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## A CRITICAL TIME FOR CHEROKEE WILDERNESS AND FOREST MANAGEMENT

Will Skelton

If you feel there should be some protected wilderness in upper East Tennessee (now there is none); if you feel Big Frog Mountain and Little Frog Mountain Wilderness Study Areas should be designated as wilderness; or if you have any management suggestions for the Cherokee National Forest (i.e., more trails), NOW is the time to write a letter (prior to April 25, 1985). The Cherokee National Forest released their draft (which means it can be changed) Land and Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement on January 16, 1985. The Forest Service is soliciting written comments until April 25. Comments should be mailed to the Forest Supervisor, Cherokee National Forest, Post Office Box 2010, Cleveland, Tennessee 37311. Tell them simply that you support the "Citizens Wilderness Proposal" - a wilderness proposal put together by the Cherokee National Forest Wilderness Coalition. Also mention any other areas of forest management you are interested in, such as (i) constructing and maintaining more hiking trails, with buffer zones along the trails; (ii) maintaining a diversity of tree species with sustained yield timber harvesting; and (iii) providing large roadless tracts of late succession trees for black bear habitat and primitive roadless recreation. If you want a copy of the Forest Services' Plan and EIS, write the Forest Service at the above address (it is a great reference source).

**BOARD MEETING RESULTS** - The TTA Board of Directors met on February 23rd at Natchez Trace State Park, and took the following actions: Approved annual meeting location at Tech Aqua; vowed to promote Adopt-a-Trail and the Cumberland Trail project in 1985; voted to support a Natural Resources Trust Fund in Tennessee made up of revenues from the sale of state lands or non-renewable resources; interest from same to be used for purchase/protection of natural and cultural resources; and agreed to study the use of non-motorized bicycles on hiking and horseback riding trails. If you have any thoughts on the latter, pass them on to a Board member. Chapters are encouraged to ask their local book stores to carry Evan Means book, TENNESSEE TRAILS. TTA receives royalty revenues from each book sold (over \$200 this past quarter).

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS** - If you didn't renew your 1985 membership, you didn't receive this newsletter! Chapters will receive an up-to-date membership list soon. Please follow-up on lapsed members and encourage them to rejoin. Most just forget and need a friendly reminder from their Chapter rep.

We regret the death of PAUL ADAMS, an honorary member of TTA. He died Feb. 2, at the age of 83. He was known as the founder of the first permanent camp on Mt. LeConte.

## RARE PLANT PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION ACT OF 1985

The Rare Plant Protection and Conservation Act of 1985 will come up for a vote this spring. This bill was developed by the Environmental Action Fund (EAF), and needs our support. It is Senate bill #440 and supported by Senator Jim Lewis of South Pittsburg; as a House bill, it will be sponsored by Representative Steve Cobb of Nashville. The bill will:

1. Authorize the Department of Conservation to investigate the status of rare plants and formulate a list of rare species of plants.
2. Prohibit the taking of rare plants from any lands, without the consent of the owner and provide for penalties and enforcement to prevent such unlawful taking of rare plants.
3. Create a system of licenses for nursery farmers who sell rare plants.
4. Establish conservation programs and utilize existing programs to conserve rare plants.
5. Authorize the commissioners of conservation and agriculture to enter into agreements designed to conserve rare plants, and to promulgate rules and regulations to implement the act.
6. Accomplish other related purposes.

There are many rare plants in Tennessee, that need protection, and that also need to be considered for Federal listing. We must have protection by state action if we are to save these plants from extinction. Some of you have seen Ruth's Golden Aster, "Pityopsis ruthii", in bloom in October off the John Muir Trail in the Hiwassee Gorge. It is found only on the banks of the Hiwassee and Ocoee rivers in East Tennessee and is now endangered by poor water quality, alteration of river flow and trampling by tourists. In our own Middle Tennessee area, (Davidson, Wilson, Rutherford counties), we have the extremely rare Tennessee Coneflower "Echinacea tennesseensis", that is presently the only Tennessee wildflower to be listed on the Federal Endangered and Threatened Plant List. We need to protect these and many other rare plants in our state of Tennessee. The wildflowers need our help!

