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FALL FUN RETREAT

October 25 - 27

Pickett CCC Memorial State Park and Pogue Creek Canyon Natural Area

The Sierra Club's Tennessee Chapter invites you, your family & friends to the Chapter's Fall Fun Retreat for a fun-filled weekend

Hikes to Spectacular Geological Wonders
Colorful Fall Foliage
Halloween-Themed Activities (bring your children!)
Campfire ~ Live Entertainment
Training for Outings Leaders

** Stargazing **

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Cedars of Lebanon State Park
January 24 - 26

Winter hikes * Citizen lobbying training * Updates on critical issues
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MEETING SCHEDULE

Chapter Retreat	Location	Dates
Fall	Pickett State Park	October 25–27
Winter	Cedars of Lebanon State Park	January 24–26
Spring	Cedars of Lebanon State Park	April 24–26
Summer	Pickett State Park	August 7–9

The Fall Retreat

October 25 to October 27

Pickett CCC Memorial State Park

You don't want to miss the Chapter Fall Fun Retreat at Pickett CCC Memorial State Park. Pickett State Park lies within the 19,200 acre Pickett State Forest adjacent to the massive 125,000 acre Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area. The center of activities will be the Group Camp that is about 1.5 miles north of Pickett State Park Visitor Center.

FRIDAY ACTIVITIES

4:00 pm **Check in.** See old friends and make new ones. Settle into your lodging.

8:00 pm **Campfire.** It's Halloween weekend! Gather around the campfire for trick-or-treating, story-telling, snacks (think s'mores!), and decorations.

SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

9:00 am **Hike to Pogue Creek Canyon State Natural Area,** three-mile loop, rated easy.

9:00 am **Outdoor Leader Training 101, part 1.** (For part 2, join the hike on Sunday at 9 am to the Twin Arches.)

10:00 am and 2:00 pm **Youth Activities.** Crafts, outdoor games, and a short hike on Hidden Passage Trail.

1:00 pm **Hike to Maude's Crack, the John Muir Overlook followed by the Boyatt Farm Loop.** five miles, rated moderate.

1:00 pm **Basic First Aid and CPR Training.** Important for outdoor leaders!

3:00 pm **Wildflowers of Tennessee.** Join Tennessee State Naturalist Randy Hedgepath for a picture & folklore program about wildflowers that decorate the forests and fields of Tennessee.

7:00 pm **Silent Auction to benefit the Chapter Defender Fund.** Get cool stuff and support the Tennessee Chapter's critical work.

7:30 pm **Live Acoustic Music**

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

9:00 am **Hike to Twin Arches in Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area.** Two miles, rated easy. (This hike is part 2 of the outdoor leaders training.)

ESSENTIALS

WHERE

Pickett State Park is located 12 miles northeast of Jamestown on State Highway 154, also known as Pickett Park Highway. We will occupy the Group Lodge that features an activity building with a large kitchen, and half a dozen bunkhouses. You are also welcome to bring a tent and sleep under the stars, or glamp at the campground down the road.

WHEN

October 25 4:00 pm through October 27, 2:00 pm. Come for a day or for the weekend.

WHAT TO BRING

Linens or sleeping bag, pillow, towel
Stuff for hiking: trail lunches, water bottle, daypack, rain gear
Beverages, flashlight
Warm hat, coat, and gloves
telescope/binoculars for stargazing

FOOD

Saturday and Sunday breakfasts and a Saturday evening meal will be provided and prepared by volunteers. Vegetarian options.
Please bring your own lunches and your Friday evening repast.

REGISTRATION

Register by Friday, October 18, to receive the early bird discount.

Online here: http://bit.ly/Fall_2019_Chapter_Retreat

OR contact Mac Post at mpost3116@gmail.com (865) 806-0980

RATES

Adult registration fee (16 years and older) covers lodging (women's dorms, men's dorms), 2 breakfasts, and Saturday dinner. Please pay with cash or check when you check in. (Unfortunately, we have no provision for accepting payment online or with credit card.)

