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## Harpeth River Coalition

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Imagine being able to stroll along the Harpeth River from Pinkerton Park to Cottonwood on a warm spring day, or hike tree-line paths from Fort Granger to Maplewood subdivision. The newly organized Harpeth River Coalition, a group made up of private citizens, hopes to open the scenic riverfront to the community without disturbing the river's natural setting, its abundant trees or nearby residents.

The coalition, which met in January for the first time, pledges "to encourage preservation of the Harpeth River in its natural state," while offering hiking trails, walking bridges across the river, even canoe launches.

The Harpeth River Coalition's plan deserves encouragement and support from government bodies because it guards one of growing Williamson County's most important natural assets — a source of water. Recent fish kills and sewage spills attest to the need for countywide environmental consciousness.

A passive riverfront park would relieve already strained walking trails at Pinkerton Park in Franklin and at Maryland

Farms in Brentwood. More and more residents of all ages and walks of life are discovering the beauty and enjoyment of outdoor trails; the problem is that the trails are too few for the number of people using them.

The Harpeth River Coalition's goals also offer a bond with other recreational plans. The riverfront park would link the planned Fieldstone Farms park on Hillsboro Road to Pinkerton Park and Fort Granger; it is conceivable that trails coursing the entire length of the twisting Harpeth and its tributaries could one day connect Franklin with the Warner Parks in Nashville.

Williamson County is crying for more recreational alternatives. With support from the citizens, government and developers, the Harpeth River and its otherwise unusable floodplain should be preserved for outdoor enjoyment. Easements will be needed, some public money will undoubtedly be requested, and a lot of volunteer support must go into the project.

We urge the parks committee to adopt the coalition's set of goals and urge residents as well as local governments to support

this project. Membership is available to all interested parties who share the Coalition's objectives with annual dues of \$10.00. Make your check payable to *The Harpeth River Coalition* and mail to Peter Jordan, 231 Second Avenue S., Franklin, TN 37064. Be sure to include a slip of paper with your name, address, city, state, zip code, home and office phone numbers, and any special interests you may have or areas in which you would be willing to help. For more information, call either of the following:

Peter Jordan, Chairperson, 790-1400  
Tim Spence, Vice Chairperson and  
Secretary, 794-3369



Drawn by Alan Stokes

# Cumberland Trail News

## The Tennessee River Gorge Natural Areas Trust, Inc.

*Since the southern portion of our own Cumberland Trail winds through this area, the following article is important to TTA members and Cumberland Trail users.*

Our trust is a local nonprofit land conservation organization dedicated to saving the scenic beauty, ecological significance and open lands of the Tennessee River Gorge. We have a novel way of protecting lands — we acquire them. The Trust acquires land through outright purchase, gifts, exchanges, or gifts of conservation easements.

Reversing the loss of critical lands in the Gorge requires activity on a number of fronts:

**Protection**— We are presently negotiating to complete four land acquisition projects by early 1988.

**Programs** — It is very important to spread the awareness of the national significance of the Gorge and the need to safeguard its lands for future generations. We accomplish this through our programs and presentations. In 1988, your gift will enable us to start to bring high school students and other young people into the Gorge to experience its beauty and discover the wonders of its rich biotic diversity. The Trust will also be starting to lead small groups for hikes along the *Cumberland Trail*.

Our newsletter will also begin to be distributed to members on a quarterly basis in 1988. We hope you will follow our progress and take part in one of our hikes or programs in 1988 (TTA has a scheduled hike in this area on October 12, 1988).

Your continued support is very important to us. We're grateful for each and every dollar that is given to us. Because a dollar for the land trust is really a dollar for the scenery, wildlife, and

open lands of the Grand Canyon of the Tennessee.

Over the last three years, hundreds of acres in the Gorge have been lost. Right now, every day, acres of precious open space are being gobbled up by development: 260 acres alone, lost this year.

Your gift is critical in helping us to reverse this trend. We are excited about completing numerous acquisition projects in 1988. But these new projects require extensive staff support and resource analysis to assure their successes. We know that people who share our goals realize that good things don't just happen. It takes commitment and support from a community of people. It's as true for land protection as for any worthwhile effort.

