



# BAYOU BYLINE



April 2019

## Calendar of Events

### April

- 13 Shreveport Green's Great American Cleanup
- 16 Monthly Meeting - No speaker this month
- 19 Moonlight Paddle - Location TBA Contact Wayne Kiefer at [wkiefer59@gmail.com](mailto:wkiefer59@gmail.com)
- 27 Annual Crawfish Boil at Henry Ann Burton's place in Oil City. Noon - until?

### May

- 4 Shirley, Arkansas Paddle/Camp Weekend - contact Tammy Jernigan at [tjerni88@hotmail.com](mailto:tjerni88@hotmail.com) (Shirley is only 47 miles to Gilbert)
- 4 Spring All Society Meeting in Gilbert, AR
- 10-12 Kisatchie Camp, Paddle, Hike - contact person is Sarah Coleman @ 318-286-0155 or [strongtreemassage@gmail.com](mailto:strongtreemassage@gmail.com)
- 12 Sunrise Triathlon on Cross Lake - contact TBA
- 18 Moonlight Paddle TBA - contact person is Wayne Kiefer at [wkiefer59@gmail.com](mailto:wkiefer59@gmail.com)
- 21 Monthly Meeting - Speaker TBA

### June

- 4-8 Ozark Society Buffalo River Float - Details can be found in the Pack and Paddle
- 16 Wenks Landing Float - contact person is Dee Jaye Teutsch at 318-393-2523 or [tdeejaye@yahoo.com](mailto:tdeejaye@yahoo.com)



## Note: New Monthly Meeting Location!!!!



Our monthly meetings are now being held at the Red River National Wildlife Refuge 150 Eagle Bend Point, Bossier City, LA 71112.

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.



Message from our Chairman Wayne Kiefer - We are not having a guest speaker in April. We have decided to share more in-depth info on the upcoming schedule of events and a few other areas to hopefully increase participation.

## Calendar (continued)

### June

- 18 Monthly Meeting - Speaker TBA
- 21-23 Ouachita River Float - Ouachita Haven Campground - contact Dee Jaye Teutsch at 318-393-2523 or [tdeejaye@yahoo.com](mailto:tdeejaye@yahoo.com)
- 29 Sabine River Float - contact Dee Jaye Teutsch at 318-393-2523 or [tdeejaye@yahoo.com](mailto:tdeejaye@yahoo.com)

### July

- 12-14 Lower Mountain Fork Camp and Paddle - Oklahoma - contact person TBA
- 14-20 Ozark Society Colorado Trip - Details on page 8 - contact person is Catherine Tolson 318-800-9280 or [catherine.tolson@comcast.net](mailto:catherine.tolson@comcast.net)
- 16 Monthly Meeting/Cookout - Red River South Marina 6:30 pm -We will cook hot dogs before the meeting. Wayne is cooking. It is a few miles south of Parkway high school off Barksdale Blvd.. and only a few minutes difference.. BYOB and a food to share. Kayaks and canoes are welcome since we will be at the oxbow launch. Full moon too!!
- 27 Caddo Lake Paddle - Uncertain, TX - contact person is Sandy Roerig at [SRoeri@lsuhsc.edu](mailto:SRoeri@lsuhsc.edu) or 318-686-9481

### August

- 2-4 Cypress Lake Camp - Cypress Black Bayou Recreation Area - Safety Boats for River Cities Triathlon on Sunday - contact person TBA
- 13 Fall Planning Meeting - Site TBA
- 16 Moonlight Paddle at Lake Bistineau State Park - contact person is Wayne Kiefer [wkiefer59@gmail.com](mailto:wkiefer59@gmail.com)
- 20 Monthly Meeting - Speaker TBA
- 23-27 Chemin A Haut/Poverty Point Camp/Paddle - contact person is Tammy Jernigan at [tjerni88@hotmail.com](mailto:tjerni88@hotmail.com)