- Early Bird Discount (register by October 18) - \$50
- Late registration (after October 18) - \$60
- First Chapter retreat attendees - \$25
- Students - \$15
- Saturday Only (registration, dinner) - \$30
- Sunday Only - ExCom meeting (registration, breakfast, no lodging) - \$10
- Sunday Only – ExCom meeting (registration only, no lodging/ no breakfast) - \$5
- Youth under 16 – No Charge

LEGAL STUFF

The Chapter retreat will begin at 4 PM on Friday and end at 2 PM on Sunday. All Tennessee Chapter Retreat participants are required to sign the standard Sierra Club outings liability waiver at check-in. To review this waiver, visit <http://bit.ly/SierraClubOutingWaiver>. Any attendee under the age of 18 not accompanied by parent or legal guardian must have a signed liability waiver and medical authorization form upon arrival. To review these waivers:

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Highlights from the Summer Retreat



The Summer Retreat at Cedars of Lebanon State Park had record attendance and beautiful weather. Outings, led by state Naturalist Randy Hedgepath, included a cave and coneflowers. Above, hikers visit partially flooded Jackson Cave. Right, Hedgepath tells how the Tennessee purple coneflower (inset) long thought extinct, was rediscovered in Cedars' unique environment by Elsie Quarterman and saved. Photos by Todd Waterman.



Above: Susan Shann, accompanied by her band, performed her original songs Saturday evening (photo by Antoinette Olesen). Top center, Antoinette Olesen and Buddy Farler, both singer-songwriters, with guitarist Brian Wright, also performed their original songs (photo by Todd Waterman). Center bottom: Everyone enjoyed great food and conversation. Right: Jessica Branch (photos by Antoinette Olesen).

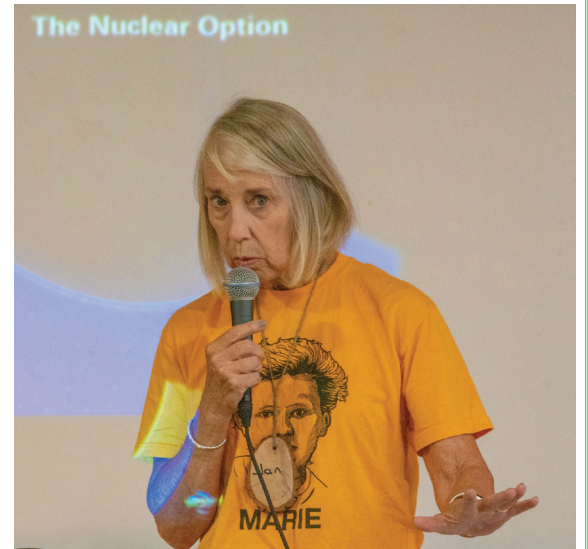


The Nuclear Debate.

The Saturday afternoon screening of the documentary *The Nuclear Option* inspired passionate commentary from both sides of the debate. Don Safer (left) talks about his "Nuclear Free" resolution and Jan Berry (right) defends the resolution to revisit nuclear energy as a viable energy source to reduce the impact of climate change. The Sierra Club's current longstanding position on nuclear power is one of opposition. It is a topic that sometimes brings on heated discussion. Read the SC policy here:

<http://www.sierraclub.org/policy/energy/nuclear-power>

Photos by Todd Waterman.



Let's ALL Support the Critical Work of Our Lobbyist

by Sherry Loller, Chair, Defenders Fund

Members Take Note...

Only 63 donations were made to the Defenders Fund for our fiscal year 2018-19. That is 63 out of 7,531 Tennessee memberships. We can do better than that, and it is critical that we do so in these times of unprecedented assault on the environment at both the state government and presidential levels. The Defenders Fund supports the work of our registered state lobbyist Scott Banbury. Our program utilizes a three-fold approach: (1) phone calls, letters, and emails to our lawmakers, (2) volunteer lobbying by members, and (3) our professional lobbyist at the legislature. Without all of these parts working together, the program collapses. It is crucial that we fund our lobbyist in order to continue important work against the toxic interests that corrupt the law-making process.

