

# Pilgrim Lodge



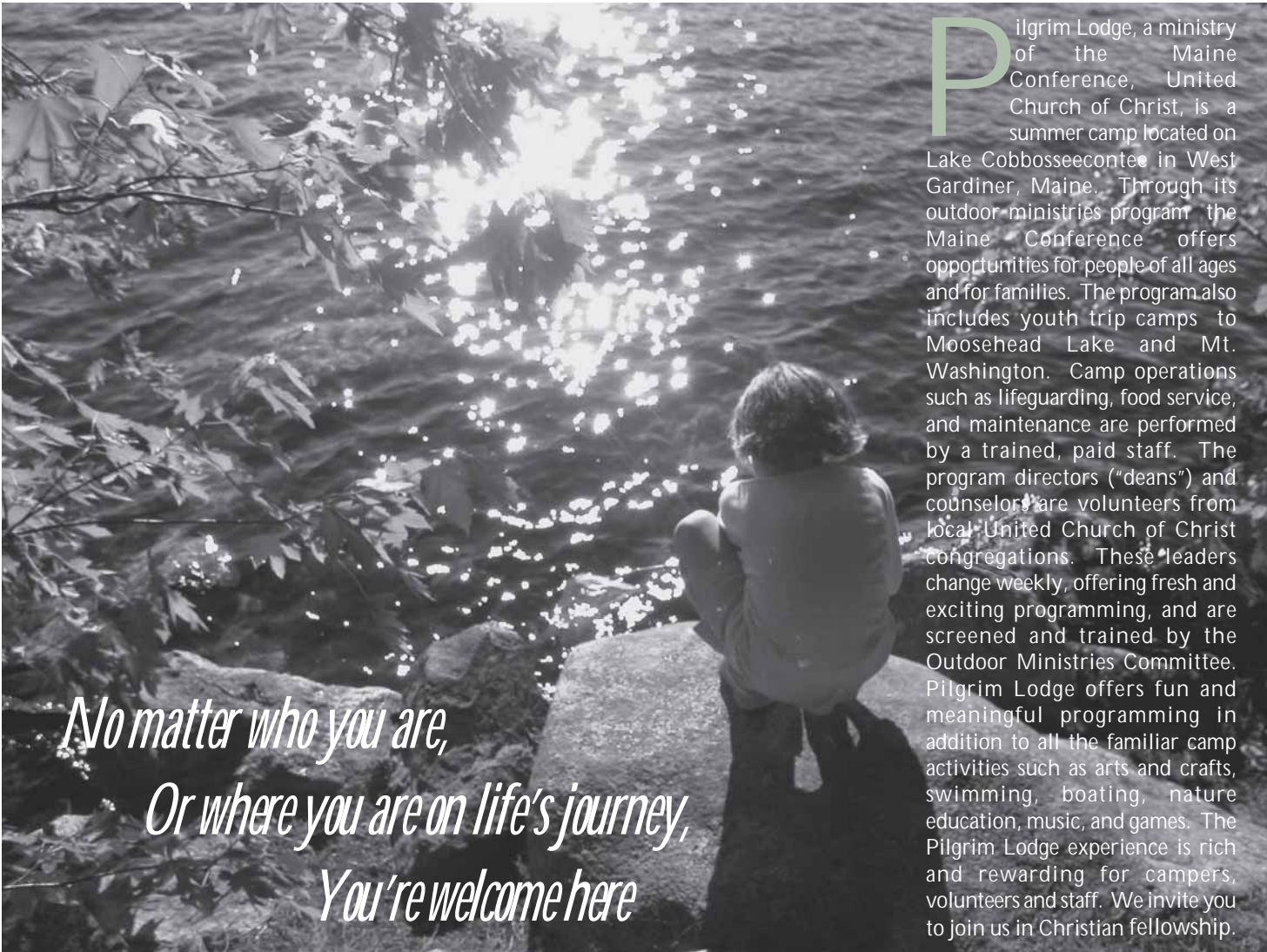
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## 2006





*No matter who you are,  
Or where you are on life's journey,  
You're welcome here*

**P**ilgrim Lodge, a ministry of the Maine Conference, United Church of Christ, is a summer camp located on Lake Cobbosseecontee in West Gardiner, Maine. Through its outdoor ministries program the Maine Conference offers opportunities for people of all ages and for families. The program also includes youth trip camps to Moosehead Lake and Mt. Washington. Camp operations such as lifeguarding, food service, and maintenance are performed by a trained, paid staff. The program directors ("deans") and counselors are volunteers from local United Church of Christ congregations. These leaders change weekly, offering fresh and exciting programming, and are screened and trained by the Outdoor Ministries Committee. Pilgrim Lodge offers fun and meaningful programming in addition to all the familiar camp activities such as arts and crafts, swimming, boating, nature education, music, and games. The Pilgrim Lodge experience is rich and rewarding for campers, volunteers and staff. We invite you to join us in Christian fellowship.

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**Our mission** is to help young people and adults grow as Christians. We achieve this growth through week long experiences in group living involving exposure to the world of nature, helpful caring relationships, experiences of sharing, recreation, fellowship, and worship. By engaging in purposeful programming, campers and counselors broaden their understanding of God and the world. Together we seek to overcome fears and frustrations and to experience the joy of giving and receiving love. The camp community creates a life-style in accordance with Christian values, an openness to the Holy Spirit, and the grace of Jesus Christ.



