

**Camp Ondessonk's 1st Annual
Waterfalls, Wildflowers, and Wineries Weekend
April 7 - 9, 2017**

Friday

4:30- ?

Check In at St. Noel - Welcome to Camp Ondessonk! Get keys and schedules. Please go ahead and move into your rooms, make yourself at home, or stroll around Camp. Dinner will not be available but feel free to bring your own or drive into town. Late arrivals: Please see posted room assignments; keys in the drop box outside the main door. The basement of Noel is open for all to enjoy, make coffee, or roast S'mores over the fire. Any questions or concerns please call **Greg Santen's cell (309) 657-5110**

6:30

Twilight Hike to Crystal Falls: This little-known, but beautiful spot is just off Camp property. Half-mile roundtrip, moderately challenging, some off-trail

Saturday

8:00

Coffee and a quick continental breakfast will be available in the basement of St. Noel. Welcome Circle - Meet to Frame the Weekend, introduce yourself, and get to know each other.

8:45

Load up into Camp vehicles and head out to Pakentuck Road.

All Morning

Hike to a remote area near Camp that has several waterfalls. See Poseidon's Theater, Little Pakentuck, Crawford Falls - 2 miles roundtrip, moderate trail. A knowledgeable naturalist will guide us through the forest pointing out wildflowers.

Lunch Time

Drive to Ferne Clyffe State Park, picnic at shelter in campground

All Afternoon

See Ferne Clyffe Falls and Bork's Falls. Drive to Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge to hike the Rocky Bluff Trail. See Rocky Bluff Falls and an exceptional spot of wildflower diversity on this half-mile loop. Visit wineries near this area for the remainder of the afternoon

5:30ish

Return to Camp, rest, clean up before dinner

6:30

Gourmet Foil Dinner at the St. Noel fire pit.

8:00

Mass in the Chapel of North American Martyrs (optional)
(Trading Post Open after mass)

Spend the rest of the evening enjoying the warmth the campfire.

Sunday

8:00

Breakfast in the Dining Hall (Please have your things out of your rooms as early as possible.)

8:45

Load up into Camp vehicles and head out to Burden Falls and Jackson Falls. Burden Falls is the tallest "cascading" waterfall in Illinois. Short, easy walks from the car.

Late morning

Return to Camp. Pack up, depart.
Feel free to enjoy Camp for the rest of the day, but please be out of your rooms by noon.

Thank you for visiting Camp Ondessonk!