



Wyoming Father-Son

June 5-June 13, 2016

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### Overview

A Father/Son Adventure based in Wyoming from June 5-June 13, 2016. This Mission is to introduce young men to authentic leadership concepts through wilderness experience and team interaction.

Candidates will receive abridged classroom and field training in Wilderness Survival, First Aid, Navigation, Mountaineering, and Horsemanship prior to a 3-day rugged excursion through the Wyoming mountain ranges, culminating in a Peak Ascent by foot. They are expected to participate, pray, play, and persevere. Candidates should be age 8+ and accompanied by their Father or elder male family member; they should be able to endure the physical rigors of extended outdoor activity and climate changes, and be open to discussing and sharing their faith in a Catholic environment of daily mass & reflection.

Upon conclusion of the mission, successful candidates will be awarded a Certificate of Completion and Virtue Badges, with personal references for resumes. Exemplary performance will be honored with an invitation to return to future missions to take on more leadership roles, and when of age, to volunteer as a Mission Captain.

Adventure Mission Corps, Inc. is an independent 501(c) 3 entity, located in Atlanta, Ga. This adventure is a partnership with Wyoming Catholic College.



### Enrollment

To participate, apply online, then complete & submit the

### Candidate Enrollment Application and

Waiver no later than April 15, 2016. Applications are evaluated in chronological order of submission. This Mission will accept up to 4 Father/Son teams.

### Approved

#### Candidates will be

notified and their positions reserved for 15 days until receipt of Mission Fee. Failure to submit Mission Fee may forfeit position. Candidates shall provide their own air travel, and should book flights within 1-3 hours of the group's arrival / destination time.

### Mission Fee

(without Airfare): \$1,900

# Activities & Itinerary

#### Deployment June 5, 2016

- Depart Atlanta Hartsfield Airport / Arrive Jackson Hole, WY airport
- Convoy to Lander, WY at Wyoming Catholic College.

#### Front-Country Training June 5-June 7

Training will include a combination of indoor/outdoor classrooms, actual field excursions, and daily Mass, prayers and reflections. Training will be provided in subjects needed for the intended Peak Ascent Mission. During training, field excursions will provide tactical experiences with the following:

- Wilderness First Aid
- Horsemanship & Cowboy Camping
- Navigation / Mapping

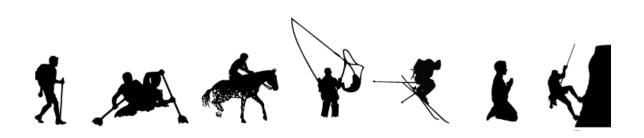
#### Back Country June 8-10

Each candidate will rotate through spiritual and tactical leadership roles during a 3 day/2 night foot-hike through the Wind River Range. Group will attempt a 3:00 AM mountain peak ascent from base camp. All gear and supplies provided. Front-Country Skills June 10-12

- Canoe Camping or
   White Water
- Fly Fishing

#### Departure & Return June 13

- June 12 Debriefing, Mass, and Award ceremony – Snake River Lodge
- June 13 Depart Jackson Hole, WY airport



### General Policies & Scholarship

See detailed policies online at <u>www.adventuremissioncorps.com</u>. Some highlights include:

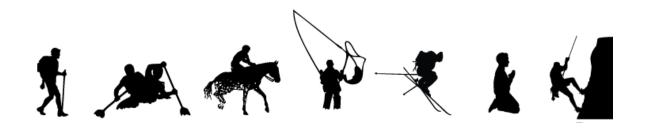
- 1. Initial deposits of \$800 are due with application to reserve candidate position. Deposits are used to secure reservations, lodging, and permits. Refunds may be issued only if the position is filled by another paying candidate.
- 2. In the event the Adventure is terminated or cancelled, all fees will be returned.
- 3. Scholarships are available based on need, and are funded through the generous donations of others. To apply, please email request to info@adventuremissioncorps.com.
- 4. Adventure Mission Corps (AMC) adheres to the Archdiocese of Atlanta Safe Environment policies. Leaders are trained on the archdiocese' policies, and must be officially approved before leading and/or chaperoning a mission. When AMC partners with other organizations, such as Wyoming Catholic College, it requires similar approvals from those organizations based on the policies of their diocese.
- 5. Complete and updated policies located online at (click here)

# Mission Captains

1. Robert Donner (Age 46)

Atlanta, GA / Experience: 15 overseas missions, multiple youth programs, father of candidate.

- 2. Fr.Todd Belardi (Age 43) Kenosha, WI / Experience: global mission trips, youth programs & chaplain
- 3. Arturo Merriman (Age 24) Cumming, GA / Experience: Former participant & 6 international mission trips. Young Adult President.



# Preparation & Materials

Physical Training: Candidates should be prepared for extended outdoor activity in high altitudes, with warm days and cold nights. Preparation could include completing 4-hour hikes with 50 lb backpacks, and 3-mile jogs.

Clothing: hiking boots, socks, shorts, T-shirts, long-sleve shirts, knit hat, gloves, swim shorts, hiking pants, light jacket, sweatshirt, rain poncho.

Supplies: Bible, Rosary, toiletry kit, pocket knife, compass. Backpack & sleeping bag optional – these and other equipment will be provided if needed.

**Communication:** personal cell phones are allowed during travel, but will not be operable during the Teton Peak Ascent. Telephone access will be limited or non-existent at times. Laptops, music players, and other computer or entertainment devices are not permitted.

Accommodations: during the Mission, Candidates will share lodging in hotels, tents, dorm rooms, and outdoors. Prepare appropriately. (male & female lodging is separate)

Currency: trip cost covers all travel, lodging, and planned activities other than personal shopping, food & beverages during travel to/from Wyoming. The planned supply stop in Cheyenne may allow for personal purchases. Recommend each Candidate carry \$200 for personal means.

**Contraband**: weapons (other than pocket knife for camping), drugs, smoking paraphernalia, alcohol, illicit or scandalous literature/media will not be tolerated. Candidates in possession of any of these materials will be immediately removed from the Mission.

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#### Websites

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