

HORSE-SHOE TRAIL CONSERVANCY Inc.

JOIN US



Membership in the Horse-Shoe Trail Conservancy is open to those who use the Trail and to those who care about the preservation of open spaces and natural recreation areas. You do not have to be a member of the Conservancy to hike or ride the Trail, but our members have the satisfaction of knowing that they support efforts to maintain and

protect the Trail for future generations. Members also receive copies of our newsletter, *The Blaze*, to keep them informed about our efforts.

To join us, complete and mail the form below or go to our website hstrail.org/contribute

YES, I would like to become a member of the Horse-Shoe Trail Conservancy

\$15 Introductory (for first time members)

\$25 Basic Membership

\$50 Contributing Membership

\$100 Sustaining Membership

\$250 Patron Member

\$500 Benefactor Member

\$1000 Steward of the Trail

_____ Other donation

Amount enclosed \$ _____

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Mail to:

The Horse-Shoe Trail Conservancy Inc.
PO Box 2226, Southeastern, PA 19399



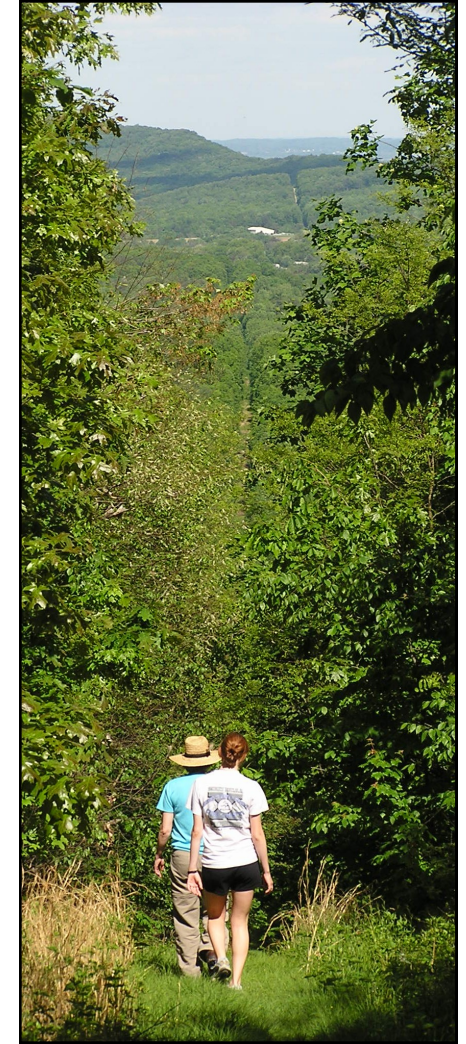
TRAVEL AND PROTECT THE HORSE-SHOE TRAIL AND ENJOY

- Cool Forests
- Tranquil Meadows
- Picturesque Country Lanes
- Historic Sites
- Old Logging Roads
- Fine Views
- Clear Brooks and Streams
- Wildlife
- Fellowship

For more information, contact us at Info@hstrail.org



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THE HORSE-SHOE TRAIL CONSERVANCY, Inc.
INVITES YOU TO EXPERIENCE THE HISTORIC HORSE-SHOE TRAIL

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THE HORSE-SHOE TRAIL

The Horse-Shoe Trail ('Horse' for riders, 'Shoe' for hikers) lies in southeastern Pennsylvania, beginning at Valley Forge National Historical Park and ending some 140 miles to the west, where it meets the Appalachian Trail in the mountains north of Hershey. The history of the Trail is entwined with the development of the iron industry in this part of Pennsylvania during the 18th and 19th centuries. The many furnaces and forges were connected by trails, portions of which have survived to form the foundation of today's Horse-Shoe Trail.

The trail expanded and evolved over time and has been open to the public since 1935, providing outdoorsmen and women with the opportunity to explore the region's lush rural landscapes and visit local landmarks, including Hopewell Furnace, French Creek State Park, Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area, Cornwall Iron Furnace, The Park at Governor Dick and Mt. Gretna.

THE HORSE-SHOE TRAIL CONSERVANCY

The Conservancy is a nonprofit, volunteer organization originally established as the Horse-Shoe Trail Club in 1935 by a small group of individuals interested in preserving and protecting the natural and cultural heritage of the Trail.

The Conservancy owns no land. The trail is kept open on both public and private lands in Chester, Berks, Lancaster, Lebanon and Dauphin counties by agreements with landowners, who have given permission to hikers and equestrians to follow the portions of the Trail that fall on their properties.

The mission of the Conservancy is to protect, preserve, and maintain the Trail for hikers and equestrians now and for generations to come. To accomplish this goal, the Conservancy actively seeks legal protection for the Trail through rights-of-way and conservation easements.

The work of the Conservancy is done by a number of standing committees. These include Trail Protection; Trail Maintenance, which maintains, enhances and improves the Trail; Fundraising, which raises the needed dollars for Trail maintenance, improvement and protection; Communications, which publishes the Conservancy newsletter and other related materials; and Membership. We welcome new members, volunteer participation in the above committees, and donations from those who wish to support our work.

The Conservancy encourages use of the Trail and awards Certificates of Achievement to those who have completed the entire trail.



OUR GUIDEBOOK
Guide to the Horse-Shoe Trail provides detailed Trail directions and 10 full color topo maps along with information about where to find campgrounds, lodging, stables and provisions along the Trail's route.

OUR WEB SITE
Log on to hstrail.org to learn how to become a member of the Conservancy and where to purchase the official Horse-Shoe Trail Guidebook.