike at Iroquois Dam Horse Trails in Waddington. We will explore the roads and horse trails near the Iroquois dam. Scenery will include vistas of the St. Lawrence River, meadows, marshes and arboreal forests. This is a great birding spot, bring binoculars. 3-7 miles with no elevation gain. Level 3 - Moderate. Contact Marianne Hebert, chair@adklaurentian.org, (315) 265-0756).

Thu. Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30. Bayside Cemetery 7:30am. We will walk the roads for approximately 2 miles, 1 hour round trip. Meet at the entrance to Bayside Cemetery (730 CR59 "Back Hannawa Road") Leaders for each week will vary. Contact Marianne Hebert, chair@adklaurentian.org, (315) 265-0756).

Sat. Nov 4: Yellow Lake State Forest, Near Gouverneur. Exploratory hike on a moderate trail overlooking Yellow Lake. Expect some mud and uneven terrain. Possibility to check out the great bend of the Oswegatchie River. Maybe some off-trail exploration. Less than 5 miles total, Level 2-3, fairly easy to moderate. Contact John Barron, (613) 828-2296 or johnbarron@sympatico.ca.

Outings Schedule

Oct-Dec 2023 continued

Sat. Nov. 11: Hike or snowshoe Nichols Trail at Wilson Hill Wildlife Management area. We will explore the Nichols and Rustic trails. Bring binoculars as there are several shoreline viewing spots for bird watching. 3 miles with no elevation gain. Level 2, Fairly Easy. Contact Marianne Hebert, chair@adklaurentian.org, (315) 265-0756.

Sat. Nov 18: Hike to Lost Pond near Cranberry Lake. We will walk around the pond, about 2 miles, and, if weather permits and we're motivated, walk part of the adjacent Cranberry 50 connector trail. This is a joint outing with North Woods Chapter. Class C+, 2 to 4 miles with little elevation change. Limit 10. Contact John Omohundro at 315-244-9131 or omohunjt@northnet.org

Sun. Nov. 19: Nicandri Nature Center. This is a beginner hike of about 2-3 miles on the easy trails of the nature center. Bring your kids, their grandparents, and your leashed dogs for an all-ages fun event. Optionally, bring a lunch to eat together, after our hike, at the Nature Center. Level 1. Contact Blair Madore at 315 261 0751 or madorebf@potsdam.edu for details. This is a joint event with PPLO - Potsdam Public Library Outside.

Thu. Dec. 7, 14, 21, 28. Weekly Walk, Red Sandstone Access Roads 7:30am. We will walk the dirt access roads for approximately 2 miles, 1 hour round trip. If the roads are icy, traction devices such as microspikes are recommended. Meet at the Red Sandstone trail head, north entrance parking lot located off the Back Hannawa Road (CR59) between Potsdam and Hannawa Falls. From Potsdam, at the intersection of RT 11 and Clarkson Ave (County Route 59), drive south for 2.5 miles. The dirt access road to the northern parking lot is on the left just past Sweeney Road. A brown "trail parking" sign marks the entrance of the access road to the parking lot. Leaders for each week will vary. Contact Marianne Hebert, chair@adklaurentian.org, (315) 265-0756.

Outings Schedule

Oct-Dec 2023 continued

Sat. Dec 2: Loop 2 of the Peavine Swamp Trail. We will begin at the Wanakena end of the trail and enjoy a lovely woods walk. We can choose to also visit the Lean-to on the river if the group would like. It will be 6 to 6.5 miles of rolling terrain, nothing difficult unless it snows. If it snows, we will do the shorter Loop 3. Contact: Holly & Neil Woodworth hswoodworth@gmail.com or (315) 848-2953.

Sat. Dec. 9: Hike or snowshoe Baker Woods Preserve. Join us while we explore the trails of the Baker Woods Preserve in the Indian Lakes Conservancy near Natural Bridge, NY. We'll visit a cedar bog, various pine forests, and Beaversprite pond (an active beaver pond). Optional side trip to Indian River. Approximately 4 miles RT, a few steep hills. Level 2. Contact Marianne Hebert, hebertm@potsdam.edu, (315) 265-0756.

Sat. Dec. 16: Higley Flow State Park. We'll hike or snowshoe about 2-3 miles as conditions permit and have a fire and cookout at the lean to. Bring your kids, their grandparents, and your leashed dogs for an all-ages fun event. Level 1. Contact Blair Madore at (315) 261-0751 or madorebf@potsdam.edu for details. This is a joint event with PPLO - Potsdam Public Library Outside.



"Weekly walk at Bayside Cemetery" by Marianne Hebert



Outings Schedule 2024 Save the Date!

