

BAYOU BYLINE

October 2017

<u>Calendar of Events</u>

October

- 17 Monthly Meeting Speaker is Adam Harbuck, who will be talking about his plan to build a boat launch by the fishing pier at C. Bickham Dickson Park
- 21 Red River National Wildlife Refuge Contact person: Sandy Roerig at 318-686-9481 or sroeri@lsuhsc.edu
- 28 Ozark Society Fall All-Society Meeting in Fayetteville, Arkansas. Details on page 7.

November

- 4 Red River Cleanup go to the website for more details www.redrivercleanup.com
- 21 Monthly Meeting Speaker TBA

December

3 BCOS Christmas Party at the Red River Refuge - Contact Sandy Roerig at 318-686-9481 or sroeri@lsuhsc.edu Centenary College Campus Map Woodlawn

Our monthly meetings are held at Mickle Hall in the Carlisle Auditorium on Centenary College campus on the first floor. X marks the spot on the map.

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month. (except December) Program starts at 6:30 pm. Business meeting follows. Plan to join us after the meeting for pizza and socializing.



Adam Harbuck will give a presentation on C. Bickham Dickson Park and his plans for developing a boat ramp adjacent to the fishing pier.

October "Special Days"

5th - Ryan Visor's birthday
7th - Kristi Smith's birthday (Linda Miller's daughter)
10th - Barbie Halbert's birthday. Is she really gonna be 1 more than 3 score?
11th - David Pitts birthday
18th - Kathy Logan's birthday
21st - Kevin Smith's birthday (Linda Miller's son)
23rd - Steve Tolson's birthday
24th - Rick Larned's birthday
27th - Marsha Land's birthday(Pay attention Jack)
31st - Alisha Watson's birthday (Craig & Phyllis's daughter. Bet she is wedded by now)

I'm certain there are "Very Special" events in October that we missed. Please post them and let the NL staff know about them.

Classy Ads and Other Important Stuff

Dick Maxwell has kayaks, paddles and PFD's available for people to go for a paddle on Cross Lake during weekday evenings. Talk about a stress reliever! You will need to call ahead (318-734-7949). Cost is only \$5 per evening.

If you have any equipment you want to sell or give away, get in touch with Roy O'Neal. 318-272-0259 or roneal2@bellsouth.net

T-shirts are in!! Look for the Hackman carrying a big box at the meeting. If you have ordered, but haven't paid, the prices are \$10 for short sleeve, \$12 for long sleeve, and \$2 extra for XXL and XXXL. We still have some short sleeved shirts of various colors available in medium, large and extra-large sizes. Please bring correct change or a check made out to BCOS. Contact Jenny Hackman for more information. 318-288-9096 or jandgman@bellsouth.net





BCOS Meeting Minutes September 19, 2017

By: Jenny Hackman

Presentation by Laura-Ashley Overdyke from Caddo Lake Institute Shreveport office. She can be contacted at info@caddolake.us and the website for the institute is caddolake.us

Dick Maxwell called the meeting to order after the presentation. No new members were present. A motion was made to accept the minutes as written in the newsletter

Treasurer's report: \$5562.76

Conservation report: Sandy was not present

Conservation activities:

October 7- clean up at C Bickham Dickson along with the fly fishers, kayak fly fishers, Red River Cleanup and the city will be out there

Upcoming outing:

Wildlife and fisheries Day at Bodcau September 23 – need help to put visitors in a boat from 10am-3pm and set up on September 22

Old Business: None

New Business:

September 23-30: Ozark Society Trip to Utah

October 19: Master Naturalist will hold an open meeting at 6 PM at the Red River Refuge

October 21: Red River Refuge

October 28: All Society Meeting in Fayetteville

LA Wildlife Meeting in Lafayette - There is a chronic wasting disease of white tail deer it's not in this area

Rosea Cane – don't move it due to a bug

US Geological Survey was able to give map coordinates during hurricane Katrina

Master Naturalist program costs \$100, there are 9 meetings 3 hours each. BCOS currently has 3 members who are certified and 2 taking the class currently

BCOS stickers are available for \$2 each from Dick

There is no date for a planning meeting yet

Marian asked if BCOS was going to support the Caddo Lake Institute. No discussion was held today.

Meeting was adjourned to Johnny's Pizza.



National Hunting & Fishing Day Festival at Bodcau

By: Roy O'Neal

Congratulations BCOSers! We did it again! I am not sure if the kayak and canoe paddling orientation was the most popular at this years festival at Bodcau, but there were 146 Momma's, Daddy's, brothers and sisters that shared that opinion.

