



2020 VISION RETREAT – December 6-8, 2019

Hartman Center

The 2020 VISION RETREAT is for everyone willing to work for the future of Hartman Center to spend time together developing ACTION PLANS for 2020.

Here are the things that will need our actions:

- Plan new, year round, diverse programs for adults (like the Men's Retreat in January). These programs could be for special interest groups (like photographers or artists), or with social justice agendas in mind. We need event organizers for these programs. Bring your good ideas!
- With the 2020 Summer Camp brochure in hand we need to organize a visitation plan to PCC congregations to take place in the first three months of 2020. Will you visit a church? Besides asking congregations to send campers, we need to ask congregations to help provide funds to help with food and lodging costs for SSTs, Directors, Volunteer Counselors, and Nurses. (These have been subsidized by PCC in the past, adding to an annual \$125,000 deficit that must be reduced if Hartman Center is to be on a sustainable road.)
- Potential SSTs (Summer Service Team) need to be identified by the end of 2019 with interviews set up during January breaks for college students. Will you help recruit and be part of an interview team?
- Work camp plans (for the week BEFORE camp opens in June) need to be determined with actions plans developed. Will you help us have enough volunteers for those work days to get things ready for a great summer?
- Fundraising efforts need better organization. The Golf Outing, February's Love Offering, Chicken and Waffle Suppers (an effort that will take lots more than a

chicken outfit), and Fall Festival. Right now only the Golf Outing has a Task Force that meets to plan each year's event. Would you serve on a fund raising task force?

- Finally there are items that need our attention. One is the ACA (American Camping Association) accreditation for the programs of Hartman Center. We also need to develop a policy for those children and youth who live outside gender boxes (complex issues to be sure, but very important concerns).

The retreat will begin at 2 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 6th. Early arrivals will likely focus on brainstorming adult opportunities in the afternoon, followed by a pizza dinner. Others who are able to should arrive by 7-8 p.m. for an evening work session. All day Saturday will focus on other items listed above. Depart after lunch on Sunday. (Pastors interested in attending will likely be leaving Saturday night.)

If you are willing to come to the 2020 VISION RETREAT let us know SOON. The cost for two nights lodging (in A and B cabins) and five meals is \$100 (a special UCCR offer.) On line registrations will be available by October 21. Or just send your registration and \$100 check to Penn Central Conference, 900 S. Arlington Ave. Rm 224A, Harrisburg, PA 17109-5024. In the memo indicate "2020 Vision Retreat". Please register by the end of November.

If you plan to come for just one day with no overnight stay please plan to join us for meals. Breakfast is \$8.50; lunch is \$10.75; dinner \$12.75. Let Dave know you're coming and for which meals so we can add you to the list. Bring a check payable to Penn Central Conference to cover the cost of the meals. Email Dave at abushnell@aol.com

PLEASE come for as much of the weekend (Friday – Sunday noon) as you can. Every bit of the time will be critical to the success of Hartman Center in 2020.