

# Congratulations!

You have been nominated to join a select group of influential youth professionals as a member of the 2009 class of The Journey Fellowship – a program aimed at renewing leaders and transforming the field of youth work in Indiana.

As a fellow you will:

- attend four all-expense-paid retreats throughout the year focused on personal and professional leadership and renewal;
- benefit from executive coaching; have the opportunity to connect with national leaders in the youth development field;
- receive individual stipends to fund their own professional development; and
- engage with colleagues to transform your own organizations and communities.

Please refer to The Journey travel map inside which highlights the components and structure of the fellowship program, including dates and locations for each planned retreats.

We hope you will consider applying for one of a limited number of spots available for the 2009 fellowship year.

**To apply:** visit [www.renewaloutfitters.org](http://www.renewaloutfitters.org) and click on the 2009 Executive Journey Fellowship button. There you will see instructions and be able to download an application.

We encourage you to see this fellowship as an once-in-a-lifetime professional opportunity to make your coming year one of renewal and possibility for yourself and your organization.

We look forward to receiving your application.

**Tom Plake and Janet Wakefield**  
Journey Leaders

# About The Journey Organizations

The Journey Fellowship is a flagship program of *The Journey*, a collection of programs committed to **equipping people to lead with their hearts** by

**Grounding**...people in who they are – the essence of their heart and spirit, their vocation and avocation

**Connecting**....people to each other — tapping into the power of community, and

**Inspiring**...peoples beliefs about what they can accomplish on behalf of young people

Since 2002, *The Journey* has created opportunities for renewal and exploration for experienced and prospective youth workers in Indiana. In addition to the Executive Journey Fellowship, The Journey also sponsors:

- The NextGen Thematic Living Community at Indiana University-Bloomington
- The Journey Explorers program at ISU, IUPUI, Ivy Tech and growing to other campuses
- The Indiana YouthPRO Association
- The International Youth Worker Exchange
- The Journey Navigators

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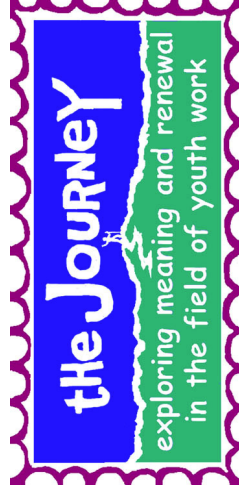
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A Not-For-Profit  
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Services Agency

“Because of the experience, I know I am better prepared to lead my community towards building a better environment where all youth can succeed.”

–2006 Journey Fellow



# The 2009 Executive Journey Fellowship

*A Unique Opportunity  
for Executives and Leaders  
in the field of Youth  
Development in Indiana*

“I have become a more powerful youth worker. I understand my unique gifts and how to live them more fully to have a greater impact on those I serve, those I manage and those I work alongside in the field. I have greater clarity and passion around how I can better the lives of Indiana’s youth.”

– 2006 Journey Fellow

# The 2009 Executive Journey Fellowship

In 2009, 25 powerful leaders in the field of youth work will embark on an expedition to renew themselves and transform their profession. This once-in-a-lifetime experience rewards those who have worked on behalf of young people while inspiring them to take their work to a new level of achievement.

## Session #1

**February 10-12**  
Waycross  
(near Nashville, IN)

Packing and  
Unpacking  
for the Journey



## Session #2

**April 21-23**  
Country Lakes  
(near Scottsburg, IN)

Stories  
from the Land of  
Youth Work



## Session #3

**August 18-20**  
Turkey Run Inn  
(near Crawfordsville, IN)

Being on  
the Journey



## Session #4

**Nov. 10-12**  
Pokagon State Park  
(north of Ft. Wayne)

Personal and  
Transformation

## 2009 Travel Itinerary

- > Four 3-day retreats focused on personal renewal and organization and professional leadership
- > Individual and group executive coaching focused on career/professional growth
- > Connecting with national leaders in the field of youth development
- > Personal Renewal Stipends for fellows to refresh & sustain themselves
- > Resources for fellows to design and implement initiatives that will renew and transform their own organizations and communities

**the Journey**

exploring meaning and renewal  
in the field of youth work

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