

\* \* IMPORTANT REMINDER \* \*

OCTOBER 15 NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS  
OCTOBER 16-18 TRAIL PAINT BLAZING PARTY  
NOVEMBER 6 INDICATE IF YOU WILL ATTEND NOV. 8 MEETING  
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HELP!!!!

CAN YOU WRITE? CAN YOU DRAW OR SKETCH? CAN YOU DESCRIBE?

DO YOU KNOW WHERE OR HOW TO FIND A WATERING HOLE ALONG THE TRAIL, A SPRING, A SHUTTLE, A SAFE PLACE TO PARK YOUR VEHICLE, FOOD, MOTEL OR CAMPGROUND. ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE HISTORY ALONG THE TRAIL, AND WHY THE TRAIL IS, WHERE IT IS?? THEN WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

MANY ARE NOT AWARE OF THIS, BUT THE SOUTHWESTERN AT GUIDEBOOK IS GOING TO BE DIVIDED CREATING TWO BOOKS. VAUGHN THOMAS IS TO EDIT THIS BOOK. SHE LOOKING FOR THOSE FEW INDIVIDUALS WHO REALLY HAVE GOOD INSIGHT ABOUT THE TRAIL. SEVERAL HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO DATE. MANY OTHERS WILL BE NEEDED TO WRITE-UP DESCRIPTIONS OF THE TRAIL AREA WHICH WE HOPE WILL PRESENT THE TRAIL IN SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA BETTER THAN BEFORE. SOME WILL BE NEEDED TO SKETCH DRAWING OF HIGHLIGHTS ALONG THE TRAIL. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP WITH THIS VENTURE, PLEASE CALL VAUGHN THOMAS IN WINSTON-SALEM AT 919-768-3314. SO CALL NOW! THAT'S MS. VAUGHN THOMAS AT 919-768-3314.

IF YOU HAVE ANY OUTINGS, TRIPS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE LED, TO LEAD OR INFORMATION THAT NEEDS TO BE INCLUDED IN PATHS NEXT NEWSLETTER, PLEASE SEND THEM TO PATH, P.O. BOX 4423, GREENSBORO, NC 27404-4423 OR CALL JIM WOOD 469-0820 OR BILL "TOO TALL" SIMS 272-7971.  
THE NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 8!!!

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PATH

27 YEARS!!



DATED MATERIAL  
PLEASE RENEW NOW!!!



Piedmont  
Appalachian Trail  
Hikers



PATH maintains sections of the Appalachian Trail  
in Southwest Virginia

The APPALACHIAN TRAIL is a 2,100 mile footpath along the crest of the Appalachian Mountains from Mount Katahdin in Maine to Springer Mountain in Georgia. The Appalachian Trail Conference in 1965, after The Rev. A.J. Shumate from Rural Retreat and ATC members had been assisting with the maintenance of the area for many years, assigned the PIEMONT APPALACHIAN TRAIL HIKERS (PATH) maintenance responsibilities on 50 miles of TRAIL from Va. St. Rt. 670 at the south fork of the Holston River north to Va. St. Rt. 623 atop the picturesque Garden Mountain which encircles the entire Burkes Garden area like the rim of a punch bowl.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR MAILING LABEL FOR YOUR CURRENT MEMBERSHIP STATUS!! PLEASE NOTE!!! CMP or CMP-1 above your name means that this is your last newsletter.

## \*PATH MEMBERSHIP:

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FAMILY-\$10.00, INDIVIDUAL-\$7.50, STUDENT-\$5.00, \$

DONATIONS: PATH IS A 501(C)(3) ORGANIZATION \$

## \*APPALACHIAN TRAIL CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP:

ARE YOU A MEMBER OF THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL CONFERENCE?  
IF YOU LIKE, SEND PATH YOUR DUES TO JOIN ATC, AND PATH WILL  
FORWARD YOU MEMBERSHIP FEE TO THE CONFERENCE IN HARPERS  
FERRY, W.VA. OR MAIL THEM DIRECT TO:

