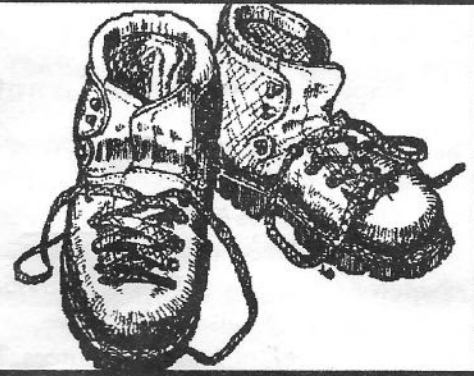


TENNESSEE TRAILS

Monthly newsletter of the Tennessee Trails Association



MISSION: To promote, construct and maintain a statewide system of hiking trails, and to work for the conservation of natural resources inherent to this objective. Sponsor for the Cumberland Trail.

STATEWIDE TTA HIKE!!! Frozen Head State Park October 1-3, 1999

In the early days of TTA there was a tradition of conducting a statewide hike so members from all across the state could get to know each other and hike together. In the future we will schedule this in the springtime so that we will have two "annual" events—the statewide hike and the TTA Annual Meeting.

We have chosen the Frozen Head State Natural Area hikes on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 2 and 3 for the gathering. Jim Poteet will be leading a hike on Saturday to the top of Bird Mountain and down South Old Mac. Sunday's hike will be up North Old Mac and down Spicewood Branch. One of the reasons we chose these hikes is that it offers the option for camping at Frozen Head for TTA members who have a longer distance to travel. The Big Cove Campground offers hot showers, restroom facilities, picnic tables, fire rings (firewood on site), no electric hookups. Call (423) 3463318 to make your camping reservations.

Hikes will begin at 10:30 am eastern time at the Frozen Head Visitor Center.

Let's all turn out and have a GREAT time enjoying crisp autumn nights, warm campfires, good friends, fall foliage and spectacular vistas from the peaks of Frozen Head.

Arleen Barnett

We hope to see you at
ANNUAL MEETING

IN NOVEMBER—5-7

make your plans

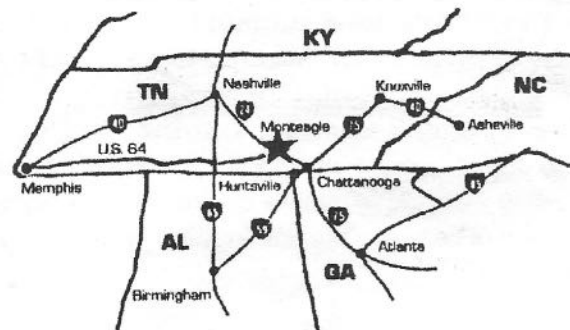
The Murfreesboro Chapter would like to invite everyone to the 1999 Annual meeting to be held November 5-7 at the Dubose Conference Center in Monteagle, TN. The meeting will begin with dinner Friday night (~~serving between 6-7 p.m.~~) and conclude with Sunday afternoon hikes. The agenda will include a bonfire on Friday night (please bring instruments for joining in the entertainment), a choice of hikes, the annual meeting and auction on Saturday night, and the annual Board meeting on Sunday morning. ~~The Dubose center offers a variety of lodging choices (see the registration form) and will be serving our meals. Anyone requiring special meal arrangements should include that information on the registration form. A map and directions to the Debose Center are located on their web page at www.deboseconf.com.~~

Monteagle and the surrounding area offers a variety of sites. Points of interest include the Tracy City Bakery (wonderful!), South Cumberland State Park, the University of the South at Swannee, the Monteagle Assembly Grounds, and the Monteagle Winery.

