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**PLEASE FIND ATTACHED  
MATERIALS FOR APPLYING FOR  
YOUTH RALLY 2012.**

**PLEASE COMPLETE THESE AND  
GET THEM BACK TO FR. JOHN  
HOPKO BY NO LATER THAN  
JULY 16, 2012. THANK YOU!**

**Note: Please get your materials in on time, so that, if there are any problems, they can be resolved promptly! Thank you!**



# Youth Rally 2012

Monday, August 13 – Saturday, August 18

## *Attendee Packet*

We are thankful that you are considering coming to this year's Youth Rally 2012. If you have been to past Rallies, you know that it is an unforgettable experience. If you have not attended, you will surely discover that coming to Rally is something that you will look forward to year after year. It is a time of meeting and making friends that share your Orthodox Faith, developing relationships, discovering new things about your Faith, the Church, yourself, and others who you meet during Rally, and having lots of fun in the process.

There is plenty to do at Youth Rally. In addition to time for learning, there is time for activities like swimming, sports & field games, arts & crafts, trail-walking, and more. We also plan to take an afternoon and evening to go to Canobie Lake Park, a really great amusement park located close to the campgrounds.

Youth Rally begins this year on Monday, August 13, 2012. This packet of forms and information will hopefully provide enough information for you and your family to make a decision about your coming to Youth Rally. If you need more information, you can certainly contact me. My phone number and email address are at the bottom of this letter.

### **The deadline for registration is Monday, July 16, 2012.**

We expect that His Eminence, Archbishop NIKON, our diocesan bishop will be joining us for a day at Rally. I am sure that His Grace is looking forward to this opportunity to spend time together and so are we.

We greatly anticipate having you join us this year at Youth Rally. Please consider it strongly. You won't regret it!

In Christ,

Fr. John Hopko  
Youth Rally Director

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# Diocese of New England Youth Rally Application

(An Orthodox Christian Residential Camp Program for Young People who have completed the 5<sup>th</sup> grade, but have not yet celebrated their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday.)

Full Name:			Date of Birth:	Age:
Address:			School Grade (Fall 2012):	Male/Female:
City:	State:	Zip:	Phone Number:	Email Address:
Parish Name:			Location of Parish:	
Priest:			Priest's signature (REQUIRED):	
Any previous Summer Camps? (When? Where?)				

**What Adult Size T-Shirt fits this Young Person (Circle One):    S    M    L    XL**

**PAYMENT:** Enclosed is a payment in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in full payment of the Youth Rally 2012 attendance fee.  
 (NOTE: Please make checks payable to: "Diocese of New England.")

**I understand that the cost of the program is \$175.00 (OR \$300.00 per family) which is due, with this completed application and all accompanying documentation, by July 16, 2012.**

In addition to this registration application and the enclosed fee payment we have also completed, signed and are submitting the following **four** items: (Please "initial" the blank besides each item.)

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|---|---|
| 1. _____ THE HEALTH AND MEDICAL INFORMATION FORMS   | 2. _____ THE YOUTH RALLY PARTICIPANT COVENANT FORM  |
| 3. _____ THE YOUTH RALLY PARENTAL CONSENT STATEMENT | 4. _____ A PHOTOCOPY OF THE FRONT AND BACK OF THE YOUTH RALLY PARTICIPANT'S HEALTH INSURANCE CARD |

### TRANSPORTATION:

**NOTE: THIS YEAR UNFORTUNATELY WE DO NOT HAVE A "CONNECTICUT BUS."**  
 CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE CHANGED AND WE ARE NOT ABLE TO OFFER THAT SERVICE.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Parent or Guardian will be bringing and picking up camper.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Parent or Guardian has made arrangements for camper's transportation. What time and date? \_\_\_\_\_
- Name of person picking up camper: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- Driver's License State and #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_
- (License information will be verified before allowing camper to travel with named driver.)*

**AGREEMENT:** The undersigned acknowledge that during participation at this Orthodox Christian Camp Program (i.e., the Diocese of New England Youth Rally), at the camp site and at other facilities used for supervised camp-related activities, certain risks and dangers may occur. These include, but are not limited to, loss or damage to personal property, physical or psychological damages and/or injury, not excluding fatality, due to accidents, which may occur. I also acknowledge that participants may be transported off the campsite for supervised camp-related activities.