APPALACHIAN TRAIL CONFERENCE, PO BOX 807,  
HARPERS FERRY, W.VA. 25425

THE ATC OVER SEES THE ENTIRE AT AND WORKS CLOSELY WITH  
THE 33 RECOGNIZE MAINTAINING CLUBS, WHICH INCLUDES PATH.  
ATC MEMBERS WILL RECEIVE THE TRAILWAYS MAGAZINE PUBLISHED  
5 TIMES/YEAR. \*MAKE ATC MEMBERSHIP OUT TO "ATC"\*  
THE DUES ARE: FAMILY \$30, INDIVIDUAL \$25,  
IF YOU ARE A PATH MEMBER YOUR DUES ARE \$18 A YEAR.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ARE YOU AN ATC  
MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ WHAT ARE YOUR  
FAVORITE  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ HIKES? \_\_\_\_\_  
ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
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## \*\* EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS FOR PATH'S SECTION OF THE AT \*\*

VIRGINIA STATE POLICE  
LOCAL 288-3131 OR 1-800-542-8716

PLEASE REPORT ALL INCIDENTS PROMPTLY  
TO A CLUB OFFICER OR FIELD REP.  
IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT ATC BE NOTIFIED PDQ!!!!

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NOTICE!!!

THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL CONFERENCE AND PIEDMONT APPALACHIAN  
TRAIL HIKERS, INC. STRONGLY ADVISE HIKERS ON THE APPALACHIAN  
TRAIL TO WEAR BLAZE ORANGE IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE GAME  
REGULATIONS DURING HUNTING SEASONS.

UNLESS INDICATED, YOU MAY NEED TO DIAL 919 WHEN CALLING THE  
LEADER!! ALSO, SEVERAL HIKES LISTED MAY BE THOSE OF OTHER  
CLUBS WHOSE NEWSLETTERS WE RECEIVE, SUCH AS THE SIERRA  
CLUB, NC PARKS & REC., ETC...

- OCT. 3 TRAIL BUILDING ON LOCAL TRAIL IN GREENSBORO.  
This work session will put the finishing touches on  
the Lake Townsend trail before its grand opening.  
Leader: Alan Myrick 621-9115.
- OCT 10 TENT DEMO DAY  
At Paddling Unlimited in Pfafftown, factory reps  
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- OCT 24 CROWDER MOUNTAIN STATE PARK  
See mountain color just a few hours from home.  
Easy day hiking. Leader: Bill Sims 272-7971  
Greensboro.
- OCT 24 FALL CANOE/KAYAK SWAP DAY  
Paddling Unlimited will hold this event at their  
Pfafftown store. 945-3744.
- OCT 25 FALLS LAKE DAYHIKE  
Come with us on an 8 mile day hike around this  
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NOV 14-15 McAfee Knob Backpack Trip  
Join PATH on one of Virginia's most picturesque rock out cravings. You will hike over McAfee Knob and along Tinker Cliffs. This trip will be 19 miles from 311 to I-81 just northwest of Roanoke. Leader: Jim Wood 469-0820 Cary.

NOV 14-15 FORT MACON STATE PARK  
Visit Theodore Roosevelt natural Preserve and Fort Macon as part of Bill's SP tour. Also visit the NC Aquarium on Bogue Banks and the Maritime Museum in historic Beaufort. Will stay at Trinity Center at \$28. Call Bill Sims 272-7971 Greensboro.

DEC 5 MORROW MOUNTAIN STATE PARK.  
If you haven't joined Bill on one of his state park trips, your time is running out! Leader: Bill Sims 272-7971 Greensboro.

DEC 5-6 PEAKS OF OTTER DAYHIKE  
We will carcamp in the Peaks of Otter campground and dayhike to the peaks and possibly other side trails. A nearby lodge also offers dinner for those who care to dine out. Leader: Jim Wood 469-0820 Cary.

JUNE 5, 1993 NATIONAL TRAIL DAYS  
Mark this date on your calendar now as the first National Trail Days. Scheduled to coincide with the 25th anniversary of the National Trails System Act, this nationwide event will unite trail users, trail advocates, and the outdoor industry in a day spent enjoying trails of all kinds. For more info on how you and/or your organization can participate call 202-833-8229.

JUN 12-18 APPALACHIAN TRAIL CONFERENCE  
THE 29TH MEETING OF THE ATC. THIS EVENT WILL BE HELD AT NORTH GEORGIA COLLEGE, DAHLONEGA, GA. THE COMPLETE DEEP SOUTH '93 PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT WITH SCHEDULES AND FEES WILL BE AVAILABLE IN EARLY 1993. FOR INFORMATION WRITE: DEEP SOUTH '93, PO BOX 33396, DECATUR, GA. 30033-0396.

