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2009 Family Nature Summit Registrations:

- 165 adults
- 22 young adults (age 18-25)
- 36 teens (age 13-18)
- 18 Junior Naturalists (age 5-12)
- 9 Early Discovery (age 3-4)
- 0 Infant

Including 27 Yellow Scarfers

Total: 250

These numbers were current as of May 11, 2009.

Be sure to keep encouraging your friends and family to attend!

Quick Links

- [Family Nature Summits Website](#)
- [Silver Bay YMCA](#)
- [2009 Summit Book Club Choices](#)
- [Silver Bay YMCA Virtual Tour](#)

Closing Quote:

Spring is nature's way of saying, "Let's party!" - Robin Williams

Adult Schedule Coming May 30

The recruiting committee has worked hard to gather amazing speakers and activities, and Heather DeSha, our Summit guru, is compiling it into a spectacular schedule right now.

Our target date is May 30 to make the schedule available. Adult participants can then submit their choices of activities and we'll do our best to get you where you want to be!

Participants will have 2-3 weeks to send their choices. Everyone who sends their choices by the deadline will have equal access to their choices.

It's getting so close!! How exciting!

Be a Summit Volunteer!

Thank you to all the Summiteers who emailed volunteer@familysummits.org to offer your time. It is so great to see the community coming together.

Rosanne Mistretta, our volunteer coordinator, will be able to place everyone very soon, once the adult schedule is finished this month.

In the meantime, keep telling us if you can volunteer!

We still need volunteers for the [Green Lifestyles evening](#), Monday July 27. Let us know if you would like to:

- * make play dough food with kids
- * play with green toys in the toddler play area
- * paint henna designs on people's hands
- * sew catnip-filled mice
- * crochet using plastic bags
- * roll bees wax candles
- * demonstrate how to use a caulking gun
- * tell your Freecycle stories

There are other activities as well, but this gives you a taste. Make friends and make a memorable time for yourself and others.

Any volunteering questions? Email volunteer@familysummits.org or call Rosanne at 215-266-5046.

Scarves and Water Bottles: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

At the 2009 Summit, we will offer water bottles again to ensure that we don't use disposable water bottles.

If you bring your water bottle from the Oregon Summit, you can put your name in for a prize drawing.

Also, if your scarf color is going to stay the same, bring your scarf from last year and you'll get another ticket to put in the drawing.

Every little bit helps the Earth when we re-use our Summit stuff!

Do You Know a Teacher in New York State?

In Oregon we offered a scholarship to a local teacher to attend the Summit and bring one guest. We really enjoyed having Rhonda Brennan at the event.

This year we are offering the scholarship again. If you know any teachers in New York state, let them know about the [teacher scholarship application!](#)

Also you can now donate online to support the scholarship:

Donate to the Teacher Scholarship Fund today!

Do You Need a Lift from Albany Airport?

If you need transportation from or to Albany Airport to Silver Bay, it is important that you contact us ASAP.

Please send your flight information indicating airline, flight number, arrival time, names and ages of passengers to logistics@familysummits.org by June 1.

Postcard Mailed to 10,000 Households



This month, the Summit board tried an experiment, which was to send a postcard to 10,000 households in 10 states. We purchased the list from the National Wildlife Federation. We hope this gets the word out to new Summiteers!

Thank you Sara Jackson for designing this beautiful card!

If you would like some postcards to distribute in your local community, please contact info@familysummits.org and we'll try to get some to you.

Will You Be Our Friend?



For those who enjoy the Facebook social network, please consider [joining the Family Nature Summits group](#). We have 59 members so far.

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