



Piedmont Appalachian Trail Hikers

PATH has Sections 10 and 11 of the AT [Maine to Georgia] in Southwest Virginia to maintain.

ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

Tuesday, January 31, 1967, 6:30 p.m.
Mayfair Cafeteria, Greensboro

CONSERVATION CHALLENGES IN THE CAROLINAS AND WHAT WE CAN DO ABOUT THEM

by

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Keith Argow is a most compelling speaker, and the meeting promises to be of great interest to all of us, so be sure to put this date on your calendar.

PATH TRIPS COMING UP:

February 12: REDDIES RIVER GORGE HIKE: Approximately 4.6 miles through old wood roads, ending at a log cabin where a fire will be in the fireplace and hot tea provided in your cups. Greensboro to North Wilkesboro is about 80 miles. Take I-40 West; U.S. 421 West; N. C. 115 North. Cross the Yadkin River and R.R. tracks in North Wilkesboro; turn left 2/10ths miles to Chestnut Street; turn left across the R.R. tracks again, and you will see Smoot Park with picnic tables and rest rooms straight ahead. LEADER: Robert M. Gibbs, who will meet you there at 2 p.m.

Officers of *PATH*: Directors: Mrs. Don Chatfield, Walter L. Hannah, John C. Huffman, James Peeler, Mrs. Jane Stevenson; President: Charles M. Adams; Vice-President & Trip Chairman: Coleman Gentry; Treasurer: Harriet Austin; Secretary: Patricia Glidewell (3513-D Parkwood Drive, Greensboro, N. C.)

OTHER PATH ACTIVITIES

March 19, Sunday: TOWN CREEK INDIAN MOUND: Sixteen miles east of Albemarle. Easy walking. Tour the park, see exhibits, diggings, and restoration. LEADER: Mrs. Don Chatfield. Meet at the Headquarters Building at the Indian Mound at 2 p.m. Picnic facilities are available.

One of the few remaining covered bridges in this area is located in this section of the state. Gaddy's geese reserve is also in this area. Information on these side trips will be available from Mrs. Chatfield at Town Creek.

April 16, Sunday: THE BEAR DEN, adjacent to the parkway near Rocky Knob. Two types of trips are planned for this activity. One is easy walking down a forest service road. The other is up some of the more rugged ridges in the area. LEADERS: Miss Harriet Austin, Mr. John Austin. The rewards of either of these hikes come in the form of numerous wild flowers, views, and the absence of civilization. This private property will soon become part of the park system. This is your opportunity to beat the crowd. Wear shoes and clothing appropriate to whichever of the two hikes you plan to enjoy. Meet at the Rocky Knob Saddle Overlook, milepost 170 on the Blue Ridge Parkway at 1:00. The hikes will take about three hours. Picnic, camping, and cabin facilities are available at Rocky Knob.

May 6, Saturday: CUMBERLAND KNOB TRAIL, Blue Ridge Parkway near Mount Airy. We will hike a park-maintained trail from the shelter to a stream and return, two mile total. Again rewarded by wide range of wild flowers, scenery, and a good leg stretcher. LEADER: Miss Hollyce Highfill. Meet at Cumberland Knob shelter near parking lot at 2:00. Hiking time is about 2 hours. Picnic facilities are available at the shelter.

May 21, Sunday: HANGING ROCK STATE PARK. This is a consolation trip planned for those who are unable to attend the TRIENNIAL CONFERENCE at CASHIERS on that week end. LEADER: Mr. Bill Chatfield. Please wear sturdy shoes. Bill has explored much of this area and if the hikers are game, can be guided to places in this popular park which the average tourist has never seen. This is another hike that is very rewarding in a sense of accomplishment, wild flowers, and scenery. Campsites and picnic area are available.

A very important activity that has not yet been scheduled is a MAINTENANCE TRIP on our two sections of trail. Leadership and other information were not available as we went to press. Volunteers and suggestions are welcome.

There are several gaps in the schedule, so if you would like to lead a group on your favorite trail, please let me know.

March 5, 1967: KINGS MOUNTAIN NATIONAL MILITARY PARK: Two miles or so of easy walking. Meet at 2 p.m. at the parking lot by the Museum and Administration Building. This park is just below Charlotte and is approximately 2½ hours driving on I-85. Check the most direct exit to the Park on your map and on road signs. Check with the Leader about transportation. We plan to leave at 11 a.m. from the rear of the UNC-G Library parking lot. Take a light lunch with you.
LEADER: Charles M. Adams, 273-5154

Important Conference in May:

Reserve date of May 20-22, 1967
The 17th Triennial Appalachian Trail Conference
at High Hampton Inn, Cashiers, N. C.

This conference is scheduled every third year. The location for the conference rotates between a North, South, and Central point near the Trail. The host club this year is the Georgia Appalachian Trail Club. Note that this conference will not be held again in the South for another nine years!!

PATH is a Class A club member, with two sections of the Trail to maintain. This year may be the time for each of us to become Class D, Individual members. It costs only \$5.00 per year, and, besides the general support of the A.T. and its program, there are several benefits to be received, one of which is a subscription to APPALACHIAN TRAILWAY NEWS. The address is: Appalachian Trail Conference, 1916 Sunderland Place, N.W., Washington, D. C., 20036. You will be hearing more about the program, the hikes, camping and other activities planned. Even though we are one of the youngest clubs in the conference PATH should be well represented at the TRIENNIAL CONFERENCE at CASHIERS, N. C., in May. Be sure to let the President or one of the other officers know if you can attend.

PATH Chairman of Trip Planning, Miss Hollyce Highfill, would welcome suggestions for trips and offers of leadership for these. Write or telephone her at Greensboro College.

PATH patches are available to wear on your hiking jacket or shirt. They will be on sale at the annual meeting or you may send \$1.00 to Pat Glidewell and one will be mailed to you.

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