

## 2008 Event Schedule

11:30 AM - 3:00 PM - Dinner will be served.

11:00 AM - Live entertainment by Spring Creek Band

12:00 PM - Pumpkin painting

1:30 PM Live entertainment by Harlan Davis and the Home Town Express

## Menu

### Slowly Smoked & Hand- Pulled Pork Dinner

Served with a sandwich bun, a generous portion of baked beans, choice of potato salad or coleslaw, pickle spear, & choice of ice tea, lemonade, or Coffee. \$6.50

### Good Ol' Brown Beans with Ham

Get your fill of brown beans, served up with homemade corn-bread, and your choice of ice tea, lemonade, or coffee. \$4.00

### Children's Plate

For the young at heart, BBQ hot dog, served with potato chips and lemonade. \$2.50

## Glade Top Trails

*Ride in the comfort of your car while you witness the unparalleled beauty of our wonderful and tranquil Ozark hills and countryside. The Glade Top Trail extends through the Mark Twain National Forest, with a 25 mile stretch across the top of mountain ranges and through an area heavily populated by deer, turkey, and other wildlife. The views are spectacular during every season, making this tour one of the most scenic in the nation.*

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"Treasure's of the Ozarks"

**49th Annual  
Glade Top Trails  
Flaming Fall  
Review Festival  
October 19th, 2008**



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## The Tour

- TOUR IDENTIFICATION SIGN:** You are now inside the Mark Twain National Forest. A Forest renown not only for scenic beauty, but also for its wildlife, hunting, fishing, cattle grazing, recreational use and timber management.
- HADEN BALD:** Forty acres of glade designated as a State Natural Area. This area will never be grazed, but will be burned every 4-6 years to maintain its natural state.
- SMOKE TREE SCENE:** Directly across the hollow is a grassy glade dotted with brightly colored Smoke Trees (known locally as Yellow-wood). The glade soil is less than six inches deep over soil rock and capable of supporting only a limited amount of vegetation, mostly native prairie grass. This view to the south shows the hills near Gainesville, MO., nearly 20 miles in the background.
- ARKANSAS VIEW:** The Mountains in the far south are located in Arkansas, some 40 miles away.
- WATERSHED DIVIDE:** This ridge is the division between the Beaver Creek Watershed and the Little North Fork Watershed.
- CANEY TOWER:** Once regularly manned, a house stood on this site and a tower man lived at the tower base. Now abandoned, the tower is only used as a buzzard roost.
- CANEY PICNIC AREA:** (barbeque dinner area) The bare knobs you see a short distance away are called balds. It was knobs of this kind where the famous Bald Knobbers met and planned their raids. There is also a cave north of the parking area, interesting to spelunking enthusiasts.
- MRS. MURRAY'S GOLD MINE:** The story goes that a lady living in Kansas City had a vision to dig on Pinnacle and she would find gold. Although she never found that gold, evidence of her digging remains. Local mountain people used to gather at the Pinnacle on the first Sunday of May each year for a church service. It is told that it was not unusual for a crowd of 500 hill people to come out for this all-day event!
- HOUSEPLACE:** The first settlers in this area were hunters. Then, lured by cheap land, settlers moved in up until the depression, and when the depression was over, they moved on. A schoolhouse at the Skyline Drive Junction had over 40 children attending in the 1930's.
- CEDAR TREE:** This tree can survive where few other species can. The waxy blue berries, eaten by birds, are spread quickly. These berries are also used for making gin. Cedar trees have separate sexes which is why berries are only seen on half the trees.



Directions from Ava: Take HWY 5 South. Turn right on A HWY. Follow the signs. Stop at Caney Picnic Area for live music, great food, and the perfect place to take a picture.

