

# TENNESSEE TRAILS

**Mission:** 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.**



TTA AUCTION  
SETS NEW RECORD!!!  
~~\$1,600.00, 2,370.86, 2,902.68~~  
\$2,945.31

by Arleen Scheller Barnett  
& Susan Weber

TTA members really opened up their wallets this year—would you believe a box of Girl Scout Thin Mint cookies sold for \$40?! Would you believe that same box of cookies sold for another \$25 a few minutes later?! Because of your generosity, we raised more than twice last year's auction total. Once again, you have shown your commitment and support towards the completion of the Cumberland Trail—we couldn't do it without you!

There was a fine selection of quality crafts and outdoor merchandise, and our thanks go to all of you who shared your talents and obtained donations for the auction. AND—thanks to all of you who parted with some greenbacks! The Bake Sale was a tremendous success with lots of goodies to choose from.

The auction proceeds will help support the Cumberland Trail BreakAway 2000 Program in March.

A special thank you to our wonderful auctioneers: Libby Francis, Gene Curp, and Bob Barnett, and to Anne Wesley and Diane Manas, who provided "security" for those wanting to leave the auction premises without a token to take home with them!



## NEAR RIOT AT ANNUAL AUCTION

Monteagle TN, Nov 6, 1999

Local authorities did not have to be called in to quiet the boisterous crowd attending the TTA annual auction at the Dubose center. Anne "The Enforcer" Wesley, newly appointed TTA Director of Security, and her able chief deputy, Diane Manas, were able to control the enthusiastic bidders without outside assistance. Arleen Barnett and her trusty band of volunteer solicitors had rounded up such an impressive array of hand crafted and donated items that the potential bidders could hardly wait for the auction to begin. Bidding strategies began breaking out throughout the crowded room before the auctioneer team of Libby Francis, Gene Curp, and Bob Barnett could warm up their gavels. (Arleen, thanks to a nasty case of laryngitis was relegated to the role of silent auctioneer.)

The crowd, which had already been excited beyond description by the election of new TTA officers for the new century and the adoption of major changes to the by-laws, was further whipped into a frenzy by the rousing choral tribute to Fount Bertram, undisputed winner of this year's Golden Squirrel award.

Finally, the bidding began and the crowd went wild. Friends were bidding against friends, husbands were bidding against wives, and there was even a case of someone bidding against themselves. (RIOT...cont. on pg 3)

*From the President... Jim Poteet*

*Reflections...*

This will be the last article I write as President of TTA. I have thoroughly enjoyed the challenges and the rewards of these last two years, and appreciate being given the opportunity to contribute in some small way. I am extremely excited about what the future holds for the organization.

TTA had its beginnings as a group of volunteers who wanted something done, and made the personal commitments to get it done. We are still that kind of organization. We still have lots of folks in our membership that are willing to make commitments and sacrifices to further the objectives of TTA.

But there's room for more people like that. We still need more of our current members to step forward and say, "I can do that." We still need to attract new members that ask, "What do you want me to do?" or "Where do I start?"

Libby Francis, your new president, has a favorite saying, "There's a job for everyone." Denise Charvoz, chairperson of the Upper Cumberland Chapter, echoes that sentiment with the observation that "Everyone has something to contribute, whether it be brains, brawn, or bucks!"

So, TTA needs you. TTA needs your help. If you haven't yet been asked, then you should be asking, "Why not?"

*Jim Poteet*

# 1999 TTA Awards

by Arleen Scheller Barnett

## Tennessee Trails Award

The 1999 Tennessee Trails Award goes to the Bridgestone-Firestone Corporation for their gift of 4,000 acres to create the Bridgestone-Firestone Conservation Area in the Scott's Gulf wilderness. Bridgestone is hosting a luncheon at their global headquarters in Nashville in December to receive the award and to learn more about the Tennessee Trails Association.

