

North Central Regional NYI and MidAmerica Nazarene University
present



April 16-18, 2009
on the campus of MNU

MAX FAX

From Your Regional NYI President

Final preparations for MAX 2009 are being made, and there are so many reasons why every youth group should plan to come. MAX is not just about competitions - it is about using our abilities for God and reuniting over 500 churches from across the region. Plan to be at MNU on April 16-18, 2009. If you have questions, please contact me at bsmith@hutchfirstnaz.org or at 620-662-1283.

What is MAX?

MAX (MidAmerica Xtreme) takes place yearly on the campus of MidAmerica Nazarene University. The purpose of this event is to “connect youth of the North Central Region NYI to MidAmerica Nazarene University.” Information is being sent to every Nazarene church on the educational region. Your prayers, support and involvement will make this the highest quality event possible.

Cost for MAX

The Regional cost is \$30.00 per participant for up to 3 events (maximum of 1 team-bracketed event). Districts may charge additional fees. Contact your District Coordinator. Bible Quizzing is considered a team-bracketed event, and one Art entry equals one event. The cost for student spectators is \$10.00. Adults are free.

MAX at NITE

The Thursday night worship service will take place in the College Church Sanctuary at 8:00 with **Byword**. Byword (bi' wurd)n. Something noteworthy or worth hearing. It is a title that the members of this band wish to mark a transparency in their music, glorifying the source of their inspiration and hope: Jesus Christ. Raw and energetic, filled with melodic guitar riffs, victorious baritone vocals, and a sincere message, Byword is a rock group of passionate young Idahoans, seeking to lead the people of this generation into a fresh encounter with the Savior of the world. The band's latest studio effort, Here is Love, released in May 2006, proves to be an accessible collection of works, representing their desire to reflect the grace and love that Christ has made available to all. “It's about a relationship, not a religion,” says Elliot Stone, lead singer of the group. “We hope this project is a clear and

redeeming voice that is able to melt walls of misconception about what it means to know Jesus and embrace Him.” Check out Byword at www.bywordonline.com

Must Attend a Nazarene Church

Each participant must be attending a Nazarene Church regularly 60 days prior to participating at MAX.

Talent Registrants

Self-registration. Student talent participants will be responsible for signing up for their own performance time. **Students will report to Cook Center on Thursday at 2:00 PM to sign up for a time slot for their specific talent category.** This is on a first-come, first-served basis. If you have questions, contact your District Coordinator or the Regional MAX Talent Director, Amanda Brant, at 417-865-4499 or amanda.brant@coxhealth.com

Competition Events at MAX

The following competitions will take place at MAX: Talent (art, creative writing, drama, puppets, speech, vocal solo, vocal ensemble, instrumental solo, instrumental ensemble, keyboard, band, vocal and instrumental original composition, video design, and web design), Bible Quizzing (a team-bracketed event), and Athletics (men's and women's basketball, women's volleyball, dodge ball, flag football, skateboarding, soccer, power lifting, bowling, table tennis, and 3-point contest). **Three-point contests will begin at 3:00 PM on Thursday with various games beginning at 4:00.**
Talent competition will be on Friday.

EVERYONE Must Register

All coaches, sponsors, spectators and event participants MUST register through your district coordinator. Points are given to each district for the total number of people attending MAX.

Coaches' Meeting

A coaches' meeting will be held on Thursday, April 16, at 3:00 PM in the Allega Conference

Room (Cook Center – 2nd floor). This is a mandatory meeting for all coaches of athletic events.

Meals are Available at MNU

The Pioneer Food Service meal package for MAX is for 3 meals (breakfast and lunch on Friday and brunch on Saturday). The cost for the package is \$11.00. Individual prices, if paid individually through the line are \$4.00 for breakfast and \$4.75 for lunch and brunch, and \$5.50 for dinner. Meal times are 7:30-8:30 for hot breakfast, 8:30-9:30 for continental breakfast, 11:00-1:30 for lunch, 11:00-1:00 for brunch, and 5:00-6:30 for dinner. You can call the Office of Admissions at 1-800-800-8887, ext. 3380, by Friday, April 11, to order your meal package. Pre-purchased packages can be picked up at the Information Center in Cook Center on Thursday night of MAX.

Housing for MAX

The enclosed hotel brochure will assist you in making room reservations for MAX. One person should coordinate all plans and contact that hotel for the entire group. Remember: tax is not included in the listed rates. **Because it is two weeks before finals, MNU does not encourage MAX participants to stay on campus.**

District Huddles

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| Dakota | 3:00 | Cook 102 |
| Iowa | 2:15 | upper south court |
| Joplin | 2:30 | upper north court |
| Kansas | 2:30 | Cook 111 |
| KC | 2:30 | hallway outside Allega (2 nd floor of Cook Ctr) |
| Minnesota | | NO HUDDLE |
| Missouri | 2:30 | Cook 112 |
| Nebraska | 2:30 | Cook 103 |

Registration Forms/Check-In at MAX

The registration and release form (including registration fee) must be filled out **and turned in to the District Coordinator** (check to see when your district forms are due to your DC). The DC will turn their district forms in to the MAX Registrar at MNU no later than April 3rd. On Thursday, April 16, **only the District Coordinator will check in with the MAX Registrar at 2:00 PM at the Information Center in Cook Center** to pick up the packets (pre-ordered meal tickets, booklets, etc.) for their district. Each District Coordinator will be responsible for getting the above information to their district participants.

MAX Information on Web Site

Information should be on the MNU web page at www.mnu.edu/events/max after April 6.

Nazarene Family Night at Worlds of Fun

Nazarene Family Night at Worlds of Fun (WOF) will be on Friday, April 17, from 6:00 PM to 12:00 midnight. We hope you will promote this event as a "Family Event". There is something for everyone – concerts by MNU music groups, thrilling rides and attractions, and the opportunity to visit with friends from around the MNU region. The cost is \$22.50 before April 3; then the price goes up to \$24.50 (through 5:00 on Friday, April 9). The price at the gate will be \$29.00. The money raised at this event supports MNU music scholarships. If you have not received your WOF packet or if you have questions, contact Jason Matters at jmatters@juno.com or at 816-348-0303.

Award Ceremony – MAXED OUT

The Award Ceremony will be at the conclusion of the championship games on Saturday. Awards will be given to the top 3 individuals and the top team in each competitive category. Also, a district award (the MAD MAX) will be presented to the district with the most total points.

Question/Answer Time for Parents

There will be a meeting for all parents of prospective MNU students in the Allega Room (2nd floor) in Cook Center at 2:00 on Friday, April 17. Parents will be able to meet with Dr. Ed. Robinson (President), Dr. Ron Hyson (Vice President of Enrollment Development), and Admissions counselors. Refreshments will be served.

District Coordinators

If you have questions, contact your District Coordinator:

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| Dakota | Cheri Wyatt (701-391-8504) cheri@bismarcklivinghope.org |
| Iowa | Virgil Peck (641-724-3649) pastorvepeck@hotmail.com |
| Joplin | James Keezer (417-389-1548) neoshonaz@joplin.com |
| Kansas | Weston Unruh (620-662-1283) wunruh@hutchfirstnaz.org |
| Kansas City | Cory Stipp (913-208-9095) cstipp@kccentral.org |
| Minnesota | Robb Belschner (763-242-4275) robbbelschner@comcast.net |
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| Nebraska | Scott Spratlen (402-707-4970) scottspratlen@gmail.com |

Mark Your Calendar

The dates for next year's MAX event at MNU are April 15-17, 2010. Nazarene Night at Worlds of Fun will be on Friday, April 16.