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DAYS TO REMEMBER

APRIL 14TH:
Donation Total (30\$) Due.

MAY 1-3RD:
Lower Mainland East Youth Parliament.

MAY 8-10TH:
Vancouver Island Youth Parliament.

MAY 15-17TH:
Camp Training.

MAY 31ST:
Individual Service Projects Due.

Finance & Corporate Relations

Hello from the world of Finance and Corporate Relations! I hope everyone's having a good time with school, work, bcyp, etc. etc. With school winding down and exams starting, things are pretty busy for me right now. We've had a great last two donation total deadlines, so thanks everyone for your continued support of BCYP. The next donation total deadline is on Tuesday, April 14th. You need to get \$30 in (for a total of \$100) to me by this date. Remember that these are returning requirements, so if you don't meet the deadlines and don't get an extension from me, you're putting your chances of returning in jeopardy. If anyone has questions as to what their total is right now, the results were given in the last e-digest or you can email me. If you're still struggling with raising your donations, please get in touch with me and we can talk about it. We've been doing great so far, let's keep it up and keep sending kids to Camp!

Out of my number-filled land, I'm super psyched for Camp, Auction and the last two regionals! I hope you have all been able to attend at least one regional. They're fantastic ways to learn more about parliament and have meet up with the friends you made at Session.

As Chair of VIYP (Vancouver Island Youth Parliament for those of you that don't remember), I'm happy to say that we've been granted a charter and have started recruiting! VIYP is the last regional of the year, so if you haven't been to any yet, it'd be a great one to go to. Don't worry if you don't live on the Island, we accept Ambassadors! The dates are May 8-10th and it will be held at Gulf Islands Secondary School on Salt Spring Island. With Dora Turje as Speaker, Jeremy McElroy as Deputy Speaker and Karen Ratchford, Emily Gage, Susannah Jesse and Miranda MacDonald as clerks, VIYP is going to be amazing so I invite all of you to come over to this side of the ocean! Please talk to me or Emily Gage about getting an application.

Even as your lives start getting busier during Spring, don't forget to stay involved. Remember - BCYP is what you make of it so come out and volunteer!



Salt Spring Island - Gulf Islands Secondary the site of VIYP!



When is the next donation total?
T U E S D A Y
A P R I L 14TH

Regional Youth Parliaments

Hello Parliamentarians! Because of a recent epiphany (a rather hilarious modern art installation that I saw) I have decided to embrace my inner artist, and thus I would like to greet you all with a Haiku poem:

*Sad news for you all
March KYP was cancelled
Not enough members*

Yes, you read that right: KYP, which has scheduled to take place the last weekend of March, was tragically cancelled because of lack of members! While we all shed a tear of its untimely demise, let me take a moment to remind you all of our two remaining RYPs:

Lower Mainland East Youth Parliament: May 1 to 3, 2009

Vancouver Island Youth Parliament: May 8 to 10, 2009

These are your last two chances to attend an awesome regional, as either a member or an ambassador. Application forms are now available, so please let me know that you want to attend and I will make sure that you get an application form so that you don't miss out!

Provincial Secretary

*Waiting for letters
And typing the minutes ya!
ProvSec is so fun*

it seems cabinet has been infiltrated by poets!

Service

Over the last of few months, we have held 2 Fundraisers, 5 Service Projects, and 5 Socials. Congrats to all those who made these a success. If you have any ideas for socials/service/fundrasier feel free to contact me and let me know, as everyone has a part in making BCYP a success.

Also, if you live in the Lower Mainland, besides Vancouver, and are between the ages of 14-18 come to LMEYP! Details to follow...

If you have questions at all, on Service Projects, ISPs, or absolutely anything else, please email me! aliya.jiwa@bcyp.org

Community Fundraising

Hey all,

hope everyone is fairing well this time around. I now have two events to promote!

Auction

if you haven't mentioned this fabulous event to your friends and family start doing so now! whether they want to attend or donate, they are helping and thats what we need! So remember: June 6th, Dollhouse Studios in Van. start getting people's attention and I will have info on tickets soon. And theres still time for Solicitations! A Main Street one will be organized soon. I'm also looking for someone to run a solicitations in Langley so if youre interested let me know.

LMEYYP

As the Chair of Lower Mainland East Youth Parliament aka LMNOP I invite anyone 14-18 interested in attending this regional May 1st-3rd as a member or ambassador. Now I have to be honest here, LMNOP is the coolest regional to go to. As Ferris Bueller would say, it is so choice. And I don't go tossing words like "coolest" and "choice" like they're salad. So if you want do something awesome and/or hear Tyler talk like Sean Conery, fill out an application and email me or Aliya if you have any questions.