By considering a gift as a *Charter Member* (\$1000+), *Benefactor* (\$500), *Protector* (\$100), *Patron* (\$50), or *Friend* (\$25), you will enable us to pass on to future generations an environment as rich and rewarding as the one we inherited. Together, we can make a difference in our ability to maintain the quality of life we enjoy in this community.

To send donations or request more information, write: Graham G. Hawks, Jr., Executive Director, Tennessee River Gorge Natural Areas Trust, Inc., James Building, Suite 203, 735 Broad Street, Chattanooga, TN 37402, 615-266-0314.

Drawn and contributed by Alan Stokes

## TRIP REPORTS Black & Brady Mountain Hikes

Two groups from Nashville hiked C.T. Section 5 in January. The Saturday after the big snow, Ganne Harmon and Tony Beasley led 14 of their Hume Fogg students and two parents, Jim Hoover and David Wilson, and me, across Brady Mountain. The snow was crusty with 2-foot drifts in spots, but clear weather gave views far away above the Tennessee Valley smog of

the Mountaintops in Cherokee National Forest. David Heiser discovered some persistent witch hazel blooms at the overlook above Looney Hollow. Two grouse were flushed and lots of tracks, including wild turkey, were seen.

Sunday was a different story. An icy road forced an unplanned 1 1/2 mile walk to the top of Black Mountain through rain, sleet, and fog in the face of gales gusting out of the south, an ideal setting for learning the merits of layered wool under a good rainsuit. The wind was worse going down the other side, but it didn't daunt this hardy group trekking on with visions of a promised lunch stop at the Crossville McDonalds.

The kids were great hikers, and Ganne says they're still talking about their adventure. She and Tony plan to take a student group this spring to backpack for the second year on Bobby Harbin's C.T. Section 1.

The following weekend, the staff of the Warner Parks Nature Center, led by Bob Parrish, mad the same hikes. Sadly, the snow and all the tracks I had hoped Deb Beazley, Sandy Bivens, and Pandy Hopkins would identify, were gone. But, no problem! There were abundant scats to tell these indomitable scatologists what varmints had passed by. Meanwhile, David Vogt let no bird go unnoticed and found evidence of breeding birds such as last season's phoebe nest clinging to a big rock above Brady Bluffs. A viburnum (possibly wild raisin or nannyberry) on Brady remains a mystery, but next day on Black the naturalists found sweetgums and a butternut I had never before noticed, as well as red bats, little brown bats, and a mystery bat in Windlass Cave.

It was another great weekend for me and quite obvious the Nature Center folks enjoyed exploring the Cumberland Trail in winter. — Bob Brown

## State News

### State Trails Council of Tennessee Now Official

- By Bob Barnett -

January 19, 1988 was rainy and better suited to the discussion of trail use than to actually using trails. The forecast, however, is very good for the new State Trails Council of Tennessee which met officially for the first time on that rainy day.

The topics were varied, but the focus was the purpose of a trails council and how the group could work with the Department of Conservation. Ample groundwork was established at this meeting which should pay dividends for all trail users in Tennessee's future.

Goals proposed for the council include:

- To meet with Conservation officials on a quarterly basis to exchange information
- To promote completion of Scenic Trails Act provisions with an emphasis on finishing and maintaining the Cumberland Trail
- To coordinate information sources about state trails regardless of the jurisdiction of the trail
- To be a sympathetic watchdog for the Department of Conservation, airing problems with them first
- To promote the responsible use of trails

Since all of these goals seemed acceptable to all in attendance, it is hoped that all will be implemented.

Commissioner Elbert T. Gill openly asked us for our suggestions on implementing and continuing trail projects without the need of additional funding. Discussion evolved from this to TTA's Adopt-a-Trail project. Since a number of Sierra Club members are currently taking care of trails, too, a push is underway to urge each Sierra Club chapter in Tennessee to officially begin an adopt-a-trail program. The Department of Conservation,

meanwhile, will be using a new computer system in the near future which will contain a database of state trails, persons or groups adopting them, and reports of inspections on these trails. This should greatly simplify this program and better utilize volunteers.