## Bill Stutz Award

TTA was founded 31 years ago by some men of vision—Evan Means, Bob Brown and Mack Prichard, who dreamed of an organization of volunteers who would develop a statewide system of hiking trails, conserve natural resources and educate the public about the value of wild places and hiking. These men also had a dream of building a hiking trail across Tennessee through the rugged Cumberland Mountains and Plateau—the Cumberland Trail.

Another man of vision came along a few years ago who had a dream for TTA—to make it a dynamic and recognized leader in trails and conservation. His vision required difficult and very time consuming challenges, but he rose to the task and put himself on the line for the organization. He stuck with it despite our kicking and screaming at times! Change, even good change, is hard for us.

But today we have a Tennessee Trails Association that is receiving state and national recognition, more members than ever, a dynamic Board and Chapter structure, and an associate organization, the Cumberland Trail Conference, focused on completing the Cumberland Trail.

Thank you Jim Poteet (and Marietta)!!!!



We would like to recognize the following individuals and businesses that helped make this year's auction the best ever!

Handcrafted Donations:

|                 |               |                 |                 |                   |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Bill Eldridge   | Sue Eldridge  | Jack Bastin     | Pat Gould       | Jackie Westerbeck |
| Bill Westerbeck | Libby Francis | Guerry Jamieson | Russell Smith   | Joe Matlock       |
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| Anne Wesley     | Diane Manas   | Richard Horvath | John Martin     |                   |

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RIOT...(cont. from pg 1)

One early item to go on the block was a Nordic-Trac exercise machine, which Vera Churcher, clad only in a pair of candy corn boxer shorts, and fortified by a shot of home made cider, decided to demonstrate. At that point, the auctioneers lost track of whether bidders were going for the Nordic-Trac, the candy corn shorts, or for Vera. The Security Team, trying to restore order, had to restrain Vera by handcuffing her to the Nordic-Trac. At that point, a spontaneous cry of "Free Vera" erupted from the crowd, and a money collection was quickly taken to secure her freedom.

Al Churcher was finally declared the winner in the quest for Vera's shorts, and some person or persons unknown made off with the Nordic-Trac bargain.

By the end of the evening, the auction had raised almost \$2,945.31 for the CTC's Breakaway programs, and the auction was declared the best ever.

(P.S. the handcuffs used to restrain Vera proved to be so popular with the crowd that they are now available through the official TTA Merchandise Catalog.)

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## NEW MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Coming March 2000

A new membership directory will be mailed to all current members in March 2000. Make sure your dues are paid up, as this will ensure your receiving the directory. Please verify that the information appearing on your newsletter mailing label is correct. Unless we hear from you about corrections or changes needed, your newsletter mailing label will be the information published in the directory.

Please mail information about changes or corrections to:

**Membership Director**

**P. O. Box 41446**

**Nashville, TN 37204-1446**

Members with access to the internet can fill out and submit a change form at our web site: [www.tennesseetrails.org](http://www.tennesseetrails.org)

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*From our Annual Meeting Hosts...*

## 1999 ANNUAL MEETING WRAP-UP

The Murfreesboro Chapter was pleased to be able to host the 1999 Annual Meeting. With a lot of planning and a lot of hard work the Annual Meeting was held at the Dubose Conference Center, DCC, in Monteagle, Tennessee. 95 pre-registered and stayed at DCC while others, unregistered, joined in for the activities and hikes. Of those pre-registered, 40 camped, 5 stayed in the cabins, 20 in the dorms and 22 used the hotel facilities. The auction was a huge success and a lot of fun, we raised a record amount, almost \$3,000. The hikes were well attended and we want to thank the hike leaders for their time and efforts in preparing for and leading the hikes.

Attendance and participation in the Annual Meeting speaks well for us as an organization. I believe we are a very viable group and will represent the hiking interests of our state for a long time to come.

I personally want to thank Barbara Draude for all of her hard work and the magnificent organizational skills she brought to play in putting the whole thing together. If it had not been for Barbara and her talents this conference would not have run so smoothly.

## THANK YOU BARBARA !!!

Again, thanks to all of you for your participation and support.

And, please remember the businesses and artisans who made the auction donations. Don't forget to tell them how much you appreciate their support while patronizing their businesses.