We hope to see a wonderful turnout again this year. ~~Please complete the registration form and return it no later than October 15, 1999.~~

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Evan Means Small Grants Program

In February of this year, the TTA board of directors voted to establish a small grants program in honor of Evan Means, one of the founders of TTA. The purpose of these grants are to support volunteer projects which are compatible with the chartered objectives of TTA of promoting and developing a system of hiking trails in Tennessee, as well as working for the conservation of natural resources. These grants will be awarded to TTA chapters or other non-profit organizations. In August, the board voted to proceed with soliciting and awarding grants for the calendar year 2000. Grants requests in the range of \$300-\$600 are encouraged, although larger amounts will be considered. Grant applications should be submitted by December 31, 1999, and awards will be made in midFebruary, 2000. More information and applications may be obtained by contacting the TTA Grants Administrator, PO Box 41446, Nashville, TN, 37204.

Correction: The September newsletter was in error by not clearly showing the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation for Evan Means. It was reported in the July/August issue of the Tennessee Conservationist magazine. As stated in the article, "His lifetime efforts led to passage of the Tennessee Trails System Act. He continues this passion for trails development with cooperative efforts to further the Cumberland Trail and other hiking trails across the state." He was outdoors writer for the Oak Ridger newspaper and published the *Tennessee Trails* paperback book.

Rob Weber and Sam Powell were recognized with Trail Development awards.

Don't forget.....

TTA Annual Auction

Nov. 6, 1999

Based on the TTA Board's input at the August meeting, we are making an attempt to upgrade the TTA auction to provide quality outdoor clothing and gear, crafts, framed photographs and other merchandise in order to raise more money at the auction. Of course, we will still have the "white elephant" items for sale on bargain tables, with a few items reserved for entertainment value during the live auction, but the live auction will focus more on quality goods.

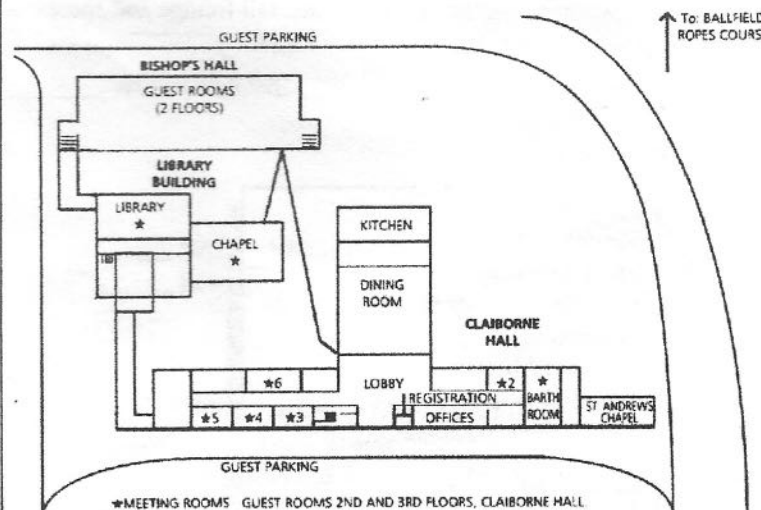
So.....come prepared to spend some money!! Auction proceeds will help fund the Cumberland Trail Breakaway 2000 Program.

If you have a favorite photograph from a TTA hike, please consider having it enlarged and framed to put in the auction. These have been one of the most popular auction items in recent years, along with handcrafted goods.

BAKE SALE

The Bake Sale has also been a hit so bring your homemade goodies, brownies, cookies, and treats, individually wrapped, for lunches, midnight snacks, breakfast (hey, chocolate is appropriate for any time of day and night!)

Contact Arleen Barnett (931) 707-8333 or abarnett@usit.net if you have a special item you'd like to donate or know of a merchant we can contact for a donation..



The Continuing Evolution of TTA

In the first years of Tennessee Trails' 31 year history, there was a single statewide organization, with a single hiking program and an annual meeting that brought members together from around the state. Then TTA evolved into the concept of local chapters focusing on local trail issues, each offering their own hiking programs, with some offering regular program meetings, and still holding an annual statewide meeting of all chapters. Two years ago, with renewed interest in the completion of the Cumberland Trail, TTA evolved once again, changing its bylaws to allow the formation of Associate Organizations within TTA which could focus on a trail issue that was broader than the geographic scope of a local chapter. Thus, the Cumberland Trail Conference was formed as the first TTA Associate Organization, with it's mission the completion of the CT.

