



◆ Quarter Notes ◆

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Spring 1999

Sing-A-Rounds

3rd Sat. of the month
from 2:00-4:00 PM

*Two Way Street Coffee House,
1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove.
630/969-9720.*

Sat: April 17, May 15, June 19.



REMINDER!!

It's Time to Reserve your campsite for
the 1999 Plank Road Annual Campout
at White Pines State Park, held August
13, 14 & 15. Details inside!

Barn Dance Party with Live String Band Music!

Sat., April 24 at 8:00 PM
at the

*Two Way Street Coffee House
1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove
Admission: \$4.00*

Barn Dance Band Practice

2nd Sat. of the month from 2:00-4:00 pm
*Jones Family Music Studio, Lombard, IL
630/916-1356*

SAT.: April 10, May 8
(No practices June through August)

PLANK ROAD
SPRING PARTY
Saturday, May 22 at
7:30 PM

*The Log Cabin at
Four Seasons Park in
Lombard (See inside for
more details!)*

A Workshop on Music Theory

Saturday, May 1 at 2:00-4:30 PM
Fee: \$20

*At the Jones Family Music Studio,
Lombard, IL*

*Alvin McGovern will teach us the
basics on music theory. More info
inside. To register, call 630/916-1356.*

Plank Road's Spring Schedule

Saturday, April 10 at 2:00-4:00 PM. **BARN DANCE BAND PRACTICE** Jones Family Music Studio, Lombard. 630/889-9121 or 630/916-1356. *All are welcome to join us as we brush up on our fiddle tunes and dance band music etiquette.*

Saturday, April 17 at 2:00-4:00 PM. **PLANK ROAD SINGAROUND.** Two Way Street Coffee House, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove. 630/969-9720. *Everyone is welcome! Good opportunity to get together with other players. Songbooks provided.*

Saturday, April 24 at 8:00 PM. **BARN DANCE BAND PARTY with Live String Band Music!** \$4.00. Two Way Street Coffee House, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove. 708/387-9312 or 630/889-9121. *Join us for an evening of music and dancing. Fun for the entire family! The Plank Road All Volunteer String Band will provide music and caller Marianne Mohrhussen will walk you through all the dances at our No Experience Necessary Barn Dance. Musicians warm-up at 7:30PM.*

Saturday, May 1 at 2:00 PM to 4:30 PM **MUSIC THEORY WORKSHOP** \$20.00 Jones Family Music Studio, Lombard. 630/916-1356. *Musicians use concepts of music theory to communicate. Beginners often believe that music theory is very complicated, or that it can only be explained with a keyboard, or that it can only be understood by reading music. These impressions are wrong. In this workshop, Alvin McGovern will guide us as we explore scales, keys and relationships. Bring pen and paper. A fretted instrument is useful but optional (guitar, banjo, mandolin...) Tape recorders welcome. Players or music lovers of all skills are welcome. Space is limited, so register today!*

Saturday, May 8 at 2:00-4:00 PM **BARN DANCE BAND PRACTICE** Jones Family Music Studio, Lombard. 630/889-9121 or 630/916-1356. *All are welcome to join us as we brush up on our fiddle tunes and dance band music etiquette.*

Saturday, May 15 at 2:00-4:00 PM. **PLANK ROAD SINGAROUND.** Two Way Street Coffee House, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove. 630/969-9720. *Everyone is welcome! Good opportunity to get together with other players. Songbooks provided.*

Saturday, May 22 at 7:30 PM. **PLANK ROAD SPRING PARTY.** Lombard Park District's Log Cabin, Four Seasons Park on Main St. Lombard (between Roosevelt Rd and 22nd St.) 708/387-9312 or 630/889-9121. *Help us celebrate another successful year with an evening of music, friends and (of course) food! Bring an instrument, your voice, a friend and a finger-food type dish to share!*

Saturday, June 19 at 2:00-4:00 PM. **PLANK ROAD SINGAROUND.** Two Way Street Coffee House, 1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove. 630/969-9720. *Everyone is welcome! Good opportunity to get together with other players. Songbooks provided.*



Congratulations to Mark Dvorak!! Mark's newest CD *The Streets of Old Chicago* (released last fall) was named a Crossroads Music Awards Finalist!!

APPLICATION FOR CAMPSITE RESERVATION

(The \$5.00 fee is for the reservation only and is non-refundable. Campers must pay the applicable camping and utility fees upon arrival. Do not pay the camping fees in advance--only the reservation fee.)

