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# **Election Special**

## PARKS & SOILS for TODAY & TOMORROW! **Vote YES on Amendment 8**

by Jack Harris

The payoff is in the voting booth. We need every voter's help on November 5th, 1996 in order to repeat the two to one favorable margin by which this issue was approved the last time it came up for a decision by the voters.

Watch for the following notice on the ballot:

"Shall Article IV Sections 47(a) and 47(b) and 47(c) of the Missouri Constitution be amended to extend for ten years the sales tax of onetenth of one percent for use in accordance with state law by the **Department of Natural Resources** for soil and water conservation and for the acquisition, development, maintenance, and operation of state parks and historic sites and for payment in lieu of real property taxes for land acquired by the state for park purposes?"

- There is NO tax increase: this is a continuation of the current tax authority,
- The tax authority will automatically expire in ten years. To continue beyond that time period, it must be renewed by the voters.

Approval of this ballot issue is vitally essential to provide for the continued revenue and funding for our nationally recognized, excellent system of State Parks and Historic Sites; and to continue the progress of reducing soil erosion and cleaning up our water supply.

Every member can help by educating their friends and neighbors, urging them to go to the polls and vote, help your local group hand out

literature on election day, and writing letters to your local newspaper urging voters to support the issue. A voter education campaign is very expensive. We urge those who have the means to consider a special contribution to help defray the financial impact of this statewide effort.

In the Kansas City urban region, the campaign coordinator is Jennifer Finks. She may be reached at (816) 561-7950.

In St. Louis region the campaign coordinator is St. Louisans for Clean Water and State Parks (StLCW&SP) with offices located at the Coalition for the Environment, 6267 Delmar Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63130; (314) 727-0600.

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## Go Vote!

Something very peculiar happened about this time in 1994. We became lazy, complacent and basically apathetic towards the elections. We stayed home and were disgusted with the election results while the other side went to the polls in droves and celebrated as they, nationally, elected those who would do the bidding of developers and big business. And just look what happened:

- We've spent the last two years battling legislation pushing for risk assessment, takings, national park closures and overhauling the Clean Water Act & Safe Drinking Water Act
- We witnessed efforts to gut the EPA's budget by one-third and eliminate many of the valued and desired environmental and public health protections entrusted to the EPA, and

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# **Governor's Commission Will Chart** Transportation Course

## by Ron McLinden

With or without a Sierra Club representative, Governor Carnahan's Total Transportation Commission (TTC) is off to a reasonably good start. At its second meeting on September 24 the TTC kicked off the first phase of its work, identification of Missouri's transportation needs, under guidance of a newly hired consultant team. It is anticipated that this needs assessment phase will involve preparation of two or more alternative visions of what Missouri's future transportation system might be.

Significantly, the visions to be developed will be expressed as the outcomes the TTC wants from our transportation system — what they want our transportation system to do for us — not just what they think the state needs to spend money on. Thus, instead of saying Missouri needs to build (or not to build) X miles of new four-lane highways or operate Y route miles of public transit, the TTC might say we want a transportation system which respects and reinforces central cities and town centers; or one which makes it possible for any citizen to travel between any two county seats within one day without using a personal motor vehicle; or one which serves Missourians' needs while resulting in an annual decrease in

total transportation energy use. Once these outcomes-oriented visions are prepared they'll be developed to determine what specific mix of transportation modes would result in those outcomes. what they might cost and what their impacts will be.

To help it develop its alternative transportation visions the TTC plans to hold five public hearings. Dates and places tentatively set for these hearings are:

Nov. 12. St. Louis

Nov. 14. Kirksville

Nov. 18, Kansas City

Nov 21, Cape Girardeau

Dec. 3, Springfield

We encourage you to attend one

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## Think and Vote



by Gale Burrus

One of the most powerful memories I have of my senior year in high school is of several hundred students, including myself, waiting in line to register to vote. There had been debate for some time about whether the voting age in Missouri should be lowered to 18. People my

age believed strongly that if someone could be drafted to fight in Vietnam at 18, then we were old enough to vote and have a voice in our country's government at 18. And when the law was changed, we felt we had not only the right, but the responsibility to vote.

