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Dear Supporters,

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for helping to make it possible for our organization to continually achieve more and more every year—and 2010 was more than exceptional! Because of you and a very dedicated crew, we exceeded the goals we set at the beginning of the year. We upgraded and restored equipment, helping us produce more results, more efficiently. Nearly 4,000 volunteers were recruited to help clean up rivers in 11 states, including four new states—Arkansas, Tennessee, Louisiana, and Mississippi. We planted or gave away 107,000 trees as part of our MillionTrees project. Because of the generous donation of a 30-ton crane, we will be able to pick up boats, cars, and larger items that we were not able to in the past. *River Warriors*, a one hour special that aired on Discovery Channel in June, featured LL&W and its crew. We received a great response from many of the thousands of people who watched the show, further aiding in delivering our mission. I also want to personally thank all of you who cast your votes in Mitchum Deodorant's "Hardest Working Person in America" contest, helping me win first place. All in all, 2010 was one of the most exciting and productive years on record.

We continued to work hard throughout the year, all the while preparing the organization strategically and financially for the building of our new floating classroom that we hope to have completed by June 15. Over the past seven years we have had 1,700 educators come aboard our existing barge to attend over 92 free workshops. With the new classroom, we'll be able to ramp up our educational programming with additional workshops to accommodate not only more teachers, but junior and senior high school students as well.

In closing, I would like to put out a special thanks to you, the crew, all the thousands of volunteers, and our board of directors for making it all possible. I have been blessed to work side by side with so many great people and I look forward to doing it again in 2011.



Founder & President



Living Lands & Waters' Mission

To aid in the protection, preservation and restoration of the natural environment of the nation's major rivers and their watersheds.

To expand awareness of environmental issues and responsibility encompassing the river.

To create a desire and an opportunity for stewardship and responsibility for a cleaner river environment.

"Never ... has so much been owed by so many to so few."

Winston Churchill solemnly regaled the citizens of the British Isles when the small British air force repulsed the waves of German fighters for weeks in the air battle over Britain. A remarkable and invaluable series of efforts which never cease to inspire me.

Living Lands & Waters' river cleanups, river education and tree planting efforts similarly inspire. However, Chad's and the LL&W team's remarkable and invaluable contribution is in getting "so many to do so much" for their own rivers and communities. Chad is the catalyst for good, hard, lasting things to happen. He draws us out of our little worlds and houses, and awakens and pulls our spirits to work together to accomplish much. A lot was accomplished in 2010. You will read about it in the following pages. You are a part of the effort that was, and is, continuing to clean our rivers and shores, to educate people about river ecology and business, and to plant hardwood trees to improve the environment for creatures large and small.

Thank you for your past contributions and be ready for 2011. LL&W is not slowing down. It is organically expanding to inspire more spirits to do even more.

A special thanks to the office staff and the board of directors who are both, in different ways, asked to do more and more to keep things running smoothly in choppy waters.

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2010 Expenses

EXPENSES

Program Services

Salaries and Benefits	380,986
Contract Services	31,452
Travel & Lodging	66,734
Operating Expense	177,505
Repair Expense	47,372
Insurance Expense	76,631
Educational Programs	7,243
MillionTrees Project	84,011
Other Projects	46,018
Depreciation	80,133

TOTAL 998,085

SUPPORTING SERVICES

Management & General

Salaries and Benefits	103,983
Office Supplies and Equipment	30,886
Professional Fees	14,864
Depreciation	4,012
TOTAL	153,745

Public Relations

Website	2,317
Annual Fundraiser	18,868
Promotional Expense	10,342
Marketing/Fundraising	34,341
TOTAL	65,868