In consideration, and as a part of the right to participate in this Orthodox Christian Camp Program, I have and do hereby assume all of the above risks and any other ordinary risk incidental to the nature of these activities which are not specifically foreseeable, and will hold the Orthodox Church in America, this Orthodox Christian Camp Program (i.e., the Diocese of New England Youth Rally), and others providing service to the camp, harmless from any and all liability actions, causes of action, debts, claims, and demands of every kind and nature whatsoever, whether for bodily injury, property damage or loss, which may arise in connection with the participant's participation in this Orthodox Christian Camp Program (i.e., the Diocese of New England Youth Rally).

In signing this release statement, I also give the administration of this Orthodox Christian Camp Program (i.e., the Diocese of New England Youth Rally), including, but not restricted to, the Rally Director and the Rally Nurse, full authority, as temporary guardians, to act on my behalf regarding my child. I understand that in case of emergency, the Rally Director, the Rally Nurse, and/or designated Rally staff will try to contact me, but until such time, they will make all necessary decisions to ensure the safety and well being of my child. I also give permission for my child to participate in all camp activities, both on as well as off campsite while on field trips, unless I specify otherwise.

**Parent's/Legal Guardian's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rally Participant's (Rallyer's) Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**These four items are truly important and must be submitted correctly!!!**



# Health and Medical Information CHECK-LIST AND AGREEMENT

CHILD'S NAME (Last, First, M.):	AGE:	DOB:
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The health of your child is important to us while he/she is attending the Diocese of New England Youth Rally. Therefore, it is critical to his/her well being that the requested medical/health information be provided truthfully in its entirety. Also, it is critical, in order to maintain safety and organization that the health program policy be followed. Please note the following:

**CHECKLIST: Check and initial each item indicating your understanding of, agreement of, and compliance with the statement.**

	Complete and submit all health forms: Medical History (Part A); and the Consent for Medical Treatment (Part D) are to be completed by the child's parent/guardian.
	The child's physician must complete the Physical Examination Record (Part B) and Certification of Immunization (Part C). These forms must be signed and dated by the physician within 18 months of the beginning date of Rally. <b>(NOTE: Copies of <i>official</i> school medical forms signed and dated by the child's physician within 18 months of the beginning date of Rally are acceptable as substitutes for the Physical Examination Record (Part B) and/or the Certification of Immunization (Part C) as long as the same information as requested on the Physical Examination Record (Part B) and/or the Certification of Immunization (Part C) are included on those school forms.)</b>
	If your child requires regularly dispensed medication including both prescription or over the counter (OTC) medication while at Rally, the physician <u>must</u> complete the Medical Dispensation portion on the Certification of Immunization form (Part C).
	Prescription medications <u>must</u> be in the original bottle(s) with the original prescription(s) intact. (Absolutely no medication will be dispensed without the original label on the bottle.) All medications must and will be given to the Rally nurse at check-in.
	Absolutely no over-the-counter medication or supplements (vitamins, herbs, Tylenol, Midol, etc.) sent to camp with your child will be dispensed unless : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• in original packaging and</li> <li>• the Medical Dispensation portion on the Certification of Immunization form (Part C) is completed and signed by a physician stating specific administration instructions.</li> </ul>
	Supplements (vitamins, herbs, etc.) are to be limited to GENUINE medical necessity.
	The only medications that the child may keep with them while at Rally are an inhaler or epi-pen. If there are other medications that you believe may be necessary, please discuss this with the Rally nurse at check-in. There are children of many different age groups present and it presents a serious safety issue to have medications improperly stored and within the reach of other, possibly younger, children.
	Indicate and submit emergency contact information on the Consent for Medical Treatment form (Part D). It is imperative that you are available and can be reached for emergencies twenty-four hours a day. Please submit phone numbers for parent(s)/guardian(s) as well as two other emergency contacts. Please leave your cell phones on during the time your child is at Rally.
	All health or medical concerns/questions regarding the care of a child are to be addressed to the Rally Health Officer/Nurse upon arrival.