Conservation officials are eager to see all types of trail users involved in the Trails Council. At first, some were opposed to all-terrain and off-road vehicle groups being involved. Commissioner Gill and his assistant, Gerald McKinney, both said that we would be surprised how much we have in common with the motorized trail users. In the end, the general consensus was that all interested groups should be represented.

Bob Brown (TTA and Friends of Warner Parks) has agreed to be the Chairperson of the Council. Pat Anderson (TTA) will serve as contact to the Department of Conservation, and Marge McCormick (Audubon Society and Tennesseans for Scenic Beauty) will serve as Recording Secretary. Her meetings notes will be passed along to the Department who will see that they are typed and distributed to all participants.

Groups represented at the meeting included TTA, the Audubon Society, the Harpeth River Coalition, the Sierra Club, Tennessee Environmental Council, Tennessee Environmental Education Association, Tennessee Ornithological Society, Tennessee Recreation and Parks Association, Tennesseans for Scenic Beauty, Tennessee Scenic Rivers Association, Warner Park Nature Center, the Wildlife Society, and a representative of local horse trail users. Representatives not mentioned previously included Linda Bowman, yours truly, Ted Drueke, Pandey Hopkins, Joe McCaleb, Evan Means, Ann Tidwell, and Evelyn Tretter.

A report of the January 19th meeting was sent to Lee Maxwell, representative of mountain bike trail users. Lee was unable to attend the meeting. Many other trail user groups or repre-

sentatives were sent meeting reports in an effort to involve more trails people in future meetings so that the vision and influence of the group can grow. Efforts are also being made to include participants from all regions of Tennessee.

The Department of Conservation has agreed to assist the Council by providing a place for meetings, with clerical support, and some mailing support. The next meeting will be March 7th at 7:00 p.m. at the Customs House, 701 Broadway, Nashville.

### Adopt-a-Trail Report

- Ninez Giles -

#### State Adopt-a-Trail Coordinator

Four trails have been adopted within the Adopt-a-Trail program. By sponsoring these trails, the adopter pledges to hike the trail twice yearly, report on the condition of the trail, and, if needed, do minor maintenance.

The Mossy Ridge and Warner Woods Trails, both in Warner Park in Nashville, have been adopted by James Galloway and Pat Anderson, respectively. The Hidden Springs Trail in Cedars of Lebanon State Park has Bob Barnett's TLC attentions and the Volunteer Trail in Long Hunter State Park will have Regina McDowell watching over it.

There are many Tennessee trails on local, state, federal, and private properties. Think about a trail you care about and to which you can devote at least two days a year. Contact me or your local chapter's representative to register your adoption. You will receive inspection forms which should be filled out and mailed to me after each inspection of your adopted trail. I will route copies of these forms to the proper person or agency. You can call me at 297-2281 or write: 2001 20th Avenue South, Nashville, TN 37212.



## Chapter Adopt-a-Trail Coordinators

**Memphis:** Bob Craft, 3136 N. Lafayette Ct., Memphis, TN 38111, 901-327-9212 or 744-1142

**Nashville:** Ninez Giles (State Coordinator), 2001 20th Ave. S., Nashville, TN 37212, 615-297-2281

## Memorial for Helen McGregor

The Nashville Chapter will accept donations for a *living memorial* to honor our valued friend, Helen McGregor, who passed away January 7, 1988. Contributions will be used to buy a memorial plaque and flowering trees which will be planted in a grouping alongside Couchville Lake at Longhunter State Park.

Donations may be mailed to:  
Mickey Sutton, Treasurer  
500 Paragon Mills Road, M-13  
Nashville, TN 37211

Please make checks payable to *Nashville Chapter TTA*.

## Memphis Chapter

### March Meeting March 17, 7:30 p.m.

Roscoe Phillips spent seven months hiking the Pacific Crest Trail in California, so he has slides to show and stories to tell. This will be a fascinating look at a part of the country many of us have never seen.

