



THIS CAMP IS YOUR CAMP

2010

THE COMMUNITY WHERE YOU BELONG

Weekend Programs



"FAMILY CAMP AT TAWONGA IS SUCH A WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE FOR OUR WHOLE FAMILY! MY SIX-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER

Two unique weekend programs

Come to Tawonga for a weekend that includes all of our classic weekend camp highlights as well as specialty programming for a unique community:



1

KESHET LGBTQ FAMILY CAMP

[14TH YEAR]

September 2–5 | Thursday–Sunday | LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Keshet means rainbow in Hebrew, and this innovative weekend draws a true rainbow of participants, including parents, teens, kids, and babies from all over the country. In addition to all of the fabulous aspects of our “classic” weekends on the opposite page, special activities include discussions of gender in rabbinic texts, adoption and “living will” workshops, and an outrageous disco party.

GRIEF & GROWING WEEKEND

[14TH YEAR]

Dates and Location TBA

One of the hardest parts of losing a friend, a spouse, a parent or a child is the feeling of isolation. This weekend, now in its 14th year, was founded on the powerful Jewish idea of a community of mourners. We share through storytelling, art, and a healing service, and support each other through small circles led by professional grief counselors. Age-appropriate activities for children and teens let parents take time to relax and reflect. This weekend is co-sponsored by the Bureau of Jewish Education, Sinai Memorial Chapel, and the Bay Area Jewish Healing Center.

For further information, registration or schedule content (which differs from other Tawonga weekend programs), please contact the Bay Area Jewish Healing Center at www.jewishhealingcenter.org or 415.750.4197.



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A WEEKEND AT



To register for a Weekend Program, please visit www.tawonga.org. Tawonga is committed to making



LEAVES FEELING LIKE BEING PART OF A JEWISH COMMUNITY IS JUST ABOUT THE COOLEST, MOST FUN THING IN THE WORLD.
 — SUMMERTIME FAMILY CAMP PARTICIPANT

Two classic weekend programs

Whether you have a houseful of kids, a new baby, or an empty nest, whether you are a couple or an individual, a Tawonga weekend will provide a special Jewish home for you in the Sierra Mountains. Our loyal alumni come from all walks of life: they are 22 to 85; they are single, married, and in interfaith relationships; they are LGBTQ, they are multiracial, and they are international. Camp Tawonga is their Jewish community and we hope you'll make it yours as well. Just pick the weekend that works best for you. Each includes the same great food (including free-flowing Peet's coffee), our comfortably rustic accommodations (most cabins house 2-3 families with like-aged children), campfire singalongs, inspiring guest teachers, and warm, welcoming Jewish spirit. And, every weekend includes the same loving and responsible childcare, providing families with time together as well as time for adults to take advantage of all that camp has to offer while kids play with spectacular Tawonga counselors.

SPRING FAMILY CAMP
 May 28–31 | Friday–Monday
 MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND



SUMMERTIME FAMILY CAMP
 August 26–29 | Thursday–Sunday



What to expect at a Tawonga weekend:

FOR KIDS

- childcare from experienced counselors
- soccer, ping-pong, gaga
- new friends and hang out time with other kids
- parachute games
- visits to the petting farm
 - archery
 - scavenger hunts
 - river walks
- night programs for teens
 - boating on the lake
 - sing-alongs

FOR EVERYONE

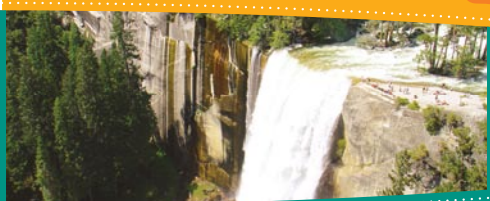
- arts & crafts, swimming, ropes course, climbing tower, and many more great Tawonga activities
- the Tuolumne River
- wonderful Tawonga staff
- gorgeous sunsets
- delicious, healthy meals (including vegetarian, vegan, and kid-friendly options)
 - countless stars
- fun and musical outdoor Shabbat services
- quality time together
- shared cabins just like camp

FOR ADULTS

- yoga
- text study
- quiet time with a book
- professional massage
- cruise-ship style late-night snacks
- a chance to meet other adults and families
- workshops on parenting, raising kids in an interfaith family, Judaism 101, and more

... RELAXED CONTENTMENT...

CAMP TAWONGA



our weekends affordable for everyone. Please contact our office for more information at 415.543.2267.

1

Adults have the option to wake up early for yoga or a morning walk while Tawonga staff take care of the kids.

2

Buffet Breakfast—arrive at a time that’s best for you.

3

Join everyone for a participatory, joyful Torah service at our beautiful outdoor amphitheater, *Makom Shalom*.

4

Kids hang out with Tawonga staff and with other kids their age—playing games, swimming, doing art projects, and enjoying tons of other fun activities.

Adults choose from: workshops with fabulous educators on Jewish learning, parenting, cooking, and more; spending time at Arts & Crafts, the lake, or lounging by the pool; climbing high into the trees on the Tawonga challenge course; hiking through the beautiful forest to breathtaking locations on the Tuolumne River; or just lying in the shade to catch up on some reading.

A DAY AT A TAWONGA WEEKEND PROGRAM

1

Barbeque lunch followed by rest hour—after a busy morning, everyone gets some down time.

2

Float time! Participate in an organized activity or “float” through camp at your own pace. Play softball, prepare an act for the talent show, visit Tawonga’s organic garden, take a leisurely stroll, or relax at the pool.

3

Blessings and a delicious dinner—followed by more songs and dancing!

4

Talent Show and *Havdallah*.

5

Kids go to bed. Tawonga staff watch over all children’s cabins until 11:00 p.m.

6

The Tawonga kitchen staff prepares a fabulous spread for late-night adult snack. Sing or chat by the campfire, play board games, or participate in a night hike or workshop.

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Good night! We’ll see you tomorrow morning...



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DAYS

**FOUR-DAY WEEKENDS
AT OUR YOSEMITE LOCATION**

Spring Family Camp

May 28-31: Memorial Day
(FRIDAY-MONDAY)

Summertime Family Camp

August 26-29
(THURSDAY-SUNDAY)

Keshet LGBTQ Family Camp

September 2-5: Labor Day
(THURSDAY-SUNDAY)

Kids 2 and under: \$150
3 to Adult: \$350

DATES AND FEES

Whether you have a teething tot or a Tawonga teen, the fees for a weekend program include not only shared housing in our rustic camp setting and delicious meals and snacks all day long, but also our amazing staff, programming, and other camp operating costs.

Children under the age of 2 are usually matched with a staff person for a 1:1 staff to camper ratio, giving parents an opportunity to relax and participate in camp activities.

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DAYS

THREE-DAY WEEKENDS

**Grief and Growing
Bereavement Weekend**
Dates and Location TBA

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TO:



- Looking for an easy family getaway?
- Want to introduce your child to the wonder of Jewish summer camp?
- Eager to relive your own great camp experience?
- Seeking to become part of a vibrant, welcoming community?
- Excited to celebrate Shabbat in nature?
- Ready to relax, swim, and hike while your kids make new friends?

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