**I understand and agree with the above statements. I understand that if I have any additional concerns they may be discussed with the Rally Health Officer/Nurse.**

Signature of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# Health and Medical Information Part A – To be completed by parent

CHILD'S NAME (Last, First, M.): _____	AGE: _____	DOB: _____
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**(IMPORTANT: PLEASE FILL OUT THIS SECTION AND ATTACH A PHOTOCOPY OF THE FRONT AND BACK OF THE CHILD'S HEALTH INSURANCE CARD)**

PHYSICIAN OR CLINIC NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

INSURANCE Company: \_\_\_\_\_ POLICY #: \_\_\_\_\_

GROUP NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF INS. HOLDER: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child suffer from or have been treated for any of the following:					
YES	NO		YES	NO	
		Asthma			Required psychological counseling or therapy?
		Diabetes			
		Heart Ailments			Hospitalized for a psychological problem?
		Liver Problems			
		Stomach or Intestinal Problems			Surgery other than teeth, tonsillectomy, hernia repair, appendectomy?
		Cancer			
		High Blood Pressure			
		Joint or Back Problems			
		Kidney Problems			Under the care of a doctor or other practitioner for any reason other than healthy child visits?
		Epilepsy or other neurological problem			
		Eye Problems			
		Lung Problems			
		Thyroid Problems	Please use the lines below to indicate any allergies and reactions to food, medication, and environment. Please print.		
		Skin Disease			
		Hernia			
		Pilonidal Cyst			
		Alcoholism			
		Drug Abuse			
		ADD/ADHD			
		Autism			
		Other			

**SPECIAL NEEDS:**

<i>Please mark appropriate box.</i>	YES	NO
Suffers from chronic ear infections: (If yes, is the child permitted to participate in swim activities?)		
Wears ear plugs (If yes, does the child need assistance?)		
Requires flotation devices for swimming		
Special diet needs such as vegetarian or diabetic. If yes, explain.		
Wears glasses or contact lenses.		
Wears hearing aid device(s).		
Needs assistance with ambulation or other activities of daily living.		
Please list any other needs:		

Does your child use an inhaler? ___ Yes ___ No	Does your child use an epi-pen? ___ Yes ___ No
___ I wish the inhaler/epi-pen to be with my child at all times	___ I wish the inhaler/epi-pen to be kept with the Rally Nurse

**I hereby state that, to the best of my knowledge, all information indicated above is correct.**

**Signature of parent/guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

# Physical Examination Record

Part B – To be completed by physician.

*This document must be completed within 18 months of the beginning of Rally program.*

CHILD'S NAME (Last, First, M.):		DATE OF EXAMINATION	
HEIGHT: feet inches		AGE:	DOB:
Vision R ____ / ____, corrected ____, uncorrected ____ L ____ / ____, corrected ____, uncorrected ____		WEIGHT: Lbs Oz	BLOOD TYPE:
		Pulse	Blood Pressure

	Normal	Abnormal Findings
1. Eyes		
2. Ears, Nose, Throat		
3. Mouth & Teeth		
4. Neck		
5. Cardiovascular		
6. Chest and Lungs		
7. Abdomen		
8. Skin		
9. Genitalia – Hernia (male)		
10: Musculoskeletal: ROM, strength, etc.		
a. Neck		
b. Spine		
c. Shoulders		
d. Arms/Hands		
e. Hips		
f. Thighs		
g. Knees		
h. Ankles		
i. Feet		
11. Neuromuscular		
<b>Additional comments regarding abnormal findings:</b>		

**PARTICIPATION RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. No participation in: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Limited participation in: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Requires: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Full participation in: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Physician Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_



# Certification of Immunization

Part C – To be completed by physician.

