

In the Name of Allah, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful

You are invited to attend

The First SABA Islamic Winter Camp

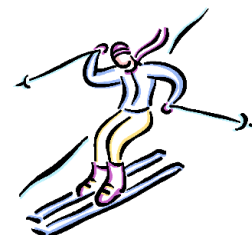
Friday December 11 to Sunday December 13, 2009



Last Weekend Before Month Of Muharram

at

Camp Sierra



Join Us in Celebrating Eid-E-Ghadir

and

Lots of Fun Activities

(Ski, Snowboard, Cross country ski, Snowshoeing,
Making snow cave and more ...)

with

Fresh & Delicious HALAL Meals

in

An Islamic Environment

near

Shaver and Huntington Lakes, CA

Application available in SABA's main lobby and website <http://saba-igc.org/camp>

Shia Association of Bay Area (SABA), Inc.

4415 Fortran Court, San Jose, CA 95134

<http://www.saba-igc.org>, email: saba@saba-igc.org

Phone: 408-946-5700

The First SABA Islamic Winter Camp
Friday December 11th - Sunday December 13th, 2009
Sierra Camp, 52050 Huntington Lake Rd, Big Creek, CA 93605

SABA Islamic Center organizes **Family Camping Trips** to have fun with friends and family, appreciate and enjoy the natural environment as well as community bonding in an Islamic environment.

Where: Camp Sierra nestled in the beautiful western slope of the majestic Sierra Nevada Mountains. The journey will take about 4-5 hours from SABA Center in San Jose. The address is 52050 Huntington Lake Rd, Big Creek, CA 93605. Arrive at the Camp site after 2:00pm on Friday December 11th. SABA has reserved the whole campsite for our exclusive use.

When: **Friday December 11th:** Check in after 2:00pm, Dinner, Poetry & Celebrations.
Saturday December 12th: Fun Activities, Sno-Park & Ski, Discussions, Campfire.
Sunday December 13th: More Fun Activities, Sno-Park, Check Out before 6pm.

What are we going to do?

Sierra summit Ski Resort, overlooking scenic Huntington Lake, is less than 30 minutes above Camp Sierra. The well groomed slopes, five chair lifts and three surface tows offer fun for the entire family and all skiers regardless of ability levels. **Five of Central California's best "sno-parks"** are also only short distances away from Camp Sierra which offer an exciting day of playing in the snow or cross country skiing, snowshoeing and snowmobiling, skis, and snowboards only for \$5 daily parking permit. It is recommended that you bring your own snowplay equipment such as tube, slide, and etc but rentals are available at sierra summit. Please note that sno-park activities are conditional to enough snow. There will be different activities at the camp if there is not enough snow in sno-park. Also, there will be recitation of different supplications, prayers, and short speeches on different Islamic topics.



Food:

Halal fresh food will be prepared and served throughout the camp. Dinner will be served on Friday, breakfast, lunch & dinner will be served on Saturday, breakfast and lunch will be served on Sunday.

What to bring:

Sleeping bag, blanket and pillow, flashlights with fresh batteries, waterproof and warm winter clothing, hat, gloves, snowshoes, towels, personal hygiene (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, etc.), sunscreen, sunglasses, camera, winter sports gears (ski, snowboard, sled, etc.)

REGISTER IMMEDIATELY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!**How to Register for the Camp:**

Camp registration is done on a first-come first-serve basis and we will stop the registration after full capacity is reached. To register for the camp, please complete and sign attached Application Form (also downloadable from SABA's website at <http://saba-igc.org/camp>) and mail it to SABA at 4415 Fortran Ct., San Jose, CA 95134 along with your payment. You may turn in your application and payment to any SABA director as well. To avoid late charges, completed and signed application forms along with payments should be received in SABA on or before December 4, 2009.

Once your application is received, and if space is available, you will be registered in the camp and a confirmation email will be send to the email address on your application. If you do not receive the confirmation e-mail, you are not registered in the camp. If you believe your application is complete but you did not receive the confirmation e-mail please contact us immediately at camp@saba-igc.org. Every individual attending the camp must have been registered. We will not accommodate unregistered individuals. It is your responsibility to make sure your registration is complete and is received before showing up at the campsite. For questions email camp@saba-igc.org.

LAST DAY for registration without late charges is December 4, 2009.



Driving Directions:

Camp Sierra is located just 50 scenic miles from Fresno. From Fresno, Take the Hwy 180 East toward Kings Canyon/Airport. Take exit 60A to merge onto 168 East toward Huntington Lake/Clovis. Turn left to stay on 168 East. Turn left at Dragon Fly Ln/Tollhouse Rd (Hwy 168). Just after Shaver Lake, Turn left at Huntington Lake Rd/Tollhouse Rd (There is a Camp Sierra sign). Entrance to Camp Sierra is 10 miles from the Shaver Lake Village. Continue to follow Huntington Lake Rd. Turn left to stay on Huntington Lake Rd. Slight left at Camp Sierra Rd. You will pass by some lodges and cabins before you arrive at Camp Sierra's entrance. "SABA CAMP" signs will be posted on the way to help you find the camp.

