PADDLE TRAILS





THE OZARK SOCIETY PULASKI CHAPTER



September 2018 <u>www.ozarksociety.net</u>

Pulaski Chapter Meetings

Our regular meetings are the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at Second Presbyterian,

September 4

Our "Meeting" will be a picnic at the Big Maumelle Pavilion at Pinnacle Mountain State Park. We have the pavilion from 4pm until dark. Come early to float or fish before the potluck dinner. Bring your own plate and utensils, and something to drink.

Bring a friend!

Pulaski Chapter Officers 2017 – 2018

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From the Desk of the President...

By Janet Nye

We were enlightened again by Randy Easley of Central Arkansas Water (CAW)at our August meeting. His topic, "Forests to Faucets" was excellent. He discussed how CAW manages the forests they own in the watershed to reduce the carbon entering the water from the forest floor. Many times I was amazed that he represented a metropolitan utility because the land management practices are encouraging and sustainable for wildlife, plant life and, of course, our drinking water. Randy has much to say and is a great speaker.

There were 6 from our chapter who celebrated Conservation Day at the Compton Gardens in Bentonville on August 10. This celebration always occurs around the birthday of Neil Compton. The Ozark Society had a booth and was represented by the Highlands and Sugar Creek Chapter as well. Our president, David Peterson, spoke about the legacy of Neil and how the Society has continued to follow his lead. It was great to join with two of Neil's daughters and extended family, long time Ozark Society members and Doug James, the most recent



recipient of the Neil Compton Award.

Speaking of the Neil Compton Award, our own Alice Andrews will be honored with this award on October 20th at our home in Maumelle. This will be an exciting evening and Alice has asked that we also make the evening a fund raiser for Buffalo National River conservation. Please make plans to attend. We will have eats and drinks and ask that you make a \$20.00 donation at the door. Of course, we will accept larger amounts! (Continued on Page 3)

UPCOMING EVENTS



<u>SEPTEMBER 4</u> – Our chapter "Meeting" will be a picnic at the Big Maumelle Pavilion at Pinnacle Mountain State Park. We have the pavilion from 4pm until dark - you can come early to float or fish before the potluck dinner. True potluck – we will eat whatever you bring. Also bring your own plate and utensils, and something to drink. A great way to get regroup for fall!



OCTOBER 6 - CEDAR FALLS AND LUNCH AT PETIT JEAN - EASY. 3 MILES

Let's do a nice easy hike to start off the Hiking Season. We will hike down to Cedar Falls Creek and then hike up to the falls and back. Wonderful hike if you've never done it. We will have lunch in the Mather Lodge Restaurant when we get back up. Bring water and sturdy shoes. Meet at the Morgan McDonald's at 8 to carpool up or be at Mather Lodge by 9:30.

OCTOBER 12-14: ALL-SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING, LAKE CLAIBORNE, LA: The fall membership meeting of the Ozark Society will take place at Lake Claiborne State Park in northwest Louisiana over the weekend of October 12-14 (Fri-Sun). A number of campsites and one deluxe cabin are available for lodging at the state park on those dates. Two nights minimum lodging (e.g., Fri and Sat) are required at the rates given below. Rates are per night excluding taxes and fees. Cabins hold up to six persons.

- Campsite (Premium) \$25.00-\$33.00
- Campsite (Improved) \$20.00-\$28.00
- Cabin Deluxe \$150.00-\$175.00

LA State Park reservations can be made at: https://www.reserveamerica.com/camping/lake-claiborne-state-park/r/campgroundDetails.do?contractCode=LA&parkId=240038 Commercial motel lodging is also available in two nearby towns: Arcadia LA, 16 miles from Lake Claiborne; and Homer LA, 11 miles from Lake Claiborne.

OCTOBER 20/21 - GOAT TRAIL/HEMMED IN HOLLOW - MODERATE. DAY HIKES OVERNIGHT CAR CAMP - STEEL CREEK CAMPGROUND BUFFALO RIVER.

I've been given a request to do this area. I'm going up Friday night to Steel Creek and setting up a car camp. Meet me here by Sat. Morning at 9:30 to hike to Hemmed in Hollow, Goat Trail and other nearby sites. Some of us will stay Sat. night at Steel Creek and hike Sunday somewhere on way back. Call me if you want to organize a carpool from Little Rock for Sat. only hikers. Bring water shoes and we may have Sat. night dinner at Low Gap Cafe.

NOVEMBER 10 – SYLAMORE TRAIL – GUNNER POOL TO BLANCHARD SPRINGS MOD. 5.3 MILES

This is a wonderful hike following the Sylamore Creek. There are some bluff lines and we may explore a side valley if time permits. Meet at the Morgan McDonald's at 7:30 to carpool or be at Blanchard Cavern Parking lot by 10. Bring sturdy shoes, water, orange vest or clothing and lunch. Leaves should be at their peak.

DECEMBER 8 - SECT. 2 THE NEW B.R.T. - ZACK RIDGE RD. TO RED BLUFF RD. MODERATE - 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.