During the last legislative session our lobbyist and legislative campaign organizer Scott Banbury effectively:

- > sent Chapter members regular messages about good and bad legislative proposals, with advice for taking action, resulting in more than 4,000 emails and hundreds of calls to legislators in 2019.
- > supplied support for our highly successful annual Conservation Education Day where more than 50 Sierra members met with over 40 State legislators in Nashville.
- > advocated for the defeat of several bad pieces of proposed legislation, including criminal penalties on organizations protesting the expansion of oil and gas infrastructure, and for reducing proposed penalties on people using drones to document environmental violations.
- > lobbied for bipartisan commitments to introduce legislation imposing statewide regulations on single-use plastic bags and container deposits.
- > organized dozens of communities at the local level to work to strengthen local and state laws which will protect Tennessee from being a national industrial-waste dumping ground for "Special Waste" without public notice or involvement. Special Waste includes low-level radioactive waste, dead animals from large feeding operations, aluminum dross, and other industrial wastes.
- > stopped an illegal landfill operating in Shelby County and worked with other communities across the state to better engage in local solid-waste and recycling issues. In Shelby County, Scott directed local media to the illegal dumping site, resulting in an enforcement order from the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation the next day that is one of the strictest notices of violations ever seen in Tennessee. It is now being followed up with a criminal investigation.
- > worked with media to expose the State of Tennessee's taxpayer-funded solid-waste conference and golf tournament where industry gave away big screen TVs and other prizes to entice public officials to hobnob with the solid-waste industry.
- > worked with officials statewide to address the immense problem of illegal tire dumping. Comprehensive legislation is expected in 2020.

Even after the legislative session was over, Scott traveled the state going to public hearings and meetings to learn more about local challenges and successes so that he can better plan and implement our strategies. The challenges are formidable, and to meet them we ask for the support of each of you to assure that we will be ready to defend our values as environmentalists when the next legislative session begins in January.

We have one fund-raising campaign a year. If all 7,531 memberships would donate just \$5 each, we would have \$37,655. Surely this critical work is worth a few of your dollars and a few minutes of your time. We all benefit from the work Scott is doing – let's all support him.

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In Remembrance: Pastor Ralph White, Long-time Local Community and Environmental Justice Leader

by Rita Harris, Sierra Club member



The Sierra Club has lost a dear friend in The Reverend Ralph White. Rev. White was a passionate supporter of the Chickasaw Group and of the Sierra Club Environmental Justice Program over the years, spanning decades. Because of my years working with Rev. White on so many issues, this is a very sad time for me and I am sure for his beloved wife Janet White, his Bloomfield Baptist Church Family, and numerous friends. I will always remember his leadership, dedication and concern for environmental issues, his South Memphis community, and the City of Memphis. He served on our Sierra Club Environmental Justice Advisory Committee and Leadership Team. We worked on issues such as the millions of gallons of sewage that spilled into McKellar Lake; providing a summer day camp for hundreds of South Memphis kids; fighting hazardous air pollution; protesting unreported oil refinery benzene emissions; fighting the TVA coal plant pollution; stopping a nuclear waste incinerator on President's Island (we won!); saving Martin Luther King Park, Jr., Riverside Park; fighting the pull-apart junkyard; demanding cleanup of the Refined Metals Corporation's lead smelter; and the list goes on. Rev. White was active in them all, lending the use of church vans to get folks out to City Council meetings and hosting protest meetings, public forums, and accountability sessions at his church.

It cannot be emphasized enough that Rev. White has been the most active pastor of a local church advocating for environmental issues. He was a key leader in forming the Riverview Collaborative Neighborhood Association to tackle serious environmental justice issues facing his community. The Association saved ten acres of Martin L. King Riverside Park from being sold to the refinery and advocated for our community's health in the Riverview area, a high pollution area of the city. Over the years, Rev. White initiated several community enhancement projects, including his annual Fishing Rodeo for young people, a day-care center, sponsorship of annual health fairs, etc. Many of the initiatives he worked on were aimed at protecting the community's health and promoting hope and inspiration for the youth of the Riverview area. The Riverview neighborhood sits in the midst of Tennessee's only oil refinery and a coal-fired power plant; in addition, numerous polluting industries are less than five miles away on the President's Island industrial area.

