

# Shinnin' Times

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**Save The Date**

**February 16-18—5**  
 Trails Voo, Historic  
 Washington State Park  
 (School day Feb. 16)  
 Contact Teresa "Miss  
 Hattie" Lafferty at 501-  
 247-6466 for info.

**March 2-4—White Oak**  
 State Park Colonial  
 Event, Ed Williams 501-  
 944-0736 or  
 ed\_laurine@juno.com

**March 10-18 Southwest**  
 Regional Rendezvous—  
 Nacona, TX

**President's Messages:**

EARA Board Meeting April 21, 2018 at Woolly Hollow Renczvous at Miss Hattie's tent, Please, bring a chair. Board of Directors (8) Tom Reedy, Larry Thompson, Billy Bennett, Sherry Hetrick, David Howett, Andrew Hooper, Corrie Edge, James Thompson Officers (4) Teresa, Lafferty, Pres., Glenn Cook, V-Pres, Carol Fritts, Sec. , Sherry Hetrick , Treasurer

Club Business at Hand.....

Our very 2 year nominations for Officer and Board of Directors for EARA is at hand. We have had a great group leading our club in the past. Many are going to keep their positions, but there are regretful requests to discontinue their services in these duties at this time. In light of time constraints and work schedules, I have had to open the position of Treasurer to nominations. Our Board of Directors was over filled last election due to a "tie" between Billy and Sheri and the Board decided to allow 9 directors for this period instead of 8 as in our bylaws state. We will have one of our Board of Directors stepping down also. This does not need an election for a replacement. There is not a vacancy. All of the 8 Board of Directors have chosen to continue in their positions for the next 2 years. Also, the President, Vice-President, Secretary have chosen to continue as is also. As President, I thank each and everyone of you for your service, input, time, and volunteer spirit to help this group run well. We will continue in this for many years to come with new goals, Rendezvous, and events. Sherry Hetrick has volunteered to take the position of Treasurer. We have had no other nominations sent or given to me for this position. No one else wanted it at 12th night and our nominations are closed for this position. There was a quorum of Board of Congress at the 12th night event and we decided motioned and voted to accept Sherry as our New Treasurer if she still wants the position. And also as President, I make a proclamation that we continue as previously with our current Board of Congress. Thank-you for your participation and hard work as our ruling body for EARA. May we continue to have many successful years.

Much appreciation has been felt for Gwen and Keith Armbrust for their long hours of volunteer service to our group many daytrips and hours at home have been given in service of keeping our club's records, bank statement, membership list, hawk block, rope machine working from event to event. I want to say thank-you to the Armbrusts from our club. Life and long work hours do get to be a priority for all of us and EARA hopes the time will give you rest and peace in 2018. We will'See you down the road at the events in the future as fellow reenactors with your load lifted and easier to carry..."Thank you from the bottom of your hearts for your service to us."

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## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FOR 2018

Looking at the list of Member of EARA, I see many familiar faces that attend our Rendezvous events not on the list of dues paid in full member of EARA. This presents a problem for many of us. IT does not allow the club to provide you our information to you in the form of a newsletter. Our newsletter is sent out by the list of paid members. Until mid last year, we were sending them out from an old list that had many non-paid members. I spoke with Gwen, Keith, and April. We cut the list down to just the paid members. I began getting questions about why old members and new were not getting their news letters. I had no answer for that. They paid. I checked on many and they were not he list. I added some that I knew did get theirs in years past. I have tried to fix it with meetings and telling April to add to her list. I saw the list in December and the differences. OH MY! Our ranks have shrunk. It also explained why I have been getting people as me why they have not had their newsletter sent to them. I did not see the problem that clearly until Dec. WE have to fix it. Let me re-phrase that...I have to get a way for us to fix that. My suggestion is to have a very active Membership drive in Jan. As you will already see, I have spoke with many of you and twisted your arm for you membership dues at 12th night. Thank-you very much for your cooperation and memberships. I did this about 2 years ago at Wooly and it worked well, but we have not gotten your memberships back as we are doing our membership right now. It is time to change our way of doing it. Suggestions are needed. My goal is to contact everyone in Jan and Feb on the phone and in person if possible at the events. We have 12th night and Historic Washington. Then we can set up a way to do this as a club. Our board is working on a way to have a once a year date and prorate the membership dues for people that join after that date until the following year. I think it will work. Our problem is notification and return mail with your letter and dues. I am asking each and every one of you to help. Our membership has gone down from about 100 to 42 in the last 2 years. We need to increase our numbers. Our dues pay for the postage on the ST. Our stipends give us operating money. We are OK for funds. But, we need members to have the valuable information on paper or email about the upcoming events and articles of common interest. Cover Potluck Meat costs. We also need the club's members that camp covered by our Club liability policy that is paid for by these dues. Please, help me with this activity by sending in our dues each year. I am going to put a delinquent list in the ST after 12th nite for members that need to pay that I do not get at 12th nite. Please, keep your rights of members in this club as Paid in Full Participants. PS. You all know that you do not have to pay to come to the events, but it will give you a better experience as a participant.