### WKNO Telethon March 10th

On Thursday night, from 6:30 to 10:30, TTA volunteers will answer phones during WKNO's annual fundraising drive. This will be an opportunity to gain a little free publicity for our organization while supporting public television (which brings us great wildlife shows!). We will meet around 6:00 p.m. at the studio on MSU's South Campus at Park and Getwell. We must

have at least eight people, so if you can help, please call Jerri Bull at 363-4408.

### Workday at Shelby Forest March 12th

Meet at the park office at 9:00 a.m. and wear old clothes plus thick gloves. Tools, etc., will be provided, but you should bring water and lunch. Expect to work at least five hours. Let's make our adopted trail presentable for spring! Call Jerri Bull for more information.

### Chickasaw State Park Hike March 26th

Please note that this will be a day hike rather than an overnigher. Carpool at 8:00 a.m., Saturday at Kingsway Church, or meet us at 10:00 a.m. at the

park office. We will cover about 8-10 miles on easy terrain. Dressing in layers is advised, since it may become quite warm later in the day. For more information, call Julianne Barham at 452-0085.

### TRIP REPORT: Herb Parsons Lake January 16th

Our long, cold spell dissipated just in time for the weekend, and 17 eager hikers showed up, hoping to be cured of their cabin fevers. In Memphis, temperatures were set to approach 60°, but the brisk wind coming off the water made it considerably cooler at Fisher-ville.

## Letters

Alan T. Fister  
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December 30, 1987

Connie Cloak  
Zoological Society  
Middle Tennessee  
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Dear Connie:

I have recently read in the Tennessee Trails Newsletter that your organization is contemplating supporting a zoo to be located in the immediate vicinity of the Volunteer Trail at Long Hunter State Park. As an avid hiker and user of Long Hunter State Park, I would be very concerned and upset if the zoo were to diminish the availability of trails and natural surroundings at the State Park.

It doesn't make much sense to me to take away from natural settings which are currently dedicated to the public. The zoo is a great idea, but it should seek to locate itself in areas which are not already being used by those persons interested in nature and the environment.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,  
Alan T. Fister

cc: Tennessee Trails Association

*We thank Mr. Fister for sending us a copy of his letter and for his interest. DF*

Many areas of the woods were still covered with snow, and portions of the lake were frozen solid enough to walk across. We couldn't always be certain of the integrity of the ice, so when fording streams, we adhered to Gene Jacobson's philosophy: "Walk softly and carry a big stick."

The streams were the only obstacle in an otherwise easy hike. It was especially pleasant to walk through aromatic stands of loblolly pines that soared upward like cathedral columns. Small flocks of Canada geese and mallard ducks stood out on the ice in the middle of the lake, looking as if they weren't sure what to do next. We had a first-time hiker that day: "Moonshine", a 7-week old half Weimaraner/ half Rottweiler, who rode snugly in the backpack of his master, Bob Shields, blissfully unaware that he would soon outgrow this means of transportation.

After covering about seven miles with remarkable speed, we headed for home, filled with the vigor that only a winter hike can bring. — Debbie Gilbert

## MEETING REPORT Surprise Party for Jerri Bull

On January 21, the Memphis Chapter used its regular monthly meeting as a vehicle to stage a special program in honor its dedicated chairperson, Jerri Bull. As Jerri used her key to open the building where meetings are always held, she was greeted with a fully decorated, festive room and a number of chapter members singing, "For she's a jolly good fellow." The members had been working diligently to hang a huge banner, crepe paper and balloons all around the room to prepare for this moment. Jerri conducted a brief business meeting, which included some remarks and a request for some information from guest Evan Means. After the business was concluded, the festivities began.

First, Edith Caywood presented Jerri with a gag first-aid kit which included such "must-have" items as, personalized mud for treating stings, popsicle sticks for splints, tin cans and string to call for help, and beer for antiseptic (and killing pain). Next, Jo DeWitt, Julie

Barham, Anne Lindholm, Betty Porter, Glenda Graff, and Gene Jacobson read poems spelling out Jerri's name, her sterling characteristics, and her accomplishments. Next, Debbie Gilbert read another poem and cards were read from Mary Werne and Bobbie Craft. Delicious refreshments were served to conclude this gala evening.

