



# Newman Catholic Center

at the University of Massachusetts Amherst

## Alternative Spring Break Service Trip

for active students of the Five-College system

### APPALACHIA '08

#### MISSION:

To return to the impoverished Appalachian mountains of eastern Kentucky to restore hearts and homes through a variety of means. This trip has long-been a Newman staple. In addition to days spent at the various homes and 'worksites,' evenings will consist of learning about the local culture and the traditions of the Appalachian people. We will once again collaborate with other colleges as part of the "Christian Appalachian Project."

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

**The Trip: Saturday, March 15, 2008 through Saturday, March 22, 2008 (during spring break)**  
[NOTE: Spring Break week in 2008 is also Holy Week in the Church.]

Sun., Nov. 4, 2007...	8:15pm-9:15pm, Burke Lounge	Informational Meeting
Sun., Nov. 18, 2007...	8:15pm-9:15pm, Burke Lounge	Informational Meeting
Nov. 19 <sup>th</sup> – Dec. 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2007...	varying days/times	Personal Interview with Trip Leaders
Sun., Dec. 2, 2007...	7pm Mass, Chapel	Commissioning of Trip Participants
Sun., Dec. 2, 2007...	8:15pm-11pm, Newman Cafeteria	Spiritual Retreat of Preparation
Mon., Dec. 10, 2007...	7pm-8pm, Burke Lounge	Informational Meeting
Sun., Feb. 3, 2008...	7pm-10pm	"Celebration" Mass & Dinner

\*\*\*Two or three additional meetings will be scheduled for February and early-March, 2008\*\*\*

#### COST:

##### Fixed:

- \$25 non-refundable application fee
  - \$250 balance of trip fees
- \$275** (required fees) – **minimum of \$175 by Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>**

##### Variable:

- \$40-\$60 for eight fast-food stops during van rides
  - \$25-\$40 for contingent dinner in Frostburg, MD
  - \$20-\$40 for vendors and other expenses
- approx. \$85 - \$140** ('spending' money)

Each participant is asked to solicit donations from outside sources. We will provide a cover letter to assist your efforts. If outside donations exceed trip costs, the leadership will distribute between trip needs and contingent meals.

#### HOW TO APPLY:

- 1) There are many ways to serve others. Write not more than two pages explaining:
  - a) What would you be sacrificing – and why – if you participate in this eight-day service trip?
  - b) Why do you wish to participate in an eight-day service trip offered through the Catholic Church?
- 2) Pay AT LEAST your \$25 non-refundable application fee. (Minimum of \$175 due by Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>)  
(Checks payable to "Newman Catholic Center / Appalachia.")
- 3) Submit your writeup and payment(s) to Campus Minister, Mark Callahan.

##### NOTE:

- Writeups must contain your full name, school, phone and email address.
- Writeups can be emailed to Campus Minister, Mark Callahan at [mcallahan@external.umass.edu](mailto:mcallahan@external.umass.edu).
- Payments and 'hand-delivered' writeups should be slid under Mark Callahan's office door at Newman.
- Participant spaces might be limited and will be granted on a "first-come, first-served" basis.

##### Leaders & Advisor:

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**"WORKFEST 2008!"**