



UUCEP—DESERT CAMP
4425 Byron Street
El Paso, Texas 79930

CAMP THUNDERBIRD

2010



FAMILY CAMP SPONSORED BY
THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
COMMUNITY

JULY 1-JULY 6

*In the pines of the Gila National Forest
In Southwestern New Mexico*

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UU's have been enjoying the Camp Thunderbird experience since 1963! Much has changed in that time, but the important things still remain largely the same. While the hundred-year-old pines still provide ample shade and soothing sounds of wind and birds, it's not just the cool breezes and sounds of nature that keep bringing us back. We are drawn by the opportunity to relax, enjoy the company of good friends, old and new, and forget about city life.

Activities

There is NO obligatory program of activities, but there are extended UU style discussions on just about everything and informally organized activities for everyone. Take a look at the Activities Schedule posted at the Lodge when you arrive!

This year's scheduled activities will include a Dress-Up Night, with prizes in both a children's and an adult's category, Sack Lunch Day Saturday, July 3, during which there are usually expeditions to outlying points such as the Gila River, the Cliff Dwellings, the Cat Walk, Pinos Altos and historic Silver City, the 32nd Annual Firecracker Fun Run (2 miles - walking allowed) and The No Talent Required Talent Show - always one of the highlights of the year! The book "Speaker for the Dead" by Orson Scott Card has been chosen for a camp book discussion. There will also be an Adult Cocktail Hour from 5 to 6pm daily under the parachute, and simultaneous supervised children's activities will be provided by the camp babysitters.

Other activities usually include horseshoes, games in the Lodge, poker, arts and crafts, story telling, campfire sing-along and jam sessions (recorders, harmonicas, guitars, etc.) If you have a musical instrument, bring it and join the fun! You may also expect impromptu softball, basketball and water balloon volleyball games and sunset strolls along the continental divide. Bird watchers and hikers will find plenty to do in the Gila National Forest. We are always open to ideas for new activities so bring your imagination and participatory spirit!

Accommodations

The lodge and dormitory style cabins are rustic, solid and more than adequate to shelter us from the elements. They accommodate families, couples, teenagers and single adults. There are bunk beds with pretty good mattresses and a table but NO closets. You are welcome to bring your own tent, trailer or camper (your fee will be the same). A few electrical hookups are available. High quality, nutritious meals are served in the lodge three times a day: breakfast at 7am, lunch at noon, and supper at 6 pm. If you have special dietary considerations, refrigeration is available and some help from the kitchen may be obtained. Ice is sold about 8 miles from camp.

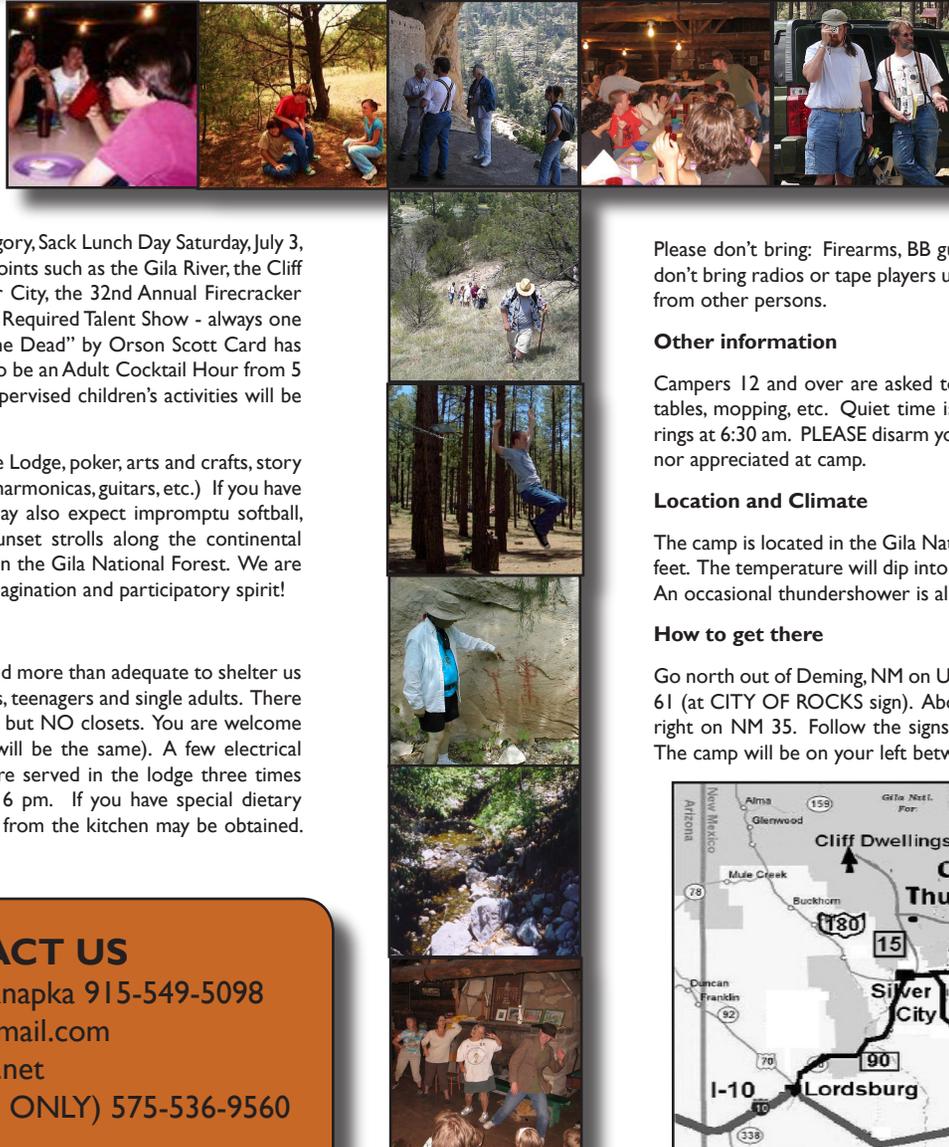
HOW TO CONTACT US

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What to bring

Bedding or sleeping bags, pillows, towels, raingear, clothing for both warm and cool weather, walking shoes, sunscreen, flashlight, folding chair, and insect repellent. You may also want to bring an ice chest, swimsuit, canteen, musical instruments, games, arts & crafts supplies, camera, and munchies to share and beverages for the cocktail hour.

