

Leopold Education Project

LEP Arkansas Educator Workshop

A Taste of Leopold at South Fork July 18, 2015, 9:00a – 12:00p

Educators, both outdoor and classroom including SFNC docents and members can sample the curricula developed by the Leopold Education project.

The Leopold Education Project (LEP) is an interdisciplinary, critical thinking, conservation and environmental education curricula based on the classic "A Sand County Almanac" by Aldo Leopold. LEP teaches about humanity's ties to the natural environment in the effort to conserve and protect earth's natural resources. It is the educational outreach program for The Aldo Leopold Foundation.

Leopold's writings are both sound science and excellent literature, making them an outstanding tool for meaningful environmental education. The curricula encourages flexibility, creativity, and experimentation in using the lessons in a variety of subject matter areas. It uses hands-on critical thinking activities to not only teach students about nature and conservation but to instill what Leopold called a "land ethic", an appreciation of and respect for the land. All activities are presented in an easy to use format similar to Projects WET, WILD and Learning Tree.

Special South Fork Offer

Those interested in becoming an LEP certified educator can do so with another 3 hours of training at South Fork (date to be arranged). Educators will get \$50.00 worth of curricula for \$30.00.

THE ALDO LEOPOLD FOUNDATION

The Aldo Leopold Foundation's mission is to weave a land ethic into the fabric of our society; to advance the understanding, stewardship and restoration of land health; and to cultivate leadership for conservation.

"Nothing so important as an ethic is ever 'written," he explained. "It evolves 'in the minds of a thinking community." The foundation's membership forms a modern day "thinking community," and the foundation's programs create opportunities for rich, diverse, and productive dialogue with members and others about humanity's relationships to land, allowing the idea of a land ethic to unfold in myriad ways.

Learn more about the land ethic at http://www.aldoleopold.org

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"Liberal education in wildlife is not merely a dilute dosage of technical education. It calls for somewhat different teaching materials and sometimes even different teachers." Aldo Leopold