

# SPECTACULAR 2012



**For students who have completed 10<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades**

**Saturday, July 21st - Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup>**

Graceland University - Lamoni, IA

**Leaders: Kat & Alex Hnatyshyn**

The mission of SPECTACULAR is to create a safe, Christ-centered community that encourages young women and men to discover God, their inherent worth, and cultivate and express their giftedness.

## **What is Spec?**

During SPECTACULAR approximately 1,100 campers and their leaders gather at Graceland University for the largest annual gathering of youth in the Community of Christ.

All campers will have opportunities to participate in leadership and discipleship development, diverse worship, and expression of arts, music, and sports.

During the week campers can look forward to sharing in all avenues of the SPEC experience - service projects, communication workshops, basketball, musical instruction, table tennis, stage production, worship, delegation devotions, volleyball, tie-dying, cotton candy, discussions about dating and relationships, learning more about our Creator, soccer, and much, much more.

**Drop off for Bus @ Highlands: Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup> 10:00am**

**Pick up from Bus @ Highlands: Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup> 3:00pm**

**Fees: \$390.00\*** (\$340.00\* for Sibling or Friend)

**\* Registration and FULL FEE**

**must be postmarked on or before June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

**After June 15<sup>th</sup> fees due will increase to \$565.00  
for individual and \$515.00 for sibling or friend.**

# SPECTACULAR - REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number and Street

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Participant's E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Texting? Yes No

Sibling in Attendance as a Camper: \_\_\_\_\_

First-time Friend Coming with Me: \_\_\_\_\_

Delegation: \_\_\_\_\_ Midlands Mission Center \_\_\_\_\_

**Check all that apply:**

Camper  Staff  Gender: M  F

Birth date \_\_\_\_\_

Last Grade Completed: 9  10  11  12

T-Shirt Size: S  M  L  XL  XXL  3XL

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you a member of the following:**

Facebook  Twitter (acct. # \_\_\_\_\_)  
 My Space  Aim Acct.

Parent(s)/Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ ( )  
Name(s) Home Phone Work Phone Cell Phone

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Name(s) Home Phone Work Phone Cell Phone

Parent/Legal Guardian e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ ( )  
Name(s) Home Phone Work Phone Cell Phone

**Medical History - (Please circle Yes or No and explain any "Yes" Answers)**

Yes No Are you allergic to any foods, latex, medications, etc.? \_\_\_\_\_

Yes No Are you presently under a physician's care for any acute/chronic medical condition? \_\_\_\_\_

Yes No Are you currently taking any medications? \_\_\_\_\_

Yes No Do you have any physical restrictions or emotional, medical or psychological conditions that need special attention? \_\_\_\_\_  
 If yes, please list all mental health and/or physical conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes No Have you recently been exposed to a contagious disease? \_\_\_\_\_

Yes No Any special diet needs?  diabetic  vegetarian  other \_\_\_\_\_

Family Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ (Attach a Photocopy of Your Insurance Card)

**Statement of Consent and Release**

*I, the undersigned, have read and consent to the rules, guidelines and releases specified on the reverse of this form. I have read, understand and agree to abide by the Mission Statement, Expectations of Conduct, Guest Policy and Dress Code.*

Participant \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Legal Guardian/Next of Kin (if participant is under 21) \_\_\_\_\_

## Release and Consent

Please read each of the following Release and Consent Statements, and sign the front of this registration form.

### Medical Treatment Consent

I, as parent, legal next-of-kin, or guardian of the registrant listed on this form hereby authorize any necessary medical treatment for this person. I also guarantee payment of all charges incurred during this medical treatment. (Physician, hospital, x-ray, lab, drugs, ambulance, etc.)

### Activity Participation Consent

I specifically consent for the registrant's participation in activities offered by SPECTACULAR, including but not limited to boating, swimming, organized and informal sports events. I have deleted any items from the preceding list to which I do not give consent for participation. I certify that the registrant has the necessary skills to participate in any of the approved activities (i.e. if boating is approved, the participant can swim).

### Liability Release

The parent, legal guardian, next-of-kin, or participant signing the reverse of this page acknowledges that even though every effort is made to provide a safe, accident-free environment, incidents may occur. In consideration for being accepted for participation at SPECTACULAR, the parent/guardian does for myself and for and on behalf of this registrant, if said registrant is not 21 years of age or older, hereby release, forever discharge and agree to hold harmless Community of Christ, SPECTACULAR, Graceland University, and the directors, agents, and employees thereof from any and all liability, claims or demands for personal injury, sickness or death, as well as property damage and expenses of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by the parent/guardian and the registrant that occur while said registrant is participating in SPECTACULAR. The parent/guardian further agrees to hold harmless and indemnify said organization, its directors, employees and agents, for any liability sustained by said organization as the result of the negligent, willful or intentional acts of said participant, including expenses incurred attendant thereto.

