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Spring Turkey Hunt PHOTO CONTEST



Beyond The Backyard is proud to introduce our Spring Turkey Hunt Photo Contest. We are going to select two children to go on all expense paid turkey hunts in the Spring of 2011. One child will get to go to Ohio during the youth turkey season, and one child will go on a turkey hunt during the West Virginia youth turkey season. Both children will have excellent guides and have their hunts professionally filmed. We require that the parent or guardian of the selected winners attend the hunt.

The contest will begin on January 1, 2011 and end on April 1, 2011. Be sure to send us your photos from your 2010 hunting, fishing, or camping adventures. You can email them at www.beyondthebackyard.org or mail them to our base camp.

Remember, the photos do not have to be hunting pictures to win the competition. We will be looking for creativity, clarity, and your ability to capture that great outdoor moment with your family. We will post all photos on Beyond The Backyards' website in our photo gallery. The winners' photos will be featured on our website and in our newsletter. We look forward to getting all of your photos!



A BOBBY WARNER CHARITABLE YOUTH FOUNDATION

FOR THE BIRDS

A winter activity we can do to help wildlife is to make a bird feeder. This will help the birds get through the long, cold winter months, and we can enjoy watching the birds and identifying the kinds of birds coming to the feeder. A mix of black oil sunflower seeds with mixed seed, peanuts, thistle, and fruit will attract the maximum number of birds. Most birds like to perch nearby to check things out before coming in to a feeder, so put your feeders near areas that birds regularly use.

Hey kids! WIN a birdfeeder!

Making a bird feeder can be as simple as cutting out the sides of a plastic milk container, adding birdseed, and hanging it in a tree, or smearing a pine cone with peanut butter and rolling it in birdseed and hanging it up. Use your imagination, get some help from your family, and make your own. Take pictures of your creation and the birds that come to it. Then submit those pictures to our website by March 1st to be entered into a drawing to win a bird feeder donated by Wetsel Inc.

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Winter 2011

Do You Want More Information
on Beyond The Backyard?

Contact us at 866-WV-WOODS or
visit BEYONDTHEBACKYARD.ORG



Win
AN ALL EXPENSE PAID
HUNTING TRIP TO THE
GOLDEN TRIANGLE
AREA OF ILLINOIS

Read the "West Virginia Hunting
& Fishing Show" for more details

VISIT US AT BEYONDTHEBACKYARD.ORG



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Welcome back Chris!

We at Beyond The Backyard would like to welcome back Chris Walls. Chris is our Director of Public Relations, and he has been instrumental in developing Beyond The Backyard, organizing many of the programs and events that we hold. Chris has been out on medical leave over the past few months, and we are happy to report that he is back in our office again. You can reach out to Chris at cwalls@beyondthebackyard.org.

Fan us on Facebook!

Social media is becoming the first option of communication among today's youth. Beyond The Backyard has a strong presence in social media. We have both YouTube and Facebook pages. You can view our videos on YouTube or subscribe to our Facebook page by simply visiting www.beyondthebackyard.org. This is a great way to learn about upcoming events, share photos and our organization with your friends.



Animal Tracks IN THE SNOW CONTEST

We at Beyond The Backyard would like to issue a winter challenge to kids, and in the process you could win a new Garmin Handheld GPS unit. Our challenge, parents, is to get outdoors with your kids after a fresh snow, and discover the mystery behind nature's undiscovered animal tracks. Try to identify what animals left the tracks, and even follow the tracks to see where they go. A digital camera, a ruler, and a field guide will help to identify what animals left the tracks. Take pictures of your adventure, including pictures with your family, and the tracks that you discovered, and submit a short story to our website. The best entry will win a Garmin Dakota 20 Handheld GPS Bundle package, that you can use for future excursions. The contest begins immediately and all entries must be submitted by March 30, 2011. The winning entry will also be featured on our website and in our newsletter. Good luck and have fun!



Jackson Warner and family, with his 2010 buck



WHAT'S HAPPENING

West Virginia Hunting Seasons Open After January 1st

Species	Season Open Through
Squirrel.....	January 31, 2011
Ruffed Grouse.....	February 28, 2011
Cottontail Rabbit.....	February 28, 2011
Snowshoe Hare.....	February 28, 2011
Raccoon.....	February 28, 2011
Red/Gray Fox.....	February 28, 2011
Bobcat.....	February 28, 2011
Coyote.....	Continuous Open Season

STATE PARK ACTIVITIES

January 2, 2010
Little Princess Ball
North Bend State Park
A father-daughter evening out.
For reservations and info:
304-643-2931

January 9, 2010
14th Annual Winter Walk
Kanawha State Forest
Free to All
Donations Appreciated!
Call 304-925-2771 or
304-558-3500

January 15-17, 2010
Lore & Tracking
Twin Falls Resort State Park
Contact: Joe Swiney
304-294-4000

February 12-14, 2010
Great Backyard Bird Count
Pipestem Resort State Park
Participate in this nationwide birding day.
Call 304-466-1800 x. 344

WEST VIRGINIA 2011 Hunting & Fishing Show

The West Virginia Hunting and Fishing Show is set for January 21, 22, and 23, 2011 at the Charleston Civic Center. Beyond The Backyard will have booths #134 and #135. We encourage you to stop and find out the latest information on Beyond The Backyard! We hope that you will encourage all of your friends to come by our booth and sign up for a free membership. New members will receive a free t-shirt, and we will have several door prizes. We are also giving away an all expense paid deer hunting trip to the Golden Triangle Area of Illinois for Fall 2011!*

*During the West Virginia Hunting and Fishing Show, Beyond The Backyard will give away an all expense paid deer hunting trip for two to the Golden Triangle Area of Illinois. This is a parent/child deer hunt with weapon of your choice. The child must be at least 10 years old by the time of the hunt, and only the child will be allowed to harvest a deer; this hunt was donated for a child only. The hunt will take place in the Fall of 2011, and the dates will be determined after the choice of weapon is confirmed. All you have to do is stop by our booth and sign up for membership in our foundation to be eligible. If you are already a member of the foundation, please stop by our booth to register. You must register at the Beyond The Backyard booth during this three day event to become eligible for the drawing. We hope to see you in Charleston! Detailed contest rules apply to this competition, including dates, how to enter, prize value, and any restrictions are available upon request from Beyond The Backyard. Contact Chris Walls or Boyd Warner III for more information.

Some cool snow day activities

- Make snow angels
- Make a snow fort or igloo
- Make a snowman or snow sculpture
- Look for and follow animal tracks
- Put up a birdfeeder and watch the birds
- Snow painting with squeeze bottles and food coloring
- Sled riding
- Snowball battle
- Snow hike or nature hike
- Snow bowling
- Drink hot chocolate

Word Find

Can you find them all?

Using the list below, find the words about beyondthebackyard.org that are hidden in the jumble.

- GPS
- TRACKS
- ADVENTURE
- DISCOVER
- BIRDS
- GUIDE
- SNOW
- FEEDER
- SEED
- FORT
- FOX
- HARE
- BOBCAT
- HIKE
- FUN

R T M C O Y O T E U H
G U Y T R A C K S O I
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