

Specialty Weekend Registration

2019 Events- Rates given are per person. Special additions are available for some weekends.

Please read description carefully. Descriptions of Unit Camping vs. St. Noel Center Lodging can be found on our website under the "About Us" tab by selecting the "Our Facilities" page.

Maple Sugarin' Weekend: March 9-10, 2019

Maple syrup-making is an ancient, time-honored tradition. In the late winter months, maple trees begin their process of releasing a sugary, mineral rich sap — and Camp's syrup harvesters become busy tapping these trees for their flavorful rewards. Find out how sweet a learning adventure can be as you learn to tap trees and discover the secrets of the lost art of home maple syrup production. Stay in a private room in St. Noel Conference Center. All meals on Saturday are provided as well as Breakfast on Sunday. We will guide you through the harvesting process from tapping to tasting, all while enjoying Camp in the early spring, taking leisurely hikes, and telling stories around the fire box as we boil down the sap we collect throughout the weekend. Everyone will go home with great memories and their very own bottle of Ondessonk Maple Syrup to enjoy. A perfect weekend for adults and couples. Age 3 and under are free! No shirt or additional activities available. Add a Friday night stay at St. Noel for an additional \$50.00 per family (room rate).

Registration Deadline: February 28.

St. Noel Rate: \$75.00

Wildflowers, Waterfalls & Wineries Weekend: April 5-7, 2019

There are many impressive waterfalls within a short hike or drive from Camp beyond Pakentuck and Phantom's Canyon. Learn where these hidden spots are as we tour around Southern Illinois in the Camp bus, stopping at charming local wineries along the way. The floor of the Shawnee Forest will be alive with color as spring wildflowers will be near full bloom. A knowledgeable guide will explain the flowers as we seek falling water. This is a great weekend for any couple or group of friends looking for a spring getaway. Stay in a private room in St. Noel Conference Center. All meals on Saturday are provided as well as Breakfast on Sunday. No shirt or additional activities are available.

Registration deadline: March 28.

St. Noel Rate: \$125.00

Spring Lodge Reunion: April 12-14, 2019

During the Spring, Lodge members reunite at Camp Ondessonk to offer their services to helping Camp prepare for the upcoming Summer. As a service organization for Camp Ondessonk, Lodge is vital in providing the needed preparation for another great camping season! Lodge members will be housed in units for the weekend with adult supervision provided by Camp Ondessonk Summer Staff. Meals provided include Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner on Saturday as well as Breakfast on Sunday. Mass will be provided on Saturday night. Please bring appropriate work clothes along with work gloves and closed-toed shoes for the work project. No shirt or additional activities are available.

Registration Deadline: April 4.

Unit Rate: \$45.00

Father / Son Weekend: April 26-28, 2019

Camp Ondessonk sets aside one weekend each year for this specialty weekend designed for the guys. Dads are invited to join us for a weekend of tromping through the woods, spending evenings around the campfire, and sharing a love of the outdoors with the boys in their lives. Join us for gaga, archery, canoeing, and other Camp activities including leisurely trail rides or an exhilarating trip down our zip line! Age 3 and under are free! Meals provided include Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner on Saturday as well as Breakfast on Sunday. Mass will be provided on Saturday night. T-shirt included in price. Adventure activities available for an additional fee. Must be 10 years old for trail rides and challenge course activities. Weight limit on horses and zipline is 225lbs. St. Noel lodging upgrades available for \$25 per person as space allows. Contact the camp office after you register for the weekend to reserve beds in St. Noel - 618-695-2489. Registration deadline: April 17.

Unit Rate: \$75.00

St. Noel Rate: \$100

Spring Family Camp Weekend: May 3-5, 2019 *NEW!

Join us for a weekend of family fun for all family and friends together. Many of our best traditional camp activities are available at Family Camp; experience paddling a canoe or kayak, take a hike or climb our climbing tower. For a taste of the extreme, give our high ropes course a try. This is an excellent time to come experience camp as a family before campers attend summer camp for the first (or maybe 5th) time! Adventure activities available at an additional fee. Must be 10 years old for trail rides and challenge course activities. Weight limit on horses and zipline is 225lbs. Meals provided from breakfast on Saturday through breakfast on Sunday. Age 3 and under are free! St. Noel lodging upgrades available for \$25 per person as space allows. Contact the camp office after you register for the weekend to reserve beds in St. Noel - 618-695-2489.