### Photo Release

In consideration of the right of the registrant to participate in this activity, I hereby give consent to and authorize the taking of photographs or video tape in which the registrant may appear. I hereby waive all right of privacy in and to any said pictures or tapes.

# SPECTACULAR

## Mission Statement

The mission of SPECTACULAR is to create a safe, Christ-centered community that encourages young women and men to discover God, their inherent worth, and cultivate and express their giftedness.

## Expectations of Conduct

We expect...

1. ...all participants (campers, counselors, coaches, teachers, leaders) will be registered with SPECTACULAR.
2. ...SPECTACULAR participants will treat all Campers and Leaders with respect and that all participants will act in a manner consistent with the SPECTACULAR Mission Statement.
3. ...all Leaders will realize that their main responsibility at SPECTACULAR is to provide Christian ministry to and with Campers. As such, the interactions between Leaders and Campers should reflect the trust and respect inherent in this relationship.
4. ...SPECTACULAR Campers, as well as Delegation Leaders and Staff, will arrive on time and participate in the following activities: Morning Celebration; all class periods; all-camp worship; Celebrate SPECTACULAR (Opening Ceremonies & Evening Activity on the first night); and any other all-camp activity.
5. ...SPECTACULAR Campers, as well as Delegation Leaders and Staff, will observe the rules regarding residence hall life:
  - A) All Campers and Leaders to be in the residence halls as designated by camp schedule.
  - B) All Campers and Leaders are to ensure lights are out as designated by camp schedule.
  - C) SPECTACULAR observes a closed residence hall policy with regard to camp visitors and camp participants of the opposite gender. Campers, Leaders, and Visitors should use the main lounge areas for waiting on and visiting with these persons.
6. ...SPECTACULAR Campers will not leave campus unless they have received permission from their Delegation Leader and they are accompanied by a Delegation Leader or Delegation Staff member.
7. ...SPECTACULAR Campers, Leaders and Staff will conduct themselves in such a way that we can truly fulfill the role of SPECTACULAR as a Christian event. This would include, but not be limited to:
  - Refraining from using alcohol, tobacco or any controlled substances while at SPECTACULAR.
  - Refraining from sexual activities not consistent with a life lived in Christian Community, including, but not limited to, pre-marital sexual intimacy.
  - Refraining from abusive language including swearing and racial epithets as well as other language that may promote hatred towards any group or person. Swearing includes, but is certainly not limited to the use of the name of God, Jesus, or Christ, in a demeaning or irreverent manner.
8. ...Campers and Leaders will recognize that SPECTACULAR is a Christian youth celebration of arts, leadership and athletics, designed to promote wholeness within adolescent life.
9. ...any Camper or Leader who chooses not to follow these expectations will also choose not to attend SPECTACULAR. We realize there may be times when unusual circumstances prevent Campers and Leaders from following one or more of these expectations. We encourage you to share with the SPECTACULAR Directors or Head of Security as early as possible if you know of any special issues that may make it impossible for any Camper or Leader to follow a listed expectation. If any Camper or Leader fails to meet these expectations, their behavior should be reported to both the Delegation Leader and a SPECTACULAR Leader (Directors or Head of Security) as soon as possible. In conjunction with the Delegation Leader, the SPECTACULAR Leadership will investigate the circumstances and assign an appropriate disciplinary action. It is our intention to be fair and just, but we are serious about providing a Christian environment where all these expectations are followed by all participants. It is not our intention to punish an entire group, delegation or team because of the action of one or a few individuals. Furthermore, it is not our intention that this policy usurp any Delegation Leader's authority to hold their Campers and Leaders to an even higher standard of conduct at this Christian event.

## Guest Policy

The SPECTACULAR Steering Committee is committed to providing a safe environment for our young people. We recognize that it may be appropriate at times for guests of SPECTACULAR participants to visit the camp and experience the SPECTACULAR spirit with family members or friends. Guests should understand that registered SPECTACULAR participants (campers and leaders) will receive priority access to all camp events.

SPECTACULAR Guests are required to Register as a guest in the SPECTACULAR Office in the Memorial Student Center. Upon registering:

- \*\* Guests are invited to observe camp activities during the week; at all times, registered SPECTACULAR participants (campers and leaders) will receive priority access to all events.
- \*\* Guests are invited to eat with campers or leaders in the Commons. Meal payment may be made at the beginning of the serving line.
- \*\* Guests are invited to visit with campers or leaders in the main lounges of each residence hall and other public places.
- \*\* Guests staying overnight are invited to make their housing arrangements off campus.

