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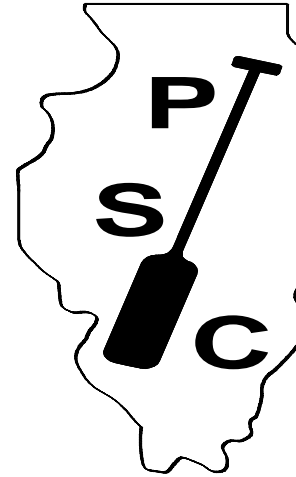
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From the Chair:

It looks like we are off to a good start for another paddling season judging by the number of trips that are on the tentative master schedule. We are planning to continue with some monthly socials as well as the picnic.

Check out the training schedule this year. For the first time that I remember, our dedicated instructors are offering two sets of training classes. Keep your eye on the website trip schedule since there are trips added and/or changed after the newsletter is printed.

Be sure to read the "From the PSC Board" column in this newsletter. If you are going to Canocopia and would like to help out with the PSC booth, contact me at chair@prairiestatecanoeists.org.

See you on the rivers,

John

PSC T-shirts (\$12) and sweatshirts (\$20) are available for purchase. You may make arrangements for UPS delivery or in person at some trips by contacting: Rebecca Sells, r-sells@sbcglobal.net, or Linda Gebhart lgebhard@aurora.edu; 630-466-7093.

Contemporary Solo Canoeing

Topics covered in this class include basic strokes, maneuvers, equipment and safety issues. Great for beginners or those interested in learning to paddle their own boat. Class starts on **Tuesday, February 14** and runs through **March 28**. Classroom 7:30 - 8 pm; student's pooltime 8 - 9 pm; instructor's pooltime 9 - 10 pm. Location: **Conant High School** pool, Schaumburg IL. Students call HSD 211 to register 847-755-6820 or register online at www.d211.org (click on continuing education). PSC members interested in loaning equipment and helping teach the class, contact Marge Cline 847-639-7336 or rivermom@mindspring.com

Newsletter Deadlines

Vol 38#	Deadline	Trip Announcements
1	November 15	Dec 05-Jan 06
2	January 15	February-March
3	March 1	April-May
4	May 1	July-August
5	July 1	August-September
6	September 1	October-November

Contributions should be e-mailed to: newsletter@prairiestatecanoeists.org
 OR mailed to: PSC Paddler, c/o Sherri Graham, 1319 Ivy Lane, Apt 103; Naperville, IL 60563

PRAIRIE STATE CANOEISTS APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL

DUES: \$15.00 (Dues paid after Sept 1, are applied to next year.)
 NEW MEMBER RENEWAL NEW ADDRESS/PHONE

Please make checks payable to: **PRAIRIE STATE CANOEISTS**
Complete & SIGN then mail to: c/o George Stenitzer
 1102 Westhaven Dr
 Wheaton, IL 60187

READ AND SIGN BELOW:

I AGREE THAT I AM TAKING PART IN THE PRAIRIE STATE CANOEISTS ACTIVITIES AT MY OWN RISK. I WILL NOT HOLD PRAIRIE STATE CANOEISTS, ITS OFFICERS, TRIP LEADERS, AND OR MEMBERS RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY INJURIES (INCLUDING DEATH) OR PROPERTY LOSS I MAY INCUR WHILE TAKING PART IN CLUB ACTIVITIES. I UNDERSTAND THAT PADDLING IS AN ASSUMED RISK SPORT, THAT PRAIRIE STATE CANOEISTS IS A VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATION WITHOUT PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND THAT I AM RESPONSIBLE FOR MYSELF/FAMILY. BY SIGNING MY NAME HERE, I INDICATE THAT I HAVE READ THIS WAIVER AND THAT NEITHER I NOR ANY MEMBERS OF MY FAMILY WILL SUE THE CLUB OR ANYONE ASSOCIATED WITH IT.