I would urge you to support this legislature by writing or calling your legislators and others such as the sponsors listed above, and also send letters or copies to the Governor and the Commissioner of Conservation (Charles A. Howell, III, 701 Broadway, Nashville, 37219), and Agriculture (William H. Walker, III, Ellington Agriculture Center, P.O. Box 40627, Nashville, 37204). If you do not know who your legislators are, call your County Election Commission for addresses and phone numbers.

---- Bertha C. Chrietsberg

**CHANGES IN 1985 OUTING SCHEDULE** - Delete the April 13th hike at Edgar Evins State Park; the Mt. LeConte trip has been changed from July 13 to June 11; the location and date for the annual meeting has been changed to Oct. 11-13, Tech Aqua Biological Station, Center Hill Lake; the Joyce Kilmer-Slickrock backpack has been changed to Oct. 19-20.

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT** to include the Editor on the Board of Directors has passed.

Send material for Tennessee Trails to: David Stidham, Editor  
1015 Hitt Lane  
Goodlettsville, TN 37072

The deadline is the 20th of each month. If possible, submit material camera ready, typed in a full 4½ inch column. Artwork is welcomed.

## HIKES

### MONTGOMERY BELL OVERNIGHT HIKE MARCH 9-10, 1985

Join un on this hike through a beautiful, historic area. Meet at the park office off Highway 70 at 9:30am Central Time. There are shelters but pack a tent in case they are full. We should be out no later than 3:30pm on Sunday.

LEADER: Kim Fryer 615-352-5091  
Nashville

Mt. Nebo State Park, March 16-17. This week-end trip is being substituted for the previously scheduled Mark Twain National Forest trip. Come and join the Memphis Chapter and we promise you won't be disappointed in this mountainous, west central Arkansas park.

The park offers 13 miles of trails and majestic views of a falls, springs and 34,000 acre Lake Dardanelle in the valley below. Camping and cabins are available. Motels and restaurants are located in nearby Russellville. To get to the park take I-40 west to the Russellville exit and take State Highway 7 south through Russellville to Dardanelle, then take State Hwy. 155 west up the mountain. For cabin information call (501) 229-3655. Hikers meet behind the park office at noon on Saturday and/or at 9:00 on Sunday morning.

Leader: Bob Barnett (901) 767-9347.

### MARCH 24 - WAPANOCCA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE NIGHT ADVENTURE

Wapanocca provides a spectacular showplace of sounds and sights both day and night. The Memphis Chapter will visit the Wildlife Refuge during dusk hours and hear a display of night sounds and hopefully see predators stalking prey. We will meet at the Pink Palace Museum parking lot at 6:00 p.m. and ride in their vans with Museum staff. For van reservations call Jill Norvell, 873-2149 evenings before March 20.

Leader: Robbie Krampf 454-5600

### Rock Creek Hike(Pickett Co.) Sunday, March 24

On Sunday, March 24 the Cumberland Mountain Chapter will be hiking along a portion of the Rock Creek Trail in Pickett State Forest. Rock Creek is a crystal clear mountain stream, one of the most beautiful in the area. We will be hiking along the creek bank on the old Kentucky&Tennessee Railroad which was abandoned in the 1930's. After about

three miles we will be leaving the creek and turn up the mountain to Thompson Overlook. We will continue our hike to the Tunnel Trail down to Rock Creek and back to our vehicles. The entire hike will be about eight miles and between Class II and III. We will be crossing the creek twice so be prepared. Be sure and bring lunch and water. We will be leaving from the Pickett State Park office at 9:00 A.M. C.S.T.

LEADER: Howard Ray Duncan 615-879-8245  
Jameston, Tenn.

