



# NFCLYO



Niagara Frontier Conference Lutheran Youth Organization

## 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 almost complete, so thanks for your patience as we get the remainder of the site up and running over the upcoming days.

### Get to LCLC this summer

It's not too late to sign up and get to camp this summer! LCLC's summer 2009 season starts Sunday, June 28!!! You can go to [www.lclcelca.org](http://www.lclcelca.org) for the latest on what promises to be a great summer!...and you can now register for camp online!!!



### Apply to the NFCLYO CORE Team

Open applications due August 17

For the first time, the NFCLYO CORE Team - a group of senior high leaders and disciples - is holding open applications for the 2009-10 school year! Will you be in grades 10-12, and do you have the commitment, faith maturity, calling and desire to learn how to make a difference in the lives of your peers? If so, then go to the CORE Team page at [www.nfclyo.org](http://www.nfclyo.org), learn more about CORE and download an application packet.

Applications will be accepted until August 17. Contact Rick at (716) 465-1321 or [rick@nfclyo.org](mailto:rick@nfclyo.org) for questions.

## End-of-Summer Field Day

Fun in the sun on August 23



The third annual NFCLYO End-of-Summer Field Day is coming on Sunday, August 23 in Marilla, NY. We'll have a great day of outdoor games (ultimate Frisbee, volleyball and more), a cookout dinner and sunset worship. A great chance to connect with friends one more time this summer! Cost is only \$6...event is from 2-7 pm. Go to [www.nfclyo.org](http://www.nfclyo.org) for details. RSVP by August 20.

## Light the Fire overnight pictures

Check them out online

25 youth and adults attended the second NFCLYO Light the Fire vigil and overnight on May 15-16 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Buffalo. Go to the new NFCLYO picture album at [www.nfclyo.org](http://www.nfclyo.org) to check out the pictures from this and all of our other events during the past year...we've now posted over 1,000 pictures to this album from the past two years!



## Fries at the Fair

Help Lutheran Charities at the Erie County Fair August 20

The NFCLYO CORE Team will be helping to serve up some delicious fries at the Mason's Fry Booth at the Erie County Fair! Stop by from 10 am - 5 pm on Thursday, August 20 and buy some great snacks from the CORE Team. Proceeds from the sales made go to Lutheran Charities, so while at the fair, get some eats and help support some great ministry!

## 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!

## CONVO pictures

Also online

You can also check out pictures and the video from the Upstate New York Synod CONVO event at Rochester on May 27-30! 33 youth and adults from across the state gathered to connect with their faith, their church and each other in many amazing, meaningful ways. Go to Pictures at [www.nfclyo.org](http://www.nfclyo.org).

## 2010 Upstate NY Synod Youth Gathering

Website online, planning continues...



Plan on being at the 2010 Synod Youth Gathering at Niagara Falls, NY!!! Be there Friday-Sunday, March 12-14 for great speakers, great music, workshops, service opportunities, worship and so much more! This gathering is a 9-12 grade event, so if you're finishing up 8-11 grade be ready for next year!

The new gathering website is up and running! Check out [www.unsyyouthgathering.org](http://www.unsyyouthgathering.org) and check back often as more stuff is added.

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!

### Upcoming Planning Team meetings

Our summer planning meetings will be at St. John's Lutheran Church, 55 Pleasant Ave. in Lancaster at 7 pm on Tuesday July 14 and August 11. We'll meet, then walk for ice cream after.

## 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 **Friday, July 17** (new date!) for a summer picnic at Rick MG's place! Come from 5-9 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 15 if you can make it at [rick@nfclyo.org](mailto:rick@nfclyo.org), (716) 465-1321 or on Facebook. Bring a dish to pass as well.

## Mark your calendars for Fall 2009 events

Check out what's coming up in the NFCLYO this fall...

### 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! This year we'll be collecting food for the Resurrection Lutheran Church food pantry.

### 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!

## ELCA Youth Ministry Network Extravaganza

THE place to be for youth workers in February 2010

If you are a youth worker and wondered how you can connect with others out there from across the country, this is THE opportunity to do that! The ELCA Youth Ministry Network Extravaganza is an annual, four-day mega-gathering of youth workers from across the country. We're talking bands, speakers, tons of vendors, workshops, resources, people, and more...all in one place!

The 2010 Extravaganza is in Charlotte, North Carolina from February 4-8. Your NFCLYO Director of Youth Programming (that's me!) is planning on attending, and is looking for others to come along for an amazing experience. Check out [www.elcaymnet.org](http://www.elcaymnet.org) for more info, and if this sounds like something for you, let Rick know by August 31 and we can be sure to coordinate travel arrangements.

## The NFCLYO Master Registration Form

A new (and hopefully easier) registration process coming for 2009-10

We will be debuting a new (hopefully more understandable) registration form for next year's NFCLYO events. But what will make this really different is that it will cover ALL NFCLYO events! Once you fill out a registration form, you're set for the year! We'll keep your form on file for the year so all you will need is any admission money when you come to events! No more filling the same form out several times each year! Look for the new master form to debut in August. (Note: new form is only for NFCLYO programs, NOT for LCLC or Synod events.)

Have a great month...congratulations class of 2009...hope to see many of you at camp!

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