



THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF 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.***

SUPPORTING THE CUMBERLAND TRAIL

CALL FOR AWARD NOMINATIONS

The TTA Awards Committee is calling for nominations for awards to be presented at the Annual Meeting at Montgomery Bell State Park in October of 2021. Please forward your nominee's name, the award for which you are nominating the individual or organization, and a brief description listing accomplishments, to Duane Frichtl, the committee chair, by July 1st. His email address is vicepresident@tennesseetrails.org. Following are the descriptions of each award.

- ***The Tennessee Trails Award*** recognizes the accomplishments and contributions of individuals and organizations to the furtherance of TTA's objectives. This award is not necessarily presented each year and may recognize either individual members, nonmembers, or organizations.
- ***The Bill Stutz Award*** honors the memory of Bill Stutz, a much beloved hiker who played an active role in the early days of TTA. The award is to be presented to an active hiker and TTA member for his or her individual contribution to the Association or to one of its chapters.
- ***The Bob Brown Lifetime Achievement Award*** honors the extraordinary lifetime leadership and personal contributions of Bob Brown to hiking and conservation in the State of Tennessee. TTA may present this award from time to time to others for similar lifetime leadership and contributions.
- ***The Mack Prichard Environmental Award*** is a tribute to Mack Prichard, one of the founders of the Tennessee Trails Association and the Tennessee State Naturalist, Emeritus. It is presented from time to time to an individual for their outstanding leadership, contributions, and achievements in sharing their knowledge about environmental and conservation issues, specifically relating to trails and hiking in Tennessee.

FRAN WALLAS HIKE 'EM ALL RECOGNITION AWARD

Spring is here and it is time to get back out on the trail and into the woods to get some Vitamin D! The BIG question is; Where to go hike? A solution to that dilemma is to use the Fran Wallas hike list that you can find on the Tennessee Trails Association's NEW website. See the Hikes and Events header and click on 36 Fran Wallas Hikes in the drop-down menu, <https://tennesseetrails.org/hikes-events>.

The ***Fran Wallas Hiked 'em All Recognition*** honors the memory of Fran Wallas, a lawyer for the Tennessee Dept of Environment and Conservation (TDEC). She was a strong trail advocate within TDEC and an active member of TTA for many years. She was a strong proponent of hiking and all things conservation related, was a trail builder on the Cumberland Trail and strong supporter of the CTC. She passed away after a tragic accident in October 2010 and those members and friends who knew her still miss her today.

Fran loved to hike and authored a series of articles in the Tennessee Conservationist describing her favorite hikes in the TN State Park System. The hikes covered the entire state and many different ecosystems. This award can be earned by anyone who successfully hikes the 36 trails described in Fran's articles.

The TTA members who knew Fran will be leading hikes throughout 2021. Please join us to see our state parks through Fran's eyes.



2021 TTA Annual Conference

Save the Date

October 22-24, 2021

The Nashville and Sumner Trails Chapters will host the TTA Annual Conference at Montgomery Bell State Park in Burns TN, about an hour west of Nashville. (Please note: With the fluid Covid-19 situation, the situation looks more hopeful for conducting the Annual Meeting this year, but it is not guaranteed. Please check the TTA Newsletter and on the TTA website for updated information.)

Attendees will have the option of newly renovated rooms at the Park's Inn or the campground inside the State Park. There is also commercial lodging in Dickson and other nearby towns. Registration information for INN ROOMS: Phone the Inn & Conference Center directly to make your reservation (615-797-3101 or 800-250-8613). Provide our GROUP CODE 9880 to receive special discount pricing on the Inn Rooms. Rooms will be released for general reservation on 9/7/21, so don't wait until the last minute! (Discounts for Seniors, Veterans, and Tennessee State Employees are available only when booking separately from our group rate.). For the CAMPGROUND, contact the Park Office at 615-797-9052 or <https://tnstateparks.com/parks/campground/montgomery-bell>.

In addition to Montgomery Bell, our hikes will include other nearby State and Municipal Parks and urban hikes in Nashville. Members of the Nashville and Sumner Trails Chapters are looking forward to hosting hikers from across Tennessee! Note: There will be a direct internet link to access our TTA Group reservations in the Annual Meeting area of the TTA website.



Cumberland Trails Conference

Office Location: 409 Thurman Avenue, Ste 102
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8 AM – 3 PM CT
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Website: www.cumberlandtrail.org

The CTC trail crew continues to work to connect Stinging Fork Falls and Brady Mountain. The current work site is on Hinch Mountain just above the Head of Sequatchie and will connect to the trail on Brady Mountain. Construction on the Hinch Mountain trail will be complete by mid-March. The new section has amazing views of the Sequatchie Valley and follows the only limestone bluff on the Cumberland Trail. After completion of the Hinch Mountain section of the trail, the crew will be working at the Head of the Sequatchie building and renovating connectors to the Cumberland Trail on Hinch Mountain.

The CTC is involved in an extensive strategic planning effort to determine the mission and objectives for the organization over the next three to five years. It is expected that the full board will debate and act on the plan at the next regular board meeting in April.

Percy Priest Master Plan Input Requested

If you hike the trails and greenways of Long Hunter State Park, Cedars of Lebanon, Couchville Cedar Glade, Stones River and others in and along the J. Percy Priest Lake area, your feedback is needed. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is going to update its master plan for the lands around JPPL and has listed TTA as a stakeholder in that process. If you have reports on trail conditions or thoughts about how the trails might be improved or rerouted due to deteriorating conditions, etc., please get in touch with Nora Beck (norellibee@gmail.com) who is representing TTA for the review process; or with Libby Francis, TTA president. For a look at the original master visit <https://usace.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/p16021coll7/id/143/>.