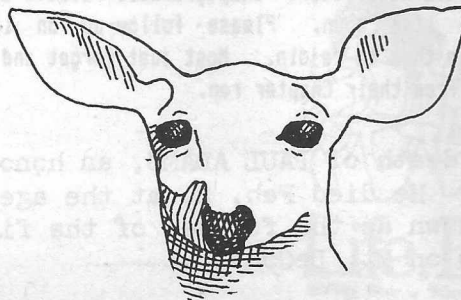
### MAINTENANCE OF SECTION II, CUMBERLAND TRAIL MARCH 23-24, 1985

TTA has a formal agreement with the Tennessee Department of Conservation to maintain the 31 mile section of the CT from Cove Lake State Park to Oliver Springs in Campbell and Anderson counties. Join our LEADER and the CT Ranger, Bobby Harbin, to do routine maintenance on parts of this trail section. Bring hand tools (some will also be available there), gloves, lunch, water and a spirit of cooperation in this TTA service project. Camping is available at the Cumberland Trail Headquarters, or in the regular State Park campground at Cove Lake. Meet at 10am Eastern Time at the Cumberland Trail Headquarters Building (on the left as you approach the State Park Campground).

LEADER: Grimes Slaughter 615-483-5859  
Oak Ridge

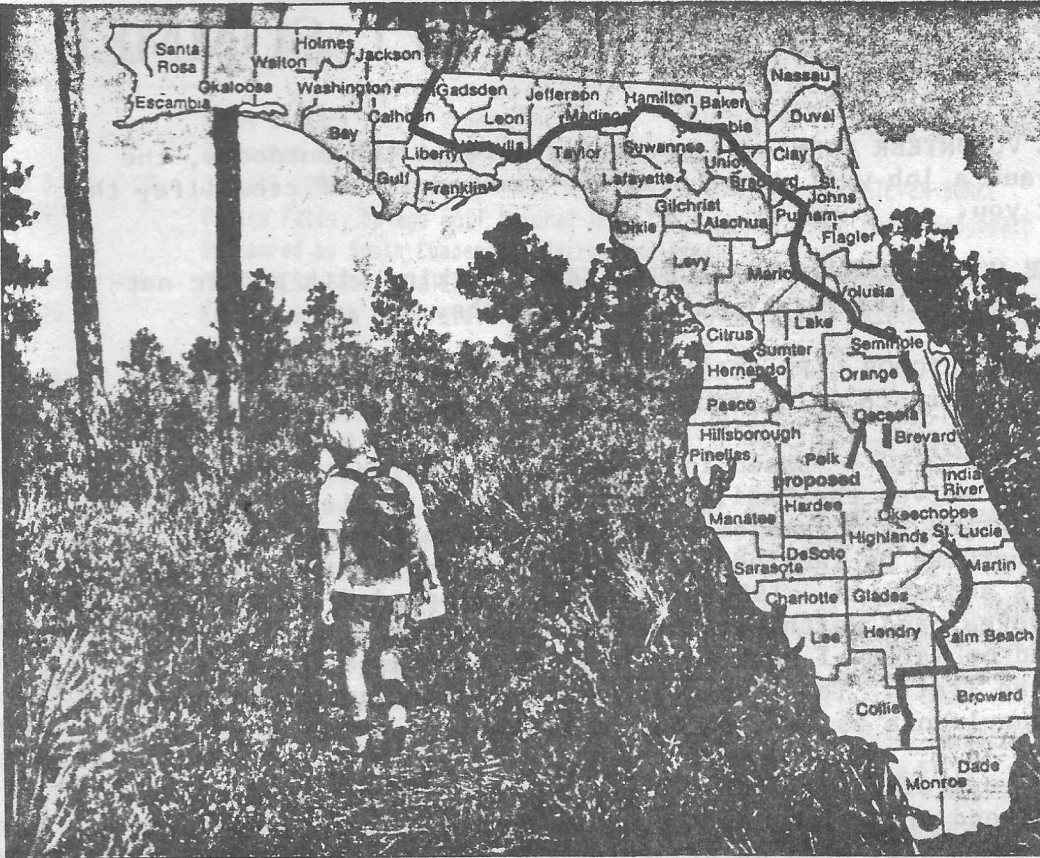
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# Hikers are putting Florida on the map



Hikers have cleared 900 miles of Florida paths since 1966, plans call for 400 more miles by 1986.

## The Orlando Sentinel

Monday, December 31, 1984

The Appalachian extends 2,100 miles from Maine to Georgia. The Florida Trail doesn't join the Appalachian, though a spur trail may be built someday to connect the two so that ambitious hikers can journey from the northernmost to the southernmost tips of the United States. The Florida Trail is one of three footpaths recognized by Congress as a National Scenic Trail; the other two are the Pacific Crest Trail on the West Coast and the Appalachian Trail.

