

SPRING SEASON IS HERE

We have had a very long and cold winter and everyone is ready for some warmer weather! Your Spruce Creek Trails Association Board of Directors is looking forward to an enjoyable and productive year. We have several events planned and welcome everyone's participation.

This year's Board of Directors elections will have 3 positions open. If you would like to serve your community, please consider running for a seat on the SCTA Board of Directors. You can also help by volunteering for a committee.

The board meets 8-9 times a year and you must be a current dues paying member and be available for the meetings, which are held in Spruce Creek. Contact one of the current board members for more information. Elections will be held **before** the May Pot Luck Dinner/Dance **SUNDAY** May 25th 6PM

SCTA 2014 MEMBERSHIP

If you haven't paid your 2014 membership dues, please don't hesitate to send your check. Your dues help fund the trail maintenance work and the special events that we have throughout the season. Dues are \$40 per year or \$45 if you want the newsletter sent by USPS. An application is attached to this email.

WORK DAY IN SPRUCE CREEK

Thursday, April 3rd, we are having a 'general clean up' of Spruce Creek roads and trails. The clean up will consist of picking up trash that has accumulated along side the roads and on the trails. Also, work on the picnic tables needs to be completed. We need volunteers to meet at the Pavilion at 9AM Central Time. Coffee and donuts will be provided.

Bring hand tools, gloves, trash bags and anything that might aid in our effort to make our community shine! ATV's are welcome as this is a 'work day'.

(Rain date will be Thursday, April 10th, 9am at the Pavilion.)

The Pavilion will officially be open for the season on Thursday April 3!!

THIS SEASON'S POT LUCK DINNERS

This years pot luck/dances will be held at 6:30pm Central Time on:

Sunday May 25th (with election of Board of Directors at 6 pm before the dinner)

Friday July 4th

Sunday August 31

Saturday October 18th

Volunteers are needed for set-up prior to and clean-up after each potluck. There will be a sign up sheet at the May Pot Luck— your help is appreciated!

SCTA Trails Updates

Wild Cat Den Trail: The re-route for the Wild Cat Den Trail down to the creek crossing has been mapped. As soon as we receive the paperwork authorizing us to proceed, we will start work as the weather conditions permit. Our plans are to have the trail cut and finished by the end of spring.

Adpot-A-Trail: The National Park Service has asked concerned citizens to adopt a trail. They are asking that you hike, or ride a trail and pick up trash, and report any problems that might be hazardous for hikers/riders. SCTA is adopting the Proctor Ridge Trail to Darrow Ridge for 2014. This is a good way to help the Park Service in their endeavor to keep the trail system safe for everyone who comes to enjoy the Big South Fork and it's resources.

RIDE SMART!

There have been several injuries recently on some of the local trails. PLEASE—know the trails you ride and if you are not sure of it's difficulty, ask someone you trust before you head out. A lot of people ride by themselves and as this is a great feeling to be one with nature, be aware that no matter how safe you feel on your trusted steed—accidents do happen. Let someone know where you are riding and an approximate time you will return.

Be Smart Ride Smart Safety Smart!

EAST FORK TRAILS YEARLY PASS FOR SPRUCE CREEK TRAIL RIDERS

As a member of a club, we are qualified to get an East Fork Trail Pass. At a reduced rate! **We must sign up as a group each year**. The cost is \$43.80 per person per year. If you are interested in joining, call Brenda Lawson at 879-2781 or Pam Dawson at 752-2250 or Tracey Hatcher at 879-4549. They will need your name, address and phone number and you must get them the check (made out to East Fork Stables) by the end of April. The money has to be turned in with the information by May 1st.

On your first trip to East Fork, you must check in at the office and sign a release of liability and **present your current Coggins** to them to make a copy. Then you will receive your yearly pass and you will not be required to check in again. Just show up and ride!

DON'T FORGET**BURN PERMITS ARE STILL REQUIRED— UNTIL MAY 15TH**

You can get a permit online by going to <http://burnsafetn.org>

BEST FRIENDS SANCTUARY would like to give a BIG THANK YOU to all those in Spruce Creek who help support the animals at the recent spaghetti dinner/auction. It was our best fundraiser to date. We could not have done it without your support. The money will go towards the vet bills we owed for spay/neuter for 2013 and food for foster dogs.

We appreciate your help and will be asking for volunteers/donations throughout the 2014 year.

∴ Below are the officers you may contact at any time.

President: Sharon Cravens 931 397 4493

Vice President: Phyllis Ferrara 931 239 8005

Secretary: Becky Duncan 931 267 1690

Treasurer: Brenda Goett 931 879 4994

Once again— THANK YOU—from all the animals that you have helped. <3 Animal Hugs!

NEW NEIGHBORS: Randy Hall is the new owner of 15 acres on Palomino Run and will be clearing it this spring to start building later this year. Welcome to Spruce Creek!

CLASSIFIEDS

DOG GROOMING

*** Jane Johnson is now accepting SMALL dogs for grooming. ***

Contact Jane at 931-752-5124 for an appointment

ODD JOBS

Young woman will do odd jobs including:

yard work babysitting housecleaning (experienced) barn work (experienced w/horses)

Call Rachel(931) 704-5258

HORSE TRAILER:

2005 Cimarron, Northstar, all aluminum, 4 horse with extra large dressing room. 8 Ft wide. Has A/C w/heat strip, screen door, large awning, walk thru door. The first stall has a stud divider w/escape door. The stall is a little wider with rings for tie downs for an 'iron horse' (motorcycle) or 4-wheeler or what ever you might need to strap down. The trailer has drop down windows, rear saddle rack (removable) with 50/50 rear doors Asking \$20,000

Contact Claudia or Brian at 931-879-5312 or cell 931-704-3679 for more information

SERVICES

GET-R-DONE EXCAVATING AND ELECTRIC

For all your clearing, electrical installation and service needs. Contact Danny Hatcher 931-879-4549

WALKER CARPET CLEANING & UPHOLSTERY

Truck Mounted Steam cleaning Service—Residential and Commercial 1001 South Farm Rd, Clarkrange, TN 38553 931-704-2345 or 931-863-3485

MICKI'S MAGIC WINDOW CLEANING

Owner: Michelle Looper PO Box 64, Clarkrange, TN 39553 931-863-4144 or 931-510-7546
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REAL ESTATE

3—5 ACRE tracts. Great tracts with underground utilities and covenants to protect your investment. Ask about a land buying and clearing package so you can have your land cleared with no out of pocket expense.

CONTACT RICKY ROE at 931-397-4626

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WE ARE ON THE WEB

**You can check out the Spruce Creek Trails Association
on the web at: www.sprucecreektrails.com**