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Bayou Chapter, Ozark Society

September 2014



Centenary College Campus Map



Our monthly meetings are held at Mickle Hall in the Carlisle Auditorium on Centenary College campus on the first floor.

X marks the spot on the map.

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.

September Meeting

Tuesday, September 16, 2014 at 6:30 pm
Carlisle Auditorium, Mickle Hall, Centenary College

Speaker is Joe Goodwin

"Whitewater 101 - Moving Water from Ripples to Waterfalls"

Starting with the basics in easy flowing rivers we'll discuss how to safely progress in this sport. Included in the presentation will be photos and video to demonstrate different levels of whitewater and river features. You don't have to be an advanced paddler to appreciate the beauty and power of water. Come join us as we progress from a beginner to intermediate and then on to an advanced paddler. While experts run hazardous features and massive waterfalls most of us will be content to remain within our comfort zone. We'll discuss risk versus reward and how to enjoy every feature on the river. Canoes, Kayaks, Rafts and other Inflatables are all part of the equation and can take you to unbelievable sights.

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Check out our website www.bayouozark.com!

See all the Ozark Society Chapter newsletters and the Pack and Paddle newsletter at
www.ozarksociety.net.

BCOS Planning Calendar

More details will be posted on the BCOS yahoo groups list and on the BCOS Facebook page as the events approach. www.facebook.com/bayouozark

September 21-28 - OS Southwest Canyon Country Adventure - See page 7 of the Pack and Paddle newsletter for details <http://www.ozarksociety.net/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/Pack-Paddle-Summer-2014.pdf>.

September 27 - Bodcau Wildlife Hunting and Fishing Festival at Bodcau Recreational Area. Paddling event for the public, BCOS provides canoes and kayaks, PFD's, paddles and safety boats for visitors to try paddling on flat water. Contact: Roy O'Neal (roneal2@bellsouth.net)

September 28 - Meatpie Triathlon. BCOS provides safety boats for the competitors during their ½ mile swimming event in Cane River Lake. Contact: Jenny Hackman (jandgman@bellsouth.net) Details on page 3.

October TBA - Planning meeting at Sandy Roerig's house.

October 4 - Paddle trip on Bodcau from Wenks landing to Cotton Valley. Contact Jack Land (jland1@bellsouth.net)

October 4-5 - The fall meeting for the Ozark Society general membership will take place the weekend of October 4-5, at Buffalo Point. We have Pavilion #1 reserved for our day use, and we have also reserved the group campground adjacent for Friday and Saturday nights. The business meeting will be Saturday morning, and will include the election of board members for the 2015-2016 term. Saturday afternoon will be open for recreation and there will be our usual potluck on Saturday evening. The meeting will be hosted by the Buffalo River chapter.

There are campsites at the park, or you can inquire about cabins at : Buffalo Point Concession & Cabins 2261 Ark. 268 East, Yellville, AR 72687 or <http://www.buffalopoint.net/>

October 18 – Paddle on one of the bayous feeding into Cross Lake. Water levels and salvinia will determine which one. Brian Michaels, Cross Lake Patrol Officer and BCOS member will determine location prior to event.

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Oct 31 - Nov 2 - 5th Annual Outdoor Rendezvous – Jasper AR. Hosted by Dan Nash of Satori Adventures <http://hikingtheozarks.com/event/5th-annual-outdoor-rendezvous/>. Contact Dan Nash (dan@hikingtheozarks.com)

Oct 31 - Nov 1 - Gathering of Hikers V. <http://www.backpackingarkansas.com/>. Contact Tom Trigg at triggtom1@yahoo.com

November 1-4 - Ozark Society first Cycling tour. See page 6 of the Pack and Paddle newsletter for details <http://www.ozarksociety.net/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/Pack-Paddle-Summer-2014.pdf>.

