



PADDLE TRAILS



THE OZARK SOCIETY
PULASKI CHAPTER



September 2019

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Pulaski Chapter Meetings

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Tues Sept 3rd, 2019

**Potluck at Big Maumelle
Pavillion at Pinnacle State
Park at 6:30pm**

(additional info in newsletter to
your right)

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From the Desk of the President...

By Janet Nye

Transition season is coming-fall is nearing. We all know we are not there yet and have to walk through more warm weather before fall is truly here. I am getting hints of fall with an occasional cool breeze but also through exciting activities on the fall calendar.

I am very grateful for Mary Schlatterer presiding over the August meeting and to Rob Stephens for coming to give us an update with Leave No Trace. Thanks for continuing our mission!

I am continually excited by the emails I receive notifying me of new and renewing members. Thank you to all of you for continuing your membership in the Ozark Society. We are always seeking to educate, to conserve and of course, to “play”. I am reminded that most folks don’t know who the Ozark Society is and why we were founded-to SAVE the BUFFALO RIVER! Let’s continue to tell our friends and invite those we meet to join us.

We have the opportunity to reach out to our community at the **Hillcrest Fall Festival** on Saturday, October 12th. The Pulaski Chapter will have a booth at this festival where we will talk with folks about who we are and what we do, sell books, and have “hands on” activities. We will need our chapter members to come and help speak to those attending and to help set up and take down. The hours are 11:00-7:00 with set up at 10:00. Please let me know when you can come!

Our September meeting is one of my favorite each year. We will gather at the Pinnacle Mountain State Park Big Maumelle pavillion for a potluck. We will eat and visit. Come join us at 6:30. Bring your food, a dish to serve your food on, silverware and a drink.

No matter what the weather is that day, it’s ALWAYS cooler at this pavillion. Also, it’s a great time to paddle around on the Big Maumelle. I look forward to seeing you!

Janet Nye

Ozark Society Store

The Ozark Society is blessed with people who use their skills to make this organization work. I'm very excited about the results of much hard work by Carolyn Shearman to make our Ozark Society store current. We can now go to our website (ozarksociety.net) click on items, "add to cart" and check out with a credit card. That's exciting!
You can now buy Fred Paillet's new book, Forest Forensics with a click!
Thanks to Carolyn and our web designer, Josh, for all your hard work!

Fall Meeting

The annual fall meeting is Nov. 9-10 at Queen Wilhelmina State Park located on top of 2,681 ft Rich Mountain in western Arkansas near Mena AR. The Highlands Chapter is hosting the meeting.

Preliminary Agenda:

- Fri 8 Nov: Arrival, on your own, no scheduled activities
- Sat 9 Nov:
 - 10:30 am – 2:30 pm Mid-morning to early afternoon outing (e.g., Ouachita Trail)
 - 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm General Membership Business meeting (Wilhelmina Lodge meeting room)
 - 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm Dinner on your own (Wilhelmina Lodge Restaurant or campsite)
 - 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm Guest speaker (Wilhelmina Lodge meeting room)
- Sun 10 Nov: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon Ozark Society Board Meeting (Wilhelmina Lodge meeting room)

Queen Wilhelmina State Park Facilities:

Queen Wilhelmina State Park has

- 40 guest rooms in motel-type lodging <https://www.arkansasstateparks.com/parks/queen-wilhelmina-state-park/accommodations>
- 41 Campsites: <https://www.arkansasstateparks.com/parks/queen-wilhelmina-state-park/accommodations/camping>
- A full-service restaurant: <https://www.arkansasstateparks.com/parks/queen-wilhelmina-state-park/restaurant>

Lodging: Because Queen Wilhelmina Lodge is busy on fall weekends, the Highlands Chapter has asked the Park to hold 10 lodge guest rooms for the Ozark Society at a reduced rate. To make reservations, dial 479-394-2863 to speak to a park representative and mention "Ozark Society" to get a lodge room at a reduced rate. Book soon.

For campsites in the park, call the park office at the same telephone number.

Other nearby commercial campsites and cabin/B&B accommodations are listed on the Queen Wilhelmina Park website at <https://www.arkansasstateparks.com/parks/queen-wilhelmina-state-park> . The nearby (12 miles) town of Mena, Arkansas also has a number of motels and lodging.

