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Happy Holidays!



December came to Landmark in the form of snow! It was great to have it around while it lasted! It melted just in time for the WFR-R students to arrive. But, who knows, maybe it will be back in time for a White Christmas!

It is that time of year that we get ready for time with family and friends, attempt to drop our energy outputs a little and take in Christmas cheer. Seems that Christmas and Thanksgiving are quite similar in their ability to help us focus on relationships, and celebrate our fortunes and blessings. Maybe Thanksgiving is a warm up...not really sure.

Heading into our 13th year, Landmark wants to send out celebration for our students, course sponsors and our dedicated staff throughout the world. Thank you all that make Landmark Experiences educational, standard revealing, fun and memorable. We look forward to being in community with you all in 2009. Look out.....we are growing again, with the addition of new staff and new programs!

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Executive Director



A Big Welcome to Our New Logistics Coordinator

We are excited to welcome Neil Rohicht to our staff. Neil and his fiance recently moved to Western North Carolina from Montana. Neil is joining us as our new Logistics Coordinator and brings with him his "professional leaf blowing skills, general tomfoolery, and a flare for the magnificent"! So, next time you call the office or stop by the base for a course say hello and ask him to tell you about the "big texan" 86 oz. steak.



New Store Items!

The Landmark Learning Store is growing! It seems like new items are coming in all the time. So, what's new? Here is a quick list:

	Retail
Landmark Learning Ladies T-Shirts (S-XL)	\$15.00
Landmark Learning Hat	\$15.00
WMI of NOLS T-Shirts (S-XL)	\$15.00
WMI of NOLS Ladies T-Shirts (S-XL)	\$15.00
Landmark Learning Pint Glasses	\$8.00
Landmark Learning Ceramic Mug	\$9.00
WMI Wilderness Medicine Field Guide	\$18.00

Instructor Highlight - Phil Hart

Full Name: Philip Hart

Nickname: Phil

How long have you been working with Landmark? 2 years

What courses do you teach for Landmark?

WMI Courses and EMT Basic

What are your "special" skills - your specific skill set that you contribute to Landmark?

Working for the many groups I work with I combine skills that fit well with Landmark.

What other outdoor company(ies) have you worked for?

Nantahala Outdoor Center

What is your actual day/night Job?

Swain Co. EMS, Landmark Learning, Nantahala Outdoor Center, Swain Co. Rescue Squad

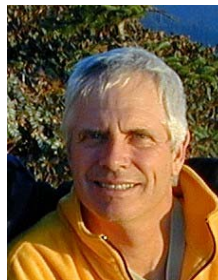
What are your favorite outdoor activities?

River Sports - kayaking

Where are your favorite outdoor locations to visit?

Western North Carolina, Bahamas, they are so much alike.

Why do you work for Landmark?



Teaching allows me to expand my understanding of different types of people and improves my medical skills.

Any career or personal highlights you'd like to share?

Helping people has been the most fulfilling part of my life until I was married and my son was born. I've been a first responder since 1985.

Any words of wisdom you live by or would like to share?

Be nice and play fair.

Additional comments:

Life is short so don't sweat the small stuff. It can pile up and crush you.



**Course Highlight:
Wilderness First Responder -
Recertification**

Is it time to brush up your WFR skills? Having trouble remembering the difference between signs and symptoms of Heat Stroke or Hyponatremia? Come to our three day course WFR-Recertification course for a great review of the skills learned in your 9-day Wilderness First Responder course. The days will be jam packed with

scenarios involving Fracture Management, Traction Splinting, Hypothermia, Shock, Wound Management and more!

The WFR Recertification courses include Adult CPR for those who also need this requirement. This course may be used to recertify Wilderness First Responder and Wilderness EMT (wilderness portion only) certifications.

Course Dates:

- February 27 - March 1 - Asheville
- May 18 - 20 - Cullowhee
- November 20 - 22 - Cullowhee
- December 4 - 6 - Cullowhee

These courses fill fast! It is never too early to register if you see dates that work for you.

**Winter 2008/2009 Training Season is Filling Fast
Landmark Learning Calendar**

Check out our [web calendar](#) for current courses and bookmark the page as the calendar is constantly changing as courses fill. Visit this page to download registration packets for courses running from our base in Cullowhee, NC, or for contact information for our sponsored courses.

Highlights Include:

[WMI of NOLS Wilderness First Aid, Wilderness Advanced First Aid, Wilderness First Responder and WFR Recertification, and Wilderness EMT in a "3+1" Format](#)

(see below). Plan ahead and prepare for the busiest training time of the year. Please also visit www.nols.edu/wmi for a look at nationwide course availability.

[WFR](#): December 13 -21, February 14 - 22, April 4 - 12

[WFR Recertification](#): February 27 - March 1, May 18-20

[WEMT Intensive](#): January 5 - 30, May 25 - June 20

[WUMP](#): January 26 - 30, June 15 - 20

[EMT-Basic](#): January 4-24, May 25 - June 13

[SAI Wilderness Lifeguard Course](#): June 6-7

[Leave No Trace Master Educator](#): April 20 - 24, 2009, August 10 - 14, 2009

[ACA Swiftwater Rescue](#): April 25 -26, May 23 - 24

[ACA Swiftwater rescue Instructor IDW/ICE](#): May 4 - 8

[ACA Whitewater Kayak Instructor IDW/ICE](#): May 1-3 and 15 - 17

[Relief Medic Ecuador](#) : August 15 - 27

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