### September

- 14 Moonlight Paddle at Lake Caroline - contact person is Sandy Roerig at [SRoeri@lsuhsc.edu](mailto:SRoeri@lsuhsc.edu) or 318-686-9481
- 17 Monthly Meeting - Speaker TBA
- 28 Bodcau Hunting and Fishing Day - Tom Merrill Recreation Area - contact person TBA



## BCOS Minutes - March 19, 2019

By: Sandy Roerig (subbing for Secretary Gary Hackman)

The regular monthly meeting of the Bayou Chapter, Ozark Society was held on March 19, 2019 at the Red River National Wildlife Refuge. Chairman Wayne Kiefer opened the meeting at 6:35 pm. He introduced 2 guests and welcomed everyone to the meeting.



The minutes of the February meeting had not been sent in the February newsletter, so a vote to approve the minutes was deferred until the next meeting.

Dick Maxwell, Treasurer, reported a balance of \$5,618 in the Chapter accounts.

Newsletter Editor, Marian Howard, had no comments about the newsletter.

Tom Goleman, Publicity Chair, brought materials to share from the Rondeveaux that he recently attended.

Sandy Roerig presented the Conservation Report – a review of a seminar on microplastics that she recently attended. Dr. Mark Benfield from LSU Baton Rouge had provided data and information about the source of microplastics and the ways in which they are contaminating our environment.

Shawn Puffer, the featured speaker, described a kayak trip he recently completed on the Mississippi River, from Lake Itaska to the Gulf of Mexico. He was able to complete the story of the first three weeks of his adventure in the time allotted, so he will finish his presentation at a future meeting.

Roy O'Neal reported that the recent trail maintenance project was successful, with 26 people participating. Two teams worked on water bars and shrub/tree trimming on the lower section of the trail. Dick and Jack Land completed maintenance on the upper trail section. We probably also need to work on the middle section as well. Several members stayed at the camp in Shady Lake and prepared a hearty supper for the workers that was greatly appreciated.

Roy also reported that the Duck Pond clean-up was cancelled due to projected inclement weather, but actually, the Duck Pond looks pretty clean right now. Another date will be scheduled to complete the clean-up.

Old Business:

Tammy Jernigan will set a date for remarking the canoe trails on Lake Bistineau. She also discussed a proposed clean-up on Bodcau Bayou on April 13. She said the Parish would pick up any trash we collect. She will publicize this event.

Wayne reported on the recent clean-up on Linwood Ave. Eighteen Bayou Chapter members and others helped pick up trash, but a huge amount of trash remains at that site. Shreveport Green has requested Bayou Chapter assistance on other clean-up projects, but the Chapter has not yet committed to these projects.

### **Upcoming Events:**

There will be a planning meeting on March 21st at 6:00 pm at Walk Ons restaurant on Youree Drive. Everyone is welcome to attend and help plan activities for the next few months.

The crawfish boil will be on April 27 at Henry Ann Burton's house in Oil City, starting around noon. Attendees should bring chairs and their preferred drink. Additional food dishes are welcome.

Roy announced that he had contacted Barry Walker about planned hikes. A hike is scheduled for March 30 at Eddie Jones Park. Another hike will be at Caney Lake on April 6th..

Wayne reminded the group about the All Society meeting on Map 3-5 in Gilbert, AR. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend. This is a good opportunity to meet and mingle with Ozark Society members in other chapters and to get updates about the ongoing projects of the Society.

Wayne also asked whether members are interested in Sunday or Monday afternoon pop-up hikes and paddles. Several people expressed interest.

Stephanie Parks asked if Boy Scout groups might be interested in helping with our clean-ups. Wayne will follow up on this suggestion.

Dick announced that Bayou Chapter stickers are available for \$3 each. He is also selling bird houses for \$5 each.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

**Wayne's Corner**

By: Wayne Kiefer



We are not having a guest speaker in April. We have decided to share more in-depth info on the upcoming schedule and a few other areas. I feel that if these events are outlined better that newcomers may feel more comfortable joining in and participation in our events may increase. I know I was a newbie not long ago and was hesitant to attend because my expectations were unclear. I also would like to review some heat related issues for our events. Tammy has some things to present as well. Hope to see you all at the meeting on TUESDAY the 23rd.

