

# JUNIOR HIGH ACTIVITIES

- September 9-11** **Young Peoples Union Shore Trip.** Junior and Senior High students will pack their bags for a weekend retreat in Sea Isle City, New Jersey. Bob Laubach, former Camp Men-o-lan summer director, will join us for the weekend as our keynote speaker.
- September 28** **See You At The Pole.** This is an annual event, where students gather at their schools' flagpole to pray for their schools, teachers, students, and administration. Plan on being a part of this national event at your school flagpole – gather with fellow students at 7 a.m. (typically). If you want more information about what should be happening at your schools, please contact Scott and he will give you more information.
- October 18** **YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NIGHT.** Meet at Zion at 6:45 pm – bring a friend! We will look at a video that seeks to answer the question, “Why and how do I pray?” Do you say prayers every day? Why not come a learn a little bit more about it?!?!
- October 22-23** **Keystone Opportunity Center – Sleep Out for Homelessness.** As in years past, this event is going to be held at Zion Mennonite Church and is sponsored by Keystone Opportunity Center. Flyers and fundraising forms with more information will be handed out as we approach this event. Both Senior and Junior High students will take part in this event.
- November 1** **Service Night at the Material Resource Center.** Students, Kid’s Club and adults will work side by side to help with packing school kits, doing recycling and knotting blankets. Friends are welcome to come to this event that is making a difference in peoples lives around the world!
- November 15** **YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NIGHT.** Meet at Zion at 6:45 pm – bring a friend! “Why and how do I read the Bible?” This video looks to give us some insight on what to expect from our time studying scripture.
- December 10** **Formal Christmas Dinner.** Students are encouraged to come to this meal with their parents. If your parents aren’t available, no problem! We will enjoy a nice meal and do some fun activities as well as we celebrate the birth of Christ!
- December 20** **YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NIGHT.** Meet at Zion at 6:45 pm – bring a friend! We will ask the question, “How does God guide us into a full life?” Join the discussion and throw out some of your own questions!
- January 17** **YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NIGHT.** Meet at Zion at 6:45 pm – bring a friend! We will watch a video about the Holy Spirit is and what having the Holy Spirit means to us.
- January 20-22** **Winter Retreat at Spruce Lake.** This will be an outreach event, so start thinking about what friends you might want to ask to the retreat. We will need to sign-up for this event several weeks ahead of time. Plan on bringing warm clothes and fun-loving attitude. Look for flyers in your mailbox! This retreat is being run by Spruce Lake and we will be meeting up with several other youth groups at the Wilderness Camp.

- February 4**      **Photo Scavenger Hunt.** Students and their friends will come together to make some teams. Teams will be given a list of possible photo opportunities – they will all be given different point values. The team with the most points wins – the more teams the more fun the event will be!
- February 21**      **YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NIGHT.** Meet at Zion at 6:45 pm – bring a friend! We will be looking at a video that talks about evil and how we can use our lives to bring good into our world.
- March 10**      **Late Night Blast at Christopher Dock.** They don't get any bigger or better than this one! Last year there were more than 150 junior high youth gathered in the Longacre Center at CD. Activities include basketball, soccer, dodge ball and group games – all topped off with a special speaker and worship. If there is one activity you don't want to miss, it is definitely this one!
- March 21**      **YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NIGHT.** We will not officially meet – students are encouraged to come and cheer on the Kid's Club Pinewood Derby racers!
- March 24,25,27,28**  
**MCC Meat Canner** – Junior High students will leave school early to help pack, label and box meat for the Mennonite Central Committee. Forms asking permission from the schools to allow students to leave at 2 pm will be sent out ahead of time. Parents should plan on picking up students at 6:00 pm from the Material Resource Center in Harleysville. Friends are welcome to join us, but must also fill out forms.
- April 1**      **Congregational Auction.** We will plan on serving a meal followed by the auction. Students will be asked to submit items to be sold at auction. Students are expected to help with all aspects of this activity from set-up to clean-up. Senior High students will also need to donate items to be auctioned off to help raise funds for the Youth Service Fund.
- April 18**      **YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NIGHT.** Meet at Zion at 7 pm – bring a friend! Our video series will look at the question, "Does God heal today?" We will talk about how we deal with sickness and what expectations we have when we pray for others.
- May 13**      **Sail boating and Fishing at Lake Nockamixon.** We will go as a group to Lake Nockamixon where we will enjoy some time on the boats as well as a picnic. Please sign up early for this event and make sure Pastor Scott knows if you are bringing any friends.
- May 16**      **YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NIGHT.** We will meet for a picnic and campfire for our last meeting during the school year. We will likely invite Senior High students to be a part of this event, but this will be finalized closer to the date.

We are hoping that everyone will make an effort to make it to these activities and especially the fellowship nights. We put the dates out in advance so you can put them in the calendar and keep them sacred. Without a strong commitment from all students we will struggle to maintain numbers to keep regular activities. Our fellowship nights will run from 6:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. and will be held in the Youth Department.

Although this is a pretty good list of activities, it is by no means the final version. You can plan on having several unscheduled activities throughout the year. Scott will try to keep you informed of any changes or updates to this schedule by sending out individual flyers for activities.