

# ARPA NEWS YOU CAN USE...



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## **ARPA CREATIVE CAMP - 2010**

The ARPA Education Committee has worked hard to put together an outstanding program for this year's first Creative Camp. The ARPA Creative Camp will be held April 13-14 at Camp Skyline in Mentone, AL. Registration for camp is \$125 per person (after March 8). This price includes 6 hours of education, lodging, and meals. Registration forms are available on-line at [www.arpaonline.org](http://www.arpaonline.org). Please make checks payable to ARPA and mail to the State Office at P.O. Box 230579, Montgomery, AL 36123.

A detailed schedule and letter will be sent to each individual registered.

## **NRPA LEGISLATIVE FORUM - WASHINGTON D.C.**

Next week the ARPA State Office will be closed, due to travel to Washington D.C. for the annual Legislative Forum. A small group of ARPA membership and leaders will be attending. Meetings have been set with all Alabama members of Senate and Congress. We will be discussing many issues that directly affect parks and recreation and the State of Alabama. These issues include, but are not limited to: funding for parks and public lands, transportation reauthorization, children in nature, No Child Left Inside, Play Everyday, recreational trails and programs, Land and Water Conservation Fund.



## **ARPA STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT - GADSDEN**

The ARPA State Basketball Tournament will be held this weekend, March 12-14 in Gadsden, AL. All brackets are available on the City of Gadsden's website at [www.cityofgadsden.com](http://www.cityofgadsden.com). You may access these brackets by clicking on "news". ARPA is also trying to get a link from our website as well. Please don't forget to send an ARPA representative with your team if you are planning on participating in the tournament.



## MEMBER QUESTION – PLEASE RESPOND TO ARPA

1. For programs such as Aerobics, Pilates, and Zumba, what percentage agreement does each department have with the instructor, such as 75/25, 60/40, etc.
2. Specifically, for Water Aerobics, how is your instructor compensated?

*Please respond by e-mailing to:*

*arpa@knology.net or ldean@arpaonline.org*

## ARE YOU READY FOR SUMMER?...

District III will be hosting a Summer Day Camp Staff or After-School Staff Training on Wednesday, June 2, from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at Green Valley Elementary in Hoover. The speaker for this event will be Gregg Catalano – Physician of Phun and the cost to sign up is only \$20 per person.

Ready or not here they come! How prepared are you – physically and mentally to handle the arrival of campers, parents, and other fun-seekers, to your many summer camps, programs, events, and activities? Find out not only the answer to this question; but, gain valuable insight and practical information to ensure that all your ducks are in a row and that your staff is ready to make this your best summer camp ever. Limited registration, spaces are limited so sign up early. The registration form will be available on the ARPA website at [www.arpaonline.org](http://www.arpaonline.org). Please note this event is hosted by District 3 – so all registrations will need to be mailed and payable to ARPA District 3 at:



Summer Day Camp Training  
c/o Mike Sullivan  
1632 Oxmoor Road  
Homewood, AL 35209

## ARPA UPCOMING EVENTS...

There are so many events planned for the next few months it is hard to list some and not leave one out, so if you have a district event or an ARPA event that you would like listed, please send this to me and I will include it in the next newsletter and get it on the state calendar.

### April

- 3<sup>rd</sup> – State Office Closed in observance of Good Friday (Easter)
- 7<sup>th</sup> – Recreational Sports Committee Meeting at State Office
- 9-10 – T.R. Spring Camporee in Hoover
- 13-14 – ARPA Creative Camp in Mentone, AL (Camp Skyline)
- 21-22 – Al. Five-O Spring Fling hosted by the Opelika Pks & Rec Dept.
- 30 – All Rules Changes Due for Rec Sports Committee

### May

- 5 – Recreational Sports Committee Meeting at State Office
- 18 – District 5 Golf Tournament at Lagoon Park Montgomery
- 19 – CDS Meeting in Birmingham
- 26 – District 1 Meeting in Florence

### June

- 2 – District 2 Meeting, District 6 Meeting
- 2 – Day Camp Counselor Workshop, hosted by Dist 3
- 3 – T. R. One Day Workshop
- 9 – District 3, 4, and 5 Meetings
- 15 – tentative COPP Committee Meeting at State Office
- 16 – Board of Directors Meeting at State Office
- 25 – All State Bids Due for Recreational Sports