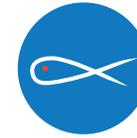


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*Sharing our Vincentian Love, Knowledge and Experience!
"Together as Family"*

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT GENERAL INTERNATIONAL

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I have pleasure in announcing that I have appointed Jean-Noel Cormier, President of the National Council of Canada, as Chairman of CONCORDAT in succession to Graham West, President of the National Council of Australia.

Brother Graham, who asked to be relieved of his CONCORDAT role in view of the additional duties he has taken on for the International Council General, has led CONCORDAT with distinction for 3 years. We are most grateful to him for the excellent contribution he has made. Brother Graham will remain as Chair of IFAC.

I welcome Brother Jean-Noel to his new role and wish him every success. His experience as a National President and his extensive knowledge of the international SSVF equip him well for the task.

The CONCORDAT since its inception in 2008 has played a vital role in ensuring financial stability for the International Council General. The generous multi-annual commitment made by the 19-member countries which currently make up CONCORDAT enables us to support the international structure and the worldwide SSVF from the Paris office and to implement the CGI's Strategic Plan for the development and expansion of the SSVF .

I take this opportunity to express the deep appreciation of the CGI to the CONCORDAT countries for their continued support.

Yours sincerely,



*Renato Lima de Oliveira
16th President General*

MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL TRAINING CHAIR

AN INTRODUCTION TO...

The second edition of the Training Today newsletter, and to a plethora of information on the upcoming 2018 Annual General Assembly. This edition is primarily dedicated to bringing to you, the readers, many details relating to the activities and events taking place at our Annual General Assembly, being held this year in St. John's, Newfoundland, from June 20 to 24.

Maybe, privately, you think – why do we hold those AGAs yearly, and why should I attend. First, because we are mandated to do so - all incorporated Councils, whether PCs, CCs, Regions, and the National Council, are required to hold an annual general meeting to review their bylaws and operations.

For the National Council, those guidelines are spelled out in Rule 2.6.2 – and I quote some of the applicable phrases from the Rule and Statutes Book here –

- The National Council shall convene an Annual General Assembly. (annual = yearly)
- During this meeting, it may amend the Canadian Statutes, and/or adopt other policies and procedures (i.e., mandating holding Abuse Awareness and Prevention training sessions).
- Proceed with the necessary installation steps to elect a new National President if it is an election year. (This year is an election year and this process has already started – find out more about this election process on the National website.)

Secondly, but more importantly and traditionally, the National Council uses the Annual General Assembly to educate its members and to enhance Vincentian spirituality and fraternal exchanges through organizing workshops and meetings, and gathering at Masses and prayer groups and social events. (Yea for the social events!)

In this newsletter, we concentrate on the promotion of attendance at the 2018 AGA in June, providing full details on programming and all pertinent documents to be completed, such as AGA registration, booking accommodations, other amenities and associated costs, as well as descriptions of daily programs and events and an application form for workshop presentations.

All those details and registration forms are also available now on our national website www.ssvp.ca under the header title AGA. Pin this website as one of your favourite go-tos. Please note there are final application dates on most forms; don't wait too long to apply.

Take a look at the description of the optional tour being offered on Wednesday. Sign up early if you want to take this tour. There will be more information and pamphlets available at the registration tables on the sights and sounds of St. John's and environs. Maybe do some extra planning before you leave for St. John's, especially if you are considering extending your stay in Newfoundland.

We offer two articles of general interest – one by Claude Bedard, National spirituality chair, where he continues his theme of providing thoughtful inspiration to our members. Claude wrote this article on “praying ceaselessly” titled “Prayer – A Way of Life”. And we have an in-depth look at the life and times of our founder Frédéric Ozanam, contributed by our Training committee member from Quebec, Madeleine Lafrance. We know so little about him; Madeleine adds to our knowledge in this article.

We have some workshops already lined up for Thursday, including two intriguing and unique topics on special programming. We will offer a series of workshops on Social Justice initiatives, plus other workshops covering practical operations and executive and specialty roles. The full description of all workshops, their leaders' bios, and the times and locations will all be included in the information you will get at registration time in St. John's.

