

YELL! Newsletter

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Conference Call

On **September 16 and 18** at 7 p.m. (Central Time), I will be holding a conference call for all Youth Liaisons. This will be a chance for me to go over information in the YELL! newsletter. It will also provide a way for Youth Liaisons to speak with one another and share inspirations. Finally, I can address any questions about the new branding, the Convention, or the Lodge Awards that you may have.

If you think that a YELL! member might be interested in listening in, please invite them to share this information.

The call in number is: 1-866-740-1260

The code is: 3632653

To mute: *6

Request for Member List

The board members have requested that I get a firm number of members in the YELL! group. To do this, I need each YELL! group to give me the names and ages of everyone involved in the YELL! group during the year. I understand that members are not always consistent depending on schedules, but please list as many YELL! members as possible.

This will also help with planning for the Convention and ordering supplies for the upcoming year. Please return this information by **September 30**.

YELL! Supply Survey

It's getting to be about time to start budgeting for next year. I want your feedback on the types of items you would like to help promote the YELL! group. Depending which items you choose they will either be free (like the sling bags and t-shirts), or we will charge a small fee. Examples could be small parade giveaways, pens, lanyards, waterbottles, etc. Please fill out this survey here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LBLF39V>

Contact me: *Kelsey Logan*
klogan@wflains.org or toll free: 1-877-935-2467

YELL! In Action!



YELL! 446 making tie-blankets for an auction.

Convention Information

The Convention is less than a year away, and we are busy planning! This year will be more youth and young adult oriented for several reasons. First, the youth conference will be held at the same time as the Convention. Those who attend the youth conference will get to do events, such as brainstorm ways lodges can involve more youth/young adults, do community service events in Cedar Rapids, and still participating in the fun of the Convention! The letters sent to each Youth Liaison and Secretary were to gauge interest in this event and help get a count of who will be involved. **The letters are due back by September 30.**

The Convention is becoming more youth/young adult oriented with the addition of a bylaw from last Convention that allows each lodge to have an additional delegate under the age of 40.

YELL! In Action!



YELL! 219 performing for lodge members

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Training for Liaisons

I would like to offer training for any liaison interested in it. I am more than happy to provide youth activity ideas or projects, as well as any help regarding working with Youth and Young Adults for those who don't have much experience with younger generations.

If you are in need of assistance, or if you know of someone interested in becoming a Youth Liaison but needs some help, please contact me. We can set-up either a group training or a one-on-one training for those looking to get started or in need of fresh ideas. email me: klogan@wflains.org

Fraternal Herald Articles

Thanks to all the correspondents who have been turning in AMAZING articles to the *Fraternal Herald* this year! In the September *Fraternal Herald*, you will see that every YELL! group submitted a picture or an article! I'm so proud, great job!

BE KIND
for
EVERYONE
YOU MEET is
FIGHTING
a HARD BATTLE

YELL! In Action!



YELL! 389 in route for the Wilber Czech Parade.

Work with your Lodge Secretary

Help your Lodge Secretary out by submitting your YELL! activities for the year in September or October. This will help determine what activities the YELL! group and the lodge need to work on together before the Lodge Awards are due in January.

Quotes Needed!

The new website will have many new features including an insurance calculator, a lodge event calendar, and all kinds of financial information. It will also include a place for quotes about what members think of Western Fraternal Life. Did you grow up in the lodge? Have you been involved with the YELL! groups for just a little while? Do you have a favorite activity that you are involved in through the lodge?

If you have had a positive experience with the lodge or YELL! groups, we want to hear about it! Many of our members, young and old, have great things to say about Western, and we want to share that with new and potential members.

Write a note about your experience on our Facebook page (WFLA- Western Fraternal Life Association, and "like" us if you haven't already!) or email klogan@wflains.org to help promote all the good things Western does!