

ASCSA Labor Day Weekend Information

Greetings from Northern Michigan! Its Labor Day week and we will be seeing you in a few short days! It is nearly time to log off the computers and cell phones (what a thought) and experience four days of pure adventure, relaxing, socializing, friendship forming, and camaraderie. It will be a weekend where genuine expansion of spiritual sense is a natural outcome. Mary Baker Eddy defines spiritual sense as harmony, cooperation, organization, confidence, enthusiasm, eternity, supply, abundance of patience, direction, joy, companionship, satisfaction, contentment. What a perfect set of qualities for our time at camp Leelanau!

Here are a few things to know and review before heading off:

ARRIVAL

Beginning Thursday afternoon around 3:30 pm, there will be a greeter table at the Farmhouse (see the attached map.) Please check in so we can welcome you! We will have welcome packets for you and waivers to sign for those who still need to do so. If you plan to arrive earlier in the afternoon, let us know.

Please note that the camp staff is not with us until Friday dinner as they are still involved with the Leelanau Outdoor Education Program with an area school. That program finishes Friday morning and the camp staff will be all ours starting at dinner. And just who are those camp staffers who will be making our life so easy and carefree? They are:

Glenn C. Johnson, Executive Director

Laura Ann Johnson, Director, Leelanau Outdoor Center

Katie Duntley	Pippi Schroeder
Joy Deal	Liz McLane
Caitlin Little	Ben Tosto
Jeff Eckert	Kelsie Brook
Eric Olson	Steve Creighton

Tom Bisbee

Below are the details on weather, driving directions, what to bring and lodging information.

WEATHER:

We have been in quite a heat wave, but that is changing. It will be cooling down and there may be rain involved. Take a look:

<http://www.weather.com/weather/tenday/USMI0329>

We have a high in the 60's for several days and then getting to around 70, with nights in the 50's. So please plan accordingly with bedding, PJ's, etc.

TRANSPORTATION

If there is anyone in question about anything, please contact us ASAP.

DIRECTIONS:

Just in case anyone might need driving directions:

From Detroit area

* The camp is located on Pyramid Point in Leelanau County, just off Hwy M-22 on Port Oneida Road. Follow I-75 north to Grayling. Exit at Grayling and take M-72 west to Traverse City. Follow M-72 through Traverse City toward Empire.

* Follow M-72 west, almost to Empire where you will approach County Road 677 (just past Indigo Bluffs Campground). Turn right (north) on County Road 677 and continue on this road for 4-5 miles. At the bottom of the last hill there is a stop sign. Turn right onto M-22 then veer left over the bridge which goes between Big and Little Glen Lakes (The Narrows). Continue on M-22 for another 4-5 miles into Glen Arbor. You will then come to a T-intersection (Anderson's IGA market is on your right). Turn right at this intersection and follow M-22 for almost 3 miles. You will make a left turn down Port Oneida Road. The Camps are a mile and half down this road.

From Chicago area:

- * Follow I-94 into Michigan.
- * Follow I-196 north toward Grand Rapids. (If you choose to take 31 North, although while a beautiful and scenic drive, it might take a bit longer to arrive in Glen Arbor.)
- * Follow 131 north to Cadillac. Exit at Exit Number 176 – M-115/Frankfort. Turn left at the stop sign.
- * Follow M-115 to M-37 north, which is before the town of Mesick. Turn right on M-37 which will take you to Traverse City. M-37 will join with M-31.
- * When you arrive at the Traverse Bay, you will come to a T-intersection where you will turn left onto M-72. At the very next light, turn left toward the town of Empire. (There is a Tom's Market on the northwest corner of the intersection)
- * Follow M-72 west toward Empire for the next 20-25 miles, almost to Empire where you will approach County Road 677 (just past Indigo Bluffs Campground). Turn right (north) on County Road 677 and continue on this road for 4-5 miles. At the bottom of the last hill there is a stop sign. Turn right onto M-22 then veer left over the bridge which goes between Big and Little Glen Lakes (The Narrows). Continue on M-22 for another 4-5 miles into Glen Arbor. You will then come to a T-intersection (Anderson's IGA market is on your right). Turn right at this intersection and follow M-22 for 3 miles until you come to Port Oneida Road on the left. Turn here and the Camps are a mile and half down the road.

CABINS

You will have a choice when you arrive of where you want to stay. First, the most beautiful setting is in the Kohanna cabins that overlook Lake Michigan. These are camp style cabins so they only have screened in windows. With this option, you will have to walk outside to the bathhouse. This may not be a fun option if people have to go to the bathroom often in the middle of the night. The second option is a winterized cabin called Orion. These cabins have halls full of bunk beds with bathrooms in each hallway and two or three showers right there. I would not waste the energy out packing sheets and blankets. Everyone should sleep comfortably with sleeping bags. You just need to know that the camp does not provide any bedding. If you want a pillow then you will need to provide it.

WHAT TO BRING:

A review perhaps, but good to double check. Won't be easy getting anything you may have forgotten.

