

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO



This ski resort town of 12,000 offers a number of attributes attractive to Feast-goers. One of those attributes is our host hotel, the Steamboat Sheraton, 2200 Village Inn Court. It is an excellent facility, offering hotel rooms at \$99 up to three-bedroom units at \$200. A resort fee of \$5 per night will be added and covers Wi-Fi and underground parking, among other things.

More economical housing will be available, but it will be a great help to the Church in keeping costs down if everyone who is able will stay at the Sheraton.

Services will be held in the ballroom, beginning Sunday evening, Oct. 16, at 7:30 p.m.

Steamboat Springs features a variety of restaurants, including some fine dining establishments and restaurants within the hotel. Recreational opportunities abound: hiking, fishing, hot air ballooning, rock climbing, ice skating, golfing, horseback riding and ATV riding, to name a few. Some of the better attractions to visit are Fish Creek Falls, Old Town Hot Springs and three nearby state parks (Steamboat Lake, Stagecoach Lake and Pearl Lake).

A free shuttle will take you almost anywhere in town. Denver International Airport is three hours away; and the Yampa Valley Airport, about 25 minutes. Recommended shuttle service to and from Denver International is Alpine Taxi, 800-343-7433 or alpinetaxi.com.

Tax rate for accommodations: 11.65 percent.

Connect with fellow Feastgoers at facebook.com/cogwa/events.

Larry Neff

Sheraton Steamboat Resort (host property)

800-848-8877 970-879-2220

sheraton.com/steamboat

2200 Village Inn Court Steamboat Springs, CO 80477

\$99 hotel room, king bed, 1-2 people
\$102 studio (small kitchen), 1-2 people
\$122 1-bedroom condo or suite, 1-3 people
\$150 2-bedroom condo, suite or villa, 2-5 people
\$199 3-bedroom suite or villa, 2-7 people

\$10 extra adult

Note: Applicable taxes of 11.65% and a resort fee of \$5 per night will be added to rate. Rates are available three nights before and after Feast.

To make reservations, call either number listed above between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. If you call 970-879-2220 (the hotel's direct number), ask for in-house reservations.

Your credit card number will be taken upon reservation, but not charged until 72 hours before arrival. At that time your card will be charged for the entire stay, and the entire amount will be nonrefundable. There is no charge if you cancel your reservations more than 72 hours before arrival.

Amenities: Restaurants on premises, laundry facilities in many units, equipped for handicapped, outdoor heated pool, king or queen beds, air-conditioning, elevator, free Wi-Fi. Children 17 and under are free.

Distance from meeting hall: on-site

Quality Inn & Suites Steamboat Springs

970-879-6669

steamboat-hotel.com

1055 Walton Creek Road Steamboat Springs, CO 80487

\$66 2 queen beds, 1-2 people \$72 2 queen beds, 3-4 people

Note: Applicable taxes and resort fee are 14.65%. Rates are good for two nights before and after the Feast. Mention "Church of God group" to receive the discount. (There is also a 10% discount off of regular price king rooms or suites.) Rooms will be held by credit card. Reservations may be canceled until Sept. 16 without penalty. After Sept. 16, amount for entire stay is nonrefundable.

Amenities: Restaurant nearby, laundry facilities, equipped for handicapped, indoor pool, king or queen beds, airconditioning, suites, free Wi-Fi, full hot breakfast included. Children 17 and under are free in existing beds.

Distance from meeting hall: 1.2 miles

Quail Run

970-879-0517 800-233-8102 3437 Covey Circle Steamboat Springs, CO 80487

\$119.40-\$125.40 2-bedroom condo, 2-6 people \$139.80-\$151.80 3-bedroom condo, 2-8 people

Note: Applicable taxes and resort fees are subject to change, but are currently 21.9%. Managed by Pioneer Ridge. Reference name of Church when making reservations. One night's deposit is required at the time of reservation. Deposit will be refunded in full if reservation is canceled before July 31. Payment in full is due two weeks before arrival and is nonrefundable at that point.

Amenities: Laundry facilities, king or queen beds, free Wi-Fi. Distance from meeting hall: 1 mile

The Pines

970-879-0517 800-233-8102 540 Ore House Plaza Steamboat Springs, CO 80487

\$99-\$116.40 1-bedroom condo, 1-4 people \$119.40 2-bedroom condo, 2-6 people

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Amenities: Restaurant adjacent, shopping nearby, laundry facilities (some units), equipped for handicapped (one unit), king or queen beds, free Wi-Fi (most units).

Distance from meeting hall: 1 mile

The Pines at Ore House

970-879-0517 800-233-8102 1465 Pine Grove Road Steamboat Springs, CO 80487

\$125.40 2-bedroom condo, 2-6 people \$139.80 3-bedroom condo, 2-8 people

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Amenities: Shopping nearby, laundry facilities (some units), king or queen beds, free Wi-Fi.

Distance from meeting hall: 1 mile

WELCOME TO THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES **2016 FESTIVAL HOUSING GUIDE**

t is hard to believe that the Feast of Tabernacles will be here in only a few, short months! As God's people follow His instructions to use their Festival tithe to "go to the place which the LORD your God chooses" (Deuteronomy 14:25-26), brethren are eager to arrange accommodations for their family that will enable them to truly rejoice before God! Since Church members often spend quite a bit of time in their accommodations while at the Feast, this aspect of Festival planning is important to all of us!