On another front, this past Tuesday, April 9th, 10 folks from our chapter came out to the Duck Pond cleanup on E, Kings highway. Three boats and six folks on shore did a fine job collecting trash. We were there about 3 hours. Some broke away to go to the Shreveport mayors office and attended a recognition ceremony for local conservation groups. We were noted in his presentation. Thanks for all the help from those who came out! We are going back to the Duck Pond on Tuesday April 23rd to get a small area we may have missed. So after lunch we will double check and clean that area if need be.

**Athens-Big Fork Trail Maintenance**

By: Roy O'Neal

Wow! I feel motivated to quote Winston Churchill's "Never have so few done so much..." when reporting on the work done on the trail the weekend of March 16-17.

Of course those who devote many hours, many steps, and many, many deep breaths covering even one section of the trail that is rated as one of the most challenging in the Ouachita's, if not the entire state of Arkansas, are always to be thanked and praised for the work you did.

You who come and fill the roles of camp support, ensuring that the trail workers have a great meal greeting them on their return, and plenty of wood to make the time spent around the campfire so attractive, are to be commended. I have been doing this for many years, but am not sure that those who make those efforts, as well as come many miles to help, have ever been specifically pointed out. Well, if you are one of those people, prepare to do what it is you do when your name is called for great accomplishments.

Here are the "camp supporters" for 2019: Stephanie Parks, Marsha Land, Kenny & Sandy Miller, John Joyce and Steve Eyer. (I was going to separate the "food folks" from the Wood cutters/gatherers until I learned that some of the ladies also gathered wood while they were waiting to get the food ready. Talk about some worker bees!

