

Y'ALL

NEWS FROM YOUR FELLOW YOUNG APPALACHIAN LEADERS & LEARNERS

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HI FOLKS,

We wanted to give you a few updates and begin what we hope will be consistent and open communication for our growing group. We recently attended the ASA Steering Committee meeting in Shepherdstown, WV, the site of our 2016 conference. It is AMAZING. At the meeting we sought out ways to provide more leadership options to Y'ALL. This newsletter is packed with ways to get involved—PLEASE email yallaasa@gmail.com if any of them seem appealing to you.

Kathryn & Jordan, co-chairs
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CALL FOR DESIGNS!

We need t-shirts and stickers! If you are a screen printer, artist, or just full of great ideas for a design, we need your help! It seems to be group consensus that we need a t-shirt and stickers... if you have ideas please send them our way!

PANEL ideas or training sessions?

Official call for ideas for the "Y'ALL sponsored" panel or roundtable. Have an idea for a roundtable that young Appalachian leaders and learners would benefit from? Have a list of scholars and activists you would like to put in conversation? Let us know!

ALSO...

We are planning a lunch meeting (free food!), evening mixer, and possible open mic—interested in hosting or adding something?

Do you know how to create a simple, user friendly app? We need one at ASA to cut down on the number of bulky printed programs being carried around... let's talk!

BE A PART OF CREATING THE SPACE YOU WANT AT ASA:

Now that Y'ALL is here, we would like to get busy creating the space(s) we want and need. This includes both quick actions as well as longer term planning. To help get as many young Appalachian Leaders and Learners in leadership positions in ASA as soon as possible the following teams have been created. Each will need a point-person to communicate with the team as well as the Steering Committee reps (Y'ALL Co-Chairs). If you aren't sure about leading, that's fine--we need active members. Please take a look and let us know if you are interested in one or more:

1. Conference Team

- ideas for panel/Y'ALL sponsored session
- ideas for food
- organizing and facilitating Y'ALL events at the conference

2. Vision and Collaboration Team— We hope to gather representatives from the various groups found within Y'ALL to find ways to collaborate, train, network, and strengthen our regional interests.

These groups will have an additional meeting at ASA and will require some additional communication throughout the year. We also welcome anyone with newsletter/communication skills, photography skills, an interest in web design, and more. Let's chat!



Check out this upcoming party/festival/conference!

WHAT IS IG2BYITM?

It's Good 2 Be Young In The Mountains is a four day event happening August 13 -16, 2015 in Harlan, Kentucky. IG2BYITM is a conference that feels like a festival and will host a range of conversations, artists, musicians and young people from across Appalachia and the nation.



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Y'ALL is on Facebook... check out our page!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/549546781852813/>

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MODERATING... IT'S WORTH IT.

As we prepare for the conference, please consider moderating. This is a great way to meet people, learn something new, add a line to your resume/CV and become involved. We will have training resources and guides available, as well as a quick "how to moderate" training before panels begin for those interested. Please let us know if you are interested—we would love to pass your name along to the program committee.

SILENT AUCTION.

Needed: a *co-chair* and a *TEAM* to manage this table.

What IS the silent auction? The Silent Auction is a fundraiser held during the conference each year. Profits are used to finance scholarships. (If you have additional fundraising ideas, please share! We welcome new ideas and approaches!)

Why help? The ASA Silent Auction provides scholarship funds for folks every year. For many it makes the difference between attending and not attending.

Are you qualified? Well... are you responsible? Do you want to see as many folks benefit from ASA Scholarships as possible? Can you arrange things on a table? Can you make sure people don't walk off with things without paying?

If you answered yes to the above questions you are most likely qualified. Email us for more details, asap!

To: You.
Please share.