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# 2006



## June 10, 2006 Anniversary Celebration

accommodations available from June 9-11, 2006  
open house 9 am to 5 pm on Saturday, June 10 at Pilgrim Lodge  
worship at 11 am followed by lunch, donations accepted at the camp gate

The camp was dedicated on June 9, 1956. We will celebrate worship at 11:00, although feel free to stop by and linger from 9 am through 5 pm. We'll have all aspects of camp open so you can stop in the arts and crafts cabin, go for a swim, canoe or pram ride, tour the facility, take a guided tour or nature hike and meet old friends for a sit down coffee house atmosphere in the lodge. Also in the lodge will be a display of old photos and items from years past. Call or email your old PL pals and plan to meet them there for the day. Accommodations: Do you need to travel from far way? Do you just want to come and stay in one of those wonderful old cabins on Lake Cobosseecontee and hear the loons? We are offering bed space and meals for pilgrims and reminiscence seekers.

### Accommodation Details:

- You can stay for ten dollars per night.
- You may register for all or part of the weekend.
- Reservations are necessary for overnight stays. Fill out the registration form at [www.pilgrimlodge.org/50thanniversary.html](http://www.pilgrimlodge.org/50thanniversary.html)
- You may choose to stay in a co-ed, or gender specific cabin and you may choose a family or adult only cabin.
- You also may request to stay as a group (although we do not guarantee exclusivity of any particular group).
- No particular bed can be reserved. Cabins will be assigned and beds are chosen on a first come first serve basis, so if you want to sleep on a porch, get there early.
- Bring a warm sleeping bag or blankets.
- Meals offered: Saturday meals, and Sunday Breakfast. When you register you will pick which meals you want.
- If you do plan to leave during the celebration on Saturday for any reason, we ask you to move your car to the off-site parking set up for that day to eliminate road traffic. If you are staying the weekend and not leaving Saturday you can park in camp for the duration.
- Meal prices are on the registration form.
- Those under 18 must be accompanied by parents.
- On Sunday morning we will worship and celebrate communion in the chapel.
- Other than worship on Sunday there is no special program planned for Friday or Sunday other than relaxing with your friends.
- We might even let you bring candy.
- Check [www.pilgrimlodge.org/50thanniversary.html](http://www.pilgrimlodge.org/50thanniversary.html) for updates and details

# For those entering K-3<sup>rd</sup> grade

PEACE

## A Day At Camp

Parents and kids: come to camp for the day! The day is structured to include a sample of camp life: swimming, boating, singing, games, arts and crafts. Parents will stay with their children. Siblings of a different age may accompany their brothers or sisters but parents are responsible for them. Lunch is included. It's Sunday and Chapel begins at 10 AM! Please register using the Family and Grandparents section of the registration form.

Sunday, August 20, 9:30-4:00

Adults \$10, Children \$5

# For those entering 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade

## Faith Foundations

Half Week

Thursday, July 6-Sunday, July 9

Deans: Jim and Cindy Wright

\$145

The stillness of the lake, the tranquil call of the loons, the soothing sound of the breeze through the trees; contrast this to the wonderful sounds of campers singing, playing field games, giggling at bunk-time and living their faith in this Christian community. All of these are examples of how "God is still speaking" and provides opportunities for us to experience the wonder of creation. This half-week camp, designed with the first time camper in mind, is a great way to discover PL, explore the outdoors and to experience the many ways God calls each of us to be peacemakers and messengers. Campers will explore some of the many things PL has to offer through a great variety of activities, songs and worship experiences. Faith Foundations is the place to be this summer for new campers! Come join the fun!!



Sunday, August 13-Saturday August 19

Deans: Matt Hayden & Jen Hayden

\$280

## Celebrate Your Song

We all have a story to tell, a song to sing. Each of us has a voice. Loud or soft, high or low, no matter our language, regardless of our differences. Come use yours to meet new friends, worship together, and have fun! You may find that you do not even need to use your voice to be heard.

# For those entering 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade

Sunday, July 23- Saturday, July 29

Deans: Karen Choate & Rev. William D. Ingraham \$280

## Peace's Pieces

Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers." Did you know that each one of us, at every age, has a chance to be a peacemaker? In fact, as we grow through out lives, we have countless opportunities to make peace — peace in our families, peace in our schools, peace in our churches, peace in our country, and even all around the world. Who are our enemies? How can we learn to love them and why would we want to? This week we'll use the Bible and the stories of our faith to learn what our piece of peacemaking is, and how our faith in Jesus helps us to do our part. And best of all, we'll be doing that at Pilgrim Lodge!



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TALKS

## For those entering 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade



Sunday, August 6-Saturday, August 12  
Deans: Laura Bartlett & Sara Godfrey  
\$280

### All Around Me

Just as strangers in the world must learn to peacefully live with their neighbors, so will we learn the different ways to peacefully live with each other in our God-centered community at Pilgrim Lodge. Through whole-camp and small family group activities, we will learn how to peacefully build a community with strangers, care for one another, trust in God and God's care and support, and how to greet and care for all of God's people with unconditional love. We will also come together as a community to practice peace. As we depart PL, hopefully, you will continue on as peacemakers, and share your knowledge with others. We hope that you will join us for a fun packed week!

## For those entering 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> grade

### Peace, Love, and God's Way: The Path of the Middler Camper

Sunday, July 9-Saturday, July 15  
Deans: Marc Precourt & Rev. Michelle Wiley  
\$280

There is no place on God's earth more peaceful than Pilgrim Lodge. Imagine sitting on a rock looking at the lake, just you and God and all of God's beautiful creation of which you are a part. Come join us for a week of fun, making new friends, fun, renewing past friendships, fun, nature, fun, water activities, fun, singing, fun, worshipping God, fun, crafts, fun and cookouts. And did we mention FUN? Experience God's peace, feel it flow through you and learn how to keep that peace with you always. We are anxious to share our peace with you. See you there!