Attention: Hike Coordinators (aka Hike Leaders)

A TTA Release of Claims & Hold Harmless Agreement form (aka "Liability Waiver") must be signed by everyone before you start your hike or before carpooling to your hiking destination. They can be obtained from your local Chapter Officer or downloaded easily from our website: <https://tennesseetrails.org/hikes-events/liability-release-form/>.

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MEETS MONTHLY: 3rd Tuesday at 6:00 pm CT,
Wade Bourne Nature Center, 2308 Rotary Park Dr.,
Clarksville, TN 37043.

Please call hike leaders to confirm hike time and meeting place.

Apr 3 - Ashland City Rails to Trails, paved section. 7.4 level miles out and back. Easy except for distance. Hopefully we will see lots of wildflowers. Meet 8:00 am CT, Madison Street Food Lion parking lot, Clarksville. Contact Phylis Haddock 931-206-6245. 23 miles to trailhead.

Apr 10 - Mousetail Landing State Park; Eagle Point Trail. 7.5 miles. Moderately difficult because of a few fairly long ups and downs. This is a beautiful trail through the woods. We will eat lunch at the first shelter. We will take a break at the second shelter where there is a beautiful view of the Tennessee River. Meet 8:00 am CT, BigLots parking area, Riverside Drive, Clarksville. Contact Paul Schwab 931-801-9484. 90 miles to trailhead.

Apr 17 - Sewanee Domain. 5.5 miles. Moderate. We start hiking at Green's View and make a clockwise loop using part of the Perimeter Trail and Beckwith's Point Trail. We will also take an out and back detour to Piney Point where we will eat lunch. In addition to walking through pretty woods we will see panoramic views of the western Highland Rim, a small picturesque waterfall and hopefully lots of wildflowers. If we wish we can drive through the beautiful University of the South Campus; visit All Saints' Chapel and see the Memorial Cross where there is another panoramic view. Meet 8:00 am CT at the new Exit 11 Park and Ride. It is on the southeast side of the interstate. If you are driving toward the interstate on MLK Parkway, cross under the interstate and turn right at the first traffic light. Contact Paul Schwab 931-645-9068. 129 miles to trailhead.

Apr 20 - Monthly Chapter Meeting. Meet 6:00 pm CT, at Wade Bourne Nature Center, 2308 Rotary Park Dr, Clarksville. Because of the pandemic we will not share food or drink. Please bring food and drink for yourself only. The meeting could be canceled depending on the pandemic. Contact Cinde Jones 870-215-8993.

Apr 24 - Earth Day. Pick up litter on some of the trails at Rotary Park. Bring a garbage bag. We will eat lunch after the cleanup at the Amphitheater. Meet 8:00 am CT at the Amphitheater parking lot. The entrance to the Amphitheater parking lot is on E. Old Ashland City Road. Contact Ed Oliver 931-561-9946.

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MEETS QUARTERLY: Meets quarterly at the
Barnabas Center at 506 Fair Street, Franklin, TN
37064. Social hour from 6:00 - 7:00 pm. Meeting at
7:00 pm.

Apr 10 - Hidden Springs Trail, Cedars of Lebanon State Park. 4-mile loop. Easy. Joint hike with the Nashville Chapter. This is also a Fran Wallas Hike. Info can be found on the TTA website about completing all 36 hikes. We will travel an interesting landscape of rock formations and sinks. Other features include shady thickets of cedar trees and cedar glades. The wildflowers should be abundant. We will meet the Nashville Chapter participants at the Hidden Springs trailhead at 9:30 am. If you wish to carpool with the Columbia/Franklin chapter, contact Jane Coffey, 615-516-6551 or jecoffey0644@gmail.com to register for this hike. We will find a picnic shelter for lunch after the hike.

Apr 24- Lakes of Bowie Loop, Bowie Nature Park, Fairview. 4-mile loop. Easy. Joint hike with the Nashville Chapter. This trail encompasses several short scenic trails of the park touring four of the preserve's lakes, with opportunities for a longer hike if desired. This is a water and wildlife-lovers walk and wildflowers should be abundant. We will meet the Nashville Chapter participants at the Bowie Loop trailhead at 9:30 am. If you wish to carpool with the Columbia/Franklin chapter, contact Jane Coffey to register for this hike at 615-516-6551 or jecoffey0644@gmail.com. We will find a picnic shelter for lunch after the hike.

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Apr 3 - Norris Watershed, Norris, TN. 5 miles. Meet at 9:30 am at the Rice Grist Mill off Norris Freeway (US 441). Mill is on Lower Clear Creek Road, turn right just past the Lenoir Museum on US 441. Drive less than a mile to a short gravel road leading to the remains of an old Civilian Conservation Corps camp. Then, return to Lower Clear Creek Road and drive about a mile to the Norris Water Treatment Plant on the left. Park there. Hike will begin on Clear Creek Trail and go past the spring that is Norris' water supply, onto White Oak Spring Trail and then up Joe's Trail, to Eli Nine Trail. Other trails in order: High Point Trail to High Point then to Upper White Pine Trail to Raccoon Run Trail to intersect with Hi Point Trail again. It's all downhill from there. Google "Norris Watershed Map" to download. Register with Bob Fowler, rbfowler65@gmail.com.