Without further ado, we pass the Annual Meeting torch to Clarksville.

Happy Trails...

Fount Bertram

Chair, Murfreesboro Chapter

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# NEW LICENSE PLATE SALE SUPPORTS STATE PARKS AND NATURAL AREAS!

DEADLINE TO GET INVOLVED  
JANUARY 1, 2000

One of the greatest threats to natural resources in Tennessee is development within ecologically sensitive areas. Help support Tennessee's natural areas and state parks by purchasing a new natural areas license plate. Prominently featured on the plate is Radnor Lake, one of Tennessee's first state natural areas. Proceeds from the sale of this plate will create a unique opportunity to acquire critical lands for the protection of natural areas and state parks all across Tennessee. Your support will help to insure the future of these important areas. Plates will be ready beginning in the year 2000. The initial cost of the natural areas plate is \$35 (\$25 annual plate fee with a one-time handling fee of \$10). The initial cost of the personalized natural areas plate is \$60 (\$50 annual plate fee with a one-time handling fee of \$10). The State of Tennessee requires an order of 500 natural areas plates before January 1, 2000, to initiate this program. Order early; your plate will be pro-rated when it is received. If we do not receive 500 orders, your payment will be refunded. Purchasing this plate will not affect your current license plate; and your tag does not have to be expired to receive one. When your new plate arrives, it will serve as a replacement for your current plate and will not change

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## SPRING 2000 TTA HIKE WEEKEND & QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING

OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS

The Spring TTA Outing, which we hope will become an annual event, will be hosted by the Memphis chapter and is scheduled for the third weekend in May, 2000. The weekend will feature a choice of hikes, along with the regular quarterly meeting of the board. The location is tentatively planned for Reelfoot Lake. Further details and confirmation of the location will be in the next newsletter."

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the base licensing fee for your county. Order yours now and start the millennium by supporting Tennessee's state parks and natural areas. For more information or an order form please contact: Radnor Lake State Natural Area, 1160 Otter Creek Road, Nashville, TN, 37220. Phone: 615 373-3467 or visit their website: [www.radnorlake.org](http://www.radnorlake.org).

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## "Tennessee Looks Good to Me"

by Arleen Scheller Barnett

"Let's begin the new millenium by working together to protect the rich diversity and breathtaking beauty of our great state. As we enter the year 2000, I ask all citizens to join in the effort to keep Tennessee clean and prosperous."

---Governor Don Sundquist

Governor Don Sundquist has launched a statewide initiative to bring together communities, government and volunteers for a more beautiful Tennessee. **Tennessee Looks Good to Me** encourages the personal commitment of citizens from all walks of life to do their part to make our communities the best they can be.

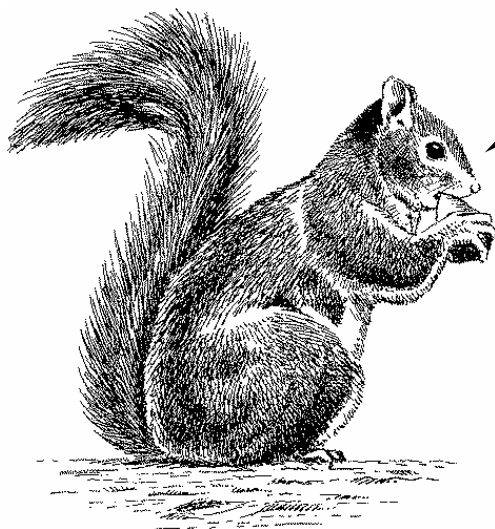
In celebration of the millenium, the governor has set a goal to identify 2,000 projects that improve Tennessee's natural beauty. Many of these efforts are now under way. "**Tennessee Looks Good to Me**" will help communities learn from each other and will assist local and state governments in involving more Tennesseans in the effort.

Tennessee Trails members are encouraged to participate in this effort through trash clean-up on trails, rivers and creeks, and through trail maintenance and trail building projects. Keeping Tennessee's many thousands of miles of trails clean for hikers, and building new trails that enable Tennesseans to see and appreciate the beauty of our home state certainly further the goals of **Tennessee Looks Good to Me**.