Accommodation and Rates:

We have reserved the whole campsite. There are two types of accommodations.

- 1) Lodge room: Each room has two bunks - 3 twins and 1 double. There are six or more rooms in each Building. Rooms are heated. Lodge buildings have shared indoor baths and showers.
- 2) Duplex Units: Each Unit can sleep up to 9. Duplex units have hot shower and bathroom inside the units.



Please refer to Camp Fee Table on the back of Application Form for rates. No RV's are allowed in the campsite.

No one would be returned for lack of Fund. Please send an email to camp@saba-igc.org if you would like to request payment reduction or waiver.

Camp is organized by volunteers for enjoyment of SABA members and their families. Our primary goal is to make this trip lots of fun and cheap, and we do our best to keep the cost as low as possible. **SABA does not intend to make any monetary profit nor incur any loss for holding the camp.** To make it affordable for all families, Camp Fees are subsidized. Please **donate** generously to help SABA with camp expenses. It will help SABA to continue holding such camps in future at affordable prices for all members.

Cancellation Policy:

Cancellation requests should be made in writing or by email to camp@saba-igc.org. If postmarked

- 1) On or before December 4th, 50% refund
- 2) On or after December 5th, no refund

Refund checks will be mailed after the camp and no later than February 15, 2010.

Photo Contest:

We will be having a photo contest in the camp. Take your cool pictures of the camp moments and give them to us by Saturday 6pm to enter the contest. We will show the pictures and announce the winner(s) during the dinner time on Saturday. Each participant can give us up to twenty pictures. If you want to participate, don't forget to bring your digital camera and please make sure to have required cables for transferring your pictures to pc.

Shia Association of Bay Area (SABA), Inc.

The First SABA Islamic Winter Camp, Sierra Camp, CA, December 11-13, 2009.

CAMP SCHEDULE*

Friday December 11th 2009

After 2:00 pm :	Arrival and registration at camp site
4:30-5:00 pm:	Recitation of Du'a Samaat
5:00-5:30 pm:	Maghrib & Esha Jama'at Prayers
6:00-7:00 pm:	Dinner
7:00-10:00pm:	Celebration of Eid-E- Ghadir, Star gazing, Poetry, Socialization

Saturday December 12th, 2009

5:45-6:00 am:	Fajr Jama'at Prayer
6:00-6:30 am:	Recitation of Du'a Nodbeh/Ahd
6:30-7:00 am:	Speech
7:00-8:00 am:	Breakfast
9:00-4:00 pm	Recreational Activities: Recommended sno-parks or ski (lunch provided)
5:00-5:30 pm:	Maghrib & Esha Jama'at Prayers
5:30-6:00 pm:	Recitation of Du'a Tawassol
6:00-7:00 pm:	Dinner – Photo Contest Result
7:00-10:00 pm:	Socializing and indoor gatherings

Sunday December 13th, 2009

5:45 –6:00 am:	Fajr Jama'at Prayer
6:00-6:30 am:	Recitation of Ziarat Ashura/ Du'a Ahd
6:30-7:00 am:	Short Speech
7:00-8:00 am:	Breakfast
9:00-12:00 noon:	Recreational Activities Recommended sno-parks
12:30-1:00 pm:	Zohr & Asr Jama'at Prayers
1:00-2:00 pm:	Lunch
4:00-6:00 pm:	Clean Up, Leaving the Camp

* Camp Schedule is tentative and subject to change without notice.

SABA Camping Rules & Regulations

You must agree to the following rules to attend the camp:

1. Everyone is expected to make a sincere effort to make this camping event memorable for the kids and families. No one may disturb peace or behave in a way to endanger safety of anyone in the camp.
2. Everyone is expected to strictly observe Islamic Etiquettes and Rules. Both ladies and gentlemen are required to observe Islamic Hijab and dress code at all times.
3. No smoking is allowed throughout the camp.
4. No firecrackers, paint ball, BB gun, alcohol, or firearm is allowed on the camp.
5. Please contact the organizing committee if you have any complaint or suggestion. Please do not take any action yourself. Inform the organizers first.
6. Upon arrival you need to register with the camp organizers. You may not leave the camp or go out for a private trip without informing the camp organizers.
7. Do not create any fires in the camp or in the surrounding forest yourself due to the danger of forest fires. Please make sure that you and your children do not play with matches or fire in the camp.
8. Everyone MUST comply with the Quiet time requirements as instructed by camp organizers.
9. Everyone is required to attend prayers and main gathering events.
10. Anyone below 18 MUST be accompanied by at least one parent.
11. Participants have to follow all the rules and regulations of Camp Sierra.
12. All parents are responsible for any damage (breaking, graffiti) caused by their youth/kids inside or around the camp property.