TOTAL EXPENSES 1,217,698

Results... Not Rhetoric

CUMULATIVE GARBAGE STATISTICS

5-Gallon Buckets	2,965	Trash Cans	296
55-Gallon Drums	5,692	Car Engines	14
Bags of Trash	63,499	Chairs	1,008
Sinks	127	Stoves	186
Tires	62,571	TVs	204
Barge Rope	16,457 ft.	Lawn Mowers	49
Refrigerators	906	Couches	47
Air Conditioners	60	Motorcycles	11
Washing Machines	213	Cars	8
Gas Tanks/Cans	347	Dishwashers	66
Propane Tanks	1,259	Barge Cable	8,641 ft.
Mannequin Hands	2	Bathtubs	24
Hot Water Heaters	262	Mattresses	84
Porta-Potties	17	Duck Decoys	188
BBQ Grills	143	Trucks	1
Shopping Carts	46	Toilets	94
Coolers	229	Septic Tanks	2
Bowling Balls	84	School Bus Tops	1
Bowling Pins	29	Bags of Police Riot Gear	12
Toy Dolls	144	Construction Cones	87
Boats	63	Big Wheels	37
Freezers	100	Parking Meters	1
1970's Ford Econoline Van	1	Pianos	2
Balls	14,478	Jet Skis	4
250-Gallon Drums	62	Messages in Bottles	61
Milk Crates	673	Buoys	167
Bicycles	101	Sunken Barges	3
Life Jackets	198	1-inch Thick Styrofoam	13
Tractors	19	football fields	





— RIVER CLEANUPS —

Living Lands & Waters hosts numerous community river cleanups each year with help from volunteers of all ages. Volunteers board LL&W's work boats, piloted by the crew, and head to predetermined sites along shorelines and islands. With trash bags and shovels in hand, volunteers scour the shoreline. At the end of the day, the crew moves the garbage from the shoreline to boats, and then to the barges for unloading and sorting—recyclable items on one barge and the remaining garbage on another.

In 2010, the crew and volunteers removed approximately 122 tons (244,073 pounds!) of debris with the help of over 3,933 volunteers at 64 community-based cleanups in 11 states.



— EDUCATION & OUTREACH —

2010 was a solid year for Living Lands & Waters' (LL&W) educational programming and outreach. The staff and crew brought teachings of the river (and garbage!) into classrooms of 3,221 students at 24 different schools and universities, took 238 students outdoors for hands-on river field trips, spoke to 4,478 people in local civic and conservation groups, and participated in community outreach events with a total of 20,554 people attending.

New Floating Classroom

Construction of LL&W's new floating classroom will begin in early spring. To celebrate the newest addition to the LL&W fleet, the classroom will make its maiden voyage down the Upper Mississippi River, beginning in St. Paul in July and ending in St. Louis in September, before heading up the Illinois River in the fall. During the summer, teachers, city officials, and other members of the community will be invited to tour the new classroom, and the first group of high school students will come aboard on the Illinois River in October.

Thank you to our sponsors and supporters for giving us the opportunity to communicate the value and importance of our rivers to thousands of students and communities!

— MILLION TREES PROJECT —

The MillionTrees Project continues to grow! In March, a group of students from the University of Illinois-Chicago spent their spring break at LL&W headquarters preparing 12,000 oak saplings for distribution. Later in the month, over 400 volunteers joined us in Louisville, KY to help remove five acres of invasive species. In April our focus was on harvesting, wrapping and delivering trees, and hosting five tree plantings with partner organizations. Volunteer tree huggers in Memphis, TN and in Peoria, IL helped us plant thousands of seedlings on public land. In May we organized a tree planting in Des Moines, IA with a goal to plant 6,500 trees in a single day. With the help of 200 volunteers, we exceeded our target by 2,000 trees...and still finished early! In early October we traveled to NE Iowa for a restoration project and, later in the month, LL&W and partners planted more than 100 oak trees at a Rock Island County Forest Preserve.

Plans for the coming year include harvesting 30,000 oak saplings from our nursery in Beardstown, IL, plus another 70,000 from our partner nursery. We plan to replenish the nursery by collecting community-donated acorns and planting them in the fall of 2011. By then, we'll be halfway to our goal of growing One Million Trees! We truly appreciate the great community support we continue to receive in order to keep this project going.

