



ALLEGANY NATIONAL FOREST PA OCTOBER 9 – 13, 2023

We'll be visiting this beautiful forest and also Allegany State Park nearby in New York state. October colors should be at peak during our stay! Hiking trails are numerous and I'll include easy, moderate and strenuous choices. The Kinzua Bridge and Dam is one of the highlights of this area. At Kinzua Bridge State Park we will check out the Sky Walk - a distinctive hike from the parking area to the new pedestrian walkway that provide views of the Kinzua Gorge from a height of over 300 feet. The North Country Scenic Trail also crosses this section of PA. Stretching almost 65,000 acres, Allegany State Park in southwestern New York is the state's largest state park. It's divided into two regions: the Red House area in the north and the Quaker area in the south.

Lodging will be at the Best Western Inn in Bradford, PA which is strategically located close to both Allegany State Park and Allegany National Forest. I have booked a block of 13 rooms at \$105 plus tax (2 queens) with breakfast included. There are mini fridges and microwaves in each room. Call the hotel at 1-814-362-4501 and tell them you are with the Akron Hiking Club. Check-in is Monday, October 9 and checkout is Friday October 13. Bradford is about a 3.5 hour drive from Akron and is home to the Zippo Lighter/Case Museum. Also included in this trip will be a visit to beautiful Bemus Point on Lake Chautauqua one morning for hiking and lunch. Other points of interest include the Lucille Ball/Desi Arnaz Museum in Jamestown as well as the renowned Chautauqua Institution.

Please call or e-mail me at chris_tiedemann@gmail.com after you book so I can keep track of our number. This trip will be capped at 25 people.

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