Now there is an opportunity to evolve again. An existing organization outside of TTA has expressed an interest in becoming a part of TTA. TRAC, the Tennessee Rail-Trail Advisory Council, is a five-year-old organization whose mission is to advocate the conversion of abandoned railroad rights of way to trails. While many of these conversion projects could result in multi-use trails, they all will offer hiking as a starting point and many will serve as links between urban areas and existing or planned conventional trail corridors. Several TRAC members are already work-

ing closely with the CTC on rail-trail projects that will tie in with the CTSP. The leadership of both TRAC and TTA feel that a closer affiliation between the two groups will allow TRAC to move forward more aggressively in building community interest and local support for railtrail conversion projects, and will allow TTA to have earlier and more effective input into the planning of multi-use trails.

At its regularly scheduled board meeting on August 15, 1999, the TTA board of directors, which consists of the elected officers and representatives from each chapter, voted unanimously to pursue bylaw changes which would be necessary to allow the incorporation of TRAC, or any other like-minded organization, into TTA.

Included as an insert to this issue is a comparison between our existing bylaws and the new set of bylaws recommended by the board. Members attending the annual meeting in Monteagle in November will be asked to vote for these bylaw changes. While the major changes are in bylaw 10, which deals with Associate Organizations, there are other changes, most of which serve to clarify the existing wording or serve to give the board more flexibility in managing the affairs of TTA. In the interests of saving newsletter space, a detailed explanation of all the changes are available on the Internet at www.TennesseeTrails.org, on the Announcements page. Printed copies of this material will also be available at the annual meeting.

TTA Officer Nominations for 2000

Each year, at the annual meeting, the TTA membership elects five officers for one-year terms, plus one at-large board representative for a threeyear term. The TTA Board of Directors, acting as a nominating committee, offers the following names as candidates for officers for the calendar year 2000: Libby Francis for President, Leigh Jones for Vice-President, Patti Shaw for Secretary, James Leininger for Treasurer, and Ninez Giles for Membership Director. Jerry Lenski is nominated for the three-year term as the at-large representative for West Tennessee. Elections for these positions will be held on November 6 in Monteagle. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor.

While the officers are elected for one-year terms, it has been a tradition in recent years that the President serves two terms, and that the Vice President serves as a de-facto President-elect. However, because of her new commitments and responsibilities as a full time employee of the Cumberland Trail Conference, Arleen Barnett, current TTA Vice President, asked the board not to consider her as a candidate for President. Accordingly, the board has nominated Libby Francis as candidate for President for 2000. Libby has been very active in TTA in various capacities for a number of years, most recently as Middle Tennessee atlarge board representative and has been heavily involved in chapter development projects. Leigh Jones, candidate for Vice President, has been heavily involved in the activities of both the Plateau chapter and the CTC. Jerry Lenski, from Memphis, is a relatively new member of TTA, but is very excited about the job of at-large representative and is looking forward to the challenge of encouraging the growth of additional chapters in the western part of the state. Patti, James, and Ninez are incumbents in their respective positions and are expected to continue their records of outstanding service to TTA.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation Recreation Resources Division is seeking qualified candidates for a new position currently being established (target hiring date October 1999):

Greenways & Trails Coordinator, (Nashville, Tennessee). Civil service position with full benefits; salary DOQ. Position is responsible for providing greenways and trails technical assistance to state, regional and local agencies in the development of a state-wide greenways and trails system. Coordinates and networks with state, federal and local agencies on the implementation of trail and greenway projects. This outstanding opportunity is one of the newest and most exciting positions available in Tennessee State government. The successful candidate will be able to work independently as well as be a team player bringing creative ideas to this new program.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND A STATE OF TENNESSEE APPLICATION, PLEASE SEND RESUME TO:

Ms. Alison Brayton, Recreation Planning Manager
Recreation Resources Division
Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation
10th Floor L&C Tower, 401 Church Street
Nashville, TN 37243-0439
Telephone: 615.532.0748, Fax: 615.532.0778
e-mail: abrayton@mail.state.tn.us

