

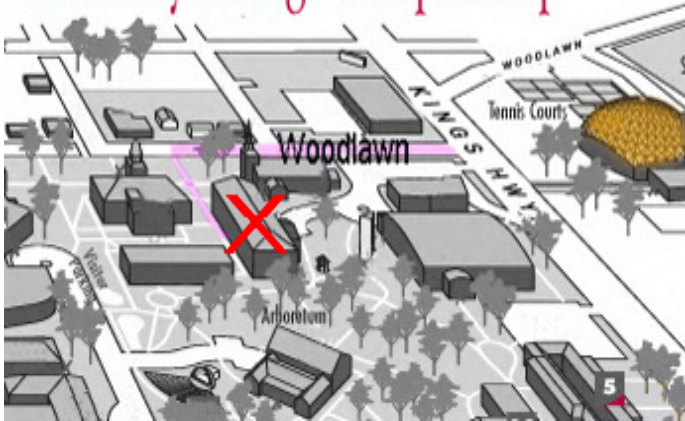


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Bayou Chapter, Ozark Society
September 2015



Centenary College Campus Map



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

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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.

August Meeting

Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 6:30 pm
Carlisle Auditorium, Mickle Hall, Centenary College

Speakers are Adam and Lisa Willard

"6th Annual Red River Cleanup"

Adam and Lisa Willard, long time BCOS members and owners of Ashley's Building & Construction, will be giving a presentation on the upcoming Red River Cleanup to be held on September 15, 2015. The cleanup headquarters will be at the Stoner Boat Launch in Shreveport from 8 AM to Noon and conclude with a lunch for the volunteers. Adam and Lisa Willard are the President and Vice President/Treasurer, respectively of the Red River Cleanup (RRC), a 501c3 non-profit organization. Now in its sixth year, the cleanup has continued to grow, attracting more volunteers, sponsors and well deserved recognition. This year will be bigger and better than ever.

Please come and hear about what's planned for this cleanup. And plan to be energized to come out to help, or help again, be a part of a growing community-wide effort clean our river, and raise awareness for the problem of litter in this place we call home.

More information about the RRC can be found at its web site www.redrivercleanup.com or on its Face book page.

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 19 - Dorcheat Paddle

September 26 - Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Festival at Bodcau Bayou

September 26 - Tour De La Rivere Rouge. Canoe and Kayak race. <http://www.tourduteche.com/>

September 27 - Meat Pie Triathlon

We will provide the safety boats for the swimming section of the triathlon.

<http://www.sportspectrumusa.com/events/meat-pie-triathlon/>

October 3,4 - Fall All Society Meeting at Crater of Diamonds State Park
Murfreesboro, AR

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

Saturday, Sept 26 is National Public Lands Day

No fees in all National Parks.

Special Days in September

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| Sept. 4 | Jankowski Twins birthday (Jerry & Judie Martin's grandkids) |
| Sept. 6 | Mischell Blandi Cash's birthday. You may be way up in Kent, Washington, but we aint forgot. |
| Sept. 7 | Charlie Henington will mark #59 today. Have a good one, Charlie. |
| Sept. 10 | Henry Ann Burton's birthday
Karen & David Pitts' 34 th Wedding Anniversary (They are celebrating it with a trip to Colorado) |
| Sept. 11 | Ann Burton Holman's birthday(Way out there in Cali for I a) |
| Sept. 14 | Bruce Lynn's birthday(He's just up there in Gilliam but we don't see him much these days) |
| Sept. 15 | J.J. Harris's birthday. Hard to believe she is already 20. Still cute as ever too. |
| Sept. 16 | Mark Lane, who you may associate with darkened bananas, celebrates his birthday on this day. Have a PopTart on me Mark. |
| Sept. 20 | The Loridan Twins, Michelle and Henri, both arrived on this day. Yes, Henri, we remember you are the oldest, but shorely not the prettiest. |
| Sept. 26 | Mary Whitesnake Rambin would have been 96 on this day. We are remembering Mary! |

Sabine River Float

August 29, 2015

First of all, thanks to all of you for the kind words sent out way for the SUCCESS of the Sabine River Float. We, Cathy and I, are most humbly grateful for them.....

BUT, that aside, it really couldn't have been a successful event if all of you hadn't shown up to help it be that way. So, I will name you individually, as it were: Dick Maxwell; Roy O'Neal; Dee Jaye Teutsch; (Abby and Daisy - granddaughters of Dee Jaye); Tom Goleman; Sandy Roerig; Toni Spitale; Lindsey Boyd; Nikki Norman Courtney Norman; Sonya Armstrong; John & Cathy Joyce and grandkid Kenzie Joyce.

