



Register by May 12, 2017

LEP Registration Form

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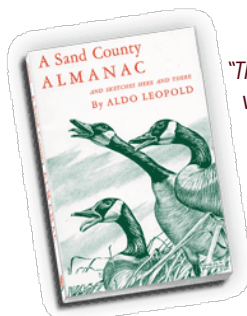
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Registration Fee Enclosed:

\$20



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Swain County Cooperative Extension - LEP



*"There are some who can live without
wild things, and some who cannot.
These essays are the delights and
dilemmas of one who cannot."
- Aldo Leopold*

Admired by an ever-
growing number of
readers and imitated by hundreds of writers, A
Sand County Almanac written by Aldo Leopold
serves as one of the cornerstones for modern
conservation science, policy, and ethics.

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Leopold Education Project

Educators Environmental Workshop



*"The objective is to teach the student to see
the land, to understand what he sees, and
enjoy what he understands." - Aldo Leopold*

May 26, 2017
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Oconaluftee Farmstead
Multi-Purpose Building (Old Visitor Center)
Great Smoky Mountains National Park
Cherokee, NC

About Workshop



School Teachers, Camp Counselors, Extension Agents, Environmental Educators and anyone who wants to educate the next generation about conservation steward-ship and land ethics are encouraged to attend this workshop.

The Leopold Education Project (LEP) is an innovative, interdisciplinary conservation ethics curriculum targeted for grades 6-12. The goal of the program is to create an ecologically literate citizenry.

The LEP increases student's awareness of the land, informs them of how to make responsible choices for our planet, while simultaneously teaching important social, collaborative and critical thinking skills.

The LEP is unique in that it uses a classic environmental literary work, Aldo Leopold's "A Sand County Almanac".



The Land Ethic

"The land ethic simply enlarges the boundaries of the community to include soils, waters, plants, and animals, or collectively: the land."
- Aldo Leopold

Published in 1949 as the finale to A Sand County Almanac, Leopold's 'Land Ethic' defined a new relationship between people and nature and set the stage for the modern conservation movement.

Leopold understood that ethics direct individuals to cooperate with each other for the mutual benefit of all. One of his philosophical achievements was the idea that this 'community' should be enlarged to include non-human elements such as soils, waters, plants, and animals, "or collectively: the land."



"That land is a community is the basic concept of ecology, but that land is to be loved and respected is an extension of ethics."

This recognition, according to Leopold, implies individuals play an important role in protecting and preserving the health of this expanded definition of a community.

"A land ethic, then, reflects the existence of an ecological conscience, and this in turn reflects a conviction of individual responsibility for the health of land."

Central to Leopold's philosophy is the assertion to "quit thinking about decent land use as solely an economic problem." While recognizing the influence economics have on decisions, Leopold understood that ultimately, our economic well being could not be separated from the well being of our environment. Therefore, he believed it was critical that people have a close personal connection to the land.

"We can be ethical only in relation to something we can see, feel, understand, love, or otherwise have faith in."



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