ALL ADULTS MUST SIGN

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PLEASE PRINT MY NAME/ADDRESS/PHONE IN DIRECTORY YES NO
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Prairie State Canoeists

2006 Spring Dinner
Saturday, March 4, 2006, 5:30 P.M.

Stimac's Restaurant
4843 Butterfield Road, Hillside, IL 60162
708-449-1931

Special Guest: Richard Mack from Evanston, IL. Photographer for the book
The Lewis and Clark Trail American Landscapes

Richard has a power point presentation of his collection of photos taken along the Lewis and Clark trail at the same time of year as the expedition passed through. Now is your chance to see some excellent pictures to go along with the word descriptions of this journey that you have heard in the past.

Family style meal includes: Roast Beef & Roast Chicken, penne pasta, fruit cup, salad, whipped potatoes, vegetable, rolls, butter, dessert, coffee, tea, or milk.

For special meal considerations contact: Linda Gebhard, 630-466-7093 or chair@prariestatecanoeists.org

5:30 p.m. Cash bar

6:15 p.m. Dinner

7:15 p.m. Presentation by Richard Mack

Directions: From the west take the Eisenhower (290) east toward Chicago to exit 14B (St. Charles Rd.). Continue East to N Wolf Road and turn right. Go to Butterfield Road and turn right. Stimac's restaurant will be about 2 blocks on the left. From Chicago take the Eisenhower (290) west to exit 16 and go toward Wolf Road. Stay straight to get on Frontage Road. Frontage Road will become N Jackson Blvd. Turn right on N Wolf Road. Turn left on Butterfield and Stimac's will be about 2 blocks on the left.

2006 Spring Dinner reservation form

Deadline: February 25, 2006

Name: _____ Phone# _____

No. of Adults \$18.00 each _____ \$ _____

No. of Kids 14 and under, \$10.00 each _____ \$ _____

Total \$ for Dinner _____ \$ _____

Make check payable to Prairie State Canoeists & mail to:
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From the PSC Board:

Over the past year a lot of time and thought went into updating the PSC Bylaws. At the board meeting in Oct. a number of changes to the bylaws were adopted. These changes can be viewed on the PSC website bulletin board under the heading 'Meeting Minutes' and you will want to look at the Oct. 23, 2005 minutes. If you have any comments please send them to the chair at chair@prariestatecanoeists.org. If you don't have Internet access and would like to see the Bylaw changes, contact the chair at 847-742-7316.

Some other ideas that are being researched are electronic and absentee voting and possibly using PayPal to be able to sell t-shirts, sweatshirts, PSC patches and decals and maybe even being able to pay your dues on the web site.

We welcome and need your comments on these issues.

Keep watch on your inbox for notification that the latest newsletter is available on the website. If things work right, those of you with email addresses will already have received an email telling you that the newsletter is available on the web site. If you don't have it, check your bulk mail or junk mail boxes. Please let the newsletter editor know if this email got to you. (newsletter@prariestatecanoeists.org).

Look for the RED LABEL!

If your address label is printer in **RED** ink,
you need to pay your dues or this will be your last newsletter.

Prairie State Canoeists operates on a calendar year which means that everyone's dues should have been paid by **January 1, 2006** regardless of when you joined.

Use the membership renewal and dinner reservation forms in this newsletter to send them both in at the same time.

Paddlers Marketplace

Due to limited space, items will only be listed here for one issue unless you contact the editor and request that your ad continue. A new list is compiled for each issue.

For sale: Sawyer Oscoda 16 foot tandem canoe; well used but plenty of life left. \$350
Dick Frye 773-718-0151

Wanted: Old Town Pack canoe in good condition. Larry Seeger 847-291-0006;
lgseeger@comcast.net

For Sale: Pat Moore Reverie II; Light grey, wood trim, 28 pounds, pedestal seat, \$500.
Melissa 815-932-7929 days (8 am to 4:30 pm) or cell (815)549-9238 anytime.