As such, the Feast coordinators for all of our Feast sites understand the importance of procuring properties that will meet the needs of all of our brethren—with a focus on quality, price and value.

Each year the Church evaluates the accommodations we offered the previous Feast by reviewing the housing surveys for that site. The Feast coordinators consider the price that the brethren paid for their housing, the quality and cleanliness of the facility, and the friendliness and cooperation of the management. They then make any needed adjustments to the housing properties they secure in an effort to ensure the best possible facilities for our brethren. As a result, you may find a few *new* housing properties listed this year, and at the same time, you may find that some properties of the past are *no longer being used*.

As you and your family prepare to select and reserve housing for 2016, we recommend that you first review the available housing at the site you will be attending. We have listed websites for most of the housing establishments so you can preview the facility and all of the amenities offered prior to making your reservations. This enables you to avoid unpleasant surprises.

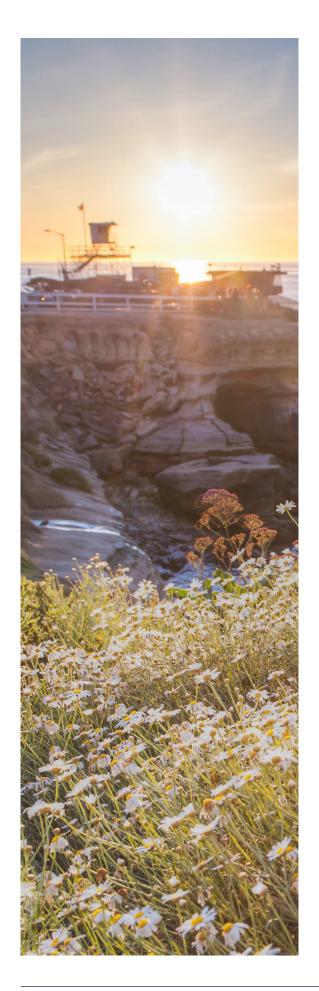
We again want to emphasize the benefits the Church realizes when our members use the housing establishments that are listed in the COGWA Festival housing brochure—as this enables us to secure fair prices with the housing establishments, as well as being central

to our ability to acquire quality meeting space for our services at each site.

As you make your housing arrangements, please remember these important reminders:

- In general, please do not attempt to make reservations prior to the opening day and time for reservations, which is Monday, May 23, at 10 a.m. in the time zone of the site you are attending. The establishments have been asked to not accept reservations prior to the agreed-upon time.
- 2. Those with disabilities, health problems or other special needs that require specific types of facilities may make early housing reservations beginning May 15. (Check with your local Feast adviser for guidelines.) Several sites require a password in order to make early reservations.
- 3. When making your reservations, identify yourself as a member of the "Church of God, a Worldwide Association, Feast of Tabernacles." Be sure to give your arrival and departure dates, be prepared to give a deposit, and be sure to ask for a confirmation number.
- 4. Please take notice of the maximum number of occupants allowed in a room, and do not exceed that number. Reserving a room for four people and then putting six to seven people in the room is not allowed. It causes extra work for the house-keeping staff and violates the agreements we have made.
- 5. PLEASE make only one housing reservation at one Feast site. Making duplicate reservations blocks housing from others looking for housing. If your plans to attend that site change, be sure to cancel your housing reservations as soon as possible to free up housing.

Doug Horchak Ministerial Services Operations Manager



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. What if I have a large family and need a larger facility, such as a house, to have enough space? Can I rent "outside" our housing list?

A. If there is no satisfactory housing for your needs on our housing list, you are certainly fine with renting something that isn't on the housing list. Most of the large, home-type facilities are "one of a kind," and it would potentially cause more problems than it would solve for us to list a large number of one-of-a-kind facilities. Once rented, it would be a frustrating waste of time for any other members who tried to reserve the facility.

Q. What if I'm torn between two different housing properties (maybe even at two different sites)? What is wrong with me reserving them both until I make up my mind and then releasing the one I decide not to use?

A. This situation probably happens more often than most would think. It causes difficulties on more than one level. First, it removes a room from the "available block" that may eventually go unused if you cancel just before the Feast. Second, it may cause a facility to assume it is full and turn down possible bookings—only to later have one or several cancellations by people who had "double-booked" rooms. This causes us problems when we go to book blocks of rooms the following year.

Q. My extended family is all attending the same Feast site, yet we find we are paying different tax rates on our rooms. Why is that? It seems confusing!

A. Some Feast sites have facilities in different communities, each with different "lodging tax" setups. Some facilities have a "county tax," while others have a "county tax" and a "city lodging tax." Generally, the difference isn't that great, but in some cases it may be 4 to 5 percent different.

Q. What about "extra fees" that appear on my bill in addition to the basic room charge?

A. Some facilities have extra charges, such as "resort fee" or "fee for Internet service in sleeping rooms" (in some facilities, Internet is free only in the public areas). Most of these should be listed in the housing brochure, but it is good to check about "extra fees" that the facility charges when making your room reservation. When in doubt, ask. That way, you won't be surprised when you check out.

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