



## **Cumberland Trail News!! National Recreation Trails Act-Simms Section 4?Section 4??**

**GREAT NEWS!!!** The Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation Recreation Services Division, in coordination with the Tennessee Recreation Trails Advisory Board, have allocated 30% of the 1996/7 funds from the National Recreational Trails Act (Simms) to two projects touching on the Cumberland Trail. First is the rehabilitation of a portion of Section I in Campbell County from Lafollette to Cove Lake State Park. This rugged section of the C.T. follows the crest of Cumberland Mountain and is in desperate need. The Recreation Services Division, TWRA, and TTA will coordinate their efforts on this project. The second exciting project is the Cumberland Gap Railway Acquisition & Development in Claiborne County. This involves purchasing four miles of CSX railway that would link the Virginia Trail to Tennessee and to Cumberland Gap National Park. This would become the Tennessee gateway to the Cumberland Trail!!

TTA is extremely pleased with these two projects and the interest shown in the Cumberland Trail. Now we must show our interest--and we have been!!

--September 21st saw six hardy TTA members make our first dent in the northern end of Section I. Harold Draper & Judith Bartlow of East Tennessee; Arleen Barnett & Alan Stokes of Nashville, and Rob & Susan Weber of the Plateau Chapter cleared and blazed 1 & 1/2 mile of rugged trail. It was a start. Watch for another scheduled work party, and TTA has dedicated the second week of the **1997 Breakaway** to this Section.

--The Plateau Chapter voted to adopt and maintain Section 5 of the C. T. and had their first work party on October 2nd. Bill Eldridge, Jim Lifsey, Bob Worshik, Sara Senft, Carolyn Miller, Jim & Barbara Sampson, and Rob & Susan Weber worked and blazed 3 1/2 miles of Brady Mountain under the cover of brilliant fall colors. **Brady Mountain is fully blazed and open--enjoy. A BIG THANK YOU** to the Plateau Chapter for adopting Section 5--a big commitment!!

--**Arleen Barnett** of the Nashville Chapter, along with **Jim Lifsey** and **Bob Worshik** of the Plateau Chapter, all earned a Cumberland Trail Patch for their recent work on the C.T. The C.T. Patch is awarded through 24 hours of service to the trail. They join **Alan Stokes** and **Jim Johnson** of the Nashville Chapter as our current 1996 C.T. recipients.

--Lastly, October 31st will see TTA in discussions with Catoosa WMA, and Obed NSR concerning the development of **Section 4** of the C.T. Section 4?? Well...it never was developed and we hope to begin this project during the March of 1997 Breakaway Project.

So....have you hiked the Cumberland Trail today!! Hope so.

If you'd like to join us on work outings, explore, and have fun, give us a call and we'll place you on our C.T. maintenance list. Call Rob Weber at (423) 533-2620.

Thanks to everyone!!

### NOVEMBER HIKES AND ACTIVITIES

<i>Date</i>	<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Hike/Activity</i>
2	<i>Upper Cumberland</i>	<i>Denise Charvoz' Mountain</i>
2	<i>Clarksville</i>	<i>Indian Town Bluffs</i>
3	<i>Nashville</i>	<i>Rock Creek Loop, BSF</i>
2	<i>Memphis</i>	<i>Meeman-Shelby State Park</i>
7	<i>All Chapters</i>	<i>Section 5 - Brady Mtn. Cumberland Trail Maintenance Day</i>
9	<i>Cumberland Mtn.</i>	<i>Charlie's Bunion, Smokies</i>
9	<i>Plateau</i>	<i>Standing Stone State Park</i>
9	<i>Upper Cumberland</i>	<i>Cumberland Mtn. Overnight Loop</i>
10	<i>East Tennessee</i>	<i>Lakeshore Trail, Knoxville Greenway</i>
15-17	<i>All Chapters</i>	<i>ANNUAL MEETING, Cedars of Lebanon</i>
23	<i>Clarksville</i>	<i>Savage Gulf Overnight</i>
23	<i>Memphis</i>	<i>Natchez Trace State Park</i>
23	<i>Murfreesboro</i>	<i>Montgomery Bell State Park</i>
29	<i>Nashville</i>	<i>Old Stone Fort</i>

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## CHAPTER NEWS

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### Clarksville

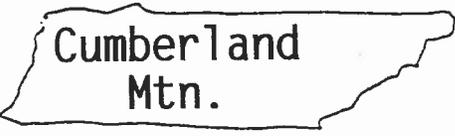
Meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room at Governor's Square Mall.

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**NOV. 2 - INDIAN TOWN BLUFFS.** Call John Froeshauer 333-7986 or Ann Lowe 645-1454.

**NOV. 23 - SAVAGE GULF OVERNIGHTER.** Call Wanda Cumberland 358-3338.

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### Cumberland Mtn.

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**NOV. 9 - CHARLIE'S BUNION, SMOKIES.** Call Bob Washburn (800) 841-5210 for details.

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### East Tennessee

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**NOV. 10 - LAKESHORE TRAIL.** We will join the Smoky Mountain Hiking Club for an easy 4.5 mile hike on Knoxville's newest greenway. Meet at Sacred Heart Cathedral, 711 Northshore Drive at 3:30 pm to travel a very short distance to Lakeshore Park. We will walk the loop both ways for a distance of 4.5 miles. (Sacred Heart is .5 mile on Northshore from Kingston Pike.) We can get together for dinner afterwards to discuss 1997 schedule of hikes. Leader: Sally Jaunsen (423) 482-9708.

***IT'S TIME TO RENEW  
YOUR DUES FOR 1997!***



Meets the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at Davis-Kidd Booksellers, 387 Perkins Extended.

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**VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE!!  
CHANGE OF MEETING PLACE AND TIME!!** Our October and November meetings will not be at Kingsway Church. We're trying out a new place: the new Davis-Kidd Booksellers, 387 Perkins Extended, in the community room at the rear of the store. The meeting begins at 7:00 pm, NOT 7:30. Dates are **OCT 17.** and **NOV. 21.**

**NOV. 2 - MEEMAN-SHELBY STATE PARK.** Millington, TN. Meet at main office at park entrance at 9:00 am. We'll hike 8-mile Chickasaw Bluffs Trail. Doesn't loop so we have to shuttle cars. Note: This hike will be a work day, so bring yard tools and work gloves. For more info, call Ken Novak, (901) 377-9127.

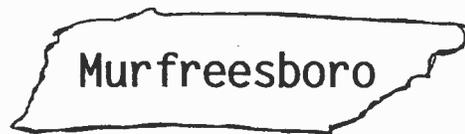
**NOV. 17** - Ray Skinner will conduct a hike on the new Wolf River at Kennedy Park in Raleigh. Meet 1:00 pm Sunday across from the Alzheimer's Day Care Center in the park. About 3 miles, easy. Ray's number is (901) 725-0377.

**NOV. 21 - CHAPTER MEETING AT**

**DAVIS-KIDD COMMUNITY ROOM, 7 PM.** Our very special guest will be Charles Maynard, executive director of Friends of the Great Smoky Mountains Nat'l Park, who will show slides of the Smokies.

**NOV. 23 - NATCHEZ TRACE STATE PARK. BONUS!!** We decided our schedule didn't have enough hiking in November, so we've added this one at the last minute. Carpool at Kingsway Church 7:00 am, or meet at the park office at 9:00 am. We'll shuttle cars to the big pecan tree and hike about 9 miles. Contact person is Debbie Gilbert (901) 454-0613.

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Meets the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mark's Methodist Church.

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**NOTE:** The Nov. 2 Burgess Falls hike has been cancelled.

**NOV. 23 - MONTGOMERY BELL STATE PARK.** Call Mike Harvey 893-9594 for details.



Meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Cumberland Science Museum. **NOTE:** No chapter meeting in November. You are welcome to join the Sierra Club on the third Thursday at 7:30 pm at the museum.

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**HIKING HOTLINE 367-7045**

**NOV. 3 (SUNDAY) - ROCK CREEK LOOP.** We will hike the Rock Creek Loop in the Big South Fork, about 7 miles, rated moderate. This date falls on a juvenile deer hunt day, and while the juvenile turnout is generally low in the BSF, and what hunters there are should be out of the woods by the time we start, be sure to bring and wear a blaze orange vest or garment. We will meet at the K-Mart and Kinko's parking lot on Donelson Pike at 6:45 CST, or at the Pickett State Park HQ at 10:00 CST. Call Jim Poteet (615) 377-4777.

