

FUN



Minnesota Operation: Military Kids presents Speak Out for Military Kids (SOMK) Retreat

SAVE THE DATE: **FEBRUARY 22-23-24**

Meet new people

WHO: Youth in grades 6 – 12

WHAT: Speak out for Military Kids (SOMK) Retreat

WHERE: Owatonna, MN Holiday Inn & Suites (home of the Serengeti Water Park!)

WHEN: Friday, February 22nd at 6:00 p.m. – Sunday, February 24th at 12:00 noon

WHY: To meet other young people, help tell others about what military families go through during mobilization and deployment, and HAVE FUN!

PRICE: **FREE!**

Social Time

Mark your calendar NOW and SAVE THE DATE! That's Friday, February 22nd (starting at 6:00 p.m.) through Sunday, February 24th (ending at noon) in Owatonna, MN! Don't miss out registration will fill up quickly. We'll spend time having fun together with social time and time in the waterpark. We'll also work on telling our stories and learn some techniques to do that using technology.

Plan to bring a CD of pictures, music or other items that could help tell your story. We'll provide the technology (laptop computers, digital cameras, movie cameras, DVD burners, etc.). We'll also be going to the waterpark to enjoy some fun!

To obtain registration information and forms contact **Kia Harries**, email kharries@umn.edu or call 1-888-241-4635. All forms must be returned by February 8th and space is limited. Reimbursement of transportation costs can be considered on a case by case basis.



Water Park

Technology



Speak Out For Military Kids (SOMK) is an Operation Military Kids Program in partnership with the U of M Extension, 4-H, American Legion, MN Department of Education, Boys and Girls Clubs of America, MN Child Care Resource & Referral Network, Army Reserve, National Guard, and Youth. SOMK is a youth lead program designed to raise awareness of issues facing military families.