CUMBERLAND TRAIL CONFERENCE

Fall BreakAway Newby Branch Forest Camp October 21-24th

Co-Sponsored by the Chattanooga Hiking Club

We are proud to announce that the **University of Tennessee**, led by the student conservation group "**SPEAK**", will be joining us on our Fall BreakAway program this October. Work continues to recruit several additional school participants from both Kentucky and Tennessee. We'll camp at Bowater's Newby Branch Forest Camp located at the trailhead of the Piney River Pocket Wilderness and wander and revitalize four Bowater Pocket Wildernesses: Stinging Fork, Piney River, Laurel-Snow, and North Chickamauga Creek. The camp is accessible by car. Volunteers should be equipped with tent, bag, pad, stove, water filter, multiple water containers, food, rain gear, swimming suit, old clothes (you will get dirty), sturdy boots, gloves, and first aid kit. Bring plenty of water as the dry summer has left this site dry.

Volunteer on the Cumberland Trail!

To join this outing please contact Rob at 423-533-2620 or robweber1@prodigy.net, or Arleen at 423-707-8333 or abarnett@usit.net.

Fall BackCountry Outing Obed Wild and Scenic River October 14-17th

Co-sponsored by the Middle Tennessee Sierra Group

If you missed the September BackCountry Outing...don't fret...just join us for our October outing! The days are cooling off and the fall colors will be upon us. Come out for 2, 3, or 4 days this fall as we create the Obed WSR Segment of the Cumberland Trail. We will once again camp on the Obed River behind Hatfield Mtn, approximately a 1.5 mile backpack. Trail work will be close at hand. Shuttle service to the access site from Cumberland Mtn. State Park will be available on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday mornings. Volunteers should be equipped with backpack, tent, bag, pad, stove, water filter, multiple water containers, food, rain gear, swimming suit, old clothes (you will get dirty), sturdy boots, gloves, and first aid kit.

To join this outing please contact Rob at 423-533-2620 or robweber1@prodigy.net, or Arleen at 423-707-8333 or abarnett@usit.net. Please see the CTC Summer Newsletter for further details.

A big thanks to the Cherokee Sierra Group for co-sponsoring the September BC Outing!!

BIG SOUTH FORK Eric Wilson

(423) 628-2817; ericavi@InfoAve.net

Vi and Eric will be spending most of October in Arkansas, working with Buffalo River National Park archaeologist David Hayes. We will be sorry to miss October in Tennessee, but there are many nice fall hikes in the Buffalo River area too. So, no chapter outings scheduled for this month.

CLARKSVILLE Suva Bastin

(931) 645-2849 Stevjune42@aol.com

October 2 -Montgomery Bell State Park, 11.5 miles - Easy , call Wade Winters 931-647-9659.

October 9 -Mousetail Landing State Park - 8 miles. A splendid hike -Call John Lenkes, 931-551-4333

October 16 -Overnight Backpack - Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area - Call J.R. Tate 931920-2692

October 23-Annual Bond Fire - Rotary Park - Call Wanda Cumberland 931-906-3338 or Suva Bastin 931645-2849

October 24 -SUNDAY - Car Tour and hike along The Natchez Trace Parkway - ending at Meriweather Lewis National Monument with a hike. Call Suva Bastin 931-645-2849

October 30 -Rails to Trails - Ashland City, Tn. 8 miles - easy, A great newcomers hike. Call Charlie Putnam 931-362-3669

COVE LAKE Siler McCarty

(423) 566-1291 emccarty@highland.net

Sat., Oct. 16—House Mountain State Natural Area. Meet at Eagle Market, Jacksboro, at 8:00 a.m. for carpools. The first 1 1/2 miles is a steep climb to the plateau top, then easy hikes to the East and West ends of the plateau, with magnificent views in all directions. It will be approximately 6 hours including lunch and breaks. Bring your lunch and lots of water. Call Faith Dippold—423-566-8026— for more info.