## For those entering 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> grade

Sunday, July 30-Saturday, August 5  
Deans: Laura Barrantes &  
Amber Jensen  
\$280

### Middler Spirit



Join us and create wonderful memories during another fantastic Middler Spirit week, full of fun activities, including cookouts, monster races, singing, and of course, swimming, boating, crafts, and nature. During our week, we'll have a blast revisiting old friends and making new ones. There is no better place to be for a week in August than Pilgrim Lodge with its sparkling water and tree covered ceiling. As counselors and deans who love Pilgrim Lodge and Middler campers, doing things pilgrimlogically is our mission. YOU are a welcome addition to our week, and we look forward to being at Pilgrim Lodge with you. Peace talks at Pilgrim Lodge, and we are ready to listen. As one of our campers once said, "I was accepted right away in the family of kids who had come before, and I felt loved." Come, make memories with us and be pilgrimlogical!

# For those entering 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> grade

Sunday, July 16-Saturday July 22

Deans: Jessica Doughty & Jonathan Doughty

\$199

## Spiritquest 2006: Manitou Island Adventure



Come and join our fun-loving family of faith as we experience the true nature of God's peace by camping all week in tents on Manitou Island! Like Robinson Caruso, it's primitive as can be. Together we will build a strong, calm, yet totally exuberant community through group-building games, shared times of quiet and worship, and individual reflection. Several canoe trips, a talent show and a HUGE game of Capture the Flag are just some of the fantastic fun that awaits us. If you've never been to PL before, you are especially welcome to our camp! We'll have vespers by the campfire every night, and a new adventure every day! We look forward to seeing you there!

# For those entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade-2006 grads

## Arts Alive!

Sunday, June 25- Saturday July 1

Dean: Rev. Sally Colegrove

\$280

Peace: sing it, draw it, act it out, dance it, write it, experience it. In this week of activities in the creative arts we will look at God's peace, inner peace, world peace and at the way that we can give peace a voice through our creations. How can we listen to God's message of peace and respond through art, music, writing, drama and dance? Come and help us to answer that question. We will also swim and canoe, talk about life and make many new friendships.



## Rev Up For Justice! A Special Camp for 5 Days Just Before the New England Regional Youth Event



Sunday, July 2-July 6, \$265 (in addition to the RYE fee)

Deans Tom Hancock & Rev. Marcia Charles

**God, Speak Through Us.** You will explore many aspects of JUSTICE at the New England Regional Youth Event (NERYE). Together we will get ready for this meaningful event at this special camp at Pilgrim Lodge. Sunday through Thursday before NERYE will be your time to prepare at PL – you will

Rev Up for Justice! – and then off you'll go to this fabulous weekend event at the University of Maine. Youth from all over New England are invited to this special pre-Youth Event camp. Then, everyone will be bused from Pilgrim Lodge to Orono. You'll meet new and old friends. You'll worship, sing, discuss, and enjoy the camp. You'll introduce all the youth from around New England to our burps, boardwalk, waterfront, chapel, and island. We celebrate that **God is Still Speaking**. During our 5 days together we'll listen closely to what God is saying, and then at the New England Regional Youth Event you will make the next logical request: **God, Speak Through Us**. The cost of the 5-day camp at Pilgrim Lodge includes one-way bus transportation to the New England Regional Youth Event. You must register individually for both events. The cost of the NERYE is totally separate. The Pilgrim Lodge camp ends when you arrive at the University of Maine on Thursday. You will not be transported back to Pilgrim Lodge. Only those registered to attend NERYE will be allowed to register for this pre-event camp. It will be a fun and rewarding time together as we all **Rev Up for Justice!**

**If you are attending the  
New England Regional Youth Event  
You're Invited to Pilgrim Lodge  
to Make It a Full Week Experience**

that campers will be entering in the autumn of 2006

## TALKS

# For those entering 10<sup>th</sup> grade-2006 grads

## Senior High Manitou Island



Sunday, July 30-Saturday, August 5

Dean: Rocky Ackroyd

\$199

Our Manitou Island Adventure is so popular we've added another session, this one for Sr. High students. The island to the south, just off shore at Pilgrim Lodge is called "Manitou Island." Manitou is an Abenki word meaning "Great Spirit." No phones, no lights, no motor cars, just peace and beauty. Come and spend a week with us sleeping in tents on the shoreline paths, under the stars. Bring your experiences, friendship and trust to help us build a community of mutual respect and understanding of ourselves and the world around us. Through the sharing of cooking, canoe trips, songs and conversations around the evening campfire, you will bring home experiences found nowhere else but Pilgrim Lodge!



## Sr. High Expectations

Sunday, July 16-Saturday, July 22

Deans: Pam Burnham & Rev. Bruce Burnham

\$280

Are you "anything less than beautiful?" Is there a part of that Libby Roderick song that speaks directly into your soul? Can we say and understand that "God Is Still Speaking" about our bodies, and minds and souls? Your expectation should be that we will explore beauty from a worldly perspective and then look deeper through our faith perspective. We'll consider what it means to be "whole" and "connected to my soul" as well. But it won't just be talk. We'll create this in worship, in play, in song, and in service. Join us and we'll live the best of what was meant in the song. See you this summer!