In a fast-growing state laced with highways, the secluded Florida Trail represents life in the slow lane. "It's just wonderful to be out here away from the congestion. It's food for the soul," says Linda Farmer, a middle-school teacher who spent a recent Saturday trimming errant vines and bushes along a stretch of trail in Seminole County.

The Florida Trail Association has about 4,500 members, about 250 of whom live in Central Florida. The group takes both easygoing day hikes and more ambitious weekend hiking and camping trips. In the summer, canoeing is more popular than hiking. Information about activities is published in monthly newsletters.

Over three months' time, Cecil Kirkham of Sanford hiked every

segment of the trail. "People think Florida would be monotonous, that it's all flat," says Kirkham, a 64-year-old retired mail carrier. "But there are hilly spots in Florida, and there are lakes, ponds, rivers and woods, and Florida has many flowers in all seasons. You see deer and other animals. I've seen otters and I've seen a fox, and once I saw a panther, which is very, very rare."

Scenery and wildlife varies dramatically from one end of Florida

**[The Florida Trail] is food for the soul**

— Linda Farmer

to the other. In the Everglades, the trail winds through sawgrass and cypress trees festooned with orchids and bromeliads. In Central Florida, the trail wanders through piney woods and oak hammocks, along Rock Springs Run and old railroad right-of-ways and around numerous lakes. In North Florida, much of the trail is shaded by spreading oaks, and it parallels rivers such as the Suwannee.

The Gainesville-based Florida Trail Association publishes a guide containing detailed trail maps and descriptions. Parts of the trail cross private property through an arrangement with

landowners who allow only Florida Trail Association members on their property. Therefore, the guide is available only to members. Many trails, however, traverse public land, such as Big Tree East Park in Seminole County, the Wekiwa Springs State Park and the Ocala National Forest.

The guide tells hikers where to find an eagle's nest along one trail in the Lake Kissimmee State Park. The map for another trail, where pine trees have been slashed and scarred by a long-defunct turpentine industry, marks the spot of a turpentine workers' cemetery, circa 1912. Other trails across the state lead hikers to such points of interest as artesian wells, Indian mounds, giant trees and historic sites.

During the past 12 years, Wiley Dykes Sr. has mapped and helped to build much of the 80 or more miles of trail that meander through Orange, Seminole, Osceola, Lake and Sumter counties. He is a geographer by training who works as a physical scientist at the Orlando Naval Training Equipment Center. "I sit in an office all week, and the trail gives me a chance to get outdoors," says Dykes, 53. From aerial photographs, Dykes plots paths. Later, he checks county records to find out who owns the land where he wants to build a trail, and then he approaches the landowners. About three of every four landowners grant permission to route

the trail through their property.

Early on a recent Saturday morning, Dykes and about a dozen Florida Trail members set out on their monthly work hike. They brought shears, pruners, a lawn mower, a post digger, hammer and nails, a gasoline-powered brush cutter and good conversation to make the work seem easier. The group tackled about 20 miles of trail near Chuluota, a community in east Seminole County. By midafternoon they had tidied about 4 miles of overgrown trail, repaired a small bridge, built a stile and repainted color-coded blazes on trees to direct hikers. Work is slower going when a trail is being built from scratch — it takes about a day to clear one mile of trail.

Wielding a pickaxe and wearing thick gloves, Troy Hager was part of the crew. "You come out here, you dig a little, you chop a little, you hack a little and the bad humor dissipates," said the 50-year-old Hager. "You're a better person."

Individual annual memberships to the Florida Trail Association cost \$19. For information about the Florida Trail Association's Central Florida chapter, contact Wiley Dykes Sr., 1840 Palmer Ave., Winter Park, Fla. 32792, (305) 671-8866. For information about the statewide organization, contact the Florida Trail Association Inc., P.O. Box 13708, Gainesville, Fla. 32604, (904) 378-8823.