“Together as Family”

MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL TRAINING CHAIR...continued

This year we offer one workshop on Saturday afternoon, running at the same time as the afternoon statutory meeting, for attendees not planning to attend the statutory meeting. We have two sessions, one in English and one in French, running concurrently. The topic will focus on helping conferences and councils learn how to build Social Justice initiatives and action teams at their local levels and capacities. A side note - voting at a statutory meeting is only open to registered voters, but anyone can attend any meeting to educate themselves on Vincentian organization.

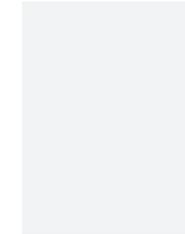
Spread across those days, and listed on the daily program schedules and announcements, are lists of statutory and obligatory meetings, plenary sessions, private and planning meetings, deliberation and voting sessions, prayer and contemplation times and Masses – and meals – and a final celebratory formal Mass – and then the wind-up party.

Now, ask yourself again – should you come to this AGA. To sum up, these days are truly an educational experience and an immersion in the spiritually grounded initiatives, aims, operations, special works and organization of the Canadian arm of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, as proclaimed in the words of our vision, mission and values declarations. Coming to an AGA gives us the power to cement those aspirations we learned about in this time away into plans and actions we can take with us when we return home, fortified by the names and contacts we made at the 2018 AGA. Maybe we can sum up what we learned in those days at the 2018 AGA in six words. **See the needs – fill the needs.** I hope you will all be able to say – it was well worth the effort to come to this AGA.

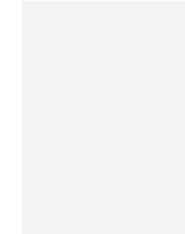
We hope to see you in St. John's. Come and say Hello to any of our National Training Committee members. Let us know what articles and information you would like to see in future Training Today newsletters. Email us at education@ssvp.ca.

*Mary Grad, Chair
National Training Committee*

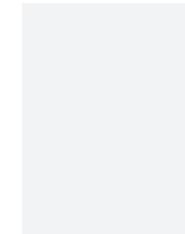
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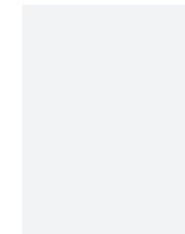
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“Together as Family”

SPIRITUALITY

PRAYER — A WAY OF LIFE

Q - Why do you see so many grey and white heads in churches?

A - They're cramming for the finals.

Avoid the rush. Start now. How is your personal prayer life? Do you pray every day and throughout the day? Are you conscious of God's presence during your day? Or is your prayer limited to your attendance at Mass or other church services?

Prayer teaches us to flee from temptation and sin, to sanctify our ordinary life, our joys, our hopes and aspirations, our failures and sicknesses.

“Pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit.” NRSV 1st Thes 5:17-19

Catechism of the Catholic Church – Articles (2743-2745)

1. It is always possible to pray because Christ is with us always.
“It is possible to offer fervent prayer even while walking in public, while buying or selling, or even while cooking.” — St. John Chrysostom.
2. Prayer is a vital necessity.
“It is utterly impossible for a man who prays eagerly and invokes God ceaselessly ever to sin.” — St. John Chrysostom.
“Those who pray are certainly saved. Those who do not pray are certainly damned.” — St. Alphonsus Liguori.
3. Prayer and Christian life are inseparable.
“He prays without ceasing who unites prayers to works and works to prayer.” — Origen.

I ask myself, how do I do that? Start your day with a prayer of thanksgiving to God by making the Sign of the Cross and praying:

Thank you, Lord, for bringing us safely to the light of a new day. Amen

This way you can begin the day on the right foot and offer to God your whole day. This will set an inspirational outlook for the rest of your day.