*This document must be completed within 18 months of the beginning of Rally program*

<b>CHILD'S NAME (Last, First, M.):</b>	<b>AGE:</b>	<b>DOB:</b>
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Directions to Physician:

- Enter all appropriate dates below.
- Date and sign

VACCINE	Dose 1 (mm/dd/yyyy)	Dose 2 (mm/dd/yyyy)	Dose 3 (mm/dd/yyyy)	Dose 4 (mm/dd/yyyy)	Dose 5 (mm/dd/yyyy)
Dta/DTP					
DT					
Td					
Polio					
Hib					
MMR (Combined)					
MMR (Separate)					
Hepatitis B					
Varicella					

Varicella Disease: \_\_\_\_\_ (Year)

Tuberculosis: \_\_\_\_\_ (Year) \_\_\_\_\_ (Type) \_\_\_\_\_ (Result)

## Medical Dispensation

Please list all medications the child will be required to use while at Rally. Indicate OTC if requested by parent.

NAME OF MEDICATION	INDICATIONS	DOSAGE	TIMES/DAY

<b>PHYSICIAN OR CLINIC NAME (PRINT OR STAMP):</b>	<b>ADDRESS :</b>
<b>PHYSICIAN OR AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:</b>	<b>DATE:</b>

# Consent for Medical Treatment

Part D – To be completed by parent.

<b>CHILD'S NAME (Last, First, M.):</b>	<b>AGE:</b>	<b>DOB:</b>

1. I consent and authorize the Rally Director, Rally Health Officer/Rally Nurse or other duly authorized staff member to administer medical care to the child named above, whether on or off the camp grounds, for any routine cause or emergency cause, including, without limitation, causes related to any injury or illness, life threatening or otherwise, etc..
2. I consent and authorize the Rally Director, Rally Health Officer/Rally Nurse or other duly authorized staff member such as the certified Lifeguard and/or Water Safety Instructor to provide treatment, including cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) in the event of an emergency such as a water sports accident, or other need.
3. In the event that I cannot be reached in the event of emergency or for other medical need, I hereby appoint and authorize administration of all emergency treatment to the child named above, including but not limited to medications, diagnostic tests, surgery, or other medical intervention deemed necessary by authorized medical personnel. I authorize any physician, dentist, or other licensed health care professional and/or facility to provide any and all necessary medical treatment to the child named above.

Signature of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

MOTHER/GUARDIAN	WORK PHONE	HOME PHONE	CELL PHONE
FATHER/GUARDIAN	WORK PHONE	HOME PHONE	CELL PHONE
EMERGENCY CONTACT #1 / RELATIONSHIP:	WORK PHONE	HOME PHONE	CELL PHONE
EMERGENCY CONTACT #2 / RELATIONSHIP:	WORK PHONE	HOME PHONE	CELL PHONE





# Youth Rally Covenant

Youth Rally is an event that is intended to allow you to learn, to worship, to pray, and to play in a safe, friendly, Christian environment.

In order to allow Youth Rally to succeed in this goal, some basic rules need to exist and be enforced. These rules are listed below. As a Youth Rally attendee, you are expected to become familiar with these rules and abide by them during your time at Rally. You must also know that failure to comply with these rules during your time at Rally may result in the notification of your parents and/or your dismissal from Youth Rally.

Please read these rules and sign your name at the designated place at the bottom of the page. By signing your name, you are stating that you have read, understand, and will abide by these rules all the time that you are at Youth Rally. You are also stating that you understand the consequences if you fail to abide by the rules.

Again I remind you that these rules exist to make sure that your experience at Youth Rally will be the best, safest, and most enjoyable that it can be.

