

March Day Hike

This Saturday, about seven youths and three adults left for Washington's Crossing Park at 7:45 in the morning. We arrived there around 8:20 and hiked 5 miles to the Washington's Crossing Revolutionary Soldiers Cemetery for a thirty minute break. For a little bit we geocached; this is sort of a treasure-hunting game using GPS to find a hidden box with items in it. You can sign your name when you find it, but no one found the geocache.

There were green-headed mallards speckled in the water that dragged our attention. Also, we saw bikers and joggers busily traveling the canal trail. Two miles later at 11:00, we came to New Hope where we saw the prehistoric depiction of a sloth-wolf in a large statue. Then the group crossed the New Hope-Lambertville Toll Supported Bridge. From there we hiked one mile south into Wing Gap for lunch. Because everyone bagged lunches, there were sandwiches and trail bars all around. The weather was warm and sunny with a welcoming and lively breeze. Because of the new spring, flowers and new plants were poking out of the ground and all of the trees were still very bare. It seemed to be a balance between color and preservation symbolizing new tides.

After half an hour at 12:30 we continued south for a quite brutal six miles. We ended in Titusville where the ten of us

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were a little too worn out to fully enjoy the scenic neighborhood-like town comforted by the Delaware River. We crossed the Washington's Crossing Bridge and straight into Washington's Crossing. At 3:30, the parking lot which we started at awaited us. Each mile that the troop walked averaged 18 minutes per. In total, we had hiked about 14 and one half miles. The trip was the first in a while and brought the coming of spring with its strides.