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone:

____ - ____ - _____ (Home)

____ - ____ - _____ (Work)

PLEASE GROUP WITH
JIM SHILT & FAMILY

ENTER CHOICE OF RESERVATION DATES (Maximum of 14 nights)

1 Month _____ Day _____ YR _____ through Month _____ Day _____ YR _____

2 Month _____ Day _____ YR _____ through Month _____ Day _____ YR _____

Number of persons in party _____ (One camping unit per site - 4 people or one family)

Site Name: Cedar Ridge Campsite #: _____ (optional)

Type of camping unit: Motor home, tent, trailer, van, etc. _____

if motor-home camper or trailer...
how long is it? _____

If requested campsite is not available, do you want site staff to assign a site? Yes No

Class of campsite requested (A, B/E, B/S, C or D): 1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____

Send this reservation form and reservation fee to the site. Up to six reservation can be submitted per envelope. Groups can mail more than six per envelope as long as no more than six are for one individual.

Did you enclose your \$5.00 reservation fee?

Return to Campsite Reservation System

Campsite Reservation System

The Campsite Reservation System offers the opportunity to reserve a campsite at selected state parks and recreation areas throughout Illinois.

Reservations

- Reservations will be **accepted** by mail and in person only.
- Mail reservations will be accepted beginning **January 2**, and in-person reservations will be accepted beginning **February 1**.
- Sites may be reserved from **May 1 through October 31**. Some sites accept reservations year-round; please contact individual sites for this information.
- **Mail reservations** must be received **seven days** in advance of the camping date to insure the reservation.
- A specific site may be reserved if it is located in the reserved campground.
- A site may be reserved for a maximum of **14 nights**.
- **Reservations** will be held until **10 p.m.**
- A reserved camp site must be **vacated by 3 p.m.** on the last day of the reservation period.
- **Three-night reservations** are required for **Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day weekends**.

Costs

The reservation fee is \$5.00 for each camp site reserved. Starved Rock collects the first night's camping fee. This fee is non-refundable unless the campground is closed by the Department of Natural Resources. Payment for reservations must be confirmed by the site. The site will mail a confirmation notice to persons making reservations. The \$5.00 fee is in addition to the regular camping and utility fees. Regular camping fees are as follows:

Class A Campgrounds--Availability of showers, electricity, vehicular access and utility fee -- **\$11**

Class B/E Campgrounds--Electricity, vehicular access and utility fee -- **\$10**

Class B/S Campgrounds--Showers and vehicular access -- **\$8**

Class C Campgrounds--Vehicular access or walk-in with shower access -- **\$7**

Class D Campgrounds--Tent camping or primitive sites (walk-in or backpack) with no vehicular access -- **\$6**

To Reserve a Campsite You Must:

1. **Complete the Campsite Reservation Form , and**
2. **Pay the \$5.00 reservation fee.**

If you are mailing the reservation, you must send the application along with the \$5.00 fee directly to the Site. Make check payable to the Department of Natural Resources (Site Name).

Remember:

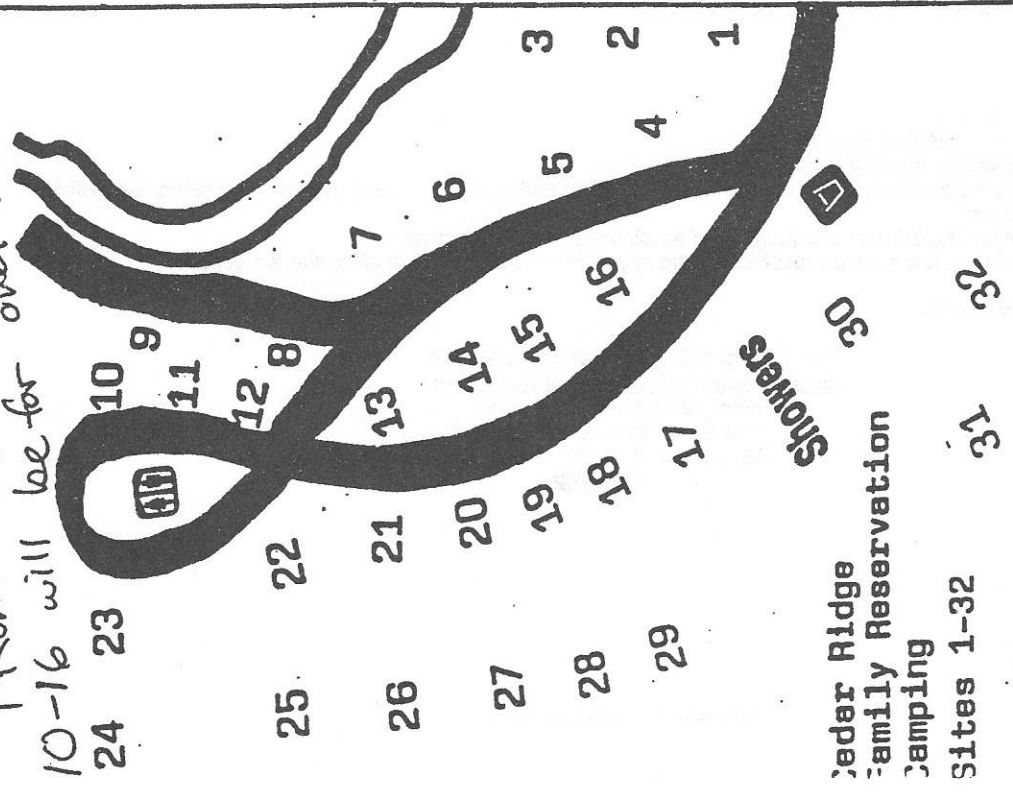
1. The reservation fee will **not** be refunded.
2. Mail reservations will be **accepted** beginning January 2.
3. In-person reservations will be **accepted** beginning February 1.
4. Reservations are **not** final until the fee is **received** by the site. A confirmation notice will be mailed to persons making reservations.
5. Reservations will be **held** until 10 p.m.
6. Campers must **comply** with all other Department camping **rules** which are posted at each site.
7. Reservation application and reservation fee must be received by the site seven days before the campsite is needed.