*Fr. John Hopko, Rally Director*

## Rules of the Rally

- Rally participants will attend and participate in all discussions and worship services during Rally. They will be on time for all scheduled events including services and class sessions.
- Rally participants will stay on the campgrounds at all times unless permission is granted by the Rally Director.
- No alcohol, drugs, tobacco, weapons, firearms, knives, fireworks or other clearly dangerous and or illegal items are allowed at Rally.
- Electronic devices such as (but not limited to) iPods, iPads, iPhones, mp3 players, smartphones, cellphones, handheld computer games, laptop computers, etc., etc., are discouraged and may only be used with the permission of the Rally Director. Phones may be brought to camp and used ONLY with the permission and at the discretion of the Rally Director. *Absolutely no audio or video recordings are to be made without the express consent and permission of those being recorded.*
- Smoking is not permitted on the campgrounds.
- Waterfront areas are to be used ONLY when the camp lifeguard is present. Bathing suits are to be worn only for waterfront activities.
- Rough play and fighting are not allowed at Rally. Peaceful resolution to all problems are to be sought out, if necessary, with the help of Rally Staff.
- No phone calls are to be made on camp telephones without permission of the Rally Director.
- Rallyers must be responsible to their assigned cabin counselors at all times, unless otherwise designated by Senior Rally staff.
- Dress and attitude should reflect our Orthodox Christian beliefs. No immodest attire should be brought (no bare midriffs or droopy shorts!), and appropriate clothes should be worn at church services.
- Rallyers are expected to be in their sleeping areas and quiet by the time designated for "Lights Out" each evening.
- Boys are not allowed in girls' cabins and girls are not allowed in boys' cabins.
- Stay safe and well!

Signature of Rally Attendee: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Rally Attendee's Parent or Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return this signed Covenant with your registration forms*



## Youth Rally 2012 Parental Consent Statement

I, the parent/guardian of *(fill in your Child's Name)* \_\_\_\_\_  
understand and agree to the following:

1. My child will be under the supervision of the Youth Rally staff from the time of arrival until the time of departure and will abide by the Rules of the Rally that have been set forth.
2. My child will abide by the Rules of the Rally for the entire duration of Rally. Failure to comply by these rules may result in my being notified and/or in my child's dismissal from the Rally.
3. I shall pay the total sum of the designated Rally fee and shall forfeit this fee if serious infractions or disobedience should result in my child's dismissal from the Rally. In addition, I agree to arrange and pay (if necessary) for transportation of my child from Rally should such dismissal occur.
4. My child will remain on Rally property during the entire week (except for supervised field trips) and shall not be permitted the use of any vehicle without proper approval from camp authorities.
5. My child shall participate in all planned activities as scheduled with the exception of activities deemed to be detrimental to his/her health.
6. My child has permission to leave the camp premises under supervision of camp personnel. This would be for participation in off-site Rally activities as arranged and approved by the Rally director(s).

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**Signature of Parent/Guardian**

**Date**



# New England Diocesan Youth Rally

## **TENTATIVE** Schedule 2012 *(Version of 5/28/2012)*

### Sunday, August 12 (STAFF ONLY)

4:00 – 6:00 PM Arrival of Rally Staff  
 6:30 PM Dinner for Rally Staff *(off-site, in town)*  
 8:30 PM Orientation for Rally Staff *(at camp)*  
 10:30 PM Night Prayers/Compline

### Monday, August 13

8:30 AM Morning Prayers/Matins for Rally Staff  
 9:15 AM Breakfast for Rally Staff  
 9:45 AM Rally Staff Training Session  
 12:45 PM Light Lunch for Rally Staff  
 2:30 – 4:30 PM Rallyers Arrival & Check-in  
 5:00 PM Dinner  
 6:00 PM Vespers  
 6:45 PM Orientation for **all** Rally Participants  
 8:45 PM Snack  
 9:15 PM Night Prayers/Compline  
 9:30 PM Omegas to Cabins  
 10:00 PM Omegas Lights out  
 11:00 PM Alphas to Cabins  
 11:30 PM Alphas Lights out

