



# COME & CAMP 2020

*Tired of sheltering in place? Can't go anywhere on vacation?  
Bring your family to Calvin Crest to camp this summer!*

## HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

- Decide if you want to rough it by camping in Sherwood Forest OR if you want to stay in a Mountain View cabin.
- Call our office @ 559.772.4040 to reserve your dates and get more info.
- Pack your clothes, camping gear, and cooler full of food.
- Come away to the Sierra National Forest and enjoy these sacred grounds with those you love. Calvin Crest will provide plenty of social distance, clean bathrooms, ice, firewood, and all the space you need to hike and play.

## IS THERE A COST?

Yes and no. The cost for a family to camp in Sherwood Forest is \$40 for the first night (\$20 each consecutive night) or a Mountain View cabin for \$100 for the first night (\$50 each consecutive night). This covers our cost for cleaning the bathrooms or cabin, stocking firewood, and staffing.

HOWEVER, if you already generously donated your summer camp registration or supported our Spring Campaign in excess of this amount, we invite you to come at no charge. We are grateful for your goodness to us and hope to see you at camp!



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## **If I want to camp in Sherwood, do I need to bring a tent or will mattresses be available in the huts?**

You are welcome to bring tents or stay in the huts. Mattresses will be available in a central location where you can retrieve and carry them to your hut and sanitize before and after using.

## **May I bring my RV or tent trailer?**

Yes. However, we do NOT have any hook-ups for electricity, water, or sewer. We will have designated parking spaces in Mountain View and Sherwood parking lots. RVs may not be driven into the hamlets.

## **May I request a particular hamlet or cabin in Sherwood?**

Yes, availability is on a first-come, first-serve basis. We also caution that if you request Reddingham, please be aware that others may want to climb on the Reddingham Stump or cut through this area to access the trailhead to George's Falls. We will also urge others to be considerate to those camping in that hamlet.

## **Will bathrooms be available in Sherwood Forest?**

Yes, we will have select bathrooms open in Sherwood, and we hope to be able to provide separate bathrooms for each family. Bathrooms will be cleaned daily.

## **What can I expect to see when I arrive at Calvin Crest?**

Since receiving the PPP loan, the staff has been hard at work on the grounds in the upper part of camp. However, due to cancelling summer camp programs, the typical spring clean-up in Sherwood has not been completed. In addition, our forest stewardship program has taken advantage of this time without campers to complete some much needed removal of dead and dying trees in Sherwood, which has caused quite a bit of debris. While we hope to slowly work on cleaning this up, you may find that Sherwood is in rougher shape than other summers due to this critical work. Ultimately, Sherwood will be safer as a result.

## **Is there an opportunity to do volunteer projects while we are at Calvin Crest!**

Yes. Yes. And yes. We would love for you to help with Sherwood Forest clean-up, painting, or other projects we can customize just for you. Just let us know upon registration, and we can arrange to work with you.

## **Will any food service be available at Calvin Crest?**

Unfortunately, we are not able to provide food service this summer. However, you are welcome to bring your food in coolers, and we would be happy to provide igloos full of ice as often as needed for \$5 per igloo. In Mountain View, we will have a gas grill available. Grills are available in Sherwood that fit over each burn pit, and we will provide a grill pack at check-in, which will include a brush, scraper, tongs, and large spatula. Chef Christina (or Lochness Melahnster) may also be bribed to cook for your party in Sherwood as that is something she loves to do. Our water is great potable water, so you can fill up water bottles at camp.

## **Will trash collection be available?**

Yes, you can dump trash in our designated dumpsters at camp. We will require those staying in Sherwood that you keep all garbage in your car at night (if not taken to a dumpster) to avoid any unwanted visitors. Open sweets in Mountain View cabins may also invite critters.

## **Will any indoor common spaces be available to us?**

Yes, Mountain View Lounge will be open and available for families to play games, do puzzles, or hang out if desired, as well as the kitchenette with a fridge and microwave. If multiple families want to use this space, we ask that you practice social distancing guidelines, and we will provide sanitization supplies to wipe down the space before and after usage. Also, laundry facilities will be available for emergencies only.

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## **Will the pool or lake be open to use this summer?**

Yes, the pool and lake will be available to use at \$100 per hour, and we will need to know at registration the day and time of your pool request. We would appreciate at least two weeks notice to be sure we can secure a certified lifeguard. Included with the usage of the lake are boats, kayaks, and flume. We will gladly discount the fee to half if you bring a lifeguard with you; proof of certification will be required at check-in.

## **Will any other activities be available at Calvin Crest?**

We will have bicycles available for rent for \$20 each and can be checked-out for the duration of your stay. We can also open the Giant Swing for \$100 per hour. If multiple families want to share the time and fee, we will be sure to sanitize all helmets and harnesses in between uses. Due to minimal staffing this summer, any other requests for particular activities will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

## **Can I bring my dog?**

We love dogs! However, we can not allow dogs in Mountain View cabins due to allergies and the additional cleaning required. We can allow dogs in Sherwood as long as dogs are kept on leash at all times when around other families, messes are cleaned up, and dogs are not a nuisance to other campers (barking, running loose, etc). Out of consideration for other campers, we will reinforce these guidelines. There is dog boarding available in Oakhurst, if needed.

## **Is there anything else I can not bring with me to camp?**

Yes, we're so glad you asked. We don't like to focus on the negative, but you should not bring guns, alcohol, glass bottles, fireworks, dirt bikes/ATVs (unless using off-camp). We are a non-smoking campus.

## **What do I need to know about fire safety or evacuation procedures in case of a fire?**

Upon check-in, we will review several fire safety guidelines with your party. We will provide fire safety equipment including a shovel, fire extinguisher, and hose. We will also review evacuation procedures, and we will ask you to sign out on a centrally located clipboard if you choose to leave camp during your stay so we know your whereabouts in the event of an evacuation.

## **Do I need to bring my own firewood?**

There is plenty of firewood in Sherwood, so you will not need to provide your own. You will actually be helping to clean up Sherwood by collecting wood and burning it. We will stock firewood in Mountain View.

## **Is there a limit to when we can come or how long we can stay?**

Nope. Just let us know your plans upon registration.

## **Will we be able to reach a staff person in case of an emergency?**

We will have a centrally located radio in both Sherwood Forest and Mountain View in the event you need to reach a staff person in an emergency. We will also plan to check in with you each morning of your stay to see if you have any non-emergency related requests, so we will ask you to hold those requests until that daily check-in if possible.

## **How do I register?**

You may register by calling our office at 559.772.4040 or you may register online below. You will need to sign a liability release form upon registering. Please note that we are not open to the general public but for friends of Calvin Crest only.

## **What if I still have questions you haven't answered here?**

Please feel free to call our office at 559.772.4040, and we will do our best to answer your questions. This is the first time we have done anything quite like this, so we will be learning as we go. Thanks for your grace and patience. Our desire is for you to be able to come and enjoy Calvin Crest this summer in ways that are safe and meaningful for your family. See you when you Come and Camp!