**NOV. 29 - OLD STONE FORT.** Meet at Target parking lot at Bell Road on I-24 at 9:00 am to carpool, or at Park Visitor Center at 10:30. Hike is 4-5 miles, easy. Bring warm clothing, lunch and water. Call Bob Barnett 832-6484 for additional details.



Meets the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Crossville Housing Authority 202 Irwin Ave.

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The Plateau Chapter is still growing, and we welcome our new members. Our chapter voted to adopt the Black and Brady Mtn. Trails, so several days a year we'll be working to keep these trails open.

In a recent meeting we had Mark Young from our Forestry Dept. talk and present a film on "The American Forest." It was so good we feel every chapter should see it.

--Sue Eldridge

**NOV. 7 - CUMBERLAND TRAIL MAINTENANCE DAY - BRADY MTN. SECTION 5.** We will meet at 8:00 am at Cumberland Mtn. State Park Office to work on the south end of Brady Mtn. Bring warm clothing, sturdy boots, gloves, water and food. Call Rob (423) 533-2620 or Jim (615) 839-3939 for more information and tool requirements.

**NOV. 9 - STANDING STONE S.P.** Six miles, moderate. Call Bob & Ruth Worshik 456-8576.

All of our hikes leave from the Visitor's Center at the Cumberland Mtn. State Park at 8:00 am.

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Upper  
Cumberland

Meets the first Tuesday of each month at various locations.

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**NOV. 2 - DENISE CHARVOZ' MOUNTAIN.** Two miles, easy. Walk with Denise on her mountain near Monterey, overlooking Cherry Creek. The walk will be followed by a get together at her home. Meet at First Union Bank in Sparta at 9:30 am or at Denise's at 10:00 am. Contact: Denise Charvoz 738-3595.

**NOV. 5 - CHAPTER MEETING AT ROSS CARDWELL'S RIVERWOOD RETREAT.** Bring flashlights, food and warm clothes for this fall outing on the Caney Fork in Scott's Gulf. Ross will have the gas grill lit and campfire roaring. Chapter will provide soft drinks. Meet at First Union Bank in Sparta at 5:30 pm to shuttle to Riverwood. Contact: Brenda Cardwell 836-3552 or Bonnie Greene 836-3696.

**NOV. 9 - CUMBERLAND MTN. OVERNIGHT LOOP.** 10 miles, moderate. We are not planning on staying overnight but we are planning to hike the overnight loop. This relatively level, deep woodland trail follows and crosses a couple of creeks and passes thru several glades. This is the trail that got Pam and Paul hooked on hiking! Meet at Penney's in Cookeville at 9:00 am or at Cumberland Mtn. State Park

Office at 10:00 am. Contact: Paul or Pam Miller 526-9259.

*SCOTT'S GULF DINNER THEATRE  
AND FUNDRAISER  
NOV. 16 AND 23, 1996*

*Don't miss one of these performances of the murder mystery Scott's Gulf - Who Will Buy?, written and produced by Kathleen Gilpatrick of Out on a Limb Productions exclusively for the Scott's Gulf Committee. These \$50 a plate dinners will buy you a night of good food and good fun while also helping a cause we all care about. Call Brenda Cardwell at the Sparta/White County Chamber of Commerce for info on times and locations, (800) 869-0761 or (615) 836--3552.*

Editor's Note: Bob and I attended this murder mystery fundraising dinner at the Scarecrow Inn in late August and had a ball! It was very clever and such fun! Not to mention the fact that it helps raise money for the potential acquisition of Scott's Gulf.



# WHAT IS TTA'S ANNUAL AUCTION REALLY ALL ABOUT?

by Bob Barnett

I have been honored to be TTA's Auctioneer since Memphis hosted the Annual Meeting in Meeman Shelby Forest State Park in 1988. For me, the auction goes along with the bumper sticker on my truck "Enjoy Life--This is not a dress rehearsal." I truly enjoy the antics of this annual fundraiser for the Cumberland Trail.

