



**Ozark Trail Association
Monthly Business Meeting
Zoom Meeting
Tuesday, April 11, 2023**

Meeting opened at 7:00 P.M. by Kathie Brennan

Attendees: Jeff Goetter, Terry Hawn, Roger Allison, Kathie Brennan, James Schneider, Garrett Doak, Liatris Studer, Stephen Thompson

President

- At the lobby visit in Jeff City last month, Terry, Abi, and Kathie talked to a lot of people and found out there is a house bill proposing a legacy trails system. The rep met with them, and they talked about things, and it looks like the OT should be included if it passes. Another rep who is on the budget committee talked about maybe getting a line item in next year's budget.
- Maybe having an opportunity to get some CPR\First Aid training if we have anyone interested in it, no dates yet, but Terry will get with the sawyers.
- The weekend of May 20th will be the Wilderness First Aid training by Perry Whitaker, 16-hour class.
- Met with DNR Logan and Stacy on the overview brochure, some minor graphics issue to be resolved and then they can print it.

C&M

- Mega – 50 signed up, Alpine Shop will be sponsors, expecting about 75 people to come out.
- NTD will be June 3 based out of Potosi.
- GAOA current funding is about done, still waiting on next period approvals.
- AmeriCorps is coming in May for 2 different weeks.

AAT

- Abi has worked up a posting to promote the orphan section, plan is to do more and hopefully once a week.

Outreach

- Outdoor Expo – was cold and very windy but a lot came out
- Alpine Shop Event Friday night April 21 and we will have a table, Kathie will be presenting Saturday.
- West Plains visit was on 3/27/23. Jim, Terry, and Kathie had met with the city folks talking about the trail and getting some input on the gaps. Was a good meet and greet and Jim will be doing a follow-up with them. As part of this visit, we may have some access to some mech equipment to build trails down there in the areas that are accessible.
- May 3 Jr Ranger Day

Fundraiser events

- Challenge H&F, estimating 6 to 7K gross.
- 3-Legged should be open for sign ups
- Devils Toll is open.
- One Eyed Dog also open

Finance

- Carl Morrow Grant was submitted by Abi for AmeriCorps work on non-forest land.
- Membership numbers are still trending down.
- Time to start doing the 990-tax form.
- Finances are in good shape.
- 70K in reserve funds with Edward Jones

Trail Planning and Development

- Jim met with the Howell County land people to see about getting shape files for the area down there.
- Jim was introduced to a tool Trails Project by Elizabeth that could be helpful with trail planning. Jim is setting up a demo for a future TPD meeting.
- Kayla is still working on the overall map, may be able to have a demo at the next meeting.

Recruiting and Nominating

- Looking at doing a posting for an Event Leader

Next Monthly Business Meeting: May 9, 2023, via Zoom

Next Board Meeting: April 29, 2023, at the Potosi Office. Zoom should also be available.

Next Ozark Trail Council Meeting: TBD

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM

For the OTA

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OZARK RIVERWAYS FOUNDATION UPPER CURRENT RIVER CELEBRATION



MAY 13, 2023

**BIG ROCK CANDY MOUNTAIN
JADWIN, MO.**



**JOIN US AS WE SPEND THE DAY CELEBRATING
THE HISTORY AND CULTURE OF THE UPPER
CURRENT RIVER, FROM MONTAUK TO AKERS.**

**BOOK FESTIVAL & AUTHORS CRAFTS & VENDORS
CULTURAL DEMONSTRATIONS MUSIC**

9 AM Dry Land Basics/River Safety. **Stop by the booth
to 11 AM for your Akers Ferry 20% Discount Coupon off
of boat rental.** Good for this weekend only.

10 AM Join in an hour of story sharing with
community members. Come and tell a
story or listen to history from the area.

10 AM Ozark Artisans and Crafters Demonstrations
to 4 PM and Vendors.

11 AM Ozark Regional Book Festival with Guest
to 2 PM Speakers Loring Bullard, Kaitlyn McConnell,
Marsha Thauwald, and Alan Banks

5 PM The Shortleaf Band - Poolside
to Come and enjoy a happy hour with the
6:30 PM Ozark Riverways Foundation Board 5 - 6 PM
**ONE FREE DRINK (BEER OR SODA)
WITH A PAID CONCERT TICKET**

6:30 PM 2023 Induction into the National Freshwater
Fishing Hall of Fame Mark Van Patten, inductee

7 PM The Baker Family Bluegrass Concert
Requires Paid Concert Ticket \$15