By Lisanne Renner

OF THE SENTINEL STAFF

Deep in the piney woods of Central Florida, if you're quiet and snap few twigs as you step, you may glimpse a couple of turkeys scuttling across your path.

If you're stone still, you might also spot a barred owl high on a tree limb before it flies away.

Armadillos might startle you as they scurry across the trail from beneath palmetto scrub. Deer tracks may lead you to the deer that left them.

You'll see *Homo sapiens* in the woods, too, especially a subspecies known as the Florida Trail Association hiker. Although some animals hibernate in winter, this is the season when the hiker is most active because the footpaths are dry, the weather cool and mosquitoes scarce. The habitat of the Florida Trail hiker ranges from the semitropical Everglades to the Panhandle pinelands.

While the armadillo digs burrows and the spider weaves webs, the Florida Trail hiker blazes trails. Hikers have hacked through 900 miles of Florida terrain since 1966, creating segments of north-south trails along the Florida peninsula. The Florida Trail is not one continuous path yet — there are gaps in some places. But Florida Trail Association members hope that by the time the association celebrates its 20th anniversary in 1986, all the segments will have been connected to form a 1,300-mile footpath traversing the length of Florida, from the Everglades National Park in South Florida to the Blackwater River State Forest on the Alabama state line.

Miami real-estate agent and wildlife photographer James Kern conceived of the Florida Trail in 1964 after he drove to North Carolina to hike part of the Appalachian Trail. "I realized I had driven 800 miles up and 800 miles back to hike 40 miles. That didn't make economic sense," says Kern, who is now 50. Looking around Florida, he saw only short nature trails, so in 1966 Kern organized hardy hikers willing to clear a trail that would serve as Florida's own little version of the Appalachian Trail.

# JOIN THE A.T. VOLUNTEER CREW FOR A WEEKEND, A WEEK, OR ALL SUMMER

**JOIN THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL VOLUNTEER CREW!** If you enjoy life in the outdoors, the satisfaction of hard work and a job well done, plus the camaraderie of crew life, the A.T. Volunteer Crew is for you.

**HELP BUILD AND PRESERVE THE WORLD FAMOUS APPALACHIAN TRAIL** working with public natural resource agencies and Appalachian Trail maintaining clubs.

**LEARN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND OUTDOOR LIFE SKILLS** under the leadership of experts from the Appalachian Trail Conference (ATC) and the U.S. Forest Service (USFS).

**THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL VOLUNTEER CREW** -- Based in a Forest Service facility in Konnarock, Virginia, the Crew serves the Trail primarily from Virginia southward, working on heavy construction and land management projects. The Crew works on projects which might not otherwise be tackled by local clubs and federal agencies with limited human resources and skills. 1984 project sites included the George Washington, Jefferson, Cherokee, and North Carolina National Forests; Great Smoky Mountains National Park; and on National Park Service lands purchased for the protection of the Appalachian Trail. The 1985 season will include construction projects on the A.T. in Pennsylvania as well as in the South.

**THE WORK** -- The program will operate from June 6th until August 29th, 1985. Crew members can work for one weekend or as long as the whole summer. Trail crews of 4-6 volunteers with a skilled leader will work on projects from Thursday to Monday, and return to the Konnarock base lodge for Tuesday/Wednesday "weekends". Work may include new trail construction, rock work, log work, shelter construction, rebuilding eroded trail, vista clearing or a variety of other resource management projects along the Appalachian Trail. The work is physically demanding, requiring perseverance, and fortitude while living with limited comforts in the outdoors.

**CAMP KONNAROCK** -- The Appalachian Trail Crew base camp is located in a rustic USFS lodge in the center of the Mount Rogers National Recreation Area in southwest Virginia. The lodge, located at the base of White Top (second highest peak in Virginia), is equipped with bunkrooms, showers, kitchen facilities, and other amenities to assure comfortable "time off". A variety of recreational opportunities are found nearby, including swimming, horseback riding and many trails for hiking and backpacking. In the past, crews have also made weekend forays to nearby areas for rock-climbing, caving and canoeing.

