October Saturday Program

The upcoming Saturday Program is one of my favorites. Not only is it partially outdoors, but it has to do with nature and careers that involve working with animals. When you go to the wolf sanctuary, you’ll hear about wolves and how they are reintroduced into the wild. You’ll also hear some interesting facts about the facilities.

The property where the Wild Canid Center is located, belonged to the military before World War II.. They used it to store ammunition during WWII and the Korean War. There are about 50 large bunkers buried on the property which are covered by brush and trees to protect them from attack. You’ll see train tracks that are no longer used and a platform that was used for boarding the train.

I didn’t realize the secrecy that surrounded the area during the war years until I heard a story recently from someone who had visited the Wolf Sanctuary. The person delivering the story had lived in St. Louis all his life and, during WWII, had worked at a munitions depot. The amazing thing was, he never knew where the munitions depot was located. To get to work, he would go to Union Station in downtown St. Louis and get on a train. The train had blacked out windows and made no stops until it arrived at the munitions depot out in the country. He would work his shift, get back on the train with blacked out windows, and go back to Union Station.

On a visit to the wolf sanctuary more than 55 years after WWII ended, the story teller recognized the terrain and the bunkers. He realized the place he used to come to by blacked out train from St. Louis, was the same location as the wolf sanctuary and the buried bunkers were where he used to work. I, for one, like the work being done there now much better than the work done there during the war years.

Vocabulary Books

Upward Bound students will be receiving vocabulary books this week. Students are required to pass (80%) a vocabulary test over these words in order to go on the summer trip in 2008. It is important to start studying the words now. Procrastination is a bad habit that will be a barrier to successfully completing college. Study the words, not only to pass the test, but also to improve your communication skills. Words give you power.

Television commentator William S. Buckley has a tremendous vocabulary and would often overpower his debate opponents through the use of long words, whose definitions only highly literate people would know. He wouldn’t win on logic of argument but on frustrating his opponents.

Modern day readers do not posses the vocabulary that people had in the previous generation. Studies have shown that high school students know only 2/3 of the words the average student knew 20 years ago. Kurtus, Ron. "Importance of a Good Vocabulary in Writing." Web page. 2003.2 May. http://www.school-for-champions.com/writing/vocabulary.htm

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...Alie got her license for driving???
...Erin got her driver’s permit.
...Matt F. will be Clarence in the NC Christmas play, "It’s A Wonderful Life."
...Alie was inducted into the National Honor Society.
...Jacob is a proud owner of two more minions, a brown squirrel and a ferret.
...Congratulations! These students received their acceptance letters from Mineral Area College.

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Our deepest sympathy to Jessica Romero whose father David Romero, passed away.

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October 13, 2007

will be the focus of the October Saturday
side and some time outside while learning
, dressing in layers would be a good idea.
wear good walking shoes. Our Saturday
ry and the Wild Canid Center. Both places
ld, and both work to preserve endangered
ctuary first and leave there after having
wolf center starts at 1:00 and will last until
os at the gift shop and purchases you make

Memo

To: Upward Bound Students
From: Darlene Pogue, Director Upward Bound I
Jerry Sullivan, Director Upward Bound II
Date: 10-2-07
Re: Saturday Program – Oct

Wolves, birds, and other critters will
Program. We will spend some time inside
about birds and wolves, so, if it’s cool, dr
There will be some walking involved, so we
will be spent at the World Bird Sanctuary:
care for and return creatures to the wild,
species.

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lunch on their grounds. Our tour of the wol
3:00 p.m. You will have a SHORT time at
We'll go to the World Bird Sanctuary lunch on their grounds. Our tour of the wolf center starts at 1:00 and will last until 3:00 p.m. You will have a **SHORT** time at the gift shop and purchases you make will be at the gift shop and purchases you make at 9:00 a.m. in the North College Center and we intend to be back at MAC at 4:30 p.m.

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Buses will pick you up at the main entrance to your school. We’ll look forward to seeing you on **October 13**.