



A Message from Mother Nature (She really wants YOU!)

Dear Conservation Campers,

Here are updates on the exciting things that will be happening at this year's Conservation Camp at Beersheba Springs Assembly. Tuesday morning, October 13, will start with the 2026 TFGC Annual Meeting (at 10:00am CST). The meeting will end with an invitational skit to the 2027 Convention in Knoxville. Who would want to miss that? After a delicious lunch (more about this later), the camp will officially open at 1:00pm. There will be a wonderfully informative program on "Propagating from Seed with Success" followed by a hands-on seed workshop. Later take a walk and look sharp as you scavenge hunt by colors, then participate in a Pine Cone Critters craft workshop. There will be time to visit a local

pottery studio and also a gift shop in an historic home or just rock on the porch until dinner time. After dinner you will be entertained by some games and an old fashioned story teller.

On Wednesday morning there will be a program on safely foraging and a visit to the Beersheba Springs Museum. After lunch in the "Wings to Soar" bird program 7 different raptors including a Bald Eagle will take center stage and you can get as up close and personal as you wish.

Then you are invited to craft a headpiece in my honor. It will be time for "The Mother Nature Crown Craft" workshop (bring scissors and a glue gun if you have them). When you all have made an appropriate headdress, you can put it on for the group photo on the steps of the old hotel. How fun is that!



After dinner they were planning a TFGC's Got Talent Show but I am thinking maybe TFGC doesn't have any talent. No one has contacted Anne Leonard (leonardtfgc2003@epbfi.com) to register an act. Come on now, I know that can't be true. I am sure there is a wealth of talent just waiting to be unleashed. The more ridiculous the better. Don't be shy.

Ok, about the food, it's going to be wonderful. Although it's a bit early for the chef to make up the actual menu (because he will be choosing what is fresh in season) sample menus are at the end of this message.

All this to say that I will be very sad if you miss this year's fun and educational Conservation Camp and **it's not nice to disappoint Mother Nature!**

Sample Breakfasts

French toast Casserole
Scrambled Eggs
Grits
Yogurt
Fruit

Bacon
Scrambled Eggs
Grits
Biscuits and Jelly
Yogurt
Fruit

Sausage Patties
Scrambled Eggs
Breakfast Potatoes
Oatmeal
Cinnamon Biscuits
Yogurt
Fruit

Sample Lunches

BBQ Pulled Pork
Baked Beans
Cole Slaw
Bun
Salad Bar
Chocolate Chip Cookies

Hamburger Steak with
Onions
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Salad Bar
Sugar Cookies

Chicken Tenders
Potato Wedges
Green Beans
Salad Bar
Brownies

Sample Dinners

Baked Ham
Fried Chicken
Macaroni and Cheese
Southern Green Beans
Corn
Roll
Salad Bar
Banana Pudding

Beef Tips with Gravy
Grilled Chicken
Rice Pilaf
Mixed Vegetables
Roasted Broccoli
Roll
Salad Bar
Apple Crisp

Roasted Turkey
Country Fried Steak
Dressing with Gravy
Green Beans
Sweet Potato Soufflé
Roll
Salad Bar
Cherry Cobbler