While we anticipate SPECTACULAR Guests might attend activities with campers and leaders, SPECTACULAR participants will receive priority for any event that might have limited space. In addition, in order to provide the safest environment possible for our young people, we expect that SPECTACULAR Guests would limit their stays to two days or less.

## Dress Code

The SPECTACULAR Steering Committee, in its efforts to be true to the mission of SPECTACULAR as a Christian event, has developed a Dress Code that will help ensure that all SPECTACULAR participants feel welcome and safe during the week.

Unacceptable Clothing:

- Any clothing promoting consumption of alcohol, tobacco and illegal drugs.
- Any clothing promoting companies that produce or promote consumption of alcohol or tobacco.
- Any clothing that explicitly or implicitly promotes racism, sexism or hatred of any group or person.
- Any clothing that explicitly or implicitly promotes or refers to sexual actions or situations (e.g. Coed Naked shirts, Big Johnson shirts, etc.).
- Any clothing that Staff and Campers would not wear at other Christian events.
- Any clothing that promotes winning at all costs (e.g. .Second place is another name for first .loser..).

While we recognize that often the heat of July, as well as participation in sports, may cause excessive perspiration, we do expect that SPECTACULAR participants will wear shirts/cover-ups.

We expect our Staff and Campers to wear shoes for their safety.

Because SPECTACULAR is a very large event, it will be impossible for SPECTACULAR Leaders to monitor the entire camp with respect to what clothing is being worn. All participants, especially delegation leaders and staff, are invited to join with the SPECTACULAR steering committees in monitoring first and foremost their own delegation to ensure they are dressing appropriately. It is not our intention that this policy usurp any Delegation Leader.s authority to hold their Campers and Leaders to an even higher standard of dress or conduct at this Christian event.

# Youth Activities Policies

**Every camper must have their fees, forms, and parental signatures.**

Every camper must have their registration forms, health forms, release forms and fees paid **before** they attend camp.

**We hold a CLOSED CAMP policy.**

A "Closed Camp" means staff and campers must remain at the activity or camp site for the duration of the camp. No visitors are allowed. Frequent coming and going is very disruptive to community building and the spiritual commitment of the camp. Therefore, a camper's attendance is very important. Our activities are designed for personal and spiritual growth. Exceptions are made only with prior agreement with Midlands Youth Ministries or extreme circumstances, such as medical conditions and family emergencies. For ethical and legal reasons, any camper leaving camp is asked to notify Midlands Youth Ministries. Campers are not allowed to arrive late without making prior arrangements. All special arrangements must be made at least one week prior to event/activity/camp with the exception of emergency.

If students drive themselves to an activity, their keys will be held during the activity by the Camp Director or designated staff.

**NO Alcohol, tobacco, and drug use is allowed.**

Without exception, all medications are to be given to the camp nurse or designated staff for dispensing and safekeeping. Some medications may be approved by the camp nursing staff for the camper to keep with them.

**NO possession or use of firearms, fireworks, or explosives allowed.**

**NO sexual activity.**

A policy of sexual abstinence will be enforced. All campers and staff are called to be aware of other's personal space and comfort while at camp. If you are unsure of someone's comfort level, ask.

**All are expected to exercise stewardship of self.**

Do NOT put down, make fun of, threaten, pull pranks on, use abusive language or use physical violence towards any other camper or staff member. Swearing, ridicule, and sexual innuendo disrupts the Christian environment of camp. Concern for people's feelings is crucial to grow with each other. Language can be expressive and prophetic or devastating and hurtful. We ask all to use stewardship with language.

**Be aware of what you wear.**

Camp is not a fashion show so please leave "club'in" clothes at home. This means no revealing clothes or strapless tops. Clothes that have alcohol, cigarette ads or harsh words on them stay at home. **NO bikinis or sagging shorts are allowed.** You will be asked to change clothes or pull them up if they are not appropriate. We try to adhere to school dress codes.

**Personal electronics are potential contraband.**

Use of these devices are at the camp directors discretion. This includes but is not limited to CD players, Personal Gaming devices, Cellular phones, Ipods, radios and PDAs. If you don't know if they are allowed or when, please ask. Items may be confiscated for the duration of the camp.

**Campers are responsible for their valuables.**

We discourage campers from bringing valuables, such as large sums of money, expensive jewelry, or electronic items to camp. In other words, don't bring things that you can't live without.