This year the auction needs to raise \$1,500 to help fund Breakaway, the alternative spring break program where college students spend a week working on the Cumberland Trail. In 1996 TTA hosted a group of students and faculty from East Tennessee State University. We have already been contacted by three colleges about Breakaway trail projects in March, 1997. Bob Brown and Rob Weber are committed to TTA hosting all three groups to work on finishing Section 1 of the CT and starting Section 4 through the Catoosa Wildlife Management Area. Funds are needed to help pay for a cabin to house TTA volunteers, meals and supply expenses. The Breakaway students pay for their expenses and we're working on getting price breaks on the cabins.

The usual white elephant items will be there at the auction (for entertainment value!), but even the crazy items will be paired with something of real value. We're trying something new this year--a silent auction will be conducted with quality items (photographs, gift certificates, new merchandise) with minimum bids before the **LOUD, LIVE** auction starts at 4:00 pm on Saturday, Nov. 16.

I encourage you to bring home made treasures such as hand-crafted wood items, homemade wines, baked goods, needlepoint and crafts. My auction elves will assist in pricing your treasures. These items won't necessarily have minimum bids placed on them, but remember that the purpose of this auction is to raise funds for trail work, not necessarily to see how much stuff you can get for \$2.00! Some of the items we have already received from contributors include a 2-hour canoe trip on the Harpeth River, an autographed copy of Bob Brandt's book on touring the backroads of Middle Tennessee, bed and breakfast coupons, A 15-MINUTE BOB RICHARDS' MASSAGE, and much more.

Come to the auction expecting to save a little money on some quality items and to share a laugh over items of questionable quality!

Happy Trails!

P.S. It's not too late to solicit auction items from merchants in your area. Just remember to get their name and address and approx. Value of their contribution so that we may acknowledge their gift. AND DON'T FORGET TO CLEAN OUT THOSE CLOSETS AND GARAGES for the white elephant items!

# TRIP REPORT

In May, a Fall hike to Brady Mountain seemed like a good idea even though I had never been on the trail. In October, with the trees close to peak color, it was a wonderful idea.

We started the morning with reports of 30 degrees, but it warmed up quickly, and we were soon shedding outer layers of clothing.

Sixteen people showed up for the hike. We loaded everyone into three 4-wheel drive vehicles, and drove to the west end of the Brady Mountain trail. The blazes are not too easy to find, but with Rob Weber as scout, we found the trail. We squeezed the three vehicles onto the side of the road and started up the mountain.

The first 0.4 mile was the most strenuous climbing. After that we were on a series of old logging roads. For the most part, the trail was well marked and we had no problem finding our way.

The middle portion of the trail is in good shape primarily due to the October 2 work party which was led by Rob Weber. We enjoyed the view from one of the overlooks on the way up, but we were unable to find the second overlook.

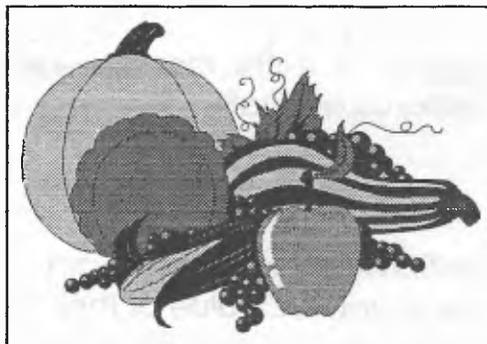
The last mile of the hike is an old road. On October 2, it was in bad shape due to a recent rain. However, on the 12th, it was in fairly good shape. As one of those who was dreading that road, I can say it was nothing to worry about.

Special guests for the hike were Margie and Conley Howard. Margie has lived at the base of Brady Mountain all her life. As a girl, she would go up on the mountain with her father to pick berries. It was a real treat for them.

Plant of the hike: White Baneberry (Doll's eye)

If you would like to lead a hike just show up at a Plateau Chapter meeting. You just might get asked to suggest a location and then to lead a hike to that location.

Sincerely, Carolyn Miller



**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

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Manuel McKnight  
Tracy & Bill Musico**

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***IT'S NOT TOO LATE! YOU CAN STILL REGISTER TO ATTEND THE TTA ANNUAL MEETING NOV. 15-17 AT CEDARS OF LEBANON STATE PARK. CALL VERA CHURCHER (615) 373-8314.***

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