Application for Campsite Reservation.

For additional information, contact:
Illinois Department of Natural Resources
Division of Land Management
524 South Second Street
Springfield, IL 62701-1787
(217) 782-6752

CHOOSE SITES

From 19-32
10-16 will be for over flow folks



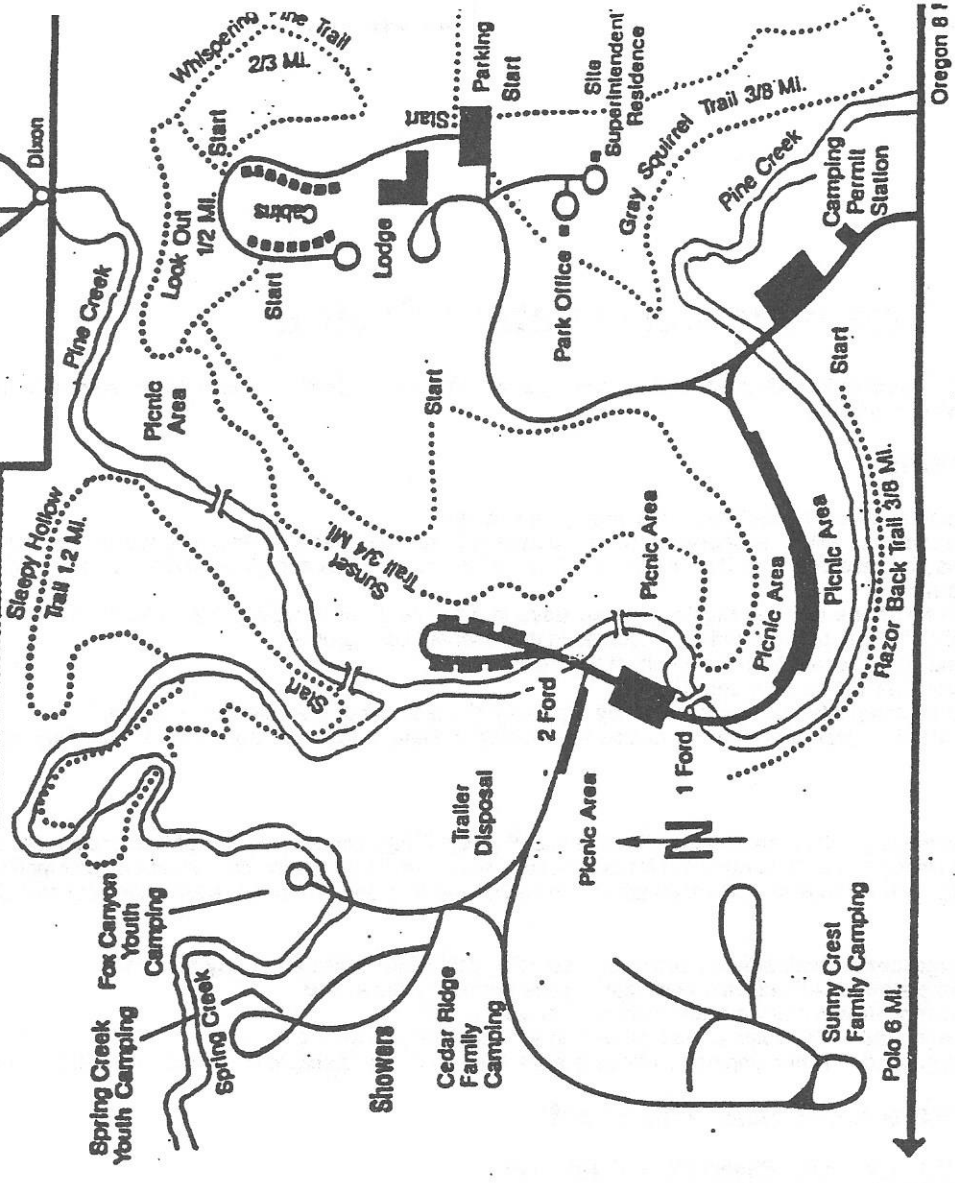
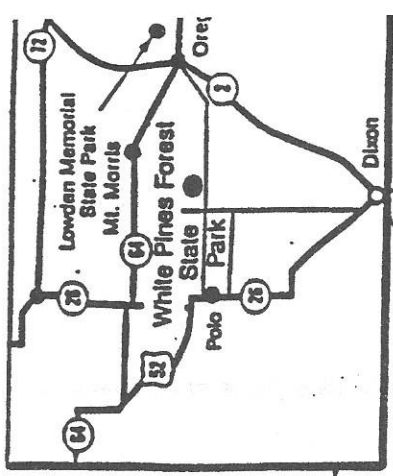
Cedar Ridge Family Reservation
Camping Sites 1-32