So there you have it. If you any questions or even want to say hey email me at oriana.camporese@bcyp.org or call me at 604-220-5078

**LOWER
MAINLAND
EAST**

MAY 1ST - 3RD

Communications (& CRazed fan Of VIYP)

Are you:

- 1) Between the ages of 14 and 18?
- 2) A resident of Vancouver Island/Gulf Islands?
- 3) Feel deprived of the beauty that is Vancouver Island/Gulf Islands and want to visit again?

If you said 'yes!' to 2/3rds of these questions, you can apply to VIYP! Attached to this Parl is the application form for the 18th Vancouver Island Youth Parliament! Fill it out and send it to me! VIYP is happening May 8th - 10th on Salt Spring Island (don't let the transportation issue scare you, email me and we'll talk about it). It's going to be a weekend of awesomely dorky parliamentary fun! PLUS it's in one of the most beautiful locations ever for a regional (no offence to other regionals, but we have the beach!)

Hoping to see your name on an application in my mailbox,
Emily

**VIYP
18!
MAY
8TH-10TH
SALT
SPRING
ISLAND!
WAY COOL.**

Camp

Hi Everyone,

Camp Phoenix seems to be on track. We have an applicant for the Nurse position, which means that once her application is submitted and approved, we will have filled all professional positions at Camp, namely Director, Cook, and Nurse/First Aid Attendant. My thanks to those that helped in what I have termed "Nurse Hunt 09", your work was very much appreciated. In addition, I've begun recruitment along with a team of Parliamentarian volunteers, and already have a camper application received much before the anticipated time. If you would like to help with recruitment, please get in touch with me. Things like putting up posters in community centres, churches or other faith based institutions, or libraries, really does help Camp run. The poster, brochure, and Camper Application form are all available online at www.campphoenix.ca, but please get in touch with me before approaching any external organizations.

Though the professional staff positions appear to be going well, I'm a little less enthusiastic about the progress of the volunteer positions that are expected to be filled from members of this Parliament. I currently have 50-odd applicants, which is an adequate amount, however considering how many of these applicants are coming outside of Parliament, and how many Parliamentarians confirmed with me that they would be sending an application in and then chose to renege, I'm not entirely impressed. An unreasonable number of applications were late, with my having only half of the aforementioned number of applications in before the due date. Not knowing if I would have enough staff to run a full camp until a week after the due date is just not acceptable. Those of you who have talked with me about extenuating circumstances preventing either your application from being on time, or your attendance at camp, should know that this is not directed towards you. I'd also like to thank those of you that did get your applications in on time, it makes things a lot easier for me and the rest of Cabinet, and I do appreciate it.

Many people who are unable to attend have been contacting me looking for other ways in which to help Camp Phoenix, and believe me there are many of them. Potential staff members, and those assisting in organization and recruitment: your help is invaluable to me, and your commitment demonstrates both the likelihood of success we have this year in this project, and the reason that we run Camp Phoenix, because we desire to be Youth Serving Youth.

If you have any questions or comments, please give me a call at (778) 998-9809, or send me an e-mail at sasa.pudar@bcyp.org.

Yours in Parliament

Sasa Pudar
Minister of Camp Phoenix and Deputy Premier
80th British Columbia Youth Parliament

CAMP
TRAINING
MAY 15 - 17TH

Island

Greetings from the Island!!!! We had our first successful project in Victoria on March 12th, with Dining out for Life, which was awesome. We binged at the Noodle Box, enjoying great conversation and sipping Thai Red Bulls (what is not to love?).

In other news, I really really really want to start solicitations on the Island. If you are interested in being involved let me know what your general availability looks like and what area of the Island you would like to solicit in. I have various areas in Victoria that I am interested in, so I am in need of a few well dressed young parliamentarians.

Stay tuned for more news of projects and social and other fun stuff.

Smiles and High-Fives

Miranda :)



noodle
box &
thai
red
bull:
always
a good
choice

New Member Relations

I have to give a big thank you to those who have been contacting me saying that they are feeling out of the loop. If you feel like you haven't heard from someone in awhile please give me a shout and we can figure something out. So far it seems that everyone is staying in touch and staying involved in the organization; it just makes me smile inside.

Love and Happiness,

Miranda :)