The purpose of this party/meeting was to say a special thank-you to Jerri who has served as the chairperson of the chapter for the last couple of years and who has done an outstanding job. Jerri has not only convened meetings, she has also handled all press notices and advance planning for the group, arranged for programs, corresponded with the state group, and performed many other tasks competently and promptly.

Jerri was totally unprepared for the party in her honor, for one of her traits is a modest and unassuming manner that keeps her from ever seeking the limelight. We all hope that Jerri enjoyed the little celebration; the members of Memphis TTA were very pleased to have the opportunity to say thank you to Jerri for a job very well-done.

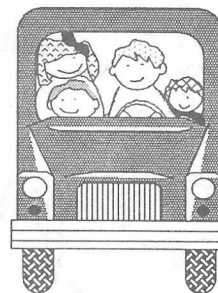
## Thank You!

I really appreciate the surprise Thank You party which the Memphis Chapter planned for me on January 21st. It was indeed a surprise, but a very enjoyable one after the shock wore off. Thanks to everyone who planned it and those who came to be a part of it. We were glad to have Evan Means there also, and hope that he will return another time. We might even have the "Fern Lady" there. — Jerri Bull

## HAIKU FOR SPRING

- By Debbie Gilbert -

Magnolia bloom,  
Alone; first kernel to burst  
On the popcorn tree.



**Carpool  
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## Nashville Chapter

### March Meeting

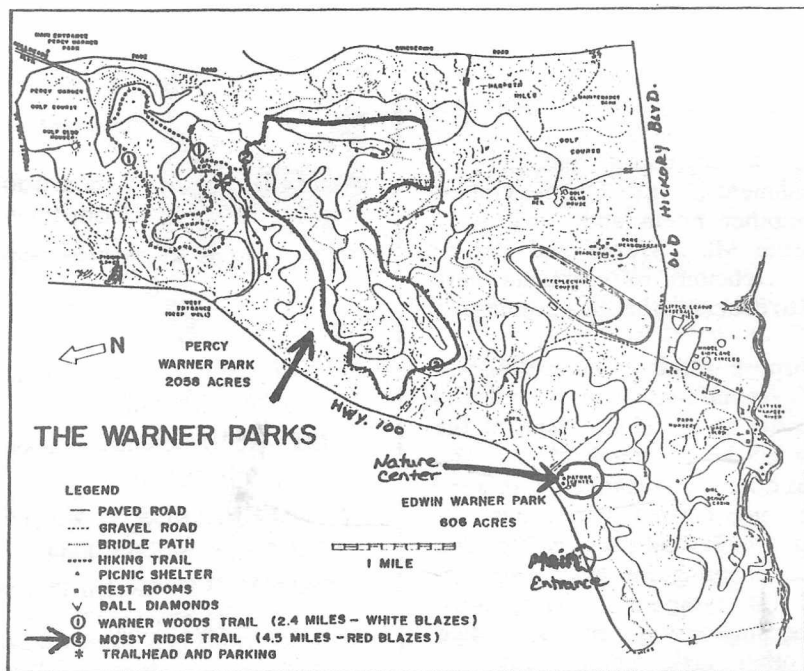
March 24, 7:30 p.m.

Cumberland Museum, Ingram  
Theater

All of you interested in backpacking, join us at our March meeting when Mike England (Nashville Chapter Chairperson) and Alan Doty give us an introduction to backpacking using a humorous slide presentation and a show of equipment used in the sport. Even if backpacking is not your cup of tea, this promises to be an entertaining meeting. Afterwards, plan to join the die-hards at Shoneys (or wherever) for an after-meeting-soda.

April 16-17, Mike will be leading a backpacking trip at Longhunter State Park. This trip will be an easy introduction for first-time backpackers and a good break-in trip for lapsed or winter-weary backpackers.





### Mossy Ridge Trail Hike March 12, 9:00 a.m.

We're going to have a great time this year! This is my anniversary hike as I joined one year ago on this trail! Mossy Ridge is a nice hike — about a II in difficulty. Wear clothes (please) as weather allows (my ears were cold last year). Bring some lunch. The trail is 4.5 miles and we will stop to eat.