Registration Form for

The 1st SABA Islamic Winter Camp

Friday December 11st - Sunday December 13th, 2009, Camp Sierra, CA.

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ email _____

Emergency Contact (name/phone/email/relationship) _____

Please include required information for all camp participants in the table below. Use fee tables on the back to calculate camping fees. Camp fees are subsidized. Participants are encouraged to donate over and above these fees to help SABA with camp expenses.

Last Name	First Name	Relation	Gender	Age	Staying in (max 9 adult in Duplex Units)	Fee(\$) (Details in Rate Section)
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Total \$ _____

** Please let us know if you need special accommodation or have special medical condition.

DONATIONS: Camp Fee's are subsidies. I would like to donate \$ _____ to help SABA with the camp expenses (please use separate check for donations). Your donation is tax-deductible. Receipts of your donation will be mailed to you at the end of the year.

Camping Rules and Regulations, Liability and Responsibility

By my signature below, I agree to follow SABA Camping Rules and Regulations as printed in this newsletter. I also acknowledge and agree that SABA acts only as intermediary agent between the participants and Camp Sierra, and cannot be held responsible in any way, nor assume any liability whatsoever, for acts of any delays, changes, modifications, negligence, omissions or cancellations on the said party or its agents parts, due to their non performance, defect or default OR as a direct or indirect results of acts of GOD or Government Authorities. OR due to the breakdown of machinery and equipment OR due to disturbance, strike, riots or wars wherever declared or not OR due to any other cause which is beyond the control of the said parties or SABA.

Furthermore, SABA is not responsible in any way nor assume any liability whatsoever, for any damages, lost property, personal injuries, accidents, illness, loss of life, thefts or losses, unaccompanied children OR any delays, changes, omissions or cancellation to the trip. Participants in the Camp are requested and are fully responsible to make the necessary travel arrangements and obtain proper camping equipment, AND to obtain adequate Insurance coverage for Medical, Property Loss, Accident and Theft etc. Parents should supervise their children at all times during the camp and will be responsible for any physical activities of their children throughout Camp programs. The program is subject to change, delays, modification, revision or cancellation without notice.

In consideration of Shia Association of Bay area (SABA), Inc., SABA directors, members, and volunteers taking participant to participate in winter activities at SABA Winter Camp, it is agreed that:

1. Participant is aware that participation in winter activities, particularly the sport of snow, sliding in it's various forms (including taking the use of all types of snow-sliding equipment) involves risks of property damage, injury or death that no amount of care, caution, instruction or expertise can eliminate. Such dangers include, but are not limited to, surface conditions, falls, loss of control, collisions with other snow sliders or with natural and man-made objects. Participant freely assumes any and all risks, whether or not the actual risk is known or unknown to participant at the time of executing this release and waiver agreement and including the risk of any negligence of SABA or any of SABA' director and volunteers.

2. Participant understands and accepts that surface conditions on roads, parking lots, walkways, stairs and any other area exposed to the elements of nature are subject to the deposit, melting and refreezing of snow, rain, sleet, hail and ice, such that walking or other daily activities may become dangerous. Participant freely assumes any and all risks, including the risk of any negligence of SABA or any of SABA' director and volunteers.

3. Participant is aware that this contract is legally binding and that he/she is releasing legal rights for himself/herself and his/her heirs by signing it. Participant represents that he/she has voluntarily entered into this agreement and has made no misrepresentations regarding participant's name, age or any other information herein. Participant further expressly agrees that the foregoing agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by law and that if any portion or paragraph is held invalid, the balance shall continue in full legal force and effect.

On behalf of myself and on behalf of the participant herein (required if participant is a minor), I agree for myself and for participant to be bound by all terms and conditions of the foregoing agreement, including to indemnify and hold SABA harmless as set forth above.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please mail the completed/signed registration from along with your checks payable to SABA Inc. (write "Winter Camp 2009" on memo line) to: SABA, Inc., 4415 Fortran Court, San Jose, CA 95134. Completed Registration forms and checks should be received by Dec 4, 2009 to avoid late registration fees. For any question, send email to camp@saba-igc.org.

Camp Fee Table

Lodges	<u>On or Before Dec 4, 2009</u>	<u>On or After Dec 5, 2009</u>
Adults	\$100/person for all 3 days	\$110/person, for all 3 days
Children 6-12 year old	\$60/child for all 3 days	\$70/child for all 3 days
Children Under 6	Free	Free
Max per family	\$300	\$350

Duplex Unit	<u>On or Before Dec 4, 2009</u>	<u>On or After Dec 5, 2009</u>
	\$500/unit for all 3 days (Max 9 People per unit)	\$600/unit, for all 3 days (Max 9 People per unit)