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(Coffee and Franklin Counties)

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MEETS MONTHLY: 4th Monday

Apr 1-3 – Frozen Head State Park, Wartburg, TN. Camping and Hiking. Joint activity with the Murfreesboro and Upper Cumberland Chapters. We have reserved a group campsite in Flat Creek Group Campground for Thursday and Friday nights. We will hike Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Contact Joan Hartvigsen to reserve a spot in the campground, *jhartvigs@comcast.net* or 931-636-2914. Thursday's hike: Hike Panther Branch Trail and visit DeBord Falls and Emory Gap Falls, 4 miles. Friday's hike: North Old Mac and South Old Mac Loop with visit to Lookout Tower, 8 miles. 1,800 feet elevation change. Saturday's hike: West Lookout Tower Trail and Bird Mountain Trail Loop, 7 miles. Steep. The spring wildflowers will be awesome. Thursday and Friday hikes are one of the Fran Wallas' Great Hikes in Tennessee State Parks.

Apr 2 – Good Friday Hike. Frozen Head State Park. Wartburg, TN. North Old Mac Trail and South Old Mac Trail Loop with a visit to the Lookout Tower. 8 miles. Joint hike with Murfreesboro and Upper Cumberland Chapters. 1,800 feet elevation change. This hike features spring wildflowers, hemlocks, creeks and awesome mountain views. Contact Joan Hartvigsen, *jhartvigs@comcast.net* or 931-962-0811, for information on meeting time and place for the hike.

Apr 6 – Perimeter Trail Hike, The University of the South, Sewanee, TN. 14 miles. Moderate. We will hike from Roark's Cove Road counterclockwise to Lake Cheston. Joint hike with the Murfreesboro and Soddy-Daisy Chapters. Short vehicle shuttle required. Please wear face masks inside vehicles during shuttle. Bring water and lunch. Wear sturdy hiking boots and bring hiking sticks. Please register with Joan Hartvigsen, *jhartvigs@comcast.net* or 931-636-2914. This hike features beautiful overlooks, interesting geological features and plenty of upland deciduous forests. We will meet at Lake Cheston parking lot at 9 am CT.

Apr 8 – Short Springs State Natural Area Wildflower and Waterfall Hike, Tullahoma. 4 miles. Moderate. We will visit the Wildflower Loop, Machine Falls and hike Adam Falls Loop. We will then visit Busby Falls and hike the lovely Laurel Bluff Loop Trail. Please register with Joan Hartvigsen, *jhartvigs@comcast.net* or 931-636-2914. Bring water, lunch, hiking sticks and wear sturdy hiking boots. We will meet at 9 am CT in the Short Springs SNA parking lot, 2250 Short Springs Road, Tullahoma.

Highland Rim Chapter – con't.

Apr 10 - Millennium and Merritt Ridge Trails, Edgar Evins State Park, Silver Point, TN. 8 miles. Moderately strenuous, several steep climbs. Joint hike with Upper Cumberland Chapter. This hike features spring wildflowers, huge beautiful hardwood trees along the high ridges and awesome views of beautiful Center Hill Lake. This hike is a Fran Wallas Hike 'em All Hike. Meet at the Visitor Center at 8 am CT to caravan to the trailhead. Please register with Joan Hartvigsen, *jhartvigs@comcast.net* or 931-636-2914. Bring water, lunch, hiking sticks and wear sturdy hiking boots.

Apr 24 – Ray Branch Shoreline Trail, Tims Ford State Park, Winchester, TN. 8 miles. Moderate. Joint hike with Soddy-Daisy Chapter. We will meet at 9 am CT at Tims Ford State Park Visitor Center. We will then caravan to the trailhead at Marble Plains Church to begin our hike. We will enjoy many scenic views of the lake as we hike in a mature forest of Beech, Oak and Hickory trees. The hike's highlight is reaching the tip of Ray Branch Peninsula where expansive lake views and our lunch spot await us. Bring water, lunch, hiking sticks and wear sturdy hiking boots. This hike is one of the Fran Wallas' Great Hikes in Tennessee State Parks. Please register with Joan Hartvigsen, *jhartvigs@comcast.net* or 931-636-2914.

Apr 26 – Garrison Road Trail and Nature Trail. Old Stone Fort State Archaeological Park, Manchester, TN. 2 miles. Easy. Meet at 3 pm at the picnic pavilion. Bring water and wear hiking boots. Please register with Joan Hartvigsen, *jhartvigs@comcast.net* or 931-636-2914. These trails are the site of the new certified arboretum. The Nature Trail has views of Blue Hole Falls and the Duck River. After our hike we will regroup at the park's picnic pavilion for a bring your own picnic dinner and a program by Dennis Horn, a charter member of the Tennessee Native Plant Society.

Apr 26 – Joint meeting of TTA Highland Rim Chapter and Friends of Short Springs Natural Area. Old Stone Fort State Park Picnic Pavilion, 5:30 pm. Everyone should bring their own picnic dinner; bring a folding chair to help with social distancing. Our guest speaker is Dennis Horn. Dennis is a charter member of the Tennessee Native Plant Society and an editor of the guidebook "Wildflowers of Tennessee, the Ohio Valley and the Southern Appalachians." Dennis will preview what we may see on our June 5 outing to AEDC and May Prairie State Natural Area. Contact Highland Rim Chapter Chair Patty Deen for more information, *pdeen@palomar.edu* or 760-703-8115.

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Planning Ahead:

May 14-17 – Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Cades Cove Camping and Hiking Weekend. Joint activity with the Murfreesboro Chapter. We have reserved a gorgeous group campsite in Cades Cove Campground. Flush toilets and drinking water nearby. We will hike Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Friday we will hike a section of the Anthony Creek Trail to Anthony Creek Campsite and back, 5.6 miles, moderate. Saturday we will hike the Gregory Ridge Trail to Gregory Bald, 11.4 miles round trip, 2,700 foot elevation change. Sunday we will hike to Abrams Falls and back, 5 miles, easy. Reserve your spot soon. Contact Joan Hartvigsen, jhartvigs@comcast.net or 931-636-2914.