"A wise man plants a tree under whose shade he does not expect to sit." —Author Unknown

— ALTERNATIVE SPRING BREAK —

In March the crew welcomed 86 college students from across the nation who chose to spend their spring break removing trash and sorting recyclables on the Ohio River in Louisville, KY. Over the course of two weeks, students and crew traversed the river on foot and in boats, filling a barge with nearly 30,000 pounds of debris. During the third week, University of Illinois-Chicago students prepared 12,000 oak seedlings at LL&W headquarters for distribution as part of the MillionTrees project.



Adopt-A-River Mile Program 2010

MISSISSIPPI RIVER

GROUP NAME	# OF MILES	MILE #'s
CYC-June Combs	2	108-110 IL
AmeriCorps-Belleville/East St. Louis	1	180-181 IL
Azcon Corporation	3	202.5-205.5 IL
Twilman, Joan	2	212-214 MO
Mississippi Crews	10	273-283 MO
Hannibal Early Bird Kiwanis	1	308-309 MO
Greenwell Family	1	309-310 MO
Warsaw H.S.	2	359-361 IL
Kibbe Life Science Field Station	2	362-364 IL
AmerenUE	2	364-365 IL/IA
Bob Flam Family	1	371-372 IA
Lee County Conservation Board	1	376-377 IA
Reida, Jon	2	381-383 IL
Beelman Sisters	1	382-383 IA
Ft. Madison High School	1	383-384 IA
Motorcyclists For Jesus	34	384-401 IL/IA
Cascade Boating Association	2	401-403 IA
Burlington Rotary	2	403-404 IL/IA
ADM Grain-Gulfport, IL	1	404-405 IL
Mississippi Manor B&B	1	404-405 IA
Notre Dame Elementary School	1	405-406 IA
ADM Grain-Burlington, IA	1	406-407 IA
River's Rats	2.5	408-410.5 IA
The Fisherman's	5	415-420 IL
ADM Grain-Keithsburg, IL	1	427-428 IL
Wapello H.S. Conservation Science Class	1	431-432 IA
Westmer Elementary School	1	432-433 IL
Showalter/Sedam Group	1	433-434 IL
Millage, Todd	2	451-453 IA
Derksen Family	4	453-457 IA
Morse Family and Friends	10	457-462 IL/IA
Muscatine Izaak Walton League	1	462-463 IA
LACMRERS Research Station & Students of IIHR-Hydroscience & Engineering, University of Iowa	2	463-465 IA
Docherty, Melonee	1	465-466 IL
Treiber Family	1	466-467 IA
Loud Thunder River Patrol	2	466-468 IL
BRAT Family	1	467-468 IA
Plummer, Julie	1	468-469 IA
Derek & Friends	1	468-469 IL
Olderog Family	1	471-472 IA
Henkel Family	1	472-473 IA
Buffalo Elementary School	1	473-474 IA
Lafarge Corporation-Davenport Plant	1	474-475 IA
Mid American Energy Employees	1	475-476 IA
Ryan Family	1	477-478 IA
Augustana College	1	478-479 IA
American Society Of Civil Engineers	1	479-480 IL
Izaak Walton League-Davenport	2	479-481 IA
Master Naturalist	1	480-481 IL
Norcross Safety Products	1	481-482 IL
Moline Conservation Club	2	481-483 IA
Missman, Stanley and Associates	1	482-483 IL
American Water Company-Iowa	1	483-484 IA
Rock Island Arsenal Volunteers	3	483-486 Arsenal Island
Lindsay Park Yacht Club	1	484-485 IA