# For Those 16 & 17 years old in the summer of 2006 interested in being a Counselor In Training



Saturday, June 24-Sunday June 25

Deans: Rev. Bryan S. Breault &

Joanne Bartlett

\$30

## C.I.T. Training

To be a Counselor In Training (CIT) at Pilgrim Lodge you must:

- be at least 16 years old
- be at least two years older than the oldest camper registered for the event
- be registered as a camper for a different week
- attend this training event, even if you went last year
- be invited by a Dean (we can help with this)

We rely on CIT's and it's important you understand your role and responsibilities. If you are attending Arts Alive which begins Sunday, you can just stay right through! More information is available at [www.pilgirm lodge.org](http://www.pilgirm lodge.org)

Please note: listings are now by the grade that campers will be entering in the autumn of 2006

## For those entering 10<sup>th</sup> grade-2006 graduates

### Wilderness Awakenings Moosehead Lake Trip

Come with us on an historic voyage on Moosehead Lake in a rowboat! We'll use two of Harry Sylvester's hand-crafted 22 ft. Whitehall design boats to tour the coves, islands, narrows and bays of Maine's largest inland body of water. We'll learn skills in boat handling, navigation and camping. We'll experience the natural world up close and personal while we learn team-building skills. Let yourself relax and grow spiritually in the woods of Maine for a week and learn to trust new friends. Come away with us and discover "hands that row" and gain new insight into yourself, your friends and your world. Previous boating experience is not necessary, but you should be a good swimmer and ready for a rigorous workout working closely with others in a participatory camp setting.

Sunday, July 23-Saturday July 29  
Dean: Mike Seavey & Steve Wight  
\$299



### White Mountain Adventure



will only be carrying light packs. This allows us to spend less time lugging and more time enjoying the exceptional scenery. Your deans are two highly experienced adventure camp leaders (one with full EMT training) who have enjoyed working together on two previous trips. Unfortunately, national wilderness restrictions do apply, which means we are limited to a maximum of eight campers. So sign up early, and plan to have an experience you will never forget.

Saturday August 5-Saturday August 12,  
Deans: Rev. Kevin Pleas & Holly Hancock  
Limit: 8 \$550 (\$150 non-refundable deposit)

The White Mountain Adventure is back and better than ever. If you love to be active in the great outdoors, if you enjoy a challenge, this is one you don't want to miss. From a base camp at Dolly Copp Campground, we will go out Mountain Biking at Great Glenn Trails, White Water Kayaking on the Androscoggin, and Rock Climbing with the International Mountain School. We'll then spend four days hiking along the White Mountain's spectacular Presidential Range, spending three nights at the Appalachian Mountain Club's famous High Mountain Huts: Mizpah, Lakes of the Clouds and Madison. As you can read from the AMC's webpage ([www.outdoors.org](http://www.outdoors.org)) "Each hut offers bunkroom accommodations, running water, and one-of-a-kind views...full-service lodging with hearty breakfasts and dinners prepared by the experienced hut crew." Each hut offers a warm, friendly atmosphere and even live entertainment. This "Hut to Hut" approach means that we

The Connecticut Conference UCC, is sponsoring a bicycle trip across America for youth ages 13-17 during the summer of 2006

### BIKE ACROSS AMERICA 2006

This 9-week, RV-supported journey will begin in Seattle, Washington and end in Sharon, Vermont. The group will visit 15 UCC churches, as well as several of other denominations. Registrations will be taken from November 1, 2005 through January 15, 2006. The leaders have taken this trip four times with youth and would like to offer the opportunity to students in the New England UCC conferences! Whether you are a cyclist who has dreamed for years about making such a trip, or are a non-cyclist who feels called to the journey, please call for details and an information packet. Contact Ken and Nancy Wright at (802) 763-8937. (Not a Maine Conference UCC event).



# Vintage Ventures

For children 55 years old and above  
Monday June 12-Thursday June 15

Deans: Pat Seaward and Nancy MacAurthur

Bring your inner child to Vintage Ventures. Enjoy a few days renewing your spirit, relaxing with new and old friends, sharing in fellowship, prayer, worship and the wonders of God as we leave TV and radio, cares and responsibilities behind. We'll have fun with boating, swimming, singing, and of course, ice cream in the afternoon. If you prefer you can just sit on a porch rocker and rest. We hope you will join us for one of the best camping experiences of the summer.

# Adult and Family Camps

\$125 (deposit \$50)



## Women In The Wild for Women 21 years old and above

Friday afternoon June 16-Sunday morning June 18

Deans: Rev. Kathi Smith & Rev. Linda Kimball

\$89

Calling all women! This is your opportunity to gather with women from around Maine (and elsewhere) in the beauty of PL. Come and join us for a weekend of fellowship, reflection and relaxation. Enjoy the call of the loons, experience the thoughtful and thought provoking conversations and celebrate amongst a community of friends. For if we are not friends when we arrive, we are when we leave! Bring your sister, bring a friend, but come, come be a part of the family of Women in the Wild. Suggested reading material for this retreat will be announced on the PL website in mid-winter.

## Lighten Up, Loosen Up, and Imagine (Formerly Artists and Others) For Adults Only

Wednesday August 23-Saturday Aug 26,

Deans: Allie Rimkunas & Rev. Kathi Smith

\$95

Are you a frustrated artist, rarely allowing yourself the time and space for creativity, or are you simply a person who would cherish an opportunity for renewal? Are the phones, computers, TV's and everyday cares too distracting? Have we got the retreat for you! Whether you come to sculpt, draw, read, reflect or you simply relish time to fish or boat on the lake, come and enjoy the peacefulness of PL. We'll feed you, but the "rest" is up to you. Programming is minimal and optional.



## All Family Camp

Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 1- Sept. 4

Deans: Petra Smyth & Mary Strain

Adults \$99 Children \$49



Come and make new friends and visit with old friends. Families today might have a mom and a dad, just one parent, two dads or two moms, or be made up of several generations. Let's enjoy each others company, and have fun playing games, singing and swimming as well as other entertaining activities. There will be time to worship at the out door chapel which overlooks the lake. Your crew of 2-8 will get its own cabin on Lake Cobbosseecontee. You will meet people from around the state and develop friendships that last a lifetime. Space is limited so register early. Parents are responsible for their own children. Families of all configurations are welcome!