Jun 7-10 – Camping in Mile High Campground and hiking in Great Smoky Mountains National Park and trails off Blue Ridge Parkway. Maggie Valley, NC. Joint activity with the Murfreesboro Chapter. Possible hikes include Hemphill Bald, Caldwell Fork, Rough Fork Trails Loop in the Smokies and Black Balsam Knob Trail, Art Loeb Loop and other hikes in Shining Rock Wilderness. More details later. Contact Joan Hartvigsen, email jhartvigs@comcast.net or 931-962-0811 to save a spot in the reserved campsite.

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Hike information unavailable at press time.

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Apr 3 - T.O. Fuller State Park. The 4-mile hike covers moderate to rugged terrain with some wet land and a possible stream crossing. Hiking boots or sturdy shoes recommended. Bring water and a snack and pen for signing in. The Discovery Loop Trail includes part of the Nature Bluff Trail of the Chucalissa Indian Village. Time Frame: 2.5 hours. You must register for the hike: leave a message or text Kam 901-299-8359 no later than 6:00 pm Friday, Apr. 2nd. Directions: I-240 West to I-55 North; Exit 7 South to Highway 61 (3rd Street). Drive approximately 1 mile. Turn right onto Mitchell Road; continue 3 miles west to the T. O. Fuller Park sign.

Apr 10 - Fort Pillow State Park. 7-8 miles. Strenuous. We will hike the Red Trail which is rated strenuous by West Tennessee standards due to some very steep hills. We may be able to offer a slightly shorter version that avoids the worst of the hills. Early in the hike we visit the site of the historic fort, scene of a well-known Civil War battle. We will have lunch overlooking Fort Pillow Lake. Good boots suggested. Bring a lunch, plenty of water and a pen for signing in. Registration is required by noon on April 9. Contact Wayne Simpson at w.simpson1@comcast.net or call (not text) 901-385-1988.

Apr 17 - Lucius Burch Natural Area, White/Yellow/Blue off Germantown Road. This is a 6-mile hike on the White/Blue/Yellow Trails. Plan to hike about 3.5 hours. Bring water and snack and pen for signing in. Rain will cancel hike. You must register for the hike: email kgecewich@yahoo.com or text message 712-251-7163 no later than 6:00 pm Thursday, Apr 15.

Apr 24 - Lovitt Woods Trail behind Lowe's off Germantown Road. Join us for a 6-mile hike across flat terrain in the woods along the Wolf River. Wear hiking boots and bring snacks and water and pen for signing in. You must register for the hike: email nhwark@bellsouth.net no later than 6:00 pm Thursday, Apr 22nd and include your name and phone number. Please let me know if you want to be in slower group. Rain will cancel.

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BLOG: www.tennesseetrails.org/blog/murfreesboro

Apr 1-3 – Frozen Head State Park Camping and Hiking. Wartburg. Joint event with the Highland Rim and Upper Cumberland Chapters. The group campsite has been reserved in Flat Creek Campground for Thursday and Friday nights. Thursday we will hike Emory Gap to the falls and Judge Branch Trail, 3 miles rated easy. Friday's hike is the North and South Old Mac Loop with a visit to the Lookout Tower, 8 miles with an 1,800 feet elevation change rated strenuous. Saturday we will hike the Lookout Tower Trail and Bird Mountain Trail Loop, 7 miles rated strenuous and is steep. For more information or to sign up, contact Sara Pollard at 615-714-3610 or *sarabpollard@gmail.com*.

Apr 2 – Good Friday Hike. Frozen Head State Park. Wartburg. 8 miles. Strenuous due to elevation change. Joint hike with the Highland Rim and Upper Cumberland Chapters. Hike is the North Old Mac Trail and South Old Mac Trail Loop with a visit to the Lookout Tower. There is an elevation change of 1,800 feet with superlative views in all directions of the Cumberland Plateau. This hike features spring wildflowers, hemlocks, and creeks. There is the option of camping at Flat Creek Group Campground Thursday and Friday nights. For more information or to sign up, contact Sara Pollard at 615-714-3610 or *sarabpollard@gmail.com*.

Apr 6 – Perimeter Trail. The University of the South. Sewanee. 14 miles. Moderate. Joint hike with the Highland Rim and Soddy-Daisy Chapters. We will hike from Roark's Cove Road to Lake Cheston. Short vehicle shuttle (masks required). The hike has beautiful overlooks, interesting geological features, and plenty of upland deciduous forests. Best display of spring wildflowers in the area. Bring lunch and water. We will meet at the Lake Cheston parking lot at 9:00 am CT. For more information or to sign up, contact Sara Pollard at 615-714-3610 or *sarabpollard@gmail.com*.

Apr 10 - "Pick a Park" series. Gilbert Gaul Loop Trail. Fall Creek Falls State Park. 4.3 miles. Moderate. This hike is on the list of the Fran Wallas 36 Great Hikes in Tennessee. The "I hiked'em all" recognition information can be found at <https://tennesseetrails.org/about/awards/>. Trail goes along the shoreline of Fall Creek Falls Lake and offers wooded and lake views. Should be able to see early wildflowers peeking out, bring hiking pole and trail may be muddy.

Murfreesboro Chapter – con't.

