

Laurel Lake Camp (PA) Project

Information Packet

Location: Rossiter, Pennsylvania

Project Dates: May 6-22, 2018

(arrival and departure date)



Maranatha Volunteers International is a nonprofit, Christian organization focused on providing churches, schools, and water wells around the world. A portion of the projects utilize volunteers on short-term mission trips to complete the work. Annually, we mobilize more than 2,000 volunteers to assist with various service opportunities and partner with thousands of donors to fundraise for international projects. Maranatha's mission is to spread the Gospel throughout the world as we build people through the construction of urgently-needed buildings.

In North America, Maranatha aids by recruiting and organizing volunteer labor for construction and renovations projects at schools, churches, and camps.

The Laurel Lake Camp (PA) Project is one of our many efforts based in North America.

Project Overview

Laurel Lake Camp and Retreat offers a variety of summer camp programs for kids ages 8 to 17. Their mission is "to inspire, because of the love of Jesus, a desire to be passionate about your spirituality, thoughtful of the world around you, and serious about having fun." This can sometimes be difficult to accomplish when the facility is in need of many minor and major repairs. Laurel Lake Camp is requesting Maranatha's assistance with pool repairs, tiling work, painting, and carpentry work in the lodge. They also need help with restriping the gym floor, sewing, and putting up new curtains in the cabins.

Leadership

Project Coordinator:

Betty Beattie

Construction Superintendent:

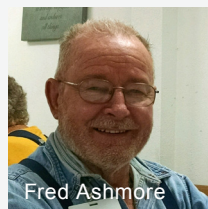
Fred Ashmore

Local Contact:

Judy Ingram, Camp Manager



Betty Beattie



Fred Ashmore

Project Schedule

Sunday, May 6

Arrival

Monday, May 7-11

Orientation and work days

Saturday, May 12

Sabbath

Sunday, May 13-18

Work days

Saturday, May 19

Sabbath

Sunday, May 20-21

Work days

Tuesday, May 22

Departure

Accommodations

There is space for 60 volunteers on this project. Volunteers who request housing will stay in the cabin cottages or camp hotel rooms. There are also 32 RV sites with partial hookups, electric and water, available for those wishing to bring their RV. If housing is limited, priority will be given to volunteers who can participate the entire length of the project.

Expenses

The only costs to volunteers are the travel expenses to and from Laurel Lake Camp. Three vegetarian meals a day, accident insurance, and local housing are provided by Laurel Lake Camp in exchange for your volunteer labor.

Allergies and Dietary Restrictions

Maranatha provides three vegetarian meals each day. We ask for your allergies on your registration form, and we will do our best to accommodate your needs. However, we cannot meet all special requests. If your diet is restrictive (vegan, gluten-free, etc.) we recommend that you bring items such as soy milk powder, gluten-free bread, etc. to supplement the meals provided by the cooks.

About Rossiter

As of the census of 2000, there were 790 people residing in Rossiter, Pennsylvania. Rossiter was formed in 1901 as a coal mining town, and was named after William Rossiter, the chief stockholder of the Clearfield Bituminous Coal Corporation. This is a small place but there are a few things nearby you may enjoy doing while visiting.

Volunteers may choose to arrive early or leave a few days after the project concludes in order to appreciate local sights and activities. Volunteers are responsible for making their own arrangements, including food and lodging, for all days outside of the project dates.

Attractions

Escape Room Punxsy, an interactive entertainment experience for family, friends, and small groups. Find hidden objects, crack the code, race the clock, and complete the mission in this real life escape game.

Mahoning Shadow Trail, a 15 miles long walking trail. The walking trail is flat and near a coal field, the largest one in Pennsylvania, and is surrounded by beautiful nature. It is a great place for bikers, runners, or just people who enjoy a good walk.

Weather

Average temperatures for Rossiter during May average in the high 40's to high 60's Fahrenheit but plan for just about any type of weather. Rainstorms are fairly common in May, so pack rain gear and a warm jacket, just in case. Of course, current weather conditions can change at any time, so we recommend that you check the 10-day forecast before leaving to ensure that you are prepared for the most current weather conditions in Rossiter, Pennsylvania.

Travel Information

Flights

Once you have registered and been confirmed, if you are flying to the project, please plan to arrive on May 6 and depart on May 22; the closest airport is Pittsburgh International Airport (PIT), a 2 hour drive from Laurel Lake Camp. Please book flights that come in before 6 p.m. on the arrival date. If you need to fly in later, please check with the Maranatha office to confirm that your arrival time can be accommodated. Please send your itinerary to volunteer@maranatha.org so pick up arrangements can be made.