In the 1992 presidential election, only 55.2 percent of registered voters bothered to vote. And many people aren't even registered. Perhaps these people don't vote because they don't think their one vote will make a difference but I've found U.S. history shows otherwise.

- California, Idaho, Oregon, Texas and Washington each became states by just one vote
- Lyndon B. Johnson became a U.S. senator in 1948 by
- For Thomas E. Dewey, one more vote per precinct in Ohio and California would have meant his presidential election would have been thrown to the U.S.

- House of Representatives where he had more support than Harry S Truman
- One more vote per precinct in Illinois, Missouri, New Jersey, and Texas would have elected Richard M. Nixon to the presidency eight years earlier than he was instead of John F. Kennedy becoming president

Maybe many people don't vote because they believe the candidates they want to win are leading by so much that they don't need to get out and vote. But that can be a dangerous assumption if the majority of people think everyone else will cover their missing votes. Truman defeated Dewey probably because most Republicans stayed home, thinking that Dewey was expected to win by a landslide. In fact, only 51.5% of the electorate voted in that election.

And maybe some people are disappointed by the caliber of the politicians they see covered by the media. But as William E. Simon pointed out, "Bad politicians are sent to Washington by good people who don't vote."

Even the action not to vote is an action with a consequence that we may have to live with for a long time. For example, consider presidential appointments to the Supreme Court and the long-term societal effects those have. But the decision not to vote too often may be the "thought-less" way out. For this election, and for all elections please think and vote.

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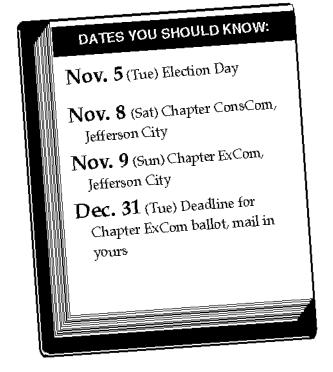
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# **Their Voting Records - 1995/96**

Missouri House of Representatives listed in alpabetical order (endorsed candidates in **bold**)

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Todd Akin	(R-86)	30%
Bill Alter	(R-90)	15%
Ron Auer	(D-70)	80%
Gracia Backer	(D-20)	80%
Charles Ballard	(R-140)	25%
Rex Barnett	(R-4)	25%
Linda Bartlesmeyer	(R-132)	35%
Joan Barry	(D-100)	55%
Jon Bennett	(R-15)	35%
Mary Groves Bland	(D-43)	75%
Matt Boatright	(R-118)	25%
Dennis Bonner	(D-51)	70%
Bill Boucher	(D-48)	80%
Joan Bray	(D-84)	75%
David Broach	(R-102)	25%
Harriet Tatum Brown	(R-13)	60%
Gary Burton	(R-128)	25%
Greg Canuteson	(D-34)	65%
Paula Carter	(D-61)	65%
Norma Champion	(R-134)	35%
Doyle Childers	(R-141)	35%
Rich Chrismer	(R-16)	25%
Connie Cierpoit	(R-52)	20%
Robert Clayton	(D-10)	75%
Bonnie Sue Cooper	(R-32)	35%
Gene Copeland	(D-161)	50%
Joe Clay Crum	(D-112)	60%
Wayne Crump	(D-152)	50%
Lloyd Daniel	(D-42)	85%
Fletcher Daniels	(D-41)	70%
Dorathea Davis	(D-63)	75%
Rita Days	(D-71)	80%
Laurie Donovan	(R-74)	70%
Pat Dougherty Marilyo Edwards Pavia	(D-67)	<b>85%</b>
Marilyn Edwards-Pavia T. Mark Elliot	(R-105) (R-127)	20% 15%
Catherine Enz	(R-127) (R-99)	15%
Brent Evans	(R-99)	15%
Nancy Farmer	(D-64)	80%
Ted Farnen	(D-21)	80%
Ken Feibelman	(D-21) (D-150)	45%
Rodger Fitzwater	(D-136)	<b>85%</b>
Jim Foley	(D-81)	70%
Louis Ford	(D-51)	20%
Bill Foster	(R-156)	25%
Dick Franklin	(D-53)	75%
Jim Froelker	(R-111)	25%
Jess Garnett	(D-151)	20%
Sam Gaskill	(R-131)	25%
Steve Gaw	(D-22)	85%
Michael Gibbons	(R-94)	35%
Russ Goward	(D-60)	30%
Jim Graham	(R-116)	25%
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Bill Gratz	(D-113)	50%
Tim Green	(D-73)	65%
John Griesheimer	(R-109)	35%
Charles Gross	(R-18)	25%
Russell Gunn	(D-70)	55%
Mary Hagan-Harrell	(D-75)	60%
Glenn Hall	(R-56)	30%
Bill Hand	(R-87)	20%
Tim Harlan	(D-23)	90%
Ed Hartzler	(R-123)	35%
Vicky Hartzler	(R-124)	30%
Joe Heckemeyer	(D-160)	50%
Dan Hageman	(R-5)	25%
Carl Hendrickson	(R-97)	35%
John Hickey	(D-80)	75%
Bubs Hohulin	(R-126)	15%
Tom Hoppe	(D-46)	55%
Craig Hosmer	(D-138)	80%
Jim Howerton	(R-120)	30%
Ken Jacob	(D-25)	90%
Mary Kasten	(R-158)	25%



