Get Outdoors, Michigan!

Summit

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

AmericInn
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Driving Directions:
Follow M-64 west of Ontonagon to M-107 and turn left. AmericInn is located on 120 Lincoln Ave (Highway M-107).

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Bonus!
~ Free 4-H Outdoor Curricula for educators and youth leaders
~ 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
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.

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

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, Michigan 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 of Houghton, City Planner
- **Steve DeLong**, Keweenaw National Historic Park, Landscape Architect
- **Arnie Kinnunen**, Portage Health
- **Vicky Nelson**, Gogebic County 4-H
- **Laura Bulleit**, Girls Scouts, Houghton County
- **Brian Rajdl**, Hancock High School
- **Helen Stenvig**, CJ Sullivan Middle School
- **Darrell Hendrickson**, Washington Middle School
- **Mark Larson**, Outdoor Environmental Art
- **Jon Spieles**, MI Dept of Natural Resources
- **Bob Wild**, MI Dept of Natural Resources
- **Anna Cellar**, North Lakeland Discovery Center
- **Christy Makuck**, U.S. Forest Service
- **Evan McDonald**, 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!

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