MISSISSIPPI RIVER

GROUP NAME	# OF MILES	MILE #'s
US Coast Guard Auxiliary-Flotilla 9-5	1	485-486 IA
KONE Inc. Employees	1	485-486 IL
Bethany-TRP	1	486-487 IA
Sierra Club-Eagle River Group	1	486-487 IL
Jamieson Family	2	487-488 IL/IA
Alcoa	1	488-489 IA
Lenger Family	1	488-489 IL
Boy Scout Troop 24-Bettendorf	2	489-491 IA
Ahern Clan	2	489-491 IL
Scott Community College-Student Government	1	491-492 IA
Flynn/Despain	1	491-492 IL
Scott Community College-Environmental Club	1	492-493 IA
Rock Island-US Army Corps of Engineers	4	493-495 IL/IA
Gander Mountain-Davenport	1	495-496 IA
QC Analytical Services-QCA Green Start	2	496-498 IA
Port Byron Green Committee	2	497-499 IL
Northern Border Pipeline	2	500-501 IL/IA
Zion Lutheran Church, Princeton, IA	2	501-503 IA
Getz Family	4	503-505 IL/IA
Seabee Veterans Association-Island X2	1	505-506 IA
Exelon Nuclear	1	506-507 IL
Artco Fleeting Services-Clinton	8	512-516 IA/IL
Moore Family	2	516-518 IA
Fulton Middle School	1	519-520 IL
Carey Family	3	520-523 IA
Almost Ready Paddlers	1	527-528 IL
Elk River Paddlers Cooperative	2	528-529 IL/IA
Chestnut Park School (G. 6-8 Science)	1	537-538 IL
Binder Family	2	539-540 IL/IA
Lazy River Marina	4	540-542 IL/IA
The Carlson Family	2	543-545 IL
Carol & Gary Thompson	6	569-573 IL/IA
Friends of Dubuque Co. Conservation Board	1	573-574IA
Artco Fleeting Services-Dubuque	8	574-578 IA/IL
Dzine Wise	1	579-580 IA
Thermo Fisher Scientific Culturefest Involvement Team	1	582-583 IA
Scheiber, Steve	2	583-584 IA/WI
Friends of Dubuque Co. Conservation Board	1	589-590 IA
Friends of Dubuque Co. Conservation Board	2	595-597 IA
Artco Fleeting Services-Cassville	4	606-608 IA/WI
Lake Park Earth Club	1	608-609 WI
Clark Family	1	619-620 IA
Agri-Bunge McGregor	1	633-634 IA
Artco Fleeting Services-Prairie Du Chien	4	634-636 IA/WI
Harpers River Friends	12	642-648 IA/WI
Brice Prairie Conservation Club	2	703-704 WI/MN
Vandergriff/Eisenmenger Families	1	715-716 WI
ADM Red Wing	2	790-791 WI/MN
River Ridge Homeowners Association	1	793-794 WI
Bass Wranglers	1	814-815 MN
River's Edge Academy	1	841-842 MN
McCormick Family	2	847-848 MN
Huck Finners	6	951-957MN
Sobiech, Scott & Amber	1	Mile 1 Zebulon Pike Lake, MN 1272.5-1275.6
Panther, Robert & Joanne	3.1	MN Mississippi Headwaters
110 Groups	256.6	

"I do some fishing in Dubuque, Iowa and was noticing garbage on the shores everywhere we stopped, so I decided to do something about it and adopt-a-mile. Not only will people enjoy the surroundings more as they fish, visitors and tourists to the area will hopefully see a difference and see that we care about our river. I also hope that the signs posted on my mile will detract the amount of garbage that is left by people. I have my two kids help me pick up garbage on weekends before we fish, and when they see the full bags after an hour or two, it makes them proud to have helped restore beauty to that area of the river."

—Mike Keating
Dzine Wise | Dubuque, Iowa



ILLINOIS RIVER

GROUP NAME	# OF MILES	MILE #'s
THE National Bank Employees-Havana, IL	1	109-110 West
Better Fishing Association	1	221-222 South
Peru Rescue Squad	1	222-223 South
TEST, Inc.	1	223-224 East & West
ADM Employees-Ottawa, IL	18	236-245 North & South
ADM Employees-Morris, IL	3	263-264 North
6 GROUPS	25.0	

2010 Year in Review

JANUARY

We started off the year working diligently to plan and fundraise for upcoming projects and events. Much of the month was also spent repairing equipment and building a new boat and trailer. The season opened earlier than ever with the crew leaving home port in the Quad Cities on January 30th for the first cleanups of the season.

