

August 28, 2011

Dear Youth and Parents:

“Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!” It’s hard to think about snow when the weather is so hot, but deposits have to be made now for the 2012 SPY Ski Retreat! Before you know we will be “shushing down the slopes.” Our ski plans will take us to the Winterplace Ski Resort near Flat Top, WV. We will leave from the CLAB parking lot on Friday, January 27 at 6:30 p.m. (this means that you need to be at the church no later than 6:15 p.m.!). ***Please eat supper before you arrive at the church.*** We will return to the church around 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 29. The Middle Schoolers and Senior Highs will travel together, but will have separate group meetings.

The balance of the money for the ski trip and all forms will be due no later than Sunday, November 20. Please make sure that you fill out and turn in all ski forms that are attached to this letter. Also attached is a list of recommended ski wear, the skier responsibility code and a tentative schedule of events.

What to bring: Bible, sleeping bag (if you are unwilling to share a bed with someone); personal bath items (shampoo, toothbrush, etc.); warm clothing, a plastic bag for wet clothing; **bathing suit and towel** for the indoor pool; money for lunch on Sunday and spending money. You may want to bring a snack and drink for the bus ride (no chocolate and no pop-top cans: twist-top bottles only!).

Everyone must turn in the following items before the day of the trip: a “SPY Participant Covenant” and a “SPY Permission Form.” Also, we must have a completed medical information form and a copy of your medical insurance card in order for you to participate.

**All first-time skiers and snowboarders are required to complete a lesson.**

***To reserve your spot on the trip, please turn in a non-refundable deposit of \$50 no later than Sunday, October 2, 2011.***

***Please carefully read all materials in this packet. Please review the policy regarding late fees and cancellations!***

Blessings,  
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**Sharon Presbyterian Church Participant Information**

Annual SPY Ski Retreat  
Winterplace Beckley, WV  
January 27 – 29, 2012

The Ski Retreat is such a great time of fun and fellowship! **The balance of the ski retreat money and all forms are due no later than November 20, 2011.** To determine your balance, please see the “Ski Trip Balance Worksheet.” Late fees will be charged.

Please complete the bottom portion of this page and the Ski Trip Balance Worksheet. Return both sheets with your check (made payable to “Sharon Presbyterian Church”) for the balance of the ski trip money.

Your signature at the bottom of this page also indicates you understand the following guidelines in addition to the Youth Participant Covenant:

- a. The noise level is to be kept to a minimum in the hotel. Other hotel guests do have a right to a quiet and peaceful stay. Lights out at midnight!
- b. There will be no use of the phones in the hotel rooms after 11 p.m., except in the case of an emergency.
- c. All first-time skiers must purchase a lesson. Anyone else who desires a ski lesson may purchase one as well.
- d. When we return to the church, *no one may leave the church until the bus is clean and ready to be returned to the charter agency.*

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**Participant Information**

**Please return this page no later than November 20, 2011.**

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

**I wish to:** Please check all that apply:

<input type="checkbox"/> Ski Only*	<input type="checkbox"/> Snow Tube Only	<input type="checkbox"/> Ski and Snow Tube*
<input type="checkbox"/> I do not wish to ski or snow tube.	<input type="checkbox"/> I have my own skis.	
<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to purchase a ski lesson*.		

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Skiers only, please complete the following information:**

Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Shoe Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Age as of 1/27/12: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex (M or F): \_\_\_\_\_

Skier Ability (please circle one):    Beginner            Intermediate            Advanced

**\*All first-time skiers must purchase a lesson.**

Annual PYC Ski Retreat  
Winterplace, WV  
January 27 – 29, 2012

**INITIAL COST** **\$200.00**

Includes:

Ski Rental, Lift Ticket,  
all meals on Saturday,  
breakfast on Sunday,  
transportation and lodging

**IF YOU ARE NOT SKIING, YOU MAY SUBTRACT \$59.00** -\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR SKIERS ONLY -- IF YOU HAVE YOUR OWN SKI EQUIPMENT AND DO NOT NEED TO RENT SKIS, YOU MAY SUBTRACT \$20.00.** *This deduction does not apply to people who are tubing only.* -\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE A SKI LESSON, PLEASE ADD \$20.00** + \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
*Required for first-time skiers!*

**IF YOU ARE SNOW TUBING, THE RATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**  
\$37.00 per person (all day). *For non-skiers only.*  
\$29.00 per person (1 p.m. - 5 p.m.) . *For non-skiers only.*  
\$13.00 per person (2 hour session to add on to lift tickets. *This ticket is for skiers only.*) + \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**YOU MAY SUBTRACT YOUR DEPOSIT (\$50.00)** -\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*YOUR BALANCE DUE IS:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

***\*Please attach your check to this sheet. ALL MONEY & FORMS ARE DUE BY NOVEMBER 20!***

**Late Fees**

If your payment is received after November 20, please add \$5 to your balance.  
If your payment is received after December 4, please add \$10 to your balance.  
If your payment is received after December 18, please add \$15 to your balance.

**Sharon Presbyterian Church**  
**Youth Ski Retreat 2011**  
**January 27 – 29**  
**Tentative Schedule**

**Friday, January 27**

6:00 p.m.      Bus Arrives at Church  
6:30 p.m.      Leave from CLAB Parking Lot - Be sure to eat supper before you arrive!  
10:30 p.m.     Arrive at Country Inn & Suites, Beckley WV  
11:00 p.m.     Curfew  
Midnight       Lights Out!!

**Saturday, January 28**

7:00 a.m.      Breakfast at the Hotel  
7:30 a.m.      Leave for Winterplace  
11 a - 1 p      Lunch at Winterplace  
5:30 p.m.      Leave for Supper (Be on the bus ready to go!)  
6:00 p.m.      Supper at Tamarack  
7:00 p.m.      Program/Meeting Space at Tamarack  
8:00 p.m.      Return to Hotel  
8:30 p.m.      Enjoy the Indoor Pool  
11:00 p.m.     Curfew  
Midnight       Lights Out!!

**Sunday, January 29**

9:00 a.m.      Breakfast at the Hotel/Pack Up  
10:00 a.m.     Worship  
11:00 a.m.     Check Out of Hotel/Load Luggage  
                    Leave for Charlotte (Will stop for lunch)  
3:00 p.m.      Arrive at Church