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Southeastern Massachusetts Chapter — Appalachian Mountain Club

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Last name : A-F: salad

G-L: dessert M-Z: main dish

DONATION (cash, small) at the door.

Please reply promptly: But no later than Wednesday, RESERVATIONS:

May 11!

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Vicki Fitzgerald 585-3424;

Pam Carter 398-2605.

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Dear member: Since it was formed, 7 1/2 years ago, this chapter has made a special point of trying to tailor our activities to the needs and interests of our members. We think we are doing pretty well, but know we can always do better.

You are holding in your hand yet another ateempt to make the chapter what you want it to be. Frankly, this is an experiment in

direct communication.

Through this questionnaire, we are asking you and other members for some specifics about the kind of activities you prefer. We hope you will spend the time and postage needed to get back to us. By taking your responses into consideration in planning activities, we'll be able to make Southeast more than ever your chapter.

You will notice that many of the questions can be answered by underlining or circling a word or phrase. Most others can be answered by writing a single word or phrase. If you have a longer answer, especially for the last question, feel free to write on the other side of the page. You can sign your name to the questionnaire or remain anonymous, as you prefer.

Please fill out and send to Vicki Fitzgerald, 220 High St., Duxbury, MA 02332.

- 1. Do you consider yourself a non-active, moderately active, very active participant in chapter activites?
- 2. If less than very, is your participation limited by personal time constraints or because you are not finding what you want among activities offered?
- 3. In which activities do you participate most? We currently offer walking, hiking, biking, canoeing, backpacking, cross-country skiing, our major activities.
- 4. If you had more time would you continue with the same or branch out? If you added an activity, which would it be?
- 5. Would you like to see more instruction in the activity(s) you mention? If yes, on which levels of expertise: elementary, intermediate, expert?
- 6. Where would you like to see added emphasis: day trips, weekend trips, week-long (or longer) trips?
- 7. In the activity(s) you mention; would you like to see more trips: for beginners, for intermediates, for experts?
- 8. Is there an activity(s) not currently offered that you would like to see included in our program: rock-climbing, mountaineering, sailing, birding, downhill skiing or other?
- 9. Here are some activities we are or will offer on a limited or experimental basis. Which would you like to see continued and expanded: white-water canoeing, orienteering nature walks, snowshoeing, other?
 - 10. Our major public service commitment has developed in trail maintenance. We also have a new conservation involvement in a statewide acid rain water-testing program. Have you participated in either of these? Would you be willing to give some time to either in the future? In what other service program(s) do you think the Chapter should participate?
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 Do you have a work preference?
- 12. What else doesn't the Chapter have that it should have? What would most improve the Chapter, in your opinion? We WELCOME your comments:

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