FEBRUARY

Despite the ice and cold temperatures, we held our first cleanup on the Mississippi River in southern Missouri on February 1. From there we continued south to the White and Mississippi Rivers in Arkansas before heading to Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana for 15 more river cleanups.

MARCH

Once again, we hosted an "Alternative Spring Break" program for college students on the Ohio River in Louisville, KY. Over the course of two weeks, 86 students from New York, Virginia, Kentucky, Michigan, Kansas, Iowa, and Illinois filled a barge with nearly 30,000 pounds of debris. Back in the Quad Cities, 12 students from the University of Illinois-Chicago spent their spring break preparing 12,000 oak saplings for distribution. Near the end of the month, we spearheaded the Xstream Cleanup in Louisville in which 453 volunteers came out to remove five acres of invasive species and approximately 25,000 pounds of garbage. Shortly after, 40 students involved in eastern Kentucky's PRIDE program enjoyed a two-day field trip to the barge to learn about the Ohio River watershed and the impact of pollution.

APRIL

Spring is a time for planting, and in April we traditionally focus on the MillionTrees Project. Throughout the month, we helped package and deliver 110,000 trees within seven states in the Midwest. In addition, we organized two major tree plantings. The first planting took place in Memphis, TN where, together with 100 volunteers, we planted 1,200 trees in the nation's largest city park. Next we traveled to Peoria, IL where we joined shovels with 60 volunteers to plant over 2,000 trees on park district land. We rounded out the month with a trip to Cedar Rapids, IA to take 50 high school students on a cleanup trip down the Cedar River.

MAY

The month began by coordinating a tree planting event in Des Moines, IA where volunteers joined us to plant 8,500 trees. From there we headed to Cave-

in-Rock, IL for two days of river events. The first day we held an educational seminar for the local high school's outdoor club. The second day we joined with dozens of local volunteers for a cleanup on the Ohio River. At the end of the month, we hosted two cleanups on the Des Plaines River in Channahon, IL.

JUNE

June was undoubtedly the most exciting month of the year...perhaps EVER! First, the Discovery Channel premiered *River Warriors*, a one-hour show portraying the work and projects of LL&W! To celebrate this event, we hosted a premier party in downtown Davenport, IA. Over 600 people watched the show live from the big screen at the Capitol Theatre. Just a few days later, we hosted our largest cleanup event ever—*The Great Mississippi River Cleanup: from St. Paul, MN to St. Louis, MO*. This was the first coordinated, simultaneous cleanup of the upper Mississippi River, and it was a huge success! Twenty-three cities signed up to participate in the June 19th cleanup, but four cleanups had to be postponed due to high water.

Nineteen cities and approximately 800 volunteers rolled up their sleeves to remove debris along the river in their communities. In late June, we hosted the 4th Annual Marine Industry River Cleanup Challenge in Paducah, KY with 136 volunteers collecting 7,000 pounds of debris in just three hours!

In the midst of these events, we planted 200 trees in Moline, IL with the help of 60 volunteers.

JULY

After a brief but much needed break, we returned to the Illinois River to organize a 108-person cleanup at Starved Rock State Park in Utica, IL. We then split up and traveled to Fulton, IL; LaGrange, MO; Havana, IL; and Beardstown, IL to host cleanups on the Mississippi and Illinois Rivers. Unfortunately, many of our scheduled cleanups had to be cancelled this month due to unusually high water on the Mississippi and its tributaries.

AUGUST

We spent the majority of August in the Quad Cities coordinating several annual events. Despite the sizzling heat, our annual Barge Party drew over 700 guests who enjoyed a fish fry and shrimp boil, live music, barge tours, and an auction of river-inspired art. The Barge Party grows bigger each year, showing strong support from our hometown. Thank you Quad Cities! Two days later,

