

WEST DENMARK FAMILY CAMP 2022...JOIN THE FUN AND LEARNING

July 1, 2, 3, 2022, plus Pre-Camp Social, June 30



Welcome back to West Denmark Family Camp 2022! We are excited once again to bring you 3 full days of song and dance, thought-provoking discussions, crafts, healthy food, plenty of coffee, and inspiring nature to enjoy all around us.

This is the 45th year since Family Camp began in 1978. After 2 years of canceling Camp due to COVID, we are ready to begin again . . . this time with a required protocol to protect the health of all participants (see below). These practices are vitally important for preventing viral disease in a large gathering of people.

Pre-Camp Social, June 30, 6 p.m.: Join us for a casual gathering outdoors, behind the Hall. Root beer floats will be provided by the Camp Committee.

Schedule July 1–3:

Please note changes below for

*Sunday morning schedule.

8:45 Singing with Harry and Chris
9:30 Morning Coffee
9:45 Children's Dancing with Gwen
10:45 Morning Speaker & Discussion
(Note: Friday activity begins at 10:15)
12:00 Noon Meal (with Nisse clues)
1:30 Crafts/Activities
3:30 Afternoon Coffee
4:00 Special Interest Presentations
5:30 Supper (with Nisse clues)
7:00 Singing with Lisa
7:45 (Friday) to be announced
... (Saturday) Open Stage & Skits
... (Sunday) Open Stage & Skits
8:45 Dancing with Shawn
9:00 Evening Coffee

* Sunday Morning Schedule:

8:45 Singing
10:00 Worship at West Denmark
Lutheran Church
11:00 Coffee and Fellowship at the Church
12:00 Noon Meal

Required Protocol for Preventing COVID-19 Spread

OUTDOORS: Camp will be held outdoors under tents or awnings, including meals. We will have plenty of tables and chairs. Bring your own lawn chairs and picnic blankets for alternative seating and relaxing. Also bring clothing appropriate for cool weather and possible rain.

VACCINATION: All participants (registered attendees and guest speakers/entertainers) must be fully vaccinated and boosted, with the exception of children under 5 if a vaccine is not yet available for that age group.

TESTING: A negative COVID-19 test (home antigen or PCR) is required for all attendees within 72 hours prior to arriving at Camp. Bring some tests with you! If you are exposed to COVID-19 at Camp, or if you experience symptoms of COVID-19 at Camp, you must test again. If any of these tests are positive, you and your close contacts must notify someone on the Committee, and then you will depart Camp. Your fees will be refunded.

MASKING: Family Camp recommends that all participants, when indoors, wear a mask. When outdoors, you may choose whether or not to wear a mask.

SOCIAL DISTANCING: This is a recommended practice, especially if campers are near people who are not in their own close family or friends' pod.

COMPLY: Family Camp will not require proof of testing, vaccination, or boosting. We simply ask all participants to comply with the protocol to protect themselves and others. Be sure to check the box on the Registration Form that you and those you register will abide by the protocol.

MODIFICATIONS: The COVID-19 virus and corresponding public health recommendations are dynamic. We may, therefore, modify the protocol depending on changes in pandemic conditions and public health recommendations. We will notify you of any changes before you arrive for Camp or during Camp if necessary.

A REMINDER:

All Family Camp Committee members will be wearing a large "Stork Logo Button" that says "Committee Member." If you have any questions or concerns, speak to any one of us, and we will direct you to the correct person or help solve the concern.

To register online: www.westdenmark.org/camp

Speakers

Friday, July 1

10:15: Meet & Greet with the University of Minnesota Raptor Center

Special visitors will join us for 2 hours on the first morning of Camp: an owl, a hawk, a falcon, and a golden eagle! The birds will be perched on display and accompanied by two raptor specialists who are available to speak with us. Campers can ask questions, take photos, come and go, or just relax and watch the birds. **Important: Please be mindful that everyone in the audience must stay 15 ft away from the birds and the educators, including during set-up, presentation, and break-down.**

2022 Crafts & Activities

FOR ALL:

Annual Nisse Hunt

Hunt for the hidden Nisse on the West Denmark Church Grounds (but not on the parsonage property where the pastor lives.) Do not disturb permanent structures (e.g., rocks in the fire ring, septic tank covers, etc.) Clues will be read aloud at both meals daily; also posted. Henrik Strandskov (3 days)

Knot Tying

Learn 6 knots from a knot-tying expert who wrote the book: "Six Knots for Everyday Life." All ages. Younger children should come with an attending adult. Phil Peterson (Saturday)

FOR ADULTS:

Rock, Paper, Scissors Craft

Bring your favorite paper-cutting scissors and a rock. We will make woven birds, and more. Arlene West (2 days)

Spoon Carving

Details at Camp. Bring your own whittling knife if you have one. Christy Wetzig (3 days)

Timber Frame Construction

Learn the techniques of timber frame building, and help construct a structure for the West Denmark grounds. This project is ongoing from previous years. Tools provided. Ages 12+ (12-18 with an attending adult). Jeff Wetzig (3 days)

Be sure to register by June 15!

Maximum meals for outdoor dining is 125. Based on average registration trends, it is possible we will reach our maximum in early — to mid-June, in which case we cannot guarantee meals to those who are the last to register. Therefore, please register early.

Online credit card payments (via PayPal): Go to the WD Family Camp website to access the registration form: www.westdenmark.org/camp

Check payments: Mail to: Judy Grumstrup, Treasurer, 2497 170th Street, Luck, WI 54853

Payments at the door are an additional \$10 per person (\$20 family maximum)

Saturday, July 2:

10:45: Phil Peterson—Prohibition, Moonshine, and the Family Farm in Polk County, Wisconsin

A retired businessman, Phil is a national award-winning marketer for the U.S. ski and water-park industries. He wrote magazine columns, articles, and books, and wrote and produced entire magazines for the ski industry. In recent years, he has written two authorized biographies, a historical fiction novel, and other books tumbling from his keyboard. Phil and his wife, Joanne, also give Life as an Adventure Presentations® throughout the Midwest.

Sunday, July 3:

10:00: Worship at West Denmark Lutheran Church

Knitting: Let's Look at Leftovers

1. Dryer Balls: odds and ends, must be 100% wool.
2. The Only Hat Pattern You'll Ever Need: Bring 200 yds yarn (multiple colors ok) DK weight; size 6 or 7 16" circular and double pointed needles.
3. Note Pad
Audrey Anderson (3 days)

FOR YOUTH:

Story Collage

Make story cards from collage materials. Bring some inspiring images, or use those provided. Participants can workshop a poem, song, or story; improvise from the story card; or just work in the visual art modality. Ages: 10+. (9 and younger with an attending adult).
Jen Johnson (1 day TBA)

Friendship Bracelets

Ages: 10+
Zoe Allen (2 days TBA; different pattern each day)

Rock Art with Gel Pens

Details at Camp. Colleen Allen (1 day TBA)

FOR YOUNG CHILDREN: Crafts & Music for Young Children

Songs, games, and improvisational fun! Ages 1-5 (with attending adult for each family)
Nancy Gill & Ross Sutter (3 days)

Special Interest:

You can present your own topic or activity during Special Interest time from 4:00 to 5:15 each day. If you have something you would like to share, email wdfamilycamp@gmail.com. Here are a few Special Interests already planned.

❖ *Green and Home Burials*

❖ *Envisioning and Constructing a Labyrinth*

❖ *Woodland Schools: Educating Young Children in the Forest*

❖ *Illustrated Journaling and Cartooning with Some of Our Youth Campers*