The River Connects Us All

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River Photo Essay: Some of our favorite memories from 2015:



Proctor Mountain School - giant log on Lower Arkansas River



Pirate Isahiah Allen (Quapaw Memphis)



Big Muddy Mike and his Big Muddy Quapaws



Sherrod Elementary



Atchafalaya Expedition (David Hanson photo)



Camp R.O.C.K.



Monica & Sebastian "listening to the river speak"



River Church



Recess on the River



Spring Initiative



River Soundings recording Zoe Sundra in Helena Harbor



Little Spring Carving Dugout Canoe



GRIOT River Arts



Layne Logue (Quapaw Vicksburg) Shady Cat, and Mark River



Marjorie Orr & Grand Daughters



Quapaw Canoe Company Stage at Sunflower Fest



Shady Cat



Scott Cameron Trip



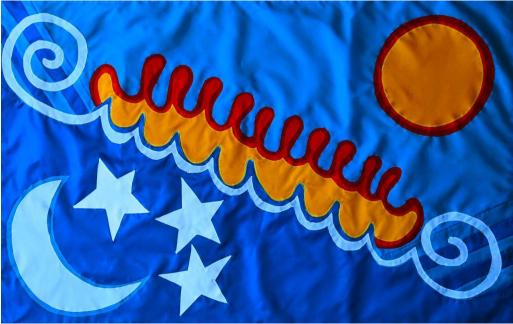
Ernie & Laurie Wedding Anniversary



Poche Park - Baton Rouge to Gulf Expedition



Leaders of all the Quapaw bases



Quapaw Canoe Company Flag

Needed: Plastic Yogurt Containers!

We are going into the wood shop in and will be building several voyageur canoes this winter. We need your 2 qt (or 32 oz) plastic yogurt containers! And also any other containers or bowls about that same size for mixing epoxy resin. Smooth edges and rounded bottoms are best for the purpose. Clean them out and bring to us in downtown Clarksdale, or box and send to Quapaw Canoe Company, 291 Sunflower Avenue, Clarksdale, MS, 38614. It will take us 4-6 months to finish these canoes. Anytime between now and June is good. Save your smooth plastic containers for us until June. Thanks! Free Mississippi River Connects Us All Poster to anyone who brings us cleaned out yogurt containers!

Job Opportunity from Our Partner Leave no Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics:

Searching For Our Next Subaru/Leave No Trace Traveling Trainers! See more at: <u>https://lnt.org/blog/searching-our-next-subaruleave-no-trace-traveling-trainers#sthash.KQ9JMd1h.dpuf</u>

APPLICANTS WANTED!

SUBARU/LEAVE NO TRACE TRAVELING TRAINER PROGRAM

LEAVE NO TRACE CENTER FOR OUTDOOR ETHICS

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Mission: The Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics is an educational nonprofit organization that teaches people how to enjoy the outdoors responsibly. The Subaru/Leave No Trace Traveling Trainer Program is the mobile education arm, delivering Leave No Trace education to local communities. The Subaru/Leave No Trace Traveling Trainer program, sponsored by Subaru of America, reaches millions of people annually, promoting stewardship of the outdoors.

Position Opening: The Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics seeks a dynamic, savvy, extroverted team of educators (only teams of two are accepted as applicants) for an April 2016 through April 2017 Subaru/Leave No Trace Traveling Trainer position. As Traveling Trainers, teams live on the road, camp over 250 nights a year, and deliver Leave No Trace programs promoting the Leave No Trace minimum impact program to outdoor enthusiasts of all experience levels and ages. Teams create social media content, videos, weekly blogs, and detailed program reporting. Teams are focused in one of four regions as determined by the Center, but will work and travel outside of that region as needed. Team members are outfitted with a Subaru vehicle, basic equipment and supplies necessary for teaching and camping, and technology for communication needs. The majority of this work is with first-time users in frontcountry settings.

The Subaru/Leave No Trace Traveling Trainers represent the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics as ambassadors and educators and should be pumped to do all of the following:

Educate > Camp > Play Outside > Drive > Educate > Camp > REPEAT Prepare and present Leave No Trace programs for diverse groups of all ages such as youth, youth serving organizations, land managers, park staff, college classrooms, hiking/paddling/climbing and other user groups, and the general public

Develop and evolve curriculum for scheduled programs – including program reporting on the back end

Expo in boothing areas at Outdoor Retailer, trade shows, conferences, outdoor festivals, races, interpretive trails, at trailheads, and other forward facing events Generate social media content via creating blogs, posting Instagram photos, and creating videos highlighting work with partners, constituents and the general public

Promote and help build our membership and partnership programs Be high energy, open, and ready to engage with whatever the day requires See more at: <u>https://lnt.org/blog/searching-our-next-subaruleave-no-trace-</u> <u>traveling-trainers#sthash.KQ9JMd1h.dpuf</u>

Employment and travel begin without exception April 28thth, 2016 extending through April 1st, 2017.

Leadership and Interpersonal Requirements:

High-level of motivation, energy, creativity and professionalism

Charismatic and entertaining public speaking and verbal communication skills Interpersonal skills to facilitate work with a wide range of individuals and groups from diverse backgrounds

Must enjoy working with and educating both adults and kids of all ages A positive, flexible disposition as well as the ability to deal with an evolving and unpredictable itinerary

Ability to see stories amidst events and help tell those stories

Excellent time-management skills

Established interpersonal relationship with other applying team member

Education and Technical Requirements:

Experience teaching in an indoor and outdoor environment

Exceptional written and verbal communication skills

Skill in writing for a variety of audiences - strong editing and proofreading skills

Savvy with creating social media content, video creation, and photography Demonstrated passion for and participation in outdoor recreation

Current, Basic First Aid and CPR certification

Prior Leave No Trace Training (the Center will train the right team)

Personal budgeting and expense tracking skills

Proficiency with Mac computers

POSITION: Subaru/Leave No Trace Traveling Trainer Regional Team SALARY: Living stipend, health insurance stipend, limited monthly salary and all travel expenses, a vehicle, and basic gear for life on the road. CLOSING DATE: January 25th, 2016 APPLICATION PACKET: Resumes for both team members Joint Cover Letter -2 page maximum 30 second -1 minute creative video introducing yourselves and highlighting content creation skills Please be prepared to provide 3 references upon request EMAIL TO: Betsy@LNT.org | subject: Traveling Trainer Search - 2016 OTHER CONSIDERATIONS -No calls please. -Pre-paired teams only apply. We will not place individuals into a team. -U.S residents only -No pets allowed For more information about the Subaru/Leave No Trace Traveling Trainer Program and the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics, visit www.LNT.org. The Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics is an equal opportunity employer. Subaru:Leave No Trace Traveling Trainer Job Announcement 2016.pdf - See more at: https://lnt.org/blog/searching-our-next-subaruleave-no-tracetraveling-trainers#sthash.KQ9JMd1h.dpuf

For more photos of the Lower Miss and more reading, go to <u>www.rivergator.org</u>

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