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Dear WOL Youth Group Families:

Every two years the Church of the Lutheran Brethren hosts a large youth gathering. This upcoming summer is the next youth convention and it is being held in Estes Park Colorado at the YMCA of the Rockies which is an amazing facility. I want to get the ball rolling and ask you to consider sending your students if they are interested in going.

Pastors Kirk Millitzer and Jay Price will be speaking on the theme of "HIS" and there will also be extra seminars, lots of games, lots of free time to swim and explore, and a concert with *Remedy Drive*. (National Christian Band) *Remedy Drive* will also be leading some of the worship opportunities as well as another worship band.

One of the first things I began doing this fall was looking at how we could get to the convention, what type of fundraising would be needed to cover the costs and what our trip would look like and I'm getting close to having all of that figured out.

We have made plans to reserve a 15 passenger van that will carry 10 students. In the event we need a second van, we will add that as needed. The agenda for the trip is as follows:

- On 8/1 we will drive to Denver and stay in a Best Western Hotel for the night
- On 8/2 we will drive to Garden of the Gods and Pikes Peak and camp the night at a local KOA camp ground
- From 8/3 until 8/6 we will attend the youth convention
- On 8/6 we will stay as guests of a CLB church in Aurora Colorado and worship with them the following day
- On 8/7 we will spend some time volunteering (tentative) with a food bank at the Denver Rescue Mission and attend a Rockies game. Following that we will drive to a hotel
- On the morning of 8/8 we will drive home

During the trip students will be responsible (at their expense) for 10 meals. The rest will be included in the cost of the trip. My hope is to raise the entire cost with the exception of the deposit. The following is a breakdown of the price for the trip.

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- \$320 registration – due date 3/31
- \$50 lodging
- \$20 attractions
- \$130 – transportation/fuel
- \$30 – chaperone fee

Total \$550 – Note - *(The total cost is dependant upon a completed registration form turned in by 3/22)*

In addition, if any parent is willing to chaperone, the advertised cost for them to go is \$140 and I hope to offset that as best as we can. *(The total cost is dependant upon a completed registration form turned in by 3/22)*

So here is the big question, how are we going to raise that much money? That’s the piece I’ve been working on for the last two months. Here is the formula that I’ll offer to get to that goal.

- \$60 deposit – Needed by 3/22
- Taste testing event to be held at WOL – *Not confirmed yet*
- Valentines Dinner
- Concession events at the Verizon Wireless Center and at various arena’s in the Twin Cities.
- Seeking Thrivent for funds because of the service project we will be doing
- Car Wash
- Spaghetti Dinner in the Spring
- Selling “Save On” cards which is an in house produced discount card to local businesses

I’ll add that if anyone is interested in chaperoning, you would be very welcomed for this trip. We will need at least two chaperones aside from me to come with us so please pray for that to happen.

So....please consider if this is something that you are interested in knowing more about.

On 1/26 at 7:30 following our Junior High youth group we will hold a brief meeting for anyone interested in learning more about this trip.

For more info, go to www.yc11.org and visit their website. For more on *Remedy Drive*, go to www.remedydrive.com

Blessings,

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