

FOOTSTEPS

NEWSLETTER of SEQUOYAH HIKING CLUB

—TAKE ONLY PICTURES—

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Christmas is almost here again and the hiking club is helping celebrate the Advent Season with two hikes. The first month of the New Year also has two scheduled hikes to start 1999 on the right foot. We hope you can take part in these activities.

MONTHLY MEETING

November's monthly meeting was held at Bert's Hometown Grill. Those present were Lucy Alexander, Bobbie Arp, Joyce Denton, Paul Gamble, Freda and Houston Lowry, Helen Maxwell, Sue West and Liz Yates.

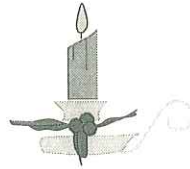
We planned hikes for December and January. With the beautiful spring weather in the first of December, the prospect of very nice hikes is good.

A "thank you" card has been received from Habitat for the club's participation in the Hike for Humanity.

More T-shirt will be ordered. The cost of the shirts has increased from \$6 to \$8 apiece so the club will have to sell them for \$12. New members will receive one T-shirt without charge.

Hunts in the Tellico Mountains and Cherokee National Forest will continue through December 20, 1998, so hikes in that area will not be resumed until next year.

Tentative plans were made for a pizza party in January. Further plans will be made at the December meeting.

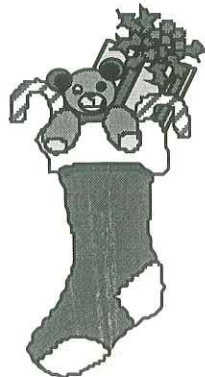


1999 club dues will be due next month. It is agreed that they will remain \$12 annually for individuals or families. Continue to invite friends to our meetings. Remember that one does not have to be a member to participate in the hikes, and the hikes will continue to be announced in the local paper.

RECENT HIKES

Rich Mountain - November 18

The popular and beautiful Rich Mountain hike was taken again on Wednesday, November 18. Freda Lowry was the leader and other hikers were Lucy Alexander, Imogene Cantrell, Joyce Denton, Elizabeth Johnston, J. D. Jones, Robert Millsaps, Sue West and Liz Yates. The weather was pretty. On reaching the top of Rich Mountain, a gourmet lunch for the group was provided by Imogene Cantrell's daughter whose shop, Earth Stuff is located on Mecca pike. The group saw stiff gentian on the hike.



Cades Cove - December 2

Twelve hikers circled Cades Cove on Saturday, De. 2.

It was another clear, sunny day with the temperature at 70 degrees. Lucy Alexander, Imogene Cantrell, Johanna Cooley, Joyce Denton, Elizabeth Johnston, J. D. Jones, Freda Lowry,

Robert Millsaps, Sue and Leon Watson, Sue West and Liz Yates were the twelve hikers. They saw a lot of deer and heard wild turkeys but did not see the turkeys.

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Dec. 13, Sunday - Fort Loudoun Hike, 4 miles, easy; Meet at Wal Mart, leave at 2:00 PM; Leader - Bobbie Arp.



Jan. 1, 1999 - \$12 dues due for 1999!

Jan. 9, Saturday - Rabbit Creek, 8 miles, moderate; Leave Wal Mart at 8:00 AM; Leader - Bobbie Arp.

Jan. 17, Sun. - Benton Falls, 3.2 miles, easy. Leave Wal Mart at 2:00 PM; Leader - Helen Maxwell.



If you are going on a hike, it will be helpful for you to call to let the leader know that you are going.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
 and
HAPPY NEW YEAR