**WHO MAY APPLY** -- Anyone age 18 or over. Volunteers have included a wide range of age groups from teen-agers to retirees. Enthusiasm and good health are more important than age. Mature, experienced 16 year-olds may be considered. Prior experience is desirable but not necessary. Simply fill in and mail the attached application form today, or write:

APPALACHIAN TRAIL VOLUNTEER CREW  
C/O ATC SOUTHERN VIRGINIA REGIONAL OFFICE  
PO BOX 738  
BLACKSBURG, VA 24060

**WHAT WE PROVIDE** -- Once you reach Camp Konnarock most of your expenses are covered. These include lodging, food, transportation, tools, safety equipment, and a small weekly stipend for laundry and incidentals.



## TRIP REPORTS

Rockcastle Bushwhackers Trip, Feb. 17  
(Cumberland Mountain Chapter) - What was originally planned as a trip to Rockcastle ended up as a trip to the Middle Creek Nature Trail in the BSNRRA. The trip into Rockcastle was cancelled because of heavy accumulation of snow in the Rockcastle gorge, which would have made the trip very hazardous. It was replaced with a hike on the Middle Creek Trail (which was originally scheduled for Jan. 1 but cancelled because of rain). A group of ten hikers were treated to mushy snow and some fantastic ice formations. After finishing the Middle Creek Trail the group decided to go to Colditz Cove near Allardt where we saw even more fantastic ice formations. Everyone greatly enjoyed this chance to end their "cabin fever" after the recent weeks of bad weather. Aside from cold, wet feet and many slips, slides and spills we made both hikes in fine shape. A special thanks to those folks who came up from Nashville, you really made our hike.... Howard Ray Duncan

FORT PILLOW HIKE The short trail at Fort Pillow State Park looked pretty with 4 to 6 inches of snow on the ground. But it also looked too difficult to go five miles to nine Memphis Chapter members on Saturday, February 9, 1985. Remembering an unfortunate experience in October at this same place, we decided to hike 6 miles on the cleared roads. On such a cold day, this was more than enough walking to cure our cabin fever. Because only few people were in the park that day, we still felt as if we were deep in the woods. We wish good luck to the group of young men who took off cross-country through the snow to get in shape for their Grand Canyon hike and also to the Boy Scouts who were drying socks over their fire! ...Betty Porter

PINSON MOUNDS HIKE On Sunday, December 16, 1984, sixteen people from Memphis Chapter took a pre-holiday hike at Pinson Mounds Archeological Area near Jackson. Although the museum was not open, we enjoyed walking about 8 miles around the park looking at several Indian mounds of various heights and shapes. From the observation deck on top of Saul's Mound, we got a good view of the surrounding countryside. And in the lowland part of the woods we sat at the end of the long boardwalk and ate lunch. This was a really good day to be outdoors and an especially good time to hike in this particular park. ...Betty Porter

The Memphis chapter's annual Thanksgiving Day hike was held the week before Thanksgiving in 1984 because other plans for the holiday weekend had been made for the forest earlier. About fifteen hikers convened to enjoy a brisk walk along the Chickasaw Bluff Trail's ten mile length on November 17, 1984. We were transported to our starting place so our hike would bring us back to our cars that afternoon. The day was clear and bright and the leaf color was about the best we'd seen all fall. A long mild fall in West Tennessee had kept most foliage green later than usual, so the brilliant crimson of the sweet gums and dogwoods, the glowing gold of the hickories mixed with the vibrant orange of maples to give us the long-awaited joy of autumn's special gifts. The damp, fresh smell of leaves underfoot added an extra dimension of enjoyment to a day in the woods that was cool enough to encourage us to walk at a fairly rapid pace. When we stopped for lunch at the Pioneer Springs shelter we noticed that two of our most experienced hikers were missing. Surely Betty and Ann couldn't be lost! We waited a while for them to

catch up, then began to call, blow whistles and consider sending out a search party. Just as we were about to start to set out looking for them, they appeared, sheepish and red-faced. They had been so deeply engrossed in conversation that they had missed a turn and had walked nearly to the river when they realized that the group was nowhere in sight. They weren't "lost" of course, just maybe a tiny bit "misplaced". Charlie Norvell led our hike and pointed out many interesting bits of nature lore along the way. One thing that the person hiking behind Charlie learned was to stay well back of him when he decided to perform trail maintenance chores. When Charlie cleared debris off the trail there was no telling where it might land. The pleasures of this delightful hike helped us all to go into the dreary winter season ahead with good memories of mid-south hiking at its best. GFJ

