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## Whats Up @ NFCLYO

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Introducing the new [www.nfclyo.org](http://www.nfclyo.org)! Click on by to check out our new design, and some new features. This website is still being built, so thanks for your patience as we get the remainder of the site up and running over the upcoming days.

### Upstate New York Synod CONVO 2009

Be in Rochester May 27-30

Mark your calendar for Wednesday-Saturday, May 27-30!!! Be at the Upstate New York Synod CONVO: an awesome youth event taking place in Rochester where you learn about your church, make lifetime friends, and learn how to make a difference in your church, and actually LOVE doing it! This is THE event to be at for many youth from across the Synod because of the relationships formed with Jesus and each other. CONVO is for youth in grades 9-12 that are willing to be an active part in their church. [Click here](#) for more info and registration forms...the deadline to register is May 8!

### NFCLYO Light the Fire overnight

Worship-focused lock-in at Holy Trinity, Buffalo May 15-16

It'll be fun, spiritual and great times for sure! Plan on being at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Buffalo the night of Friday-Saturday, May 15-16 for a different kind of youth overnight.

We will be observing and keeping an early Vigil of Pentecost through readings, worship and times of prayer and meditation. Alongside this, we'll have a great night of games, movies, food (breakfast included) and more.

The event starts at 8 pm Friday evening and runs until 9 am Saturday morning. Cost is \$7 per person. Church groups must RSVP by May 13 (no tickets needed for this event). Go to the [Light the Fire overnight page](#) for details and download registration forms to bring to the event.

## 2010 Niagara Falls Gathering

**Dates set...and more to come! Be a part of the planning and leading!**

Mark your calendars now and plan on being at the 2010 Synod Youth Gathering at Niagara Falls, NY!!! Be there **Friday-Sunday, March 12-14** for great speakers, music by Daniels Window (last in WNY at the 2007 Youth Quake), workshops, service opportunities, worship and so much more! A website for the event will be online soon with more info...be there! This gathering is a 9-12 grade event, so if you're in 8-11 grade now be ready for next year!

We have an amazing leadership and planning team (youth and adult) in place creating this event right now. If you want to get in on this unique opportunity to help craft and put on this gathering, come on board our planning team. Everyone from across the Synod is welcome to take part. Call Rick Mollenkopf-Grill (716) 465-1321 or email at [rick@nfclyo.org](mailto:rick@nfclyo.org) if you have any questions or want to talk about getting involved!

### **Our planning meeting schedule rolls on like this:**

Tuesday, May 19, 7 pm: Amherst Lutheran Church, Amherst

Saturday, June 6, 10 am: Town Line Lutheran Church, Alden

Tuesday, July 14, 7 pm: St. John's Lutheran Church, Lancaster (walk for ice cream after!)

Look for our first flyer on this event at this year's Synod Assembly!

## LCLC 2009 Summer Camp

**Starts June 28**

Get ready for another great summer at Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Center! Camps for anyone grades 1-12 await you: from classic youth camp, to sailing, confirmation camp, LIT's, RATS, DOGS, senior high week and much more! Call LCLC at (716) 386-4125 or go to [www.lclcelca.org](http://www.lclcelca.org) to register now!

## NFCYMnet Summer Cookout

Are you a youth worker (volunteer or paid), a pastor, or are interested in finding support for your church's youth ministry program? Come join us with the NFC Youth Ministry Network to pray, talk, get ideas and connect with others just like you!

Mark your calendars for Thursday, July 9 for a summer cookout at Rick MG's place! Come from 5 til whenever for great food, great friends, and great times! Can-jam will be out and who knows what other fun we'll get into. RSVP with Rick by July 7 if you can make it at [rick@nfclyo.org](mailto:rick@nfclyo.org), (716) 465-1321 or on Facebook.

## The NFCLYO is on Facebook

**Become a fan!**

Yes indeed, the NFCLYO is on Facebook! Search for the **Niagara Frontier Conference Lutheran Youth Organization** and become a fan of our page! Get event invites, post wall messages, photos, blogs and all of that good Facebook fun stuff! Check it out, become a fan and spread the word about the NFCLYO on Facebook!

## YS One Day

**Adult youth worker training seminar May 9**

...is this Saturday, May 9 from 8:30-2:30 at the Wesleyan Church in Hamburg. Cost at the door is \$59 per person for a day of adult youth worker training. Call Rick at (716) 465-1321 if you are going and we can group together for the day.

## Looking ahead: other events in 2009

### 2009 second-half events are scheduled

Start filling the back half of your 2009 calendars now! We've already booked events for summer and next fall:

#### **NFCLYO End-of-Summer Field Day: Sunday, August 23**

This is the third annual field day, featuring outdoor games (ultimate Frisbee, volleyball and more), a cookout dinner and sunset worship. Cost is only \$6...event is from 2-7 pm.

#### **NFCLYO 08-09 Kickoff at Lasertron: Friday-Saturday, October 9-10**

The ever-popular Lasertron overnight is back! Event runs from 12:30-7 am, with all-night Lasertron, Cybersport, arcade, and worship to boot!

#### **NFCLYO Harvest Bash at Harvest House: Friday-Saturday, November 20-21**

An overnight at Harvest House in south Buffalo that calls attention to the ministry to children and families Harvest House provides. We collect loose change for Harvest House, and we have a ton of fun too! Worship, games, mixers, basketball, foursquare, arcade games, movies, and more!

Get the info for these and other events as time progresses at [www.nfclyo.org](http://www.nfclyo.org).

Have a great month...congrats college grads!

Rick Mollenkopf-Grill  
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