we partnered on the Quad Cities' Xstream Cleanup where over 1,200 volunteers cleaned up 50,000 pounds of debris from 42 sites in the area. The following weekend, we hosted the 2nd Annual Mississippi River Ride, a motorcycle-ride fundraiser in conjunction with the River Roots Live Music Festival. As a partner in the festival, we were elated to see a record-breaking 20,000 people gather at the river to enjoy great music! Following the festival we hustled down south to organize river cleanups in Owensboro, KY; Evansville, IN; Shawneetown, IL; Grand Tower, IL and Henry, IL. Perhaps the best part of the month was when our President and Founder, Chad Pregracke, won the Grand Prize in Mitchum Deodorant's "Hardest Working Person in America" contest. After being nominated by Mike Rowe, Discovery Channel's "Dirty Jobs" host, Chad received over 50,000 of the 90,000 online votes. CONGRATULATIONS, CHAD!

SEPTEMBER

Before the barge left the Quad Cities for our annual cleanup in Burlington, IA, we hosted a river field trip for students from Thurgood Marshall School. From Burlington, the barge and crew headed further south to coordinate the last four cleanups of The Great Mississippi River Cleanup that had been postponed in June because of the high water. Cleanups were held in Louisiana, MO; Grafton, IL; Alton, IL; and St. Louis, MO. Altogether, The Great Mississippi River Cleanup brought together 1,177 volunteers who removed a whopping 62,000 pounds of debris from the mighty Mississippi. The cleanup garnered much media attention, including a feature on CNN. We're already planning to repeat this successful event next year!

OCTOBER

We worked on a restoration project in northeastern Iowa, a river cleanup in Peoria, IL on the Illinois River, and a tree planting in Hampton, IL. We also received a generous donation from a barge company of a 30-ton crane. Our new crane will enable us to remove large debris that previously had to be hired out for removal. We're presently refurbishing the crane to be ready for action in the spring of 2011.

NOVEMBER

The last two cleanups of the season took place the first week of November. The first cleanup was held in La Crosse, WI where we worked with 50 of the state's Parks and Recreation employees. The second event took us back to the Des Plaines River for a cleanup in Channahon, IL. From there, the barge began its journey south to its winter home in Paducah, KY.

DECEMBER

The focus in December was fundraising and planning for 2011 events, with attention on the construction of our new floating headquarters and classroom barge. We spent time throughout the winter gathering all the necessary building supplies to construct the classroom. The structure is being built from recycled, reclaimed, and sustainable materials and will be powered, in-part, by wind and solar energy. We are so excited about this next milestone! Stay tuned for its debut in the Summer of 2011!

We can't thank you enough for your continued support!

"Sappi Fine Paper North America is pleased to continue sponsoring Living Lands & Waters and their unique mission in keeping our nation's rivers and watersheds clean. Our employees and customers have enjoyed volunteering with Living Lands & Waters at the community river cleanups. Chad Pregracke's vision and enthusiasm is an inspiration to us all!"

— Amy Olson | Corporate Communications Manager
Sappi Fine Paper North America

"Archer Daniels Midland Company is proud to partner with Living Lands & Waters to support their efforts to clean up our rivers. Beyond financial support, hundreds of ADM employees volunteer for community river cleanups, tree plantings and invasive species removal projects. As a major transporter of grain on our waterways, we see first-hand the positive results of these efforts."

— Kimberly Mangan | Community Engagement Specialist
Archer Daniels Midland Company

"We at American Honda have been very proud to provide support to Chad and all the great folks at Living Lands & Waters over the past decade. Chad has been an inspiration to us all and clearly shows what one person with a dream and hard work can accomplish."

— John P. Lally | Advertising & Marketing Information Mgr.
American Honda Motor Co., Inc.

Meet the LL&W Team



TAMMY BECKER | Programs Manager

Tammy is the high-spirited director of the LL&W educational workshops. She has a Bachelor of Social Work degree from Western Illinois University. Tammy joined the team in late 2002 and uses her extensive experience gained from the Peace Corps and AmeriCorps to put together informative, fun and successful workshops. Tammy also works hard as a cleanup team member and grant writer. She is the most positive personality within our group, which is quite an accomplishment with this enthusiastic group of optimists!



