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Fall 2019

A Newsletter to RYS Member Sponsors

2020 Convention scheduled to be held in Nampa, Idaho!

Reformed Youth Services is pleased to announce that its national convention will be held July 20-24 at Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa, ID, Lord willing. This year's convention theme is "Is Your Vision 20/20?" based on Psalm 119:18: "Open your eyes that I may behold wondrous things out of your law." Northwest Nazarene is conveniently located near the Boise airport and also close enough to allow us the opportunity to offer whitewater rafting as our primary day away activity. We hope to have a secondary choice for sponsors and students looking for a less-exciting option. Informational brochures will be mailed out to member churches by mid-January and online registration will open at the same time, D.V.



Lord willing, Reformed Youth Services has several other events planned for this coming fall and winter. The **Washington-area high school retreat** will be held October 18-19 at The Firs Retreat Center in Bellingham, WA. Rev. James Ogle, chaplain at Lynden Christian High School, will speak on the theme: "To Whom Do I Belong?" Cost for the event is \$90.00 (U.S.) per person, which includes three meals and a snack. Churches from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and British Columbia are encouraged to attend. Registration deadline is October 7. Our annual **East Coast high school retreat** is also planned for November 8-10 at the Montlawn Retreat Center in Bushkill, PA. David Garrett, who is attending Westminster Seminary (Philadelphia), will be our speaker. He will speak on the theme of "Do we need to calm down? Properly proclaiming the gospel to the world." Cost is \$160.00 per person. Registration deadline is October 28. For more information or to register for either event, please email RYS Director Ed DeGraaf at reformedyouth96@gmail.com.

Other RYS events scheduled include the **California high school retreat**, scheduled for January 17-20, 2020 at Hartland Christian Camp in Badger, CA. Cost is \$210.00. Rev. Bill Godfrey of Christ URC in Santee, MI will be our speaker. We also have our Grand Rapids-area all-nighter scheduled for January 24-25 at the Visser YMCA in Grandville, MI. Cost will be \$22 per person. Finally, the **LOGOS winter retreat**, intended for singles age 18-30 either in college or working, and married couples age 30 or younger, will be held January 2-4 at the Kettunen Retreat Center in Tustin, MI. More information about these last three events will be forthcoming via the RYS bi-weekly email or on the website.





**The 2019 RYS National Convention
Cedarville University, Cedarville, OH**





Upcoming Events, D.V..... To pray and plan for!

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Note: RYS events conclude on 12 midnight Saturday evening. Sunday worship is under the authority of a local member church consistory and led by an ordained pastor or seminarian.

LOGOS 2019 group discusses inerrancy, visits Ark Encounter

Approximately 65 post-high singles and speakers attended the LOGOS 2019 Conference held in Union, Kentucky. Rev. Tim Scheuers of the 1st URC of Chino, CA spoke on the theme "Inerrant or Not?" Rev. Matt Nuiver, Rev. Nick Smith and seminary graduate Daniel Ragusa also led workshops.



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