## FACEBOOK PAGE

It has been brought to my attention that some of our members do not know that we have a Facebook account. Please go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/579664582068277/?ref=bookmarks> and check out our page for updates, questions, links, event photos, and special event info. Enjoy!

## 2018 Event Calendar

**January 12—12<sup>th</sup> Night Christmas Party, Scott Connection Contact Teresa "Miss Hattie" Lafferty at 501-247-6466 for info.**

**January 26-28—Colonial Event, Cadron Settlement Park, Ed Williams 501-944-0736**

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**March 10-18 Southwest Regional Rendezvous—Nacona, TX**

**April 6-8 Sulpher Fork Days Doddridge, AR Contact Sam Bumgardner 03-824-3105**

**April 14-15 - Colbert's Raid at Arkansas Post. All come to celebrate the last battle of our Revolutionary War against Great Britain. Contact Ed Williams at 501-944-0736 or [ed\\_laurine@juno.com](mailto:ed_laurine@juno.com)**

**April 20-21 Woolly Hollow Voo, Tom Reedy 501-679-1636**

**April 27-29 Scott Rendezvous, Contact Ed Williams at 501-944-0736**

**May 12—Territorial Fair, Historic Arkansas Museum Ed Williams 501-944-0736**

**May 18-20—Saline Crossing Voo Doyle Richey/Marsha Kimmerly 501-860-3686**

**June 1-3 —Fort Bennett "Wildcat" Voo Contact James "Nonose" Thompson 501-269-5833**

**July 4—Territorial 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Historic Arkansas Museum Ed Williams 501-944-0736**

**August 4—Ice Cream Social Carol Fritt's Place, 501-350-1706**

**August 25—EARA Picnic Woolly Hollow? Teresa Lafferty 501-247-6466**

**September 7-9-- Calico Rock Voo Billy Bennett 254-718-7410 /870-297-2269**

**September 15-17—Soggy Bottoms Voo Lori Bennett 903-949-8842**

**October 12-14—Leslie Voo Glenn Cook 501-941-7910 [gc1760@yahoo.com](mailto:gc1760@yahoo.com)**

**November 21-25—Petit Jean Voo, Petit Jean Mountain State Park, Glenn Cook 501-941-7917/501-350-6640**

**December 2—Christmas Frolic, Historic Arkansas Museum, Ed Williams 501944-0736 [ed\\_laurine@juno.com](mailto:ed_laurine@juno.com)**

Changes and additions, once more information comes in, will be noted in future issues.

# *Float Trip*

To All:

Out float trip plans have sifted to Spring Break. Since 2018 is the 200th anniversary of Henry Rowe Schoolcraft's sojourn into southern Missouri and northern Arkansas, traveling down the White River, we will float the White River from Batesville, Arkansas to Jacksonport, Arkansas, a journey of 40 miles / two days.

We will float Thursday & Friday, March 22nd and 23rd. I am taking the keelboat to Batesville on Tuesday, March 20th, with plans to work with the public the next day, the 21st. You can travel either the 20th or 21st to Batesville. We will stay in the river park on the north side of the White. After arriving at Jacksonport, we will again work with the public at Jacksonport State Park on Saturday, March 24th. The Parks Department in Batesville and the State Park are giving us camping space.

Schoolcraft's journal of his trip has been published by the U of Arkansas Press, "Rude Pursuits and Rugged Peaks, Schoolcraft's Ozark Journal 1818-1819." It may also be in the publication, "Scenes and Adventures in the semi-Alpine Region of the Ozark Mountains of Missouri and Arkansas", this latter book is available for free on iBooks.

Let me know if you can make it.

Ed Williams  
501-944-0736

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## **EARA Flags/Stickers**

EARA Flags and Stickers are now available get with Teresa Lafferty to purchase one. [misshattie1234@gmail.com](mailto:misshattie1234@gmail.com) 501-247-6466 or 269-5388

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**To submit information for the events, recipes, tips and resources and any other items for the newsletter contact Editor April Goff at [april.goff@arkansas.gov](mailto:april.goff@arkansas.gov) or call 501-590-2583**

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