

The Hitchhikers Guide to Hico

Yes, it is SO that time, hence this friendly reminder. The 29th annual GSP trek to Hico WV is upon us! This is the season of great friends, great food, great beverages, great activities, and frankly... a great time to get away from work!

As always we will be at Rays Campground. Ray is helping us this year with his stimulus plan and keeping all camping costs the same as last year (\$8 per person per day payable to Ray).

DIRECTIONS

From I-79 near Sutton

Take U.S. 19 South, proceeding through Summersville to U.S. 60 at Hico. Turn right onto U.S. 60 West, then right onto Sunday Road. We're one mile out Sunday Road on the left.

From I-77 at Beckley

Take U.S. 19 North, proceeding 23 miles through Fayetteville to U.S. 60 at Hico. Turn right onto U.S. 60 west, then right onto Sunday Road. We're one mile out Sunday Road on the left.

TASTING

Now as most of you have already seen from Ed, this years tasting will be Vodka. Here is what the Encyclopedia Galactica has to say about alcohol. Alcohol is a colorless volatile liquid formed by the fermentation of sugars and also notes its intoxicating effects on certain carbon based life forms. However, the Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy notes that the best drink in existence is the Pan Galactic Gargle Blaster. The effects of drinking one is akin to having your brains smashed out by a slice of lemon wrapped around a large gold brick.

Having said this, please bring your vodka of choice. The joy of a vodka tasting is that it can be distilled from rye, wheat, potatoes, sugar beets, or other fermentables, giving each a subtle difference in aroma and taste. So bring your favorite vodka, flavored vodka, or mixed drink with vodka, and we will all "ooh and ah", while taking teeny tiny sips... and do our best to stay away from the campfire in the fear of instantaneous combustion.

WHAT TO BRING

OK, we ALL know this by now... but just in case.... First off, always know where your towel is. After that... Tent/Camper/Motor Home, Ground Cloth (for tent), Dining Fly (To keep dry things dry (when SOMEONE says "at least it cannot rain any harder")), Food, Beer, Air Mattress/Therma-rest, Cooler, Cooking Utensils, Clothesline, Beer, Flashlight and batteries (you never know when the band needs

more batteries), Cook stove and fuel, Beer, Utensils, Plates, Beer, Dish Pan, Scrubby, Bug Spray, Sunscreen, Beer, Lawn Chairs, Lawn Ornaments, Sharpies, Beer, Port, Truffles, Hiking Boots and Socks, Duct Tape, Beer, Rain Coat, Sunglasses, Croakie, Beer, Pillow, Vodka, Instruments, Tasting Glass, oh... and did I mention Beer?

COST

Lower New – Saturday, July 4th

Number of Rafters R6 _____ x \$99 = _____

12 yo to College (with ID) R6 _____ x \$85 = _____

Ducky/Upper New – Thursday, July 2nd

Adults _____ x \$79 = _____

Pigglets (5 and Up) through College (with ID) _____ x \$50 = _____

Hardboats (Includes Transportation) _____ x \$25 = _____

Other

Cool Gifts _____ x \$13 = _____

DVD's _____ x \$30 = _____

Slush Fund _____ x \$30 = _____

TOTAL _____

You may either mail this (If you do so right away), or since we are so close to the date, bring it with you. Make Checks payable to Jim or Cathy Hands (whoever you trust more with the money). ☺

Lady & The Throwbag

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