Sandy Kauffman	(R-45)	45%
Ron Keeven	(R-78)	20%
Pat Kelley	(R-47)	35%
Glenda Kelly	(D-27)	65%
Don Kissell	(D-17)	60%
Jason Klumb	(D-125)	90%
Don Koller	(D-153)	45%
Jim Krieder	(D-142)	25%
Scott Lakin	(D-33)	75%
Sam Leake	(D-9)	60%
Ken Legan	(R-145)	25%
David Levin	(R-82)	35%
Chris Liese	(D-85)	75%
Bill Linton	(R-89)	25%
Don Lograsso	(R-54)	40%
Beth Long	(R-146)	35%
John Loudon	(R-88)	10%
Bill Leutkenhaus	(D-12)	70%
Sheila Lumpe	(D-72)	80%
Gary Marble	(R-130)	25%
Tom Marshall	(D-26)	90%
Bill Marshall	(R-133)	35%
Brian May	(D-108)	80%
Carol Jean Mays	(D-50)	50%
Jerry McBride	(D-149)	
Emmy McLelland	(R-91)	40%
Steve McLuckie	(D-44)	100%

	Jim Mitchell	(R-148)	45%
	Jim Montgomery	(D-147)	35%
	Annette Morgan	(D-39)	90%
	Jim Murphy	(R-95)	50%
	Connie Wible Murray	(R-135)	40%
	Dana Murray	(D-69)	80%
	Pat Neager	(R-155)	20%
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	Charles Nordwald	(R-19)	20%
	Pat O'Connor	(D-79)	80%
	Matt O'Neill	(D-66)	40%
	Jim O'Toole	(D-68)	60%
	David Oetting	(R-122)	30%
	Cindy Ostmann	(R-14)	30%
	Francis Overschmidt	(D-110)	55%
	Jim Pauley	(D-24)	75%
	Fred Pouche	(R-30)	10%
	Don Prost	(D-162)	75%
	Chuck Pryor	(R-116)	20%
	David Reynolds	(D-77)	80%
	Tony Ribaudo	(D-65)	20%
	Mark Richardson	(R-154)	35%
	Luann Ridgeway	(R-35)	65%
	Henry Rizzo	(D-40)	60%
	Estel Robirds	(R-143)	25%
	Carson Ross	(R-55)	35%
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	Mary Lou Sallee	(R-144)	40%
	May Scheve	(D-98)	55%
_		(D-136)	85%
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		(R-157)	25%
	Delbert Scott	(R-119)	35%
_	Jim Sears	(D-1)	70%
	Pat Secrest	(R-93)	45%
	Sue Shear		
		(D-83)	70%
	Norman Sheldon	(D-104)	35%
	O. L. Shelton	(D-57)	70%
	Charlie Shields	(R-28)	25%
	Bill Skaggs	(D-31)	70%
	Phil Smith	(D-11)	45%
	Paul Sombart	(R-117)	45%
	Don Steen	(R-115)	20%
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	Lana Stokan	(D-76)	75%
	Steve Stoll	(D-103)	80%
	Don Summers	(R-2)	45%
	Chuck Surface	(R-129)	25%
	Phil Tate	(D-3)	80%
	Larry Thomason	(D-163)	60%
			35%
	Vernon Thompson	(D-37)	
	Joe Treadway	(D-96)	60%
	Charles Quincy Troupe	(D-62)	55%
	Tim Van Zandt	(D-38)	80%
	Carl Vogel	(R-114)	20%
	Phil Wannenmacher	(R-139)	25%
	Bob Ward	(D-107)	15%
	Dale Whiteside	(R-7)	
			35%
	Paul Weiland	(R-101)	25%
	Gary Wiggins	(D-8)	80%
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	Deleta Williams	(D-121)	85%
	<b>Deleta Williams</b> Marilyn Williams	(D-159)	60%
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	<b>Deleta Williams</b> Marilyn Williams Gary Witt	(D-159) (D-29)	60% 60%
	<b>Deleta Williams</b> Marilyn Williams	(D-159)	60%

