

OCCA schedules walk in state forest

Joe Hart will lead a walk of about three and one-half miles in length beginning at 2 p.m. on Sept. 30 in Arnold Lake State Forest. The walk is the seventh of eight walks scheduled this year.

The trail, which consists of forest access and logging roads, is maintained by the Susquehanna Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club. It lies on both New York State and Otsego County lands, and is suitable for both walking and cross-country skiing. Open fields which have been previously logged are returning to tree cover and provide views as far south as the Catskills.

The trailhead is accessible by following County Hwy. 46 northeasterly for approximately three miles from State Hwy. 205 (south of Mount Vision) to Joe Cornell Road. From Milford, participants should take County Hwy. 44 to County Hwy. 46 and travel west for approximately four and one-half miles. The trailhead parking lot is on the south side of County Hwy. 46, off Joe Cornell Road.

More information is available by calling Hart at 829-8358 or OCCA at 547-4488.

The next OCCA-organized walk will take place on Oct. 18 at 1:30 p.m. in the southern part of The Robert V. Riddell State Park. For information on this outing, contact OCCA as well.

The Otsego County Conservation Association is a non-profit environmental organization serving the county since 1968. OCCA promotes the enjoyment and sustainable use of Otsego County's natural resources through education, advocacy, resource management, research and planning. More information on OCCA is available at www.occainfo.org.