In 2009, Rev. White was honored along with nine others as a 'green role model' at the Blacks Living Green Awards Program. In 2010 he was awarded the Dick Mochow Environmental Justice Award applauding his dedication to Environmental Justice efforts in the Memphis area. And, in 2018 he was prominently featured in a locally produced Sierra Club video entitled "Air Pollution Communities At Risk". These accomplishments and others over the years occurred as he served as pastor of a church, led the Civilian Police Review Board, ran for elected office a couple times, served on boards, and worked with the youth of the community. He was truly a servant leader and led by example.

Chickasaw July Program: Why Do Beavers Matter?

by Charles Belenky, Chickasaw ExCom member

The Chickasaw Group's monthly program meeting on July 18 was both educational and fun, with an expert, a video, delicious food, and singing.

The speaker's topic was "What Do We Mean by Conservation: to preserve what we have, what we remember, or what was in the past?" Rather than a direct discussion, we approached the issue obliquely.

Our presenter Dr. Patrick Kelly teaches Biology at Rhodes College with expertise on rivers and lakes. One of the most interesting facts he presented was the abundance of beavers before human colonization of the Eastern Forests. Beavers build stick-and-mud dams which result in extensive wetlands. The early fur trade decimated their population and as a result greatly reduced wetland acreage. He also spoke about channelization and its effect on reducing habitat as well as agriculture, even before chemicals, changing the constituents of runoff. One of the startling connections he made was between laundry

detergents and the closure of beaches in the Gulf of Mexico.

We then turned to memorializing the species that are gone, with participants taking turns reading about 10 species each, from the Great Auk to the Barbary Lion.

Two other innovations that the attendees seemed to enjoy were a food break halfway through (fried chicken, potato salad and coleslaw) and singing to mark the end of both halves. The songs chosen were "Big Yellow Taxi" by Joni Mitchell and "Paradise" by John Prine.

The highlight of the second half was a showing of a TED talk, "Photographing the Landscape of Oil" by Edward Burtynsky.

Of course, there were the usual announcements of upcoming events and a pitch to get involved in the ongoing work of Sierra Club.

While this format may not become a regular thing, it was a refreshing change from just sitting and being lectured to by an expert or panel.

Faith and Environmental Conservation

By David F. Garner, Sierra Club member since 2008

Do faith and environmentalism go together? Faith is not necessary for a conservation ethic. There are plenty of people who live environmentally conscious lives and do not claim any faith. Nature is the domain of all people, and anyone can see the value of protecting it. However, faith can enhance this value for some people. What is clear is that all people groups, including people of faith, have a stake in conserving the earth.

Let's consider how these four religions approach religious conservation:

– Christianity states that God is the owner of everything and Christians are simply managers. The writers of the Old and New Testament promise strong consequences for anyone who does not care for the earth.

– The holy texts of Hinduism are filled with references of natural divinities related to nature, such as rivers, trees, and animals. To protect them, Hindus encourage environmental protection.

– Islamic traditions laid down in the Qur'an mandate that followers of Allah are stewards and prohibit taking advantage of the natural world. The Qur'an also emphasizes helping the poor and less fortunate. Climate change and pollution affect the poor most harshly, so the Qur'an offers a moral framework for living an eco-friendly life.

– Judaism's strong stewardship tradition with its multiple laws and commands in Jewish scripture, demands the proper use of land and resources. Notable is the law requiring a sabbatical for the land from farming every seven years.

Most leaders of these and other major religions agree that humans have some level of responsibility to their God to be proper stewards of the natural resources of the earth.