We'll be meeting at Tidwell's Parking Lot (formerly Sunshine Grocery) on Highway 100 at 9:00 a.m. Give me a call at 662- 0129 if you need any additional information. Leave a message on my machine and I'll get back to ya. Happy trails to you! — Marci Hamilton

### Great Turnout for February Meeting

We had one of our largest crowds at our February meeting in spite of some regulars being unavoidably absent. Many of the crowd were newcomers to TTA or visitors just checking us out. After a terrific presentation by Deb Beazley of the Warner Park Nature Center, Chairperson Mike England read us a funny short article about backpacking.

I hope those of you who haven't been attending meetings will try to come this spring. You'll meet a bunch of friendly folks and you might learn something as well!

## News From Our Parks

**South Cumberland State  
Recreation Area**  
615-924-2980 or -2956

**3/6,13,20 & 27 Video Movie  
Matinee** — Meet at the Visitor  
Center at 2:00 p.m.

**3/12 Greeter Falls Excursion** —  
Meet at Stone Door Ranger Station  
at 1:00 p.m. We'll explore an ex-  
traordinary undeveloped plateau  
gorge. 3 miles, moderate

**3/13 Ranger Falls** — Meet at the  
Stone Door Ranger Station at 10:00  
a.m. Journey along the Big Creek  
Gulf Trail to a creek which goes un-  
derground after plunging 30 feet off  
a limestone cliff. 7 miles, strenuous

**3/19 & 20 Collins Gulf Overnighter**  
— Meet at the Stone Door Ranger  
Station at 10:00 a.m. Saturday. The  
Collins (locally called Horsepound)  
Gulf is truly spectacular. We'll  
travel 4 miles to our campsite but  
will fill the day with side trips to  
some outstanding geological fea-  
tures. The six miles on Sunday will  
be strenuous but rewarding, ending  
with the breathtaking Stone Door  
Overlook. Participants must provide  
all their own food and equipment.

**3/26 Easter Egg Hunt** — Meet at the  
Visitor Center at 10:00 a.m. Alter-  
nate day in case of rain is March 27  
at 2:00 p.m.

**3/27 Fiery Gizzard Wildflower Trip**  
— Meet at the Visitor Center at  
10:00a.m. Join Randy for a rugged 5  
miles through the Fiery Gizzard  
gorge. We'll start at Raven Point  
and end at Grundy Forest.

### Dusk Dialing Darkness - By Bob Barnett -

A hint of light lingers in the air as dusk is dialing darkness and it has been put on hold for a few moments.

The full moon is wearing some clouds that make it appear that another sea has surfaced on the lunar landscape.

It is the sea of calm to be seen while watching the watering of the wilting wildflowers where scant rain has fallen on Wilson County's parched land.

It is now too dark to detect if the wildflowers yet to bloom are making an effort to peek out of the soil.

It is now dusk giving way to darkness but it is not a dismal dreaded dark.

The sea-like clouds no longer form a wave on the moon but have been swallowed by the night sky.

The morning sun will shed light on the scattered seeds and reveal any real or imagined progress on their part.





## Editor's Tidbits (Alias, "Soapbox Oratory")

- By Dot Fowler -

Those of you who know me can attest that I am often given to ebullient outbursts when happy. The present time of year always brings this out in me. Without warning I may break into gusty choruses of half-remembered songs, much to the amusement or dismay of those within hearing distance. It's called Spring Fever, and I have a bad case of it in these last winter days.

My present case of ebullience also stems from the Olympics, since I am a die-hard fan of this event. I try to watch every minute as I vegetate in my gold-medal-winning Couch Potato form. I've noticed that every thirty minutes or so, the telecasters implore us to donate to the USA Olympic Committee, certainly a worthy cause. I find myself wishing I had oogobs (translation — lots and lots) of money to send.

This train of thought seems particularly appropriate for this issue. Several causes are presented to you — each worthy and each in need of donations. I'm sure you have felt the same frustration I often feel when trying to decide which causes I can realistically afford to support. It's a tough call and usually comes down to which affects my life the most.