### Tuesday, August 14 – Eve of Holy Dormition

7:30 AM Rise  
 8:30 AM Morning Prayers/Matins  
 9:15 AM Breakfast  
 9:45 AM Daily Elective Selection  
 10:00 AM Cabin Cleanup  
 10:30 AM Church Singing/Choir Practice  
 11:05 AM Christian Education  
 12:35 PM Wash Hands and Faces before Lunch  
 12:45 PM Lunch  
 1:15 PM Quiet Time in Cabins  
 2:00 PM Electives  
 3:00 PM Change Clothes for Waterfront Activities  
 3:15 PM Waterfront Orientation and Swim Tests  
 3:30 PM Waterfront  
 (NOTE: For Waterfront Time, all Staff and Rallyers are expected to be at the Waterfront. This does not mean that all are required to swim. Those who so desire are welcome to sit at the benches near the beach and to socialize, play board games, do some crafts, etc.)  
 4:45 PM Showers before Vespers and Dinner  
 5:15 PM Great Vespers with Litya  
 6:15 PM Dinner  
 7:00 PM Evening Activity: Scavenger Hunt  
 8:45 PM Snack  
 9:15 PM Night Prayers/Compline  
 9:30 PM Omegas to Cabins  
 10:00 PM Omegas Lights out  
 11:00 PM Alphas to Cabins  
 11:30 PM Alphas Lights out

### Wednesday, August 15 – Feast of Holy

**Dormition**  
 7:30 AM Rise  
 8:30 AM Hours  
 8:45 AM Festal Divine Liturgy  
 10:30 AM Breakfast  
 11:00 AM Daily Elective Selection  
 11:15 AM Christian Education  
 12:35 PM Cabin Cleanup  
 1:15 PM Lunch  
 2:00 PM Electives  
 3:00 PM Change Clothes for Waterfront Activities  
 3:15 PM Waterfront  
 4:45 PM Showers before Vespers and Dinner  
 5:15 PM Vespers  
 6:00 PM Dinner  
 7:00 PM Evening Activity: Movie Night  
 8:45 PM Snack  
 9:15 PM Night Prayers/Compline  
 9:30 PM Omegas to Cabins  
 10:00 PM Omegas Lights out  
 11:00 PM Alphas to Cabins  
 11:30 PM Alphas Lights out

### Thursday, August 16

7:30 AM Rise  
 8:30 AM Morning Prayers/Matins  
 9:15 AM Breakfast  
 10:00 AM Cabin Cleanup  
 10:30 AM Church Singing/Choir Practice  
 11:05 AM Christian Education  
 12:35 PM Wash Hands and Faces before Lunch  
 12:45 PM Lunch  
 1:15 PM Quiet Time in Cabins  
 2:00 PM Organizational Gathering before Departure for Amusement Park  
 2:45 PM Group Photograph  
 3:00 PM Leave for Canobie Lake Amusement Park  
 4:00 PM Arrival at Canobie Lake Amusement Park  
 7:30 PM Check-in at Carousel  
 10:00 PM Departure from Amusement Park  
 11:00 PM Everyone in Cabins  
 11:30 PM All Lights out

### Friday, August 17

8:30 AM Rise  
 9:15 AM Breakfast  
 9:45 AM Daily Elective Selection  
 10:00 AM Morning Prayers/Matins  
 10:35 AM Church Singing/Choir Practice  
 11:05 AM Christian Education  
 12:35 PM Wash Hands and Faces before Lunch  
 12:45 PM Lunch  
 1:15 PM Quiet Time in Cabins  
 2:00 PM Electives  
 3:00 PM Change Clothes for Waterfront Activities  
 3:15 PM Waterfront  
 4:45 PM Showers before Vespers and Dinner  
 5:15 PM Vespers  
 6:00 PM Dinner  
 7:00 PM Evening Activity: Confessions and Campfire  
 8:45 PM Snack  
 9:30 PM Omegas to Cabins  
 10:00 PM Omegas Lights out  
 11:00 PM Alphas to Cabins  
 11:30 PM Alphas Lights out

