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CENTRAL OREGON YFC

GIVE LIFE TO YOUR STORY

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Top Photo: Our friend, Sarah Stone, speaking at our last First Wednesday in Redmond.

Bottom Photo: COYFC serving snow cones at the Our Community Event in Madras.



Greetings,

Last month we got to do some fun things with our students around Central Oregon. These events were the last of our Summer activities before school gets started. I'm glad we had this time to enjoy with our students and get to know them better before the Summer ended.

On August 2nd we held our last First Wednesday in Redmond at Mountain View Fellowship. This was a great time to celebrate and worship with friends from Mission Church. We invited Sarah Stone, a Mountain View Fellowship intern, to come and speak with students. Students got to learn about why God cares about the stories of those around us, why we should too, and how our story can leave an impact on their's.

On August 5th, the annual Our Community Event returned to Madras for it's tenth year. We continued with a decade old tradition of serving our community with a cool treat - snow cones. This is always a great time for our students to give back to the community and represent YFC. We had a great time and served 1,000 snow cones! Something which was very cool was seeing some of our graduated seniors come back to continue being a part of the work we do here.

On a somber note, we also said farewell to one of our board members, Linda Swearingen. Linda has been a valuable member of our board, giving excellent insight and direction to our decisions. We are very sad to see her go, but we pray for God's blessing upon her as she goes forward.

It's amazing how fast time passes by. I can hardly believe school starts in less than a week for our students, and our ministry programs

shortly after. The rest of August was quiet as we prepared to launch our programs on September 10th. We have been working hard to get material prepared, volunteers trained, and everything ready to hit the ground running. I can't wait for us to get started!

On September 10th we will see Club Life, Family Groups, and the Drop-In Center resume. On September 12th, our Campus Life ministry in Culver will also resume.

I met with our volunteers on August 31st, and we spent time talking & praying about how we are going to impact the lives of our youth. We have an excellent group of volunteers coming on board this year, including some recently graduated seniors. I feel God has provided us with people who have a passion for what we do and who want to be a part of the mission God gave us. I am filled with hope and expectation at how God is going to use us this year.

That being said, would you please pray with us, and for us, as we prepare heart & soul to interact with youth who need Christ. Pray for God to bring us students from all situations, and that we would be ready to be the hands & feet of Christ in their lives. What an exciting time this is! I am blessed & humbled to be a part of all of this, and I can't wait to share with you all that happens next month!

Grace and Peace,

Zach Lewis

Executive Director of Central Oregon YFC





Drop-In

Starting September 10th, on Monday from 8-10 a.m. and Tuesdays/Thursdays from 3:45-5:15 p.m., join us at the Madras Drop-In Center located at 18 SE D Street in Madras. Try out our mini Rock Wall, shoot some pool, play air-hockey & video games, and do homework. It is a great time to hang out and relax after the school day.



CLUB:Life

Starting September 10th, every Monday night from 3:45-6, join us at the Free Methodist Church. There will be food, group games, and a discussion about God, His Word, and how we fit into God's story today. The church is located at 976 S. Adams Drive in Madras.



CAMPUS LIFE®

Starting September 12th, every Wednesday night from 3:30-4:30, join us in the Multi-Purpose Room at Culver High School. There will be snacks, some wild & crazy games, and a discussion God, His Word, and how we fit into God's story today. The school is located at 710 5th Street in Culver.

Upcoming Events!

- Ministry programs begin in Madras on 9-10-17 and in Culver on 9-12-17
- See You At The Pole on Wednesday, September 27th

See our site for more details on all upcoming events!

We want to always keep you updated about all that is going on with Central Oregon YFC, in the most efficient way possible, so we have updated all our social media platforms. Check it out below!

Connect with us on social media to see all that is going on during the Summer!

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