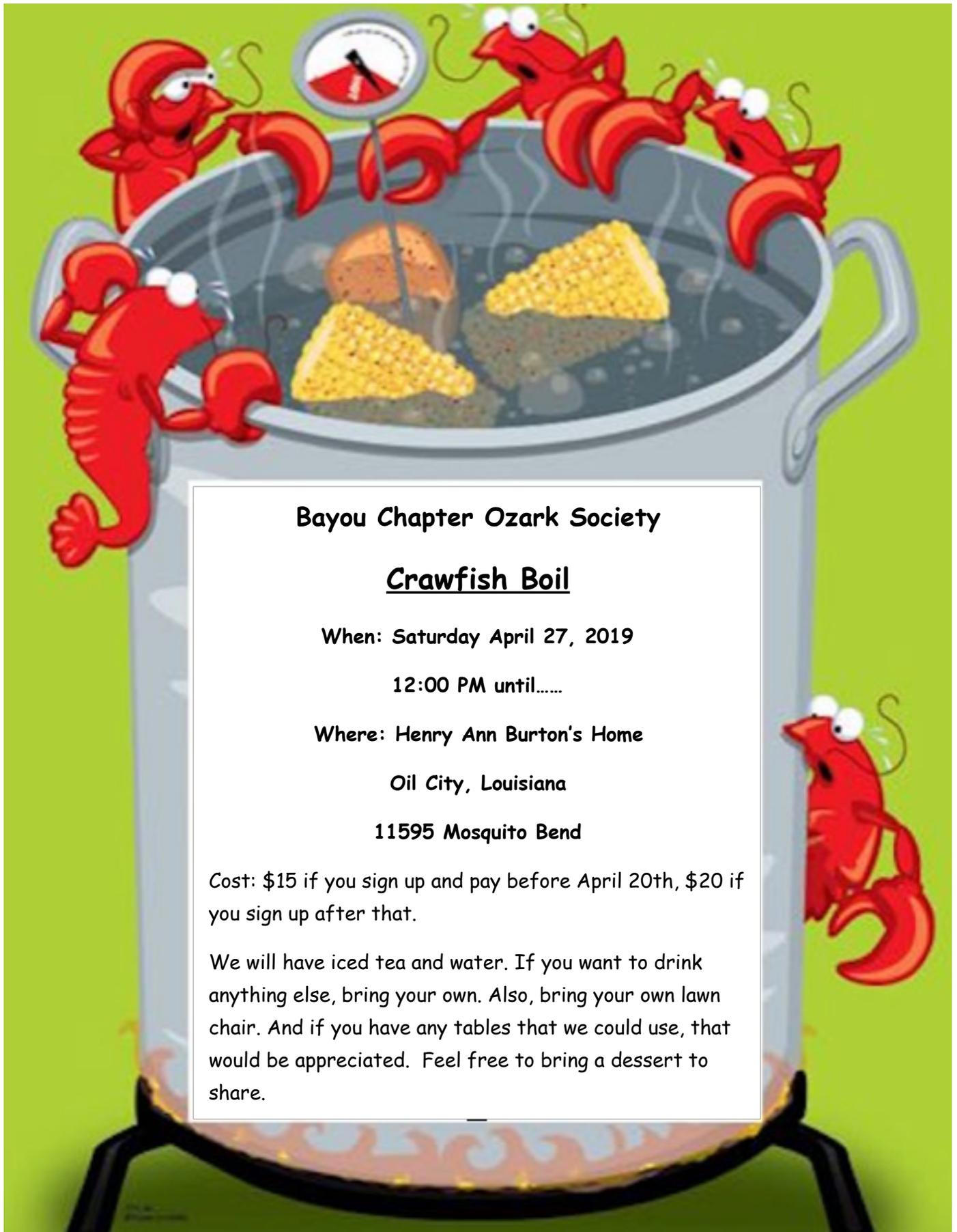
I also want to thank Austin Shero, the cattleman and mountain climber, who came from his home in Oklahoma to help again this year. Many of you will recall that Austin showed up last year after his planned trek on the Eagle Fork Loop fell through, and asked if he could join us working on the trail. He enjoyed it so much that he planned to come again this year as soon as he learned of the date. Thank you so much Austin. You are a great asset. Austin has taken up trail running and offered to let me join him on a little jaunt up to Tall Peak and back. Yeah, I thought that was pretty funny too!

Kenneth Holdiness, who lives in Calhoun, and has spent most of his time of late helping to look after his Mom, joined us at the last minute, and was, as usual, an important part of our crew. You want to see another guy that knows what to do with a Rogue Hoe – Well, just follow Kenneth up the mountain. You might want to get a head start before he passes you however.

I am sure there will be plenty of stories told about this issue of the 2019 A-BF Weekend, some of which will be absolutely true, and others, well. . . . But they are entertaining for sure. Thanks again gang.

P.S. Thanks to Jake Raines for providing the tools to use, and Russell Standingwater for allowing us to camp at Shady Lake.

I also want to thank Billy (don't know his last name), the camp host for being so very nice and accommodating. He is really a great guy and truly has the preservation of the natural beauty of Arkansas at heart.



**Bayou Chapter Ozark Society**

**Crawfish Boil**

**When: Saturday April 27, 2019**

**12:00 PM until.....**

**Where: Henry Ann Burton's Home**

**Oil City, Louisiana**

**11595 Mosquito Bend**

Cost: \$15 if you sign up and pay before April 20th, \$20 if you sign up after that.

We will have iced tea and water. If you want to drink anything else, bring your own. Also, bring your own lawn chair. And if you have any tables that we could use, that would be appreciated. Feel free to bring a dessert to share.

Sign me up for the Bayou Chapter Ozark Society Crawfish Boil!

Saturday April 27th, 2019 12:00 PM - until ???

Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Send this form along with \$15 per person (checks made payable to Bayou Chapter Ozark Society) to:

Bayou Chapter of the Ozark Society  
P.O. Box 4693  
Shreveport, LA 71134

If you have any questions, contact Roy O'Neal. He has all the answers!! 318-272-0259 or roneal2@bellsouth.net



## Classy Ads and Other Important Stuff

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](mailto:roneal2@bellsouth.net) or just bring it to the upcoming meeting.

