

## Key Note Speakers

Mario Vian & Richard Vonnegut

Mario and Richard are staff members for the Hoosier Rails to Trails Council. The council's mission is to advocate for trails and greenways in Indiana. Richard is the council's Vice Chair. He helped form not only the council but also Bicycle Indiana and the Indiana Trails Fund.

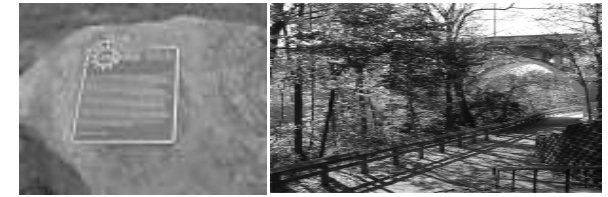
Mario is Policy Analyst for the council and has worked with a variety of national and local trail issues including Safe Routes to Schools projects.

Mario will explain the role Richmond and Wayne County will play in the United States Bicycle Route System. The U.S. Bicycle Route System is a proposed system of interstate corridors extending across the United States. It is sponsored by AASHTO, (the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials) and Adventure Cycling.

Mario and Richard, recently helped lead a coalition of organizations and residents on Indianapolis' Westside through a brainstorming process to develop a new trail program for the west side.

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# Richmond Trails Summit



Saturday, March 17, 2012

8:30 a.m - 1:30 p.m.

Innovation Center  
814 East Main Street  
Richmond, IN 47374

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The Society for the Preservation  
and Use of Resources



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Richmond and Wayne County have more outdoor recreation and transportation opportunities than ever before. More people bike or walk to work or participate in outdoor activities to keep themselves healthy and sometimes just to save money!

The Society for the Preservation and Use of Resources (SPUR) invites you to a meeting of individuals and organizations interested in developing our trail resources within Richmond and beyond. Our goal is to better coordinate our activities so we can increase funding and promotion.

The *purpose of the summit* is to bring representatives of local groups together to share their projects and discuss how projects can be supported, promoted and connected. Table top displays are welcomed. Groups will be given 10 minutes to highlight their projects or goals.

**KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:** To help us take our next steps together, Richard Vonnegut of the Hoosier Rails to Trails Council and Mario Vian of the US Bicycle Route System will explain over lunch how other communities have coordinated their trail systems.

*SPUR was formed in the 1960s in part to promote appropriate use of the Whitewater River Gorge and fragile watershed areas. Since the 1980s they have worked to continue the gorge trail along the east fork of the Whitewater. Since that time, groups such as Bike Richmond, Whitewater Valley Land Trust, Hayes Arboretum, Cardinal Greenway, National Road Heritage Trail and Whitewater Canal Scenic Byway have developed similar projects. It is time to bring those projects together where possible!*

## Innovation Center

814 East Main Street

### Agenda Saturday, March 17, 2012

- 8:30 a.m. Networking
- 9:00 a.m. Intros and Group Projects
- 10:15 a.m. Break
- 10:30 a.m. Finish Project Explanations
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch & Keynote Speakers  
Hoosier Rails to Trails & US Bicycle Route System  
Lunch cost: \$5.00
- 1:00 p.m. Break Out Session
- 1:30 p.m. Reconvene before Adjourn

For more information...  
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