Meet at 10:00 am CT in the parking lot a little behind the lodge/restaurant and the fisherman cabins. The lodge/restaurant is still closed for remodeling so bring your own snacks and water. Bring your Tennessee State Parks passport book to get stamped. Please register in case hike is cancelled due to weather. For more information or to sign up, contact Jeanne Conatser at 615-971-8894 or *djconatser@comcast.net*.

Apr 13 – Chapter Meeting. For more information contact Jeanne Conatser at *djconatser@comcast.net*.

Apr 15 – Walls of Jericho. Bear Hollow Mountain Wildlife Management Area on the west side of Winchester. 8 miles. Strenuous due to rocky terrain and elevation. A short vehicle shuttle is necessary. This gorge straddles the Tennessee-Alabama state line and we will begin our hike from the Tennessee trailhead. We'll pass through flats along clear Hurricane Creek and cross Turkey Creek on a foot log bridge, past Clark Cemetery, and a primitive hiker campsite. From there we will hike beside Turkey Creek alongside a bluff line to reach the beautiful natural amphitheater where the walls are progressively higher and more beautiful. The return trip will be ascending switchbacks to the trailhead in Alabama. Bring lunch, snacks, and plenty of water. Hiking poles are recommended for this hike. For more information or to sign up, contact Sara Pollard at 615-714-3610 or *sarabpollard@gmail.com*.

Apr 24 – Nashville Urban Hike. Approximately 7 miles. Easy. We will meet at the Bicentennial Bells at Bicentennial Mall at 9:00 am CT. There's free parking at Farmers Market and the Tennessee State Museum. We will stroll around Nashville visiting the Capitol grounds, the Gulch, Old Music Row and an obligatory walk down lower Broadway to the river. We will choose as a group to eat somewhere (optional). Outdoors masks are optional but are required inside buildings. This is an easy hike, but it is pavement so wear appropriate footwear. Water, poles and your camera are essential. We will judge the interest in a carpool from Murfreesboro but for now, the plan is to meet there. For more information or to sign up, contact Tony Jones at 615-397-4463 or *tonjon1968@gmail.com*.

Apr 27 – Cumberland Trail. Piney River Segment. Shut-in Gap Road to Newby Branch Trailhead. 8.5 miles. Moderate. A vehicle shuttle is necessary. This hike is on the list of the Fran Wallas 36 Great Hikes in Tennessee. The "I hiked'em all" recognition information can be found at <https://tennesseetrails.org/about/awards/>. This hike passes through dense mountain laurel, rhododendron, hemlock and several large beech trees. We'll see waterfalls, cascades, rock house, and bluffs along the trail. Five bridges cross various streams, and a 100-foot suspension bridge across the Piney River. April is one of the best months for wildflowers and we may see trout lily, lady slippers, jack-in-the-pulpit, wild iris, trillium and many more. Some spur trails, including Spider Den Bluff will be included if time permits. This is one of the best wildflower hikes in Tennessee! Bring lunch, snacks and plenty of water. For more information or to sign up, contact Sara Pollard at 615-714-3610 or *sarabpollard@gmail.com*.

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MEETS MONTHLY: Meetings suspended temporarily pending
COVID 19 restrictions

Apr 1– Burch Reserve, Edwin Warner Park, Nashville, TN. 10-11:30 am. Moderate. 3 miles. To temper the possible chill a mid-morning start time for this hike that has a bit of everything. Wide paved road to rocky single track and both level and hilly portions. This is the newest trail in the Warner parks and is less peopled than the other trails (and parking should be easier as well!). As the trees are just beginning to leaf there should be great views to the valleys from the ridge. Limited to 10 hikers so please rsvp early. Please provide cell phone in case of weather cancellation. rsvp to Niola Cusati: *niolac@gmail.com* or text 408-455-2472.

Apr 2 – Mammoth Cave National Park (Wildflowers), Mammoth Cave, KY. Easy. 6 miles. We'll hike the Cedar Sink trail and then head over to the visitor center to hike a combination of trails that highlight sinks and springs along the Green River. The park's abundant wildflowers should be starting to bloom and we'll travel at a pace that allows us to appreciate their beauty. We won't be taking a cave tour on this day trip. Bring plenty of water and snacks and pack a lunch. Register with Mark for meetup location, details, and updates: *mark.hubbard@mhhub.us* or 615-715-1517. Alternate date for inclement weather: Apr 9.

Apr 7 – Montgomery Bell State Park, Burns, TN, 10am-1pm. Moderate. 6 miles. Meet at Park headquarters Parking Lot. Small creek crossings, a lake and moderate elevation gain. Bring hiking sticks and boots (preferably waterproof), water and snacks. To stay Covid safe the hike is limited to 10, so rsvp early. Please provide cell phone in case of weather cancellation. rsvp to Niola Cusati: *niolac@gmail.com* or text 408-455-2472.

Apr 10 – Hidden Springs Trail, Cedars of Lebanon State Park, Lebanon, TN. Easy. 4 mile loop. Joint hike with Columbia/Franklin chapter. This is a Fran Wallas Hike. Info can be found on the TTA website about completing all 36 hikes. We will travel an interesting landscape of rock formations and sinks. Other features include shady thickets of cedar trees and cedar glades. The wildflowers should be abundant. Contact Libby Francis, 615-319-7501 or *libbyslibbys@comcast.net* to register for this hike. We will find a picnic shelter for lunch after the hike.

Apr 13 – Taylor Hollow / Larkspur Conservancy (Wildflowers), Westmoreland, TN. Easy to moderate for length. 2-1/2 or 5-1/5 miles. Privately owned by The Nature Conservancy and managed by the state of Tennessee, Taylor Hollow in Sumner County boasts a spectacular abundance of spring ephemeral wildflowers including the beautiful Blue-Eyed Mary, listed as endangered in Tennessee. This state natural area is closed to regular public visitation, but we've been given permission to conduct this hike.