MADELINE LULOFF | Office Manager

Madeline joined the LL&W team in January 2005 after actively volunteering since 1999. She has a bachelor's degree in Recreation, Park & Tourism Administration from Western Illinois University. Madeline's work experiences include Naturalist/Interpreter at Nahant Marsh Education Center, Davenport, IA, and Program Tutor and Recreation Supervisor for the City of Rock Island's Parks & Rec Department. Madeline is a motivated environmentalist who is involved in several local groups including the Board of Directors for Keep Rock Island Beautiful. Madeline's optimistic attitude and strong will to succeed shines through in LL&W's home office.



ANNE POWERS | Financial Manager

Anne came on board in November 2004, bringing with her 28 years of experience in The University of Iowa's Athletic Business Office. She graduated from Christian College in Columbia, MO, and attended The University of Iowa. After proving herself as a LL&W superstar volunteer, she was recruited to join the full-time staff. We feel fortunate to have Anne and her energetic and fun personality on board!



"CAPTAIN" MIKE HANLIN | Captain

Mike, a retired educator from East Moline, IL, has been with LL&W since the beginning. Captain Mike received his Charter Boat Captain Master License in the 60's while working his way through college. After many years of teaching, Chad persuaded Mike to come aboard as Captain. They made their first trip up the Mississippi River together with one additional crew member. Captain Mike is an environmentalist who enjoys the outdoors. He always has a great story to tell about his experiences working with LL&W, and looks forward to future trips "Rollin' On The River".



GEOFF MANIS | Team Leader

Geoff graduated from Western Illinois University with a degree in Recreation, Park & Tourism Administration. Geoff began his tenure at LL&W as an office intern during the 2004 fall semester and became part of the team after graduation in December. Geoff leads by example, and his hard work ethic and leadership skills are appreciated by the entire LL&W team.



MIKE COYNE-LOGAN | Crew Member

Mike (a.k.a. Nozzy) graduated from Northern Illinois University in 2000 with degrees in history and education. Before joining the crew in July of 2007, Mike taught school in Rock Island, IL. Mike began volunteering with LL&W in 2005 which led to his decision to come on board.



DICK SOUTHWICK | Crew Member

Richard "Dick" is a Quad City native who resides on the shore of the Mississippi River in East Moline, IL. After graduation from Moline High School, Dick served in the United States Marine Corps. He worked at several area manufacturing facilities, retiring from John Deere Harvester Product Development after 32 years as mechanic, machinist, welder, fabricator and procurement specialist. Dick joined the team in May 2010 and plans to use his skills and experience to advance the efforts of LL&W.



BEN GRAFTON | Crew Member

Ben is from Moline, IL and graduated from Moline High School in 2004. He's been affiliated with LL&W since the Hurricane Katrina Project in 2005, and officially joined the crew in March of 2009. Ben's hard work ethic, carpentry skills and easy-going personality make him a great addition to the LL&W crew.



NORA COYNE-LOGAN | Crew Member

Nora graduated from Northern Illinois University in 2008 with a degree in Communication. After graduation, Nora became the Membership Coordinator at the River Music Experience in Davenport, IA. She also assisted with booking musical engagements, marketing duties, and various administrative tasks. Nora joined the LL&W team in January of 2010 to help remind her brother, Nozzy, to keep his shoes tied.



ASHLEY STOVER | Crew Member

Ashley graduated from Western Illinois University with a bachelor's degree in Biology. As an undergraduate, Ashley interned at a zoo and a wildlife rehabilitation center, realizing her dream of working with animals. After graduation she worked as a veterinary technician for three years. In March 2010 Ashley volunteered for LL&W's MillionTrees Project where her dedication, persistence, and organizational skills were so helpful she was invited to join the crew that season.



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A total of 1,243 volunteers worked 3,394 hours and collectively gathered 1,287 bags of trash, 682 tires, 14 appliances, 10 bicycles, 25 pieces of furniture, 13 televisions and 16 mattresses.

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Saturday, August 13

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www.xstreamcleanup.org

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MINNESOTA
to **St. Louis**
MISSOURI

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