November 8 - Red River Cleanup. Contact Adam Willard (Ashleysbuilding@suddenlink.net)

Nov 15 - Kisatchie Day Hike. Contact John and Cathy Joyce 318-458-8732 or 572-3729. johncathyjoyce@bellsouth.net

November 19 - BCOS Meeting: Lydia Thomas and Josh Fast present "Permanent Gardens"

December 6 - Christmas (party) meeting at Red River Refuge. Contact: Sandy Roerig (sroeri@lsuhsc.edu)

Dec 13 - Caney Lake Day Hike. Contact John and Cathy Joyce (johncathyjoyce@bellsouth.net)

Jan 1 - Bodcau Day Hike - NO CAMPOUT, since the 1st is still in the middle of the week. (Hopefully next year we'll be able to have a New Year's Eve campout again!) Contact John and Cathy Joyce (johncathyjoyce@bellsouth.net)

Jan 16-18 – Lake Ouachita Vista Trail (LOViT) section #1 (45 miles over 3 weekends). Contact: John and Cathy Joyce (johncathyjoyce@bellsouth.net)

Feb 13-15 – Lake Ouachita Vista Trail (LOViT) section #2. Contact: John and Cathy Joyce (johncathyjoyce@bellsouth.net)

March 7-8 -- Lake Ouachita Vista Trail (LOViT) section #3. Contact: John and Cathy Joyce (johncathyjoyce@bellsouth.net)

April 9, 2015 - There are many ways to see the Grand Canyon by trail, water, and air. One efficient way to experience the Grand Canyon by water is a motorized raft trip, and an enjoyable month to take this trip is April. Canyoneers, a Grand Canyon concessionaire, has an April 19, 2015 launch date for an All Grand trip from Lee's Ferry to Lake Mead. This trip originates and terminates in Flagstaff, Arizona, and in between covers 280 river miles in 7 days, spending 6 nights on the river.

Details concerning the trip, including logistics and cost, can be found at www.canyoneers.com. This trip provides Ozark Society members an opportunity to enjoy the entire Grand Canyon by river in a relatively short period of time compared to oar powered trips. If you are interested you can register for the trip on line. If you have any questions about the trip, please call Mike or Sheri at Canyoneers at 800-525-0924800-525-0924.

Canyoneers advises that this trip may fill early, so if you want to go, it is suggested that you register soon.

To help gauge our member's response to this trip, and since registration will be through Canyoneers, please notify Stewart Noland at bosshq@aol.com if you plan to participate in this Grand Canyon trip.

May 2-3 – ACC Whitewater school. Contact: Adam Willard (Ashleysbuilding@suddenlink.net)

May 3rd – Crawfish Boil – location TBA

May 16-17 – BCOS Outdoor Adventure Weekend – Paddling, Hiking and camping event (think BCOS canoe clinic)

Every Tuesday for the last 15 years the Bayou Boys have met for lunch at the Food Court at Pierre Bossier Mall at Noon in front of the Subway. If you care to join them just show up.

Meat Pie Triathlon in Natchitoches, LA

Sunday, September 28

7:00am - 12:00pm

This race will take you on a swim through Cane River and finish up on the historic Front Street.

Minimum age to race is 14.

Meat Pie Tri begins with a very spectator friendly 1/2 mile swim in Cane River Lake. Then out of T1 up a short incline onto Front Street for a 20 mile out and back ride over some light rolling terrain. Rack your bike and head out of T2 up the steps of the Riverbank for a 5K under the beautiful canopy of oaks along the lake.

Register online <https://meatpietri2014.eventbrite.com/>.

Go to this website for more details <http://www.sportspectrumusa.com/events/meat-pie-triathlon/>.



Bayou Chapter Ozark Society
Regular Monthly Meeting
August 19, 2014

6:35 pm

Program: "Wild Edibles" by Daniel and Emily Mills

A PowerPoint presentation described several backyard plants that can be prepared for eating or making drinks. Samples were provided for everyone to taste. There were lots of questions and lots of interest in the topic.

7:55 pm

Chair Karen Pitts called the business meeting to order.

Secretary: Minutes from previous meeting. Karen stated that the minutes of the previous meeting were published in the newsletter. Sandy Roerig made a motion to approve the minutes as they appeared in the newsletter. Roy O'Neal seconded the motion. Motion passed.

