

INSTRUCTIONS FOR WEEKEND RETREAT ON SOCIALISM & REAL UTOPIAS

Arrival time

- It takes about an hour to get to the conference site (assuming the roads are clear). It would be good to start promptly at 10:00, so you should try to arrive by 9:30 or so if possible.

Potluck dinner, Saturday

- Bring a dish for the potluck dinner. Often there is a lack of main dishes, so you might coordinate among friends to be sure that at least some people bring main courses. I am not going to plan anything, so, for better or worse, this will be organized on Anarchist-spontanist principles.
- Please bring a serving utensil with your dish. I will bring some but usually there are not enough.
- I will bring a camp stove run on propane gas. It has two burners. If anyone has a camping stove, please bring it along (and let me know with an email)
- There is a fridge in the lodge where you can store food.
- We will take up a collection to buy sodas, cider & other drinks – someone will drive into town to get these after the session on Saturday.
- I will bring paper plates and utensils for the potluck.

Musical Instruments

- I will bring my fiddle and some song books.
- Please bring ANY musical instruments you have – drums, bongos, guitars, trumpets, keyboards, whatever it is that you play or think someone else might play. Don't be shy. We'll have a jam session as long as you bring instruments along.

For sleeping

- We will be staying in a properly heated building referred to as the “dormitory.” The rooms mostly have 3-4 bunk beds in them. Some of the rooms would be suitable for a family if anyone is bring kids.
- The beds will have linens (pillow cases, sheets and blankets) available, but it could be easier if you have a sleeping bag – then you won’t have to make up the bed.
- I am not planning on designating specific rooms for men and women, but if this matters to you please feel free to form a group and take over a specific room.