Get Outdoors Michigan! Summit

9:00 am – 4:30 pm
Thursday, November 5

AmericInn
120 Lincoln Ave (Highway M-107)
Silver City, MI 49953
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Registration Form

Get Outdoors Michigan! Summit

Name: ____________________________
Organization: ______________________
Email: ____________________________
Tel: ______________________________

**Registration:** $12.50 (lunch included)
Make checks payable to: Western UP Center

Send Registration Form to:
Western U.P. Center for Science, Math and Environmental Education
c/o Rachel Carpenter
105 Dillman Hall – Michigan Technological University
1400 Townsend Dr., Houghton, MI 49931
Tel: 906-487-3341 / Fax: 906-487-1620
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**Bonus!**
~ Free 4-H Outdoor Curricula for educators.
~ 0.75 SB-CEUs for teachers (pending approval).
~All participants receive a copy of Richard Louv’s book, Last Child in the Woods, or Unkle Ake’s Field Guide to the Curious Creatures of Lake Superior courtesy of Michigan 4-H!

Registration Deadline: Nov. 2

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Summit Goals:

- Raise awareness of how less time in nature affects the well-being of youth—emotional health, physical fitness, academics, and creativity.
- Identify strategies to reconnect families and nature.
- Develop local action plans to help get children outdoors.
- Network with youth-serving agencies, educators, schools, natural resources professionals and community leaders to increase family and youth engagement in the out-of-doors.

Who Should Attend?

You! Educators, school administrators, natural resources professionals, parents, government officials, health advocates, childcare providers, and others concerned about the future of our children in the out-of-doors.

AGENDA

8:30 – 9:00 am  Registration
**Please submit lunch order at this time
9:00 – 9:15 Welcome address by **Bob Sprague**, Michigan DNR, Porcupine Mountain State Park Manager
9:30 – 10:15 Keynote: **Dr. Denise Mitten**, Recreation, Leisure Services & Wellness, Ferris State University
10:15-10:30  Break
10:30 – 11:45 **Upper Peninsula Success Stories**
  **Joan Chadde**, Western UP Center for Science, Mathematics & Environmental Education / Lake Superior Stewardship Initiative
  **Darrell Hendrickson**, Science Teacher, Washington Middle School, Calumet
  **Arnie Kinnunen**, Community Outreach Coordinator, Portage Health
  **Jon Spieles**, Education Program Coordinator for Northern Michigan, MI Dept of Natural Resources

11:45 – 12:45 Lunch

12:15-12:45 Curious Creatures of Superior
  **Mark Larson**, artist (meet outside!)

12:45 – 3:15 Can We Do More?

Breakout Sessions

- Building Healthy Kids, Communities & Environments
- Integrating Nature into Kids’ Class Time
- Connecting Kids and Families to the Outdoors

Panelists

**Scott MacInnes**, City Manager, City of Houghton
**Steve DeLong**, Landscape Architect, Keweenaw National Historical Park
**Arnie Kinnunen**, Community Outreach Coordinator, Portage Health
**Vicky Nelson**, Gogebic County 4-H
**Laura Bulleit**, Girl Scouts, Houghton County
**Brian Rajdl**, Science Teacher, Hancock High School
**Helen Stenvig**, CJ Sullivan Elementary School
**Darrell Hendrickson**, Washington Middle School
**Mark Larson**, Artist
**Jon Spieles**, MI Dept of Natural Resources
**Bob Wild**, MI Dept of Natural Resources
**Anna Cellar**, North Lakeland Discovery Center
**Christy Makuck**, Educator, U.S. Forest Service
**Evan McDonald**, Director, Keweenaw Land Trust

3:15 – 3:30 Break
3:30  Create Regional/Local Action Plan
4:15  Closing and Evaluations
4:30 Thanks for coming!

For more information:
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