There was some discussion about people not receiving their newsletters in the mail. Harvey Kennedy stated that he mails out newsletters to those who request paper copies, so he's not sure why people aren't receiving them.

Treasurer: Karen read the Treasurer's report for Crystal Whitman, who was not present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Conservation: Dick Maxwell described a cavern in south Louisiana that had finally filled up. He also announced that the recently controversial landfill in Shreveport will close in October.

Newsletter/ Photographer: Ken Harris – nothing to report.

Publicity: This evening's meeting was described in today's Shreveport Times.

Conservation Activities: Roy – nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Sandy described the recent Ozark Society Board meeting held in Bob Ritchie's cabin near Little Rock. We are awaiting a decision on the ongoing issues with the hog farm near the Buffalo River. Several new outings are planned for the future:

- (1) a 6 day motorized raft trip down the Grand Canyon in June 2015;
- (2) a backpacking trip in Alaska in August 2015;
- (3) a fall 2015 trip to Isle Royale.

Also, Stewart Noland will lead a trip on the Buffalo River in early June 2015.

There are still 3 vacancies for Bob Cross's hiking trip to Zion National Park in September.

NEW BUSINESS:

Karen stated that a planning meeting is needed. She will set the date and host everyone at her house.

Meeting adjourned around 8:45.

**Ozark Society Board Meeting
August 2, 2014**

by Sandy Roerig

The Ozark Society Board met on August 2 at Bob Ritchie's cabin Lakeside, AR. President Bob Cross opened the meeting and minutes from the previous meeting were approved. Treasurer Bob Ritchie gave the membership report – a total of 856 members, including 379 life members and 57 new members from last year. Bob Ritchie also gave the treasurer's report that showed a balance of more than \$20,000 in the checking account.

There was some discussion about purchasing new stoves for camping trips such as the annual Colorado trip. The stoves currently being used were purchased for the Buffalo River trip, 25th year anniversary. Several stove models were discussed, but no decision was made on which one to purchase.

Bob Cross discussed the hog farm lawsuit that was filed in August 2013. The court will rule on a summary judgment at some point, the date is not clear. The lawsuit concerns the original loan that was used to finance the farm that is currently in operation. In addition the four organizations that have joined forces in attempt to shut down or move the operation are in discussions with Cargill representatives on a possible solution to the problem. The four organizations are the Ozark Society, the Arkansas Canoe Club, the Buffalo River Watershed Alliance and the National Park Conservation Association. This group, represented by Earthjustice, Earthrise Law Center and a local attorney have filed a complaint against the USDA and the Small Business Administration. A decision from Cargill is expected on August 15.

Bob Cross also discussed the lawsuit that has been filed against the Ozark National Forest to prevent fracking on national forest land. That lawsuit appears to be dormant and the Ozark Society is about to file another motion for a summary judgment. So far, there has been no reported fracking on the leased national forest land.

Carmen Quinn, the Communications Chair, reported that she will set up a new forum website because the previous site was frequently being hacked. She will remain the chair until a new person is named.

Fred Paillet, Education Chair, has submitted an idea for a hiking book to the Ozark Society Foundation.

The fall membership meeting, hosted by the Buffalo River Chapter, will be held October 18. Further details will be described in the next *Pack and Paddle* issue.

A nominating committee was named to select nominees for positions of President, Vice-President and Communications Chair. The Committee is Stewart Noland, Carmen Quinn, Karen Pitts.

There was considerable discussion about outings, past and future. The Colorado trip included 69 campers in July. Participants enjoyed good hiking and good rafting. A leader is still needed for the July 2015 trip. Bob Cross announced there are still 3 vacancies on his Zion National Park hiking trip planned for mid-September. Janet Nye's bike trip on the Natchez Trace has attracted 13 participants so far.

Future trips include an eight day motor raft trip down the Grand Canyon in April 2015, A Buffalo River trip in early June 2015 (led by Stewart), a backpack trip to Alaska in August 2015 (led by Fred), and a camping/hiking trip to Isle Royale (led by Catherine Tolson), date to be determined. All agreed to supporting these trips.