Mon. Jan. 1, 2024: Laurentian Chapter Annual New Year Outing at Higley Flow State Park 1:00-4:00 PM Come ski, snowshoe or hike (1:00-3:00pm) at the park to kick off the New Year in nature. At 3:00pm we'll gather at the Lodge for a potluck finger-food social. Bring a snack to share, weather permitting we will have a bonfire and the Lodge will be open. Contact Marianne Hebert, chair@adklaurentian.org, (315) 265-0756 for information.

Sat. Jan. 20: Lampson Falls. This is a snowshoe hike for beginners along an old woods road to a tremendous 40 foot waterfall on the Grasse River. If you don't have equipment, contact us in advance and we should be able to help you. Level 1: 1 miles with option to extend to 3 miles. Contact Blair Madore at (315) 261-0751 or madorebf@potsdam.edu for details. This is a joint event with PPLO - Potsdam Public Library Outside.

Sat. Feb. 17: Indian Creek Nature Center. This is a snowshoe hike for beginners along the Observation and Lowland Trails. If you don't have equipment, contact us in advance and we should be able to help you. Level 2. Contact Blair Madore at (315) 261-0751 or madorebf@potsdam.edu for details. This is a joint event with PPLO - Potsdam Public Library Outside.

Sat. Mar. 16: Stone Valley. This will be a beginner snowshoe on the east side of Stone Valley for about 2–3 miles. The (sometimes) frozen waterfalls, rapids and gorges are awe inspiring and make for great photos. If you don't have equipment, contact us in advance and we should be able to help you. Level 1. Contact Blair Madore at (315) 261–0751 or madorebf@potsdam.edu for details. This is a joint event with PPLO – Potsdam Public Library Outside.



"Searching for Loons on Warm Brook Flow" (photo by M. Hebert)

Backtracks

July-Sept 2023



Ampersand Mountain Hike, July 8, 2023

We enjoyed the initial walk through the forest to the base of Ampersand, and were ready to climb once we got to the mountain. We admired (and used) the steps on the climb up, and were happy when we reached the ridge trail to the summit. We had a short but challenging clamber, and were greeted by awesome view on the summit. Both humidity and smoke had cleared for the hike. It was warm enough that we all enjoyed a swim on Middle Saranac Lake afterward.

Participants: TL Tom Ortmeyer, Marianne Hebert, Brenda Curley.
Photo: Brenda Curley, Marianne Hebert and Tom Ortmeyer on the Ampersand Summit

NY Annual Loon Census at Higley Flow State Park, Jul 15, 2023

Four of us participated in the annual loon count hosted by the Adirondack Center for Loon Conservation. The census was one hour from 8:00 to 9:00am, so we arrived early to review procedures and launch the boats. We signed up to survey Warm Brook Flow and set out with high hopes. The morning was beautiful and calm, but we struggled to see any loon activity, though early on we saw a mallard female with

three chicks and a white tail deer grazing on the riverbank. A kingfisher kept us company for some time with its noisy chatter. Just as we were winding down our paddle, we spotted an adult loon in the distance at 8:57am, just under the wire

Participants: Cara & Steve Coffin, Sara Sharlow Photo: Marianne Hebert (TL)



Backtracks

July-Sept 2023



Frontenac Provincial Park, Sep 16, 2023

We enjoyed a sunny, warm, late-summer day on the trails of the west side of Frontenac out of the Kingsford Dam trailhead. We viewed Clearwater Lake from several vantage points and walked out to a backcountry campsite on Birch Lake where we had lunch before returning. Most of the dozen-or-so people we saw on the trails were backpackers who had spent at least one night in the backcountry.

On the Bridge: Ann Youldon, Toni Towle, TL John Barron (Photo by M. Hebert)



Clearwater Lake, Frontenac Provincial Park



Toni and Ann bushwhacking

Backtracks April-June 2023



Clarksboro Trail, Tooley Pond Road, Sep 23, 2023

A recent joint outing of Potsdam NY Pride and the Laurentian Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club followed the newly-constructed Clarksboro Trail to a high vantage point over Twin Falls, off the Tooley Pond Road in Degrasse. Participants learned the history of iron mining in the area, and also viewed two other waterfalls on the Grasse River. There were still a few wildflowers to enjoy and the ferns along the trail were lovely.

L-R: Debby Nikkari, Deanna Saliba, Jenelle Saliba, Rebecca Donnelly, TL Marianne Hebert, John Barron, Seated: Celena Haase, "Hammy," and Sara Lynch. Photo by Jean Giblin



On the ledge overlooking the Tooley Pond Tract L-R: John Barron, Debby Nikkari, Sara Lynch, Rebecca Donnelly, Jenelle Saliba, Deanna Saliba. Photo by M. Hebert



"Basford Falls" Photo by M. Hebert