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Upcoming Outings

All are welcome, you do not have to be a member (though it helps!). Kids are welcome on some hikes, ask the leader if its appropriate.

SEPTEMBER 7 – DRAGOVER SWIM AND FLOAT – NEAR PENCIL BLUFF. 3 MILE FLOAT.

It's still hot, so lets spend a day swimming and floating at Dragover on the Ouachita River. Dragover is a bend in the river that nearly comes back to where you put in. It's a five minute walk on a road to get back to where we started. Bring a boat or an inter-tube and enjoy a little white water and a fun time. Meet at the Chik-fil-a near Bass Pro at 8:30 to carpool or be at Dragover by 10:30. Bring wet shoes and lunch.

OCTOBER 5 – BIG CREEK CAVE FALLS – NEAR DEER - MODERATE. - 5 MILES

Here is a new hike for us. The creek comes from a cave makes a spectacular falls. We will explore some of the other falls in the area as well. We will be doing some walking in the creek, so bring appropriate shoes.

Be at the Morgan McDonald's at 7:30 to carpool or be at the Pelsor Store by 10. Bring lunch, water and a hiking stick for slick rocks.

OCTOBER 19 - SECT. 2 THE NEW B.R.T. - ZACK RIDGE TO RED BLUFF RD. MOD – 4.5 MILES.

Time to check out section two of the new Buffalo River Trail Extension. We will meet at the Morgan McDonald's at 7:30 and carpool up or you can meet us at the Harp's Grocery lot in Marshall at 9:30. Bring lunch, sturdy shoes and water. There is a wet crossing at Brush Creek.

NOVEMBER 9 –SANDSTONE CASTLE FORMATION – RICHLAND CR. WILDERNESS MODERATE - 4 MILES OR MORE - NEAR LURTON.

Another new area for us to visit, Sandstone Castle is a rock formation in the Richland Creek Wilderness that has unique features. It is northwest of the twin falls and is not visited that much but interesting rock formations to explore and enjoy the late fall foliage. Bring a lunch, boots and water. We will meet at the Morgan McDonald's at 7:30 to car pool or meet us at the Pelsor store by 9:30.

DECEMBER 7 – HOLLA BEND NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE – EASY

We can see the aftermath of the big spring flood and see how it effected the birds and wildlife.

We will explore the area from several places reached by roads and short walks. Meet at the McDonald's in Morgan at 8:00 or meet us at the Refuge Gate at 9:30 am. If the area is still shut, we will do a hike at near by Petit Jean. Lunch will be at Petit Jean's Mather Lodge.

JANUARY 11 – HOT SPRINGS NATIONAL PARK - MODERATE. - 4 MILES

Time to explore the trails around Hot Springs Mt. We will meet at Chik-fil-A near Bass Pro at 8 to carpool down or be at Park HQ by 9. We plan to hike over to Gulpha Gorge and back on a few of the park trails. Lunch will be at the Superior Bathhouse Brewery. Should be a great time for a winter hike.

If you would like to lead something, let me know and we'll adjust the schedule to include your outing! Bike, hike, canoe, anything goes!

Steve's contacts: 501-455-2210 or Heye@aristotle.net.



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. 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
- Benefactor: \$1000+ = \$990+ OS +\$10 Chapter

Chapter: (choose one)

- 01 Pulaski (Little Rock, AR)
- 04 Bayou (Shreveport, LA)
- 06 Highlands (Fayetteville, AR)
- 10 Mississippi Valley (Cape Girardeau, MO)
- 13 Sugar Creek (Bentonville, AR)
- 16 Buffalo River (Gilbert, AR)
- No chapter, all to central Ozark Society

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 selection:

- \$10 01 Pulaski (Little Rock, AR)
- \$10 04 Bayou (Shreveport, LA)
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- \$10 10 Mississippi Valley (Cape Girardeau, MO)
- \$10 13 Sugar Creek (Bentonville, AR)
- \$10 16 Buffalo River (Gilbert, AR)

My Total is: \$ _____

Please remit to: The Ozark Society, PO Box 2914, Little Rock, AR 72203

Once your membership has processed, a confirmation email will be sent. If you have questions about your membership status, contact Carolyn Shearman at oscomms@ozarksociety.net.