NC B’nai B’rith Institute of Judaism

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WHO: North Carolina B’nai B’rith Institute of Judaism
WHAT: The 2016 Wildacres Retreat
WHEN: August 15-18, 2016 | Registration Application
WHERE: Wildacres Retreat Center, Little Switzerland, NC
WHY: Learning is a Lifelong Adventure

The Wildacres B’nai B’rith Institute of Judaism, set in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina, will hold the 2016 annual retreat from August 15-18. Although the majority of participants come from the Southeastern states, participants come from states all over the country.

The Institute is a three day set of nine lectures by outstanding scholars. Additional activities include patio discussions with the faculty, hiking and tennis in the afternoon, religious services before dinner, or just relaxing and enjoying the beauty of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

The scholars-in-residence this year will be Rabbi Seth Frisch, noted speaker on political rights; Steve Whitfield, a professor at Brandeis University; and Rabbi Kurt Stone, a political science lecturer.

On Tuesday and Wednesday there are four lectures a day. Subjects include: The Persistence of Jewish Liberalism; The Rise of ISIS; Israel, The Middle East and the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election; The Singularity of Jewish Humor; Operation Moses: The Covert Evacuation of Ethiopian Jews; The Not-so-Province: Bernard Baruch and Abe Fortas; The Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) movement against Israel; The Anti-Semitism of Arab Countries; and An Afternoon with Sholem Aleichem.

The retreat offers fully kosher meals, breathtaking mountain views, and twin bedded rooms with private bath. Lodging and all meals, along with all lectures and activities, are included in the registration fee. Attire is very casual.

Scholarships are available. For more information, please contact either Joyce Klein at 919-846-3636 or e-mail at JBFKL27@gmail.com, or Bill Carr at e-mail bcarr@ipass.net