

*Illinois Dunesland Preservation Society
Invites You to Attend Our Luncheon and Presentation by
Ellen Powell “My Experiences in Africa”
Luncheon Meeting on Saturday, November 17 at Noon
Illinois Beach State Park Resort*



Ellen Powell is a nurse who has lived in Waukegan most of her life and is a life-long Dunesland member, thanks to her parents' involvement as charter members of our organization! She has also lived in France and Texas. She has done missionary work in Jamaica, and Bolivia; in Africa for almost a year. She is preparing for another trip to Africa next winter.

Ellen's slide presentation will focus on her African missionary experience and incorporate all aspects of her East African experience: safari, living with an African family, working with orphaned HIV+ children, assisting with medical missions in rural

Africa, and a jaunt to the Indian Ocean (Mombassa).

As charter members, Ellen's parents, June and George Holland, attended Dunesland meetings and went on the nature walks. They loved the Dunes—as Ellen still calls it. She remembers going there with her parents, and other relatives and friends as a young child before it was a state park. She has spent a lot of time at the Dunes and has taken many pictures throughout her life depicting her love for nature, as evidenced by the many photos she has shared on Dunesland's web site.

Ellen is the mother of two adult sons. She retired early from her teaching career at the College of Lake County, then went to East Africa (Kenya and Tanzania) on a safari as a way to best use her inheritance when her parents died; she fell in love with the continent! Then, Ellen went back to Tanzania, lived with a family and looked for work. When she didn't find anything suitable, she returned home, but eventually in September, 2001, went to Kenya where she felt blessed to be able to care for orphaned HIV+ children. She spent about ten months in East Africa.

In addition to her work at the college, Ellen taught nursing at the College of Lake County for twenty years. She worked as a nurse at University of Illinois, Victory Memorial and the VA Hospital. She was also a nurse (Lt. Colonel) in the US Army Reserves for nine years. She is currently working at the Lake County Health Department part time (if such a thing is possible for nurses these days!) in the flu and immunization clinics.

Please join us for this very interesting presentation about Africa by a life-long member.

**Make Your Luncheon Reservations for Illinois Beach State Park Resort
Saturday, November 17 at noon in Zion** **Guests are invited to join us!**

**\$15 includes beautiful view of the lakefront, great speaker, superb conversation,
entrée, beverage, dessert, tax, tip — a bargain today!**

Please give your menu choice when you make a reservation for our luncheon:

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| 1. Chicken Caesar Salad | 2. Chicken Salad w/fruit | |
| 3. Beach Burger/fries | 4. Club Sandwich/chips | 5. Reuben/fries |

RSVP by November 14:

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