



December 6, 2011

WELCOME Mountain Magic Leader Weekend Participants!

Dear Mountain Magic Leader Weekend Participant,

PLEASE READ THIS LETTER IN ITS ENTIRETY! We're looking forward to seeing you January 20th – 22nd at the Mountain Magic 100th Anniversary Celebration. We will be celebrating 100 years of fun, history and of course emphasizing Juliette Low and the founding of Girls Scouts on our 100th Birthday.

All participants have been emailed the following:

- A personalized registration confirmation letter
- A personalized class schedule (reflects the classes you selected for the weekend)

If you did not receive your confirmation email, first check your spam/junk mail folder, and then contact Marie Wright at mmmwright@yahoo.com if it is MIA. Please be sure to visit our website at <http://www.3leaves.org/mm2012/confirmation.htm> right away and review the detailed participant information we have for you (you may wish to print this information):

- This Welcome Letter
- Generic packing list
- Weekend agenda
- Health Form (if not already submitted with registration paperwork)
- Instructor Reimbursement Form (Instructors only)
- Map to Camp

Personalized Schedule

Please review your personalized class schedule carefully. If there are any discrepancies with your personalized class schedule or personal information, please contact Marie Wright at 770-682-5904 **NO LATER THAN Friday 12/30/11 to have adjustments made prior to your arrival at camp!!** There will be limited opportunities to "switch" classes. All class changes must be made prior to check-in so that we can provide our instructors with accurate class rosters and reimburse them appropriately. Instructors may NOT accept "walk-ins".

Check-In

Check-in for weekend participants is 4:00 – 9:00 PM Friday night (Saturday Night attendees may check in from 7:30 – 9:30 AM Saturday morning). We will have an opening ceremony at 8:00 PM Friday, and Friday classes will begin PROMPTLY at 8:30 PM. If you cannot arrive at camp prior to 9:00 PM, please plan to arrive Saturday morning.

Parking

We are at capacity this year, and we urge you to carpool as parking is very limited; please park only in designated paved spaces. There is a sprinkler system just underground that will be damaged by the weight of a car. Please do not arrive earlier than 4 PM as we may not be ready for you. If you will not be able to make it to the weekend due to illness, etc., please let Lianne Griffin know as soon as possible (lianne@3leaves.org or 404-310-7507).

Arriving at Camp

Please use our map! Mapping programs & devices do not usually give correct directions to Camp Misty Mountain. GPS coordinates are N 34° 34'07" W 85° 04' 56".

Some campers choose to stop at the outlet mall at Exit 312 (great if you want to beat the Atlanta traffic Friday afternoon and need to kill some time!) Please eat dinner before you come or bring a sack dinner with you. A microwave will be available on our snack table if you would like to warm your food. There are no restaurants near camp, so as you exit I-75, be sure to stop close to the exit ramps for dinner. There are several fast food restaurants at Exit 306, Exit 312, or Exit 315 (for those coming from the North, there are a few food spots at Exit 326 and a Denny's at Exit 320). When you arrive at camp, please leave your gear in your car and proceed to the dining hall to check in. Have your flashlight handy if you arrive after dark! If you have not previously submitted your health history form, please bring it with you to check-in. Remember to bring CASH ONLY for your class fees at check-in (exact change is helpful)! After you check in, you will have the opportunity to drive to your unit to unload your car and will then need to immediately return your car to a designated parking spot.

Bed Assignments

Units and beds have been assigned with special needs considered and in the order registrations were received. Mobility impaired persons have been reserved a lower bunk bed. Please note that **all beds are assigned**; there are no "spare" beds. You will NOT be allowed to change beds unless you "swap" with another person, and both of you will need to check in at the trouble desk to update your bed assignment (necessary for emergency information). Your personalized email notes the temperature & lights out schedule for your cabin. PLEASE PLAN ACCORDINGLY and bring extra blankets, a personal fan with extension cord, earplugs/ eyeshades, etc. so you will be comfortable. We ask that you NOT adjust the thermostat in your unit during the weekend; it will be set to the temperature designated. Please remember that we are all Girl Scout sisters - do your best to be considerate of other campers (tip-toe and whisper after lights out; use your flashlight after lights out; and don't hog the bathrooms. In other words, BE NICE, LADIES!)