Welcome New Members (since November 12, 2005)

Alexander, Robert & Carol

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708-261-4360
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Hook, John A. & Judy

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Von Bergen, Kevin

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Shaffran, John

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Trip Reports

July 27-August

Michigan Rivers

Two Floridians, three folks from Michigan, two from southern Illinois and five from the Chicago area participated in the recent Michigan adventures. We paddled on the Sturgeon, Pigeon, Jordan, Betsie, Pine and Pere Marquette Rivers. Sightings included mink, muskrats, turtles including a snapping turtle, frogs, deer, a ground hog, a water snake, a fox snake, rabbits, a wolf spider, crawdaddies, red squirrels, a blue tailed lizard, great blue herons, an oven bird, cedar wax wings, indigo buntings, eagles, mergansers, wild turkeys, orioles, American redstarts, cardinals, a flock of red winged blackbirds, a big owl, blue winged teals, Canadian and strange looking unidentifiable geese, kingfishers, a sand piper, a red throated grosbeak, a yellow shafted flicker, hairy and red bellied woodpeckers, gold finches, robins, a gray cat bird, eastern king bird, barn and cliff swallows, red shoulder hawk, vultures, ruby throated humming bird, and dragon and damselflies. What we didn't see and didn't miss were mosquitoes, flies and no see-ums.

Among our findings were 4 paddles and 2 half paddles, 1 jacked, 2 hats, 3 shirts, a stash of rum and coke, about 16 full beers and 314 refundable cans and bottles (including ones found in our campground). Many thanks to George and Cheryl for rescuing one of the leaders and to Bill O'Malley for his car shuttling, paddling lessons and music. And thanks to all who helped out as needed to make the trip a success. And yes, we had water enough on all of the rivers. **Joan Taylor and Carol Klug**

July 31

Kishwaukee River, IL

Normally a trip that has many paddlers, but some feared the Kish was too low and stayed home. We did not have many problems and if the paddler chose the correct channel, scraping seldom happened. Some NIU students provided entertainment and beer by occasionally capsizing and releasing the contents of their coolers into the river. Although we tried to warn these neophytes about dangerous strainers, they bragged they could manage with superior paddling "skills" but never displayed them when it was time to do so. We took advantage of their sudden hospitality especially during lunch. Our trip ended under a roasting sun. Thank you to our carshifters. **Glenn Jensen**

Aug 7

Kishwaukee River, IL

After months of drought, the Kish was too low to paddle on the Wednesday before this trip, but two heavy storms on Thursday and Friday dumped enough water to make this a fine river trip. Nine of the 23 paddlers were new members making their first trip with PSC. Welcome to Bob McCurdy, Lee Butler, Morris Applebaum, Terry and Jennifer Eisenbraun, Ted Sanders, Barry Hendrix, Ralph Tucker, Christian Rigg. The Kish was in fine form, with a few strainers and drops requiring maneuvering. We were accompanied by a family of Osprey and a flock of green herons, and someone spied a bald eagle. The usual great blues, some large turtles, fishermen, sunbathers and tubers kept us company. **Bill Kessler**

Trip Announcements

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Sat, Apr 1 Introduction to Canoeing and Kayaking, A Training Session

Oakhurst Forest Preserve (Patterson Lake), Aurora

**Bill Kessler 708 547 5314
kslr@aol.com**

Join us for this skill building session with American Canoe Association certified instructors, under the supervision of Training Coordinators Tom Lindblade and Tom Richardson. No previous experience is necessary. Focus will be on safety, efficient paddling, basic strokes and maneuvers on flat water. You will have the opportunity to videotape your paddling so you can review your technique. Bring your boat (canoe or kayak), PFD, paddle, dump cloths and a lunch. (A small number of extra boats and equipment can be made available on request.) This session is sanctioned by the American Canoe Association (ACA). If you are a member, fees will include \$5.00 for materials and \$10.00 for instruction. If you are not a member of the ACA, an additional \$10.00 is required. (To join the ACA, log on to www.acanet.org). You must contact Bill Kessler, preferably by email, to reserve your place in this event and receive additional instructions. Be sure to indicate whether you paddle a canoe or a kayak. This session, or an equivalent, is required in order to take the Moving Water training.