JANUARY 12 - BIG CREEK CAVE FALLS - NEAR DEER - MODERATE. - 5 MILES

_Here is a new hike for us for the new year. The creek comes from a cave makes a spectacular falls. We will explore some of the other falls in the area as well. If it's been cold enough we may even have ice formations. Be at the Morgan McDonald's at 7:30 to carpool or be at the Pelsor Store by 10. Bring boots, lunch and water. May be some wet crossings if water is up on Big Creek.

Steve's contact info for hikes: 501-455-2210 or Heye@aristotle.net

Ozark Society Officers – Pulaski Chapter

The Pulaski Chapter is accepting nominations for 2019-2021 officers.

Openings include: vice chair and treasurer. Know that we always want folks to help us do the work of conservation, education and recreation!

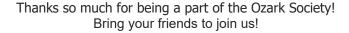
From the Desk of the President (continued)

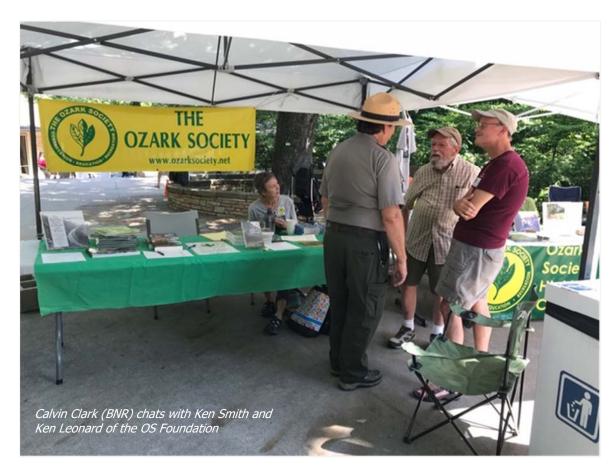
We are getting very close to Fall and there is much to be aware of. Please note Steve Heye's outing schedule. Steve works hard to plan and lead these trips so sign up and thank him for what he does.

We also have the all-society fall outing at Lake Claiborne State Park in LA October 12-14. Our Shreveport Chapter will host this event which will include GREAT FOOD, canoeing, hiking, bird watching and GREAT FOOD. The Bayou Chapter never disappoints. They know how to have a great time and they know how to make GREAT FOOD. Make every effort to cross the AR border south of El Dorado for a very fun weekend at Lake Claiborne State Park.

Another outing event is trail maintenance on our section of the Ouachita Trail and trail building on the Buffalo River Trail. Be aware of announcements for both!

I am very excited to announce that Carolyn Shearman has been working super hard to update the OS website. It is looking great and each chapter will have its own page where we can post chapter news. Please thank Carolyn for all her time and hard work on this project.







The Ozark Society Membership Application/Renewal



Join us, or renew now! Dues are for one year 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)	
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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 you	r Chapter Membership)
Section A: Please specify both the Level of Membership and the Chapter you are joining:	
Level: (choose one)	Chapter: (choose one)
☐ Friend: \$30 = \$20 OS +\$10 Chapter	□ 01 Pulaski (Little Rock, AR)
☐ Associate: \$50 = \$40 OS +\$10 Chapter	□ 04 Bayou (Shreveport, LA)
□ Supporter: \$100 = \$90 OS +\$10 Chapter	□ 06 Highlands (Fayetteville, AR)
☐ Sponsor: \$250 = \$240 OS +\$10 Chapter	☐ 10 Mississippi Valley (Cape Girardeau, MO)
□ Patron: \$500 = \$490 OS +\$10 Chapter	☐ 13 Sugar Creek (Bentonville, AR)
☐ Benefactor: \$1000+ = \$990+ OS +\$10 Chapter	☐ 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 select	ion:
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My Total is: \$	

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

Once your membership has processed, you will receive a welcome letter if you are new to the Ozark Society. If you have questions about your membership status, contact Mary Gordon at mb2rene@aol.com.



Join us to celebrate the dedication of

Electric Island Nature Trail

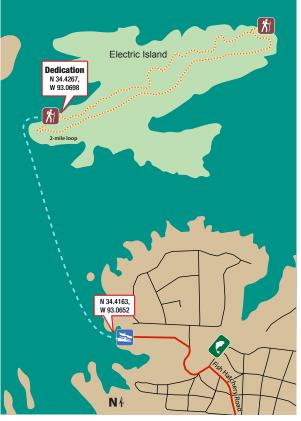
Lake Hamilton Hot Springs, Arkansas 10 a.m. • Sept. 21

Please arrive at the Andrew H. Hulsey State Fish Hatchery boat ramp by 9 a.m. to ride a boat shuttle or join a guided, 1-mile paddle to the island. We will have brief remarks, followed by refreshments and a hike on the new trail.

Please RSVP to Kirsten Bartlow (Kirsten. Bartlow@agfc.ar.gov or 501-223-6473) by Sept. 12 to reserve a boat shuttle or kayak. Kayaks are limited.



The Nature Conservancy



From the intersection of Arkansas Highway 7 and County Road 290 in Garland County, travel east on 290 about 3 miles to Fish Hatchery Road. Follow Fish Hatchery Road beyond the AGFC office to the boat ramp. The hatchery's address is 350 Fish Hatchery Road.