

Sewanee Perimeter Trail (Backpack)
November 14 -16, 2014

Trip Leader: Matthew Smith (asmsmith@bellsouth.net or (615) 969-0662). Call or email with questions.

Location: Bonnie and Bo Hannah, 412 Lake O'Donnell Road, Sewanee, TN 37375: Phone: Matthew's cell

Directions:

From Nashville take 1-24 East (towards Chattanooga). Exit at Monteagle/Sewanee - Highway 41A/56/15 (Exit 143). Turn left (West) on Highway 41A/56/15. The house is 5.5 miles from the Interstate. The trip will take approximately 1 hour and 36 minutes (99 miles).

Departure:

Friday, November 14th

- Arrive at the church at 4:30 pm.
- Leave from the church at 5:00 pm. Drive to the Hannah's house.
- We will stop for dinner on the way to the Hannah's, so bring cash. There are many restaurants along I-24.

Plan: This a backpacking/car camping trip

- Arrive at the Hannah House around 7:00 pm. Patrols will camp in the open field by the house.
- Cook breakfast by patrol. Pack up all gear and be dropped off for a 7-10 mile hike along the Sewanee Perimeter Trail (We will depart for the trails at 8:30 AM).
- We will eat lunch on the backpacking trail on Saturday at Memorial Cross with Joe Woodfin (Seminary Student from the Smith's church). We will have the Chaplain's Aide work with Joe Woodfin on the service.
- NLT 3 pm: arrive at campsite at the house, setup camp back up and prepare meals
 - Saturday evening go to the Fowler Center to watch Sewanee Men's Basketball versus Huntingdon (Coach Andy Veal (Wildwood) son plays for Sewanee) and the climbing wall
- Sunday: Prepare breakfast, tear down camp, hike to Memorial Cross and depart from there.

NOTE from Matthew and Anne Smith: "We are pleased to invite the moms of our boys and their children to stay in the house and go on a day hike/tour of Sewanee with Anne. Anne will take you on a tour of the campus and hike some of the trails as well. Anne will establish a meal plan based on who is going. Also, bed space is limited, you should bring a sleeping bag, inflatable mattresses, etc... there is running water in the house, heat, and a kitchen."



Meals:

- Grubmasters: Meal group assignments will be based on patrols.
- Grubmasters will make Saturday lunch for the trail and will cook Saturday breakfast and dinner and Sunday breakfast at the campsite.
- Adults will form their own Grubmaster group.

Weather:

• The average temperature during this time frame in November is a high of 58° and a low of 40°. Rain chance = we will monitor the weather closer to our departure date. This is, after all, Tennessee: "if you don't like the weather, wait a few minutes, and it will likely change."

Gear:

- <u>Attire</u>: Wear clothes and shoes that you can hike along the trail. It will be cool in the evening, so wear layers that can be removed as needed. You will need to bring warm clothes for Friday and Saturday night. We have experienced cool nights in the past during this time of the year, so *Be Prepared!*
- We will carry all the camping gear on the trail except for cooking meals, so make sure you pack your gear for a backpacking trip. Keep in mind that your gear needs to fit in your backpack.
- The campsite has some trees for those who would like to bring hammocks, but tents are recommended, for backup if nothing else.
- Reminder of things to bring individually or by patrol:
 - Individual
 - Water bottle(s) and snacks
 - Hiking boots, Backpack, Rain gear
 - Change of clothes, socks (there is a chance for a shower at the Fowler Center)
 - Flashlight
 - Camping gear: tent, ground cover, sleeping bag, sleeping pad
 - o Group:
 - There is drinking and cooking water at the house but not along the trail. Each patrol should bring 1-2 gallons of water extra for the trail.
 - Tarps in case we have to cook in the rain
 - Cooler(s)
 - Stove, table, fuel, and matches
 - Rope/Twine

Cost:

- Bring money for dinner on Friday and lunch on Sunday.
- Grubmasters will need to split their grocery costs across their meal group and let each member of the meal group know what he owes. Plan to communicate this information after the trip.

Return:

Sunday, October 5th

- We will hike back to Memorial Cross at 9:00 AM and should arrive there NLT 11:00 AM. We will depart from there with your assigned carpool. Lunch is on your own with your carpool, so bring cash for this meal.
- 1 pm approximate arrival back at FHUMC If there is a change in arrival time, we will have Scouts call with an update.

^{*}Please email me (asmsmith@bellsouth.net) who is attending and if you are able to drive*