Cell Phones & Emergency Contact

Cell phones DO NOT typically work at Misty Mountain. Once you cross the mountain, there is no cellular service (Verizon, AT&T, or Metro PCS). A pay telephone is available at the pool at camp, but communication with family members may be limited unless you cross back over the mountain. We consider this a FEATURE of the weekend! ☺ In the unlikely event of a true emergency, family members should call (706) 629-1969 and speak to the camp ranger. He'll locate you on camp. We have found that cell phones do make good alarm clocks. ☺

Bring Snack to Share

We would like you to bring a snack to share (consider healthy choices, too)! A table will be set up in the dining hall, and you should add your contribution to the snack table following check-in. The goodies will be available for all campers to enjoy throughout the entire weekend. Hot beverages will be provided in the dining hall throughout the weekend (hot chocolate, coffee, tea) free of charge; assorted sodas and bottled water may be purchased for \$.50 each (Scouts Honor!!)

Food/Menus

We have provided all food allergies/special dietary needs noted on your registration form to our cooks, and we do our best to offer several options at each meal. This is suitable for most people. Please check out our menu at <http://www.3leaves.org/mm2012> and plan accordingly if your specific dietary needs won't be accommodated. Be advised that the only communal food will be on the snack table in the dining hall; food/drinks in the unit refrigerators are NOT for general consumption. If you bring your own food, please label it and store it in the cabin main room/refrigerator (food/snacks may not be stored in sleeping areas).

Marketplace/Badge & Sash/GS Jeopardy

This year, we'll be offering three rotating "stations" following lunch on Saturday.

- Marketplace - We will again offer a "Marketplace" with vendors selling various craft items, swap kits, scrapbook kits, and program booklets. Most are Service Unit/Troop fundraisers. Bring some extra cash in case you'd like to purchase some items!

- The Badge and Sash will have a mobile store set up during the Saturday afternoon Marketplace (plus a bonus session on Friday evening!). They will have an assortment of items available for sale; you may also call Mary Forbes at the Badge and Sash (770-702-9601) NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19TH and place an order via telephone which will be brought to camp and available for you to pick up. Please make sure Mary knows your order is for Mountain Magic! Payment must be by check or credit card only.
- We will also play GS Jeopardy where you can have fun and learn interesting facts throughout Girl Scout History.

Participant and Instructor Roster

We plan to provide everyone a roster of weekend attendees. If you do not wish to have your information shared with the other participants, please contact Marie Wright at 770-682-5904 by Friday 12/30/11 (feel free to leave a message on the answering machine if you do not reach Marie directly and she'll get back with you ASAP).

Welcome Conference Call

Are you new to Misty Mountain or the Mountain Magic Leader Weekend? Still have questions? This year, we're again offering a free informational conference call on Thursday 1/5/2012 @ 7:00 PM. If you can't attend, you can dial in to hear the recorded call at your convenience any time after 9PM on 1/5/2012. Details follow:

Free Conference Call

Conference Dial-in Number: (712) 775-7300
Participant Access Code: 228885#

Free Conference Play Back
Playback Number: (712) 775-7399
Access Code: 228885#

FINAL REMINDERS

Alcohol, drugs, and weapons are prohibited on Girl Scout property. Smoking is not permitted anywhere on council property. Pets are also prohibited (other than service animals).

Don't forget to bring the supplies listed for your classes (check your personalized class schedule) Also, please bring your washed t-shirt or other item if you want to silk-screen on Friday night.

Finally, did you remember to include your Health History Form with your registration? If so, THANKS! If not, we recommend that you complete it and bring it with you to camp to avoid an extended stay with our camp First-Aider at check-in. To avoid "quarantine", you may download a blank form from our website – see <http://www.3leaves.org/mm2012/reg/forms2012.html>.

SEE YOU AT MISTY MOUNTAIN!