

Tennessee Trails Association
2010 – General Membership Meeting
Pickwick State Park, Pickwick Dam, TN
November 13, 2010

The Tennessee Trails Association 2010 General meeting called to order at 7:08 PM by Don Dresser.

1. Award presentations were made.
 - a. TTA Award – Tony Hook.
 - b. Bill Stutz Award – Carolyn Miller
 - c. Bob Brown Lifetime Achievement Award – Fran Wallas (posthumously)
2. Chapter reports.
 - o Clarksville – Paul Schwab
Thanked Jackson and Memphis for hosting the annual meeting.
Membership: 48; 1 more than last year.
9 chapter meetings during the year.
Hosted several functions to promote hiking and TTA.
Wellness Day booth at Austin Peay University.
Spread mulch.
Spring Fling at Dunbar Cave.
National Trails Day activity.
North/South Trail - National Public Lands Day Activity.
Halloween – Bonfire and hike.
 - o Columbia/Franklin – Marvin Caine
Active chapter.
Meeting every month with 2 hikes per month, except for the summer
At each meeting, take up collection for CTC.
Presented a donation to Tony Hook for the CTC in the amount of \$126
 - o Dyer County – no representative/no report.
 - o East Tennessee – Rosemary Marshall
Membership steady.
Fewer hikes during the past year, primarily due to weather. Bears were an issue on some hikes.
 - o Highland Rim – Barbie More
New chapter chair.
Membership has increased. Gain 1 – 2 new members per month.
Monthly hike: eat-hike-eat at Sewanee.
Every fifth Saturday: trail maintenance
Short Springs or South Cumberland.
Booth at Trails and Trillium Event.
 - o Jackson – Glen Rognstad
Glen Rognstad – hike coordinator for the annual meeting.
Small but active chapter: 18 members.
Thanked the hike leaders for their efforts.

- Martin – no representative/no report.
- Memphis – Margaret Smith
 - Hosts of the 2010 Annual meeting. Jackson chapter has assisted with the hikes.
 - Thanks to Gloria Lenski and Woody Pierce and the people they recruited to assist with hosting of the annual meeting.
 - 80 members, increased from approximately 70 last year.
 - Hike every Saturday, except for the summer
 - Trail maintenance coordinator to work at Meeman-Shelby forest.
 - Emphasize social activities.
- Murfreesboro – Millette Jones
 - Hikes, programs and trail maintenance.
 - Verizon call center in Murfreesboro asked chapter to talk to their employees about hiking.
 - Chapter founder: Bertha Chrietzberg. Due to her many contributions– the “Overstreet” Trail head has been renamed the Bertha Chrietzberg Trail head.
 - 2011 annual meeting – October 28 – 30, 2011 at Monteagle.
- Nashville – Libby Francis
 - Chapter activities over past year: booth at Earth Day, gift wrap at REI (fundraiser for CTC).
 - Flood in May – Nashville chapter has been assisting with trail repair caused by the flood.
 - Members volunteered for CTC breakaway
 - Hike 3 – 4 times per month.
- Plateau – Cheryl Heckler
 - Is the new chapter chair.
 - Membership stable: gain a few and loose a few.
 - Monthly news article in local newspaper attracts new hikers.
 - Hikes: every Wednesday and 2 Saturdays per month.
 - Volunteer:
 - Fundraiser: Chapter calendars: sold 45 calendars and made \$300.
- Soddy Daisy – George Bonneau
 - Is the new chapter chair.
 - Hike year round, including the summer.
 - Usually hike 2 times per week: Saturday and one day during the week.
 - Membership has decreased due to health and job demands.
 - Chapter has many volunteers that work on the CTC - 1800 hours in 2010.
- Sumner Trails – Anne Wesley
 - One year anniversary of chapter.
 - Good member retention.
 - Nashville and Murfreesboro chapter have assisted with joint hikes.
 - New Greenway in Hendersonville.
- Upper Cumberland – Louise Miniard
 - Members Range in age from 12 – 79 years,
 - Added a Wednesday hike this year.
 - Average: 2- 20 members per hike
 - February 5, 2011: Marnell Cothran will make her 100th trip to Virgin Falls.

One member completed the AT this year.

Presented a chapter award to chapter member, Gary Kimbrell, for his service to the chapter and his activities to rescue and assist other hikers.

3. Regional Representative Reports.

- Middle Tennessee Regional Rep – Nora Beck
 - Lawrence and Lewisburg: want to lead hikes in this area to raise awareness.
 - Request that current members provide Nora with names of contacts in these areas.
- East Tennessee Regional Rep – Joe Matlock
 - Announced his resignation due to job demands.
 - Spoke about the value of the job and how much he appreciated serving in this capacity.
- West Tennessee Regional Rep – Graydon Swisher (not present/no report).

4. Nominations of Officers and Board Members for 2011.

Following persons were recommended by the nominations committee and submitted to the membership for approval. No nominations were received from the floor.

President: Don Dresser

Vice President: Millette Jones

Secretary: Carolyn Miller

Treasurer: Janice Agee

Membership Chair: Ron Dunn

East Tennessee Regional Representative (interim): Rosemary Marshall

Middle Tennessee Regional Representative: Nora Beck

West Tennessee Regional Representative: Graydon Swisher

Move to accept slate by acclamation. Motion seconded. Motion passed.

Motion to accept Don Dresser as President. Motion seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Carolyn Miller
TTA Secretary