



Squeaky Wheel Adventures (SWA) is a non-profit Maine based **tripping camp** for kids in foster care, other out-of-home care and children that have been adopted. SWA utilizes our custom converted **eco-friendly 1963 40' transit bus** for exciting and educational **multi-day road trips** which uniquely blend fun, adventure, self exploration, environmental education and stewardship. Our **vegetable oil, solar & Hydrogen powered bus** serves as a working model to see, experience and explore alternative energy and its impact. **SWA**

trips can be a great opportunity for brothers and sisters who are living in separate homes to spend time together! (Trips are not just for siblings!)

◀ 2011 SUMMER TRIPS ▶

Wild Safari / 4-Day Trip ~ June 29th - July 2nd

The first day is spent traveling to the Mt. Washington Valley where we will enjoy hiking to beautiful **Arethusa Falls**. This breathtaking waterfall is sure to impress. Then we will continue on to the KOA campground in Twin Mountain, NH. After a great night at camp we will head to Lincoln, NH and board **Alpine Adventures' Off Road Safari** to the top of Barron Mountain. This trip will give awesome views on this low-speed roller coaster ride. Afterwords we will camp nearby at Lost River Campground. On day three we will take some time to relax in the morning before continue our trek south to Angle Pond Campground in Southern NH. On our final day our roller coasters pick-up speed during our visit to **Canobie Lake Amusement Park** in Salem, NH.

The Big Apple / 5-Day Trip ~ July 5th - 9th

We are headed to **NEW YORK CITY** for the second time! Our first day will take us to Riverdale Farm Campground in Clinton, CT where we will get ready to go into the city in the morning. Some of the things we will see and do while in the city are; **Central Park, Times Square, a Broadway Show featuring Daniel Radcliff (the actor portraying Harry in the blockbuster Harry Potter movies), the Statue of Liberty, Ground Zero, and Chinatown**. There is always so much to see in NYC and there will be a LOT of WALKING. In order to maximize our time in the city we will stay at a hotel just across the Hudson River in Secaucus, NJ on our second night. Day 4 we will spend a leisurely morning at camp before heading north to Lee, NH and Wadleigh Falls Campground where we will enjoy our final night at camp. The last day we will cool off at **Water Country Water Park** in Portsmouth, NH.

On the Move / 3-Day Trip ~ July 12th - 14th

This trip starts by **climbing Jockey Cap** in Fryeburg, ME which was a big hit last year. We will spend the night at Glen Ellis Campground in Glen, NH. At camp we will cool of in the pool and enjoy some s'mores. Wednesday will be spent at **Attitash Mountain Resort** riding the water and alpine slides, trying our skills on the climbing wall and EuroBungy trampoline. This will be a great day and we will return to camp ready for a big dinner. On the final day we will **canoe on the Saco River** in Western Maine before returning.



New England Fun / 5-Day Trip ~ July 18th - 22nd

This trip will take us all over New England. On our first day we will take a break to **horseback ride** in Londonderry, NH as we make our way to our

campground in Stowe, VT. After a great night camping in Stowe, VT, we will continue our exploration around the area including a stop at a **local glass blowing shop and the Ben & Jerry's Factory** before enjoying a narrated **boat ride on Lake Champlain** aboard Burlington, Vermont's largest cruise ship, the Ethan Allen III. Day three is a travel day south through Vermont and Massachusetts visiting "Vermont's Little Grand Canyon", **Quechee Gorge**, and the **Dinosaur Tracks** near Northampton, MA where we will see real dinosaur tracks still embedded in rock where dinosaurs once roamed. Day four picks up speed as we spend an exciting day riding roller coasters like "Bizarro" and "Cat Woman's Whip" at **Six Flags Amusement Park** in Agawam, MA.

Finally, on day five, as we make our way home, we will visit **Walden Pond State Reservation** in Concord, MA. At Walden Pond we will experience the natural beauty that inspired Henry David Thoreau and provided the material for his book Walden. Walden is credited with helping to inspire awareness and respect for the natural environment.

Sturdivant Island & Boston / 3-Day Trip ~ Aug 1st - 4th

We will start this trip by going to **Sturdivant Island** off the coast of Southern Maine where we will spend the night. On the island we will explore **Portland Harbor** and spend the night at a camp on the island. When we are ready to head on we will make our way back to the bus and continue south to **Salisbury Beach State Reservation**. This is a great campground right on the shore and will serve as our base camp for the next two nights. Day three takes us to **Boston** where we will start at **Franklin Zoo**. After lunch we will take a walking tour of the city including **Boston Common, the State House and Quincy Market** before taking in a **RED SOX GAME** at Fenway Park. Our final day will be spent at the beach before departing for Maine.

Trip Registration & Cost:

Trip fees can often be paid in full, or in-part, by DHHS allocated camp funding. Please contact your caseworker ASAP and let them know you are interested in one of our trips. There may also be post adoption funds available. Registration forms can then be obtained either via our website (www.SqueakyWheelAdventures.org/2011/) or by contacting us to have them mailed. The fees below are approximately 40% of the actual trip expense, with the balance being covered by grants, sponsors, and fundraising.

Ages: 10 to 17 (Exception made case by case)

Wild Safari / 4-day - \$430

The Big Apple / 5-day - \$560

On the Move / 3-day - \$360

New England Fun / 5-day - \$530

Sturdivant Island & Boston / 4-day - \$430

**LIMITED SPACE
6 CAMPERS PER TRIP
(w/ 3 STAFF)**

Pick-up Locations:

There are numerous pick-up locations for each trip depending on need and destination. Some pick-up locations may include; Ellsworth, Bangor, Augusta, Lewiston, Portland & Kennebunk.

Please contact us with any questions or to get more information. We look forward to hearing from you and traveling together this summer.



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