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President Lily Rose Claiborne reports:

36 hikers, young and old, came from many sections of the State to join TTA's January hike, led by Bob Brown, from Renegade Resort across Black Mountain. Heavy fog prevented any view, but not the pleasure of hiking and being out of doors all day in January.

The TTA Board met at Cumberland Mountain State Park following the hike. David Shupe, supervisor of the Cumberland Trail, attended the meeting and gave a report on State Trails System activities. TTA was asked to provide volunteers to work on hiking trails in the State Parks that might be completed for use by the public this year. The Board approved this as our work activities for February and March.

Joe Gaines, State Trails System Administrator, also requested that TTA participate in conducting a school on trail construction. The Board approved this as a possible summer activity.

The State is making steady progress in developing a Tennessee Trails System. (See report in January issue of TENNESSEE TRAILS.) TTA needs to build a strong volunteer organization to carry out its role in the development of the Tennessee Trails System. Lily Rose Claiborne.

Program Chairman Ed Casey announces that the February activity will be trail construction work in Frozen Head State Park. We meet at Park Headquarters near Wartburg at 10 a.m. EDT, Saturday, Feb. 16. Park Headquarters is off State Route 62 between Wartburg and Petros. Take U.S. 27 from I-40 north through Harriman and turn right at Wartburg, or follow 62 from Oak Ridge through Oliver Springs and watch for the sign.

A work session has been tentatively set for Standing Stone State Park Saturday, March 16, in addition to one in Frozen Head, at 10 a.m. CDT. Standing Stone is a beautiful rustic park near Dale Hollow Dam. It may be reached via State Routes 84 and 52 from Monterey, or 42 and 52 from Cookeville.

Ed says, "Come on out Feb. 16 and March 16 to work on the trails. This is our opportunity to make a real contribution in developing hiking trails as provided in the Tenn. Trails Act."

There will be a Wildflower hike in Frozen Head State Park April 20, followed by a picnic and Board meeting in the Park. We are invited to join with the Smoky Mountains Hiking Club April 27 for a hike on the Cumberland Trail from Cumberland Gap National Historical Park to Baptist Gap. John McIntyre

and Tom Handley of Oak Ridge will be the leaders. TTA built that section of the Cumberland Trail.

Joe Gaines tells us that Bob Allen, a graduate student at George Peabody College, will be sending a questionnaire to all TTA members, with the approval of the Dept. of Conservation. Allen's study will be used in trail planning and other activities. Please answer promptly.

Seventeen people from the North Alabama Backpackers Society have become individual members of TTA. We are pleased to have this interest by our neighbors and hope they will participate in TTA activities.

We received the first issue of Missouri Trailway News, the official publication of the Missouri Trails Association, which was organized last fall. Dick Marchand of St. Louis, who attended our trails seminar at Fall Creek Falls, is interim chairman. Mrs. Edwin R. Moore of Merriam, Kansas, is chairman of the annual meeting, which will be held Saturday, March 30, in connection with a trails seminar in Columbia, Mo. We met Mrs. Moore at the Second National Trails Symposium last June in Colorado Springs. The editor of Missouri Trailway News is James F. Adams, 35 Tulip Drive, Webster Groves, Mo. 63119.

#### MEMBERSHIP

Annual dues became due January 1, 1974. Let's try to have all membership renewals in by April 1. Don't delay! Clip and mail this form today! Mail it with payment to Treasurer Dorothy R. Lingerfelt, Tennessee Trails Association, Box 4913, Chattanooga, Tenn. 35405. The Box at Oak Ridge has been closed out.

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Interested in trail work	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$10	Student	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$1.00
Individual	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$3.00	Supporting	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$10
			Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$1.00

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We need more supporting members to finance the work of the Association.