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## Youth Programs in Convocations

While Diocesan Youth Programs continue with the usual calendar of events, not all youth events take place at the parish or diocesan levels. Some great work is underway in the six regions of the Diocese of Georgia known as convocations. This week, we highlight the work in Savannah and Albany. We will share convocation youth events in other convocations in future bulletins.

#### Savannah Convocation Youth Event (SCYE)

Adults working with youth in Savannah banded together to form SCYE, a once a month meeting that moves around the congregations of the convocation. Twelve parishes have hosted a SCYE meeting so far with 40-55 participants at a typical event. Each meeting is like a mini retreat at Honey Creek in terms of the formatting which includes music, games, dinner, more games, and program time.



Prior to this fall, the hosting parish was responsible for a 10-15 minute message. The messages ranged from the lectionary's Gospel to Jewish Passover to preventing and addressing bullying. Now, youth are presenting the message and leading small group discussion. Last month, youth that attended the Dominican Republic mission trip this summer gave a presentation and encouraged others to consider doing mission work in the future.

Another change is that youth now lead the games and have become part of the fall planning team. This means that youth are participating in creating the structure of the program and making suggestion about music and worship for SCYE. SCYE meets this Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, at St. Thomas Isle of Hope from 5:30- 7:30 p.m. Stay informed by following the SCYE Facebook Page!

#### Albany Convocation Youth Lock-in



The Albany Convocation will get together this weekend for a youth eventdoing good in the Good Life City: a Mission Focused Lock-in for 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders.

St. Paul's, Albany and St. Anne's, Tifton have been working together to plan this mission-focused event intended to help them prepare for Hometown Missions, a Diocesan event that will take place in two locations this year, one of them being St. Paul's on April 22-24<sup>th</sup> 2016.

Participants can expect to have fun while building community; to learn

about the importance of mission and outreach as these concepts are explained in scripture; and to participate in a mini-mission project at Second Harvest, a food bank in Albany.

### The Campaign for Formation of Youth Leadership

The Diocese of Georgia is determined to build meaningful programs for youth in order to nurture strong leaders. This is one of the nine strategies put forward in the Campaign for Congregational Development. Find more at campaign.georgiaepiscopal.org