Roy O'Neal had written a very nice article previous to this and I hope that it gets published in the newsletter. A very articulate man Roy is; especially with words.

OK. KILLER FANG FALLS was everything it was supposed to be. Those who decided to run the famous falls were not too disappointed and in fact there were a couple of people who ran the falls twice as I recall, namely Abby and Daisy. Well,

so be it, it was Abby's birthday and so she deserved the right to go twice, or maybe it was three. Anyway, it was a fun time watching those who ran it, run it. Even our grandkid ran the falls. Amazing. Time flies when you're having fun, 'cause Kenzie is 14 now.....Look out...

On to the surfing hole and lunch. We, most of us, had a piece of birthday cupcake to help celebrate Abby's 10th birthday. YUM, YUM; even dunked in river water. There we were able to watch some butt bumping down the little run that was there. And, Kenzie aptly renamed it "Rock Butt Rapids". Some went tandem and others singly. Nonetheless, it was a lot of fun. Had a couple of boat surfers try to surf the wave there; Nikki Norman and Kenzie were the two who were successful in doing that.

All in all, we had a great time. Little Daisy fell asleep in the bottom of the boat and so when we got to the take out, we carried the boat, with her in it, up the ramp and carefully set it down so as not to disturb the child.

End of story...so, thanks again for all of you who came. Maybe thinking about another trip in October....maybe....

JJ & CJ



Sabine River Float



Here is a note from our friend and Dorcheat Bayou expert Lane Merritt.

Harvey, the Bossier Parish Government has joined with the Webster Parish Government in a serious effort to permanently withdraw water from Bayou Dorcheat near Minden. Most of the withdrawn water will be pipelined out of Webster Parish into areas near East Hwy 80, the Town of Haughton, and Southeast Bossier Parish for industrial and residential use. Bossier Parish intends to own and operate the Camp Minden water system located in Webster Parish, which includes Bayou Dorcheat's surface waters.

It seems crazy but during low water levels in the bayou the proposal withdraws more water from Bayou Dorcheat than the nearby USGS stream gage indicates is being discharged. There, Bayou Dorcheat is a protected public-owned Louisiana Scenic Stream and is the chief recharge source for the Sparta Aquifer in the lower areas near Minden.

Senator Robert Adley from Bossier Parish and other local officials are strongly against the proposal. Saying that the waters of Bayou Dorcheat should be held for future use for Webster Parish. I am in the battle.

Lane Merritt

Bayou Chapter Ozark Society Minutes - August 18, 2015

At 6:36 p.m., Vice Chair Tom Goleman introduced our speaker Terri Jacobsen from the Red River National Wildlife Refuge. Terri informed us the RRNWR website is in the process of being updated. But facebook is where all the information and promotions are done at this time. Terri then did a slide show presentation on the RRNWR.

The wildlife refuge is under the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Dept., which oversees more than 500 wildlife refuges (currently around 560 in the U.S.). Louisiana has 23 wildlife refuges. The emphasis is land for wild life. A sister agency is the National Park Service. And the refuges work in co-op with the Nature Conservancy.

A secondary purpose is wildlife dependent recreation:

- hunting -photography -education
- fishing -nature observation -interpretation

Duck Stamp money helps purchase habitat - to promote the wildlife refuge program. You can purchase Duck Stamps at the post office or on-line, and maybe at Bass Pro Shops. You don't have to be a hunter to purchase a Duck Stamp !

The Red River National Wildlife Refuge is 19,000 acres spread over four refuge units within the Red River Valley. The Lower Cane River Unit is 7,555 acres. The Spanish Lake Lowlands Unit is 2,793 acres. Both of these are in Natchitoches Parish. The Bayou Pierre Unit is 3,683 acres, with the Pintail Tract, which has a hiking trail. This is off Hwy 84 and I-49. The Headquarters Unit in Bossier City, with 650 acres, is an "Urban Refuge Unit". The RRNWR deals with wildlife, management, and restoration.

The next big event is the Wildlife Festival, October 17. Volunteers are so important in many areas, including keeping the store open.

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After a break, the business meeting was called to order at 7:50 by Chair Dick Maxwell. There were no guests to welcome tonight.

Secretary: Marian Howard moved that the July minutes be accepted as printed in the newsletter. Gary Hackman seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer: Lisa Wilson was not present, and tried to email the report to other board members, but it never came through.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Publicity: The information on tonight's meeting didn't make the deadline to get into the paper.

Conservation: Sandy Roerig was not present.

Canoe & Kayak: Kayaks and canoes are available to members at no charge now.

