

# **ETWC NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2018**

**PROMOTE** canoeing and kayaking as a water sport  
**TEACH** boating techniques and water safety for river travel  
**PRESERVE** our remaining wilderness rivers for future generations

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## **As previously reported: ETWC Annual Christmas Party!**

Sunday, December 16, 2017 6:30 p.m.

Location: Sam Suffern's home at 126 Everest Circle, Oak Ridge Tn. 37830  
The club will provide turkey, ham, wine, beer, soft drinks, tableware, plates, cups, and rudimentary condiments. Attendees bring a dish to pass. This results in the pot-luck feast from heaven...

We'll have a business meeting somewhere along the way; to elect officers, schedule roll practice for the season, decide which charitable donations we'll make for the year, and whatever else Mark and the Board feel is needed.

We'll have a Chinese Gift exchange. Here's how it works. Basically, this is an opportunity to steal from your friends without guilt. If you want to participate, bring a wrapped gift. Gifts need to be nice; something in the \$20-up range. A handy guideline is to bring something you would enjoy taking home (because, given our rules, you might!). There will be a review of ETWC-specific rules before it begins; these have evolved over the years to keep a lid on the mayhem.

Hope to see you all there.

Sam

Directions from Knoxville:

Take Rt 62 into Oak Ridge. At the Y-12 Federal Credit Union take a right onto Lafayette Avenue. Once on Lafayette Avenue go to the fourth traffic light, this should be the Oak Ridge Turnpike. Go right onto the Oak Ridge Turnpike. Travel past the Sonic and through the red light at Fairbanks Road. The Oak Ridge Veterinary Clinic will be on the right take the next left at the former Mattress Outlet Store (now closed). Travel a short block to a tee in the road. Turn right onto California Avenue, at the intersection with Delaware Avenue bare right; staying on California Avenue. Go to the top of the hill (approximately 1.1 miles). Take a right on East Drive, travel 300 yards and turn left onto Everest Circle. Sam's house is the second house on the left.

In case these directions don't work for you give Sam a call (865)850-8321, and he will talk you in. See you there!

## **Officer Nominations for 2019**

Thank You to all of our club officers for 2018 for all your hard work and a great year.

Following is our list of Officer Nominees for 2019. The election will be at our December 16 Christmas party meeting. We have several opportunities so if you or someone you know is interested in joining this fine crew, call Pat Zingg at 865-382-3295.

President	Mark Bevelhimer
Vice President	Donna Price
Secretary	Pat Zingg
Treasurer	Kary Scarborough
Newsletter	Bill Lewis
Roll Practice	
Trip Coordinator	
Membership	Donna Price
Kayak Clinic	Francis Ruppel
Webmaster	April Morton
Safety	Christian Balz
Need Volunteers for Roll Practice and Conservation	

## **CLUB DONATIONS**

Every year our club makes donations to organizations that support our mission through their conservation efforts. These donations are funded from our fundraisers and dues. These are the suggested organizations and amounts which was agreed upon at our November meeting to be finalized, voted, and approved at our December meeting.

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| • TCWP (Tennessee Citizen's for Wilderness Planning) | \$200        |
| • AW (American Whitewater)                           | \$200        |
| • Friends of the Great Smoky Mountains               | \$100        |
| • NPCA (National Parks Conservation Association)     | \$100        |
| • American Canoe Association                         | \$125        |
| • TCWN (Tennessee Clean Water Network)               | \$100        |
| • Cumberland Trail Conference                        | \$100        |
| • Little River Watershed Association                 | <u>\$ 75</u> |
|  | \$1,000      |

## **Safety**

There are many great kayaking articles on NRS.com especially related to cold weather gear (it's that time of year). Check them out at:

<https://www.nrs.com/learn/whitewater-kayaking/>

## **Roll Practice**

Roll practices will resume at 8:30pm on Friday nights in January beginning January 4. Guests are welcome, but all will need to sign a release. (minors will need a guardian) Roll practice cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for 18 and under and is used to pay the pool rental.

## **National Paddling Film Festival**

The NPF is coming again on February 15 & 16 at the Buffalo Trace distillery club house in Frankfort Ky. I attended this a few years ago and it was a lot of fun. It's about

2.5hrs up I-75 from Oak Ridge. Lots of good films, vendors, beer, comradery, distillery tours and tastings. See: [www.npff.org](http://www.npff.org) This would make a great group trip!

Check out the discussions on our forum and check out some great whitewater photos.

<http://etwcweb.com/discuss/>

Or see us on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/179301605435695/>

## **PROGRAMS**

We are always looking for interesting programs for our meetings. If you have a program or an idea please contact Donna Price at 865-406-1058.

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