Please don't bring: Firearms, BB guns or fireworks. Do NOT bring any animals. Please don't bring radios or tape players unless you are willing to play them very softly and away from other persons.

Other information

Campers 12 and over are asked to share in minor housekeeping duties such as setting tables, mopping, etc. Quiet time is observed from 10 pm to 6:30 am. A wake-up bell rings at 6:30 am. PLEASE disarm your car alarm if you have one. They are neither needed nor appreciated at camp.

Location and Climate

The camp is located in the Gila National Forest near Mimbres, NM. The elevation is 6,400 feet. The temperature will dip into the 40's overnight and may reach 90 some afternoons. An occasional thundershower is almost inevitable.

How to get there

Go north out of Deming, NM on US Highway 180. After 24 miles turn right on NM Highway 61 (at CITY OF ROCKS sign). About 25 miles later go left on NM 152 for half a mile, then right on NM 35. Follow the signs for Lake Roberts or "Inner Loop" at each intersection. The camp will be on your left between mile markers 13 and 14.



REGISTRATION & FEES

Camp begins with supper on Thursday, July 1, and closes with lunch on Tuesday, July 6. You may attend the entire time or any part, but the Registrar MUST know when you plan to arrive and depart.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Registration Deadline is June 1st.
- You MUST sign in at the lodge upon arrival. Parking places will be designated upon sign in.
- We can no longer accept late registrations without charging the stated fee.
- Registration fees and late fees are refundable before June 15, non-refundable after that.
- Your camp fee will be the same whether or not you eat meals in the lodge and whether or not you bring your own sleeping accommodations.
- **Drop In Fee** is \$3. Meals are extra for drop in guests and are priced at \$13 dollars per meal.
- Anyone under the age of 17 must be accompanied by a responsible adult for the duration of his/her stay.
- Facilities cannot be considered handicapped accessible. Campers must be fully capable of self care or bring their own helpers.

Remember:

1. When you send in your registration for camp, you will send in two checks, one for the registration fee and the other for your camp fee. The first will pay for UUCEP's overhead costs of running the camp, and the second for your room and board while you are at camp.
2. The check for your registration fee will be deposited as soon as it is received by the registrar.
3. The check for your camp fee will not be deposited until after camp and may be post dated to July 1, 2010. This check MUST accompany your registration packet.
4. If your stay at camp is less than or more than you anticipated when you registered AND you notify the registrar (or camp) of the change at least 2 days in advance AND you write a new check for the changed amount before July 6, then the change will be allowed.
5. If your stay at camp is less than you anticipated when you registered AND you do not notify the registrar (or camp) before your anticipated date AND you write a new check before July 6, you will be charged ½ (one half) of the full amount for the number of days that you were anticipated, but did not attend.
6. If your stay at camp is less than you anticipated AND you do not write a new check before July 6, your original check will be cashed and you will pay for the days for which you registered.

REGISTRATION FEES:

To be paid when you register.

Please send check with registration form.

For	Cost	Your Cost
Each adult , age 18 or over	\$20 X Persons ____ =	
Each child with a family member	\$0	
Each child not accompanied by a family member	\$20 X children ____ = (maxium \$40)	
Late Fee if registration is postmarked after June 1st	\$15 X form ____ =	

CAMP FEES:

To be paid when you register. Please send as a separate check. Refer to above. There are 15 possible meals. Camp Fees are not only for your meals but for the use of the facilities. You will be charged wether or not you eat.

For	Cost	Your Cost
Adults and young people 13 and up	\$13 X person ____ X meal(s) ____ =	
Kids , ages 2 -12	\$6.50 X persons ____ X meal(s) ____ =	
Babies, ages 0 to 24 months	\$0	

REGISTRATION FORM

Names _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Arrival day _____ Time _____ (AM/PM)

Depart day _____ Time _____ (AM/PM)

Vegetarian ___ Medical Conditions _____

Number of adults _____ Number of Children _____

Child's Name _____ Age ___ Sex _____

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ACCOMMODATIONS (indicate # in each category)

____ Bringing own rig ___ family ___ couple
Single adult ___ teen boy ___ teen girl

NOTE - Two checks MUST accompany your Camp Registration Form.

Make checks payable to Desert Camp. Please return by June 1, 2010, to
Camp Thunderbird, 4425 Byron Street, El Paso, Texas 79930

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

While at Camp Thunderbird I agree to hold harmless the Unitarian Universalist Community of El Paso, Texas (UUCEP) from any and all injuries, damages, claims or causes of action I or any of the minor children over which I have parental or custodial control may suffer or sustain during my attendance at Camp Thunderbird. In addition to the above, I agree to indemnify the Unitarian Universalist Community of El Paso, Texas (UUCEP) for any loss or damages it may suffer as a result of any negligent act or omission on my part or the part of any of the minors over which I have parental or custodial control.

Signature _____ Executed this _____ day of _____, 2010