Wed, Apr 5, Kishwaukee River, IL log jam clearing, south branch, Patowatomi Woods (just west of Kirkland, IL)

**Mark and Pam Skeels 815-522-3596
mskeels@tbcnet.com**

Contact leader or check website for details.

Fri-Sat, Apr 7-8 Jack's Fork River, MO Beginner/Intermediate - Base Camping

**Dan Benthall 630-208-8249
DBthal@comcast.net**
**Ken Cole 630-759-9137
rufustoo@worldnet.att.net**

Sat, Apr 8 Des Plaines River, IL Clean-Up

**Bill Kessler 708-547-5314
kslr@aol.com**

An event of the Stream bank Cleanup and Lakeshore Enhancement (SCALE) program of the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, we will be joined by the Paddlesports Volunteers of the Lake County Forest Preserve, other local canoe clubs, and volunteers from the general public. Join us for a clean-up of the Des Plaines River from Wadsworth to Grand Ave. and do your part for nature. Contests and prizes awarded for the most trash picked up, the most unusual trash, and many more categories as we work to clean the banks and the river. Meet at 9:30 AM, although you may join the effort later to help. Directions: Take IL 41 north approximately 20 miles north of the I-94 Spur. Exit on Wadsworth Road, east $\frac{1}{4}$ mile to Canoe Landing. If you take I-94 to that area, exit Rte 132 (Grand Ave), drive east to pick up 41 and head north, or exit Rte 173 (Rosecranz Rd), go east to 41 and head south. Call the leader for more info.

Tentative Trip List 2006

This list is in development Watch the PSC Website for the latest version.

If you would like to add a trip, please log onto the PSC Website and add your trip or contact Co-Chair, Joan Taylor or send an e-mail to newsletter@praireistatecanoeists.org

Thu, Mar 2 Badfish Creek, WI, Cookville, WI; Intermediate Clean-up

**Al Donaldson 319-277-3194
alandonaldson@sprintmail.com**
**Melinda Tury 630-894-2285
mtury@sbcglobal.net**

Sun, Mar 5 Badfish Creek, WI, Cookville, WI - Intermediate

**Al Donaldson 319-277-3194
alandonaldson@sprintmail.com**
**Becky Sells (630) 466-7093
r-sells@sbcglobal.net**

Sat, Mar 18 Kishwaukee River S Branch, Oak Ridge Forest Preserve - Advanced Beginner

**Al Donaldson 319-277-3194
alandonaldson@sprintmail.com**

Sat-Sun, Mar 18-19 St. Francis River, MO

**Bill Barclay & Peg Strobel 708-386-1371
chocolatehouse@sbcglobal.net**

Sat, Mar 25 Nippersink Creek, IL

**Steve Shapiro 847-253-5875
steveshapiro2@sbcglobal.net**
**George Stenitzer 630-215-6751
geo4747@yahoo.com**

Sat, Apr 1 Introduction to Paddling

**Bill Kessler 708 547 5314
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Wed, Apr 5 Kishwaukee River, IL log jam clearing, s branch, Patowatomi Woods Kirkland, IL

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Sat, Apr 8 Des Plaines River, IL Clean-Up

**Bill Kessler 708-547-5314
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Sat, Apr 8 DuPage River, IL

**Sherri Graham 815-353-2924
canoese@sbcbglobal.net**

Sun, Apr 9 Mazon River, IL Advanced Beginner

**Andy Cocallas 847-680-5219
acocallas@sbcglobal.net**

Sat, Apr 15 Nippersink Creek, IL

**Randy Hermanson 815-337-3318
forchst78@yahoo.com**

Sat, Apr 15 Tippecanoe River, IN

**Jerry Emerson 219-662-1296
Louis Igyarto 847-587-7462**

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Sat-Sun, Apr 15-23 NE Iowa Rivers, IA Cedar Falls, IA

