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Calendar:

November 13, Annual Meeting, 10 a.m. Cumberland Mtn. State Park
Nov. 20, Hike, Nathan Bedford Forrest State Park, Nashville Chapter
Dec. 4. Hike, McLean Rock, Claiborne Co., Evan Means, leader.
Weekends, all winter, Work parties, Suck Creek to Edwards Point.

The annual meeting of the Tennessee Trails Association will be held at Cumberland Mountain State Park Saturday, Nov. 13, at 10 a.m. Central Standard Time. The agenda will include reports of officers; reports of committees, a report on the Southeast Trails Conference, plans for 1977, and election of officers.

President Grimes Slaughter has called a meeting of the Board of Directors at 9:00 a.m., preceding the annual meeting. The Tennessee Environmental Council has requested a meeting with the Board at that time.

There will be the election of four officers and one director. The term of Donald Todd will expire Dec. 31, 1976. The present officers are Grimes Slaughter, President; David Rhyme, Vice-president; Evelyn Tretter, Recording Secretary; Dorothy R. Lingerfelt, Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer, and Wm. Stutz, Donald Todd and Gordon Newland, Directors. Evan Means, immediate past president, and David Stidham, Chairman of the Nashville Chapter, complete the roster of the Board of Directors.

David Stidham invites all TTA members to join the Nashville Chapter on a hike on the Tennessee Forest Trail in Nathan Bedford Forrest State Park Saturday, Nov. 20. Terry Waters will be the hike leader. The trip is about 17 miles, of moderate difficulty. The Nashville group will meet at the Cumberland Museum at 7:30 a.m. CST to form car pools. Others may meet them at the Park Visitors Center at 10 a. m. Evelyn Tretter is Nashville area coordinator; call her at 615-859-0566, or call Terry at 901-584-6356 for information.

Evelyn Tretter reports that 10 persons attended the meeting of the Nashville Chapter at the Hermitage House Smorgasbord Restaurant in Old Hickory Oct. 21. The group heard a talk on camping in State Parks.

BOR presented a certificate designating the Old Hickory Nature Trail, below Old Hickory Dam, as a National Recreation Trail Oct. 27. David Stidham represented TTA at the dedication ceremonies.

President Grimes Slaughter reports that "Nine people and a puppy named 'Go-Go' hiked the Defeated Creek-Overlook Trail on Cordell Hull Lake on October 9, under the leadership of TTA member Al Lookofsky. Bad weather during the week and a dreary morning evidently conspired to keep TTA members away in droves, but some non-TTA members showed up for the hike. The trail climbs from lake level to the bluff several times, and the clearing weather afforded splendid views of the lake and surrounding country. Many fossil remains were found on the rocks at the top of the bluff, and a herd of wild (domestic) goats was surprised and put to flight. Ranger Lookofsky will welcome any help from volunteers in grading and benching the trail on the beginning precipitous section." The Editor was in Kentucky for a meeting of outdoor writers and missed the hike.

The Nashville Chapter's hike on Sunday, Oct. 17, attracted 25 people, including the Lookofsky baby in a backpack, and one dog. (Could it have been named "Go-Go"? The group watched the historical film at the Visitors Center, then hiked the 3-mile trail around Stones River National Military Park.

After the hike there was a weiner roast on the bank of Stones River. Hike leader Bertha Chrietberg brought along a big jug of hot spiced tea, which was so popular that they prevailed on her to pass along the recipe