## AND THE WINNERS ARE...

### Sierra Club Announces Endorsed Candidates (listed by district)

There were many bill this past legislative session which addressed environmental and public health protection. Many of these bills, however, were aimed at reducing those protections. Fortunately, we had many friends who helped us defeat these antienvironmental bills. Following is a list of the Sierra Club endorsed candidates for the 1996 November elections.

#### U.S. President/Vice President

Bill Clinton/Al Gore The Sierra Club national board of directors voted to endorse the Clinton/Gore ticket shortly after Clinton's decision to protect 1.8 million acres in Utah, including the Escalante-Grand Staircase area. Clinton was also cited for his leadership in staving off congressional attempts to overhaul environmental and public health protections.

#### U. S. Congress

Bill Clay (D-First Dist.) Clay has long been an environmental hero and consistently votes to support our environmental and public health protections, earning a 100% LCV score.

Dick Gephardt (D-Third Dist.) Gephardt is the Minority Floor Leader and is responsible for leading his party in the House of Representatives. He is a solid environmental voter with 77% LCV score.

Karen McCarthy (D-Fifth Dist.) Karen was one of the greenest members of the Missouri General Assembly and has continued her environmental protection in Washington, DC. Karen has a long history of supporting our issues and has made a mark in her first term in Congress with a 92% LCV score.

Ruth Bamberger (D-Seventh **Dist.)** Bamberger is a progressive candidate running for this open seat. She can be counted on to support our legislation and will be a solid advocate for our issues.

#### Missouri State Senate

Wayne Goode (D-13) Wayne has long been a champion of environmental causes in the Senate and chairs the Senate Commerce & **Environment Committee.** 

Pat Gray (D-15) Pat is a very progressive candidate who should be a strong advocate for issues. She is the challenger in this race.

Ken Jacob (D-19) Ken is a longtime Representative and is running for this open seat. He has consistently been one of the highest scorers in our vote chart. He requested to be placed on the House Energy & Environment Committee at our suggestion and has been one of our strongest advocates in the House.

D. J. Gross (D-29) This is an open seat. D. J. is a progressive candidate running against a current representative who consistently votes against our legislation. She can be counted on to support our issues.

### Missouri House of Representatives

Marvin McDonald (D-2)

Marvin is a family farm activist and former professor at Kirksville. Marvin is active with Family Farms for the Future and participated in our Show-Me MO Green Environmental Lobby Day. He is the challenger.

Gracia Backer (D-20) Gracia is the Majority Floor Leader and from this position she is able to control debate on the bills that are on the House Floor and set the Floor Calendar. This is a very

powerful and influential position and Gracia is a strong supporter and advocate.

Ted Farnen (D-21) Ted was a freshman in 1994 and has established himself as a solid advocate of our issues. Always receptive and cooperative, Ted can be counted on to support our legislation.

Tim Harlan (D-23) Tim was first elected in 1994, was endorsed in his first race and has quickly become one of our strongest supporters. He has sponsored our legislation, offered amendments on our behalf and continuously debated on our behalf.

Chuck Graham (D-24) This is an open seat and Chuck was endorsed in his primary race. Environmental issues are very important to Chuck and he promises to be more than just a friend; Chuck will be an advocate.

