



CARPATHO - RUSYN SOCIETY

ARIZONA

## First Annual Southwest Vatra Application

An Event sponsored by the Arizona Chapter of the Carpatho-Rusyn Society

**“TRADITIONAL SLAVIC ATTIRE ENCOURAGED!”**

The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual SW Vatra will be a traditional Slavic Highlander camping event featuring the ceremonial lighting of the bonfire on Friday, Rusyn/Slavic lectures and workshops, Slavic potluck and food, Slavic entertainment by *Rusyny Folk Ensemble* and general Slavic appreciation and fellowship.

**Date:** June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 12 pm – June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 at 12 pm

**Where:** St. Joseph's Youth Camp in the pristine mountain forest near Flagstaff, AZ  
<http://www.saintjosephyouthcamp.com/>

**Cost:** \$50 per night per family (parent(s) with children) or \$25 per night an individual. An additional water fee of \$10 per adult will be charged. A lamb dinner will be available on Saturday June 21<sup>st</sup> for an additional \$10 per person 12 and older and \$5 for kids under 12 years of age. (Same price for cabin, tent site or RV hook-up.)

**What amenities are available:** There are 12 log cabins with electric heating, lighting and 10 beds each, a kitchen, lodge, showers, electricity and running water, walking/biking trails, a lodge, fire pit, and an outdoor grill. There are also RV and tent sites. Cabins will be first come, first serve.

**What you should bring:** Suggested things to bring:  
Remember you are going to be at @ 7,200 foot level, so bring.  
Light sweater or sweatshirt, and rainy day gear should be considered.  
Cap, or hat  
Comfortable shoes (maybe 2 pairs of shoes)  
Flashlight.  
Sleeping Bag and/or bedroll  
Pillow  
Towels, soap, toothbrush, hair brush, any required toiletries  
Chap Stick, Sunscreen and Bug repellent.  
Water Bottles or canteen

**You must provide your own food,** soap (dish and hand), paper products, including paper towels, and heavy duty 50-55 gallon trash bags.

*Please bring a Slavic dish for a dinner potluck on Friday June 20<sup>th</sup> and Saturday June 21<sup>st</sup> (unless you are ordering Saturday Night Lamb Meal).*

**What not to bring:** firearms, illegal drugs, and bad attitude.

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## Rules:

No Smoking in any camp building.

No Pets in the buildings due to possible health code violations.

No Fires, outside of approved fire ring.

Kitchen-mess hall to be closed, off limits between the hours of midnight (12 AM - 6 AM)

Any use of the camp phone will be paid for by the person making the call.

Any/all group members agree to leave the camp in the good condition in which it was found. Participant (or parents, if a minor) will be responsible for any damages done to building and or equipment.

Children under 18 years must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Silver rule: Leave it as you found it. Golden Rule: Leave it better than you found it.

## First Annual Southwest Vatra Participant(s) Information:

How many attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ (street)

\_\_\_\_\_ (city, state) \_\_\_\_\_ (zip code)

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_ hm \_\_\_\_\_ cell \_\_\_\_\_ work

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Nights attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Fri, June 20<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Sat, June 21<sup>st</sup>

Water charge per adult eighteen and over (\$10) each: \_\_\_\_\_

Lamb Dinner June 21<sup>st</sup> (\$10 twelve and older, \$5 under twelve): \_\_\_\_\_ adults \_\_\_\_\_ kids  
under 12

Will you be using (check one): \_\_\_\_\_ log cabin \_\_\_\_\_ tent \_\_\_\_\_ camper \_\_\_\_\_ RV

Do you prefer to be contacted by (check one): \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ email

Total Payment (including camp fee, water fee, and lamb dinner: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_ (Make checks payable to "AZ C-RS")

If you are interested to present a Rusyn/Slavic lecture or workshop at this Vatra, please contact Leslie Kurtak at [rusynvatra@yahoo.com](mailto:rusynvatra@yahoo.com)

**1<sup>st</sup> Annual Vatra Waiver must be signed by all adults:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ understand the campground rules and agree (name of adult participant(s)) on this date of \_\_\_\_\_ 2008, will not hold responsible St. Joseph's Youth Camp, the Carpatho-Rusyn Society, the AZ Carpatho-Rusyn Society, and/or Leslie Kurtak for any damage and/or loss of personal property, and/or any bodily harm or death of myself (or my children).

**Please submit entire application with payment and waiver signature ASAP.** Only personal checks and/or money orders will be accepted. All checks should be payable to "AZ C-RS" and sent to Leslie Kurtak, 2710 N Kiva Place, Tucson, AZ 85715.

For more info, contact Leslie Kurtak, C-RS AZ Chapter President at [rusynvatra@yahoo.com](mailto:rusynvatra@yahoo.com)



Sincerely,  
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**Directions:**

St. Joseph's Youth Camp, Mormon Lake, AZ 86038  
(480) 449-0848    [www.saintjosephyouthcamp.com](http://www.saintjosephyouthcamp.com)

Using I-17 towards Flagstaff, Arizona

From the Phoenix area using I-17. This is the route that the bus takes when picking up the children from O.L.M.C., Tempe. Go north on I-17 towards Flagstaff. Take Lake Mary Road exit 339. Make a right hand turn and follow Lake Mary Road. Around mile post 324, you will find Mormon Lake Road. There will be a brown sign pointing the way to Mormon Lake Lodge. Turn right onto Mormon Lake Road. Follow Mormon Lake Road until you reach Saint Joseph's Youth Camp (between mile post 5 & 6) which will be located on your right hand side.

Using Highway 87 through Payson

From the Phoenix area using Highway 87 through Payson. This is a beautiful mountain scenic route. Follow Highway 87 through Payson until you reach the Clint Wells turn-off. Turn left onto Lake Mary Road. Stay on Lake Mary Road for about 27 miles. You will be around the 317 mile post. Look for a large brown sign pointing the way to Mormon Lake Lodge. Turn left onto Mormon Lake Road. Follow the road until you reach Saint Joseph's Youth Camp (between mile post 5 & 6) which will be on your left hand side.