

HOST NOTES!

Some new information and a review of reminders while visiting Echo Summit Lodge. If you have any questions regarding these items, just call one of the Trustees.

The front **ENTRY DOOR**, has a push button combination lock, code is **XXXX**. Close the dead bolt when you leave but not overnight (fire law). Just be sure the front door is securely closed at night. The combo allows members and their guests to come and go, while restricting wandering in folks looking around and/or to use the bathroom. **NO KEYS WILL BE SENT** except perhaps in winter when the snow is exceptionally deep in front of the barn/shed. The keys to the entry door will be in the barn, hanging on the right side of the door. **THE BARN COMBO is XXXX**. This code is only to be used by hosts. **PLEASE lock the barn door behind you, leave it locked at all times when not in use. You must return the key to the keybox when you leave, or the next person will not be able to get in. The key is stored in a lock box to the right of the door, LOCK BOX CODE: XXXXX.**

Please have everyone sign the **GUEST REGISTER BOOK**, one name per line, including beginning and end date of stay. Hosts should review the entries for legibility.

The trash **DUMPSTER** has a combination lock, code is **XXXX**, the same as the house number. This keeps non-members from filling up the dumpster and keeps the bears out. During the winter months we will not use the padlock, as it makes it difficult for the trash collector, but will use the bear latch.

We still have **CRITTERS** at Echo. Be sure to pull ALL food away in the kitchen/pantry after dinner. This includes fruit and potatoes that previously may have been stored on the shelves. They can be put in the refrigerator, old ice box, or an empty cooler. It is a good idea to keep a heavy item on top of the sugar, flour, etc. containers, they are able to pop the lids off. **Please set traps while you are there, but not set upon leaving (no one likes moldy mice later).**

We have a policy of “**NO SKIPPED MEALS**”. We charge for all meals from the first to last meal of a stay. If a guest has a special diet and chooses to bring some of their own food, they may, and also eat food provided by the host. Those with special diet needs should inform the host before the food is purchased. Hosts will try to make whatever reasonable accommodations they can.

Happy Hour can include hot soup or spiced drinks and light snacks. Cocktails, beer and wine are not included; members must provide their own alcoholic beverages.

DISHWASHING, DISHWASHING, DISHWASHING!!! Instructions are above the sink.
FIRST: Please scrape and degrease plates with paper towels into the trash can, over the drain board to the left of the sink.
SECOND: Wash in hot sudsy detergent water.
THIRD: Rinse in hot water, change often.
FOURTH: Disinfect with bleach water.
FIFTH: Then air dry on the racks.
KEEP SINGING!

WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM: The lodge is connected to the new well/tank system. Electric power for pumping is provided via a buried 1000-foot conductor in conduit line from the lodge to the well (near the Snow Park). A pressure switch at the well turns ON the pump when the system pressure is below 30 psi; the pump runs until the system pressure reaches 50 psi- at that time the under-lodge storage tanks are filled and can supply approximately 140 gallons into the lodge before the pressure drops and the re-fill cycle begins.

During a power outage there is no way to determine the amount of water remaining (could be anywhere between 10 and 150 gallons). Institute reduced water usage procedures immediately (e.g. no showers, minimize toilet flushing, use disposable dishes, cups, revise menu to reduce water- you may think of other measures). Determine if you should terminate your session. Unless PG&E is working Hosts will need to terminate. Sorry. Call a trustee if you have any questions.

SEPTIC SYSTEM: DO NOT rinse any bacon drippings, cooking oils or other greasy waste in the sink. Wipe them out well with paper towels and wash with soapy water. Be conservative with water use to avoid saturating the leach field. **NEVER** flush non-biodegradable refuse such as wipes, diaper liners or sanitary products down the toilet. **DON'T** dump chemicals or insecticides down the drains (the kills the good decomposition bacteria in the tank).

WATER shut down and turn on procedures: These are revised and tested, and are located not only in the Lodge Operations Manuals, but always hanging just outside the pantry on a hook. If you are a winter host and do not see the white of the eyes of the following host, you need to shut down the water to avoid frozen pipes in the lodge. It is advised that the procedures for shutting and opening be done by 2 people. One to read the directions, another to follow the directions.

BEAR PREVENTION: During Spring, Summer and Fall, **please keep small saucers of Pinesol near the entry ways.** Apparently bears don't like the smell of Pinesol, and this is a good deterrent. Saucers can be any small container, such as a small plastic or Styrofoam bowl, or even a clean used can (lid removed). Please label Pinesol bottles "for BEARS only" since it should not be used for cleaning our floors. Place saucers where guests won't trip over them, such as under a stair step.

Additional Bear tips: Never leave doors open, the bear has been known to walk in and take cookies from the sideboard.

Remove all food and ice chests (even empty ones) from where they can be seen from a window (remember they stand on their hind legs, too.)

Report any incident to a trustee.

WINTER PARKING: Due to limited parking at the lodge, we have Snow Park Passes for overflow parking. You will find a large envelope at the lodge, with five annual Snow Park passes. These cost \$25.00 each. Your first guests to arrive can park as usual. When all the spaces are filled, guests can unload at the lodge, put \$25.00 in the envelope and be given a pass. Then, park their car at the Snow Park. When they depart they can bring their car down to load, return the pass and be refunded their \$25.00. Be sure to inform your guests of the possibility of needing to park in the Snow Park. Passes should only be handled by the Host or other responsible person.

ELECTRIC HEATERS IN THE WOMEN'S DORM: These are wall mounted. Find, read and follow the posted instructions. They are expensive to run and difficult to repair. The wall mounts have a timer switch in the entry vestibule. The timer switch needs to be turned on before the wall-mounted heaters will work. The heaters will automatically switch off once the time has completed.

COFFEE: Please use only **REGULAR** grind coffee, the finer grinds make the machine overflow and make a mess!

BBQ- Please keep the BBQ away from all wood, railing, cover, walls, table. The vent on the back can get hot and have flare ups with greasy meats. **Thank you!!!!**

Hosts will vacate the lodge before noon, new Hosts will come after that, unless at another mutually agreed upon times.

Thank you for hosting, and have a great time at Echo!!!

REQUEST COMBINATIONS for locks: ENTRY DOOR: XXXX
BARN: XXXX
DUMPSTER: XXXX