## NOMINATIONS!!!

### NOMINATIONS FOR PATH OFFICERS AND BOARD

It is time once again to submit your nominations for the Officers (President, V-President, Treasurer, and Secretary) as well as nominations for the three Board seats of PATH that expire this year, 1992. Nominations are also welcome for any of the positions listed in the newsletter. All PATH members in good standing as to dues paid, active in the club, etc., are eligible for nomination or re-nomination to any of the above Officer or Board seats. Please keep in mind that your nomination should be active in club meetings and activities. Your nominations should be able to attend most all Board Meetings, whether held locally or near the PATH section of the trail. A nomination should be able to attend the club work trips, so as to be familiar with any issue that arise and must be acted upon. MUST BE RECEIVED BY OCTOBER 15!!

Please submit your nominations to:  
PATH, Nominations  
PO Box 4423  
Greensboro, NC 27404

I would like to Volunteer myself or Nominate the following people to these positions listed below:

President: \_\_\_\_\_

V-President: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

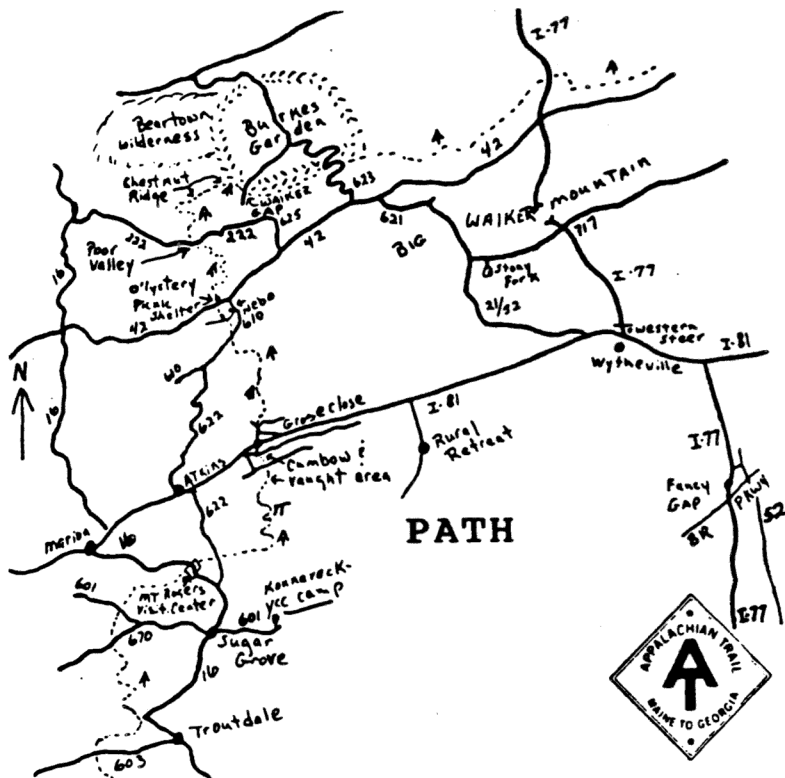
Treasurer: \_\_\_\_\_

Board Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Newsletter Editor: \_\_\_\_\_

Outings: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_



### RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY

There are certain risks which are inherent in any hike or other Club activity. Each PATH, INC member, guest or non-member hiker agrees to accept personal responsibility for his or her safety and the safety of minors accompanying such persons. The Club cannot ensure the safety of any participant on hikes. In participating in Club hikes, each such person agrees to hold harmless and free from blame the hike leaders, and the PATH, INC, its officers and members, for any accident, injury or illness which might be sustained from participation in hikes or other Club activities.

### \*\* TRIP RESERVATIONS \*\*

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT IN KEEPING WITH THE TRAIL USE DECISION APPROVED BY THE ATC, DAYHIKES ARE LIMITED TO 25 PARTICIPANTS AND OVERNIGHTS ARE RESTRICTED TO 10 PARTICIPANTS. IF YOU DECIDE TO GO ON AN OUTING, PLEASE CONTACT THE LEADER IN ADVANCE TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE. BE SURE TO GIVE THE LEADER YOUR PHONE NUMBER, FIND OUT WHERE THE TRIP WILL MEET AND LEAVE FROM. IF YOU DECIDE TO CANCEL OUT, PLEASE ADVISE YOUR LEADER IN ADVANCE.

## FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP

Dear Danny,

My only two PATH outings have been the Konnarock trips this summer. I'm sure that there is much more to PATH than what I have seen so far, but if it is anything close it has to be great.