## Grandparents & Grandchildren

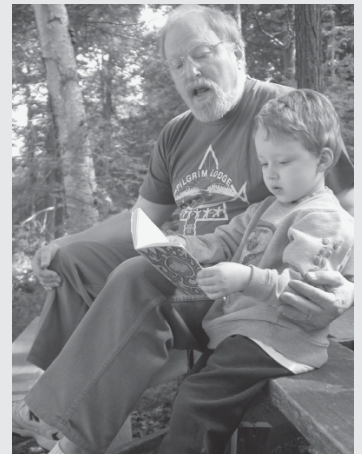
Session 1: June 22-24

Session 2: August 21-23

Deans (1): Ben & Betty Ann Haskell

Children 5 years or older. Adults \$79, Children \$42

A short but sacred time for grandparents and their grandchildren to make wonderful memories of the quality time spent together in God's creation on the shores of Lake Cobbosseecontee. We will get to know each others as members of the human family and we will get to know our young grandchildren in special ways away from the world of television, fast food chains, and video games. Quiet time, play time, family time and worship time will make it a special time like no other. It may also start your grandchild on the wonderful journey as a Pilgrim Lodge camper and what a great gift that would be to each one. So pack your bug repellent, bathing suit, and Bible and join us, won't you please?



# Pilgrim Lo



White Mountain Adv.  
10th-HS, Aug 5-12



Rev Up For Justice!  
7th-Sr. High, July 2-8



Faith Foundations  
4th & 5th  
July 6-9



Middler Spirit, 8th-9th  
July 30-August 5



SpiritQuest: Manitou Island  
8th-9th, July 16-22



Jump Start Work Weekend  
April 28-29



Grandparents & Grandchildren  
June 22-24 or August 21-23



Be a hero: serve on the  
PL staff. Info on-line



Vintage Ventures 55 yrs. +  
June 12-15  
Sr. High Manitou Island, July 30-Aug 5



Deans' Retreat  
March 31-Apr. 2

God  
is still  
speaking.



Wilderness Awakenings  
10th-HS, July 23-29



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June 10  
Anniversary

PEACE

# Lodge 2006



2006  
Celebration

TALKS



CIT Training,  
16-17 yrs.  
June 24-25



Peace, Love, & God's Way  
7th-9th, July 9-15



Family Camp  
Labor Day Weekend



Celebrate Your Song  
4th & 5th, August 13-19



Sr. High Expectations  
10th-HS, July 16-22



Lighten Up... adults (please)  
August 23-26



Peace's Pieces, 5th-7th  
July 23-29



Arts Alive, 7th-Sr.High  
June 25-July 1



No matter who you are,  
or where you are on life's journey,  
you're welcome here



All Around Me, 6th & 7th  
August 6-12



Women In the Wild, 21yrs.+  
June 16-17



A Day at Camp, K-3rd  
August 20



Fall Work Day, October 28

mlodge.org

# Scholarships

We believe that every child should be allowed to attend camp at Pilgrim Lodge. No child should be denied the PL camping experience due to lack of funds.



Pilgrim Lodge prices are already lower than most summer camps because the program is subsidized by volunteer help and donations from churches and individuals. We have a limited amount of funds to help those truly in need. These funds are set aside to provide financial assistance to those campers whose families need additional help to pay camp registration fees. The funds come primarily from special donations made by churches, groups and individuals. We must rely on your judgment as to the determination of the need for additional scholarship support for a particular camper. This is NOT a general, all-purpose scholarship fund available to all campers merely for the asking. Please apply only if your child will not be able to attend at the full price. Scholarships will be granted based on the number of applications received. All applications are due by May 19, 2006. Applications received following that date will be considered if any funds remain after all on-time applications have been processed. Applications for scholarships must be signed by a Maine Conference United Church of Christ pastor. Often a scholarship fund is granted in the amount of one third of the camper registration fee. We ask parents or guardians to provide one third and the local church to provide one third. We also request that other sources of financial assistance be sought.

## CONFIDENTIAL APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP GRANT DUE MAY 19, 2006



Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Number of members in household: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Household income \$ \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Fee Payments (see above)

Church \_\_\_\_\_

By camper family \$ \_\_\_\_\_

By Local Church \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Date of Camp \_\_\_\_\_

Other (list) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Maine Conference UCC Pastor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Conference Scholarship Funds requested \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL (camp fee): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

THERE VERY WELL MAY BE ADDITIONAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FROM YOUR LOCAL CHURCH. SPEAK WITH YOUR PASTOR ABOUT HOW TO APPLY FOR LOCAL CHURCH FUNDS.

# Sending mail to your camper

Camper's love mail, and sending it to them is easy! Please keep letters upbeat and do not focus on how much you miss your camper.

## U.S. Mail

**DO NOT SEND FOOD OR CANDY!**

Do not mail anything after Thursday's mail pickup.

Camper's Name, Cabin #[camper's cabin number]

Name of session (ie: "Arts Alive")

Pilgrim Lodge

103 Pilgrim Lodge Lane

West Gardiner, ME 04345

Subject line: To [camper's full name], cabin #[camper's cabin number]

Send to: "camper@pilgrimlodge.org" Do not write your camper's proper name, just the word "camper."

Do not send email prior to camper's arrival.

Do not send attached files, or on-line cards. They will be discarded.

Camper's will receive a printed copy of your email

but will not have access to electronic reply

## E-mail

Camper's will receive a printed copy of your fax, but will not have access to electronic reply.

At the top of fax write: To [camper's full name], cabin #[cabin number].

No cover page needed.

Send to 207-724-3732.

## Fax

As of 2005 Pilgrim Lodge Store products are certified sweat-shop and child labor free.