The following campsites are fairly level and would accommodate either motor homes or trailers: 6,8,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22, 23,24,31.

White Pines Forest

STATE PARK

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES



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Plank Road Notes

Whew! We have had quite a busy winter season, but very successful! The Annual Meeting was well attended. Our current slate of officers remains the same. There was much music, and a great time of visiting with friends old and new. We even had pretty decent weather this year (no snow or ice!), although the fireplace was put to good use. We are looking forward to using the Log Cabin again on May 22 for a Plank Road Spring Party, with music, friends and food! So make plans to join us then. Maybe the weather will be nice enough for a fire outside—our first campfire song circle of the year!

Dan Keding drew a crowd of 36 on a Saturday afternoon to hear his songs and stories at the Two Way Street Coffee House. A good time was had by all, and we look forward to having Dan back again at Plank Road.

The Sweetheart Dance went on as planned, despite the fact that Marianne was ill that evening, along with several band members. Fortunately, our good friend Tony Scarimbolo stepped in to do the calling. (Thanks, Tony!!) We had 22 dancers, and a smaller band of 9 musicians. The music was lively, and the dancers barely caught their breath before they were ready to jump in to the next dance. Be sure to join us on April 24. (Marianne has promised to be in good health!)

We are pleased to be co-sponsoring with the Jones Family Music Studio a workshop on Music Theory taught by Alvin McGovern. We encourage any of you who always wanted to understand the basics of music theory to check it out!

Please note that due to construction in downtown Downers Grove, the Heritage Festival will be relocating to the North side of the tracks for the next couple of years. Find out more about the new location of the Folk Stage in the next issue of the Quarter Notes.

See you down the old Plank Road,

Catherine Jones, QN Editor

Plank Road's 1999 Campout August 13, 14 & 15 Register Today!!

Yes, its that time again! As the warmer weather approaches, our thoughts turn to the Plank Road Annual Campout. This year's campout will be August 13, 14 & 15. As always, we will have singing and playing around the campfire Friday and Saturday evenings (with the "dessert bar" on Friday night—bring your favorite dessert to share), and plenty of time to hike, canoe, fish, or whatever way you wish to relax and enjoy the weekend. If you are not interested in staying overnight, consider coming out for the day on Saturday, or for the music in the evening.

We are actually getting off to a late start this year. Because site reservations are first come first serve, please send your application form and deposit in to White Pines State Park *immediately* so Plank Road members, family and friends can have our campsites as closely together as possible. To make this easier, we have enclosed the registration form and information in this issue of the Quarter Notes. A map is also enclosed. Choose from sites 19-32 on the application. Also be sure to note whether you are camping in a tent, camper, motor home, etc.

Register today! We look forward to having a great time at White Pines State Park this year!!

If you have any questions, call Jennifer Shilt at 630/690-2088 or Cathy Jones at 630/889-9121.

PLANK ROAD MEMBERSHIP & ORDER FORM

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TOWN _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

Cut out order blank and send to address below. Please make checks payable to the Plank Road Folk Music Society
PO Box 283, Brookfield, IL 60513

MEMBERSHIPS

___ Individual (\$5/Year) ___ Family (\$9/Year)
___ 2 years (\$10) ___ 2 years (\$18)

how many price@ TOTAL

Membership amount enclosed		
Cassette: "Down the Old Plk Rd"	\$10	
Cassette: "Songs We've Shared"	\$10	
PRFMS T-Shirt S M L XL	\$12	
Add \$1.50 for T-shirt or Tape (postage)		
TOTAL ENCLOSED		