I showed up the first time looking for some new people to backpack with. What I found was a better understanding of the whole outdoors/trails system, some great people, and a strong appreciation for the efforts behind every waterbar and turnpike I have walked across.

The Konnarock crews provide an opportunity to meet other outdoor-loving people from across the country. It was a lot of fun getting to know them and sharing stories about each other's adventures.

The PATH members that I met all showed a desire to work hard and took pride in the trail that are maintaining.

One of the Konnarock volunteers, Wes, a retiree from Missouri, made a very good point this past trip. He said the he really enjoyed the Appalachian Trail because the people who maintained it and hiked it had simply fallen in love with it. This love for the trail is the common factor the brings these people together.

I was impressed by the way that the volunteers who worked these weekends came together and accomplished so much work. We all had a good time and made some major improvements to the trail.

Anyone who has not come out to help on the worktrips is missing out. Some of the work is hard, and most of it is dirty, but no outdoor-loving person should be a stranger to hard work and dirt. The fun and food company make it all worthwhile.

I look forward to future worktrips and outings. They will surely be as much fun as these past trips have been.

If Fred (Frederica Anne) does as she said and does not return with Konnarock next year, I am glad that I had a chance to work with her. Such a hard-working, dedicated, and unique person will be hard to replace.

Sincerely,  
Don Childers

## WORK TRIPS OVER THE SUMMER

Konnarock did some great work for PATH this year. Their first week they gave us a day on our southern section near Sugar Grove putting in water bars and relocating a short section.

In June and July Konnarock spent two weeks in Poor Valley correcting some major drainage problems. This work included some new sidehill, and adding foot bridges, cribbing, turnpiking, rock and log steps, water bars, ditching, etc..

In August, Linda Tatsapaugh brought a group of kids from Camp Elliott (Black Mtn.) Therapy Wilderness Program. These kids had been backpacking since June and arrived on our section on Friday 8/28. Henry Ford and Gordon Burgess helped them out while they stayed at Sugar Grove. The kids proceeded north on our section doing a little maintaining as they hiked. Henry and Gordon enjoyed being with them and really approved of the program.

The forest service offered a special chain saw certification course for our area on 9/12-13 at Sugar Grove. Those who attended and were certified or re-certified at this USFS course were:

Bill Boudman	Randy Sample	Gordon Burgess
Don Childers	Henry Ford	Trudy Whitney
Steve Williams	Marvin Kirkland	Ken Rose

## PATH GEOGRAPHY

When you are hiking or working on the PATH section, do you know what county you are in?

The southern end of our section begins at VA 670 on the South Fork of the Holston River in SMYTH COUNTY.

We continue for about 25 miles then cross into WYTHE COUNTY about a mile short of Crawfish Valley.

After passing Crawfish Valley, we climb Walker Mountain to Tilson Gap where we cross into BLAND COUNTY.

(At Tilson Gap three counties come together: Smyth, Wythe, and Bland. Take along a topo map sometime and try to find the spot.)

Leaving Tilson Gap we drop down off Walker and, as we cross VA 610, we also cross back into SMYTH COUNTY for a short distance.

At the top of the high meadow we enter the woods and cross back into BLAND COUNTY.

We continue in Bland to Chestnut Ridge where we meet, but do not cross, the TAZEWELL COUNTY line.

The BLAND-TAZEWELL County Line follows Chestnut Ridge past the Chestnut Knob Shelter, down the ridge to Walker Gap, and along the ridge of Garden Mountain to VA 623.

As you hike the 8 miles from Chestnut Ridge to VA 623, your left foot will be in TAZEWELL COUNTY and your right in BLAND COUNTY.



## AT SLIDE SHOW

Steve Stroman, Ga-Me 1985, has a slide show of about 200 slides that he would be delighted to show to any groups or organizations within a reasonable driving distance of Durham. Steve, himself, found out about the AT from a slide show he saw a few years ago. If you would like to get in touch with Steve about providing a program, call him at 286-2004.

Linda Tatsapaugh, Ga-Me 1990, will be happy to give a talk and/or slide show on her thru-hike to organizations within a reasonable driving distance of Greensboro. You can reach Linda at 292-5747.

Tom Gernell from Roanoke Rapids, NC is interested in giving a slide program to any group within reasonable distance of his home town. Tom can be reached at 535-1952.

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