How does the Bayou Chapter provide so much fun for so many every year? It's the people, people! So who were those folks this year? This writer hopefully will be able to remember all those who helped so much, but if your name is not included, I apologize. Just know that you are appreciated and your contribution was important. With that said, the following BCOSers were there and should be proud of what they did - Tammie Jernigan, Steve & Grace Eyler, Debbie Holimon, Jack & Marsha Land, Ken Harris, Marian Howard, Henry Ann Burton, Larry & Becky Moore, Tim Collyer, Wayne Kiefer, Dick Maxwell, Dee Jaye Teutsch and grand-daughters, Abby(Double D) and Daisy, and Roy O'Neal. I believe that to be 17 folks.

It is almost impossible to explain what each person did because as in most Bayou Chapter endeavors, everyone did what needed to be done at the time. Believe me it was a frantic effort as the day progressed, so I will mention the efforts of those I can remember. Again, if I miss someone, I am sorry. Starting Friday morning, Dick, Tim, Larry and I, went out to Bodcau and constructed the "disposable" docks that we use to get folks in and out of the kayaks and canoes. Thankfully the launching area had been prepared very nicely so we did not have to do any weed-eating. On Saturday morning everyone began showing up around 8:30 to get ready for the 10 A.M. Festival start time. Marian and Henry Ann took charge of registration, plus the fitting of the PDF's(life jackets) which are required of all those who are getting in boats.

With many being exposed to paddling for the first time, having experienced people in safety boats on the water at all times. Those bringing their own boats, and spending hours making sure that everyone was okay, were Larry, Becky, Debbie, Tim, Wayne, Tammie, Abby, Dee Jaye, Jack and Marsha. Let me tell you that sitting in a kayak or canoe from before 10 A.M. until almost 3 P.M. ain't easy. A big "Thanks" to these folks.

Okay, so they were able to take a couple of breaks. And those who were dragging boats in and out of the water, showing people how to properly get in and out of a boat, etc. were really glad the safety boaters took a break since most of them came and relieved the loaders. Whew, I am tired just thinking about it.

A special thank you to Tammie, who at the end of the day volunteered "some men" to come and take down the docks and store them at her house until the next Festival. Tammie also furnished the rugs that were used to cover the approaches to the docks, and the docks also.

Thanks also to everyone who helped to load the BCOS kayaks on the trailer. Seems like 12 suddenly becomes 24 when loading at the end of the day. And to Dick Maxwell for almost single-handedly cleaning up the kayaks in his front yard. Oh, did I fail to mention that Dick was not at Bodcau on Saturday due to his competing in the kayak race on the Ouachita River. Dick didn't win, but I bet he had the best looking "home-built" kayak on the river.

Enough! Finger fatigue is setting in. If you have not yet been to this Festival, mark your 2018 calendar now. September is the month but don't yet know the day.



Bayou Chapter, Ozark Society

October 12, 2017





Bodcau Wildlife Refuge Festival



September 23, 2017







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We need help at the Red River National Wildlife Refuge on Saturday October 21, 2017 Contact is Sandy Roerig - send emails to <u>sroeri@lsuhsc.edu</u>

Greetings from Red River National Wildlife Refuge! Each year the refuge puts on a Fall Wildlife Festival, which is a festival-style family event celebrating National Wildlife Refuge Week and the native wildlife of NW Louisiana. Various wildlife and nature-related organizations participate and provide educational activities and information for visiting families. Last year over 600 people came out to enjoy the event.

Last year, thanks to the Bayou Chapter of the Ozark Society, many visitors enjoyed a fun day of canoeing and kayaking! Thank you for your continued partnership and providing visitors with this fun and safe activity!

The refuge would love to have your help with canoeing and kayaking again this year if your organization is able to assist as in years past. If your group is able to help, please confirm as soon as possible and let me know who is the best person in your organization to coordinate/communicate with regarding the event. This year's Wildlife Celebration takes place on Saturday, October 21 from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm.

Thanks for your continued support of the refuge!

Ozark Society Fall Meeting

The Highlands Chapter is in charge of the Ozark Society Fall Meeting this year to be held October 28th in Fayetteville. Tom Perry and his team have found a wonderful place for us, the Ozark Mountain Smokehouse at 1725 Smoke House Trail, Fayetteville, AR 72701, and its free! Well done. Here is the plan so far:

Saturday:

- 9am, meet for a group hike. I will have more details soon on meeting place for carpooling, and where the hike will be. Arrive back in Fayetteville by 1pm-ish. Lunch on your own.
- Anytime Saturday or Sunday-on your own trips to Crystal Bridges. After dark is a very nice time to be there.
- 4-5.30pm- general meeting
- 6-7pm-pot luck supper
- music entertainment

Sunday:

• For the OS Board only: 9am-board meeting. Continental style breakfast will be provided.

Please mark October 28th down on your calendars and plan to join us! David Peterson Ozark Society, President



C. Bickham Dickson Cleanup

Saturday October 7th

A big "**Thank You**" for a job well done! BCOS members participating included Roy O'Neal, Dick Maxwell, Adam & Lisa Willard, Barbie Halbert, Tammie Jernigan, Kenny Miller, Steve Eyler, Ken Harris, and J.J. Harris.



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