

Join us Saturday, February 27th at 1:00 pm for a (map & compass) Orienteering Exercise at Pinnacle Mt. State Park

Participants will meet in the parking lot just below the Pinnacle Mt. State Park Visitor Center for introductions and instructions, then walk to the orienteering course where we will practice following compass bearings to find specific locations in the field. Afterwards, the group will hike cross-country to intersect the Ouachita Trail, then follow the trail back to the cars. Signups are required at least three days in advance so that orienteering course materials can be reproduced.

Clothing, etc.: Do not wear boots or shoes with smooth or slippery soles as this will be a crosscountry (off trail) walk on sloping terrain on leaves that could be slippery. Even though this is February, with temperatures expected to reach 70 degrees before the outing, ticks are a possibility. Participants should spray their boot tops and pants legs before they arrive as a precaution. (Long pants are recommended.) (The area was burned in the last two years but plants have re-grown since then.) Bring water and snacks - and a pencil or pen. We will return to the cars after several hours.

Special Equipment: If you have an 8-1/2x11 clipboard or a compass like the one shown below, bring them. If you don't, come anyway as the leader has extra equipment.

Advance Signups Required: Please contact Leader Joe Wankum <u>JBWANKUM@aol.com</u> to sign-up (or check with Joe in person at the February CAG meeting). Group size limited! ...Also, check the Home page of the Chapter web site after 7 pm the evening before the outing for any changes due to adverse weather or other causes.

Driving Directions: From Little Rock, take Cantrell Road (Hwy 10) approximately 2-3/4 miles west of I-430 to Pinnacle Valley Road. Turn right and follow the road past a railroad track and a bridge. Just before a large white house ahead on the left, turn left. At the Maumelle Park sign, curve left and continue. At the PMSP Visitor Center sign, turn right. At the Y, veer right until you reach the parking lot below the Visitor's Center.

