

Bass Lake Mini-Vacation

September 15-18, 2011

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Experience a wonderful long weekend at a beautiful mountain camp where all ages are welcome, where delicious meals are cooked for you, where there are no meetings, no chores, and no instructions except to have fun!

At 3,400 ft. elevation, Skylake Yosemite Camp sits among the pines with its own private Bass Lake waterfront. The camp is located near Oakhurst, about four hours from the Bay Area.

ACTIVITIES

Select your own activities at your own pace—hike, swim, canoe, water ski, kayak, do arts and crafts, archery, read, snooze, play volleyball, basketball, tennis or tether ball. One horseback ride is included with your registration (ages 5 and up). Water skiing and boat rides are available for an extra fee. The south end of Yosemite Park is approximately 45 minutes away.

In the evenings the camp offers a campfire program after dinner, including marshmallows roasted over the coals. Bring songs, jokes, and poetry to share. Back in the main hall, we play cards or other games, read, knit, work on jigsaw puzzles, play ping pong, or foosball. Bring your favorite games and jigsaw puzzles to share. Some venture down to the dock to stargaze.

FOOD AND DRINK

Three delicious hot meals a day are prepared for you beginning with breakfast on Friday morning. Most lunches and dinners include an extensive salad bar, and vegetarian options are available at every meal. You can pack a sack lunch if you will be out of camp at lunchtime. The camp is unable to accommodate special diets, so you will need to provide for food allergies or other dietary needs.

On Friday and Saturday evenings immediately before dinner is Social Hour on the outdoor deck of the main hall. Appetizers are served by the camp staff and augmented by the campers, who bring snacks and beverages to share.

You are invited to arrive Thursday afternoon. Feel free to bring your own Thursday night picnic supper or dine at a local restaurant.

ACCOMMODATIONS

You stay in one of the rustic screened cabins that sleep up to eight people – each cabin has four bunk beds. A single bed and mattress is provided for each camper. You provide your own sleeping bag or linens. Bathhouses have sinks, showers, toilets, electricity, and lights, but cabins do not. Weather is typically warm in the daytime, but temperatures can dip to 45 degrees in the evening. Rain is possible. Dress is very casual.

FEES

Registration begins May 15, 2011. The fee includes three nights of lodging, eight meals beginning with Friday breakfast, and one horseback ride for ages 5 and up.

- ★ For cabins with three or more people, the fee is per person.
- ★ For cabins with two or fewer persons (1 or 2 adults, 1 adult and 1 child, or 1 adult and 1 baby), the fee is the minimum cabin fee.

If you register between May 15th and July 1st:

Age 13 and up:	\$205
Age 5 to 12:	\$150
Age 0 to 4:	Free
Minimum cabin fee:	\$460

If you register between July 2nd and September 2nd:

Age 13 and up:	\$220
Age 5 to 12:	\$165
Age 0 to 4:	Free
Minimum cabin fee:	\$475

Cabins are assigned on the basis of last year's assignment, unless you request otherwise. Registrations are made on a first come, first served basis, so sign up early! We are happy to help secure shared cabin arrangements with other registered campers. If you are willing to share a cabin, please indicate on the registration form.

You may apply for a full refund until July 1st and a half refund between July 2nd and September 2nd. Refunds for medical and other serious reasons may be discussed with the Camp Registrar.

We will email your cabin assignment along with a what-to-pack list and additional camp information around September 1st.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

1. Distance from Palo Alto: 190 miles. Approximate driving time is about 4 hours.
2. Take Hwy 152 East through Pacheco Pass and Los Banos to Hwy 99 South.
3. Go south on Hwy 99 for approximately 10 miles to Madera.
4. Take the Hwy 145 exit and go east through downtown Madera and continue about 17 miles on Hwy 145 until you reach Hwy 41.
5. Turn left onto Hwy 41 and drive approximately 8.5 miles.
6. Turn right onto Road 200 (O'Neal's Road) and continue for about 13 miles.
7. After you pass the Bass Fork Mini Mart/Shell Gas Station on your left, immediately turn left onto Road 221, which will become Road 222.
8. Look on the left for the entrance to Skylake Yosemite Camp about 0.1 miles past the Spring Cove Campground. If you see signs for Lupine Campground, you have gone too far.

PLEASE SUBMIT INFORMATION BELOW WITH YOUR CHECK:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Arriving: Thursday___ Friday___ Saturday___ @ approx time: _____

Would you like to carpool: Yes ___ No ___

Names of campers in the same cabin, Age (if under 13), and Fee
(Please include yourself)

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

(Add a sheet if you have more for your cabin.) Total _____

Same cabin as last year or do you prefer another cabin, if possible?

Willing to share a cabin with other registered campers? Yes___ No___

Make check payable to NCUUCC with memo "Bass Lake Camp" and mail to:

Bass Lake Camp Registrar
c/o Unitarian Universalist Church of Palo Alto
505 East Charleston Road
Palo Alto, CA 94306

Have a question? Send email to: basslake-info@uucpa.org.

Do you have an activity or hobby that you would like to offer to other campers (nature photography, amateur astronomy, tennis clinics, massage, and so on)? Please describe below: