



Bethel Horizons

1. Location

The camp is about eight miles north of Dodgeville, which is about forty miles southwest of Madison on US Highways 18/151. The camp is down a dirt road south off County Highway ZZ east of State Highway 23.

- * Madison: take 18/151 southwest and exit for Dodgeville on Highway 18. Proceed to the first stop light, which is State Highway 23, and turn right.
- * Dubuque: drive northeast on US Highway 151, exit for Dodgeville on State Highway 23 and keep going north out of town.
- * Prairie du Chien: drive east on US Highway 18. Turn left (north) on State Highway 23 at the stop light in Dodgeville.
- * Spring Green: drive south on State Highway 23 until you reach County Highway ZZ (about ten miles) and turn left (east) on ZZ. If you reach the entrance to Governor Dodge State Park on 23 you have gone too far!

2. Facilities

- * Note: bedding is not provided. You should bring a sleeping bag or bed roll, pillow, towel, washcloth, hand soap, and any other personal items.
- * Camping: the main camping area consists of family camp sites along a loop road. There is also open space for group camping. There is a picnic area with a roof and concrete floor. There is also a bathroom/shower building.
- * Retreat Center: the Retreat Center facilities include:
 - o meeting and dining room with space for about 70.
 - o carpeted meeting room with fireplace (excellent for singing).
 - o kitchen with microwave oven.
 - o six rooms with four beds in each and one room with two beds.
 - o showers and bathrooms.

- o recreation room.
- o barn (usable for dancing).

* Nature Center: there is an excellent Nature Center on site. If there is interest we can arrange for some nature activities. This might be useful for children but adult chaperones will be required.

3. Hazards

* Cliffs: the camp is an area with many beautiful cliffs. Some are as high as 100 feet with sheer faces which drop straight off. Hiking on the cliffs must be supervised by an adult and is prohibited to anyone under 18 years old without such supervision. Hiking on the cliffs at night is not advised!

* Plants: poison ivy and poison parsnip can be found on the camp property. Poison ivy is a woody vine growing alongside the paths in the woods and along the edge of the woods. The leaf has three leaflets. Poison parsnip is a tall plant growing in fields and has divide leaves, avoid breaking the stem. In the event that you come in contact with these plants was immediately with soap and water.

* Ticks: ticks are abundant on the camp property and we shall be there at the peak of their activity. Wear long sleeved shirts and trousers in light colors and inspect yourself carefully after any possible exposure. If possible, use repellent, particularly on your shoes and socks.

* Water: there are two ponds and two streams on the camp property. While none is very deep, caution should be used when exploring around the area. Swimming and/or wading is not advised. Children should be supervised by an adult.