COLUMBIA John Coleman

(931) 388-9318 jbc Coleman@hotmail.com

The October Columbia chapter meeting will be Thursday, October 7th, with a program by Tommy Edwards (TWRA) on Trail Side Fauna, Poop and Prints, perhaps with info on TWRA managed property in the area. The meeting will be at 7:00 at 1st Pres of Columbia in the fellowship hall (West 7th). Contact Julie Hodnett 931-840-5540

EAST TENNESSEE Esther R Ruffner

(423) 281-0567 eruffner2@tva.gov

October 9 (Sat) - Hike along lower Abrams Creek and the

Cooper Road (GSMNP) – This is a moderate ten and one half mile loop hike. The trailhead is at the day use parking area near the entrance to Abrams Creek camp ground. The trail starts out along the lower end of Abrams Creek, climbs over a 300' ridge, and continues along the creek for about three miles. This route then turns left and climbs steadily following the Hatcher Mtn. trail for nearly three miles before reaching the old Cooper Road Trail which was once the main wagon route into Cades Cove for settlers, farmers, and loggers. The trail follows the Cooper Road for nearly two miles before turning left again at Cane Gap returning downhill to the trailhead. If the group prefers, the loop may be hiked in reverse. The trail is rough in places so good boots are a must. Bring a lunch and plenty of water. To carpool, meet in Knoxville at 8:30 a.m. at the UT Faculty Club parking lot on Neyland Dr. To meet at the trailhead (10:00 a.m.), drive from Chilhowee lake (highway 129) through Happy Valley to the day use parking area near the entrance to Abrams Creek camp ground. For additional information, call Gerry Middleton at 481-3032 (day), 483-2592 (evenings), or email at hikernutt@excite.com.

Norris Watershed Hike Saturday, October 23rd - This hike is an old favorite. We will meet at Lenoir Museum on Highway 441 one mile south of Norris Dam at 9:00 a.m. to hike creekside trails in the Norris Watershed. Features include historic mill sites, fall colors, and small cemetery. Hike is a moderate 6 mile loop. Bring a sack lunch and drink. Questions? Call Judith at 494-9421. Nov. 13— Angel Falls Overlook-you and Diana are leading this one. May want to include it also since it's early in the month.

MEMPHIS Debbie Gilbert

(901) 454-0613 MemFlyer@aol.com

MONTHLY MEETING: 7:00 pm Thursday, October 21st at the Germantown Library. Program: Frederick Belton will present a slide show of his long distance backpacking adventures in Iceland. In 1994 he walked alone for weeks through the subarctic wilderness of Iceland's interior highland plateau and northwest fjords. He will describe his dealings with the notorious Icelandic weather, compass navigation across fog-bound mountain passes, and a very scary river crossing.

2000 SCHEDULE PLANNING MEETING: 7 p.m. Friday, October 8th at Betty Porter's house (755-4740). All of our outings for 2000 will be set at this meeting. If you have suggestions for new places to hike, bring maps, brochures, guidebooks, etc.

Oct 16 FT. PILLOW STATE PARK, Henning, Tennessee, Carpool at Davis-Kidd at 7 a.m. or meet at park visitor center at 9 a.m. Hike is 8 miles and rated moderate. For information, call John Martin 901-386-3722.

Nov 5-7 Monteagle, Tennessee- ANNUAL MEETING at the Dubose Conference Center. For information, call John Martin 901-386-3722

Nov 13, Saturday, SHELBY FOREST TRAIL WORK DAY,

Memphis- Meet at the visitor center at 9 a.m. and bring water and lunch. Also, bring any equipment you have such as gloves, shovels, clippers, or a saw. Dress for the weather. For information, call Ken Novak 901-377-9127

MURFREESBORO *Fount Bertram*
(615) 765-5357 fwbertram@hotmail.com

ATTENTION

The Murfreesboro Chapter is changing the meetings to the second Tuesday of each month, to replace meetings on the 3rd Tuesday. The membership has been polled and we find this will better meet the needs of some of our members. This change will go into effect for the October meeting, which will be on October 12. The time and place remain the same...7 pm at St Marks United Methodist Church.