Chapter Reports:

Bayou Chapter: Karen discussed the upcoming Red River Clean-up that will be held November 8. The chapter meets monthly and has enjoyed some excellent speakers this year, thanks to the efforts of George Gehrig. A moonlight float on a local bayou is planned for later this month.

Pulaski Chapter: The chapter has planned a fall picnic. They have continued to meet during the summer, with various speakers.

Highlands Chapter. Duane Woltjen stated that the chapter is on summer recess during the hot weather, but members will be hiking weekly starting in the fall.

Mark your calendar!

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Hope to see you there!

Prepare your child in case they get lost in wilderness

By: Roger Phillips
Gannett News Service

Parents and children should discuss plans, and participate in basic training, in case they ever become separated outdoors.

Outdoor survival is an important part of hunter education, which trains youth as young as 9 in ways to keep from getting lost and what to do if it happens.

Ron Fritz, hunter education coordinator for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, offers this advice for parents and kids:



- Don't leave children alone. There should be at least one other person, and more are better.
- Children always should let an adult know where they're going and when they'll be back.
- Parents should keep track of their kids at all times and set up check-in times. Two-way radios are a good way to keep in contact.
- Kids should carry basic survival gear, like a compass, signal mirror and whistle. They're small, lightweight and inexpensive.
- If you or your child gets lost or separated, remember "STOP" - it stands for stop, think, observe and plan. "Stop, admit you're lost, think about what you're going to do, observe what's around you, then try to come up with a plan." Fritz says.
- It usually is best to stay where you are and wait for someone to find you.
- Teach your kids basic first aid and survival skills. There are several books available that can help. Fritz recommends parents read books and discuss them with their kids.
- Watch the weather and dress appropriately. Hypothermia is one of the biggest threats if you're lost, even in summer.
- Have a map and know how to do basic land navigation.

September Special Days

By: Roy O'Neal

4th - Jankowski twins birthday (Jerry & Judie Martin's grandkids)

6th - Mishell Blandi Cash's Birthday. (Mish is living in Kent, Washington)

7th - Charles (Charlie) Henington's Birthday

10th - Henry Ann Burton's Birthday (You will not believe that female dynamo is marking #80)
Karen & David Pitts will have been hitched 33 years on this day

12th - Ann Burton Holbrook's Birthday (Ann will give you the number and you ain't gonna believe that either)

14th - Bruce Lynn's Birthday

15th - J. J. Harris's 19th Birthday. Are you kidding? She was 12 only last month, or was it last year.

16th - Mark Lane's Birthday. I know lots of stuff about this guy, but not his age. Bet he would rather me tell that though. Oh, I forgot, he knows a few things about me too. Yeah, he's like a rug and you know what they do.

20th - The Loridan Twins, Henri and Michelle's, Birthday. Henri reports he is still the oldest.



Welcome new members for August!



Pamela R. Coker
Rod & Carol Moore
Tom & Mary Nesbitt
Kathy Osuch & Michael Roberts
Jon & Karen Soul
David Tisdale

If you are interested in becoming a member, please complete the form below and mail it with a \$25 check to:

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<http://www.permanentgardens.com/>



Super Shane's Massage
supershanemassage.com

Extreme Photos of the Month



Photo credit: <http://www.deepbottle.com/extreme-biking/>

Classifieds

This area is reserved for classified ads to buy or sell by BCOS members. If you have any items for sale you think Ozark Society members might be interested in buying please contact Kalli Bailey.

Email: kallikbailey@gmail.com

Bayou Chapter Shirts - \$12.50

1 youth medium, 1 adult large

Contact Jenny Hackman jandgman@bellsouth.net

Slightly used 6 person tent.

Asking \$250.00 or will trade for precious metals, stones, ammo or used guns. Email Tom at attytomnthompson@gmail.com.



Two Dagger RPM Kayaks with skirts

\$300 each. Call [318-455-7148](tel:318-455-7148)

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