

Virginia Chapter report for 2017

Membership: 15

Carry forward: \$243.72

2017 Chapter Activity:

- Contributed to Virginia Tourism Corp. summer hiking blogs to promote awareness of towers in VA (featured were Woodstock & High Knob Towers)
- Made partnership with Big Walker Lookout to distribute FFLA Pamphlets/Flyers
- Cleaned Elliot Knob tower (interior)
- Pursuing restoration opportunities for Elliot Knob with Deerfield Ranger District (ongoing since Report 2014)
- Visited/documented the following towers & submitted them to the National Historic Lookout Register (all accepted):
 - Sounding Knob (Brian Powell), Central Plains, Culpeper, Lunenburg, Haycock Mountain, Duncan Knob, DeWitt (Dinwiddie), Partlow, Hazel Mountain, Matthews State Forest, High-Knob Leemaster, Bearwallow, & Chancellor II towers
- Revisited the following towers to update inventory & check on them:
 - Bald Knob (VA), Butt Mountain Tower (VA), Elliot Knob (VA), Ivy Knob (WV), Bickle Knob (WV), Spruce Knob (WV), Barton Knob (WV), Peters Mt II (WV/VA)
- Continuing to update VA Tower inventory while keeping an eye on Southern WV lookouts
- Using Facebook to drive membership through our local chapter; currently at 136 followers with 148% positive post engagement
- Partnering with Asst. Superintendent of Panther State Forest (WV) to restore Panther Tower (glass, paint, steps); creating/designing t-shirts to sell to raise money for needed supplies, to be sold on FFLA WV/VA Facebook page, as well as locally/forestry office
- Purchased fire finder cover for Piney Mountain tower fire finder
- Create VA Lookouts website to drive FFLA membership & overall awareness of VA Towers

Respectfully submitted,

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