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Sustainable Forestry Tour



June 21-24, 2006

Outstanding Educational Opportunity

Explore North Central Idaho's Forests

Tour is based out of Lewiston, Idaho.

A Trip of a Lifetime

Tour & Travel Expenses Paid

VIP Treatment!

Two Credits Available

What will you do on the tour?



Explore some of the most beautiful forests in the world • Travel where Lewis & Clark traveled • Learn which trees grow where and why • Investigate the elements of sustainable forest management • Tour a high-tech sawmill • See logs being peeled and made into plywood • Network with other educators • Interact with foresters, biologists, technology specialists and mill workers who care for our forests and make products you use every day • Learn about potential careers for your students • Touch the future forest at a seedling nursery • See toilet paper being made • Sit in a timber harvester • See how helicopters fight wildfires • Eat well • Touch a huge western white pine (Idaho's state tree) • Look straight down 700 feet from Dworshak Dam • Reflect in an ancient cedar grove • See the full-circle process of making products out of trees while sustaining forest ecosystems.

WOW!

To apply for a spot on the tour, go to www.idahoforests.org to apply online or download the application form. You may also request a form from our office. **Don't miss out! Application deadline: 3/31/06. Applicants will be notified by 4/17/06.**

April 28 is Arbor Day. Celebrate TREES!

Have you thanked a tree lately? Trees provide shelter, clean air and water, beauty, habitat for wildlife, and numerous everyday products, to name a few things.

Visit www.idahoforests.org for teaching ideas. Get involved in Arbor Day!



Classroom Set of Tree Seeds

Ask us for a FREE classroom set of Douglas-fir seeds.

Arbor Day T-shirts

Each year we have a new Arbor Day t-shirt for a very affordable price (adult and youth sizes). Visit www.idahoforests.org in March to see this year's new shirt design and ordering information.

Arbor Day Poster Contest

Fifth grade entries are due 3/10/06. Contact deb39@aol.com for guidelines and activities. Prizes include savings bonds for winners, and \$100 cash for each winner's classroom! PLUS, the winning poster is printed and distributed throughout the state. It's also entered in the national poster contest.

New Video! *Arbor Day: The Holiday that Makes a Difference*

Forestry experts and kids talk about the benefits of tree planting and the impact trees have on the environment and our lives. 18 min, closed captioned.

Contact us to borrow this and other videos.



PROJECT LEARNING TREE

Through Project Learning Tree you receive engaging activities to teach about the environment while meeting Idaho's Achievement Standards. Teachers of all grades and subjects are welcome, as are others who work with youth.

PLT Turns Over a New Leaf!

We've got a new and improved edition of the PLT PreK-8th Grade Activity Guide! It builds on the proven effectiveness of the former guide with enhancements in Reading, Technology, Assessment and Differentiated Instruction. To learn more, visit www.plt.org. To get your new guide, come to any Idaho PLT workshop.



PLT Workshop Schedule

- Feb 17-18, Twin Falls, General
- Feb 24-25, Boise, General
- Mar 10-11, Boise, General
- Mar 17-18, Hailey, Nat. Res./Solid Waste
- Apr 6-7, Blackfoot/I.Falls, Nat. Res./S.W.
- Apr 7-8, Boise, General
- Jun 15-16, Boise, Focus on Literature with WILD, WET & PLT
- Jun 26-27, Coeur d'Alene, General
- Jun 29-30, Potlatch, Wildfires & Weeds
- Jul 9-10, McCall, Wildfires & Weeds
- Jul 11-12, McCall, Focus on Communities
- Jul 13-14, Coeur d'Alene, Wildfires & Weeds
- Jul 17-18, Idaho Falls, Wildfires & Weeds
- Jul 18-19, Boise, Wildfires & Weeds
- Jul 27-28, Salmon, Focus on Literature
- Aug 15-16, Coeur d'Alene, Nat. Res./SW.

New PLT Workshop

During *PLT: Focus on Communities*, we'll explore the places we live—past, present and future. We'll do activities from the new PLT PreK-8th Activity Guide and premiere the PLT h.s. module, *The Places We Live*. Learn more about your community by investigating its history, looking at changes over time, and considering its future. This 1-credit workshop will be piloted July 11-12 in McCall.



2-Credit Opportunity in McCall

We scheduled back to back workshops July 9-10 and 11-12, so you can earn credits, and still have time to relax and enjoy the beautiful surroundings. Your evenings are totally free!

Visit www.idahoforests.org to see descriptions of each workshop title, as well as registration information. (Or call and ask us!) Each type of workshop is a separate credit.



PLT activities are correlated to Idaho Achievement Standards at www.idahoforests.org.

Grants for Teachers

IFPC has grants (up to \$200 each) to help you teach about Idaho's trees and forests.

The application process is easy! Deadline is 8/15, but why wait? Apply at www.idahoforests.org or contact us for an application form.



Forest History Materials Coming Soon

We're working on a supplement for 4th grade classrooms. Arranged like a scrapbook, the supplement focuses on history of the western white pine, geography of forest types and land ownership, forest technology, and people. Student readers and a teacher guide will be available for Fall 2006. Contact us for information.



New Printed Materials

We've added several titles to our "free materials" service. Order online at www.idahoforests.org or see the enclosed "Materials" order form.

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