October 16 Fall Creek Falls State Park Hike the Pawpaw Trail. 4 miles, moderate Meet at St Marks at 8 am or the Union Planters Bank in Woodbury at 8:30 am. We will start at the trailhead at the Nature Center at 9:30. Lunch at the park's cafeteria following the hike. Contact Fount Bertram at (615) 765-5357 or e-mail fwbertram@hotmail.com for pre-registration or more information.

Sunday, November 14 join Heloise for a leisurely six mile paddle on the Stones River East Fork in Rutherford County from Brown's Mill to her house. Join her for vegetarian chile and salad and your own beer on her deck after a short but memorable takeout. You'll be surprised how pretty the bluffs are along this stretch. Call Heloise 896-6278(home) or 254-5461(work) to register.

NASHVILLE *Dave Walton*
(615) 646-5355

Alright, cooler weather is here! Let's hike on some of the trails we value so highly...

HANDS-ON-NASHVILLE WORK DAY AT BEAMAN PARK! Saturday the 2nd, volunteers from Hands-onNashville, TTA and other groups will join in a lively day of trail work at Beaman Park. The momentum surrounding the park is building: on September 7, the monument honoring Alvin G. Beaman was dedicated, with Mrs. Alvin Beaman and her son Lee in attendance, as well as Mayor Bredesen, Metro government and parks officials and others. Ride the wave! Find full details on the workday elsewhere in this section, or you can call Nancy Dorman of Friends of Beaman Park at 299-9586.

LONG HUNTER WORK DAY! Elaine Hackerman has organized a work day on the Volunteer Trail at Long Hunter State Park. The date is Saturday the 9th from 8-2. Some tools will be provided, but you may bring your own (pruners, loppers, trash bags), along with gloves, water and a sack lunch. This is one of the area's most traveled trails and needs a good dose of general maintenance. To pre-register and get more

information, call Elaine at 298-5929.

MONTHLY PROGRAM MEETING! Nashville Chapter member Malcolm Photenhauer will be guest speaker. A native of the Republic of South Africa, Malcolm and his family went home this summer. Good for us that he took along the camera and tripod. And, since Malcolm's had some kind of camera in his hands since that first Brownie at age eight, he knows how to bring home the good image. We are promised extensive looks at two provinces, including views of a large game preserve and some gorgeous rugged coastline. Let's pack the house! Tuesday the 26th, 7:30, Radnor Lake Visitor Center.

Have you made your plans yet for Annual Meeting?

HIKES

OCTOBER 2 (Saturday) — BEAMAN PARK TRAIL WORK DAY Join the Friends of Beaman Park and volunteers from Hands On Nashville, the Sierra Club, and the Marrowbone Preservation Society for trail maintenance. Bring your tools and meet at the spring on Little Marrowbone Road at 9 am. There will be a picnic at the home of one of the Friends at 1 pm for all volunteers. Call Nancy Dorman at 615 - 299 - 9586 for more information.

OCTOBER 9 (Saturday) — NARROWS OF THE HARPETH This is a short hike of not more than 2 miles with some climbing, fall flowers, and a breath taking overlook. Hike coordinator, Dave Walton, will provide historical background of this area. Call Dave at 615 - 646 - 5355 to register, and plan to meet at the Circuit City parking lot in Bellevue at 8 am.

OCTOBER 10 (Sunday) — BEAR WALLER GAP Hike along the lake formed by Cordell Hull Dam with Charlie and Jennifer Hann. This hike is about 6 miles with some elevation gains and is rated moderate. Meet the Hanns at 8 am in the Donelson K-Mart parking lot, near Kinkos. Call 615 - 941 - 1503 to register.

OCTOBER 17 (Sunday) - BEAMAN PARK Laura Franklin, Radnor Lake Naturalist, will lead this hike. Remember that Beaman Park is still not open to the public, and the only opportunity to explore it is with the Friends of Beaman Park. The hike starts at 1 pm. The number of hikers will be limited, so reserve a place by calling Nancy Dorman at 615 - 299 - 9586.

