

Hike Flash – April 19, 2015

Community Fair: Ouachita Mountains Hikers will be hosting a booth at the Hot Springs Village Community Fair on **Wednesday, April 29**. The event will be held at the Coronado Community Center from **10 am to 2 pm**. Admission to the fair is **free**. If you attend be sure to stop by and say hello while checking out other organizations in the area.

Thursday, April 23, 2015 Rim Trail at Mt. Magazine (10 mi / Moderate)

Hike Leader: Jim Collins 209-1204 jimchsv@gmail.com

Carpools:

Hot Springs: 7:30 a.m. at Desoto Park (Park Ave/Hwy 7 N). Ride Share \$11.

Hot Springs Village: 8:00 a.m. at West Gate/Cordoba Center. Ride Share \$9.

Meet at: Trail head at 9:30 a.m.

The trail head is located at the Visitor Center at Mount Magazine State Park. Take Highway 7 for 35 miles north to Ola. From Ola take Highway 10 West for 20 miles to Havana, and turn right on Highway 309 North. Continue to the top of Mount Magazine, and follow the signs to the Visitor Center.

Bring: Water, insect repellent; sticks; boots or walking shoes; snacks or trail lunch.

Comments: *The Rim Trail is just that—a trail around the rim of the top of Mount Magazine. Incredible views are seen at many spots, and the spring flowers can be gorgeous and plentiful. Besides all of that, it is usually cooler on top of the mountain.*

Should be back by: Late Afternoon

Saturday, April 25, 2015 Lake Catherine State Park (4 miles / moderate). We will hike the Dam Mountain and Falls Branch Trails.

Hike Leader: David Tedrahn 226-5375 dtedrahn@yahoo.com

(Please e-mail hike leader to let him know you plan to join the hike)

Carpools:

Hot Springs Village: 8:15am West Gate/Century 21 parking lot (ride share \$2.00)

Details:

We will hike east and south from the parking area along the Falls Branch Trail (clockwise) to the waterfall on Falls Creek. We will cross Falls Creek and hike clockwise around the Dam Mountain

Trail, cross Falls Creek again and return to the parking area by completing the Falls Branch Trail in a clockwise direction. Should return to the trail head by 11:30am.

Directions:

Take Carpenter Dam Road south from Highway 70/270 (east side of Hot Springs) to Hwy 290. Go east on 290 to Hwy 171 (stop sign). Turn left (north) on 171 and follow to the entrance to Lake Catherine State Park. Continue straight into the park, then stay to the right on the road system in the park until you are forced to double back at the southernmost tip of the road system. Trail head is well marked at that point and ample diagonal parking is available. Toilets available near the trail head.

Bring: Water, hiking stick(s), snack.

Should Be Back By: Noon

See You on the Trails,
Ouachita Mountain Hikers