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FATHERS CAN BRIDGE THE GAP AND STRENGTHEN BONDS WITH THEIR KIDS

Greenville, July 7, 2009 –The YMCA Adventure Guides and Adventure Princesses programs for 2009-2010 will kick-off on Tuesday, September 8 at the Eastside Family YMCA from 6:30 - 8:00 PM. The Adventure Guides and Princesses programs are designed to facilitate growth and development in the relationships of fathers and their children. Activities include cookouts, a father-daughter dance, trail riding, campouts, learning to shoot a bow and arrow, launching rockets, and making and racing pinewood derby cars. YMCA Camp Greenville plays host to some of the program activities.

There is a small time commitment which provides a huge payoff. Great memories are formed from Adventure Guides fun, resulting in stronger parent-child bonds. “Expeditions,” consisting of six to ten pairs of fathers and their children, get together once a month for just 90 minutes, either at a member’s home or at the Y. The program is volunteer-led with help offered by each branch’s YMCA staff. Stop by your local YMCA of Greenville for a registration form and information. You can also register online [<www.ymcagreenville.org/guides.php>](http://www.ymcagreenville.org/guides.php) or come to the kickoff jamboree on September 8 at the Eastside YMCA, 1250 Taylors Road, Taylors..

The cost to participate is \$30 per person, per year or \$45 per person, per year if the father is not a YMCA member. Additional fees are charged for some special events.

The YMCA Adventure Guides and Adventure Princesses (formerly Indian Guides and Indian Princesses) have helped fathers and their children (ages 5 – 16) develop closer relationships through unique growth experiences since 1931.

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