### Saturday, August 18

7:30 AM Rise  
 7:45 AM Pack to go home and Cabin Cleanup  
 9:00 AM Bring all luggage to the Dining Hall  
 9:15 AM Hours  
 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy  
 11:15 AM Brunch  
 12:15 PM Departure of Rallyers  
 1:45 PM Departure of Staff

### **Notes:**

- The Alphas are the older Rallyers, the Omegas are the younger ones. (If you were born in 1998, or earlier, you are an Alpha. If you were born in 1999, or thereafter, you are an Omega.)





# Youth Rally

## Information Sheet

What to bring to Rally:

### Necessities

- Towels (1 shower/1 beach)
- Bathrobe (Or a large towel to wrap yourself up in decently!)
- Clothes for the week
- Swimwear (Modest!)
- Sweatshirt/Sweater/Jacket/Fleece (It gets cold at night)
- Sneakers (2 pairs)
- Sleeping bag, sheets, pillow
- Toiletries
- Bug repellent
- Raingear
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Flip-flops for shower (Very important)
- Sunscreen
- Spending money (\$40.00)

### Optional

- Your personal Bible and Prayerbook
- Hiking Boots
- Camera
- Pencil/pen
- Stationery
- Pre-stamped envelopes
- Small musical instruments
- Small Backpack
- Sunglasses
- A cap with a brim to ward off the sun

### **GENERAL CONTACT INFORMATION AND DIRECTIONS**

- The **Saint Methodios Faith and Heritage Center**, which is the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Boston's camp and retreat center, is located at **329 Camp Merrimac Road, Contoocook, New Hampshire, 03229**, approximately 90 miles from Boston. The telephone number for the camp is **(603) 746-4400**. We ask that incoming calls be restricted to those of an urgent nature only.
- The camp sits on 120 acres of wooded terrain. It directly abuts a small lake that is used for outdoor activities during Youth Rally. A lifeguard is present for all scheduled waterfront activities.
- Sleeping accommodations are provided in cabins, most of which have been winterized. Each cabin will have at least two cabin counselors assigned to it.
- A nurse is present during the entire Youth Rally to administer basic first aid, and to dispense allowable medications.
- **General Directions to the camp are as follows (though it would be good to consult a map and or a mapping/directions site on the Internet, too, before setting out):**

#### From the South (Boston area):

1. Take I-93 North to I-89 North in New Hampshire,
2. Follow I-89 North to Exit 6,
3. Take Exit 6 (Contoocook/W. Hopkinton/Rte. 127) off of I-89,
4. Bear RIGHT off exit onto Rte. 127 North
5. Follow Rte. 127 North for 1.4 miles into the town center of the village of Contoocook,
6. At the Stop Sign, take a LEFT,
7. Cross over the small stone bridge, bearing LEFT over the bridge (the Fire Department is on the left),
8. Take an immediate LEFT onto Pine Street (between the Fire Department and the Merrimac County Telephone Company),
9. Follow Pine St. for about 2.7 miles, until you see a sign for the Saint Methodios Faith and Heritage Center on your right,
10. Take a right at the sign and follow Camp Merrimac Road about seven-tenths of a mile to the Camp.

#### From the Southwest (Connecticut/Western Massachusetts) area):

1. Take I-91 North, through Massachusetts, into Vermont
2. Take Exit 3, and follow signs for VT-9E (Rte 9 East towards Keene, NH): *Watch for and follow signs for Rte 9 East!*
3. Follow Rte. 9 East out of Vermont and into New Hampshire,
4. Follow Rte. 9 East past Keene, NH, and across New Hampshire, until you reach I-89,
5. Get on I-89 North,
6. Take I-89 North a very short way to Exit 6,
7. Follow the directions from Point 3 above.