Nashville Chapter – con't.

We'll take our time and enjoy the amazing sights around us. Hikers who want to get in a few more miles will head across the road for roughly 3 more strenuous miles at Larkspur Conservancy. Bring water and snacks; you're definitely encouraged to bring your camera. Group size is limited; register with Mark for meetup location, details, and updates: *mark.hubbard@mhhub.us* or 615-715-1517. Alternate date for inclement weather: Apr 22.

Apr 15 – Burch Reserve, Edwin Warner Park, Nashville, TN. 4-5:30 pm. Moderate. 3 miles. A "Slant Light" hike that has a bit of everything. Wide paved road to rocky single track and both level and hilly portions. This is the newest trail in the Warner parks and is less peopled than the other trails. The slant light should be perfect for capturing nature shots. To stay Covid safe the hike is limited to 10, so rsvp early. Please provide cell phone in case of weather cancellation. rsvp to Niola Cusati: *niolac@gmail.com* or text 408-455-2472.

Apr 20 – Cheekwood Gardens & Mansion, Nashville, TN. 9-11 am. Easy. 3 miles. This will be a leisurely walk around the beautiful gardens and mansion. First two rsps will have free entry. All others must purchase and reserve their 9 am entry tickets at <https://cheekwood.org/buy-tickets/>. RSVP to Niola at *niolac@gmail.com* or 408-455-2473.

Apr 21 – Collins Gulf Loop Trail, South Cumberland State Park, Gruetli-Laager, TN. Difficult due to distance, rocky terrain and elevation changes. 12 plus miles. We will hike past West Collins campground to the loop on the east side, passing Suter Falls and Horsepound Falls. In addition to spectacular waterfalls this trail has awesome spring wildflowers. Bring water, snacks and lunch. Bring hiking sticks, sturdy hiking boots, and clothing appropriate for the weather. Bring water shoes for creek crossings and a head lamp. Contact Doug Burroughs at *dougburroughs@tennessee.usa.com* or 615-587-0085 (leave a message) for more information and to register.

Apr 22 – Natchez Trace Parkway, Garrison Creek to 1812 War Monument Trail. Moderate. 3.4 mile out and back. The trail begins at Garrison Creek (milepost 427.6) which is about 10 miles south of the Birdsong Hollow Bridge over highway 96. The trail takes you through old growth timber to a scenic overlook and then follows the ridgeline to the War of 1812 monument. For those wanting to hike additional mileage, we will stop at Timberland Park on the Parkway (milepost 437.2) just south of the Birdsong Hollow Bridge for another 2-3 miles. Meet at 8:30 am at the Garrison Creek parking lot. If you would like to join this hike, please contact Kathy Woods, 615-473-6824 or *kwoodz@comcast.net*.

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Apr 24 – Lakes of Bowie Loop, Bowie Nature Park, Fairview, TN, Easy. 4 mile loop. Joint hike with the Columbia/Franklin Chapter. This trail encompasses several short scenic trails of the park touring four of the preserve's lakes, with opportunities for a longer hike if desired. This is a water and wildlife-lovers walk and wildflowers should be abundant. Contact Libby Francis, 615-319-7501 or libbyslibbys@comcast.net to register for this hike. We will find a picnic shelter for lunch after the hike.

Apr 25 – Washmorgan Hollow State Natural Area (Wildflowers), Jackson County, TN. Easy to moderate. Final itinerary and length to be determined. This unique natural area offers a huge variety of spring ephemeral wildflowers and even the roadsides along the way offer their own displays. This trip will include a stop at The Boils Wildlife Management Area to check out it's unique geologic feature and an additional destination may be added. The out and back trail at Washmorgan follows a stream bed to a lovely waterfall. We'll travel at a pace that allows us to appreciate the natural beauty around us. Depending on water levels the trail can involve numerous shallow crossings, so you're encouraged to wear or bring water shoes. Bring plenty of water and snacks and pack a lunch. Register with Mark for meetup location, details, and updates: mark.hubbard@mhhub.us or 615-715-1517. Alternate date for inclement weather: May 2.

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Come take a GUIDED hike with us. We offer a short 5 mile or less and a long 8 +/- mile hike every Wednesday and two Saturdays a month. For additional information contact the hike coordinator email plateauhikes@tennesseetrails.org unless otherwise noted in the hike description. Instead of carpooling to trailheads our hikers may opt to drive themselves.

Apr 7 - Cumberland Trail – CT Laurel Falls, Dayton, TN. Short Hike Options: 2.1 miles one-way to 150-foot bridge or up to the bottom of Laurel Falls 2.4 miles one-way. Long Hike: Short hike plus to Bryan overlook which is 3.3 miles one-way. There are some short strenuous portions uphill. Depart 7:30 am CT from Central Baptist Church, 1346 S Main St, Crossville, TN. Gas cost is \$7. Don't forget tick/bug spray and sunscreen. Pack water, snacks and lunch. For additional information contact the hike coordinator Howard Owen, text 931-248-3190.

Apr 14 - Big South Fork KY - Watson Branch/Kentucky/Laurel Hill Trails. We will park shuttle cars at Laurel Hill Trail and at Stepping Rock on Laurel Ridge Road (Divide Rd in TN). This will be a new trail to most of us crossing Troublesome Creek and Difficulty Creek. Long Hike: 8.5 moderate to strenuous loop miles. Short Hike: <5 moderate miles along Watson Branch Creek. Pack water, snacks and lunch. Depart from the Crossville Cracker Barrel rear parking lot 7:30 am CT. Gas cost \$7. Pack water, snacks and lunch.