OLD BUSINESS

Bayou Bartholomew, Chemin-a-Haut trip: water was very low, and it was very hot.

T-Shirt info: Jenny Hackman has very few t-shirts left to sell.

DeGray Lake Tri: Cathy Joyce reported on the 5-member participation as safety boats there.

Continued on the next page...

NEW BUSINESS

Facebook page: Dee Jaye Teutsch reported on the number of people who actually look at our facebook page: one day there were 211. If everyone “likes” the postings on our page, more people become aware of our group. Dee Jaye needs to get together with Kalli Bailey (our webmaster) to make sure things are updated on the webpage as they are on facebook.

Red River Cleanup: The cleanup is now separate from BCOS. Dick wants to know if we (BCOS) might want to support the cleanup monetarily, to become a sponsor. Our logo would be on the t-shirts and we can set up a table with our banner to promote our club. George Gehrig talked about partnering with the Red River Cleanup in grant applications. George will give us more information about the grant process, etc., at our next meeting.

All Society Meeting: Oct 3-4; Crater of Diamonds State Park in AR. Charles Kirkland said these dates are still good for him to come conduct wilderness first aid training.

Bossier Farmer’s Market: George Gehrig suggested we set up a table / booth at the Bossier Farmer’s market. It’s a free space to promote our group. It’s on Saturdays from 9:00 - noon.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 29: Sabine River float - John & Cathy Joyce

Sept 19: Dorcheat Float

Sept 26: Bayou Bodcau National Hunting and Fishing Day (need volunteers to put people in kayaks and canoes)

Sept 27: MeatPie Tri in Natchitoches (safety boaters needed)

Oct 3-4: Ozark Society all-society meeting at Crater of Diamonds State Park

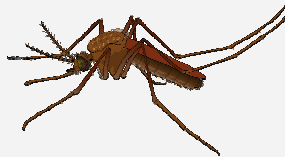
Oct 11: Shrine Man Triathlon on Cross Lake. Safety boaters needed. Contact John Joyce - 458-8732.

Oct 17: Fall Festival at Red River National Wildlife Refuge (need volunteers to put people in kayaks and canoes)

Meeting was adjourned around 8:45 p.m.

Mosquito haikus

Outdoors in my veins
Mosquitoes empty my veins
Swat and spray in vain
-Jonathan Longshore



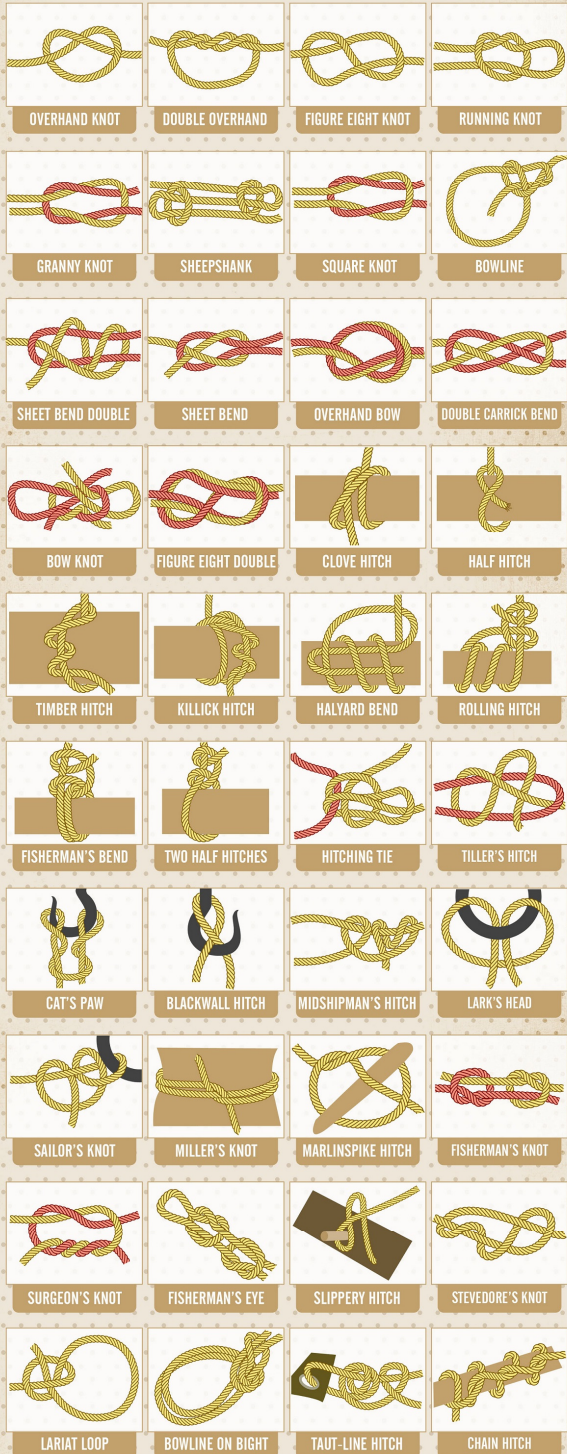
Busy bugs fly high
Land on me and you will die
Losing battle sigh
-Philip Tracy