This year we are asking all parents to set up camper store accounts instead of sending camper's with cash. On the day you arrive the store will be open for you to set up your account. You pay and establish a credit that is drawn down during the week. On Saturday you will receive a report of your store activity and any change due. During the week the store will open once a day for ice-cream sales (75 cents per cone) and once a day for other items. The store sells postcards and stamps, Pilgrim Lodge T-shirts, hats, and flashlights, memorabilia, and necessary items such as toothbrushes, and film. All proceeds from the Pilgrim Lodge store go directly to support the ministry of Pilgrim Lodge.

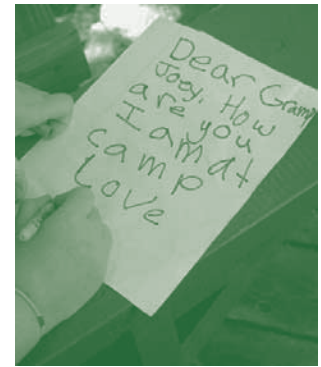
### DIGITAL PHOTOS OF YOUR CAMP ON CD-ROM

Hundreds of photos of your week at camp on CD-ROM for \$15. Parents or camper's can pre-order their CD at the camp store on registration day and it will be ready for departure on Saturday. Alternately, you can order your CD-ROM when you pick up your camper on Saturday along with a \$2 shipping & handling fee and we'll mail it to you after your event.

[www.pilgrimlodge.org](http://www.pilgrimlodge.org)

### See photos of your child's group!

During your camper's week we will be taking photos and posting them on the web so families can go to virtual camp! Visit us at [www.pilgrimlodge.org](http://www.pilgrimlodge.org). You'll find information, photos of the PL facility, photos from every week of camp last summer, news about what's going on, updates, information on volunteering, e-mail addresses for Outdoor Ministries Committee members and more.



## The Camp Store



## Pitch in!

### Jump Start Weekend, April 29-30

Our two work weekends are great opportunities for individuals and groups to roll up their sleeves and do some great work. Young people must be in at least sixth grade and be accompanied by adults. Full information, necessary forms, and registration material are available at [www.pilgrimlodge.org](http://www.pilgrimlodge.org). We couldn't do it without you!

### Fall Work Day, October 28



# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## THAT PARENTS MUST READ BEFORE SIGNING REGISTRATION FORM

**Payment Due:** **Change in practice** A non-refundable deposit of \$75 (or other amount if indicated) is required with initial registration. **The balance is due at the conference office two weeks before the start of the event. We will no longer be accepting payment at camp.** If payment is not received on time, campers may forfeit their spot to others on the waiting list. See the section on registration on page 14 for more details.

**Behavior:** Certain behaviors which are deemed inappropriate, (including but not limited to: fighting; hitting; biting; stealing; destruction of, or intrusion into, another's property; threatening another; defying a counselor or dean; refusal to eat; wandering from established program areas; sexual activity; or possession of weapons) can result in a camper being sent home and the camper's minister being notified. Any camper sent home will be reaccepted for an Outdoor Ministries event only after consultation with the Outdoor Ministries Committee and the Director of Outdoor Ministries.

**Open Registration:** Rules concerning acceptance and participation in all Maine Conference Outdoor Ministries events are the same for everyone without regard to race, color, sexual orientation, gender, or national origin.

**Smoking:** Events sponsored by the Outdoor Ministries Committee are smoke-free.

**Alcohol and Drug:** Alcohol and other drugs are not permitted at Outdoor Ministries events. Drugs include inhalants such as gas or glue and the misuse of over the counter or prescription medicine. Anyone using or possessing alcohol or illegal drugs will be sent home immediately and the camper's minister will be notified. All prescription & nonprescription drugs must be given to the nurse at registration.

**Fireworks:** Fireworks are not permitted at Pilgrim Lodge or at Outdoor Ministries sponsored events. Anyone using or possessing fireworks will be sent home immediately and their minister will be notified.

**Health Form Requirements and Medications:** Health forms are available on-line or will be mailed by request. A physical examination is required by a licensed physician within the previous two years. Each camper must present a completed and signed health form to the camp nurse upon arrival at camp (unless a health form signed by a doctor in 2005 is on file). There will be no exception. DO NOT send health forms to the Conference Office or to the camp before arrival. All medications (including nonprescription medicines) must be turned over to the camp nurse or designated trip leader at registration. Do not bring common over the counter medications such as Tylenol - they are available from the camp nurse. Medications should be clearly marked with the camper's name, the name of the medication, and usage instructions. Unused medications are to be picked up at the end of the week.

**Disclosure of Medical Conditions and Medication:** Everyone is differently abled. In order for us to help your child have the best experience possible, the Camp Director and Deans need to be aware in advance of any physical, emotional or behavioral needs a child may have. Special arrangements can be made. This information is shared only with those responsible for the care of your child.

**Health Care Expenses:** Parents or guardians are responsible for health care costs should a camper need to be brought to our on-call doctor's office, pharmacy or the emergency room. We will attempt to reach parents before such a trip. Invoices for such visits will be given to parents when they pick up their camper. Parents are responsible for payment directly to the health care provider. At the time the camper is picked up, parents will reimburse the Maine Conference for prescription medication purchased on a camper's behalf.

**Scholarships:** Scholarships are available from the Maine Conference. Application for scholarships can be found in this brochure or on-line. Many local churches also have their own camp scholarship program. Please ask your local pastor if such a program is available in your church.

**Counselorships:** In appreciation of parents volunteering to be counselors, a \$50 credit will be granted toward their child's camp fee for each week a parent is a counselor. Counselorships may be applied to any week of the summer but for immediate family only. Counselorships must be applied during the summer in which the parent serves as a counselor.

