

NEWS RELEASE

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HIKE EVENT: Explore a newly preserved piece of Paradise

In a cul-de-sac of tidy homes in Paradise Township, Pa., the trailhead for the township's newest preserve hides. Join Brodhead Watershed Association on Saturday, March 16, for a guided hike through this recently preserved property – so recent that there's no sign at the trailhead yet, just a length of chain between two trees where a woods road begins.

There aren't any established trails, either, or blazes. Intrepid explorers of this new world will find an enormous rock cairn 20 feet high and a football field long; huge slabs of bluestone slate that gave the preserve its name; and, from a high point of the ridge at 1,100 feet, a miles-long view of Paradise.

And there's so much more to explore: This is one end of a greenway whose trails connect many public lands. It runs 4 miles as the crow flies along the ridge, across Henry's Crossing Road, northwest toward Route 390 in Cresco, near state game lands. But that's a hike for another day!

IF YOU GO

Join naturalist Patti O'Keefe for an early spring walk at Paradise Township's newest preserve.

WHEN: 10 a.m. Saturday, March 16, 2019

WHERE: Paradise Township. Register for directions.

COST: Free; registration is required.

INFORMATION: Call 570-839-1120 or 570-629-2727; email info@brodheadwatershed.org. For information about this and other hikes in the free Get Outdoors Poconos series, go to brodheadwatershed.org/gopoconos. The hike series is administered by Brodhead Watershed Association and supported by a grant from the William Penn Foundation.

Brodhead Watershed Association is a nonprofit environmental organization formed in 1989. BWA is dedicated to protecting and preserving water resources and the environment of the Brodhead watershed, and the water quality of the Brodhead, Cherry, Marshalls, McMichael, Paradise and Pocono creeks and their tributaries. BWA assists municipalities, residents, businesses and groups with protecting natural resources through education, workshops, seminars, public programs and stream monitoring. For information: info@brodheadwatershed.org or 570-839-1120.