“Resist anything that leads to moodiness. Our prayer each day should be, Let the joy of the Lord be my strength.” — St. Teresa of Calcutta

Say a prayer as you sit down for breakfast and at daytime meals. If you are commuting to work, try praying the Rosary on the way. Offer up your day's successes, difficulties, work, time spent with your family, co-workers and friends along the way. Praise the Lord at all times for the good things and ask His assistance when encountering any stressful situations or difficulties. Read the newspaper and almost every article can lead you to pray.

On your way to work, offer up a prayer in heavy traffic to avoid getting overstressed. When encountering an accident on the way, lift up in prayer the emergency responders and accident victims.

Many other occurrences crop up during the day, which present the opportunity for short ejaculatory prayers. Recognizing that many people we deal with each day callously make use of the Lord's name in vain, without thought or regard, provides that opportunity to pray spontaneously. Expecting this and prepared for the eventuality, whenever someone uses the Lord's name in vain within your hearing, you can pray. Praying simply and quietly saying “Praise His name” or repeating His name “Jesus” reverently, thus recognizing His presence and possibly making amends for the misuse of His name.

When passing by a church where Christ is really, truly and substantially present in the Tabernacle, whole and entire body and blood, soul and divinity, why not stop by and spend a minute or two if time allows. As you pass by, pray “Praise the Lord” or say the prayer of St. Francis:

We adore you, O Christ, in all your churches all over the world, and we bless you because, by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world. Amen

“Together as Family”

SPIRITUALITY ...continued

Pray for the faithful departed when passing by the cemetery, perhaps where a family member was laid to rest, saying this prayer:

Eternal rest grant onto the faithful departed, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them. May they rest in peace. Amen

We should pray every day for the Pope and the Bishops, and their intentions.

“Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings.” NRSV Heb 13: 7 - 9a

Internal unity in the Church is an excellent way to win people back to the faith. Our faith should be so attractive that people will feel a longing to join our spiritual family.

How much quiet time do you have during your day to reflect on your actions and decisions? Our mundane decisions are often made for very good concrete reasons, but are we integrating God’s directives with our immediate needs? How important it is to ask for guidance from the Holy Spirit each day and to pray to find out if our specific decisions are good or bad in light of our faith?

“Go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.” NRSV MT 6:6

One also needs some quiet time alone to ponder and reflect. Go to your room in secret, set the alarm on your device, to avoid being distracted by monitoring the time, and try this workout. Set aside two, five or even 10 minutes for quiet time once or twice a week to begin with. Set an attainable goal. Believe me, when you first start, two minutes will feel like an eternity. Don’t be discouraged but persist and results will soon become evident.

“If the heart wanders or is distracted, bring it back to the point quite gently and replace it tenderly in its Master’s presence. And even if you did nothing during the whole of your hour but bring your heart back and place it again in Our Lord’s presence, though it went away every time you brought it back, your hour would be very well employed.” — St. Francis de Sales

Today, pray, asking yourself, how well do I use the means at my disposal for my Christian formation, spiritual reading, spiritual direction, retreats, etc.?

Daily, or at least regular, reading of scripture passages and stories of holy men and women is one of the best ways to form our Christian life patterns.

At the end of your day, do you take time for a brief examination of conscience, reflecting on the events of your day? Do you say a prayer at night in thanksgiving for your day before you go to sleep?

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*Claude Bédard, Chair
National Spirituality Committee*

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“Together as Family”

BIO OZANAM

FRÉDÉRIC OZANAM (1813-1853): PROFOUNDLY HUMAN, AN EXAMPLE FOR ALL!

What do we know of Frédéric Ozanam? That he was one of the founders of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul and that he died in the prime of his life. For our own enlightenment, here are some facts and thoughts about Frédéric, **thinker and teacher**, to help us better understand the man and to gain inspiration as Vincentians. He remained faithful to his Christian outlook by touching people **with his words, his writing, and his actions**. *Even today, he remains an example not only for young 21st century Christians, but also to all those intellectuals with horizons broad enough to look towards other cultures, in these times of globalizationⁱ.*

Young Frédéric was afflicted with a weak constitution. He was a brilliant student, but was also troubled for a year because of a **religious crisis**. Frédéric said, “Father Noirot (philosophy teacher) put order and light in my thoughts. I henceforth believed with a reassured faith and was touched by such a rare blessing that I vowed to God that I would dedicate my life to serve the truth that gave me peace.” He finished high school at 16.

