Bill Kirkman, one of our most ardent hikers, and a 50-year member of CMC, passed away on June 6, 2000. He had hiked with the club almost continuously since he returned from serving in the US Army Air Corps during World War II. He was a quiet, unassuming man who had a vast knowledge of the history of Asheville and could tell many tales about people and events that had taken place in the areas of our hikes.

He loved to discuss topics related to world events, geography and history, and was “sharp as a tack” right up to his death at age 87. Most of the senior hikers will remember Bill as a gentle, intelligent, interesting and dedicated hiker whom we valued as a friend. Our sympathy goes to his nieces and nephews. We will miss Bill.

Annual Meeting
The annual meeting will be held on Friday, November 3, 2000, at the Grove Park Inn resort.
The social hour will start at 6:00 p.m. with beer and wine available on a donation basis and dinner at 7:00 p.m. You may pay $15 per meal in advance by mailing a check to our P.O. Box. Call in your reservation by October 28 to Jane Blodgett, 274–7863 for Asheville, Dick Johnson, 884–3685 for Brevard and Howard McDonald, 693–8258 for Hendersonville.
The price will be $20 per meal at the door. Only checks received by October 28 (reservations do not qualify) will be $15 per meal. Please send your $15 in advance as it helps a lot at the door and you save $5!

– Don Walton

Council Meeting
• When: November 13
• Where: McGuffeys, Asheville
• Time: 6:00 p.m. dinner and meeting time
• Reservation required for dinner. Call John Pawcio, 299–8126

Hunting Season Alert
Since we are entering the hunting season, please wear blaze orange for your own hiking protection!

New Sign In Sheet
A new hiker’s sign-in sheet will be developed asking for emergency contact number. This is for your own protection in case of an emergency. Please complete form when signing up for hikes.

ATC 75th Anniversary
Congratulations to two CMC members who have been named to the ATC 75th Anniversary Volunteer Honor Roll. They are Jane Blodgett and Phil Smith.

Museum Of The Appalachian Trail
Volunteers have started organizing an Appalachian Trail Museum to help preserve the history of the Trail. Items being collected for future display include gear from early trail hikers, trail registers, signs, guide books and maps, articles, photographs, etc. Contact John Pawcio 299-8126.

New Members

Copies Available
Extra copies of “Let’s Go” are available at the information counter at the Asheville Chamber of Commerce, 151 Haywood Street.