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CUMBERLAND MOUNTAIN CHAPTER RECIEVES TTA

The Cumberland Mountain Chapter of the Tennessee Trails Association, based in Jamestown, Tennessee, recieved the Tennessee Trails Award at the association's annual meeting at the Tech Aqua Biological Station on Center Hill Lake on October 19th, 1985. This award is presented annually to an individual or organization who has contributed significantly to the development of trails in Tennessee or to the objectives of the association. This is the first time the award was presented to a chapter of the TTA. Accomplishments by the Cumberland Mountain Chapter in the past year cited by TTA President David Stidham in presenting the award to the chapter chairperson Steven Burke included: development and maintenance of the trail system at Colditz Cove State Natural Area; adoption of trails in the Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area; leadership in a successful effort to keep the name of the Big South Fork NRRA from being changed; and promotion of trails and natural areas in the upper Cumberland area. The Cumberland Mountain Chapter is an outstanding example of how local chapters of TTA can build a local constitutency and support for TTA's objective of developing a viable trail system in Tennessee, acording to Stidham. The Tennessee Trails Award has been presented in the past to individuals, including Evan Means, charter member of TTA and author of Tennessee Trails, and organizations such as Bowaters Southern Paper Co.

The "Bill Stutz Award", awarded annually to a TTA mamber, went this year to TTA President and newsletter editor David Stidham. The first award of this type war presented to Evelyn Tretter of Goodlettsville in 1984. The award is in memory of past TTA member and beloved hiker Bill Stutz, formerly of Chattanooga.

CLASSIFIED AD

Bob Barnett seeks sponsors for the Memphis Freeze Walk November 2nd. The Memphis Freeze Walk is November 2nd, 1985. Freeze Walks are a cooperative effort of national, state, and local campaigns that are working for a freeze on the Soviet American nuclear arms race.

The event is a 10 Km walk. Bob will walk the Freeze in a breeze. Any size pledge will be welcome. Please mail pledges to Bob. Payment is to:

 ${\tt Mid-South\ Peace\ and\ Justice\ Center-FREEZE}$

ELECTION RESULTS

Results of the annual elections for the TTA executive committee are as follows:

President - David Stidham President-Elect (a new position) -Howard Ray Duncan

Vice-President - Bob Barnett Cooresponding Secretary-Treasurer - Dot Lingerfelt

Recording Secretary - Evelyn Tretter At-Large Director (1986-1988) - Carroll Viera

Following is a list of donors of door prizes; for the annual meeting. Members may want to patronize the businesses or express appreciation. Gene Curp was in charge of collecting these exceptional prizes:

Two books, Spirit of the Mountains and Natural Bridges of Tennessee, Tennessee Department of Conservation, Parks and Recreation, Trails Program; eight books, History of Nashville and Buildings, Fintech Group accounting firm, Nashville; candle lantern, boot care kit, compass and thermometer, Sports'N'Trails store, Nashville; set of topos, Big South Fork, and wall map of the Appalachian Trail, a friend of TTA; dinner for two at Mack's Country Cooking, Nashville, Buddy and Pat Anderson; Lil' Oscar Coleman cooler, K-Mart store, Goodlettsville; blanket, Wal-Mart store, Goodlettsville; bottle of wine, Highland Manor winery, Jamestown; Big South Fork T-shirt, Cumberland Mountain chapter, TTA; five books, calendar, puzzle, Memphis chapter, TTA: ladies jacket, Weather Tamer Co., Columbia; comet T-shirt, Memphis chapter; set of nature posters, Tennessee Forestry Division; North Face daypack, Cumberland Transit store, Nashville; tarp, Wal-Mart store, Goodlettsville. two items were given as prizes in the two contests.



Send material for Tennessee Trails to: I

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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

$\frac{\texttt{November 2 - STONES RIVER CANOE}}{\texttt{FLOAT}}$

On this annual canoe float of the East Fork of Stones River, we will paddle approximately seven miles. This pastoral stream has interesting rock bluffs with occasional fast curves and shoals, an old water mill or two, and obstacles like a culvert bridge to go through and a dam to portage. We usually see many varieties of birds, and other wildlife. This is a day's float, so bring lunch and water. Meet at 9:00 CST in the Greenland Parking Lot behind Murphy Center, the large athletic complex on the MTSU campus. From there, we will proceed to the put-in, and shuttle cars to the take-out. You must have your own canoe and life jackets. If you do not own a canoe and wish to come call, as we may have one or two available to loan out, or we can tell you where to rent one. For further information and/or preregistration, contact one of the following:

Leaders: Bertha Chrietzberg (615) 896-1146

Tom Copeland John Clark (615) 896-4069 (615) 896-1146

WOLF RIVER TRAIL - Memphis Chapter Sun. Nov. 10
Meet at 1:00 p.m. by the waterslide on Bartlett Rd. just off Summer Ave. by comcrete bridge. This will be a short (4 mile) hike thru river bottom land so comfortable clothes and shoes are in order.

LEADER: Anne Lindholm - 901-388-4123

The Bear Wallow Gap Trip Nov. 9th has been cancelled due to its inclusion at the Annual Meeting.

TTA Work Trip - Piney River Section of Cumberland Trail

This work session will be mainly devoted to reconnaissance and mapping of the Piney River Gorge area. We intend to search for the location of the old rail grade, benches above the river, and scenic attractions in the area. Maps of the area will be furnished. We will camp over night (bring camping equipment) at a central point and make day hikes of the survey sessions on Saturday and Sunday. Backpacking equipment should not be needed as we will camp over night near a road head. Please meet at the Bowater Piney River Picnic Area one mile up the Shut-In Gap Road at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time, November 23rd. Shut-In Gap Road turns west off Highway 68 about a mile north of the junction of Highway's 68 and 27 in Spring City. Look for a Rocky Creek Coal Company sign.

