## Final Report

## Illinois Wildlife Preservation Fund September 2009 OutdoorIllinois to Illinois Schools Project # 10-05W

Submitted by Kathy Andrews, Editor, OutdoorIllinois December 9, 2009

## Summary:

On September 2, 2009, a copy of the September 2009 *Outdoor*Illinois, containing an insert with a letter from Director Marc Miller and a subscription blank offering schools an at-cost subscription (\$10) (see attachment) was mailed to 4,566 Illinois public and private schools, targeting grades 5-12.

#### Content:

Cover—Danville Boys and Girls Club members participating in the Illinois Public Media's Youth Media Workshop (WILL TV, University of Illinois) project "Kickin' it a Kickapoo" paddling canoes and testing what they learned while working with biologists and park professionals to film public service announcements aimed at getting other youth out to the park.

Editorial—Make It's Our River Day a family outing

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Pages 2-4—Illinois State Museum Tech Academy

Page 5—The Lessons of a River (Niles Township High School; Biodiversity Field Trip Grant)

Pages 6-7—20 years of Stewardship Week

Page 8—Constructing a Courtyard Garden (Harlem Middle School; Schoolyard Habitat Action Grant)

Page 9—The Nature of Mendota's Students (Mendota High School; Schoolyard Habitat Action Grant)

Pages 10-11—Ice Cream as a Teaching Assistant? (Indiana Elementary School at Park Forest; Biodiversity Field Trip Grant)

Pages 12-14—Stopping the Flow of Drugs (Pontiac High School P2D2 program)

Page 15—Outdoor Adventure Goes to School (Lemont High School; Future Fisherman Foundation/Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation grant)

Pages 16-17—Raising Trout in the Classroom (St. Patricia School in Hickory Hills; Oak Brook Trout Unlimited, DNR and Sierra Club partnership)

Pages 18-19—Our Changing World (The Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum and sCool Globes initiative)

Page 20—premier new activity page; topic of fall colors Inside Back Cover—Overview of DNR Youth Programs

#### **Budget:**

Printing 5,000 magazines	\$2,650.00
Postage for 4,566 magazines	\$2,260.29
Total	\$4,911.28

This bill was submitted to Kathy Barker on September 11, 2009.

## **School subscriptions:**

To date, there have been 13 subscriptions that can be directly attributed to the September magazine mailing at the discounted rate of \$10/year. However, additional subscriptions may have been submitted using the regular rate, or by educators for their personal use.

The decision by the Governor/Director for a Green 2009 Illinois State Fair/Conservation World prohibited the usual distribution of surplus *Outdoor*Illinois magazines as promotional pieces to visitors in the Director's Tent. Instead, the agency has set up an on-line registration process for interested educators to request a "bundle" of past issues

## Request for PDFs of articles:

Trout Unlimited Web site/newsletter
Pontiac High School P2D2 Web site
Illinois Forest Resources Center Web site

## Web site availability:

PDF files of the September magazine have been posted at www.dnr.state.il.us/oi under "Featured Stories."

Valerie Keener has included notice of the availability of these stories to the distribution list the Division of Education maintains for listserv messages to educators. Notice also has been posted on the Division of Education's Facebook page.

Also, notice of the Web site has been included on the Division of Education's "New this Month" Web site, which also is sent to many organizations, who then pass it along to their members.

#### **Podcasts:**

The September 2009 *Outdoor*Illinois podcasts (posted at dnr.state.il.us/Podcasts/September) featured the editorial, and the stories "Stopping the Flow of Drugs" and the "Illinois State Museum Tech Academy."

