

## Please read this BEFORE you arrive for Summer Sessions at DeSales University

Greetings, Friends, from Michael Gagné, Sessions Coordinator and Sue Makler, PYM Registrar!

Summer Sessions begin one week from today and we are very much looking forward to seeing you there. This will likely be the last notice we send before the start of Sessions, so we are packing it full of information. Any urgent updates - as well as advance reports- will be posted on the website:

[www.pym.org/annualsessions](http://www.pym.org/annualsessions)

In the light - and with a reminder to PLEASE BRING ALL YOUR LINENS (see below!),

*Michael and Sue*

### YEARLY MEETING EXPECTATIONS

At Philadelphia Yearly Meeting Annual Sessions we are a community living in the discipline of the Spirit. Summer Sessions are a time for seeking, worshipping, learning, eating, singing, and living together. All Friends are asked to observe a level of conduct which respects the sensitivities of all other members of the community, including our host DeSales University. We should also be mindful that our personal behavior also reflects on the Religious Society of Friends. Parents and sponsors are expected to be actively responsible for their children at all times (except when signed into youth programs). Everyone is asked to help make a safe and supportive community for all - and especially our children. Pets, alcohol, and illegal drugs are not permitted at Yearly Meeting. Any Friend unable to function within the expectations of the community may be asked to leave.

### BEFORE COMING TO DESALES UNIVERSITY

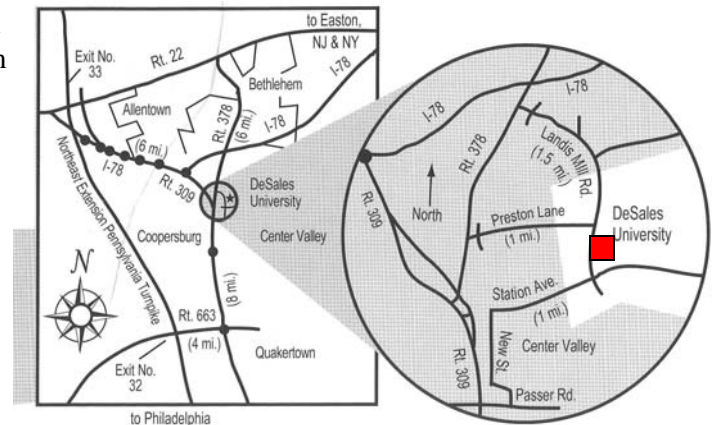
#### VERY IMPORTANT - THINGS TO BRING:

(For each person residing on campus)

- **Linens for all beds** which are Twin Extra long (flat double or queen size sheets work fine for the bottom sheet, flat twin or double/queen are fine for top sheet!)
- Blanket (rooms can be chilly, believe it or not!)
- Towel(s) of whatever size you like to use.
- Soap, cup, flashlight

The only accessory in the rooms is a wastebasket.

**Optional:** Ethernet cable for dorm rooms if you are bringing a laptop. Wi-fi can be accessed by selecting DeSales Wireless, username: conf3; passcode: zx3479nm



### ARRIVING ON CAMPUS

#### DRIVING DIRECTIONS AND PARKING: ■

(Please refer to the maps on the PYM web site or see <http://www.desales.edu/default.aspx?pageid=1433> and follow the signage to the DeSales University Center and the parking lot.

**From Points South (Philadelphia and South Jersey)** Take I-76 West through Philadelphia to I-476, the Northeast Extension of the Pennsylvania Turnpike, to Exit 32/44 (Quakertown). Turn left onto Route 663 North toward Quakertown, turn left onto Route 309 North, and proceed 8 miles to the intersection of Route 309 and Route 378.

\* **Baltimore / D.C. Area** : Follow I-95 North through Delaware. After entering Pennsylvania, take Route 476 West after Chester. Follow Route 476 to I-476, the Northeast Extension of the PA Turnpike, follow directions from Philadelphia.

**From Points West (Harrisburg and Southcentral PA):** Take Route 81 North and proceed East on I-78 to Route 309 South (Exit 60). Continue south on Route 309 for about 3 miles to the intersection of Route 309 and Route 378..

**From Points North (Scranton and North)** Take I-476, the Northeast Extension of the Pennsylvania Turnpike, to Exit 33/56 (Lehigh Valley). Follow Route 22 East from the interchange exit for 1/8 mile to Route 309 South (direction of Quakertown). In a few miles Route 309 joins with I-78 East. Continue south on this combined road until Route 309 branches off toward the south at Exit 60. Continue south on Route 309 for about 3 miles to the intersection of Route 309 and Route 378.

From Points East (**Northern / Central New Jersey**) Take the New Jersey Turnpike and/or Route 287 to I-78. Follow I-78 West across New Jersey and into Pennsylvania to Route 309 South (Exit 60A). Continue south on Route 309 for about 3 miles to the intersection of Route 309 and Route 378.

**By Bus:** The Allentown Bus Terminal is served by Carl R. Bieber, Susquehanna Trailways, Greyhound, and Trans-Bridge. The Bethlehem Bus Terminal is served by Carl R. Bieber, Greyhound, and Trans-Bridge. The Hellertown park and ride is served by Carl R. Bieber and Trans-Bridge.

## REGISTRATION

After you have parked, leave all your belongings in your car (if you are residing on campus) so that you do not have to walk extra distances with your luggage. Follow signs for PYM and proceed to the **University Center** for registration – to register and pick up your packet of information, name tag, room assignment and key.

## ON CAMPUS

### **REGISTRATION/ INFORMATION TABLE HOURS:**

Wednesday, July 30<sup>th</sup>: 1:30 – 9:00 p.m. in the University Center

Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup> – Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>: 8:00 a.m. – 7 p.m. (1 pm on Sunday) in the University Center.

### **ASSISTANCE GETTING AROUND:**

There will be “people mover/golf cart” transportation available for those **who have difficulty walking long distances**. Though golf carts are fun, they are not *for* fun. Please note that there will be several meeting places to be picked up or dropped off. Generally golf carts will not go to the Aviat or Welsh dorms.

## INFORMATION PACKETS

**Information Packets** will be waiting for everyone who pre-registered. One copy of documents that pertain to all the sessions will be included in the folder as well as VERY IMPORTANT information about DeSales University and Sessions at DeSales. Please be sure that you and anyone with you are aware of the information that is included in the packet. Extra copies of the documents are available at the registration/information table. Also, you can access many of these documents by going to the [www.pym.org/annualsessions](http://www.pym.org/annualsessions) web site. Please feel free and encouraged to do advance reading of reports on the site.

**Name tags** for all registrants will be in the folders. The name tags will include information about room assignments and meal reservations/payments and must be worn at all times. They also help us to become more familiar with one another! If you lose your name tag, please come to the Information Table in the University Center

## WORSHIP

**Worship** is at our center and Summer Sessions offers opportunities to engage in worship in many different ways. Opportunities include: early morning unprogrammed worship in the big tent, morning worship with a short multi-generational element, worship during plenary sessions, during Re-Creation Time, in worship-shops, and spontaneously, of course!