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Tweet! Tweet! Meet! Meet!

Summiters are coming up with new, convenient ways to spread the word about the Summit!

You can [introduce friends and family to the Summits with our Meetup](#). This is a great way to share your excitement for next year's Summit and welcome others into our wonderful community.

Another new option is to [learn about the 2011 Summit with Twitter](#). Our "followers" can also find links to environmental articles, share knowledge about the natural world, and more!

Volunteers Needed!

The National Wildlife Federation is looking for volunteers to address the oil spill crisis.

You can [lend a hand](#) in many ways, from sharing news about the spill to helping with restoration and surveillance on the coast.

Contact volunteer@nwf.org to sign up.

Closing Quote

"I am well again, I came to life in the cool winds and crystal waters of the mountains."

~ John Muir

Explore the Ozark Mountains in 2011



The location of the 2011 Summit is official:

**The Ozarks
YMCA of the Ozarks
August 1 - 7, 2011**

The Ozarks Mountain Region is a [natural beauty](#), complete with caves, waterfalls, mountains, lakes, rivers, and more.

We hope you will join us!

You can [register for the 2011 Summit today](#). Register before September 30 to save \$25 per participant. Pay in full before December 1 to save another \$25 per participant.

A Stone Soup Feast at Granlibakken

Four years ago, Summiters gathered together to ensure the future of the Family Nature Summits. Summit President Chris Blank told the story of "Stone Soup," a folk tale about the bounty that results when everyone pitches in. Chris challenged each summitter to find a way to contribute to our goal.



The 2010 Family Summit at Granlibakken was perhaps the best Stone Soup yet. Volunteers brought their wisdom, patience, smiles, and elbow grease.

Read a special [Volunteer Thank You](#) from Rosanne Mistretta, FNS's Volunteer Coordinator.

Thanks, White Scarfers!

A Thank You from Our Teacher Scholarship Winner

Family Summits are about learning together. We also want to share our knowledge and passion with local educators. It is a Summit tradition to give a teacher scholarship to a deserving teacher in the state where the Summit takes place.



This year, we selected Jackie Del Bianco. Jackie wanted a chance to tell you more about her experience and to thank everyone who makes the Teacher Scholarship possible.

Read [Jackie's Thank You Note](#) to learn more about her experience at the Summit.