Al Donaldson 319-277-3194
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Sun, Apr 16 Mazon River, IL Adv Beg

Sherri Graham 815-353-2924
canoesew@sbcglobal.net

Sat, Apr 22 Moving Water I Training DuPage River, IL Hammel Woods, Shorewood

Dan Benthall 630-208-8249
Dbthall@comcast.net

Sat, Apr 22 DuPage River, IL Naperville

Paul & Alice Clifford 815-886-2554
Pclifford38@hotmail.com
Ray Ziemer 630-836-0086
rgziemer@worldnet.att.net

Sun, Apr 23 DuPage River, IL

Sherri Graham 815-353-2924
canoesew@sbcglobal.net

Sun, Apr 23 Salt Creek, IL Oakbrook - Advanced Beginner

Glenn Jensen 708-749-6141
zymurgyteacher@yahoo.com

Tue, Apr 25 Nippersink Creek, IL Keystone to Canoe Base

Randy Hermanson 815-337-3318
forchst78@yahoo.com

Thu, Apr 27 Des Plaines, IL (Moonlight) Libertyville - Advanced Beginner

Andy Cocallas 847-367-4515
acocallas@sbcglobal.net

Sat, Apr 29 Turtle Creek, WI Shopiere - Int

Al Donaldson 319-277-3194
alandonaldson@sprintmail.com

Sun, Apr 30 Mazon River, IL Adv Beg

Sherri Graham 815-353-2924
canoesew@sbcglobal.net

Sat, Apr 29 Fox River, IL Algonquin to Voyager Landing

John & Marilyn Ziegler 847-742-7316
canucamp@sbcglobal.net

Sat-Sun, Apr 29-30 Wisconsin Whitewater

Bill Barclay & Peg Strobel 708-386-1371
chocolatehouse@sbcglobal.net

Sun, Apr 30 Elkhorn Creek, IL Sterling, IL - Intermediate

Al Donaldson 319-277-3194
alandonaldson@sprintmail.com

Sat, May 6 Kankakee River, IL Kankakee Bird Park to Kankakee State Park Adv Beg

George Stenitzer 630-215-6751
geo4747@yahoo.com
Janice Wellborn 708-848-6026
rosjan@comcast.net

Sat-Sun, May 6-7 Middlefork Vermillion, IL

Larry & Evelyn Tennyson 630-497-2516
eltennyson@comcast.net

Sun, May 7 Des Plaines, WI Scouting - Intermediate

Glenn Jensen 708-749-6141
zymurgyteacher@yahoo.com

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Al Donaldson 319-277-3194
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Melinda Tury 630-894-2285
mtury@sbcglobal.net

We will paddle from Old Stone Road as far as we can go in daylight, cleaning logjams and strainers preparatory to Saturday's trip. Be prepared to saw, pull debris, get quite wet, rescue the more unfortunate paddlers and have a lot of fun. Plan to bring cutting implements, several sets of dry clothing and a really strange attitude (needed for this sort of venture in the early spring.) Not recommended for those of limited mobility. We will carshift from the Old Stone bridge at 9:00 A.M. sharp. Several takeout points will be available to adjust to varying paddler schedules. Please email if you plan to thrash down the Badfish with us!

Sun, Mar 5 Badfish Creek, WI, Cooksville, WI - Intermediate

Al Donaldson 319-277-3194
alandonaldson@sprintmail.com
Becky Sells (630) 466-7093
r-sells@sbcglobal.net

I've changed this trip's date to Sunday to avoid conflicts with the Spring Dinner. We will be scouting the 'Fish on the Thursday before this trip and clearing jams and strainers as needed. More information later!

Sat, Mar 18 Kishwaukee River South Branch, Oak Ridge Forest Preserve - Advanced Beginner

Al Donaldson 319-277-3194
alandonaldson@sprintmail.com

Contact leader or check website for details.

