

November 2022

Paddle Trails

The Ozark Society Pulaski Chapter



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Pulaski Chapter Meetings

October MEETING

Date: Tuesday, November 8

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Ron Robinson Theater
(additional info in newsletter to the right)

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From the Desk of the President...

By Alisa Dixon

Greetings Pulaski Ozark Chapter members,

Hopefully everyone knows that we are not having our regular meeting on this Tuesday that the meeting was changed to **November 8 at 7:00 at Ron Robinson Theater**. We are excited to have Arlette Laan in Arkansas to speak about her experiences hiking all 11 National Scenic Trails. Please share on FB and get the word out to your friends and neighbors. We would love to have a full theatre for that event.

We are still in need for someone to volunteer to be Vice Chair next year. The Vice Chair's main responsibility is to obtain speakers for our meetings and to assist in the absence of the Chair. Emily Roberts will be taking over the Chair position and I will be stepping into the role as advisor. This is a great opportunity to serve on the board of the Pulaski Chapter and play a more active role in The Ozark Society. If you would like to step into the position, please contact me through email.

Look forward to seeing everyone at Ron Robinson!

Alisa Dixon
Chair

AGENDA November 8, 2022

- I. Welcome and introduce speaker
- II. Short business meeting
 - a. Board reports
 - b. Announcement of December Holiday Party
 - c. Slate of officers

Outings Update

Well, Mother Nature has not been so kind to the Pulaski Chapter in October. Both scheduled outings had to be cancelled. The Buffalo Float with Stewart Noland was stopped by historically low water. The car camp at Ozark was rained out in a month that had beautiful weather except the couple of days we could have used some. Such is adventure in the outdoors!

That said, let's see if we can break this streak and start with the hike on November 12th.

This hike will be on the Buffalo River Trail, going from the Spring Creek access road to Hwy. 14 bridge over the Buffalo. I consider this piece of the BRT to be the best hike in the state. You'll see waterfalls, bluff views of the river and leaves in their fall glory. I've already got 6 folks signed up, but there will always be room for you and a friend or two.

Be at the Morgan exit McDonalds at 7:30am to carpool up to Hwy 14 bridge upper lot. You can also meet us at the Lot at 9:30, we will be there by 10. Bring a good pair of shoes, lunch and water. There will be small side creek crossings, but nothing requiring wading. Email me if you're coming or need more info: heye@aristotle.net

Steve Heyes
Outings Chair

PULASKI CHAPTER OUTING SCHEDULE FALL 2022

NOVEMBER 12 – BRT - SPRING CREEK TO HWY. 14 - MODERATE 6.1 MILES.

The best stretch of trail on the river!(IMHO). We will meet at Morgan McDonalds at 7:30 to carpool up to the Hwy. 14 Canoe launch. You will need good shoes, a lunch and water. The majority of the hike is on a bluff overlooking the river. If time permits, we may visit Gravity Brewery in Big Flat.

DECEMBER 10 – FLATSIDE/CRYSTAL PRONG - MODERATE 5 MILES.

Time to visit one of our favorite areas, Flatside Wilderness. We may take a short hike to the top of Flatside before we head down trail to Crystal Prong and the area beyond. Bring a good pair of shoes and lunch. Meet at the Walmart at Chenal and Hwy. 10, near the Garden area at 8 am.

JANUARY 8 – PETIT JEAN – NEW YEAR'S HIKER'S PICK – MODERATE ? MILES.

This is our third year for the "New Year's U Pick It" day hike. We will drive up to Petit Jean and then pick which trail or trails we hike. What will it be? Cedar Falls? Bear Den? 7 Hollows? Boy Scout? Come along and find out. We will eat lunch at Mather Lodge when we are done. Be at the Morgan McDonald's at 8 or Mather Lodge at 9:15.

More events may be added at anytime. Check the Ozark Society's website calendar to see what might be happening. You are more than welcome to join any of the trips listed on the calendar, even if its not sponsored by the Pulaski Chapter. Contact the lead and let them know you are coming or want more info. 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!

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Arlette Laan: *Hiking the 11 National Scenic Trails*

November 8, 2022

Ron Robinson Theatre in Little Rock, AR

Doors: 6 pm — Presentation: 7 pm

Arlette Laan is the first woman to have completed all 11 National Scenic trails — totaling over 18,000 miles . Her talk will include brief descriptions of the trails she's hiked, her observations on the changes in long distance hiking over time, and tips on perseverance. In addition to hiking and backpacking, Arlette enjoys photography and doll making. Her dolls can be found on her Instagram page, which is linked on her website: <http://>



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