Vicky Riback Wilson (D-25) Vicky was endorsed in her primary race for this open seat. The Sierra Club endorsement is credited as the momentum swinger in what was a neck-in-neck race, and our endorsement is cited as one of the reasons she won. Vicky will also be a solid advocate for sustainable growth and environmental protection.

Meg Harding (D-30) Meg is the challenger in this race and is a longtime local activist. Environmental and public health is a central theme in her race and Meg promises to be an advocate of our issues. Her opponent is a 10% voter.

Scott Lakin (D-33) Scott is a solid supporter of our issues and can be counted on to vote for our legislation. He has been endorsed in both 1994 and 1996.

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Rodger Fitzwater (D-36) Rodger was first elected in 1994 and has become a solid supporter of environmental and public health protection. He was a strong supporter on the hog farm legislation and can be counted on be a strong supporter of our issues.

Tim Van Zandt (D-38) Tim was a freshman Representative in 1994 and has become a solid advocate of our issues. He consistently supports our legislation and has become a strong ally of ours.

Lloyd Daniel (D-42) Lloyd is a staunch advocate for social justice and can be counted on to debate on our behalf. A solid supporter of our issues, Lloyd is unopposed in his re-election.

Steve McLuckie (D-44) Steve has long been one of our strongest supporters and advocates. His 100% score for the 88th General Assembly pretty much says it all!

Pat Dougherty (D-67) Pat wears his Sierra Club membership like a badge and is widely regarded as one of the greenest legislators in Jefferson City. He has consistently sponsored our legislation and serves on the House Energy & Environment Committee. He is unopposed.

Lana Stokan (D-76) Lana was first elected in 1994 and quickly established herself as a solid advocate for progressive legislation and strong supporter of our

Carol Stroker (D-78) Carol is the challenger is this race. She was also endorsed in 1994 and lost in a very close race. Carol will be a strong advocate for progressive issues.

Sue Shear (D-83) Sue has long been one of the most outspoken progressive legislators in Jefferson City. She is a solid, and vocal, supporter of our legislation.

Joan Bray (D-84) Joan is one of the greenest legislators and one of our strongest supporters. She sponsors our legislation, offers amendments and continuously advocates our issues and legislation.

Chris Liese (D-85) Chris was endorsed in 1994 and is a solid supporter of our legislation. He has sponsored our bills and offered amendments for us. He is also one of our few allies opposing the Page Avenue extension.

Deleta Williams (D-121) Deleta

is a solid environmental voter and supporter of our legislation. She is progressive and can be counted on to support our issues.

Mike Schilling (D-136) Mike was endorsed in 1994 and is one of the strongest allies we have. He serves on the Energy & **Environment Committee and is** one of the most progressive, and green, legislators in Jefferson City.

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· We've been kicked out of the legislative process by the most antienvironmental Congress EVER\*.

Closer to home, we had the good fortune of working with a state legislature that wasn't too hostile. The average House environmental score was 50% and 47 Representatives scored over 70%. We had many successes including stopping the "Dirty Secrets" bill, passing legislation creating scholarships for minority students who pursue environmental studies and passing regulations on mega-hog farms. None of this was easy, and if 1996 is anything like 1994, it will be even harder to make forward progress. It would be a nice change of pace to work on legislation that we actually support, rather than opposing everything. "Yes, Mr. Chairman, I'm opposed to this, too."

We spent this summer talking to candidates, working on races all across the state and recruiting campaign volunteers for the various races in which the Sierra Club has been involved. Several of our

friends are facing tough races and we need to be sure to reward them this election year. Some have been targeted by the extreme right, while others have been targeted by GOPAC, Newt Gingrich's personal Political Action Committee.

Here's your mission, should you choose to accept it: on Tuesday, November 5, GO VOTE. This special "Election Issue" of the Sierran highlights those candidates who have been endorsed by the Sierra Club and in whose races we've been particularly involved. Thanks to all who volunteered and got involved. Also included is the voting chart for the 88th General Assembly, at least for the House of Representatives.

Look at the vote chart before you cast your vote. It tells a pretty clear picture of who has been naughty and who has been nice. It also identifies those who scored under 25%. Let's do our best to find new jobs for these people.

