

January 2, 2017

Hello Thurtell Clan,

It is reunion year! We are excited about having everyone come join us in Connecticut!

**Online Survey** - We hope you are planning to join us! Whether you know that you are coming or are just considering it – please complete the online survey. Please be sure to read about the activity options first and then take the online survey to let us know which ones interest you!

Your answers will help us make decisions about the activities to offer.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ThurtellReunion2017>

**Reunion Basics:**

**Dates:** July 30 – August 4, 2017 (Sunday afternoon to Friday at noon)

**Location:** Girl Scout Camp Pattagansett, 121 Upper Pattagansett Rd, East Lyme, CT 06333

**Lodging:** Sleep Inn (just 2 miles away from camp) Please refer to the THURTELL REUNION when contacting the hotel in order to get the group rate. Sleep Inn, 5 King Arthur, Niantic, CT, 06357 Phone: (860) 739-1994 Fax: (860) 691-0119 My hotel contact is Ann Hill, Office Manager. Check in @ 4 PM and Check out @ 11 AM.

If you prefer to stay at the camp (lodging is platform tents – heavy canvas tents with no screens on a wooden deck with 3 inch mattresses on the floor) please contact let Kim know how many people and tents. The cost is \$10 per tent (sleep 4-6) per night. If you choose to stay at camp a cold breakfast will be provided. Anyone camping will have to share one shower.

**Reunion Registration Fee:** \$120 per household (\$100 early bird rate – sign up and pay by March 31, 2017) – covers the rental of the camp and the required insurance. Please send your check with the registration form by May 31, 2017.

**Daily Fee:** includes dinner, snacks, drinks, crafts and games. If you are here for the entire reunion, the cost (including lobster dinner) is \$98/Adult and \$41/Child. Please send by May 31, 2017.

- Sunday: \$10/Adult and \$5/Child
- Lobster Clambake Day: \$40/Adult and \$12/Child
- Regular Days: \$16/Adult and \$8/Child
- Friday: No Fee

**Hotel Fee:** \$89, plus 15% taxes (\$13.35) for a total of \$102.35 per night. The room rate covers 2 adults. Additional adults are \$10 each. Children under 18 stay free. Breakfast and Wi-Fi is included in the fee. Group rate reservation cut off is June 30, 2017.

**Activities Fees:** The activities are optional. Most are partial day activities, so you will have time with family at camp as well. In March we will finalize what is offered each day and send an Activities sign-up sheet to you. See Activities Information Sheet for details. Payment for activities is due by June 30, 2017.

**Meals and Helping:** Adults will be asked to pitch in and help with different aspects of the reunion.

Breakfast will be available at the hotel and we will have some self-serve items at the camp. Lunch will also be on your own. You can sign up to help with dinner, kids' activities and crafts, as well as evening activities at the camp. Once the schedule is determined, we will distribute more detailed information.

**Lobster Clambake:** We have made arrangements for a catered lobster clambake. It includes all of the items listed below. And the best part, is they come prepare it on site. They will crack and split lobster in a buffet line. We can have kids eat from the child menu first, then adults can enjoy their dinner. Everyone will need to choose when they sign up for activities. If a child wants items off the adult menu, you will need to pay the adult rate for that day.

We will have the Lobster Clambake on Wednesday night. Please note that we have to have a minimum of 30 adults sign up to have it.

Adult Options: Lobster, Rib Eyes steak, Swordfish, Chicken, or Veg Kabobs. Adults will also have an appetizer of steamed Littleneck Clams.

Child Options: Chicken or Hamburger/Hotdogs

Side Dishes: Corn on the Cob, Homemade coleslaw, baked rolls, tri-color potatoes.

Dessert: Watermelon

**Thurtell Cookbook:** We still have copies from the 2014 Reunion. If you are interested in ordering one, please let me know. The cost remains \$10. You can add it to the reservation fee. If you are not attending the reunion and we need to mail a cookbook to you, please email me so we can determine the cost of postage.

### **Questions or need more information?**

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