



# Adventure Learning Camps

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## Turning the Next Corner

As we come up on our fourth year we have just turned another major corner...we have an office! It is located at 1320 S. Mountainview Rd in Moscow. We happened upon a wonderful opportunity that we could not pass up, even though we were not quite financially ready for the move, we found a 1200 square foot space with 2 offices and a big equipment area. It has parking, is in a visible location, and opens the door to many more possibilities. No more 45 Rubbermaid's piled high in Donal's carport, no more squished into a tiny room in the basement. What opportunities does this create? We can be more organized and streamlined for trip preparation. Volunteers can help more easily now that we have a place to put them. We can budget for two Americorps members for the next year which will allow us to offer simultaneous trips with two trip leaders for next summer.



### Golf and Hotel Auction

To help our sagging membership drive dollars we are auctioning off a one night stay at the Coeur d'Alene Casino Resort Hotel and a round of golf. The 100,000 square ft. hotel with 1,800 gaming machines, High Mountain Buffet and the Sweet Grass Café, as well as the Circling Raven Golf Club are nationally acclaimed. The offer is good Sunday through Thursday. We would like to start the bidding at \$150... check the website to see how the bidding is going.

### Member Highlight

John Pool of Moscow, most recently retired from Moscow Public Library became a life member of Adventure Learning before we even had a membership form. Most recently he took us to Office Depot and donated over \$600 of office supplies. Anyone who saw John working with children at the library knows how much he cares about their future. He raised two daughters in Moscow and feels that what Adventure Learning offers is very important for our community.

### Our Funders:

- Members \$4,635
- Susan L. Kem Fund of the Oregon Community Foundation \$4,015
- LCYAC \$2,500
- Mardi Gras Foundation of Moscow \$200
- Tri-State \$200
- Cliff Bar 1,400 Z bars
- Paradise Creek Bicycles \$65
- Auto Lab \$500 in van work
- City of Moscow \$750
- United Way of Latah County \$250
- Deary Recreation District \$340
- The Giving Circle \$1,000
- Shelly Bennett 1 month free rent



### We need volunteers!

Equipment Manager, Pre-trip and post trip logistics, Data Entry, Grant Research, Marketing, Fundraising, Volunteer Coordinator.

### Ways you can help

- ◆ Become a member—See the website
- ◆ Volunteer— See the website for opportunities
- ◆ Donate items on the wish list—See page 2
- ◆ Contribute to the scholarship fund—See the website
- ◆ Come on a trip and bring a friend—See the website

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# Members

## Benefits of Membership

- \* 10% off on trips
- \* Pre-registration privileges

### Sponsor

The Werner Family  
Donal Wilkinson  
Myra Hermann  
Larry Bailey and Autolab

### Explorer

Ellen Blunt  
The DePhelps Family  
Thomas Family  
John Pool (Lifetime)

### Adventurer

Cheeseman Family  
Meredith Arksey  
The Irvin Family  
The Moore Family  
The Nebelseick Johnson Family  
Elise Ngo

### Family

Mike Bauerlein  
The Beiser Family  
The Irons Family  
The Lawrence Family  
The Buehler Family  
The Yaeger Family  
The Jennings Family (Moscow)  
The Garrett Family  
Matt Kitterman  
The Sullivan Family  
The Schillberg-Smith Family  
Mary Jo Hamilton  
The Schmidt Family  
The Jager Family  
The Gardner Family  
Neil and Evelyn Palmer  
The Leong Family  
Sue Allard  
Donna Bradberry

### Individual

Jim Hoar  
Mark Winstein

### Senior / Student

The Smith Family (Lifetime)

## Join Today!

Benefactor \$5000 +  
Sponsor \$1000-4999  
Explorer \$250-999  
Adventurer \$100-250  
Organizational \$75  
Family \$35  
Individual \$25  
Student / Senior \$10

## Collaborations

We will work with any group on a trip to anywhere you want to go. We currently work with Synergy Works! Of Clearwater Youth Alliance, as well as The Latah County Youth Advocacy Council to provide wilderness experiences for underserved children and families. If you know of a group that we should develop a collaborative relationship with please contact Executive Director Donal Wilkinson at 208-310-3010. You are the best person in your community to determine what kids and families need these experiences. Check the custom trips section of our website.

## 2009 Summer Camps

The summer is already starting to fill up. Last summer all of our trips filled, so you want to register early to get your spot. As we are going to print the John Day River trip is nearly full, and Yellowstone is half full. The Bruneau Dunes trip is new this year, scouted last year. We have fewer camps this summer because we have more non-profit groups contracting with us than ever before. This summer we are working with Synergy Works! again, as well as with HOIST, which is the University of Idaho's Native American Studies Departments Upward Bound Program.

### Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming June 4th to the 11th

Cost: \$320                      Ages 6 yrs and up                      Difficulty rating 4 out of 10

### John Day River Canoe, Eastern Oregon June 18th to the 22nd

Cost: \$225                      Ages 12 and up                      Difficulty rating 5 out of 10

### Bruneau Dunes and Craters of the Moon National Monument June 29th to July 3rd

Cost: \$ 200                      All Ages                      Difficulty rating 3 out of 10

### Seven Devils Backpack, Central Idaho July 5th to the 8th

Cost: \$160                      Ages 7 and up                      Difficulty rating 4 out of 10

### Mt. Rainier National Park, Washington July 14th to the 19th

Cost: \$240                      Ages 6 and up                      Difficulty rating 5 out of 10

### Nez Perce History Trip, Idaho July 21st to the 25th

Cost: \$200                      All Ages                      Difficulty rating 3 out of 10

### Crater Lake National Park, Oregon August 2nd to the 8th

Cost: \$280                      All Ages                      Difficulty rating 3 out of 10

## Wish List

We are moving into a new office and need, computers, phones, lamps, any camping gear, boots, winter stuff: hats, gloves... a digital camera, digital projector, binoculars, XC ski equipment, snow shoes, washing machine, and mountain bikes.

## Our Goals

- ⇒ Target at-risk children by addressing their risk and protective factors.
- ⇒ Show people they can have fun in nature by creating a lifelong interest and relationship with nature.
- ⇒ Working with children and families to teach skills in problem solving, critical thinking, appropriate social interaction, and self-esteem through resiliency and independence.
- ⇒ Improve fitness through healthy lifestyles and activities.
- ⇒ Emphasize the importance of nature in our lives and community by developing an awareness of the process nature and its importance in our daily lives.
- ⇒ Provide/create opportunities for children, families, and individuals from a variety of backgrounds to engage in experiential nature-based activities.