



**ENROLLMENT FOR THE AUGUST 2010 YMUW
VOLUNTEER PRODUCTION TEAM IS NOW OPEN!**
YMUW's 11th Year of Initiating Young Men!

The YMUW is a non-religious, modern rites of passage initiation that allows all young men to freely voice their concerns about becoming a man and acquire the leadership skills necessary for a responsible adulthood. At the Weekend, our volunteers provide the tools and experiences young men need to set their feet firmly on the path of responsible manhood so they can become productive and fulfilled contributors to their community. Our volunteers make the young men feel safe to shed their boyish attitudes, discover who they truly are and become young men of honor and integrity. It is truly a transformative growth experience for young men and volunteers alike.

Of course, whenever young men and adult men get together, it's an opportunity to have incredible fun, eat lots of food, overcome challenges and enjoy great camaraderie with each other! All of this occurred in abundance at the recent June YMUW where 53 young men successfully completed their rites of passage in Watsonville. Many more young men are now waiting for the August YMUW and your full-time or part-time production help is greatly needed.

ALL males 21 and over and all YMUW graduates (of 2 or more Weekends) are invited to serve! Individuals and established teams of men are welcome. Simply email your full name, post mail and email addresses and preferred phone number(s) to our Production Team Manager, Brian Hunter (see below). Note the important dates/locations below and on the attached "Community Support Flyer". Please indicate if you can serve on full-time production throughout the Weekend or, if part-time only, indicate what days/hours you can serve.

Feel free to call or email if you have any questions about the volunteer team or registering a young man to participate in the Weekend. Join the many men who have already signed up. Once we receive your email/call, you will be given further instructions and schedule of events. We honor your interest and appreciate your care and support of this ageless tradition of initiation!

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Brian Hunter, Production Team Manager

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Dates for the August YMUW are:

Development & Trust Training– August 1, 2010
Location: Boulder Creek Scout Reservation
Boulder Creek, Ca.

YMUW – August 20-22, 2010
Location: Boulder Creek Scout Reservation
Boulder Creek, Ca.

How the Community Can Support The Young Men's Ultimate Weekend™

If you are a man, over 21 years old or a two-time graduate of the YMUW (any age), you are invited to volunteer to serve on production at the Weekend for the initiation of young men into responsible adulthood. **This requires:**

- 1) Mandatory attendance at the 7-hour Development & Trust (D&T) meeting to bond with the other volunteers and learn The RIGHT Way™ to mentor/parent young men. This is usually held on a Sunday two or three weeks before the Weekend from 9am to 4pm and often at the same site. Call for more info about this very informative and spirited meeting!
- 2) Complete a 50-minute informational "clearing call" that you will schedule before the D&T.
- 3) Agree to a criminal background check.
- 4) Donate (or fund-raise) \$100 or more to help cover the costs of producing the Weekend (no volunteer turned away if they cannot afford \$100).
- 5) Serve at the YMUW from Friday 12:00 noon until completion on Sunday, approximately 4:00 pm.

The YMUW is a weekend experience the volunteers and the young men won't ever forget!

Men who cannot serve on full production can help in these ways:

- 1) Attend the Development & Trust meeting for a day of learning & community building. Open to all men 21/over.
- 2) Attend the 100-Man Ceremony at the YMUW on Saturday night. You can attend just this part of the Weekend and participate in the actual initiation ceremony of the young men. Your presence at this event is a powerful experience for you and the young men alike. Exact schedule to be announced soon.
- 3) Join a support team and serve during portions of the YMUW at specified days/times (call for more details).
- 4) Provide transportation for young men who have no other way of getting to the YMUW. Transport participants during parts of the Weekend and/or community men attending the 100-man ceremony.

Anyone can also help in these ways:

- 1) Distribute enrollment and registration information to young men that you know or meet.
- 2) Distribute enrollment information (brochures, flyers, etc.) to your friends, neighbors, family and colleagues who have sons ages 13 - 20 or just refer them to our contact names, numbers or web site. Post brochures, flyers, etc. at public sites or advertise YMUW in other creative ways.
- 3) Donate or solicit donations of resources to our nonprofit organization such as money, supplies, equipment or your time (administrative, public relations, etc.). Donations are tax deductible.
- 4) Attend or help produce enrollment, fund-raising or just plain FUN-raising events that involve and inform young men and the community about upcoming YMUW events.
- 5) Either sponsor a young man or provide a scholarship donation for a Young Man who might otherwise miss this life changing opportunity.
- 6) Attend the heart-warming Graduation ceremony (Reuniting the Family) on Sunday of the Weekend, early afternoon (actual time/location to be announced). This is preceded by a 1-hour parenting/mentoring workshop open to all.

Purpose of the YMUW: To provide young men a weekend filled with incredible fun and challenges, while building a foundation for a confident and successful adulthood, through learning the importance of teamwork, developing a sense of accomplishment, and acquiring leadership skills.

Questions? Please call (408) 559-9338 or email ymuwsouthbay@yahoo.com. Also be sure and visit www.ymuw.org for more details, forms and up-to-date calendar of events.

Please share this announcement with anyone interested in an important community event !
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