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STATE YOUTH COUNCIL

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Yo, Yo, Yo, All Mah SYC Homies! September 2009

Okay... I don't really talk like that. Anyway! School has started and I bet all of you are loving the early mornings and delightful cafeteria food. Mmm. I am. BUT, if you're not, we have just the solution. Perhaps a lovely weekend away from it all will do the trick; a weekend with some of your closest camp friends in the magical woods of West Gardiner Maine! Well, maybe not magical, it's not necessarily Narnia. But it's close enough! It's PILGRIM LODGE!! WOOOO! **Everyone** is invited to this amazing weekend (**October 16-18**) at Pilgrim Lodge, where we will tidy up the ol' camp, sit around fires, and sip hot cocoa! This crazy weekend is called: **FALL CONVENTION**! Now I personally think this is better than just sitting around your house. So, if you would like to partake in this lovely adventure, rather than just sit around and watch Spongebob, simply fill out and return your registration form! There's one included with this newsletter but you can get more at www.MaineSYC.org. We'll see you there, Muchachos! And if you have no idea what I have been talking about, read the rest of this newsletter!

Love,
Lexie Carter - President of the E.C. ☺

Check us out @ www.MaineSYC.org!

What is The SYC?

The SYC (State Youth Council) is like a statewide youth group, and if you're in high school & affiliated with a UCC church, then you're automatically a part of it! Our mission is to empower the youth of the Maine UCC by providing these events and other opportunities.

E.C.? What?

The E.C. (Executive Committee) is made up of 9 peer-elected high school students:
President - Lexie Carter, Vice President - Jim Sobanik, Coordinating Council Rep - Kelsea Trefethen, Secretary - Heather Galasyn, Treasurer/Historian - Erin Suilinski, Electronic Multimedia Coordinator - Katie Pinard, & Members at Large - Kelsie Kerwin, Antonio Pulsoni, and Michael Miliano. We elect a new E.C. @ The Midwinter Retreat in February!

Don't forget - Make sure that your Fall convention registration form is postmarked by September 26th to **receive a $5 refund** at the event! Also, if we don't receive enough registrations by that date we will have to cancel the convention due to financial concerns. Don't let that happen! Make arrangements with work schedules, school sports and other activities, so that this is a priority! Bring a friend! Tell your youth group!

Please also note that **scholarships are available for Fall Convention**! If the cost is the only thing preventing you from attending send in your registration form ASAP and then check with your local church. If they don't have funds available then contact an adult SYC advisor by using our contact form at http://www.MaineSYC.org/contact/ and they will help you out! Really, the cost should never keep anyone from coming to Fall Convention!

Don't forget to visit us @ Annual Meeting, September 25-27th at Sunday River! The SYC Executive Committee will be leading Worship on Saturday @ 1:30, and we'll have an exhibitor's booth as well! Stop by and say hello if you are attending!

Fall Convention 2009!

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Drop Off: October 16 between 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm
Pick Up: October 18 at 11:00 am

Important: We don't serve dinner on Friday, so please be sure to eat before you arrive.

What to Bring:

- Sleeping Bag & Pillow, Toiletries & Flashlight
- Warm clothes, Hat and mittens, Work clothes
- Bible
- Crazy 80's Dance Clothes for Saturday Night!
- Old clothes in good condition to donate to those in need. We are collecting for various local organizations around the state!
- A Smile!

Become a fan of the SYC on Facebook today!
http://www.MaineSYC.org/facebook/

Directions To Fall Convention:

If you are coming **from South of Pilgrim Lodge:**
From I-95: take exit 102, Turn Right onto Route 126 OR
From I-295: take exit 51, Turn Left onto Route 126.
Follow Route 126 about 2.5 miles.
Turn RIGHT onto Spears Corner Road at the blinking light
Continue STRAIGHT for 4.3 miles, (through 2 stop signs) and at the third stop sign (Careful: cross traffic does NOT stop at any of the three stop signs) turn LEFT onto Neck Road. Pilgrim Lodge will be ONE MILE ahead on your RIGHT.

If you are coming **from North of Pilgrim Lodge:**
From ME-95 take exit 109 B onto Route 202 west in Augusta.
Then Follow below:

If you are coming **from West of Pilgrim Lodge**:
Travel through Augusta on Route 202
You will cross over I-95
After 2.5 miles, (by the Manchester Texaco), at the stoplight where Rt. 17 turns right (don't turn right)
And Rt. 202 goes straight (don't go straight)
TURN LEFT onto Pond Road.
Follow Pond Road for about 6.5 miles.
Pilgrim Lodge will be on your RIGHT.

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