ST. LEON ACYOA JUNIORS SPORTS WEEKEND OCTOBER 6-9, 2017

Dear St. Leon Parishioners,

The ACYOA Juniors are very excited to announce that we will be hosting the Annual Fall Sports Weekend at St. Leon Armenian Church on October 6-9, 2017. Sports weekend is an event that brings together our Armenian youth from not only the tri-state area, but also from the New England parishes. It is a fun filled weekend where our children enjoy Christian fellowship through sports, dinners, dances and badarak.

We are very fortunate to have our own gymnasium as well as the banquet hall which will help facilitate hosting these events. However, for this weekend to be a success, we need your help and support. October is only a few months away and the weekend requires a great deal of planning. In order to accomplish this task, we must begin now.

This past May, there were over 300 participants who attended sports weekend in Watertown, MA. Their parishioners were gracious hosts and welcomed our children into their homes. We know that St. Leon families will be just as generous. Some of our ACYOA families have already volunteered but based on our past attendance, we will need housing for 150+ participants. Our goal is to make sure that every youth who wants to participate in this weekend will be able to do so.

As a host family, you would have the following responsibilities: pick up your guests at the church on Friday evening, provide breakfast for them Saturday morning as well as dinner on Saturday evening. You will also be responsible for getting them to church on Sunday morning for badarak and to and from the daily sports events and dances on Saturday and Sunday.

Please note that your children do not have to be ACYOA members in order for you to be a host family. We need the help of our parish families, whether you have a younger/older children or no children living at home. We need loving, Armenian families to open their hearts and homes for our out of town guests. Sports weekend generates life-long friendships and memories. Please help be a part of this wonderful experience for our Armenian youth.

If you are interested in being a host family, please reach out to either of our Housing Committee Chairpersons below. We look forward to hearing from you.

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