I have, however, come to realize that sending a donation is the easy part. Getting truly involved with a cause is the hard part. While I am certainly not selling short the need for money by groups such as ours, I am asking you to think about choosing one of your "causes" and giving it more than your money. I don't know about you, but my time is far more precious to me than my money, especially now that I am freelancing in addition to my fulltime job. Thus, when I give time to TTA or another group, I feel I am truly giving from the heart. Know what? It feels great!

Read in this issue about the Memphis Chapter's celebration in honor of Jerri Bull's selfless contributions to her own corner of TTA. Look also at the memorial being formed in memory of another member. TTA is full of folks such as these who are willing to give of themselves, not just of their money. I think that is the secret to our success. Not only are we willing to wear ourselves out for TTA, but we aren't stingy with our praise of fellow members. Keep it up TTA! I'm proud to be one of you. Happy Spring!

## Education

### Visual Environment Conference

Days Inn Downtown-Capitol Hill  
April 28-29

The health of Tennessee's economy depends in countless ways on its visual image — the way we look to our visitors, to our customers and patrons, to new industry, and to the people whose lives and hopes are invested here.

This conference has two purposes: the first is to identify specific ways in which numerous factors enhance (or diminish) the visual environment. The second is to share information and

ideas for improvement, for resources, and for problem-solving.

This conference is sponsored by the *Tennesseans for Scenic Beauty* and the *Tennessee Arts Commission*. The registration fee is \$45.00 (\$35.00 for TSB members) and includes lunch and dinner on Thursday plus all materials. Lodging may be obtained at the Days Inn for \$32.41 (single) or \$39.11 (double). Registration deadline is April 21. The program includes the following:

- A Sign Control Primer
- Tennessee's Tourism Economy
- Signs and Designs
- Special Problems, Special Solutions

- The Highway Beautification Act: The Environmental Movement's Greatest Failure
- Sign Ordinances for Cities and Counties

Some of the speakers are Mack Prichard, Sandra Fulton, Ed McMahon, Dr. Charles F. Floyd, Gene Burr, plus panel discussions and strategy sessions.

For more information, contact *Tennesseans for Scenic Beauty*, 1719 West End Ave., Suite 227, Nashville, 37203. By phone, call Marge McCormick, 615-298-3223 (Nashville), Gene Burr 615-522-5238 (Knoxville), or Suzanne Lautar, 901-755-2205 (Memphis).

## Upcoming Hikes

### MEMPHIS CHAPTER

- 3/12 **Workday at Shelby Farms** — details this issue  
 3/26 **Chickasaw State Park Hike** — details this issue  
 4/9 **Mt. LeConte** — Betty Porter, 901-363-0213  
 4/16 **Natchez Trace State Park** — details next month  
 4/23 **Spring in the Forest** — details next month

### MURFREESBORO CHAPTER

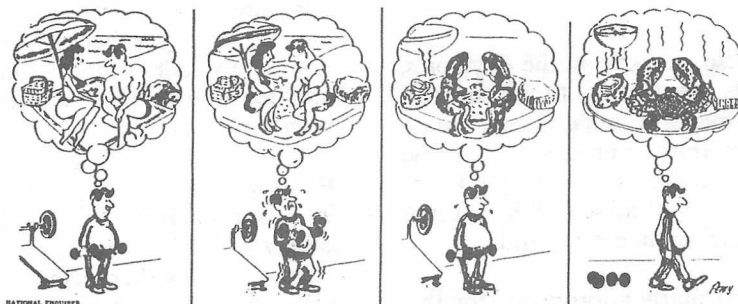
- 4/2 **Wildflower Hikes at Longhunter State Park** — call Reggie Reeves, 615-885-2422  
 4/10 **Short Springs Wildflower Hike, Tullahoma** — details next month

### NASHVILLE CHAPTER

- 3/5-6 **South Cumberland Recreation Area** — Hobbs Cabin Backpack, details not received; assume

- postponed  
 3/12 **Warner Park Trails** — details this issue  
 3/19 **Volunteer Trail Workday**, no details received  
 4/2-3 **Cumberland Falls State Park, Ky Moonbow Watch** — details next month  
 4/10 **Hidden Passage Trail** — details next month  
 4/16-17 **Long Hunter State Park Backpack** — details next month

### Spring Training



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