Registration deadline: April 24.

Unit Rate: \$75.00

St. Noel Rate: \$100

First Time Camper Open House: May 11, 2019 Free!!!!

Visiting camp is the best way to introduce potential campers (and their parents) to the Ondessonk experience. Families will have a chance to meet leadership staff, take a tour, meet the horses, and visit the trading post. No shirt or additional activities are available.

Register online or call camp to RSVP: 618-695-2489.

Free Admission

Homecoming & Open House: June 1, 2019 Free!!!!

Join us to commence another summer of "teaching what matters most". A free BBQ lunch will be served from 12:30-1:30 pm. Families will have a chance to meet leadership staff, take a tour, meet the horses, and participate in a sampling of summer camp activities including archery, climbing wall, arts & crafts, swimming, horseback riding, and others. No shirt available. Some adventure activities available at no additional fee. Must be 10 years old for trail rides and challenge course activities. Weight limit on horses and zipline is 225lbs.

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Fall Family Camp Weekend: September 13-15, 2019

Camp is for everyone! Join us for a weekend of family fun and experience a taste of summer camp as the leaves change and the weather turns down-right pleasant. Many of our best traditional camp activities will be available at Fall Family Camp. Go for a canoe paddle or an afternoon swim, take a horse ride or climb our climbing tower. For a taste of the extreme, give our high ropes course a try. Experience a Camp Ondessonk weekend the whole family can enjoy! Adventure activities available at an additional fee. Must be 10 years old for trail rides and challenge course activities. Weight limit on horses and zipline is 225lbs. Meals provided from breakfast on Saturday through breakfast on Sunday. Age 3 and under are free! St. Noel lodging upgrades available for \$25 per person as space allows. Contact the camp office after you register for the weekend to reserve beds in St. Noel - 618-695-2489.

Registration deadline: September 4.

Unit Rate: \$75.00 St. Noel Rate: \$100

Fall Lodge Reunion: September 27-29, 2019

Lodge members reunite at Camp Ondessonk during the fall to offer their services to Camp, reunite with Summer friends, and to attend formal meetings addressing Lodge business. Lodge members will be lodged in units for the weekend with adult supervision provided by Camp Ondessonk Summer Staff. Meals provided include Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner on Saturday as well as Breakfast on Sunday. Mass will be provided on Saturday night. Please bring appropriate work clothes along with work gloves and closed-toed shoes for the work project. No shirt or additional activities are available.

Registration deadline: September 12.

Unit Rate: \$45.00

Mother / Daughter Weekend: October 4-6, 2019

Each fall women get together at Camp Ondessonk to celebrate their bond, and strengthen the connections that flourish amidst the fall foliage. Join us for Mother Daughter Weekend and crisp evenings around the campfire, traditional crafts, canoeing, and other Camp activities including trail rides, and an exhilarating trip down our zip line! Meals provided from breakfast on Saturday through breakfast on Sunday. Adventure activities available at an additional fee. Must be 10 years old for trail rides and challenge course activities. Weight limit on horses and zipline is 225lbs. Age 3 and under are free! St. Noel lodging upgrades available for \$25 per person as space allows. Contact the camp office after you register for the weekend to reserve beds in St. Noel - 618-695-2489. Registration deadline: September 25.