An information packet is being mailed to all TTA Chapter Chairs, which includes a registration form to submit an event for your Chapter, as well as information on how to register an event online. Check out the website at [www.tnlooksgood.org](http://www.tnlooksgood.org) or call 1-877-TENNLOOKS for additional information.

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YEAH  
FOUNT !!



...Out with the old...  
...In with the new...

### TTA OFFICER ELECTION RESULTS

Each year at the Annual Meeting the TTA Board elects five officers for one-year terms plus one at-large board representative for a three-year term. The election resulted the following changes effective January 1, 2000:

|  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| President                              | Libby Francis   |
| Vice-President                         | Leigh Jones     |
| Secretary                              | Patti Shaw      |
| Treasurer                              | James Leininger |
| Membership Director                    | Ninez Giles     |
| At-Large Representative<br>for West TN | Jerry Lenski    |

### BY-LAW CHANGES

The proposed by-laws that appeared in your October 1999 issue of the TTA newsletter (printed on green bond paper) was approved by the Board at the November 7 board meeting. Most notably, one of the changes to the by-laws will now allow a pre-existing external organization to affiliate with TTA as an Associate Organization.

### Other Officer Changes

(effective December 1999)

East TN Regional Director  
Arleen Barnett Scheller

Cumberland Trail Conference Representatives  
Barry & Sandra Spearman

Feel free to contact Officers with suggestions or ideas. Contact information for the above candidates can be found in this Newsletter, left side of the inside back page. Please note: This Newsletter, #12, will only contain the changes effective December, while January 2000 changes will appear with January's newsletter.

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## Congratulations Fount Bertram!

Fount is the recipient of the 1999 TTA Golden Squirrel Nut Award. This award is given once a year during the Annual Meeting. Nominations are taken throughout the year and judged on a hike leaders' ability to totally lose their entire hike group. Call Fount for further details...

(Please note: This award is a ha ha joke award. It is not the intention of TTA or its' volunteer hike leaders to lose their group. Sometimes it happens, and for this The Golden Squirrel Nut Award exists.)

## BIG SOUTH FORK CHAPTER

Eric Wilson 423-628-2817

ericavi@infoave.net

Dec 26 Shake off the Christmas-overeating-lethargy with a hike in the Big South Fork. Place to be determined by weather conditions. Call Eric or Vi for information 423 628 2817, e-mail: ERICAVI@INFOAVE.NET

## CLARKSVILLE CHAPTER

Suva Bastin 931-645-2849

stevjune42@aol.com

**MEETS:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues, 7pm, The Crow Community Center, 211 Richview Rd

Dec 4 Long Hunter State Park, Hermitage, TN. Call Faye Balbac for further information and to pre-register 931-553-6826.

Dec 11 Percy Warner Park, Nashville, TN, Call June Miller for further information and to pre-register 931-648-4195.

Dec 31 New Years eve. Hike downtown Clarksville. Call Suva Bastin for further information and to pre-register 931-645-2849.

### Hike Reports

October was a great month! Hiking has never been better.

Oct 16 Our overnight backpacking at Big South Fork was splendid. 12 smiling souls shared this adventure, 2 were first-time backpackers.

Oct 23 Annual Bonfire was a flaming success. 33 TTA members and friends gathered to share food, roast hotdogs and tell tales.

Come hike with us!

## COLUMBIA CHAPTER

John Coleman 931-388-9318

jbcoleman@hotmail.com

Dec ?? Columbia Chapter Holiday Party. In lieu of our regular meeting, this month we'll have a holiday party at the home of our Chapter Chair John Coleman. Please call John for exact date and time 931-388-9318.

Dec 5 Hike Columbia. A local hike to enjoy some of the paths in the Columbia area. We'll meet at 2pm, call Julie Hodnett for meeting location and to pre-register 931-840-5540.