**We have reverted back to the old dues structure - dues are due on January 1st every year.** If you join in November or December last year, you won't have to pay dues again until January 1, 2020!

The **Ozark Society Spring Meeting** will be held May 3-5 at the Gilbert RV Campground in Gilbert, Arkansas. 11 RV sites available (electricity and water provided) at a cost of \$20 for 4 people and \$5 for each additional person per night. Tent sites- unlimited, \$5.00 a person per night. Contact Jim Klontz and Gilbert RV to reserve a site-870-439-2111. Details of activities, pot luck, and entertainment to follow.



**May 3-5th - All Ozark Society Meeting**

Join us the first weekend in May in Gilbert, AR. We have the RV campground sites reserved (but you need to call to claim a site! 870-439-2111). We are supporting a local business owner this year. ~~Stewart Noland~~ will be leading river trips and we will have hikes planned for both days. Come prepared to have fun, swap stories and enjoy a Saturday evening potluck! Most of all, we will get to enjoy the Buffalo National River! Hosted this spring by the Pulaski Chapter.  
Information: [pulaskipres@ozarksociety.net](mailto:pulaskipres@ozarksociety.net)

## April "Special" Days

April 1 - Gary Hackman's birthday (and April Fool's Day but Gary is not one!)

April 10 - Rick Miller's birthday

April 11 - Louis Covington's birthday

April 13 - Great American Cleanup

April 15 - Federal Income Taxes Due – mail prior to midnight.

April 16 - BCOS Meeting

April 21 - Easter Sunday

April 22 - Laura T. Havard's birthday



## **COLORADO HIGH ADVENTURE TRIP - July 14-20, 2019**

The 2019 Colorado High Adventure Trip will be held from Sunday thru Saturday, July 14 – 20 at Cascade Campground, located in the Collegiate Peaks area west of the community of Nathrop, Colorado. If you prefer motel accommodations to camping, you can make reservations at nearby motels or bed & breakfasts. The trip is limited to 60 people. The cost of the trip is \$175 for campers or \$125 for those who choose the motel or B&B option. You will need to complete the Trip Form and include it with your fees. Here is the [Trip Form](#). It is also available at the Ozark Society website under Outings and Activities: <https://www.ozarksociety.net/> and it will be in the Spring issue of the *Pack and Paddle* newsletter.

*You must be an Ozark Society member to participate in this trip.* Only paid trip participants who sign waivers will be allowed to join group-led activities. If you are not already a member, you may join by paying your dues online at [www.ozarksociety.net/membership/](http://www.ozarksociety.net/membership/) or by sending \$30 annual dues along with trip fee of \$175 for campers or \$125 for non-campers.

Reservations will be accepted between January 15<sup>th</sup> and May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Please be sure your reservation arrives by May 31<sup>st</sup> at the latest. To confirm your place on the Colorado outing, send

1. Your completed [Trip Form](#)
2. A check made out to the Ozark Society

Mail these to:

Catherine Tolson  
216 Vinwood Rd  
Monroe, LA 71203

Meals will be provided for all trip participants, regardless of whether you are camping or staying elsewhere. The meals will begin with dinner on Sunday July 14 and end with dinner on Friday July 19. If you have special dietary needs or preferences, you may need to bring your own food as the menus are planned well in advance of the trip. There will be a variety of outings from which to choose: hiking, fishing, mountain biking, horseback riding, sightseeing, and rafting or boating on the Arkansas River. If you plan to canoe, kayak, or bike, you should bring your own equipment. For rafting, you will need to make your own arrangements with a local outfitter.

If you have any questions about the trip, contact Catherine Tolson by phone at 318-680-9280 or by email at [catherine.tolson@comcast.net](mailto:catherine.tolson@comcast.net).