Unit Rate: \$75.00 St. Noel Rate \$100

Camp Ondessonk Specialty Weekend Rules

- 1) Personal firearms and explosives of any kind are strictly prohibited.
- 2) For your safety and theirs, there are NO PETS allowed at camp.
- 3) Swimming, boating, horseback riding, rock climbing, or use of any Camp Ondessonk program areas or equipment is permitted **only** under the supervision of Camp Ondessonk staff during scheduled activity times.
- 4) All activity areas, including the barn, pastures, shooting ranges, lake areas, and the handicrafts shelter, as well as staff-only areas such as the kitchen, central maintenance building, and office are off-limits to guests without authorized supervision.
- 5) Lifejackets must be worn by all guests when boating at Camp Ondessonk. Personal boats or watercraft are not allowed in any bodies of water at camp. Fishing is not allowed in Lake St. Isaac, our swimming lake.
- 6) Bicycles are allowed around the main area of camp. A helmet must be worn at all times.
- 7) No climbing or rappelling is allowed on Camp property unless it is part of a facilitated program.
- 8) Participant vehicles, when allowed on camp roads, should drive clockwise around the lake (Towards Lalande) to limit 2-way traffic. The speed limit within the main area of camp is 10MPH. All vehicle passengers must be in a designated seat. Riding in the backs of trucks or in areas not designated for passengers is not allowed.
- 9) There are no dedicated medical staff on site. All camp staff are certified in CPR and basic first aid and some full-time staff members have advanced medical certifications, but guests will need to carry and dispense their own medications, both prescription and over-the-counter while at camp.
- 10) Smoking is not permitted inside any Camp Ondessonk building or in the presence of children that are not your own. Please be considerate of our non-smoking guests when choosing to light up. Alcohol is allowed only in your reserved lodging area. We advise those responsible for the supervision of children to refrain from the consumption of alcohol while at camp. Consumption of alcohol by anyone under the age of 21, as well as possession or use of illegal drugs, is strictly prohibited and will result in eviction from camp. Please consider purchasing beverages in aluminum cans rather than glass. Cans make sorting our recycling much less messy and less dangerous for our staff.
- 11) Camp Ondessonk is home to a variety of poisonous plants and animals. Beware of poison ivy, ticks, snakes, and other outdoor critters. Stay on trails, keep alert and always wash well after hiking to limit the probability of rashes from poison ivy or ticks bites. Visit your doctor if you develop any unusual rash after hiking at camp.
- 12) Quiet hours are from 11:00PM-7:00AM. Quiet hours in designated family-friendly units begin at 10:00PM. Those not respecting quiet hours will be asked to leave.
- 13) Some activities require additional fees and registration. Trail rides and the High Challenge Course both have a minimum age of 10 years old, weight limit of 225lbs, and require that closed-toe shoes be worn. Trail rides additionally require long pants.

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Please List the EVENT NAME(s) that you are registering for: _____

Family / Group Primary Contact name: (over 21) _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Arrival Date and Time: _____ Diocese: _____

Would like to stay with (friend request): _____

Unit Request: 1st: _____ Additional Unit Choices: 2: _____ 3: _____

*Groups will be assigned lodging prior to arrival. You will find out your lodging assignment upon check-in.

We prefer a Family –Friendly Unit (Early Quiet Time/Alcohol Free): **Y / N** Gender of primary contact: M / F

T-Shirt Size: _____ Trail Ride: Y or N High Challenge: Y or N (must be 10 years old, less than 225lbs)

1. Participant Name: _____ **DOB:** _____ **Gender:** M / F

Check if all contact information is the same as primary contact.

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Trail Ride: Y or N High Challenge: Y or N (must be 10 years old, less than 225lbs)

Any allergies or diet restrictions: _____

Relationship to Primary Contact: _____

2. Participant Name: _____ **DOB:** _____ **Gender:** M / F

Check if all contact information is the same as primary contact.

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Trail Ride: Y or N High Challenge: Y or N (must be 10 years old, less than 225lbs)

Any allergies or diet restrictions: _____

Relationship to Primary Contact: _____

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ADDITIONAL PARTICIPANTS

3. Participant Name: _____ **DOB:** _____ **Gender:** M / F

Check if all contact information is the same as primary contact.

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Trail Ride: Y or N High Challenge: Y or N (must be 10 years old, less than 225lbs)

Any allergies or diet restrictions: _____

Relationship to Primary Contact: _____

4. Participant Name: _____ **DOB:** _____ **Gender:** M / F

Check if all contact information is the same as primary contact.

