

Hello Ladies-

I sit at my computer writing this year's Dean's letter for the upcoming Women's Weekend which I hope to share with all of you in September (22-24th)! I am so very thankful to be able to share the sanctuary of Pilgrim Lodge with each friend, old and new. I hope that you will choose to invite along someone you know who can equally benefit from shared time together to relax and rejuvenate.

It is my deepest hope that we will all find and share ways to bring light and love forward in all that we do during this time. I truly believe that each of us can move past these troubling times of hate through daily acts of kindness and love- and it can begin with one another and our fall weekend.

I would like our time together to be fluid with opportunities to meet your individual needs as well as time to laugh, sing, dance, and praise the abundance of HIS love amongst us as a group of cherished women. I hope that some will share their talents in Interest Groups centered around the themes of peace, rising up in light and love through the mediums of paper, fibers, and mixed media. Please contact me at daisyschildren@gmail.com or by texting me at 651-5558 so that I can plan space and time to allow you to share with us.

Tree Street Youth could not be a more relevant mission to gather our prayers and support for in light of recent events. Tree Street Youth supports the youth of the Lewiston-Auburn area through vital programs serving 120+ youth daily, building unity across lines of difference, honoring 14 different languages and at no cost to families. I hope you'll take time to familiarize yourself by visiting www.treestreetyouth.org. ***I would like each person to bring an auction item in a paper bag (remembering the theme of peace, light, and love) that we will auction off to help raise funds for this mission. (Items remain unidentified as they are auctioned off. Highest bidder gets reveal her coveted treasure!!!!***

Things recommended for this weekend: (In light of season and questionable temperatures)
ESSENTIALS:1. Layers, layers, layers. 2. Socks and closed toes appropriate or walking/hiking 3. Rain gear 4. Sleeping bag and pillow(s) 5. Towels and toiletries 6. Flashlight/headlamp 7. Journal with blank pages/sketchbook 8. Book you are reading 9. Current knitting, crocheting, felting, sewing, etc. project that you'd just like time for 10. Favorite inspirational quote, poem, prayer, bible passage to share 11. Roll of ribbon 12. Bottle of glitter glue or Elmer's clear glue.

As time draws near, I hope that all will take the time to register and choose to bring along a friend new (or returning) to Pilgrim Lodge! We all know the more women in one place, the better to brighten the day (or campfire) with!!!! Looking forward to our time together!

Till then- Dios le bendiga (God bless you)!

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