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# The Expedition

## Outdoor Pursuits Newsletter

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Hello Ball State and the Muncie community! We're proud to bring you our fourth issue of The Expedition, our Outdoor Pursuits Newsletter. We attended both the Hoosier Outdoor Experience in Indianapolis and Living Lightly Fair at our very own Minnetrista in Muncie this past weekend. Our last adventure trip of Septemeber is approaching: flatwater conoe and kayaking as well as a couple more for the month of October. Come by our office in the East side of the new SWRC for a tour of the the Rental Storage area and don't forget to visit the Climbing Wall if you haven't already and sign up for a belay clinque which remains free for about another week!

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### Hoosier Outdoor Experience

-September 18th & 19th (Sat. & Sun.) 9AM-6PM

Eleven of our employees attended the Hoosier Outdoor Experience this past weekend, which is Indiana's largest, hands-on, outdoor recreation event and is hosted by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. Ball State Outdoor Pursuits brought 6 of our canoes and 2 kayaks to the event at Fort Harrison State Park and successfully provided Hoosiers an opportunity to learn some basic boating skills and more about the ease of outdoor recreation.



### Living Lightly Fair

-September 18th (Sat.) 9AM-4PM

Ball State OP employees attended the Living Lightly Fair, a resources fair held every September at Minnetrista. It is aimed at educating East Central Indiana residents about practical ways to live more sustainably, and our staff helped by informing community members how to have fun outdoors and in nature while minimizing environmental impacts.



Forget not that the earth delights to feel your bare feet and the winds long to play with your hair. ~Kahlil Gibran

# Pedal for Peace

-October 2 (Sat.) 4PM-10PM



Pedal for Peace supports organizations throughout the world that are committed to peace through education, especially for girls and women. If you are interested in a local event that will help promote peace in much needed areas of our world and enjoy biking join Pedal for Peace at the Major Taylor Velodrome. The 6-hour team bike relay promises to be a worthwhile, memorable, and fun event for bikers of all experience levels. The proceeds from Pedal for Peace 2010 will be split 50/50 between Central Asia Institute and AWAKEN. Visit [www.pedalforpeace.org](http://www.pedalforpeace.org) to learn more about the charities and to register for the event.



## UPCOMING ADVENTURE TRIPS

September & October months

Come into the OP Office to register for our trips

### September 29th- Flatwater Canoe/Kayak Day Trip

Whether you've never kayaked before, or you're just looking to get out for an afternoon, this trip is for you. We'll hit a local river and teach you the basics of canoeing and kayaking while we soak up some of summer's last rays of sunshine. Included in price: Transportation, canoe/kayak/equipment rental, and instruction.

**Price: Affiliate-\$19 Non-Affiliate \$28**



### October 1st-October 3rd- Whitewater Rafting on The Gauley River

Fall is the premier season for one of the most exciting rivers on the east coast. West Virginia's Lower Gauley River is home to some of the biggest, most exciting rapids on the East Coast. Join Outdoor Pursuits to run rapids up to Class V and then kick it by the campfire and share stories about the day on the river. Included in price: transportation, meals on site, whitewater rafting, guides, and instruction.

**Price: Affiliate-\$265 Non-Affiliate \$345**



### October 15th-October 17th- Backpacking in Hoosier National Forest

There's no time like fall to get out for a hike. Colorful leaves and cool temperatures make mid-October a wonderful time to venture into the Hoosier National Forest backcountry and experience the simplicity of spending the weekend with nothing more than what you're able to carry in your backpack. You'll learn important skills that will help minimize your environmental impact while hiking and camping. Included in price:

transportation, equipment rental, and instruction.  
**Price: Affiliate-\$65 Non-Affiliate \$85**





## October 21st-October 24th- **Rock Climbing at Red River Gorge**

Climbers, have you been training at the climbing wall all semester? Are you looking to take the next step beyond pulling on plastic holds with colored tape? Join OP for a trip to Kentucky's Red River Gorge where we'll show you the ropes and expand your climbing experience beyond anything you could ever learn in the gym. Included in price: transportation, equipment rental, climbing instruction and camping. This trip is geared to beginner and intermediate climbers, which means that no prior experience is necessary. Whether you've been the Ball State climbing wall or not, you'll find this trip to be both fun and challenging.

**Price: Affiliate-\$85 Non Affiliate \$110**

## Featured Items



**DRY-** Rent a cornhole board for your next BBQ or to tailgate at one of the upcoming football games. We even have our LED edition so you can play in the dark! \$10 for a weekend of use to Ball State students, faculty and staff.

**WET-** For only \$15 you can get out on the water in one of OP's fishing kayaks. Specially equipped for the beginner and expert fisher, these are a great idea for the fall season.



## The Climbing Wall

If you haven't already, come visit the climbing wall or Outdoor Pursuits office and sign up for a belay clinic for only \$10! Belay tests are then only \$5 and after passing one you can come climb anytime for free! Don't miss out on the opportunity to use our amazing climbing wall and become a better climber.

## Questions or Comments

### Office Hours:

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Saturday Closed

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Great things are done when men and mountains meet. This is not done by jostling in the street.

~William Blake