Buffalo River Canoe Trip, July 21st (Memphis). Memphians and guests from the Millington Navy Base plus Nashville club members converged on the canoe outpost of Flatwoods, TN. Twenty-four people canoed from Slink Shoals to Bell Bridge on this typical July Saturday that varied between being mostly sunny or mostly cloudy. The river was slightly higher than normal for the month of July. It was a day that found many people besides for the TTA group enjoying the river scenery.

Mouse Tail Landing State Park, May 26, 1984 (Memphis) This was a special hike for several reasons. It was a final tune up for some in the group before a trip to the Great Smoky Mountains. The park was about a week away from the official opening. The scenery on this day in May was startlingly different than on previous trips to this park due to spring floods. The trail was not flooded but water lines were visible on trees plus debris remained that had washed up on the trail during the flood. The group had been advised ahead of time by Mouse Tail Landing's Jim Keeton that hiking might be difficult due to the flooding, but a vigorous work crew and some dry days had this park ready for its opening. Those factors also enabled a group of eleven to enjoy this day in May.

Spring in the Forest, 1984 - It's hard to believe that we ever worried about mosquitos and humidity, but that is what I remember most vividly as I try to recall the Memphis Chapter's hike at Shelby Forest on April 28, 1984. Only six hikers showed up for the hike that rainy, muggy weekend, but ranger-naturalist Charlie Norvell was ready to go - not necessarily to hike - but to go! Since it had been raining and warm most of the preceding week the mosquitos had grown to fighter plane size and were looking for succulent hiker flesh to satisfy their voracious appetites. Charlie recommended we take the lake cruise on the pontoon boat instead of attempting to negotiate the muddy, humid trails and fight off the winged monsters which had developed a taste for Deep Woods Off, Repel and Cutter's. Deferring to his expert knowledge of the forest we piled into the boat and pulled away from the dock, ready for a different view of Shelby Forest. As we toured the lake, catching glimpses of a variety of ducks and geese and songbirds, the fine drizzle that had begun to fall changed to a steady downpour, so that what we mostly saw was a view of heavy rain. We learned about the history of the lake and about its inhabitants - and I learned that if you sit in a hard rain for long enough the water will soak right through Gortex! After about an hour and a half we returned to shore to slosh back to our cars - wetter, but wiser.

GJ.

Crowley's Ridge State Park, March 17, 1984. The scheduled leader for this hike was unable to lead it as scheduled due to unexpected work commitments. Memphians awoke to a stormy Saturday morning and decided against the two hour drive to Crowley's Ridge State Park.

Nell Mobley, a former Memphis TTA'er, that now resides in Missouri and some friends reported that they had a delightful day hiking. It reminds those of us in Memphis what we practice most of the time but sometimes forget and that is that rain in Memphis should not deter us from packing our gear and hitting the trail elsewhere.

The trip to Wapanocca National Wildlife Refuge was snowed in and under and cancelled.

**MAKE A SEED GRENADE** Save CARDBOARD egg cartons. Separate the sections and fill with soil and flower seeds. Tape two sections together. When you go for a walk or drive, you can throw your "grenades". Be sure to use seeds of plants that will attract birds, butterflies, or other friendly animals.

## BE SURE TO:

- Pack out whatever you pack in.
- Burn only dead and downed wood.
- Bury human waste in hole 18 inches deep and 100 feet or more from any stream.
- Be aware of the hunting seasons and wear a minimum of 500 sq. inches of blaze orange colored clothing during the deer season.
- Know about snakebite first aid.
- Boil or Purify all drinking water.
- Let someone at home know your hiking plans.
- Take only pictures, leave only footprints.

# TTA — The Tennessee Trails Association

**OBJECTIVES:** To promote, construct, and maintain a statewide system of hiking trails, and to work for the conservation of natural resources inherent to this objective. Sponsor for the Cumberland Trail. Regular dues are \$8.00 per year; \$3.00 for students and family dependents.

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