#### From the North (traveling down I-89 SOUTH):

1. Follow I-89 SOUTH to Exit 6,
2. Take Exit 6 (Contoocook/W. Hopkinton/Rte. 127) off of I-89,
3. Bear LEFT off exit onto Rte. 127 North,
4. Follow the directions from Point 5 above.

Travel safely! We hope to see you at this year's Youth Rally!





# Youth Rally 2012

## Basic Information

- Youth Rally is intended to be an event where diocesan youth come together in a camp setting for Orthodox Christian education, fellowship, and worship. It is a time for learning more about our Orthodox Faith and applying it in the world in which we live. It is also a time for making or renewing friendships, and having fun!
- **Youth Rally 2012 takes place the week of August 13-18.** Volunteers and staff report to camp in New Hampshire on Sunday, August 12. Rally attendees arrive at the camp on Monday, August 13, between 2:30 PM and 4:30 PM and will depart on Saturday, August 18, at 12:15 PM. *Please note that on Saturday morning, August 18, the Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at Youth Rally beginning at 9:30 AM.*
- **You are eligible to attend Youth Rally if, at the time of Rally, you will have completed the fifth grade and will have not yet celebrated your 18<sup>th</sup> birthday.**
- Fees for attending Youth Rally are: \$175 per person, or \$300 per family (unlimited number). Checks are to be made out to the "Diocese of New England."
- Adult Volunteers for Youth Rally are always welcome. There is especially the need for cabin counselors. Those interested should contact Fr. John Hopko (contact info below) for more information and requirements. Cabin counselors are asked to stay the entire week of Rally.
- **To obtain registration forms, please contact your parish priest or, if necessary, contact Fr. John Hopko (contact info below).**
- **Deadline for registration is Monday, July 16, 2012.**
- The Saint Methodios Faith and Heritage Center, which is the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Boston's camp and retreat center, is located in Contoocook, New Hampshire, approximately 90 miles from Boston. The campground sits on 120 acres of wooded terrain. It directly abuts a small lake that is used for outdoor activities during Youth Rally. A lifeguard is present for all scheduled waterfront activities. Other amenities include a basketball court, a volleyball court, a state-of-the-art kitchen and dining facility, a recreation hall, a chapel, hiking trails, dormitories and more.
- Sleeping accommodations are provided in cabins, almost all of which have been winterized. Each cabin will have at least two cabin counselors assigned to it.
- A nurse is present during the entire Youth Rally to administer basic first aid, and to dispense allowable medications.
- **This year unfortunately we do not have a "Connecticut Bus."** Circumstances have changed and we are not able to offer that service. If you are able to offer a ride (or if you need a ride) to and/or from New Hampshire to Connecticut, please let Fr. John Hopko (contact info below) know right away by phone or by email so that he can try to connect people with one another to set up carpools.
- One off-site trip is usually a part of the Youth Rally. We are planning to go to Canobie Lake Park, an amusement park located in Windham, New Hampshire, for an afternoon/evening.
- We hope that, as in past years, our bishop (or his representative) will be making a visit to Rally during the week.
- There exists a set of rules for behavior at Youth Rally. These rules apply to everyone – "Rallyers" and volunteers alike. Disregarding these rules may result in dismissal from Youth Rally. These rules exist for the safety of all those who attend Youth Rally.

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# **BE SAFE!!!**

## Basic Principles of Youth Protection: **How to Stay Safe!!!**

- **Check First** – Do not do anything without checking with the adult-in-charge first!
- **Buddy System** – Do not do anything or go off anywhere alone!
- **It's MY Body** – Don't let anyone touch your body without your permission: If you feel uncomfortable say "NO!" and get away!
- **Tell a parent or trusted adult** – If something does occur that you feel concerned about, tell your parent, guardian or a trusted adult, right away! Do not delay!
- **If in doubt, tell someone** – Don't "stuff" your feelings, if in doubt, tell someone!