Dec 11 We are going underground! Buddy Baldwin will be leading a tour of the Southport Saltpeter Cave. This is one of the larger caves in the area and has some historical significance, as well. Buddy and his friends have led hundreds of folks through the cave, and they have recently completed a cave survey and mapping event, so this is a safe excursion for even the most cautious! And remember, if it is frigid outdoors, temperatures underground remain in the 50's! Bring a change of clothes, water in a plastic container and a flashlight for each person. Meet in the Shoney's parking lot at 1pm. It is only a 15-minute drive to the cave and the tour will take an hour to an hour and a half. If folks then want to wander around in the hills near the cave for a hike, Buddy has offered to lead! For more info call Buddy Baldwin at 931-379-4404 or e-mail: hotrocks@edge.net

## COVE LAKE CHAPTER

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### HIKE REPORT:

On Oct 16 Six of us from the club enjoyed splendid hiking weather as we climbed the well-maintained Mountain and Turkey Trails in the House Mountain State Natural Area. A large natural swing enticed us all to take a whirl. At the top we took the Mountain Crest Trails to the East and West Overlooks. Unfortunately, the haze prevented us from seeing the Great Smoky Mountains. Newcomers to our area, Kathy and Don Theobald, shared their delicious rugulah dessert.

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## EAST TENNESSEE CHAPTER

(Oak Ridge/Knoxville)

Ester R. Ruffner 423-281-0567

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Dec 4 Hike along Byrd Lake and Byrd Creek in Cumberland Mountain State Park, Crossville. This is an easy 8-mile, double figure-8 loop, hike along Byrd Lake and Byrd Creek. The hike will begin at the Visitor's Center near the park entrance. The trail is fairly flat and scenic along the lake, stream, and forest. The trail is good throughout its' length so either boots or good walking shoes are acceptable provided they have decent tread. Bring trail snacks, water, and lunch. The park restaurant closes for the season on Nov 30, so eating lunch there will not be an option. The park was constructed by the CCC and acquired by the state in 1938. The Crab Orchard stone dam and bridge in the park is the largest masonry structure ever built by the CCC. To carpool, meet in front of the middle school in downtown Norris at 8:30am EST. To meet at the trailhead (approximately 10am EST), drive to Crossville and head south on federal highway 127 toward Pikeville. The entrance to the park is on the right side of highway 127 approximately 4 or 5 miles from Crossville. For additional information and to register, call Bill Monroe 423-481-3032 (day) 423-494-0994 (evening) or email: bmonroe@mail.state.tn.us

## MEMPHIS CHAPTER

Ray Burkett (901) 357-9183      rburkett@sscc.cc.tn.us

- Dec 11 Shiloh Natl. Military Park Compass Hike. Pre-registration and compass required for each individual. Carpool at 6:45 a.m. from Borders Bookstore at Kirby Pkwy & Poplar Ave or meet at Ed Shaw's Café at 9:30 am. Bring water and lunch and be prepared for bushwhacking. Call Betty Porter 901-755-4740 for information and to pre-register.
- Dec 12 Downtown Memphis Social Hike. We will meet in the Peabody Hotel Lobby near the Christmas Tree at 2pm and walk down to Harbor Town along the river then walk or take a Trolley ride back to the Peabody. For information call Martye Burkett 901-357-9183.
- Dec 16 Memphis Chapter Holiday Party. In lieu of our regular meeting, this month we'll have our annual holiday party at Betty Porter's house, 6696 Stout Road. Bring your favorite festive dishes and soft drinks; an oven is available for heating, and we'll supply kitchen facilities, coffee, plates, cups, and eating utensils. Socializing begins around 6:30pm, with dinner at 7pm. The 2000 hiking schedule will be distributed at the meeting afterward. Call Betty Porter at 901-755-4740 for directions.
- Jan 8 Herb Parsons Lake, Memphis. Hike begins at 9:45am at the lake. Carpool meets at 9am at the soccer field on Walnut Grove Road (located on the south side of Walnut Grove, west of the traffic light at Farm Road). Bring lunch and water and join the fun for this easy 6-mile walk around the lake. Call Anne Lindholm for information 901-388-4123.