Sat-Sun, Mar 18-19 St. Francis River, MO Intermediate whitewater

Bill Barclay/Peg Strobel 708-386-1371
chocolatehouse@sbcglobal.net

Challenging river with difficulty depending upon water level. Through a canyon, over some nice drops, and chances to play - and it can even be run twice in a day. Wet/dry suits, helmet required. Call leaders for directions, put in times, etc.

Sat, Mar 25 Nippersink Creek, IL Advanced Beginner

Steve Shapiro 847-253-5875
steveshapiro2@sbcglobal.net
George Stenitzer 630-215-6751
geo4747@yahoo.com

Come join us for an early outing to limber up those rusty canoe muscles and joints. Because of the time of year and for safety sake you MUST bring at least one full change of clothing in the event of a capsize. Keep one more set in your car "just in case." We will paddle from Glacial Park to Spring Grove. DIRECTIONS: Take Route 12 (Rand Road) north out of Fox Lake to the intersection of Route 31. Continue west onto Tyron Grove Road a short way to Keystone Road. Turn left (South) and continue on the winding road to the park. We will shuttle at 9:30 a.m. Bring lunch, water, coffee and whatever moves you. Kids and dogs welcome. Sometimes the creek is frozen this time of year. If you don't call or provide a contact number you won't be notified if the trip is cancelled. SVOTR

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Sun, Sep 10 Upper Fox River, WI

John & Barb Shaw 630-961-3479
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Tue, Sep 12 Upper Des Plaines River, IL

Andy Cocallas 847-680-5219
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Fri, Sep 22 Des Plaines River, IL**Moonlight - Libertyville, Adv Beg**

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Fri-Sun, Sep 22-24 Wisconsin Whitewater

Bill Barclay & Peg Strobel 708-386-1371
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Kasy Culbertson 608-222-0746

Sat-Sun, Sep 23-24 Fall Colors Trip**Kickapoo River, WI**

Sherri Graham 815-353-2924
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John & Marilyn Ziegler 847-742-7316
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**Sat-Fri, Sep 23-29 N Wisconsin Rivers
Beg/Int - Base Camping**

Tom Lindblade 630-942-2356
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Joan Taylor 630-495-1565
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Sat-Sun, Sep 30-Oct 1**Fawn/Pigeon Rivers, IN**

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Jerry Emerson 219-662-1296

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Lower Michigan, Adv Beg, Base Camping**

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Sun, Nov 5 Upper Des Plaines, IL

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Mon, Nov 20 Des Plaines River, IL**Moonlight, Libertyville or further north -
.O Adv Beg**

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Tentative Trip List 2006

**Sat, May 13 Grant River, WI
Exploring - Intermediate**

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**Sat, May 13 Moving Water II
Vermillion River, Lowell, IL - Adv Beg**

Steve LaPorte 630-665-5707
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Sat-Sun, May 13-14 Wine & Cheese Fest**Sugar Creek, IN**

Paul & Alice Clifford 815-886-2554
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Jim & Alice Deck 217-442-2032
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**Sat-Tue, May 13-16 U.P. Michigan
Whitewater**

Bill Barclay 708-386-1371
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Dale Deane 608-879-9280

Sun, May 14 Grant River, WI**Scouting - Intermediate**

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Sun, May 14 Rock River, IL**Oregon to Grand Detour**

George Stenitzer 630-215-6751
geo4747@yahoo.com
Janice Wellborn 708-848-6026
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Sat-Sun, May 20-21 Mekan River, WI**Log Jam and Strainer Clean Up,
Dakota WI - Int**

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Sat-Sun, May 20-21 Chain-O-Lakes, IN

Jerry Emerson 219-662-1296

Sat-Sun, May 20-21 Sugar River

Dave & Mary Stjern 217-546-6474
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Sherri Graham 815-353-2924
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**Sat-Sun, May 27-28 Mekan River, WI
Dakota, WI - Intermediate**

