

Family Campout

Friday, May 21, 2010

Where: National Great Rivers Museum

When: 5 p.m. on Friday to 1 p.m. on Saturday

The National Great Rivers Museum first annual family overnight campout will offer the chance for families to participate in questing, astronomy, fishing, birding and kayaking just a few steps away from the Mississippi River.

Pre Register by calling the National Great Rivers Museum at 618-462-6979 or registering online at www.meetingoftherivers.org.

One chaperone will be required for each group. The bird watching and kayaking activities will be held at the Riverlands Migratory Bird Sanctuary in West Alton, MO. Campers are required to setup all their camping gear. Dinner, Snacks, and breakfast will be provided. Campers are required to bring all necessary equipment and personable belongings including bug spray, flashlights, and clothing, etc. Camping will be permitted on the museum grounds east of the picnic pavilion and restrooms. Lifejackets will be provided for kayaking. Only tent camping will be allowed. No Campers.

\$5 per person or \$25 per family/household. This price includes all family campout activities, food, and basic kayak skills clinic.

The 18 mile race from Grafton to West Alton is an additional \$50/\$55 per person. Register for the Great River Rendezvous Race or social paddle at www.mtrf.org. Additional race information is available at www.mvs.usace.army.mil/Rivers/WaterTrails.html. Family campout participants that would like to participate in the Social Paddle and do not own a kayak or canoe can rent them from vendors in the area who sell paddling equipment and provide rental boats.