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## Spring Mill State Park Mobile Discovery Center

The Mobile Discovery Center is a brand-new offering available to local elementary schools this winter. Spring Mill State Park's interpretive naturalist will visit your school with a set of activity-driven displays that support Indiana Academic Standards.

### Winter 2010 Topic : Animal Tracking

**Contact Jill Vance, Spring Mill's Interpretive Naturalist, to schedule the Mobile Discovery Center for your school!  
812-849-3534 or [jvance@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:jvance@dnr.IN.gov)**

- This is a FREE offering for local elementary schools.
- The MDC must be scheduled a minimum of two weeks in advance.
- It is available this winter during the months of January, February, and March.
- Reservations are first-come first-served and based on park staff availability.
- The school must have space available in a "common" area for display set-up. Libraries, cafeterias, study halls, and gymnasiums are some possibilities.
- Only one classroom at a time may visit the MDC.
- Each classroom should allot 30 minutes for their visit.
- A minimum of four classrooms from your school, grades 1-5, must commit to visiting the MDC before we will travel to your school.
- The MDC can serve a maximum of seven classrooms per day (depending on the school's schedule). Your school may reserve the MDC for multiple days, if needed.

A **special in-classroom program** is also available to schools that book the Mobile Discovery Center. This optional program is designed to enhance and build upon the MDC.

Any classroom that visits the MDC is eligible to book this program. Classroom reservations for this program may be made thru the end of April 2010; we recommend making your reservations for this program when you book the MDC.

*\$30 fee per classroom -- Participating classrooms will receive a 25% program discount coupon for a future winter visit to Spring Mill State Park!*

**CSI: Wildlife** -- Students will use investigate techniques, examine witness statements, and apply animal tracking principles to decipher the clues in our simulated forest "crime scene." The exact content covered in the program will vary based on the grade level of the students participating. Teachers should set aside 45 to 60 minutes for this enrichment program.