Please do your part and go vote for the environment this election

GOVERNOR ..... continued from page 1 of these hearings and to offer your own ideas. Call:

Ron McLinden at (816) 931-0498, Ginger Harris at (314) 432-2618, or Ken Midkiff at (573) 815-9250 early in November for the time and location of the hearing closest to

The second phase of the Commission's work will likely begin after the first of the year, and will involve developing specific proposals for financing the systems identified in the first phase. It is anticipated that a transportation funding package would be proposed to the General Assembly during the 1997 session, and perhaps submitted to the voters later next year for approval. That package would fund all modes of transportation — thus the "total" in the Commission's name.

<sup>\*</sup> According to LCV (League of Conservation Voters)

## **THB outings**

**Nov. 5 (Tue) Election Day.** The future of the planet is in your hands. Vote.

Nov. 5 (Tue) Tuesday Grand Hike. Meet at noon. Weekly lunchtime walk along Grand Boulevard. Meet at noon at 1100 Grand. Call Ron McLinden at (816) 545-5223 for more information.

Nov. 7-11 (Thu-Sun) Ozark Highland Trail Backpack (part II). We'll leave Thursday evening for this 4-day backpack in Northern Arkansas. Some experience is necessary for this 20-25 mile hike. Contact Scott Hoober at (913) 722-3882.

Nov. 16 (Sat) Public Transit Hike along the route of Kansas City's proposed light rail system. Meet at 9 a.m. at the Nichols Fountain, 47th and Main. Call (816) 545-5223 for information.

Nov. 17 (Sun) Trail Maintenance at Perry Lake Trail near Lawrence. Call Steve Hassler at (913) 599-6028.

Nov. 23 (Sat) Squaw Creek Wildlife Refuge. View the snow geese and eagles at this refuge in northwest Missouri. Call Dan Fuller at (913) 362-2266.

**Dec. 6-8 (Fri-Sun) Hercules Glade Backpack.** A fairly moderate backpack in southern Missouri. Call Jeff Pierce at (913) 599-3966.

**Dec. 7 (Sat) Weston State Park hike.** For information call Claus
Wawrzinek at (816) 561-7863.

## **EMG** outings

# Nov. 2 (Sat) Forest watchers at Mark Twain National Forest.

Observe timber management practices while hiking the Moses Austin Trail near Potosi. All day, with possible group late dinner. Call Hank & Katy Dorst (417) 932-4632 or Ann Eggebrecht (314) 725-1560.

Nov. 2-3 (Sat-Sun) Three - Four mile hike thru Kaintuck Hollow to view the natural tunnel. Possibly the last chance to camp at Mill Creek Camp in Mark Twain Forest near Rolla. Families welcome. Lots of free time to hike. Limited to ten. Tim Pekarek (314) 621-4052.



Nov. 3 (Sun) Nine mile hike across Taum Sauk Mountain then crosscountry and return via Ozark Trail. Paul Stupperich (314) 429-4352.

Nov. 3 (Sun) Meramec State Forest VIGOROUS hike. Be a part of "Wayne's Wanderers." Explore this NOT well-known area near Meramec State Park with its caves and hilly forested areas. Wayne Miller, (314) 569-0094.

Nov. 9 (Sat) Highway cleanup. Get a head-start on working off that Turkey Day dinner. Diane DuBois (314) 721-0594.

Nov. 9 (Sat) Eleven mile hike at St. Francis State Park. Steve Viggers (314) 984-8752.

Nov. 9 (Sat) Hike the Sa Southwoods Hollow Natural ଭୁଷ୍ଟ Area in Babler State Park.

Time permitted, we will explore other areas. Virginia Day, (314) 645-2624.

Nov. 9-10 (Sat-Sun) Return to Sutton Bluff on the Black River to car camp and hike. We will continue on southern section of Ozark Trail. Bob Gestel, (314) 296-8975.

Nov. 10 (Sun) Trail of Tears State Park hike near Cape Girardeau. Visitor center tells tragic story. Diane Favier, (314) 894-5549. Nov. 16 (Sat) Northside Graffiti — three - four mile mid-afternoon riverfront walk in City of St. Louis downtown warehouse district. Tim Pekarek, (314) 621-4052 ...not quite Chaco Canyon, but hey!

