

## **Cabin/Torrey Ridge Trail**

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[This Newsletter article, written by long time club members Marilyn Horvath and Luis Seuc, is about a trip they led, using the cabin as home base. This was not a work trip, but a weekend rental that revolved around hiking, around exploring and enjoying the local area and the nearby trails—part of what the cabin experience is all about]

Marilyn Horvath led a group of hikers on the Torrey Ridge Trail down to the Mount Torrey Iron Furnace (dating from 1804) on Route 814. Treading in velvet pine straw from the Virginia Pines along the ridge when the trail wasn't picking through wobbly rocks, it provided a spectacular view for many miles and will easily become a favorite hike from the cabin.

Richard Kavanaugh led another group from the White Rock Trail to Sherando Lake, which will provide a swim for summer hikers.

Rev. Evans Fitzgerald, who lives nearest the 1804 Furnace (he allowed us to park a car in his yard), lent us a kerosene lantern for Saturday night. We wish him a speedy recovery from his operation.

Among bright spots for veteran club members are seeing the reactions of newcomers to our Cabin or to the beauty of our hiking areas. Two of them were Allen and Carol Brown. Allen is the Ranger at Seashore State Park. He will be hiking soon in the Cabin area, so he stopped by with his wife Sunday. He said he liked the idea of using the cabin as a home base, especially if the weather could get bad. "A bulldozer could hardly take this down", he said of the cabin.

Lynn Burkley was new to the Cabin and to hiking, but she gamely went along on two White Rock Falls hikes, with some achy bones after effects.

Fred Cooke, another veteran hiker whom we hadn't seen for some years, was so impressed with the Cabin that he stayed there all the while.

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