

Florida ACYOA Juniors 2015 Retreat



24 hour retreat of prayer, discussion & fellowship for ages 13-18



Some of the 2013 retreat participants.

The retreat will be held at:
St. Hagop Armenian Church
7090 90th Avenue North
Pinellas Park, FL 33782

Begins Saturday at 2:00pm
Concludes Sunday by 1:00 pm

Contact your parish priest or youth adviser to receive a registration packet.
Registration deadline is Wednesday, September 9

Please make checks payable to:
Diocese of the Armenian Church
\$20.00 per person for food and shirt

Sponsored and Led by:
Diocese of the Armenian Church
Dept. of Youth & Young Adult Ministries
Jennifer Morris, Director
Phone: 248-648-0702
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St. Hagop Armenian Church
7010 90th Avenue North, Pinellas Park, FL 33782
September 12-13, 2015

Registration Form

Personal Information

Name _____ Male _____ Female _____

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy) _____ Age _____ Grade in School _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone No. _____ Your Cell Phone No. _____

Email _____

Do you use Facebook? ____ Yes ____ No T-shirt Size (adult sizes) S M L XL XXL

Mother's Name _____ Father's Name _____

Mom's Cell _____ Dad's Cell _____

Parish Affiliation _____

About you...

1. Do you currently hold a leadership position in your ACYOA Juniors/parish youth group (i.e. are you on its Executive Committee)? _____

2. If yes, what is that position? _____

3. What types of activities do you participate in with your ACYOA? _____

4. How do you spend your summer? _____

_____ Yes, my permission form has been completed and submitted.

_____ Yes, my *Code of Christian Living* has been read, discussed and signed by me and a parent.

_____ Yes, I have received the "What You Need to Know" Fact Sheet

_____ Yes, my payment of \$20.00 is enclosed to cover food and expenses. Check # _____ Cash _____

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Phone: 727-545-0380

In Case of Emergency - Jennifer's Cell: 248-648-0702

PERMISSION FORM

I hereby give permission for my son/daughter _____
to stay overnight with the ACYOA Juniors, under the supervision of *Jennifer Morris*
and any other chaperones who are with the group at
St. Hagop Armenian Church 7010 90th Avenue North, Pinellas Park, FL 33782,
for an overnight retreat sponsored by the Department of Youth & Young Adult Ministries,
Diocese of the Armenian Church of America, September 12-13, 2015.

I hereby release St. Hagop Armenian Church, Jennifer Morris, and any other chaperones that are with the group, from any liability that may occur during this event.

In case of emergency, I understand that every effort will be made to contact parents or legal guardians. In the event that I cannot be reached, I give permission for my child to receive emergency treatment.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

Date

Telephone Numbers:

Parent/Guardian _____

Parent/Guardian/other _____

(_____) _____ Home

(_____) _____ Home

(_____) _____ Business

(_____) _____ Business

(_____) _____ Cellular

(_____) _____ Cellular

Name of Insurance Plan Carrier: _____

Insurance Number: _____ Name of Insured _____

Does Insurance Company have to be notified in an emergency? Yes No

If applicable, please state any medical condition, medication, allergies, etc., that we should be aware:

If your child will be taking medication with him/her for the retreat, please advise us and bring the medication in its original container.

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CODE OF CHRISTIAN LIVING

1. As members of the ACYOA, we are part of a Christian youth organization and expect Christian standards of behavior at all times. Therefore, all participants and chaperones shall be treated with respect and dignity at all times.
2. We are a community – we all need to clean-up after ourselves, share the facilities, and treat the facilities with respect. The destruction, misuse, or abuse of property will not be tolerated. Those found responsible for such behavior will be held financially liable.
3. Be on time and follow the schedule! You are expected to participate in all activities. All are expected to follow curfew and lights out. Once lights are out, no one is permitted to leave the facility without a chaperone.
4. No boys are to enter the girls' sleeping area, and no girls are to enter the boys' sleeping area for any reason. No excuses!
5. Proper dress and language are expected at all times.
6. Alcohol, tobacco, drugs, weapons of any kind, firecrackers, or audio/video recordings not conducive to a Christian environment are not permitted during the retreat.
7. Cell phones should be turned off during the retreat, especially during all sessions and through the night. They may be used only for emergency or to call home, as needed.
8. Take someone with you when you walk outside – and make sure you inform a chaperone of where you are going. No participants shall leave the facility without the permission of the Youth Outreach Coordinator.
9. Participate in discussions, share your ideas, and remember to listen to others. Everyone deserves a chance to speak, and everyone deserves to be heard.

Any serious violation of these rules by participants will be evaluated on an individual basis and dealt with quickly and firmly and may result in expulsion of the retreat. The participant's family will be responsible for his/her removal from the retreat. There will be no refunds for participants asked to leave for disciplinary reasons.

Please note: Depending on the nature of the violation, it may be required to contact the local authorities.

I have read and understand the Code of Christian Living, and agree to abide by the above information.

Participant Name (Please print) _____

Participant Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

ACYOA Juniors Retreat/Lock-in

St. Hagop Armenian Church, Pinellas Park, FL

Saturday, September 12 - Sunday, September 13, 2015

SATURDAY

2:00 - 3:30 PM Welcome & Icebreakers

3:30 - 4:30 PM My Name, My Legacy

4:30 - 5:00 PM Outdoor Break

5:00 - 6:00 Martyrdom to Sainthood: Understanding the Canonization of Our Saints

6:00 - 7:30 PM Dinner & Outdoor Games

7:30 - 8:30 PM A Cloud of Witnesses: DVD and Discussion

8:30 - 9:00 PM Vespers

9:00 - 10:00 PM ACYOA: Cross of Circles and Programming

10:00 PM - 12:00 AM Campfire, Fellowship & Snack

12:00 - 12:30 AM Prepare for Bed

12:30 AM Lights Out

SUNDAY

9:00 - 9:45 AM Wake-up, Clean-up & Get Ready for Church

9:45 - 10:30 AM Closing Session & Evaluations

10:30 AM Church

12:30 PM Fellowship and then depart for home

Tentative Schedule...subject to change...as of 25Aug2015

"WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW" Fact Sheet

for the Florida ACYOA Juniors Retreat

When & Where?

The 24 hour retreat will take place Saturday, September 12 - Sunday, September 13, 2015 at the St. Hagop Armenian Church, Pinellas Park, FL. Please plan on arriving at 2:00 PM on Saturday and departing around 1:00 PM on Sunday.



What to Bring?



Toiletries... soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, etc.

Clothes... casual and comfortable clothes, warm pajamas, Appropriate clothes for church on Sunday

Bedding... sleeping bag or sheets and blanket, pillow, towels and washcloth. *Bedding will not be provided, so bring your own.*

Other: Bible, camera, board games (leave the I-Pods, laptops and cells at home!)

What to Expect?

You will have a chance to ask questions, share your opinions, share your concerns, and also learn more about being an Armenian Christian. You will also have lots of opportunities to "hang out", have fun and relax with old friends and make some new ones! We will all learn from each other and grow together in our faith and friendship. Expect to have a great time!



Who Will be There?

All of your parish friends you've grown up with through the years and who knows you might get to meet some people you don't know. This is a great opportunity to meet new friends, rekindle old friendships, and get to know the people who care about you and youth ministry.



Remember: Please contact your pastor or youth adviser with any questions.

Or you can contact Jennifer Morris, Director of the Department of Youth and Young Adult Ministries at (248) 648-0702 or jenniferm@armeniadiocese.org.