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Upcoming Events

Laurens	Wednesdays (6:30-8:00pm)
Unatego	Thursdays (6:30-8:30pm)
Walton	Tuesdays (6:30-8:30pm)
Teen Center	Saturdays (6:30-9:30 pm)
Matching Gift Fundraiser	TBA
Teen Center 5K Joker Run/ Walk Fundraiser	April 1 (10:30am)
Art/Talent Show	March 18 (6:30pm)



February 2017 Newsletter

Youth for Christ's 4th Annual 5 K "Joker Run"

It's Not too Late to Join the FUN!!!!

WHEN: Saturday, April 1, 2017
Registration: 8:30-10:00 AM & number pick up
Race Start: 10:30 AM

WHERE: Unadilla, NY
Start location: Unadilla Elementary School
End location: YFC Teen Center, 16 Watson St.
Shuttle available back to school at end of race.

WHAT: 5 K Run & Walk
WHO: ALL Ages!
COST: \$20.00 postmarked by March 17th, \$25 after 3/17 & day of race.
Checks to: Central NY YFC

Costumes encouraged!

Come join the fun & help support our Teen Center!

PLEASE NOTE The 2016-2017 YFC Catalog is a great way to donate to specific needs. These donations are welcome any time during the year. If you would like to receive a catalog, please contact the YFC office (contact info on front page), or you can find it online on the website or Central New York Youth for Christ's Facebook page.

For Joker Run Registration forms call 607-432-0594 or email cnyyfc@cnyyfc.org, a form can also be found at <http://centralnewyork.yfc.net> along with online registration information.

Praises!

For new volunteers.

For new believers at the Teen Center.

For many teens attending the Christian skate at I-88.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for Mike Knowlton's Mom that she would have strength each day to deal with health issues.

For our Art and Talent Show: Pray we would have a large number of participants in both the art and talent sections of the show and that local community people attending would want to continue to support the Teen Center.

For the 5K run/walk: Pray we would have safety for the runners/walkers, enough volunteers and that this would be a successful fundraiser for the Teen Center.

Pray for our financial situation. We are in need of funds to keep our YFC programs going and to pay our staff.

For the planning of a soccer tournament in June in honor of Edward McKinley, III.

Please continue to be in prayer for the teens that participate in our YFC activities and programs and for our staff and volunteers as they reach out to the teens.

Central NY YFC Staff:

Dorothy Davidson,
Executive Director
Mike Knowlton,
Ministry Staff
Kristian Berggren
Ministry Staff
Jody Wisse,
Office Manager

Happenings at the Teen Center and Event Planning for the Spring

Recently, I have had the privilege at the teen center to lead new believers in small group discussions. A few weeks ago, I decided to have them watch a portion of the television mini-series entitled "AD The Bible". The portion that I chose was the depiction of the crucifixion of Jesus. The group did not know what a crucifixion was and I warned them beforehand that it would be difficult to watch. Afterwards we had a discussion about what Jesus did for us, the emphasis was that he did not have to stay on the cross, but chose to, because he loves us.

The following week Pastor Ken Zulkosky came to the teen center and joined us to discuss and explain communion. We then took part in communion together. What a blessing it was to share communion with these new believers and I am hoping that this is a growth moment for the teens that participated.

We are excited for the new volunteers that have stepped forward to help at the teen center. We usually have volunteers cooking and baking in the kitchen as well as a volunteer teaching dance. Other volunteers are helping with preparations for acts for our upcoming talent show. They all have been a blessing.

We are looking forward to a very busy spring. In March we will have our talent show that will also include an additional art portion, the 5k Joker Run is in April and a new soccer tournament is planned for June 3. The soccer tournament is in honor of the young man who recently passed away-Edward McKinley, III. We hope that the tournament will give students, relatives and the community a great way to honor his memory.

Please keep our staff, volunteers, and teens who participate in our programs in your prayers. We are seeking strength as we continue to reach out to teens in our local communities and for wisdom to be able to follow-up and teach the new believers.

Dorothy Davidson, Executive Director

Participation or Volunteer Opportunities

Art and Talent Show (March 18): We need participants who would like to delight us with something special. To be added to the show, please contact Kristian Berggren at (607) 563-8120 or the YFC office at (607) 432-0594. You may win a prize! Art pieces and music will need to be pre-approved. Entries need to be in by March 11 for approval.

5K Joker Run/Walk (April 1): We need volunteers to help with pre-race preparation, race operations, and cleanup after the race. Please let us know if you can lend a hand.

Upcoming Yard Sales: We will be having a number of Yard Sales coming up in May, June and July and we encourage people to give the office a call (432-0594) or Mike Knowlton (988-3006) if you have items that you would like to donate.

"... let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us." (Hebrews 12:1b)

