

Calendar:

August 16, hike, Little River Falls, Bill Stutz, leader.
 September, Foster Falls, Fiery Gizzard, H.E. Baggenstoss.
 October 18, Laurel Snow Pocket Wilderness
 October 25, Fall Color hike.

Bill Stutz writes: "Saturday, August 16, we will journey to Little River Falls atop Lookout Mountain. This is the longest river on a mountain in Amazing America, flowing thru a 500-foot canyon. All our Alabama and Tennessee members and their guests are invited to join us on a hike from Little River's big falls to Embarkation Point and Eberhart's. Rim Ride has some breath-taking scenery and spectacular views.

"We meet at Little River Falls at 10 a.m. Central Standard Alabama Time. Come early and get acquainted. Mr. Ira Holt of Fort Payne will be our guest leader. Bring lunch, drink, swim suit and camera. It will be a moderately short hike, but worth while. Take I-59 to Fort Payne and follow Little River Canyon signs to the falls. An alternate route is from Cloudland, Ga. to Mentone, Ala. and through DeSoto Park to the falls. Do not confuse DeSoto Falls with Little River Falls.

Mr. Stutz also writes that TTA member Elizabeth Cade attended the ATC meeting in Boone, N.C., along with Miss Ann Meyer of the Tristate Trail Club. So many people were there that we missed a lot of folks we know.

Herman Baggenstoss has been leading trail rides in the West this summer but we expect him back in time to tell us about the Fiery Gizzard hike in September. Alos, Bob Brown expects to be back in circulation then, after a busy educational program, and will round out the fall TTA program.

Evelyn Tretter writes that she is willing to act as a clearing house for rides to TTA activities from the Nashville area. People wanting rides or willing to take riders should call Evelyn at 859-0566.

Thirteen TTA members and six non-members attended the meeting at Cheekwood July 17 to form a Nashville Area chapter. Evelyn Tretter was acting chairman. Joe Gaines, State Trails System administrator, discussed the Scenic Trails program and other projects, including back-packing trails near Dickson and in Fall Creek Falls State Park.

Anne Thomson of the Metropolitan Nashville Planning Commission discussed Metro's bike trail plans. Dave Stidham of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers said a local group could work with the Corps on trails within their boundaries. He thought the Trail of Tears could follow a route over Corps lands in Middle Tennessee.

Mrs. George Weesner, president of the Tennessee Federation of Garden Clubs, spoke briefly on the Garden Clubs' interest in any trail work. Since no one at the first meeting was willing to serve as chairman of the Nashville Area Chapter, it was agreed to set up a nominating committee for the next meeting. Joe Gaines and Dave Stidham agreed to serve on that Committee.

The South Cumberland Trail Committee is still hard at work. Chairman Sam Powell asked for sledge hammers last month. That section will be a smashing success, no doubt.