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Trail Ride: Y or N High Challenge: Y or N (must be 10 years old, less than 225lbs)

Any allergies or diet restrictions: _____

Relationship to Primary Contact: _____

5. Participant Name: _____ **DOB:** _____ **Gender:** M / F

Check if all contact information is the same as primary contact.

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Trail Ride: Y or N High Challenge: Y or N (must be 10 years old, less than 225lbs)

Any allergies or diet restrictions: _____

Relationship to Primary Contact: _____

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Cancelation Policy

Cancelations will receive a full refund if made before the posted registration deadline. After the event registration deadline has passed, no refunds will be allowed. Specialty weekend registration fees can be transferred to other guests.

Payment Information

Rates for each event are given are per person in the descriptions on the following pages. T-shirts, trail rides and high challenge activities are only available during some weekends. Please read description carefully.

Total Registration Fees \$ _____

Pre-Registration for Trail Ride (If Available) _____ x \$15.00 \$ _____

Pre-Registration for High Challenge (If Available) _____ x \$10.00 \$ _____

Other Additions (describe below) \$ _____

Scholarship Fund Gift (Optional) \$ _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Check: or Credit Card: Visa MasterCard Discover

Name on Card: _____

Card Number: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Expiration Date: ____/____ CVV #: _____

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WAIVER OF CLAIM

I hereby release to Camp Ondessonk and/or the American Camp Association the right's of my or my child's photograph, image, likeness and/or voice as recorded on video tape or film for the purpose of promotion, videos, yearbooks, website or publications. I hereby release any and all claims against Camp Ondessonk, Catholic Diocese of Belleville, its representatives, or officers arising in connection with the usage of my or my child's photo, likeness and/or voice. I acknowledge that this release is formal and final and understand that Camp Ondessonk, Catholic Diocese of Belleville, may proceed in reliance thereon.

I, on behalf of myself or my minor child/ward, hereby release, indemnify and hold harmless, Camp Ondessonk, Diocese of Belleville, clergy, volunteers, officers, board members and/or agents from and against any and all claims, losses, suits, damages, or costs (including attorney fees) arising out of, resulting from or relating to my or my minor child/ward's participation in equine and/or climbing activities, including but not limited to horseback riding and/or climbing on natural or man-made surfaces in or around the premises operated by Camp Ondessonk.

I acknowledge and understand that participation in these activities involve inherent risks, including but not limited to (1) the propensity of an equine to behave in dangerous ways that may result in injury to the participant; (2) exposure to weather-related hazards (3) the hazards of surface or subsurface conditions. Notwithstanding this knowledge and awareness, I assume all risks of my or my minor child/ward's participation in activities and legal responsibility for injury, loss, or damage to person or property resulting from the risk of such activities.

I, as a participant or as a parent/guardian of a participant, understand I or my child will be participating in activities that involve periods of physical exertion, balancing, heights (up to 80 feet) and interaction with animals. I and/or my child agree to inform the instructors of any physical, mental or medical condition that might affect my/his/her ability to participate or affect other members of my group. I and/or my child also realize that failure to share that information could result in serious harm to myself/him/her or others. I also state that I and/or my child are not under and will not be under the influence of any chemical substance including alcohol. I and/or my child agree to comply with safety instructions given and to be responsible for my/his/her own personal safety and well being. I agree to hold Camp Ondessonk, its Directors, Officers, Employees, Agents and/or Associates harmless for any accidents, injury, loss of or damage to property that may occur on this property. I understand that all possible precautions are taken to insure that all programs and activities sponsored by Camp Ondessonk are conducted by mature and qualified personnel in a safe and responsible manner. I voluntarily assume the risks of the activities and I and/or my child agrees to report any injuries before leaving the premises.

I further acknowledge that (1) I am the parent/guardian of the minor child/ward identified above OR I am the participant identified above; (2) I have read this release in its entirety; (3) I fully understand and accept its terms; (4) I have executed this release voluntarily:

I expressly waive any and all claims against the Catholic Diocese of Belleville, Camp Ondessonk, or its representatives on account of accident or sickness that may be incurred to the above mentioned person or his or her property in connection with an incident during this camp's activities.

Printed Name of Participant _____ Participant or Parent Signature _____ Date _____

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