An interesting case study is John Muir, Sierra Club's very own conservation saint. Any reader of Muir cannot miss his religious

language and numerous references to God. Muir's writings convey a reverence for the "creator God" whom he found in nature. His faith informed his approach to nature conservation precisely because Muir found a connection to God in nature. For Muir then, faith and conservation were not at odds; they fit together naturally.

Faith and environmental conservation are not only mutual but compatible. People of faith can look to their faith to find meaning and motivation for caring for the earth. The framework for a conservation ethic already exists in many religions. Humans simply must find the language and ethic that already exists within a faith.

If you are a person of faith, consider going back to your sacred writings, to your traditions, and rediscover the conservation principles held there. Remind yourself of your duty to God and to your fellow creatures. Share these with fellow believers as you discuss and encourage them to live more eco-consciously.

If you are not a person of faith, or of a non-religious faith, and want to begin a discussion about environmental conservation with a person of faith, consider investigating what their faith teaches about this topic. Use this information in your approach. You may disagree on other points, but environmental conservation is likely a topic you can come to share in common. Perhaps you're already there, but do not realize it because you use different language to describe it.

Seek to understand one another. There is hope for the future. We can find hope in our differing beliefs, and in each other, as we work together to care for the earth.

For further reading: a recent article by the United Nations Environment Programme (UN Environment) provided a good summary (<http://bit.ly/faith-environment>); the Interfaith Alliance stresses the importance of conservation to people of all faiths: <https://interfaithalliance.org/faith-religion-and-the-environment>.

United Methodists Address Climate Crisis at Nashville Conference

by JoAnn McIntosh, Sierra Club Clarksville-Montgomery County

More than 200 people came together from all over the world to attend the United Methodist Creation Care Summit in Nashville July 12-13, including quite a few non-Methodists and a number of Sierra Club Tennessee Chapter members. The focus at this year's summit was the urgency of the climate crisis, its impact on all of creation, and developing action steps that individuals and congregations can take immediately to address these effects. The featured speaker at Friday night's session was Katharine Wilkinson, senior writer of *Drawdown: The Most Comprehensive Plan Ever Proposed to Reverse Global Warming*, considered the handbook of solutions to avoid climate collapse (<https://www.drawdown.org/the-book>).

Earlier in the week, United Methodist leaders met to develop a hard-hitting plan of 21 strategies that will be implemented church-wide in the coming months. As the Reverend Pat Watkins remarked, "Recycling, getting rid of styrofoam and driving a Prius just ain't going to be enough." The United Methodist Church (UMC) is already guided in environmental stewardship/creation care by their "social principles," based upon teachings of the Bible.

Sierra Club members of faith can consider contacting their local houses of faith to support and partner with their creation care initiatives.



Maggie Longmire and Free Soil Farm heat up the crowd.

Photo by Todd Waterman

"Sing for the Climate" Concert in Knoxville

The June 29th Sing for the Climate concert at the amphitheater on the World's Fair Site in Knoxville inspired and educated a passionate crowd about the climate crisis. Organizers included Kent Minault, Louise Gorenflo, Roberta Boone, and Maggie Longmire, who assembled an all-star Knoxville musical line-up. 18 environmental and social justice organizations were there to engage and inform the crowd. One immediate and positive result of the concert was a Knoxville mayoral candidate forum about climate change. Knoxville Interfaith Power and Light was the main sponsor of the event, and was joined by, among others, the Harvey Broome Group of the Sierra Club.

Cherokee Group Upcoming Meetings

September 3–7:00 PM Strategy/Planning Meeting, the home of Bill Moll, 4918 Marlow Drive, Red Bank, Tennessee. Meeting will be preceded by a 5:00 pm tour of the grounds and a 6:00 pm cookout. Everyone welcome!

September 23–7:00 PM Philip Pugliese, Transportation System Planner for the Chattanooga Area Regional Transportation Authority (ARTA), will speak about CARTA's clean energy efforts and its participation in a U.S. Department of Energy innovative research effort to benefit Chattanooga and other cities.*

September 28–1:00 PM Join other members at River Drifters for delicious food, good conversation and a great atmosphere at River Drifters, 1925 Suck Creek Road, Chattanooga.