OCTOBER 23 (Saturday) — HIDDEN LAKES FALL COLORS HIKE These two virtually unknown pearls are but a few in this area just west of Nashville. Wildlife and folklore abound. These two quarried lakes are set in bowls of limestone, directly adjacent to a big bend in the Harpeth. This is state park property and is undeveloped, hiking is easy in all but a few spots. Park Ranger Billy Bilbrey and Folklorist Art Ashbury will be on hand to lead the way. Be one of the chosen few for a sneak peak at what promises to be a pearl for future generations to admire. We will meet at 9 am on McCrory Lane (this is the exit past Bellevue Mall), turn right to Peagram go just past the Harpeth river bridge and you will see an open gate to a field on your left, pull in and park, this is across from Asplundh Tree Office. Bring a lunch and a desire to explore, and we may

choose another exotic area to explore in the afternoon. Should you need further encouragement call Stephen Fuson at (wk) 615 - 747 - 3956 or (hm) 615 - 662 - 3704.

OCTOBER 24 (Sunday) - FULL MOON HIKE We were not able to reach hike coordinator Jenice Johnson before this was submitted to the newsletter, so there is some mystery about this hike. Call Jenice at 615 - 356 - 6246 for details.

OCTOBER 30 and 31 (Saturday and Sunday) - FALL CREEK FALLS CAMPING & HIKING WEEKEND Alicia Gray is coordinating this outing to take advantage of programs offered by the park. There is a wild foods hike scheduled on Saturday, with the collected foods prepared for dinner that evening. Alicia will be leading a hike on Sunday, as well. Call at 615 - 453 - 5138 for meeting time and location.

OCTOBER 30 (Saturday) - BEAMAN PARK If you missed the hike on October 17, you have a second chance to hike this park. This time the hike leader is Jimmy Smith. Register with Nancy Dorman at 615 - 299 - 9586. **OCTOBER 30 (Saturday) - CITY HIKE** You have time to finish the Beaman Park hike, change into dry shoes, and still catch this one, since we will meet at 1:00 pm. We will start in Germantown, explore the Bicentennial Mall, the Capital building, monuments, unique downtown buildings, have dinner in the district, and enjoy some after dinner honky-tonkin'. Call Judy Wood at 615 - 384 - 0634 for meeting location and to register.

PLATEAU *Bob Bowman* (931) 456-5169

October 9 - Laurel Falls 5 Miles - Moderate Meet at Cumberland Mtn. State Park Visitor Center at 8:00 a.m. CST
Hike Leader: Joe Matlock (423) 354-6101

October 21 - Program meeting at 7:00 p.m. CST at the Crossville Housing Authority: Joe Matlock will present a slide show on his hike in Venezuela.

October 23 - Tennessee River Gorge Segment of the C.T. - Signal Mtn. to Hwy. 27 7 Miles - Moderate Meet at Cumberland Mtn. State Park Visitor Center at 8:00 a.m. CST
Hike Leaders: Charles and Leigh Jones (931) 277-3228

UPPER CUMBERLAND *Denise Charvoz/Barbara Phifer (931) 738-3595*

Our hike for October will be the statewide TTA hike on Saturday, October 2. It will begin at 10:30 EST at Frozen Head Visitor Center. Jim Potect will lead to the top of Frozen Head via Bird Mountain and down South Old Mac. There will be a similar hike on Sunday. If you want to camp out, reservations for overnight camping can be made by calling (423) 346-3318. I am sure more information can be found elsewhere in this issue of the newsletter. Call Helen Anglemier (931) 858-5947 or e-mail at helena@cookeville.com if you are interested in car pooling.

ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION

Saturday events:

South Cumberland State Park - North Rim (Leader - Jim Schroeder)
Mileage: 13.4 Degree of Difficulty: Moderate
South Cumberland State Park - Raven's Point (Leader - Fount Bertram)
Mileage: 8.8 Degree of Difficulty: moderate/difficult
Franklin Forrest "New areas" (Leaders - Mike Harvey, John Cristoff)
Mileage: TBA Degree of Difficulty: TBA
South Cumberland State Park - Savage Dayloop Trail (Leaders - Ann and Pete Preston)
Mileage: 4 Degree of Difficulty: easy/moderate
Great Stone Door/ Greater Falls (Leader - TBA)
Mileage: 2.0 Degree of Difficulty: Easy Unsure - Will sign up at Registration Desk

Sunday Hikes:

Great Stone Door I Greater Falls (Leader - TBA)
Mileage: 2.0 Degree of Difficulty: Easy
Foster Falls (Leader- TBA)
Mileage: 2.5 Degree of Difficulty: Easy Franklin State Forest
Mountain Bike Ride (Leader - Mary Edith McFarland)
Mileage: 4 Degree of Difficulty: Moderate / Difficult
West Collins Trail (Leader- TBA)
Mileage: TBA Degree of Difficulty: TBA Unsure - Will sign up at Registration Desk

Annual Meeting Agenda:

Friday Nov 5th:

4pm-? Check-in and registration
6-7 pm Buffet Dinner
7-?pm Welcome -Fount Bertram, Murfreesboro Chairperson
Bonfire/Entertainment
Storyteller - Dr. Bob Hornsby
Trail stories
Music

Saturday Nov 6th

7am Breakfast
8am-5pm Hikes: (lunch on the trails)
1. South Cumberland State Park- North Rim (leader- Jim Schroeder)
2. South Cumberland State Park- Raven's Point (leader- Fount Bertram)
3. Franklin Forrest "New Areas" (leaders- Mike Harvey, John Cristoff)
4. South Cumberland State Park- Savage Dayloop (leaders- Ann and Pete Preston)
5. Great Stone Door/ Greater Falls (leader- TBA)
5-6PM Return from hikes
6-7:30pm Dinner; Entertainment TBA
After dinner- Annual meeting, Upper Room
After meeting- Annual Auction, Upper Room

Sunday Nov 7th

7:30am Breakfast
8:30-9:30 Board Meeting, Upper Room
After meeting- Check out
10:30-? Hikes (lunch on the hikes)
1. Great Stone Door/ Greater Falls (leader- TBA)
2. Foster Falls (leader TBA)
Franklin State Forest Mountain Bike Ride (leader- Mary Edith McFarlin)
4. West Collins Trail (leader- TBA)

Registration Form
1999 TTA Annual Meeting
November 5-7, 1999
(One name per registration form please)

Name: _____
Address _____
City and State _____ Zip _____
Telephone: (____) - _____ email _____

TTA Chapter _____

Registration Fee (\$10) _____

Meals:

Friday Dinner (\$13) _____

Saturday Breakfast (\$6) _____

Saturday Dinner (\$13) _____

Sunday Breakfast (\$6) _____

Box lunches for the hikes can be ordered at \$7.50 per lunch _____

Lodging: (prices per person)

A. Hotel Lodging (2 singles, 10 doubles available):

single (\$38) x _____ nights = _____

double (\$27) x _____ nights = _____

triple (\$18) x _____ nights = _____

quad (\$15) x _____ nights = _____

Will be rooming with: _____

B. Dorm Lodging (6 singles, 12 doubles available):

single (\$26) x _____ nights = _____

double (\$19.50) x _____ nights = _____

Will be rooming with _____

C. Cabins (Bunk bed style, can hold up to eleven people, 3 cabins available) (\$9.50) x _____ nights = _____

Will be rooming with: _____

D. Camping (\$2.00 per tent) x _____ nights = _____

Total: _____

Sign up for hikes on the reverse

Make Checks Payable to: Tennessee Trails Association

Mail to:

Barbara Draude
2506 Branch Place
Murfreesboro, TN 37130
Phone: 615-895-5546

Registrations must be received by October 15, 1999

Saturday Hikes: (pack a lunch for on the trails)

ADOPT-A-TRAIL

TRAIL MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! If you would like to be placed on a call list for trail maintenance, contact Rob Weber (423) 533-2620 for details.

If you are interested in maintaining a particular trail or section of trail, please contact Harold Draper, Adopt-A-Trail Coordinator at (423) 689-7757.

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