



# YMCA Adventure Guides

*Serving All of McLean County*

## 2007-2008 Sign-up Event

Sunday September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2007 1:00 – 3:00 P.M.

Miller Park Zoo, Bloomington

Free Admission to Zoo with Registration!

### ***New Member Registration Form***



Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Friend's Name/ \_\_\_\_\_

Circle Preference (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Child</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Grade</u>
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Please make your check payable to "YMCA Adventure Guides". The fee is \$40 for parent and one child, \$50 for parent and two or more children. A free program manual and t-shirts are provided for new members. You do not need to be a member of the YMCA to participate in the program.

## What Are YMCA Adventure Guides?

*(formerly YMCA Indian Guides)*

Adventure Guides are boys and girls from Kindergarten through 6th grade who, along with their fathers and/or mothers, want that special "parent-child" relationship described in our slogan – "Friends Forever". Using an adventure theme, children and their parents are organized into small "circle" units. Meetings vary from circle to circle, but are usually held once a month during the school year and last approximately an hour. The circle meetings are held in the various members' homes on a rotating basis. During these meetings the members construct crafts, tell stories, play games and sing. In addition to their regular circle functions, once a month the circles are all invited to an "Expedition" event. This year's Expedition events include: camping, wiener roast, marching in a parade, pinewood derby race, can food drive and more. The first Expedition event will be the Fall Campout held on September 22<sup>nd</sup> at Comlara Park.

As Adventure Guides, parents and kids have fun adventures while learning and spending time together. The immediate gain is sizable – enjoying time together – but the long-term gains will prove to be even more significant. For more program details, please visit us on the web at: [http://www.bnymca.org/adventure\\_guides.php](http://www.bnymca.org/adventure_guides.php) or call the YMCA at 827-6233.

### How Much Does This Cost?

The annual membership fee\* is \$20.00 for the parent(s) and \$20.00 for each child with a maximum cost of \$50.00 per family. This fee *includes a subscription to the "Buckskin Scroll" newsletter, a one week free family membership at the YMCA, and allows us to keep our participation fees for Expedition events to a minimum. Program t-shirts and a member's manual are also provided free to new members.* The program membership fee is due at sign up day or the campout.

**Note:** *Membership in the YMCA is not required to participate in the Adventure Guides program!*

\* Since the main goal of this program is to bring children and their parents closer together, we don't want to exclude families that feel they cannot afford the membership fee. Please let us know if this is an issue and the membership fee will be waived.