

Renew. Restore. Revitalize.
2011 Regional Interpretive Workshop
French Lick, Indiana
March 21-25

Registration opens in November!

Lodging and Conference Facilities at the historic French Lick Resort
<http://www.frenchlick.com/>

Monday, March 21

- Daytime Pre-Conference Workshop Option
 * Tentative Topic: Plant Communities of Southern Indiana
- 6:30pm Historic Train Ride on the French Lick Scenic Railway
 * Tentative Addition: Train Robbery!
<http://www.indianarailwaymuseum.org/>
- 9:00pm Hospitality Room opens

Tuesday, March 22

- 7am-9am Breakfast Buffet
- 9:15am Welcome & Opening Activity
- 10:00am Speaker: Doug Knapp, Ph.D., Indiana University of Bloomington
- Dr. Knapp has conducted research and published extensively in the areas of environmental education, interpretation, and global environmental issues. He currently teaches courses in interpretation, ecosystem management, and field ecology. Prior to his work in higher education, Dr. Knapp was an interpreter and environmental educator for 10 years.*
- 10:45am Concurrent Sessions
- 12:00pm Catered Lunch
- 1:00pm General Session
 * Topic to be determined
- 1:30pm Business Meeting
- 2:45pm Concurrent Sessions
- 4:00pm Concurrent Sessions
- 5pm-6pm Dinner Buffet

6:15pm Dubois County Museum & Regional Awards
<http://duboiscountymuseum.org/>

10:00pm Hospitality Room opens

Wednesday, March 23

7am-9am Breakfast Buffet

8am-3:30pm Mobile Workshops

- French Lick & West Baden History Tours
<http://www.historiclandmarks.org/TOURS/WESTBADENFRENCHLICK>
- Pioneer Skills at Spring Mill Village
<http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2968.htm>
- Abraham Lincoln in Indiana
<http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2979.htm>
<http://www.nps.gov/libo/index.htm>
- Limestone Legacy
- Caves and Karst
<http://www.bluespringcaverns.com/>
<http://www.marengocave.com/>
- Managing Forests
- Building a Formal Volunteer Program

4:30pm Evening at Patoka Reservoir
<http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2953.htm>

9:30pm Hospitality Room opens

Thursday, March 24

7am-9am Breakfast Buffet

9:30am Keynote: Will LaPage, <http://www.parksforlife.com>

Will La Page was the first recipient, in 1981, of the National Recreation and Park Association's Theodore and Franklin Roosevelt Award for excellence in park and recreation research, the 2009 recipient of Walter T. Cox Award for sustained achievement in public service, and the 2006-2007 Reynold Carlson Distinguished Lecturer at Indiana University. He was selected poet in residence by Rocky Mountain and Acadia national parks.

From 1984 to 1994, he was director of New Hampshire's state parks and historic sites; he later worked with the State Department and the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), providing assistance to park systems internationally. He has taught environmental interpretation to professional groups and at the universities of New Hampshire, Maine, and Wyoming and was a senior lecturer in residence at Colorado State University from 1994 to 1996. He has authored over 100 research reports on outdoor recreation trends and Partnerships for Parks: A Handbook for Building and Guiding Park Partnerships.

10:15am 2012 Workshop Promo

11:00am Marketplace of Ideas
Have you developed an interesting prop? A unique program idea? Got something else that might interest other interpreters? Please share it! To reserve table space during the Marketplace of Ideas, contact Jill Vance at jvance@dnr.IN.gov

12pm-1pm Lunch Buffet

1:15pm Concurrent Sessions

2:30pm Concurrent Sessions

5pm-6:30pm Dinner Buffet

7:00pm Scholarship Auction

Friday, March 25

7am-9pm Breakfast Buffet