

News From the Northland

November 2009

Greetings from ACA Northland!

We hope that you have had an enjoyable fall season. Our section events are off to a later start than usual but we have some GREAT things coming up and we hope that you consider joining us. Our next section meeting is scheduled for **next Tuesday (Nov 10) from 6:00-8:00 PM**. More information will be provided below. As always, if there is anything that we can assist you with, please don't hesitate to contact the section office.

November Educational EventsWe Hope to See You Soon

Tuesday, November 10 at Camp Elk River in Zimmerman, MN

Standards Course 10:00 am to 5:00 pm - lunch included

Standards Update 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm

Visitors Update 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm

Section Meeting: New and Exciting Team Building Ideas and Activities 6:00 pm-8:00 pm

Standards Course – Full Day

If you are new to Standards and have never taken a Standards Course or it has been over three years, you need to take the full day course. This is also a good option if your position has changed in the camp and/or you are not very familiar with the Standards.

Standards Update

If you took the Standards Course in the last three years, you need to attend the Standards Update Course.

Visitor Update

If you are currently a Visitor, you need to take this course to visit in 2010.

New and Exciting Team Building Ideas and Activities:

Join us for a fun filled, action packed educational session facilitated by Jason Colvin from Friendship Ventures' Team Quest program. Jason will share with us new ideas for ice breakers, team building activities and activities that can be done with little or no equipment. Don't miss out!!

**ALL EVENTS ARE FREE TO ACA
NORTHLAND MEMBERS**

****Please RSVP to Robin at
acanorthland1@msn.com****

ACA Enrollment and Staff Recruitment Survey

Directors- we need your summer 2009 enrollment information! With the economic downturn as well as the H1N1 outbreak, we know that this summer was challenging for many camps. The Fall Enrollment survey is the one place for us to collect this critically important information, but we have to have YOUR help! Please complete the camper enrollment-staff recruitment survey at http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=efYVlrBeEy8Bt7dTUPy BvA_3d_3d Just click on "October 2009 Camper Enrollment" under "Current survey" to complete. The survey is completely anonymous and will take approximately 15 minutes to complete. When compiled, the data will provide us with critical information about such aspects as attendance at camp, increases and decreases in enrollment, returning camper statistics, age breakdowns, session lengths, staffing patterns, and current challenges faced around camper enrollment and staff recruitment. The information from this survey will provide a baseline from which we make projections and determine trends for the coming year, so every camp's information is critically important! Please complete the survey today!!!

Northland Breakfast Club- November 24

Bring a friend, bring yourself, but do come when you're able to the Best Perkins in the World at 50th and Hwy 100 in Edina. Be there at 8:00 am (or whenever you can make it). RSVP's are helpful so we have enough seats set aside, but we'll always make room so come at the last minute if your plans change. Ideas for topics of discussion are welcome and can be sent to me with your RSVP, or by Monday at 5:00 pm, or just bring it up while we're all together. Please RSVP to Laura Nolan laura@lincoln-lakehubert

ACA Northland's Sue Tinker Award - Nomination Information

American Camp Association is interested in furthering the development of the Camping Movement. Members grow from the interchange of ideas and experiences of fellow camping professionals and, in some instances "Learn at the Feet of Giant's in Camping," For the Northland, Section of ACA, one of the "giant's in the Camping movement was Sue Tinker, Assistant Professor of Physical Education at the University of Minnesota, and a section member and active camping leader who contributed much to the camping enterprise, aquatics, and outdoor recreation. Ms. Tinker (1919-1966) was active with the section serving on Board of Directors, as a Standard Visitor, and Editor of the Northland Section Newsletter. It is in recognition for those members of the Northland, Section of ACA who, like Sue Tinker, have made significant contributions to the Camping Movement, primarily through the Northland, Section - The Sue Tinker Award is given. This award, given initiated in 1967 also provides a reminder of the "Giants in Camping" that have gone before us.

Nominee / Professional Positions

Name:

Current Professional Position: _____ Dates in position _____

Previous Position(s) Related to Camping _____
Dates: _____

Northland Section Activities

Current Member? _____ Active in Section? _____ Member Since (Year)? _____

Section Officer: (Years) _____

Board Member Activities (Years)

Committees Member Activities (Years)

Standards Visitor? _____ Other Activities? _____

National ACA

Activities on the National Level

Other Information Pertaining to the Nomination that the Committee Should Know?

Why the nominee should receive the Sue Tinker Award?

Nominated by:

Name: _____ Phone _____

Date: _____ email _____

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Guidelines for receiving the award:

- Recognition is not recurring
- Membership may submit nominations to committee
- This is not necessarily an annual award and no more than two awards for the year
- Current President or President elect are not eligible
- ACA Northland is the person's primary contribution to ACA and camping
- Person should be considered active or recently active, current or past member
- Longevity of activity should be a factor, with a minimum of five years of service

to the section

- The person should have varied service to the section
- Quality and quantity of work to be a factor
- Individual has sensitive, committed leadership

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