Nov. 17 (Sun) Eight mile hike from Johnson Shut-ins State Park to Goggins Mountain. Paul Stupperich, (314) 429-4352.

Nov. 24 (Sun) Ten mile hike on historic Greenrock Boy Scout Trail. Greenfelder State Park to Rockwoods Reservation. Strenous. Will require car shuttle. Dinner afterwards. Nancy, (314) 225-8057 or Stacy

Nov. 30 (Sat) Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring at Creve Coeur Lake Creek. Observe macroinvertabrates, do water sampling and testing. Be a part of this important quarterly project, sponsored by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Leslie Lihou, (314) 726-2140.

Bernard (314) 965-9624.

Dec. 8 (Sat) Six-ten mile hike on Trace Creek section of Ozark

Trail. Paul Stupperich, (314) 429-4352 or Bob Gestel, (314) 2008, 296-8975.

Dec. 14 (Sat) Highway clean up. Last chance to make a difference in 1996. Diane DuBois (314) 721-0594.

Dec. 14 (Sat) Ten mile hike on historic Greenrock Boy Scout Trail. Greenfelder State Park to Rockwoods Reservation.

Strenous. Will require car shuttle. Steve Viggers, (314) 984-8752.

Dec. 15 (Sun) Explore the Amidon Conservation Area in St. Francis Mountains with its granite glades and shut-ins Steve Finch, (314) 644-2553.

Dec. 15 (Sun) Walk the trails at Mastadon State Park. Enjoy the visitors center display of the park's history. End the day in Kimmswick with a meal or dessert. Diane Favier, (314) 894-5549.

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**Dec. 20 (Sat) Winter Solstice hike** six-eight miles through places seldom seen at Hawn State Park. Paul Stupperich, (314) 429-4352.

Jan. 1 (Sun) Celebrate the New Year hiking Paul Stupperich's, world famous six mile loop hike at Meramec State Park, (314) 429-4352.

Jan. 4-5 (Sat-Sun) Second annual winter backpack trip. Learn about cold weather camping or show us your own technique. For experienced backpackers only. Bob Gestel, (314) 296-8975.

## Osage outings

Nov. 2 (Sat) Wildflower Hike to a secret location somewhere in southern Boone County. With any luck, beggar lice and cockleburrs will be encountered! Call Dick Lucke for more info, (573) 882-3691 or meet at MDC parking lot (College & Stadium) at 10 a.m.

Nov. 9-10 (Sat-Sun) Late Fall Float and finish last year's venison potluck. River to be announced! Call Kay Stewart, (573) 445-0114.

Nov. 23 (Sat) Visit the Wolf
Sanctuary near Eureka, Missouri.
Call Debbie at the Sanctuary for
reservations, space very limited
(314) 983-5900, questions call
trip leader Rebecca Schedler
(573) 443-4401.

Nov. 24 (Sun) Potluck and Full Moon Hike — continue the (new) tradition — meet at Ken and Julie Midkiff's at 6:30 p.m., 1005
Belleview Ct., for questions, call (573) 815-9250 or (573) 442-5570.

Nov. 28 (Thu) Annual Osage Whitley/Kardinal Thanksgiving Feast and Hike. Meet at 9:30 a.m. at MDC parking lot (College & Stadium) or at 10 a.m. at the NE Three Creeks parking lot off Deer Creek Road. Bring good food and drinks to share and a free-range cornish game hen (thawed) to roast. Call Jim or Joanne Whitley for details, (573) 442-6929.

Dec. 7 (Sat) Early Winter Float. Call Kay Stewart for details, (573) 445-0114.

Poec. 16 (Mon) Gans Creek Wild Area Hike and Service Outing. Hike the winter woods and clear old barbed wire. Meet at MDC parking lot. (NE corner College & Stadium) at 1 p.m., call Hank Ottinger for more info (573) 443-4954.

**Dec. 16 (Mon) Winter Birding Trip to Thomas Hill Reservation** or Eagle Bluff lead by Kay Palmer. Call Kay Stewart for details, (573) 445-0114.

**Dec. 24 (Tue) Full Moon Hike!** Seriously! Call Troy & Judy Gordon for details, (573) 445-0086.