Apr 17 - Lilly Bluff/Point Trail/Boulder Field Trails, Lancing, TN. Short Hike: This is a moderate 5 mile in/out hike from the upper parking lot thru the woods to the Lilly Bluff Overlook then out to the end of the Point Trail overlooking the merger of two rivers. Long Hike: 8 miles moderate. From the bridge parking area we'll climb to Lilly Bluff Overlook then out the Point trail to another Overlook. We can add the below the bluff trail before retracing our steps to wander thru a giant boulder field. Pack water, snacks and lunch. Depart VF Outlet mall West parking lot on Interstate Dr, Crossville at 7:30 am CT. Gas cost \$3.00.

April 21 - Pall Mall SP to Pogue Creek, Jamestown, TN. Shuttle required for this partially off-trail Ranger lead hike. The hike is estimated to be 4 moderate to strenuous miles with one large descent into the canyon and a few small uphill climbs. Depart from the Crossville Cracker Barrel rear parking lot 7:30 am CT. Gas cost \$6. Pack water, snacks and lunch.

Apr 24 - Big South Fork, Jamestown, TN - Twin Arches Loop Trail. Short hike: 4. 6 mi moderately strenuous past the Arches to Jake's Place and back. Long hike: This is a 6 mile moderately strenuous loop hike due to the flights of stairs and the continual climb from Charit Creek. The Twin Arches are the largest arches in Big South Fork and quite possibly in the Eastern United States. The South Arch is the highest at 100 feet. After visiting the arches, we pass through several huge rock houses along the base of the cliffs as we wind our way to Jake's Place, the remains of a mid-1800's house and farm. Then we follow the creek to Charit Creek Lodge. Bring your lunch to eat on the Charit Creek Lodge porch. Then we ascend 500 ft. in almost a mile as we climb from Charit Creek, past the arches, and to the trailhead. Depart 7:30 am CT as cost is \$6. Don't forget tick/bug spray and sunscreen. Pack water, snacks and lunch.

Apr 28 - Burgess Falls State Park & Lost Creek SNA, TN. Several Short Hikes: Burgess Falls State Park with a side trip to Lost Creek Cave & Falls plus Rylander Falls. Burgess Falls will be a 1.5-mile round-trip moderately strenuous hike to see four waterfalls on the Falling Water River. The waterfalls are 20' cascades, 30' upper falls, 80' middle falls, and 136' lower falls in height. Next we will drive to Lost Creek Cave. The Lost Creek hike is about a 1.5 mile round-trip to the bottom and top of the 60 foot tall waterfall. We will go to the mouth of the cave and maybe a short distance inside. Rylander Falls is a 1.5 mi round trip crossing several streams. Depart 7 :30 am CT from Tractor Supply parking lot on West Ave in Crossville. Carpool cost is \$6. Pack water, snacks and lunch.

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<http://www.tennesseetrails.org/blog/soddydaisy>

Apr 3 - Rock Creek Loop. 6.5 miles. Moderate to strenuous. This is a lollypop trail starting along Rock Creek, ascending to the Cumberland Plateau for two great views, and descending back to Rock Creek. Register with hike leader Tammy Hendrick at 315-949-8187. Dress appropriately for the weather; bring water, snacks, and lunch.

Apr 6 - Shake Rag Hollow. 2.5 miles in & out. Moderate, 740' elevation gain. Wildflowers and other cool stuff! Located in Sewanee TN. Register with hike leader Tom McElhone 805-208-4654 or sarmitta@yahoo.com. Dress appropriately for the weather; bring water and snacks.

Apr 6 - Perimeter Trail Hike, The University of the South, Sewanee, TN. 14 miles. Moderate. Joint hike with the Murfreesboro and Highland Rim Chapters. We will hike from Roark's Cove Road counterclockwise to Lake Cheston. This hike features beautiful overlooks, interesting geological features and plenty of upland deciduous forests. We will meet at Lake Cheston parking lot at 9 am CT. Short vehicle shuttle required. Please wear face masks inside vehicles during shuttle. Bring water and lunch. Wear sturdy hiking boots and bring hiking sticks. Please register with Joan Hartvigsen, jhartvigs@comcast.net or 931-636-2914.

Apr 10 - South Cumberland State Park, Big Creek. 9.9 miles. Strenuous due to descent into and ascent out of Big Creek. We'll make a loop using Greeter Trail, Big Creek Gulf Trail, connector trail, and Big Creek Rim trail. Cliffs, creeks, waterfalls! Register with hike leader Betsy Darken, 423-718-2060. Dress appropriately for the weather, bring water, snacks, and lunch.

Apr 13 - Benton Falls via Elderberry, Arbutus, Redleaf, and Benton Falls Trails. 3.2 mile loop. Easy to moderate. Beautiful forest, great waterfall! Register with hike leader Betsy Darken, 423-718-2060. Dress appropriately for the weather, bring water, snacks, and lunch.

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Apr 20 - BMT Lost Creek Campground to Childers Creek. 3 miles in & out. Easy. This is an especially outstanding section of the Benton McKaye Trail as it parallels Big Lost Creek through a deep limestone gorge with cascades and waterfalls. The trail follows an old railroad grade built for logging in the early 1900s, then later used for a road. Beautiful rock formations are seen on both sides of the trail, with plenty of great stopping places. The hike will be an in-and-out till we can find out where it comes into Reliance. The only drawback is a 7-mile access on a gravel road. However, the road is in excellent condition compared to other Forest Service roads in the Cherokee NF. Register with hike leader Trish Appleton, 423-240-3443 or appleton-p2@comcast.net. Dress appropriately for the weather; bring water and snacks.

