

# 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.



Please send all registration material to the Maine Conference office:

**Pilgrim Lodge Registrar, Cathy Croudís**  
**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: **cathycroudís@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.

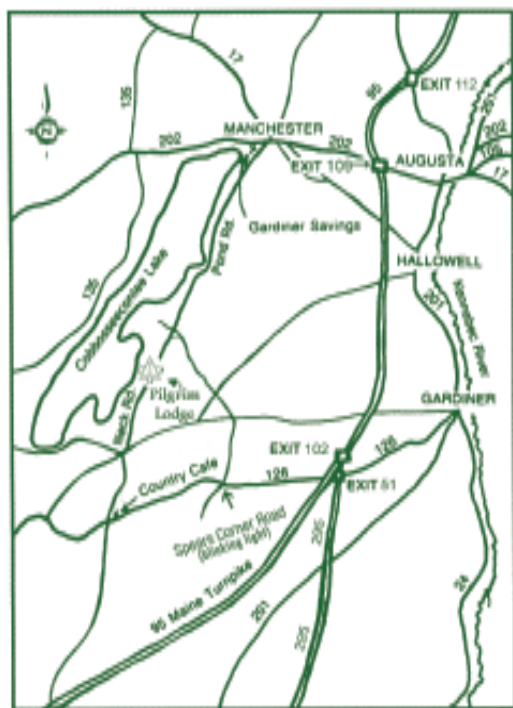


Registration Deposit: \$75 per camper per event (unless stated otherwise in the event description) applied toward the full fee. A deposit must accompany each registration. If a camper withdraws or fails to attend, this deposit will be forfeited, while any additional payments that have been made will 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

Please write individual's name, birthdate, gender, relationship (son, grandmother, etc) and signature of each minor's PARENT

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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Office Use: