

July 10th, 2010

To: NASW Oregon Chapter Board Members
From: Lisa Bates, President

Dear NASW Oregon Board Members:

You are invited to attend the 2010 NASW Oregon Chapter Board Retreat, where we will be setting goals for the coming year. We encourage and hope that all Board members will attend. Full participation helps to unify the Board and integrates all voices and perspectives into the goal setting process.

This is a two-night event, beginning with dinner on Friday, September 24th and ending after lunch on Sunday, September 26th. It will be held at the Menucha Retreat Center in Corbett, Oregon (located in the Columbia Gorge). Please stay for the entire retreat if possible. Our schedule and contract with the facility is based on the assumption that most attendees will stay both nights. However, if you can only attend for one night, we welcome your participation and ask that you note this on the registration form.

Your meals and lodging costs are covered by the Chapter. If you have a guest/family member that you would like to bring, please indicate this on the registration form. We are happy to accommodate guests for a charge of \$75 per person to cover catering costs. However, please note that we can only accommodate a limited number of guests and private rooms, and that this is a working retreat with a full agenda. We will, however, have down time scheduled in the evenings as well as afternoon breaks to enjoy the grounds. If you would like to extend your stay with Menucha (or arrive early), please make your arrangements directly with the venue.

Outside alcoholic beverages are permitted at the venue. Our group will be staying at Ballard Hall, which contains two floors of dormitory rooms, meeting space, and a kitchen/lounge. You are welcome to bring games, movies, and musical instruments for the (optional) evening social time.

Please return the enclosed registration and *Participant Voluntary Assumption of Risk* forms (signed & dated) to the Chapter office by **July 31st**. Even if you can't attend, we appreciate you returning the registration form to let us know. Members who have attended past retreats left feeling energized, connected to the Chapter, and enjoyed the opportunity to build relationships with other Board members in a beautiful setting.

We're excited about this year's retreat, and we look forward to seeing you there!

Enclosed Documents:

Registration form, Participant Voluntary Assumption of Risk form, Directions