October 7–7:00 PM Strategy/Planning Meeting, Congregational Church, 400 Glenwood Drive, Chattanooga

October 28–7:00 PM If Ready For 100 is to be successful, energy storage capacity needs to be greatly increased. Dr. Prakash Dhamshala, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, Professor of Mechanical Engineering, will tell us about current progress in energy storage technologies.*

*Program meetings happen at The Unitarian Universalist Church of Chattanooga

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS CHAPTER AT-LARGE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee (ExCom) is an important leadership group in the Tennessee Chapter. It sets strategic direction and budget, reaches consensus on conservation positions, raises money, appoints officers and committee chairs, and approves litigation and electoral endorsements.

This year, four of the seven members of the Chapter's ExCom reach the end of their term. The Sierra Club democratically holds itself accountable to its membership. We need good candidates to represent our members' interests. The Chapter's Nomination Committee invites you to self-nominate or suggest nominees. The Committee will consider and recommend candidates for the ballot.

Candidates should provide a statement of under 200 words which will appear on the ballot. Please submit nominations by Tuesday, September 10 to Ramie Bell at ramie.bell@gmail.com. The ballot is published in the Nov/Dec edition of this newspaper. Winning candidates will begin their 2-year terms in January 2020. More detail can be found on our website.

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Middle Tennessee Group Program Chair Sought

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Contact MTG Chair Grace Stranch, at k.g.stranch@gmail.com.

VICE TREASURER SOUGHT

The Tennessee Chapter Sierra Club seeks a volunteer to serve as Vice-Treasurer, then step up to Treasurer in 2021.

For more information, contact Alice Demetreon:

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660-247-2288 (call or text)

Group Business Meetings

Group	Date	Location
Cherokee (Chattanooga)	Mon 9/3	Bill Moll's Home & Arboretum, 4918 Marlow Dr., Red Bank TN Tour of Grounds Cookout followed by Meeting
	Mon 10/7, 11/4	Pilgrim Congregational Church, 400 Glenwood Dr., Chattanooga
Chickasaw (Memphis)	Wed 9/4, 10/2, 11/6	Caritas Village, 2509 Harvard Ave. Memphis
Harvey Broome (Knoxville)	Tue 9/24, 10/22, 11/26	The Church of the Savior, 934 N. Weisgarber Rd. Knoxville
Middle TN (Nashville)	Mon 9/16, 10/21, 11/18	House of Kabob, 216 Thompson Lane, Nashville

Group Program Meetings

Group	Date	Location
Cherokee (Chattanooga)	Mon 9/23, 10/28, 11/25	Unitarian Universalist Church, 3224 Navajo Dr., Chattanooga
Chickasaw (Memphis)	Thu 9/19, 10/17, 11/21	Benjamin Hooks Public Library, 3030 Poplar Ave, Memphis
Harvey Broome (Knoxville)	Tue 9/10, 10/8, 11/12	Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church, 2931 Kingston Pike
Middle TN (Nashville)	Thu 9/12, 10/10, 11/14	Radnor Lake Nature Center, 1160 Otter Creek RD, Nashville

Regional Conservation Committee Business Meetings

Committee	Date	Location
Clarksville	Tue 9/17, 10/15, 11/19	Clarksville-Montgomery County Public Library, 350 Pageant Ln, Clarksville
CareNEI (Rogersville)	Thu 9/5, 10/3, 11/7	St. Henry Catholic Church, 114 Highway 70 North, Rogersville
Tipton County	Thu 9/12, 10/10, 11/14	Ward Law Firm, 99 Doctors Drive Suite 300, Munford
Watauga (Mountain City)	Tue 9/10	R&D Campground 900 Minningtown Rd, Mountain City
	Tue 10/8	Watauga Lake Conservation Tour - Fish Springs Marina
	Tue 11/12	Harvest Dinner - Watauga Lake Winery