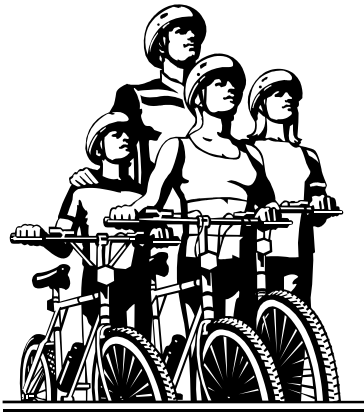


2<sup>nd</sup> Annual

# Bike for Menno Haven



A family bike-a-thon  
for all ages  
and skill levels

July 21, 2007

All routes begin and end at the camp.

All proceeds will benefit  
the ministries of  
Menno Haven  
Camp and Retreat Center

Beautiful scenery and exercise for a good cause await participants in second annual **Bike for Menno Haven** event on Saturday, July 21, 2007.

Bike enthusiasts and Menno Haven supporters alike are invited to participate in this bike-a-thon to raise money for the ministries of Menno Haven Camp and Retreat Center.

Bike for Menno Haven is a one-day family event offering rides for all ages and skill levels, from 13 miles to 80 miles. Limited lodging is available in the bunkhouses Friday night, or bring your tent.

A continental breakfast will be served Saturday morning. Registration begins at the pavilion at 6:30am. Please time your start to complete your chosen route before 1:30pm.

All routes begin and end at Menno Haven. Cyclists will ride a segment of the Hennepin Canal Trail in addition to paved county roads. Please be aware that cyclists will share the roads with motorized vehicles. Bureau County's terrain is flat to rolling.

Snacks, drinks and restrooms will be available at the planned rest stops. A post-ride meal will be served at the pavilion from noon until 1:30pm. Showers are available at the bathhouse.

## What to bring:

### Required

- Helmet
- Water bottle
- Extra tube
- Bicycle in good repair



### Optional

- Gloves
- Mirror
- Sweatband
- Cell phone

## Routes

**Bike for Menno Haven** features four looping routes in a cloverleaf pattern, each route originating at Menno Haven. Riders can choose how many loops to ride, depending on total mileage desired.

The family-friendly 13-mile Loop 1 includes a section of paved trail along the historic Hennepin Canal. A rest stop will be located at Lock 11, with pit toilets and picnic tables.

Loop 2 takes riders to the historic village of Wyanet (where there is a Casey's, Loop 2's suggested rest stop for water and/or restroom).

Loop 3 goes through the Crescent Ridge Wind Project, Illinois' first commercial wind farm. Thirty-three turbines line the ridge. Powered by the wind, 135-foot-long blades generate enough renewable energy to provide power for 20,000 homes every day. Riders may stop at the viewing area at the corner of 600N and 1475E.

Loop 4 wanders through farm country, with a rest stop at a farmstead.



## About Menno Haven



*To invite all to experience  
God's World and Christ's Kingdom  
in a camp and retreat setting  
through opportunities for  
worship, fellowship, recreation,  
growth and renewal.*

In the 1950s Illinois Mennonites envisioned a special place where children could gather to grow closer to God. In 1957 80 acres were purchased near Tiskilwa IL, and Menno Haven Camp & Retreat Center was born.

The ministry of Menno Haven is a story of faith in action, a story of people seeking God's will and of God's rich blessing. It is also a story of vision, of prayer and dedication, of willing volunteers giving generously of time and resources. Above all, it is a story of changed lives. And the story continues, with many chapters yet to be written.

From its modest beginnings as a summer camp for children, Menno Haven has grown into a full-service year-round camp and retreat center, serving four to five thousand people annually. Some of its ministries include summer and winter camps for children and youth, family reunions, weddings, and church and leadership training retreats. On its 231 acres of woods, hills, streams and a small lake, Menno Haven now has recreational, lodging, camping, dining and meeting facilities.

In this natural setting, Menno Haven provides a place to connect with others and with God, a place for personal retreat and reflection. It is also a place for rejuvenation, challenge and trying new things.



## Directions to Menno Haven Tiskilwa IL (815) 646-4344

### From Interstate 80 — Exit 56

Get off I-80 at Exit 56 in Princeton. Drive south through town toward Tiskilwa (5 miles). Cross the railroad tracks, pass the school, and turn right at the Menno Haven sign at Brewster Street. Drive 2.5 miles west; take the left fork, marked with a Menno Haven sign. You will see the lake in about ½ mile. The main entrance to the camp is at the top of a small incline. Follow the gravel drive to the parking lot.

### From Peoria via Rt. 40

Take Rt. 40 north to Rt. 17 (Tanner's Orchard intersection); turn right. At 250 East turn left. Drive about 17 miles (through 4 stop signs) to CR 910 North; turn right at the Menno Haven sign. Turn right at the T-intersection, cross the dam and go up the incline to the main entrance. Follow the gravel drive to the parking lot.

### From Peoria via Rt. 29

Take Rt. 29 north toward I-180; turn left at the intersection with CR 670 North (Kentville Road). Go to 1400 East (Bureau Co. 8, or Wyonet Walnut Road, at the second stop sign where you will see a Menno Haven sign). Turn right and drive north to 910 North (another Menno Haven sign). Turn right on 910 East, which Ts at 1575 East. Turn right and drive about ½ mile over the dam and up a small incline to the main entrance. Follow the gravel drive to the parking lot.

## Registration Form

I acknowledge that participating in *Bike for Menno Haven* is a potentially hazardous activity. I will not participate unless I am medically able to do so and am properly trained. I assume responsibility for the risks associated with participation in this event, including accidental injury or death resulting from falls contact with other riders and contact with traffic along the route. *Bike for Menno Haven* will carry medical insurance for injuries sustained during the bike ride. I waive any and all additional notice of the existence of dangerous conditions associated with *Bike for Menno Haven* and assume responsibility to exercise my own judgment in evaluating those conditions.

With the knowledge of these facts and in consideration of the acceptance of this entry application, I for myself, my heirs and anyone acting in my place or on my behalf, discharge and release Menno Haven Camp and Retreat Center and its staff from any and all claims and actions at law for damages or monetary award arising out of my participation in *Bike for Menno Haven* including injury to my person or property caused by any act or failure to act by the above entity and person. I will wear a helmet and obey the rules of the road. By signing my name below, I intend to be legally bound by all the terms and conditions of this assumption of risk and waiver of claims.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
*(If under 18 years of age)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
*(for confirmation of registration)*

\_\_\_ I/we need lodging Friday night.  
 Bunkhouse  Tent

#### Route options:

- 13 miles along the Hennepin Canal
- 40 miles
- 60 miles (Metric Century)
- 80 miles

#### Fees (nonrefundable):

\$15/person by July 1, \$20 thereafter  
\$25/family by July 1, \$35 thereafter

Total amount enclosed \$ . Make checks payable to Menno Haven Camp and Retreat Center, and submit by June 16 to Menno Haven, 9301 1575 East Street, Tiskilwa IL 61368.