Apr 24 - Ray Branch Shoreline Trail, Tims Ford State Park, Winchester, TN. 8 miles. Moderate. Joint hike with the Murfreesboro and Highland Rim Chapters. We will meet at 9 am CT at Tims Ford State Park Visitor Center. We will then caravan to the trailhead at Marble Plains Church to begin our hike. We will enjoy many scenic views of the lake as we hike in a mature forest of Beech, Oak and Hickory trees. The hike's highlight is reaching the tip of Ray Branch Peninsula where expansive lake views and our lunch spot await us. Bring water, lunch, hiking sticks and wear sturdy hiking boots. This hike is one of the Fran Wallas' Great Hikes in Tennessee State Parks. Please register with Joan Hartvigsen, jhartvigs@comcast.net or 931-636-2914.

Don't Miss an Outing Plan Ahead Register Early!

Our hike coordinators are volunteers. Make it easier for them to contact you if a hike needs to be cancelled by registering!

There are times when a hike leader must limit the number of participants (due to park regulations, etc.) on an outing. Please do not wait until the afternoon or evening before the outing to RSVP.

Plan ahead and register early.

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Apr 1 - Standing Stone State Park. 4 miles. Easy Wildflower Hike. 8:00 A.M. Join us for an easy 4-mile round trip wildflower hike led by Ranger Williams. We will hike Beech Road from Overton Lodge to the old campground. The mostly-paved road runs parallel to Morgan Creek where we will view a mix of early to late spring wildflowers on either side of the road. Meet at the park office (rest rooms available) at Standing Stone State Park, 1674 Standing Stone Hwy, Hilham, TN 38568 at 10:00 or join the caravan at 8:00 am at the Gallatin Walmart parking lot behind Chick-Fil-A off Belvedere Drive. Contact: Kathy West 615-516-6912 or kathy.west384@gmail.com.

Apr 9 - Timberland Park, Natchez Trace Parkway at mile marker 437.2. 2-3 miles. Moderate. We will hike the East Perimeter Trail. Hiking boots and poles recommended. The restrooms are open at the visitor center. Meet at the visitor center at 10 am or meet to caravan at Glenbrook Kroger, 1010 Glenbrook Way, Hendersonville at 9 am. Contact Marcia Powell at 217-855-3013 or mpow1221@gmail.com.

Apr 14 - Old Stone Fort State Archaeological Park, Manchester, TN. 3 miles. Moderate with uneven difficult footing in places. We will hike the Old Stone Fort Trail and the somewhat steep Backbone trail. Anyone who wants to avoid that hill can continue around staying on the Fort Trail to the waterfall and back to the visitor center/museum. The Old Stone Fort is a 2,000 year old American Indian ceremonial site. The two forks of the Duck River cut into the edge of the Highland Rim Plateau at the site of the Old Stone Fort. On the hike, we will see waterfalls, cascades and tall rock bluffs bordering the Duck River. On the Backbone Trail we will climb up and walk along a ridge. You will need hiking poles, hiking shoes, desired snacks and water. We may eat lunch after the hike at a local restaurant. Those carpooling, meet at 9:00 am CT at the Kroger, Glenbrook Shopping Center, 1010 Glenbrook Way, Hendersonville. Please call if meeting at the trailhead by the museum at 10:30 am CT. Contact Judy Jenkins at judy_jenkins@comcast.net or 615-403-0002 for more information.

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Apr 1-3 - Frozen Head State Park, Wartburg, TN. Camping and Hiking. Joint activity with the Murfreesboro Chapter and Highland Rim Chapters. We have reserved a group campsite in Flat Creek Group Campground for Thursday and Friday nights. We will hike Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Contact Joan Hartvigsen to reserve a spot in the campground, jhartvigs@comcast.net or 931-636-2914. Thursday's hike: Hike Panther Branch Trail and visit DeBord Falls and Emory Gap Falls, 4 miles. Friday's hike: North Old Mac and South Old Mac Loop with visit to Lookout Tower, 8 miles. 1,800 feet elevation change. Saturday's hike: West Lookout Tower Trail and Bird Mountain Trail Loop, 7 miles. Steep. The spring wildflowers will be awesome. Thursday and Friday hikes are one of the Fran Wallas' Great Hikes in Tennessee State Parks.

April 2- Good Friday Hike. Frozen Head State Park. Wartburg, TN. North Old Mac Trail and South Old Mac Trail Loop with a visit to the Lookout Tower. 8 miles. Joint hike with Murfreesboro and Highland Rim Chapters. 1,800 feet elevation change. This hike features spring wildflowers, hemlocks, creeks and awesome mountain views. Contact Joan Hartvigsen, jhartvigs@comcast.net or 931-962-0811, for information on meeting time and place for the hike.

Apr 10 - Millennium and Merritt Ridge Trails, Edgar Evins State Park, Silver Point, TN. 8 miles. Moderately strenuous, several steep climbs. Joint hike with Highland Rim Chapter. This hike features spring wildflowers, huge beautiful hardwood trees along the high ridges and awesome views of beautiful Center Hill Lake. This hike is a Fran Wallas Hike 'em All Hike. Meet at the Visitor Center at 8 am CT to caravan to the trailhead. Please register with Joan Hartvigsen, jhartvigs@comcast.net or 931-636-2914. Bring water, lunch, hiking sticks and wear sturdy hiking boots.

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As a member of TTA, you are welcome to attend any/all TTA hikes or functions.

Not a member yet? Please check out one of our hikes or meetings soon!