



Conference Registration

National Association of Geoscience Teachers
Far Western Section
Spring 2012 Conference

Location - Desert Studies Center, Zzyzx, California
March 2, 3, and 4, 2012
Hosted by El Camino College, Torrance, California

One registration form per person please.

Name _____
Street Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Primary Phone Number _____
Cell or Additional Phone _____
E-mail address _____
Affiliation _____

Registration fees include: dormitory style lodging Friday and Saturday nights, full breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday, full breakfast and lunch on Sunday, Friday and Saturday socials, guidebook, field trips, and workshops.

Registration Fees \$160 _____
(Registration information must be received by February 21, 2012)

Student Registration \$75 _____
(Must include copy of valid student ID and current student enrollment)

Options
Friday Dinner \$15 _____
Extra Person for Saturday banquet \$20 _____
Extra Guidebooks \$20 x Quantity _____

Shirts
Conference T- Shirt \$15 x Quantity _____
Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ Extra Large _____
XXL _____ \$17 x Quantity _____

Dormitory Lodging Requested _____
(This is available on a first come basis. There is room in the parking area for motor homes and self contained car camping.) Two motels are located in Baker, California for those not wanting to stay in the dormitory housing.

Total Amount \$ _____

Make checks payable to El Camino College Geology.

Mail to: Lynn Fielding
P.O. Box 11322
Torrance, CA 90510 -1322

Field Trip Preferences

List first and second choices for each day. All of the field trips will leave from the Desert Studies Center.

Saturday

- _____ Geomorphic Quaternary Landscape and the Distribution of Biota
- _____ Mojave Desert Area Mining and Geology
- _____ Volcanism and the Eastern Mojave
- _____ Historical Geology of the Mojave

Sunday

- _____ Pisgah Lava Tubes
- _____ Workshop - Teaching teachers how they can better convey geology to their students

For additional conference information, contact Lynn Fielding at lfielding@elcamino.edu or (310) 533 - 8627. It is hoped that each school with faculty in attendance will have at least one student poster. The best posters will receive special recognition. Questions about student posters can be addressed to Julienne Gard at jgard@elcamino.edu.

Area Information

Zzyzx (which is pronounced zy – zicks with emphasis on the “zy”), California has a colorful history of its own and once was a resort which featured mineral springs and mud baths, and was renowned as a health resort. Some of these facilities are partially preserved and make for wonderful photographic opportunities with the background of Soda Dry Lake. Today, the California State University system has established a consortium which administers the Desert Studies Center, facilitates research in a variety of disciplines, and aids the preservation of the endangered Mohave tui chub. The Desert Studies Center has a meeting room, an area for social gatherings and poster sessions, audio visual capabilities with wireless internet, dormitory facilities (individuals bring their own pillow, bedding or sleeping bag), shower facilities, a chef who will prepare the hot breakfasts, dinners and packaged lunches, a small store which features items related to Zzyzx, star gazing opportunities (clear skies permitting), and a fantastic view of Soda Dry Lake, the California Fan Palms, and the Chub Pond.

Baker, California is located 11 miles to the north east from the Desert Studies Center and has a variety of motels, restaurants, gas stations, and other facilities, some of which are quite unique. “Home of the World’s Tallest Thermometer” is Baker’s claim to fame and the height of the thermometer at 134 feet or 41 meters was selected when the community recorded the highest temperature ever recorded in the United States (in Death Valley) at 134 degrees Fahrenheit in 1913. However, it is also a gateway to Death Valley and other scenic areas of the Mohave Desert. Many travelers come to know Baker as they fill their gas tanks during their excursions to and from Las Vegas, Nevada to Los Angeles, California. Baker, California is approximately 177 miles or 285 kilometers north east of Los Angeles, California. Las Vegas, Nevada is located about 88 miles or 142 kilometers to the north east of Baker, California.

Baker Motels

Bun Boy Motel
72155 Baker Boulevard
Baker, California 92309
760-733-4363

Wills Fargo Motel
72252 Baker Boulevard
Baker, California 92309
760-733-4477

