

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

CAMP THUNDERBIRD

2017



FAMILY CAMP SPONSORED BY THE UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST COMMUNITY

June 30 – July 5

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

UUs have been enjoying the Camp Thunderbird experience since 1963! Much has changed since then, but the important things still remain 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

- Nothing is obligatory!
- Expeditions to Lake Roberts, the Gila Cliff Dwellings, the Cat Walk, and Silver City
- Sack Lunch Day (Tuesday July 4)
- 38th Annual Firecracker Fun Run (Sunday

July 2)

- Book discussion:
 - Hillbilly Elegy, J. D. Vance
- No-Talent-Required Talent Show (evening of Monday July 3)
- Horseshoes, board games, jam sessions, hiking, and more!

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.

Accommodations

- Rustic lodge and dormitory-style cabins; separate restroom buildings
- Separate cabins set aside for families, teens, couples, and singles
- Bunk beds, electrical outlets, NO CLOSETS
- Three tasty, nutritious meals per day
- A refrigerator is available for those with special dietary needs
 A small number of outdoor electrical hookups for RV's are available.

HOW TO CONTACT US

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What to bring

- Bedding or sleeping bags, pillows, towels, rain gear, clothing for both warm and cool weather, walking shoes, sunscreen, flashlight, folding chair, and insect repellent.
- Optional: ice chest, swimsuit, canteen, musical instruments, games, arts & crafts supplies, camera, and munchies and beverages to share during the cocktail hour.

Please don't bring...

- Firearms, BB guns or fireworks.
- Radios or music systems (unless you plan to use headphones).
- Do NOT bring any animals.

How to get there

Go north out of Deming, NM on US Highway 180. After 24 miles turn right on NM Highway 61 (at the 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.