**Publicity:** Any photos taken of campers may be used for promotion by Pilgrim Lodge, including but not limited to: future camp brochures, promotional slide shows and video presentations, and the Pilgrim Lodge website. Children's names are not listed with their photos.

# Frequently Asked Questions

## When should campers be dropped off and picked up?

Unless you read differently in a dean's letter, campers should arrive on Sunday, the first day of camp, no earlier than 2:00 PM. Registration is from 2:00-4:00 PM. Campers should be picked up Saturday between 9:30 and 11:00 in the morning. Closing programs may be planned so check your dean's letter!

## May we visit our camper during the week?

Parents, family members and friends of campers are cordially invited to visit during registration and departure only. At other times campers will be fully occupied and friends are asked to please refrain from visiting or calling by telephone.

Should we send mail? YES! Camper's love to receive mail! Information on how to send mail is on page 11.

## Is there a camp store?

Yes. Please see page 11 to read about the store and required camper store accounts.

## How much money should campers bring?

Campers will set up store accounts so cash is necessary only for a mission offering for Back Bay Mission (page 16).

## What if campers get homesick?

Very few campers need to go home. Usually extra attention from the counselor and cheerful letters from home are all it takes to help an uneasy child. Parents concerned that their child may become homesick can do some things to help the child prepare for camp. A visit to camp ahead of time is the best way for a child to know what to expect. Please call before you visit. Coming to camp with a friend is another good idea (although we do not house friends in the same cabin).

## Can campers stay in the same cabin with friends from home?

No. This is a common request. We do not house friends from the same church together, nor do we grant requests for campers to be together. Our experience is that friends from home tend to relate together instead of getting to know new cabin mates. We hope you will make new friends in your cabin. Cabin time is limited and there is ample time for friends to be together during camp.

## What about camp photos?

Every camper will receive an 8X10 photo of all the people in their camp. Many more are available on CD (page 11.)

## What should we bring?

Pay attention to your dean's letter for specific items they request, but here is a list to get you started: Your receipt for your camp fee; your health form signed by a physician (don't mail it to camp!); Clothes in which to relax; warm clothes for cold days and nights; rain gear; shorts; jeans; sweatshirts; a Bible; a notebook and pen; bathing suit; beach towel; beach footwear; musical instruments; mission offerings (in a separate envelope); a nice outfit for a special event or celebration (not too formal); bathroom articles (towels, washcloth, soap, toothbrush, comb, brush etc.) in an easy to carry bag or bucket, sleeping bag or bedding for a single bed; pillow; comfy sneakers for outside activities; stationery; flashlight; laundry bag; insect repellent (NON aerosol please!); If you bring CD's for a dance be sure your name is on them! It's a good idea to write your name on everything.

## What should we NOT bring?

Candy; gum; food; personal listening devices; electronic handheld games; pets; pocket knives; valuables; jewelry; cell phones; beepers; or computers. And of course, weapons, fireworks; alcohol or illegal drugs.

May campers call home? Phones are available for use by campers only in case of emergency. The office phone number is 207-724-3200. If the office is closed IN THE EVENT OF EMERGENCY ONLY you may call 207-724-3300.



# Pilgrim Lodge 2006 Registration

Please send all registration material to the Maine Conference office:

Pilgrim Lodge Registrar, Cathy Croudin  
Maine Conference, United Church of Christ  
P.O. Box 966  
Yarmouth, ME 04096-1966

For information and answers to questions about registration, call Cathy at (207) 846-5118 or within Maine call toll Free: 1-800-244-0937 or e-mail: [cathycroudin@maineucc.org](mailto:cathycroudin@maineucc.org)

Parents or guardians: You must read the information on pages 12 & 13 of this brochure and sign the registration form indicating you have done so.

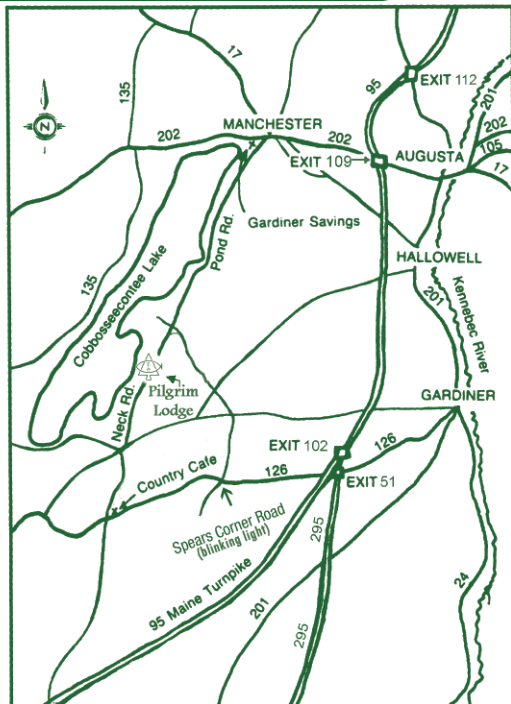


Registration Deposit: \$75 per camper per event (unless stated otherwise in the event description) applied toward the full fee. A deposit must accompany each registration. If a camper withdraws or fails to attend, this deposit will be forfeited, while any additional payments that have been made will be refunded. There is no refund for campers sent home for illness, injury or discipline. Fully completed registration forms are accepted in the order in which they are received. Registration forms not signed by parents will be returned. Send completed registration forms and deposit check to the above address. Checks should be made payable to "Maine Conference UCC."

Campers entering grades 4-9 may register for only one Pilgrim Lodge camp until June 1. Grades 10-12 may register for more than one event. After June 1, campers entering grades 4-9 may register for a second event. Campers may also register for a family camp and/or other specialty camp in addition to their Pilgrim Lodge camp before June 1.

