

## **DIRECTIONS TO OLD RAG TRAILHEAD:**

By car from CCUMC: (total time is about 1-3/4 hours and 95 miles from DC)

. Connecticut Ave North to I-495.

. Take I-495 West to I-66 West (Exit 49).

. Take I-66 Exit 43A (Gainesville/Warrenton) to US Route 29 South.

. At Warrenton take US Route 211 West to Sperryville.

. Take US Route 522 South from Sperryville.

. In 0.8 miles, turn onto Virginia Highway 231 South (F.T. Valley Rd).

. At 8.3 miles from the junction of 522/231, cross the Hughes River and immediately turn right, West, onto Virginia Secondary Road No. 602.

**Note:** If you prefer, just before the Hughes River you can turn right onto Rte 601 (Peola Mills Rd) and then right onto Rte 600.

. The road up the river changes numbers several times. It becomes 601, 707, then 600. The important thing is not to cross the Hughes River after leaving VA Highway 231.

. At 3.5 miles beyond Nethers, there is a "Temporary Overflow Parking" area on your left. This is also the Ranger check-in station. I believe everyone now has to park here and the remainder of the route described below is closed.

. Continue for another 0.8 miles to the end of 600, where there is a small parking area at the beginning of the Old Rag circuit hike. This is the Weakley Hollow Gate (unmarked).