Contact Dave Rhyne Route 1, Box 283A Athens, TN 37303 (615) 745-4289 after 5:30 or (615) 336-2211 weekdays

THANKSGIVING HIKE - Shelby Forest State Park - Sat., Nov. 30
Here's your chance to walk off all that Thanksgiving turkey by meeting at the Park Office at 8:00 a.m.
Our leader will be Charlie Norvell who will hike with us on the Chickasaw Bluff Trail, approx. 8
mikes. Bring water, lunch and a friend.
LEADER: Charlie Norvell Millington - 873-2149

CARTUOL COORDINATORS:

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615-842-8043 615-751-3292 (work)

Chanter News

Memphis

Memphis Chapter - Nov. Meeting Join us on Nov. 21 when we will have Mr. Ben Carpenter with the Memphis Camera Club to give us some pointers on how to take great pictures on hikes and elsewhere. Bring your cameras if you wish, and pictures also would be welcome, esp. of some of our hikes.

Nashville

Our November meeting will be held at Bob Richards' cabin at Beersheba Springs, the weekend of November 15-16-17. Weiner roast Friday night, hiking Saturday, chili cookin Saturday night, hiking Sunday. All chapters are invited to join us for a fun weekend in our favorite South Cumberland cabin. Preregistration is required. Call Pat Anderson at 383-2355 between 5:00-10:00 p.m.

For further information on hiking and horseback riding in the National Area, contact: National Park Service, P.O. Box 630, Oneida, Tenn. 37841. The office is located inside the boundary of the National Area. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The telephone number is (615) 569-6963.

Cumberland Mountain

CUMBERLAND MOUNTAIN CHAPTER MEETING Saturday, November 9, 1985

The Cumberland Mountain Chapter will meet on Saturday, November 9 at 4:30 p.m. CST at the Pickett State Park Lodge. Election of officers for the 1986 year will be held, along with a slide show of the past year's activities. It is important that everyone attend. Refreshments will be served.

Cumberland Mt. Chapter met at Pickett State Park Sept. 21 for our annual ice eream social. Martha and Tom Sells are to be congratulated on the outstanding home made ice cream. All three flavors were delicious and were enjoyed by our 23 members and 2 guests that attended.

A work trip on our adopted trail in BSF has been set for Nov. 2 and 3. We will meet at the Middle Creek trail head at 9 a.m. on Saturday and 1 p.m. on Sunday.

The Cumberland Mountain Chapter would like to express appreciation and congratulations to the Nashville Chapter, and all others responsible for a most enjoyable annual meeting. The surroundings at Tech Aqua, the good food, the hospitality, and the hikes made the 1985 Annual Meeting an event that will be remembered by those who attended for a long time. The Cumberland Mountain Chapter would also like to express our deepest appreciation to the entire TTA for the Tennessee Trails Award, and to our wonderful members for making it possible.

CUMBERLAND MOUNTAIN CHAPTER JOINT WEEKEND WITH NASHVILLE CHAPTER AT BEERSHEBA SPRINGS
November 15-16-17, 1985

The Cumberland Mountain Chapter will join the Nashville Chapter on the weekend of November 15, 16, & 17 at Bob Richards cabin at Beersheba Springs for a wkekend of fun and hiking. There will be a weiner roast on Friday night, a chili supper on Saturday night, and hiking on Saturday and Sunday. All Cumberland Mountain Chapter members are urged to join us for a fun weekend in a beautiful South Cumberland setting. Preregistration is required. For more information and directions call Howard Ray Duncan at 879-8245 or Pat Anderson at 383-2355 between 5:00 and 10:00 p.m.



| 1985 | CALENDAR | OF | EVENTS |
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| DATE | SPONSOR | EVENT | LASS | MILES | LEADER | PHONE (HOME/WORK) |
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| NOV 2-3 | CM | MIDDLE CREEK TRAIL WORKTRIP | | | TOM SELLS | (615)879-7759 |
| NOV 2 | MU | STONES RIVER CANOE FLOAT | | | BERTHA CHRITZBERG | (615)896-1146 |
| NOV 2 | | Big South Fork Hiking Club - Hidden Passage Tra | il, | Pickett | | (615) 569-9102 |
| NOV 9 | CM | CHAPTER MEETING, PICKETT STATE PARK | 4 17 4 | | | |
| NOV 10 | ME | WOLF RIVER TRAIL | 1 | 3 | ANNE LINDHOLM | (901) 388-4123 |
| NOV 21 | ME | CHAPTER MEETING | | | | |
| NOV 15- | 17 N | CHAPTER MNEETING, BEERSHEBA SPRINGS | | | | |
| NOV 23- | 24 5 | CUMBERLAND TRAIL WORK WEEKEND | | | DAVID RHYNE | (615)745-4289/336-2211X510 |
| NOV 30 | ME | THANKSGIVING DAY HIKE-SHELBY FOREST STATE PARK | 1 | 8 | CHARLIE NORVELL | (901)873-2149 |
| DEC 5 | N | CHRISTMAS DINNER WITH CUMBERLAND-HARPETH AUDUBO | N | | | |
| DEC 7 | MU | LONG HUNTER STATE PARK CANDE FLOAT | | | JODIE & REGGIE REEVES | (615) 885-2422 |
| DEC 8 | ME | HERB PARSONS LAKE, FISHERVILLE | I | 7 7 | JOHN PARISH | (901) 795-7510 |
| DEC 14 | | Big South Fork Hiking Club - Sheltowee Trace | | | ur hikes. | (615)569-9102 |
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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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