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SEASONAL CLOSURE OF CAMPGROUNDS ON THE SHAWNEE NATIONAL FOREST

Harrisburg, IL, January 14, 2009 - The Shawnee National Forest District Rangers announce the seasonal closure of campgrounds.

Hidden Springs District Ranger, Tim Pohlman, announced the seasonal closing of the Red Bud, Pine Ridge and Tower Rock Campgrounds. The Redbud Campground will re-open March 15, 2009. Pine Ridge Campground will re-open on April 1, 2009. The Tower Rock Campground will re-open on May 1, 2009. Pharoah Campground at Garden of the Gods, Oak Point Campground at Lake Glendale and Camp Cadiz are open year-round.

Mississippi Bluffs District Ranger, Dan Lentz, announces the seasonal closure of the Pine Hills and Johnson Creek Campgrounds. These campgrounds will re-open on Monday, March 16, 2009.

For further information regarding Red Bud, Pine Ridge, Camp Cadiz, Tower Rock, Oak Point and Lake Glendale Campgrounds on the Hidden Springs Ranger District, contact the District Ranger's Office in Vienna at (618) 658-2111. For additional information about Pine Hills and Johnson Creek Campgrounds on the Mississippi Bluffs Ranger District contact the District Ranger's Office in Jonesboro at (618) 833-8576 or the Murphysboro Work Center at (618) 687-1731.

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