

1B JAC



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT of RESOURCES and ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
DIVISION of PARKS and RECREATION

172 Pembroke Road P.O. Box 1856 Concord, New Hampshire 03302-1856
PHONE: (603) 271-3556 FAX: (603) 271-3553 E-MAIL: nhparks@dred.state.nh.us
WEB: www.nhstateparks.org

September 10, 2014

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan
And the Honorable Executive Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to MOP 1103 (G) Travel Reimbursement Request Policy, authorize the Department of Resources and Economic Development, Division of Parks and Recreation, to advance funds in cash to a Community Recreation staff member to attend the National Association of State Park Volunteer Coordinators (NASPVC) Conference being held in Lawrence, Kansas from October 20, 23, 2014 through October 24, 2014. 100% Parks Fund

The participants who will be attending and staying for four (4) nights are:

Cash Advance Amount
\$750

Patrick Hummel, Volunteer Activities Coordinator

Funding for this request is available in account titled, Parks Administration, as follows:

03-35-35-351510-37010000-080-500712/500713 Out-of-State Travel Reimbursement FY 2015
\$750

EXPLANATION

The Conference for the National Association of State Park Volunteer Coordinators is a bi-annual, week-long series of meetings, presentations, and round-table discussions that allows for Volunteer Coordinators from State Agencies around the country to come together in order to share information and ideas, and learn more about trends, practices, policies, and successes within each other's States and programs.

In accordance with the Ten Year Strategic Development and Capital Improvement Plan and the additional emphasis on the value of a strong Volunteer Program as recommended by the State Park System Advisory Council, the Division of Parks and Recreation advocates for representation and participation at the Conference for The National Association of State Park Volunteer Coordinators. No state-issued credit card is available to support the anticipated expenses for this travel and direct payment by the individual traveling will cause undue financial hardship.

He will be representing the Division of Parks and Recreation at this conference, which includes the following sessions:

- Marketing with Social Media for Volunteers/Volunteer Management
- Public Lands Day Everyday campaign
- AmeriCorps, NCCC, Volunteer Vacations, YCC, and Friends Groups Conversations
- Special Events and Partnerships
- Talks with State Park Volunteers

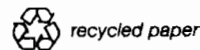
Respectfully submitted,

Concurred,

Philip A. Bryce
Director

Jeffrey J. Rose
Commissioner

PAB/JJR/ef



2014 National Conference

October 21-24, 2014

National Association of State Park Volunteer Coordinators

Welcome to Kansas

The mention of Kansas brings up sepia-toned visions of bison, wheat, wide open spaces, tornadoes and Dorothy Gale. Stereotypes aside, Kansas is also home to outstanding basketball teams, trophy deer, old growth forests, endangered black-footed ferrets, exotic sandstone canyons, coal mines and one of the most significant wetlands in the Central Flyway.

In short, by attending the 2014 Volunteer Conference, you will see the Technicolor version of Kansas. Your visit will house you in historic Lawrence, Kansas. Yes, Quantrill burned it, but it rebuilt to invent basketball. Sessions will also be held at Kaw River State Park, our newest, which adjoins the Governor's mansion property and utilizes an office building from the famous Menninger hospital campus. The only cross-country ski trail in our system loops through nearby Clinton State Park. Sessions at Eisenhower State Park, named for the Kansas-born president, will put you on the edge of the scenic Flint Hills.

During the sessions at the 2014 Volunteer Conference, you will hear from (and be fed by) some of our dynamic Friends Groups and volunteers. The keynote presenter will be Thomas McKee. Tom is the owner of Volunteer Power, a leadership development firm specializing in volunteerism. Over the past 40 years he has trained over 100,000 leaders how to manage the chaos of change in an organization. Tom is not only a speaker and leader, but he is the author of several books. More information can be found at <http://www.volunteerpower.com>.

So, sign up by September 1st to attend this year's conference.



Registration

The registration fee is \$100 which can be paid by check or credit card. Please make checks payable to Friends of Eisenhower State Park. FEIN# 80-0355382 or you can pay by credit card.

To register, complete the accompanying registration form by September 12th 2014. Please complete one form for each person attending. The registration form should be filled out and returned to Cherie Riffey.

Mail: KS Dept. of Wildlife Parks and Tourism
c/o Cherie Riffey
512 SE 25th Ave
Pratt, KS 67124

E-mailed: cherie_riffey@ksoutdoors.com
or faxed: 620-672-0745.



Arrival

Please plan to arrive Monday October 20th during the day. We are planning an evening reception at 7:00 in downtown Lawrence Kansas, location TBA. (Dinner will be on your own this night). For those that arrive early you can hike one of many trails in Lawrence or spend some free time on Mass Street in Downtown Lawrence.

For more information on Lawrence, check out <http://visitlawrence.com>.

Flight Plans and Shuttle

Please plan your arrival into Kansas City International Airport (MCI). We will have multiple vehicles running throughout the day on Monday. Please indicate arrival information on the registration form to help us plan the shuttle schedule. We ask that you book your flights with arrivals prior to 6:00 PM on Monday October 20th and departures after 8 AM on Friday October 24th.

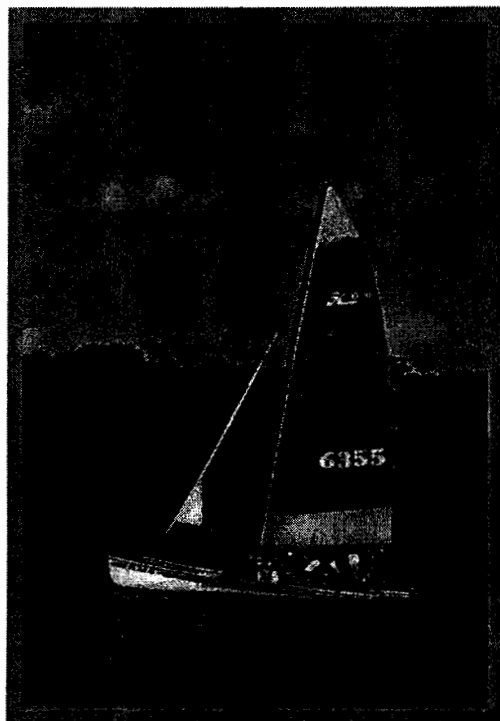
The drive from the airport to the hotel is approximately 1 hour.

Accommodations

This year's lodging will be at the Holiday Inn Express Hotel and Suites in Lawrence Kansas. The hotel has held 30 double queen rooms to accommodate you. **Reservations need to be made by September 22nd** to secure the rooms and the rate of \$79.00 per night (plus 14.70% tax). Group name is National Association of State Park Volunteer Coordinators. *If you would be willing to share a room with another person please let me know and I can get a room partner assigned to you.

The Hotel address is:

Holiday Inn Express Hotel and Suites
3411 Iowa Street
Lawrence, KS 66046
Phone: 785-749-7555



Information and Swap out:

Information: We will have an informational and resource table set up in the Carnegie Hall during the meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday. So please bring samples of forms, Bulletins, recruitment info, policy guides, handbooks, training outlines or other items for attendees to look at during the conference. If you provide these items electronically I will compile a jump drive of conference materials for attendees.

Swap Out: Bring Items to swap, t-shirts, hats, badges etc. You can ship these ahead of time if you wish.

Send packages to:
Kansas Dept. of Wildlife Parks and Tourism
c/o Cherie Riffey
512 SE 25th Ave.
Pratt, KS 67124