



Dear Fellow 2014 Lighten Up, Loosen Up Pilgrim Lodge Campers,

We have some exciting news. We have the joy of sharing our facilities with the Rainbow Camp this year. Darren Morgan, one of our Maine Conference Ministers will be the Dean. Other exciting news, we have a new boardwalk and it extends beyond cabin 13 all the way down to the chapel-handicap access! There is also a new path to the labyrinth! This is all thanks to the Capital Campaign.

Whether this is the first time you are attending Pilgrim Lodge and our LULU Camp or you have been here before we want to say **WELCOME!** We look forward to spending time with you as we explore this year's theme, "*Get Real – Finding Your True Self*". We are looking forward to sharing our sacred stories again this year and experiencing new ones. Our time together will be spent playing games, learning crafts, resting, walking, swimming, singing, resting, eating ice cream, worshipping and just spending time renewing our souls. Here are a few things you might want to bring with you:

*Shoes for walking (we have a brand new trail and Allie can't wait to show you!).

*Warm sleepwear and sleeping bags/warm bedding

*Anti-bug lotion, sunscreen, a hat, bathing suit, towel

*Water bottle, rain poncho, a good book, games to share, sunglasses, sweatshirt *Camera

You are encouraged to share, teach, and enjoy something that you do that you think others might enjoy learning! We have a camp store. You may have an account and pay for things you purchase before you leave. They accept checks but no debit or credit cards. Oh yes, they also accept CASH!

You can start arriving at 9 AM Thursday morning. We only assign the handicap cabins and Joan and Karla will be using one of them with 2 or 3 other women. The rest of the cabins are given as people arrive. This year we have less cabins since we are sharing our site so please consider sharing your cabin. We are planning on providing opportunities for people to share in the following activities:

* We have a new craft this year. Making crocheted items out of plastic shopping bags. If you want to participate we ask that you bring with you: Different colored plastic bags and a crochet hook (medium size or a variety). If you have a cutting board and rotary cutters that also would help.

* Portland will start charging .05 cents for paper and plastic bags in April 2015. Joan will bring a few sewing machines and material to make shopping bags to give to their food pantries. If this is something you would like to do and you have a sewing machine and scissors bring them along.

* Zentangles on a variety of surfaces with a variety of media. Zentangles are a form of Zen doodling. Allie will bring some supplies, but you are encouraged to bring a fine and extra-fine black Sharpie, Sharpies in all colors and any paint markers you might have hanging around. If you have some plain ceramic mugs, plates, candle holders, smooth light-colored stones (small) white shells, and anything else that a Sharpie will mark on, bring 'em too!

* Washer Art. Hmm... how do we explain this? Well, Marden's in Scarborough has a huge supply of all sizes of washers in the hardware section (cheap by the pound) and with a little nail polish or paint marker they can make some pretty awesome jewelry or wind chimes. Allie will supply some washers but has not used nail polish since high school, so bring your own in as many colors as you can find! Also, some jewelry cord or fine decorative wire, and beads.

* Making indoor snowballs. Joan will supply the material for you to make them. Then we will have an indoor snowball fight before we leave.

We will have our talent show again so dust off your tutus or vocal cords. Our auction this year will be for the benefit of the PL Capital Campaign so bid high and often and bring something that people will fall over themselves to buy.

Do you have an experience when you felt close to God? When you experienced the Holy Spirit? When you were down and God lifted you up? We would love to have you share it with others during our worship time. Let Joan know. (e-mail address below)

God's Blessings,

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Remember this is time for YOU!

You can sit, relax and watch the fun or join in.

The choice is yours!