## MURFREESBORO CHAPTER

Fount Bertram 615-765-5357      fwbertram@hotmail.com

- Dec 14 Meeting & potluck dinner, 7pm at the home of Dr. Judith Rusciollelli, 1407 Leaf Avenue Our meeting will be a combination of business and fun. We will be planning our hikes for the next 6 months so bring your hiking ideas and be prepared to lead some of your favorites. We will also have our traditional potluck dinner. Bring your favorite recipe to share with the group. Please RSVP to Judith ASAP so she'll know how many to expect 615-896-5160(H) 615-898-2981(W) or e-mail:judithr@frank.mtsu.edu Come prepared for a good time with good food and good friends!

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## MURFREESBORO CHAPTER

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- Jan 1 Join Heloise on a New Year's Day celebration hike to Frozen Head. As in previous years, we'll share New Year's Day food: black-eyed peas, champagne and other good stuff you all come up with. We have had some great foods on this hike!! This is a short day so we'll meet close to 7am at the Cone station where Interstate 40 exits to 231 toward Murfreesboro and plan to be at the trailhead in Morgan County by 9:30. This trip is never a disappointment. The fast hikers usually have the fire ready at Tubb Springs by the time the rest of us get there!! Wow! Please register with the trip leader. 615-896-6278(H), 615-254-5461(W) or e-mail: hshilstat@hardaway.net

## NASHVILLE CHAPTER

Dave Walton 615-646-5355

- Dec 5 Savage Gulf North Rim Trail Join Jim Poteet for this hike in the South Cumberland State Recreational Area. The trail is rated easy to moderate with a total length of about 8 miles. We will pass by Savage Falls and overlooks into Savage Gulf. Call Jim at 615-824-7666 to register.
- Dec 11 Lookout Mountain. Bluff and Skyuka trails. Approximately 12 miles, rated moderate. Boots providing ankle support highly recommended. Bring appropriate hiking gear for the weather, lunch, snacks and water. We'll need an early start, as the days' sunlight will be rather short. Meet 6:30am at the Target on Bell Road. Car pools will leave at 6:45am. For information and to pre-register call Diane Manas 615-352-7777.
- Dec 11 Beaman Park Hike. Mac Pritchard is the hike leader for this Nature Ramble. We will meet at the spring on Little Marrowbone Road at 9am, and the hike will end about noon. The number of hikers is limited, call Nancy Dorman to pre-register 615-299-9586.
- Dec 12 Charlie and Jennifer Hann's Annual Volunteer Trail Hike and Chili Lunch. We will meet at Long Hunter State Park at the Volunteer Trailhead at 10am. This is an easy trail, about 4 miles long. After the hike you can join the Hann's for a chili lunch. Register by calling 615-941-1503.

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## NASHVILLE CHAPTER

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- Dec 18 Cedars of Lebanon Hike. Call Alicia Gray at 615-453-5138 for meeting location and time.
- Dec 18 Holiday Party. The Nashville Chapter will get together at Jim and Marietta Poteet's house. Please bring a dish to share and whatever you wish to drink (BYOB). Directions to Jim & Marietta's: (1.) Once you've reached Hendersonville and while on Gallatin Road, turn south at light #10 onto Indian Lake Rd (2.) At the 4-way stop sign, turn left onto East Drive (East Drive changes name and becomes Indian Lake Road, again) (3.) Just past Indian Lake School, follow Indian Lake diagonally left into Indian Lake Forest subdivision (4.) Turn left onto Raintree Drive, 324 will be on your right. Jim & Marietta's address: 324 Raintree Dr. Hendersonville, TN, phone 615-824-7286.
- Dec 19 Bledsoe Creek. Do you need to escape the Christmas craziness in the malls? Join Judy Wood for this short, easy hike in Bledsoe Creek State Park. We will meet at the K-Mart on Long Hollow Pike in Goodlettsville at 9am. Call 615-384-0634 to register.
- Jan 2 Dayhike at Sewanee, TN on the Perimeter Trail of the Domain of the University of the South. Hike from Green's View to Piney Point Overlook through Shake Rag Hollow's big trees(4.6 miles roundtrip). Option to continue another 2.8 miles to Alto Road and back. Total 7.4 if we don't get lost. Rocky (wear boots) with some long, steep grades. Overlooks likely windy. Dress for ~~success~~the weather. After hiking we will take in the stained glass at the Gothic All Saints Chapel on the campus. Meet Gene Curp 7:15am at Target on Bell Road for a prompt departure at 7:30. All Chapters and their members are welcome. Please pre-register with Gene 615-824-1171(H) 615-256-2566 ext.125(W)

## PLATEAU CHAPTER

(Crossville)

Bob Bowman 931-456-5169

- Dec 11 Virgin Falls, 8 Miles, rated difficult. Meet at Cumberland Mtn. State Park Visitor Center at 8am CST Hike Leader: Carolyn Miller 931-456-4465
- Dec 16 Chapter Holiday Party at 6pm CST at the home of Charles and Leigh Jones. Bring your favorite dish and a gift to exchange. Call 931-277-3228 for more information.

## UPPER CUMBERLAND CHAPTER

(Sparta/Cookeville)

Denise Charvoz or Barbara Phifer 931-738-3595

- Dec 4 Hike Savage Gulf in the morning. Register with Carol Anderson 615-597-5660 or [ander@dtccom.net](mailto:ander@dtccom.net). This is a moderate five-mile hike.
- Dec 12 Potluck Holiday party at Denise Charvoz. at 1pm. We can walk Denise's property before we eat. Bring a unisex gift (maximum \$5.00 value). We will have a special fun way of doing the gift exchange. Call Denise for additional information 931-738-3595.
- Dec 18 Stone Door to Alum Gap and rim trail back in the morning. It is 8.5 miles and rated moderate to strenuous. Register with Carol Anderson 615-597-5660 or [ander@dtccom.net](mailto:ander@dtccom.net)

No firm plans for the New Year have been made as yet, but a good suggestion for the first hike of the new millennium is at Standing Stone State Park and maybe a cookout.

## HIKE REPORTS

- Nov 5-7 Denise Charvoz attended the annual meeting at Monteagle and reported the auction was a success. She hiked both Greeter Falls and Fiery Gizzard and came back enthusiastic after being with the group.
- In Oct several spur of the moment hikes "just happened". One of them was the lake trail at Standing Stone on a beautiful fall day.

## CUMBERLAND TRAIL NEWS

Arleen Barnett Scheller

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We're in the process of getting settled into our new offices on the square in Crossville. We are in need of some office furniture and business equipment. Please contact Rob or Susan Weber 423-533-2620, or Arleen Barnett Scheller 931-707-8333 to obtain our wish list of needs.

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## ADOPT-A-TRAIL NEWS

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# RE M I N D E R

## NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS ARE DUE BY THE 10<sup>TH</sup> OF THE MONTH

Please send all submissions to:

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615-352-7777

E-MAIL: [diane.manas@nashville.com](mailto:diane.manas@nashville.com)

# Adopt-A-Trail

## Trail Maintenance Volunteers Needed!

If you would like to be placed on a call list for trail maintenance, contact Rob Weber 423-533-2620 for details.

If you are interested in maintaining a particular trail or section of trail, please contact Harold Draper, Adopt A Trail Coordinator 423-689-7757.

## Tennessee Trails Merchandise Order Form

\_\_\_\_\_ Hiking Tennessee Trails, 5<sup>th</sup> Edition ..... \$12.95  
 \_\_\_\_\_ TTA Adopt-A-Trail manual ..... 3.00  
 \_\_\_\_\_ TTA Patch ..... 3.00  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Round embroidered patch, sew it on anything.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ TTA Window Decal ..... 1.00  
 \_\_\_\_\_ A must for each car.  
 \_\_\_\_\_ "Free Vera" Handcuffs ..... name your price.00

Mail your check payable to:  
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