**June 5-8th - Float on the Buffalo River organized by Steve Heye**

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! The Pulaski Chapter is organizing a float on the Buffalo National river from June 5-8, 2019. It will go from the Ozark Camp Ground to Highway 65. There is also the option of a day float on June 4th from Kyle's Landing to the Ozark Camp Ground. The Cost for this trip is \$200 per person. This covers meals from Wednesday noon to Saturday noon, campground and river permits, your car shuttle and group gear maintenance. There are only 45 slots available. Once 45 are filled, you will be put on the standby list. Your slot is not official until your payment is received. Here is how you can register: Send an Email with your Name, City, and Cell Number to [heye@aristotle.net](mailto:heye@aristotle.net). Then send a Check for \$200 per person to Ozark Society. P.O. Box 2914, LR, AR 72203. If more than one person is registering, list all people separately so we have their contact info. Email is our main method of contact. Once you are registered, you will receive further trip information.

### **Eddie Jones Park (Monkey Trail)**

Over 10+ miles of some of the best biking and hiking trails around this area. Restroom and pavilion facilities are on site. Located adjacent to Chimp Haven so you will enjoy hearing the chimps hoot and holler as you enjoy the trail.

Short steep climbs/decent with several 180 degree switchbacks are the most memorable features.....well taken care of trail and excellent trail head facilities.

**Hours of Operation:** Wednesday – Saturday 8am-5pm, Sunday 1-5pm. Closed Monday, Tuesday, and major holidays.

**Address:** 8400 Mike Clark Road [Keithville, LA](http://www.Keithville.LA)



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## The Ozark Society Membership Application/Renewal



**Join us, or renew now!** Dues are for one year, January-December, and they include a subscription to the Society's newsletter, *Pack & Paddle*. To join or renew, go online to the Ozark Society website at [www.ozarksociety.net](http://www.ozarksociety.net).

Or you can fill out this form and send it with a check written to "The Ozark Society." See below for our address.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, and ZIP:

Phone:

Email 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Old Email (if changed)

Email 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Old Email (if changed)

I would like *Pack and Paddle* sent to my home address instead of by email. (Default is email.)

**Please check one:**

- New Member      Start at **Section A** for your OS and Chapter Membership
- Renewal            Start at **Section A** to renew your OS and Chapter Membership
- LIFE Member      Start at **Section B** to renew just your Chapter Membership

**Section A: Please specify both the Level of Membership and the Chapter you are joining:**

**Level:**      *(choose one)*

- Friend:      \$30      = \$20 OS +\$10  
Chapter
- Associate:    \$50      = \$40 OS +\$10  
Chapter
- Supporter:   \$100     = \$90 OS +\$10  
Chapter
- Sponsor:     \$250     = \$240 OS +\$10  
Chapter
- Patron:      \$500     = \$490 OS +\$10  
Chapter

**Chapter:** *(choose one)*

- Benefactor: \$1000+ = \$990+ OS +\$10  
Chapter
- Bayou (Shreveport, LA)
- Buffalo River (Gilbert, AR)
- Highlands (Fayetteville, AR)
- Mississippi Valley (Missouri)
- Pulaski (Little Rock, AR)
- Sugar Creek (Bentonville, AR)
- No chapter, all to central Ozark Soc

**Section B: For Members who wish to join more than one Chapter or Life Members renewing their Chapter Membership only**

*(Choose as many as you wish and add \$10 for each chapter)*

- \$10 Bayou (Shreveport, LA)
- \$10 Buffalo River (Gilbert, AR)
- \$10 Highlands (Fayetteville, AR)
- \$10 Mississippi Valley (Missouri)
- \$10 Pulaski (Little Rock, AR)
- \$10 Sugar Creek (Bentonville, AR)

**Section C: Donations to our Funds**

*(Choose any amount)*

- \$\_\_\_\_\_ General Conservation Fund
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ Legal Fund
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ Compton Scholarship Fund
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ Hedges Scholarship Fund
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ OS Foundation

**My Total is: \$\_\_\_\_\_**