

PADDLE TRAILS

THE OZARK SOCIETY PULASKI CHAPTER



October 2012 <u>www.ozarksociety.net</u>

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Justine Baker from Ozark Outdoor Supply will be there to discuss hiking safety tips.

Bring a Friend!

MEETINGS

First Tuesday, each month, at 7 p.m. in Room 65 of the Second Presbyterian Church, I600 Pleasant Valley Dr., Little Rock. Enter the church grounds on Pleasant Valley Dr. and park on the west side nearest I-430. Go upstairs and down the first hall on the right to Room 65.

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News from the Chair By Janet Nye, Chapter Chair

We had a great time at the Big Maumelle pavilion at Pinnacle Mountain State Park in September. It was during another hot spell, but being in the cool of the breezes of the pavilion was wonderful, and it was pleasant to eat with others and enjoy great conversation. Thanks to all who came and shared their delicious food.

October makes us think of fall, new outing schedules and hopefully, cooler weather. The third weekend of this month is our annual fall meeting at Buffalo Point. Please make plans to attend. We will be electing new officers for the Society so it is important to be there to let your opinion known. Also, if you are interested in serving on the

Board, please let me or Carmen know.

Remember if you are curious about what's going on with the chapter or the Society you may check us out on our webpage (address listed above) and on Facebook (Ozark Society, Pulaski Chapter). There have been some fun photos added to the Facebook page.

We will have Justine Baker from Ozark Outdoor Supply talk to us about hiking safety at our next meeting. She will be bringing equipment from the store and will, I'm sure, remind us of safety measures that we need to heed as the hiking season begins.

Ozark Society Board Elections Coming Up

Make a difference by being a part of the workings of the Ozark Society. Elections for the Ozark Society Board of Directors will be held at the Fall General Meeting Oct 20 & 21. All positions are up for election, whether currently open or not. Board positions are as follows:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Membership (position open)
- Education Chair (position open)
- Conservation Chair (position open)
- Communications Chair (position open)
- Arkansas Director (2 positions)

Board Meetings are held at the Spring and Fall general meetings; a winter meeting and a summer meeting may be held as needed. We will also need a nominating committee for the board positions. Please call or email Janet to let her know how you would like participate.

Pulaski Chapter Meetings, Events and Outings

October 20-21

Fall General Meeting at Buffalo Point. The fall meeting will be hosted by the Buffalo River Chapter. The Board meeting will take place on Friday October 19 at 7pm. The General Membership meeting will be October 20, 10 a.m. in pavilion #2. The election of officers for 2013-2014 will take place at this meeting. For information about lodge rooms or campsites, call Buffalo Point Concessions at 870-449-6206 or go to following website: www.buffalopoint.com.

October 27-28

Backpack into the lower end of the Hurricane Wilderness - West of Pelsor. (Moderate) Outing Leader: Steve Heye heye@aristotle.net 501-455-2210. Another trip that weather cancelled year-we'll leave the lot at Ft. Douglas (Hwy. 123 at Big Piney river) and hike in about 4 miles to a base camp area. From here we'll day hike up Hurricane creek to Greasy creek. Other things we'll look at before we leave will be the Nat. Bridge and a side valley filled with huge boulders and small waterfalls. We hike back out the way we came and there is one almost certain to be wet crossing. (if it starts raining again!) One big hill to climb to get in and out. Bring gear and etc. for 2 lunches, a dinner and a breakfast. If you want, we can coordinate a group dinner. If you want to come up and car camp on Friday night, Haw Creek Falls is just a mile away from Ft. Douglas. No car pool this time, be at the Trail head at Ft. Douglas, Hwy.123 at the Big Piney, by 10 AM. I hope to be at the campsite by 1 or so.

November 3

Paddle - Bayou DeView near Brinkley - (Easy)

Trip Coordinator: Margaret Bartelt 501-224-7472 gordstan@earthlink.net

Margaret wants to show off some of her canoe trail work and will try to float the Bayou DeView area. If water is not cooperating, some back up spots near by are Robe Bayou, Wattensaw Bayou and Hurricane Lakes. Give Margaret a call to find the put in gathering spot or if you need to be teamed up with someone with a boat to come along. Leaves should be at peak!

November 6

Pulaski Chapter Meeting: Steve Heye will do a presentation on his trip to the Pecos Wilderness Area in New Mexico.

November 17

Day hike on the Nebo Bench - Mt. Nebo State Park (Easy)

Trip Coordinator: Steve Heye 501-455-2210 heye@aristotle.net. Modern gun season for Deer is in full swing, so we'll stick to the State Parks. We'll catch some of the late fall color on the Bench Trail at Mt. Nebo. Always a great way to spend a fall day, the trail is flat and about 4 miles in length. This is a hike to bring those who are afraid the trail will be too rough. INVITE THEM TO COME Along! Be at the Morgan McDonalds at 8 a.m. with a lunch and good walking shoes.

December 8

Day hike below Pedestal Rocks/Kings Bluff - (Moderate)

Trip Coordinator: Steve Heye 501-455-2210 heye@aristotle.net. Most of the leaves should be out of the way now, so we'll bush whack below the Pedestal Rocks along the upper reaches of the North branch of the Illinois Bayou. We'll visit the underside of Pedestal then head down to the stream and start upstream to the side creek that falls off Kings Bluff. About 6 miles or so. Bring a lunch, hiking boots and snacks. We should not have to cross big water.