

Not Your Average Weekend

North Central Texas Youth Workers' Retreat

NOT YOUR AVERAGE WEEKEND is a Youth Workers' Retreat organized by youth ministers in some of the churches of Christ in the North Central Texas area, who participate in the Dallas/Fort Worth Tuesday Night Summer Youth Series. These men and congregations tend to maintain what could be characterized as a fairly conservative approach to the Scriptures. The retreat is open to any minister, youth minister, or volunteer youth worker among churches of Christ (see below for more details).

WHEN: Thursday evening, August 10, through Saturday, August 12, 2006

WHERE: Rockin' C Ranch (Lindale, Texas)
Visit their website at <http://www.rockincranch.org/>

WHO: All ministers, youth ministers, and volunteer youth workers within churches of Christ are invited to attend. Due to the camp bunkhouse type facilities that have been reserved, this retreat will be limited to males only.

COST: \$60.00 per person, payable to "College Street Church of Christ". You can just bring your payment with you to the retreat.

DEADLINE: Registration deadline is 12:00 Noon on Monday, August 7. You can register online by simply filling out our Online Registration Form at <http://www.commonlove.org/nyaw/register/index.html>. Your registration fee does not need to be paid until you arrive at the retreat.

WHAT TO BRING: Bible, paper, pen
Handouts to share with the other participants (see next page for more info)
Snacks
Board games, card games, etc.
Twin sheets or sleeping bag
Pillow and blanket
Bath towel, washcloth, personal hygiene items
Flashlight
Personal items including insect repellent and sunscreen if needed

CONTACT: For more information, contact Paul O'Rear, youth minister for the College Street Church of Christ in Waxahachie, Texas.
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 10

Eat supper before you arrive at Rockin' C Ranch.
Arrive at Rockin' C Ranch whenever you can on Thursday evening.
Thursday evening will be an informal time to play games and enjoy fellowship.
Bring your favorite table games, card games, yard games, etc.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

8:00 AM Continental breakfast

9:00 AM Swap Shop 1 (Retreats, Camps, Mission Trips, Evangelism)

11:00 AM Open Discussion

LUNCH served by Rockin' C Ranch

After lunch Horseshoes and Warshers (bring 'em if you've got 'em)

2:30 PM Song Session (bring new songs to share)

3:30 PM Swap Shop 2 (Leadership Training, Organizational Ideas, Publicity, Relationship Building, Service Projects)

SUPPER served by Rockin' C Ranch

After supper Song session and Devotional
Further discussion and fellowship
Dominoes, table games, card games, "Horseshoes in the dark", etc.

????? Go to bed (sometime)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

8:00 AM Continental breakfast

9:00 AM Swap Shop 3 (Informal discussion of other ideas, and a time for questions and answers concerning any ideas previously presented or included in a handout.)

[Ideas for other handouts: Games, Activities, Fun Events, Theme Parties, Holiday Parties, Bible Class Lessons, Devotional Lessons, Object Lessons, Resources (Websites, Books, Places to Get Stuff, Places to Do Activities or Events, Places Where You've Gotten a Really Good Deal on Something, etc.)]

11:00 AM Wrap-Up (we will leave the camp by Noon)

SWAP SHOPS

There will be three “Swap Shop” sessions during the retreat (two on Friday, one on Saturday). The purpose of these sessions will be to exchange ideas with each other.

Each retreat participant is asked to bring handouts with information about some of the programs and activities that have worked well at his congregation. For organizational purposes, it is preferred that each handout be limited to one idea or a group of similar ideas.

During each Swap Shop session, each participant who has a handout for that session will be given time to discuss his idea(s) and share his handouts for the topics covered in that particular session.

MAKE SURE TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION ON ALL HANDOUTS (phone numbers, e-mail, etc.).

To know how many copies to make of your handouts, call Paul O’Rear (see Contact information on first page) after August 7 to see how many people have registered to attend the retreat.