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**Landmark Learning has launched a new website!** There is a new events calendar and a forum to keep our alumni and friends connected, as well as all the great information from our old site! Check it out and let us know what you think.  
[www.landmarklearning.org](http://www.landmarklearning.org)

## May Open Enrollment Courses at the Landmark Base:

**May 10 - 18**

**WMI of NOLS Wilderness First Responder**

**May 19 - 21**

**WMI of NOLS Wilderness First Responder  
Recertification**

**May 24 - 25**

**ACA Swiftwater Rescue**

**May 26 - June 13**

**EMT-Basic Intensive**

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### From the Director's Desk

Spring is truly here with hopefully the last glimpse of winter at our backs. Our staff have been traveling the Southeast by car, plane and air boat to teach and train 2008's backcountry leaders. Mairi is doing well and now back in the office after bringing Alexander Stone Padgett into the world on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008. She really only took a week off after leading a staff meeting an hour before a cesarean...hard core. Welcome little Alex! The Spring is off to a successful start with many thanks to our hard working educators, dedicated course sponsors and students. May, get your seatbelt and helmet on ...here we come!

*Justin S. Padgett*

Justin S. Padgett, M.S., Paramedic, WEMT  
Executive Director



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### Wilderness EMT Courses

Looking for a career change? The growing healthcare field offers a world of opportunities.

With Landmark Learning's comprehensive curriculum, you can quickly earn the certifications you need to become a first responder or emergency medical technician. Classes meet all day M-F for three consecutive weeks. Time in the evenings and weekends can be used to fulfill the minimum required clinical time of 16 hours on an ambulance or in the emergency room! The curriculum is taught by healthcare professionals who are also educators.

Landmark Learning is an accredited teaching institute for the North Carolina Office of EMS.

### Upcoming Courses:

May 26 - June 13, 2008

July 13 - August 1, 2008

September 29 - October 18, 2008  
January 4 - 24, 2009

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### Construction Zone

As Landmark's course offerings and participant numbers continue to grow, so does the need for more facilities. In April we resolved the need for more parking spaces by creating a new parking area. This summer our participants' vehicles will have more room to breathe in the shady spaces just beyond the main office. Stay tuned for more developments from the Landmark base!



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### Landmark Learning Hits the Festival Circuit!

As warmer temperatures hit the mountains we get excited about the great festivals that pop up across Western North Carolina. Local festivals are a great way to get outdoors, meet folks from the area and support your community. During the month of May we will be attending two of the area's festivals. On May 2nd we will head out to Hot Springs, NC for the 11th Annual French Broad River Festival and on May 31 you can find us in Asheville, North Carolina at the Mountain Sports Festival. Stop on by to say "Hello" and find out about all of the exciting things going on at Landmark Learning.

### 2008 Training Season is Filling Fast

#### [Landmark Calendar](#)

Check out our web calendar for current courses - 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 for this spring 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](http://www.nols.edu/wmi) for a look at nationwide course availability.
- [WFR](#) - May 10 - 18, July 5 - 13, and December 13 -21
- [WFR- Recertification](#) - May 19 - 21, December 5-7
- [WEMT Intensive](#) - May 26 - June 21, July 14 - August 9, September 29 - October 25
- [SAI Wilderness StarGuard](#): June 7-8
- [Leave No Trace Master Educator](#): June 23 -27; August 11 -15
- [ACA Swiftwater Rescue](#) : May 24 - 25; July 19 - 20
- [Relief Medic / Domestic](#) - November 17 - 20
- [Relief Medic / International](#): August 16 - 28

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