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Sat-Sun, May 27-28 Whitewater Training**Intermediate NE WI
(depends on water levels)**

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**Sat, Jun 3 Kishwaukee South Branch, IL
Genoa to Kirkland, IL - Adv Beg**

Al Donaldson 319-277-3194
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Sun, Jun 4 Kishwaukee South Branch, IL**Kirkland to Oak Ridge Forest Preserve
Adv Beg**

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Sat, Jun 10 Des Plaines, IL**Willow Springs to Isle a la Cache**

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Janice Wellborn 708-848-6026
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Sat-Sun, Jun 10-11 Fawn/Pigeon Rivers, IN

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Sun, Jun 11 Kishwaukee S Branch, IL
Oak Ridge Forest Preserve to Atwood Park
Adv Beg

Al Donaldson 319-277-3194
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Sat-Sun, Jun 17-18 Sugar River, WI

Debris/Log Jam Clean Up, Belleville to
Attica, WI - Int

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Sat-Sun, Jun 17-18 Pere Marquette, MI

Bill Barclay & Peg Strobel 708-386-1371
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Sat-Sun, Jun 17-18 Open Lands Water
Trails Blitz

Northeastern Illinois Water trails

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Sun, Jun 18 Sugar River, WI
Belleville to Attica WI Adv Beg

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Sun, Jun 18 DuPage River, IL

Shorewood

Glenn Jensen 708-749-6141
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Sat, Jun 24 Badfish Creek, WI

Cooksville, WI - Adv Beg

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Sat, Jun 24 Kids Trip I, IN

Wolf Lake, IN

Erik & Jane Sprenne 219-923-2182
sprenne@netnitco.net

Sat-Sun, Jun 24-25 Beginning Whitewater

Bill Barclay & Peg Strobel 708-386-1371
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Sat, Jul 1 Lake Michigan Sea Kayaking, IL
Illinois Beach State Park

Randy Hermanson 815-337-3318
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Sat-Mon, Jul 1-3 Namekagon, WI

Adv Beg - River Camping

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Sat, Jul 8 Introduction to Paddling

Loon Lake, Silver Springs State Park,
Yorkville, IL

Paul Klonowski
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Sat, Jul 15 Kids Trip II, IL

Marquette Park Lagoons

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Sat, Jul 15 DuPage River, IL

Adv Beg

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Fri-Sun, Jul 21-23 Wisconsin River, WI

Wuazeka to Wyalusing

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Sat, Jul 29 PSC Picnic

Sun, Jul 30 Busse Woods Canoe Orienteering

Main pool boat launch near rental

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Sun, Jul 30 Kishwaukee River, IL

John & Barb Shaw 630-961-3479
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Sat, Aug 5 Rescue Clinic-

Lower DuPage or Janesville Dam on the
Rock, Adv Beg - depends on water levels

Tom Lindblade 815-963-5945
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Steve Laporte 630-665-5707
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Tue-Tue, Aug 8-15 Michigan Rivers

Lower Michigan - Adv Beg, Base Camping

Joan Taylor 630-495-1565
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Fri-Sun, Aug 11-13 Wisconsin Whitewater

Bill Barclay & Peg Strobel 708-386-1371
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Sat-Sun, Aug 12-13 Mekan River, WI

John & Marilyn Ziegler 847-742-7316
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Sherri Graham 815-353-2924
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Sat, Aug 19 Sugar River, IL

Nelson Road to Kish/Pecatonica junction

Susan Halverson 815-397-5145
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Sat, Aug 26 Kankakee River, IL

Beg-Bird Park to State Park

Sherri Graham 815-353-2924
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Sun, Aug 27 Kankakee River, IL

Beg-State Line to Momence

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Sat-Mon, Sep 2-4 Namekagon River, WI

Adv Beg - River Camping

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Sat, Sep 9 Moving Water I

DuPage River, IL, Hammel Woods,
Shorewood

Dan Benthall 630-208-8249
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Sat-Sun, Sep 9-10 Pine River, MI

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