Project Address:

**76 Lodge Rd
Rossiter, PA 15772**

AIG Insurance Coverage

Maranatha mission projects are construction projects where people can get hurt. It is not possible for Maranatha to analyze everyone's insurance policy to see whether his or her insurance is current and the coverage is in effect at the location of the project. The Maranatha Board of Directors decided that the safest route was to require everyone to be covered by the insurance coverage through Maranatha's carrier. For projects taking place in North America, the cost of this is covered by the hosting organization.

All volunteers will be covered by this insurance policy from the time they depart for the project until they return home. For volunteers who have extended travel by arriving before or staying after a project, the insurance would start and end on the Maranatha project dates based on the project application.

Insurance coverage depends on location of the project and home residency of the volunteer. Both policies are primary policies that do not have a deductible. As with all insurances, exclusions apply. An insurance brochure with the policy information and list of benefits will be sent to you in the confirmation email for this project.

Safety

Maranatha has a very high safety record on the worksite. This is, in part, because we require everyone on the construction site to wear a hard hat and gloves at all times. Please also wear appropriate safety equipment for the work tasks and wear sturdy shoes. Exercise caution while working on the construction site and be careful when working on or around ladders or scaffolding.

Thank you for putting safety first!

Registration

To register, please complete the online application at maranatha.org, or call to register over the phone. 60 volunteers can be accommodated on this project. Please wait for confirmation from Maranatha before making travel plans.

Contact Information

Phone: (916) 774-7700

Fax: (916) 774-7701

Email: volunteer@maranatha.org

Mail:

Maranatha Volunteers International
990 Reserve Drive, Suite 100
Roseville, CA 95678

Skills and Packing List

Skills

Skills or experience in the following areas would be helpful.

- Painting
- Tiling
- Concrete work
- Carpentry
- Landscaping
- Sewing

Items to Bring

Tool List

The following is a list of tools that will be helpful on this project. Please mark your name on whatever items you bring to the construction site. When borrowing tools from other volunteers, please be considerate and return everything you use.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Nail apron* | <input type="checkbox"/> Skill saw |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hammer* (waffle-faced is best) | <input type="checkbox"/> Handsaw |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tape measure* (no metric or fractions) | <input type="checkbox"/> Drill-small hand (3/8" or 1/4") |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Level | <input type="checkbox"/> Step ladder (6-8') |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Utility knife* | <input type="checkbox"/> Painting supplies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpenter pencil | <input type="checkbox"/> Broom for cleanup |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small square* | <input type="checkbox"/> Electric cord |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Roofing hatchet | <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stapler (hammer tacker) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hard hat* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chalk line* | <input type="checkbox"/> Sewing machine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saws-all types | |

*Required

General Packing List

This list is not comprehensive of everything you may choose to bring, but these are several items that have been most helpful to volunteers in the past.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Good disposition and flexible attitude | <input type="checkbox"/> Light jacket |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work pants and shirts | <input type="checkbox"/> Flip flops or sandals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hard hat and gloves | <input type="checkbox"/> Dress clothes for Sabbath |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses or safety glasses | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal toiletries and sunblock |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Good, closed-toe working shoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat | <input type="checkbox"/> Camera |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ID and personal insurance information | <input type="checkbox"/> Bible |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of this packet with Maranatha insurance information and project addresses | <input type="checkbox"/> Bedding: twin sheet, blanket, or sleeping bag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal prescribed medication and any over the counter medication you use regularly | <input type="checkbox"/> Bedding: air mattress, foam pad, cot |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Casual shirts, pants, and shorts | <input type="checkbox"/> Towel and washcloth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Underclothes | <input type="checkbox"/> Small pillow |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Small alarm clock |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Earplugs |

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HARD HAT \$11



This MSA V-Gard hard hat, with Staz-On suspension, ensures excellent shock absorption on the job site.

WATER BOTTLE \$15



The autospout water bottle by Contigo features a one-touch-button spout for convenient one-handed drinking. It also has a spout shield to protect the spout from debris and dirt when not in use—perfect for the project site.

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*All confirmed volunteers on an International Maranatha Open Team receive a Maranatha t-shirt as part of their participation fee.

