

A Very Successful Year...

IAT/SIA welcomed its newest member, Prince Edward Island, to join the current five chapters in representing the International Appalachian Trail. Denis Dunne is the chapter representative for PEI.

The Governors of the New England states and Premiers of the Eastern Canadian Provinces met and by proclamation pledged their continued support of the organizations that oversee the Appalachian Trail and the binational International Appalachian Trail/Sentier International des Appalaches.

Walter Anderson and Dick Anderson attended the 2008 ALDHA conference at Concord College in West Athens, West Virginia, where they gave presentations and staffed the traditional IAT/SIA booth.

The Maine Chapter of the IAT/SIA hosted the Annual General Meeting at Millinocket Lake's, beautiful Twin Pine Camps. The meeting was well attended, and a lot of good information was shared. A Council of the International Appalachian Trail was formed that will have representatives from each Chapter and will meet annually Dick Anderson is the Council's first president; Will Richard is Maine's alternate representative.

A new, 30-mile section of trail east of Baxter State Park was completed and will be officially opened at this year's annual meeting!

Future Plans for 2009...

- Annual Meeting - May 14-16 See inside for details!
- International Meeting to be held in September in PEI
- ALDHA Gathering - IAT/SIA will participate this year
- IAT/SIA representatives will be traveling to Scotland and Ireland to talk about extending the International Appalachian Trail.

Support IAT/SIA...

Thanks to a really active Board of Directors and the support of members like you, we can continue to develop and improve the International Appalachian Trail.

We appreciate your support of the Maine Chapter of the International Appalachian Trail/Sentier International des Appalaches (IAT/SIA). We hope you can join us for our Annual Meeting Celebration at Shin Pond on May 14-16, 2008! Bring a friend and encourage them to join the IAT/SIA!



IAT/SIA SPRING MEETING PROGRAM *May 14-16, 2009*

Shin Pond Village, Inc
1489 Shin Pond Rd., Mt Chase, ME. 04765
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Props. Craig & Terry Hill



2008 Annual Meeting

Come Join IAT/SIA Members at Shin Pond Village Campground for a Weekend of Fun and Interesting Cultural, Scientific and Historical Presentations.

MAY 14 Thursday- Afternoon /Evening

3:00pm - 5:00pm Lumberman's Museum Tour, Patten, Me.
5:00pm - 6:00pm Registration/Attitude Adjustment, Shin Pond
6:00pm - 7:30pm **DINNER**
7:30pm - 8:30pm New IAT/SIA Council Power Point Presentation, *Will Richard, Dick Anderson, Herb Hartman*

MAY 15 Friday

7:30am - 8:30am **Breakfast/Registration**
8:30am - 9:30am Year In Review, *Dick Anderson*
9:30am - 10:00am East Branch Ecology and Stewardship, *Bart DeWolf, E.P.I.*
10:00am - 10:15am **BREAK**
10:15am - 10:30am E.P.I. Future Plans, *Mark Leathers, Sewall, Co.*
10:30am - 11:30am Baxter Park, Katahdin Lake Plan, Thru-Hiker Rules, *Jensen Bissell, Director, Baxter Park*
11:30am - 12:00am Penobscot River: Past, Present, and Future, *Laura Rose Day*
12:00pm - 1:00pm **LUNCH**
1:00pm - 2:00pm Geology of Baxter Park, *Robert Marvinney*
2:00pm - 2:30pm Best Loop Trails, *Jeff Romano*
2:30pm - 3:00pm European Contacts: Inquiries & Potential, *Loren Johnston, Dick Anderson*
3:00pm - 3:15pm **BREAK**
3:15pm - 4:30pm Constructing 30 Miles of New Trail, *Earl Raymond, Bill Duffy, Dave Rand, Herb Hartman, Torrey Sylvester, Dick Anderson*
4:30pm - 5:00pm Business Meeting
5:00pm - 6:00pm Attitude Adjustment
6:00pm - 7:30pm **DINNER**
7:30pm - ? SPEAKER: Early Maps of Maine: Thoreau and Greenleaf, *Walter Macdougall*

MAY 16 Saturday

7:30am - 8:30am **Breakfast**
9:00am - 11:00am Dedication and Ribbon Cutting: 30 Miles of New IAT/SIA Trail from Baxter Park to Matagamon
Location of Dedication Ceremony Site: No. Boundary of T5-R8 and Matagamon Rd.
11:00am **LUNCH (Boxed)**

Maine Chapter IAT/SIA May 14-16, 2009 Annual Meeting Registration Form

Lodging: Lodging is available for **\$40** per person per night in various accommodations.

Lodging arrangements & payment need to be made directly with Shin Pond Village Campground
(207) 528-2900 • www.shinpond.com

Registration: Registration is \$10 per person and payable to IAT/SIA.

# Attendees	Total Cost
_____	\$ _____

Individual Lodging must be reserved and paid directly with Shin Pond Village (207)-528-2900

Meals: Prices are as follows and are per person:

Meal	Rate/person	# of Meals	Total Cost
Thursday Dinner	\$22	_____	\$ _____
Friday Breakfast	\$10	_____	\$ _____
Friday Lunch	\$12	_____	\$ _____
Friday Dinner	\$22	_____	\$ _____
Saturday Breakfast	\$10	_____	\$ _____
Saturday Lunch	\$12	_____	\$ _____

TOTAL Meals/Cost: _____ \$ _____

TOTAL Meals & Registration: \$ _____

Payment for Registration & Meals must be received by **May 8, 2009**
Please send directly to
IAT/SIA PO Box 916
Gardiner, ME 04345.

Email carolgay@gwi.net or call
207-458-8421 with questions

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Have a friend interested in the IAT/SIA? Why not invite them to join our organization!

Maine Chapter IAT/SIA New Member Form

Help support the **International Appalachian Trail** by becoming a new member! Your charitable contribution goes a long way toward keeping the Trail experience one to remember for a lifetime.

All of our efforts are based on the generous work of dedicated volunteers. By incorporating as a non-profit organization, the Maine Chapter of the IAT/SIA can accept your tax-deductible contributions.

We can only strengthen our effectiveness with your financial support and willingness to volunteer. Membership will keep you up-to-date on our events, progress and development. More importantly, your membership will help us build an international footpath that traverses common cultures and landscapes in the Appalachian Mountain Range.

Please return your \$25 tax deductible membership fee to IAT/SIA, PO Box 916, Gardiner, ME 04345
We appreciate your support.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Comments: _____