All events are subject to cancellation due to insufficient registration. If an event is cancelled, full refund of payments (including registration deposit) will be made. Confirmation notices will be sent after a registration is received and accepted.

## DIRECTIONS



### Traveling North:

From the *Maine Turnpike (Interstate -95)* take exit 102, turn Right onto *Route 126*.

OR From *I-295* take exit 51, turn Left on *Route 126*.

Follow *Route 126* about 2.5 miles./ turn RIGHT onto *Spears Corner Road* at the blinking light) / Continue straight for 4.3 miles, (through 2 stop signs) to a third stop sign. **careful: cross traffic does NOT stop at any of the three stop signs** / At that third stop sign turn Left onto *Neck Road* / Pilgrim Lodge will be one mile ahead on your Right.

### Traveling South

From *I-95*, take exit 109 B onto *Route 202* west. Follow below

**Traveling West:** Travel through Augusta on *Route 202*, cross over *I-95*

After 2.5 miles, (by the Manchester Texaco), at the stoplight where route 17 turns right (don't turn right) and 202 goes straight (don't go straight) turn LEFT onto *Pond Road* / Proceed South for about 6.5 miles. Pilgrim Lodge will be on your right.



# Pilgrim Lodge 2006 Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Church \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Camp Name (initials) First Choice \_\_\_\_\_ Second Choice \_\_\_\_\_ First Time at PL? \_\_\_\_\_

## For Youth Camp Registrations (one form for each camper please)

Parent or Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Work or Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_ Work or Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's email (kept private, for our use only) \_\_\_\_\_

Camper's email\* \_\_\_\_\_

(\*this email will be distributed to other event participants. If you do not want your child's email address distributed, leave this blank.)

Camper Gender \_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Grade ENTERING in autumn 2006 \_\_\_\_\_

For Parents of Campers: A list of camper names and addresses is distributed to campers and counselors at the end of camp. Phone numbers are not distributed. By signing this form, parents indicate that they have read and understand the information contained in the 2006 Pilgrim Lodge camp brochure. Signing this form indicates that parents or guardians agree that any images taken of campers may be used for promotion of Pilgrim Lodge by the Maine Conference, United Church of Christ; including but not limited to future camp brochures, promotional slide shows, video presentations, and the Pilgrim Lodge website.

**Campers are not allowed to bring cell phones to outdoor ministry events.**

Parent or Guardian's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## For Grandparents, Day at Camp, and Family Camp Participants

Individual's Name	Birthdate	Gender	Relationship (Grandfather, Daughter etc)	Parent of Minor's Signature agreeing to above.

Checks payable to "Maine Conference UCC"

Total amount enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The balance is due at the conference office in Yarmouth two weeks before the start of the event

**Health Forms are available on-line.**

I do not have on-line access, please mail me my health form.

Cnslrshp \_\_\_\_\_

Reg # \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship \_\_\_\_\_

PIF \_\_\_\_\_

Church \_\_\_\_\_

Check \_\_\_\_\_

Rec \_\_\_\_\_

Office Use:



## *New This Year:*

Senior High Manitou Island Camp

Rev Up For Justice! - The camp that leads into the Regional Youth Event

## *Changed:*

Camps are now listed by the grade campers will be entering, in the fall of 2006.

Health forms are once again good for two years.

Health forms will no longer be mailed with acceptance letters but are available on-line or mailed by request.

Payment is due at the conference office two weeks prior to the beginning of an event.  
Payment will not be received at camp.

Camper Store accounts will now be required so campers can carry less cash during the week.

Pastor's signatures are not required to register.  
Pastor's signatures are required for scholarship applications.

## *2006 Pilgrim Lodge Mission Project*

### **Gulf Coast Hurricane Relief at Back Bay Mission**



It was clear we wanted to help with the Gulf Coast hurricane relief effort, but how? The Outdoor Ministries committee decided to focus on the United Church of Christ's Back Bay Mission hit hard by Hurricane Katrina. Back Bay Mission was founded in 1922 as an outreach effort of the First Evangelical Church of Biloxi (later United Church of Christ), whose members responded with compassion and service to the needs of poor "fisher folk" living in deplorable conditions along the Back Bay of Biloxi, Mississippi. Since then, Back Bay Mission has continually grown its services and ministries, always keeping the impoverished and marginalized at the center of its concern. Although there were no longer any UCC congregations in Biloxi or in the state of Mississippi by the early 1970s, Back Bay Mission remained to offer a witness of the United Church of Christ. Its commitment is to be faithfully responsive to the emerging and critical needs of God's people, ever seeking a day of greater justice and peace.



The small staff of six full time and four part time persons provide direct services to poor families while creating new independent service agencies. Services are delivered annually to South Mississippians in such diverse areas as education, legal aid, health care, feeding programs, early childhood development, family counseling, housing, and domestic violence. We'll be taking an offering to help the recovery effort and learn more about this historic and vital UCC mission.

For more information visit [www.backbaymission.com](http://www.backbaymission.com)

# Pilgrim Lodge 2006

## Pre-Season Dates:

Deans' Retreat  
March 31-April 2

JUMP START WEEKEND  
April 28-29

JUNE

JULY

SEPT AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>PEACE TALKS</b>				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Anniversary Weekend
11 Anniversary Weekend	12 VINTAGE VENTURES adults 55 years and older	13	14	15 staff	16	17 WOMEN IN THE WILD
18 Women In The Wild	19	20	21	22	23	24 CIT Training
25 CIT Training	26	27	28	29	30	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31	1	2	3	4	5 Wt Mtn
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 A DAY AT CAMP K-3	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9

## Post-Season Date:

Fall Work Day  
October 28



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