BEDDING
SLEEPING BAG

PILLOW & CASE
BATH TOWEL
BEACH TOWELS
CLOTHING
PAJAMAS
SLIPPERS
ROBE
SHORTS
T-SHIRTS
JEANS
SWEATERS
SWEATSHIRTS
JACKET AND/OR COAT
RAIN GEAR
SWIMSUIT
SANDALS
SHOES
Hiking gear
Water skiing gear

MISCELLENOUS
TRAVEL ALARM
LAUNDRY BAG
CAMERA
BINOCULARS
TENNIS RACKET
BUG SPRAY
UMBRELLA
FLASHLIGHT
FANNY PACK OR BACKPACK
WATER BOTTLE

BIBLE, SCIENCE & HEALTH—they will be needed for Chris William's workshop as well as church.

QUARTERLY—camp doest NOT have them.

CELL PHONES/INTERNET ACCESS

For some this is good and for some it is bad...your cell phones will not work on camp property. It does not matter what carrier you are with. There is only one spot behind the Great House that you can get reception. Please keep the cell phones turned off and just take calls when essential behind the Great House. We don't need to see everyone having

a party behind the Great House each day after breakfast. The only place you can check the internet is in the farmhouse which will be closed most of the weekend so your access will be VERY limited.

PARKING & DRIVING

There is NO driving around camp property. Once you have unloaded your car, please move it to the parking areas across from the riding ring. (The horses have unfortunately already been returned so there will be no riding this weekend.)

Please observe the 10mph speed limit on all roads in camp.

LAUNDRY

There are free washers and dryers for everyone to use. There should be detergent available there for use as well. If it is missing or getting low, please let us know.

BATHROOMS

The camp septic systems are very sensitive. Please put only human waste in the toilets. Use the trashcans for anything else. Let staff know if any problems arise. If you are sleeping in the Kohahna cabins, please know there are two bathrooms. The bathroom in the middle of the hill is going to be the Women's bathroom and the bathroom at the bottom of the hill next to North Star will be for men. There are four showers in each bathroom. PLEASE be respectful of hot water. This is not a hotel so the hot water supply can quickly run out when everyone uses it at once.

MAINTENANCE ISSUES

Please let camp staff or the co-hosts know of any maintenance issues that you notice.

FOOD/KITCHEN and DINING HALL

Raccoons. Do I need to say more? Food is NOT allowed in any of the Kohahna cabins unless you desire to hear hissing all night and scratches on your screen. PLEASE trust me

on this fact and not try to push it. I know some of you have very strict dietary needs. If that is the case and you have brought special food for snacking, please stay in the Orion cabin. In observance of health and safety codes, please do not enter the kitchen area. Our dining room is set up for family style dining. There will be specific food at the kitchen window on specific occasions for vegetarians and other specific food needs. At each meal, there will also be a salad bar and fresh fruit.

Our first meal is Thursday night at camp and will be either outside of in the Leelanau Lodge.

CHURCH

We will have church at camp on Sunday morning but it will be very casual so no need to bring dress type clothes. You will need to have your own quarterly as the camp does not have them on hand.

SWIMMING

1. Swimming is allowed in designated areas only.
2. There are no lifeguards so you have to be responsible. Please tell someone if you are going down swimming.
3. No bathing in the lake.

BOATING

1. Life jackets must be worn in boats at all times.
2. Be sure to let a staff member know when taking a kayak out.
3. In an emergency, stay in or by your boat and help will arrive.
4. Stay within sight of camp at all times unless with a camp-led group.

5. Pull all boats well up onto shore after use so they don't float away and return paddles and life jackets.

LIABILITY AND RELEASE WAIVERS

Most have yet to sign the waivers. There is one for ASCSA and one for the camps. We will have them at the welcome table when you check in. They must be signed before you can participate in any camp activities.

PRACTITIONER

Debbie Master, from right here in Leland, MI, is our practitioner for the weekend. We are very pleased to have her here with us and she has been a great support from the start. Here are the latest thoughts she has shared with us,

“MBE tells us that consulting almanacs for the weather is not looking to the right place. Let's not be at all concerned with the weather predictions. Weather will not impact this weekend either for good or bad. This powerfully blessed weekend will uplift, unite Soul filled hearts and minds and feed the seekers for joy, peace, fun, and companionship! This weekend will provide all that God intends and each participant will be blessed. One commentary states that "blessed" means to be fully satisfied in God. What could be better! What a great lesson this week!”

She will be staying in Eagle's Nest through the weekend and will be available should you need to see her.

On a final metaphysical note, this was shared with us by Chris Williams who will be conducting Saturday morning's inspirational workshop.

“Don't you LOVE all the blessings in the Lesson this week! It's so great to know that God's blessings are so abundant that, even though they are poured out continuously on His universe, there are always more! He doesn't divide up His blessings, He multiplies them through His creation -- us! It's not in the Lesson, but Malachi says it so well -- "I will open the windows of heaven, pour you out a blessing that there shall not room enough to receive it"!!! The only requirement necessary to help us realize this blessing is that we bring "all the tithes into the storehouse" -- all our praise-offerings to Him, all our gratitude and selfless love, our identity and nature as the image and likeness of infinite

Love -- which blesses ALL mankind! And that's what's happening this weekend! What a wonderful opportunity to see how God works! “

Contact us at anytime if there is anything you need.

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Safe travels and we will see you at camp!!!!!!!!!!

Paul & Nancy