#### Reactions from readers:

- From Illinois/Indiana Sea Grant re prescription drug article: "That's a wonderful article. We already received a call from a principal in Geneseo requesting information on the curriculum collection we are creating that will include P2D2 lesson plans, among other related resources."
- Paul Ritter (P2D2 program Pontiac HS): Called to say...amazing job; could not be more impressed and more thankful and humbled; unbelievable job; we are so thankful that we had a change to meet you and have you prepare such a tremendous story; awesome job and we look forward to working with you again sometime.
- Carol Fialkowski: Kudos on another great issue of *Outdoor*Illinois and so happy that copies will be sent to all schools. Informative, Inspiring, Diverse students and activities with a you-can-do it too approach. So great of you to take this on. I just loved the article about Pontiac High School—what a great project with such amazing outcomes.

- Evelyn Taylor: I enjoyed the issue, especially the articles on the several educational programs. The issue was quite good. Thanks for sending it.
- **Pam Murray**: This was a very impressive youth layout, we enjoyed it thoroughly.
- Chad Riesen: The article/magazine looks great! Thanks so much!!
- **John Hott**: Comments I've heard about the September magazine have been 100000000% positive. The cover looked great on the giant outdoor screen (20 ft high by 30 ft wide). The kids, parents and partners in the program etc were thrilled to get a copy.
- **Peggy Coolican**: The September *Outdoor*Illinois is very exciting. What a great way to show people what stewardship is.

#### Attachments:

DNR Director Marc Miller letter sent with mailing to schools Bill from Production Press Postal statement from the U.S. Post Office

KA/OI/Admin/grants/Sept 09 issue to schools WPF final report



# Illinois Department of **Natural Resources**

One Natural Resources Way Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271 http://dnr.state.il.us

Pat Quinn, Governor Marc Miller, Director

September 1, 2009

On behalf of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, and with a grant from the Illinois Wildlife Preservation Fund, we are pleased to present to your school library this complimentary issue of *Outdoor*Illinois magazine.

This is no ordinary magazine. This special issue—devoted entirely to programs that engage our youth in the outdoors—represents an illustrated, one-of-a-kind reference for educators and students seeking ideas for interesting, engaging ways to become effective stewards of the environment.

DNR is committed to providing quality natural and cultural resource education programs for Illinois residents—teachers and students, parents and children. See the inside back cover of this magazine, or visit our Web site at www.dnr.state.il.us for details on the many educational programs we offer.

- **Division of Education** development and dissemination of educational programs and materials and training in their use
- Youth Fishing Programs urban fishing clinics, tackle loaner program and more
- Illinois State Museums exhibits on Illinois' natural and cultural resources, educational workshops and guided group tours
- Safety Education Programs hunter, boating, snowmobile and trapping safety courses
- State Park Programs interpretive programs at some state parks
- Shooting Sports wingshooting teaches participants basic firearm and hunter safety
- Archery in the Schools curriculum-based archery education program

As Illinois' premiere monthly magazine for the outdoors enthusiast, *Outdoor*Illinois also can become a regular part of your school's environmental education curriculum. We've discounted the already-low \$15 annual subscription price to less than \$1 per issue for educational institutions. For just \$10 your school can receive 12 full-color issues of the award-winning *Outdoor*Illinois magazine, the official magazine of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

Tomorrow's fish and wildlife biologists, Conservation Police Officers and environmental experts are being educated in your classrooms today. *Outdoor*Illinois magazine can help make that educational experience memorable and inspiring.

Thanks for sharing this special issue with your students.

Sincerely,

Marc Miller, Director



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Pat Quinn, Governor

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October 5, 2009

Mrs. Kathy Barker Illinois Department of Natural Resources Office of Resource Conservation One Natural Resources Way Springfield, IL 62702

Dear Mrs. Barker:

Please regard this letter as an invoice for postage for special mailing for September *Outdoor*Illinois magazine to school throughout Illinois.

Invoice Date: October 5, 2009 Grant Number: 10-05W Invoice Amount: \$2,260.29

Please send payment to:

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C/O Tim Patterson

One Natural Resources Way

Springfield, IL 62702 Account #: PI 906

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Sincerely,

Kathy Andrews

Editor, *Outdoor*Illinois Office of Public Services

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