

First Weekend at Pinewoods Camp

*June 15 - 17,
2007*

First Weekend at Pinewoods Camp in Plymouth, Massachusetts offers an exciting program of American and English dance and music, along with a variety of staff-led and camper-led workshops and activities for all ages. There's plenty of singing, jamming, ritual and social dance, drama and storytelling, with additional time for swimming, canoeing, crafts, and games.



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Pinewoods Camp

Pinewoods Camp is located between two lakes in Plymouth, Massachusetts. Housing is generally in rustic screened cabins with shared bathrooms nearby. The cabins and outdoor dance pavilions are scattered among pine groves.

Schedule

First Weekend opens at 3:00 PM on Friday, with dinner at 6:15 PM. It ends with an early supper and departure by 7:30 PM on Sunday.

Workshops and Gatherings

Each morning starts with a camp gathering -- a time to share your special talents: lead a song, tell a story, present a skit, share what you've learned in a workshop, etc. The day is filled with staff and camper-led activities, some of which are age specific. (See sample program on back of application.) In addition there are lifeguarded swims, an afternoon tea, and after-dance parties. We also hope to have a woodlands walk led by a local naturalist.

The sessions that are led by campers greatly contribute to a varied and enjoyable weekend. In past years these have included ritual dancing, singing, arts and crafts, juggling, jam sessions, magic lessons, etc. Campers are encouraged to lead a favorite activity, so please volunteer your skills and/or request an activity on the application form!

Evening Dances

Our talented staff will lead a mix of English and American dances each evening. Prior dance experience is not required. Bring clean shoes.

Room, Board, and Camp Arrangements

- ❖ Room and board are included in the fees.
- ❖ The dining hall accommodates vegetarians as well as omnivores. A form for special diets will be sent with your acceptance package.
- ❖ Pinewoods Camp provides beds, mattresses, and pillows.
- ❖ Campers bring sheets, blankets, and towels.
- ❖ Housing and roommate requests will be honored as much as possible.
- ❖ We plan to house family members of all ages near each other, making loading and unloading of cars as easy as possible.
- ❖ No visitors or part-time campers are permitted.

Helping Out

Campers are assigned jobs to help the weekend run smoothly and keep costs down. Children and adults are assigned jobs by age, ability and preference. Please state any job preferences or restrictions on your application.

Questions? Contact Sukey Krause:
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Scholarships

Several half-fee work scholarships are available for campers willing to help with kitchen cleanup, life-guarding, or baby-sitting. Please indicate your interest on the application form.

Information for Parents

Pinewoods Camp was not originally designed for children; **campers under 18 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.** More information and a liability release form will be sent to those who apply with children. There are no cribs or other special equipment for children in camp, so please bring a portable crib for small children.

Housing for children will be near their parents, but not necessarily in the same cabin. Families with similar-age children will be grouped together when possible. Walkie-talkies are encouraged for parents' peace of mind in the evenings.

In past years, teams of monitors have traveled through camp checking on kids alone in cabins every 10 minutes, providing company while notifying parents as needed. **THIS YEAR** we will be housing families that plan to use this service in the same area of camp. Please indicate your interest in this service on the application.

Application, Lottery, and Admission

Application Procedure: A deposit of \$50 per person, and full payment for children under 4, is required to reserve a place. There is still space as of March 23, and registrations are being accepted on a first come, first served basis. All fees must be **paid in full by June 1.**

Admission: We will send acceptance notices around April 15. **THIS YEAR** we plan to send notification by email as much as possible (see application).

Cancellation: If you are accepted, but cancel in writing before June 1, we will refund your deposit less \$10 per camper. After June 1, we will refund all payments over the minimum deposit only if we can fill your place(s) in camp.

2007 Fees

	CDS Member	Non-Member*	Minimum deposit
Adults	\$171	\$192	\$50
Teens, 13-17	\$132	\$153	\$50
Children, 7-12	\$ 96	\$109	\$50
Children, 4-6	\$ 70	\$ 81	\$50
Children, 2-3	\$ 45	\$ 56	see
Children under 2	\$ 25	\$ 36	above

Make checks payable to: Country Dance Society, Boston Centre.

* If you are *not* a CDS-BC Member, you can take advantage of the above discounted fees by becoming a member today.

Note: We cannot process membership applications with this form. Membership information and forms are available on the Country Dance Society, Boston Centre's web site:

www.cds-boston.org