

2018 NCBI Men's Retreat Registration Form

The 16th Annual NCBI Men's Retreat will be held in the beautiful surroundings of a lake house close to Syracuse NY, USA, on August 9th–12th, 2018. The lake house setting has supported our gatherings and brotherhood in great ways in recent years thanks to Sue Wadley and Rick Olanoff, who generously offered to host our Conference again. This year's theme is:

Coming together at a time of change

This retreat comes at a time when many questions are being raised about masculinity. Abuses of male (and white) power and privilege are reported in the media almost daily. Has masculinity become toxic or has it always been toxic? What are our experiences of male behaviors which led to #MeToo? How can we respond to these behaviors in ourselves and support our brothers who are struggling as well? Where do we go for inspiration and end our isolation? How can we become the caring, supportive, and trustworthy men we want to be?

At the retreat we'll reflect and share on these questions and explore how to detoxify our patterns of male privilege and dominance and support each other to become even better allies to the women in our lives.

Leadership: Andi Geu, Director of the NCBI International Men's Constituency

Schedule: The Conference officially begins Thursday, August 9 at 4 pm and continues through Sunday, August 12 at 2 pm.

In order to begin and end the Retreat at the posted times, if flying, please arrive at Syracuse International Airport at least 2 hours before the Retreat starts and depart 3 hours after it ends.

Last year the NCBI Men's Affinity Group experimented with regular conference calls, a practice we continue! Since we know it won't be possible for everyone to attend the conference in person, we decided to continue that experiment during our retreat. **There will be two windows of time during the retreat to participate via video call.**

- Time Window 1: Friday, August 10th from 9.30 to 11 am EST
- Time Window 2: Saturday, August 11th from 2.30 to 4 pm EST

Please block one or both of these time windows if you are interested in joining us via social media. Call-in information will be sent prior to the retreat.

Please bring musical instruments, your preferred sports equipment and your iPads or Laptop Computers for the zoom calls!

Lodging: Registration fees cover lodging Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights. The location of the lake house is 33 Beaver Lodge Road, Altmar, NY 13302 for those of you who are driving.

The home phone is 315-964-1270 and Rick's cell is 315-726-0087. For those flying, we can meet you at the airport. We have kayaks, canoes, floats and a paddle boat for free time use.

Meals: Registration fees cover meals, including vegetarian options, from Thursday dinner through Sunday brunch at the Rainbow Shores Restaurant.

Please indicate below any dietary restrictions we need to be aware of

A variety of registration options and add-ons are available:

Registration fee:	<u>Circle one</u>
Regular rate	\$320
For full-time students or those who are currently financially challenged	\$130
For those who are doing well financially and want to help out	\$400
TOTAL (sum of all circled amounts):	US \$_____

Please register as soon as possible, (by July 27th at the latest) and mail to John Damond, 1105 West 40th Street, Baltimore, Maryland, 21211, USA.

Make checks payable to "NCBI Men."

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

I request transportation from Syracuse Airport. My arrival time is: _____

We have two accommodation options. Please indicate your preference:

- I prefer to stay at the Lakehouse.
- I prefer to stay at a local Motel in Pulaski NY (transportation provided)

Additional things we need to know in order to make you feel welcome:

Contact Rick Olanoff with any questions.

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