BCOS t-shirts

The BCOS t-shirts have come in. They are \$10.00 each. Jenny will have them at the BCOS meeting next Tuesday. If you ordered one and want to pick it up another day, please contact her. She ordered a few extra if you did not put in a pre-order.

Contact Jenny: jandgman@bellsouth.net

Essential Knots FOR THE OUTDOORS



LDWF's Catch and Cook Program Takes Your Fish From Louisiana Waters to Table in One Tasty Trip

The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries now offers the Louisiana Catch and Cook Program, allowing anglers to enjoy their catch at a local restaurant, prepared by their favorite chef.

Act 577, authored by Sen. Bret Allain of Franklin during the 2014 Legislative session, allows participating retail food establishments to prepare certain recreational game fish. Any retail food establishment that wishes to participate in the program can apply to the Department for a participation permit.

“The Catch and Cook Program allows fresh caught Louisiana game fish to be served in our Louisiana restaurants, what could be better than that?” asked Sen. Allain. “It promotes recreational and charter fishing along with some of the best restaurants in the world. This program highlights what Louisiana is famous for.”

There is no fee to apply for the permit, and participating restaurants may charge the guest any amount they choose for preparing the item. The guest providing the fish must execute an assumption of risk relieving the establishment of any responsibility. Fish must be cleaned and processed beforehand and can only be served to the party who caught the fish.

“This program is a wonderful opportunity to promote the state’s nearly \$2 billion recreational fishing industry while simultaneously showcasing Louisiana’s top-notch dining establishments,” said LDWF Secretary Robert Barham. “Anglers, especially those traveling to the Sportsman’s Paradise to take part in our first-class fishing, are looking to add value to their experience and the Catch and Cook Program does exactly that.”

Sen. Allain recently took to the waters of the Gulf of Mexico out of Barataria with fellow members of the Louisiana Legislature and outdoor media to promote the new program. Captain Theophile Bourgeois of Bourgeois Fishing Charters hosted the group.

To date, 14 restaurants have signed on to the program, and LDWF expects more to join as it gains more publicity. The Louisiana Restaurant Association is currently working with the Department and Sen. Allain’s office to further promote program awareness amongst the restaurant community.

<http://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/news/39389>

The Chairman's Corner

Ahh, September. It may be my imagination but, it seems as if the oppressive heat of summer in Louisiana has started to decrease. Perhaps Fall is lurking just around the corner with it's much cooler temps and the siren call of hiking trails.

However, before that happens, we have a couple of water adventures to complete. Our calendar weekends are crowded for the next three weekends. After our meeting on the 15th, we have in order.

19th. Depending on water level, a float on Dorcheat Bayou..

26th. Bodcau National Hunting and Fishing Day [Many volunteers will be needed]

26th. The Tour de Rivere Rouge will kick off and if you are unable to help out at Bodcau, I'm sure that " crowd boats " would be welcome on the Red for the start of this epic paddle boat race.

27th. Safety Boats for the Meat Pie Tri. The finish of a double header weekend.

Oct. 3rd & 4th. Our Chapter will host the Ozark Society fall Meeting at the Crater of Diamonds State Park .

I also understand that there will be a need for safety boats for another race being held on Cross Lake in October. Cathy or John will I'm sure have more information on that.

ALERT ALERT ALERT

There is a need for a committee to twist arms and find volunteers for the following positions.

Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer.

Names need to be submitted at the October meeting and voted on at the November meeting. New leadership will take control on the first of the year.

[as an aside, if nominated, I will not run. If elected, I will not serve] Volunteer I will do. Leadership is just not my thing.

We also need to start thinking about a Christmas Party. Any volunteers for that task ?

Dick M
Temporary Chairman

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www.bayouozark.com!

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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 at kallikbailey@gmail.com

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)

10 ft green and sand colored sit on top (fishing kayak). It has been garage kept and comes with paddle, life vest and rod holder. Only been used a couple of times. \$225.00 for all and will deliver. Email Jack at jland1@bellsouth.net.

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