It is said that Frédéric was an essayist. In Lyon, he was a student **journalist** at 15, at *L’Abeille française* newspaper, for which he wrote until he was 19. He also contributed to *Le Précurseur* newspaper. He studied law in Paris in 1831. At the home of famed physicist André-Marie Ampère, where he lived, he continued to perfect his knowledge of Hebrew and Sanskritⁱⁱ. His penchant for letters became more and more pronounced. He would be a correspondent for *L’Univers*, Mr. Bailly’s Catholic newspaper, in 1837. He even cofounded *L’Ère* Catholic newspaper, with Father Lacordaire amongst others, in 1848.

At the age of 20, he sends a **petition**ⁱⁱⁱ signed by one hundred Catholic students to the Archbishop of Paris to request the organization of conferences at Notre-Dame de Paris. These will be held for the first time during Lent in 1834, with Father Lacordaire at the pulpit. These conferences are wildly successful, and are a testament to Frédéric’s boldness and conviction.

He participated in the History Conference founded by Mr. Bailly, where students, both Catholics and unbelievers, came together to discuss various subjects. **He was open to others**. Challenged by a student, he started, with some student friends, a small society dedicated to helping the poor. He said that “the question that is rattling our world (...) is the social question; it is the conflict of those who have nothing and those who have too much: it is the violent opposition of opulence and poverty that is making the ground quake under our feet.” This Society would become the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul.

Frédéric obtained his law licence in 1834^{iv} and his doctorate in 1836. He also got an arts degree in 1835. He came back to Lyon where he worked as a lawyer. He later became a law professor. It is upon teaching his first commercial law course in 1839 that he presented his definition of freedom: “Political freedom, as much as moral freedom, consists not in the

i Frédéric Ozanam, by Gérard Cholvy, Artège Édition 2013

ii He spoke 6 languages: French, Italian, German, Spanish, Latin, Hebrew.

iii Chretiensaujourd'hui.com

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BIO OZANAM...continued

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Bl. Frédéric Ozanam, in his academic robes, visiting the poor family in their home. Painting by Gary Schumer Courtesy of the Association of the Miraculous Medal, Perryville, Missouri.

absence, but in the intelligence of the law. If man is free, it is because instead of being subjected despite himself to the fatal impulsion of an outside force, he will act spontaneously in light of a law originating within himself that he calls conscience.” He **described the Church’s future social doctrine** fifty years before the Rerum Novarum encyclical: “Man’s personal dignity, a reflection of his Creator, compels one to respect workers. They will thus expect from their employer a minimum wage, measures protecting them from unemployment, and the means to retire.” He was the instigator of a **social Christian policy**.

He submitted his thesis for a doctorate of arts in 1839 (Dante and the Catholic Philosophy) in Paris and was recruited by the Sorbonne (University of Paris) as a substitute teacher, and then as **foreign literature chairholder**. Frédéric aimed for universality; he was one of the founders of comparative literature. The Church and the state were in strong opposition: “Being a Christian and an academic, it’s a difficult position to be in.”^v. Frédéric worked hard to reconcile **faithfulness to the Church and faithfulness to the university**, a measured and oft-criticized position. Frédéric the professor was successful, he was eloquent and clear, he was enthusiastic and many are those who listened to him. Literature allowed Ozanam to connect with history and religious history. He gained recognition as a Christian historian with facts and scientific research methods. He would teach for 13 years, before passing away at the age of 40 from kidney disease.

What can we learn from Frédéric? As Christians, we must act very humanely toward our fellows to attain perfection. He doubted his faith, he was a thinker and he showed boldness when dealing with authority for his own spiritual welfare and that of his colleagues. He spent time reflecting and shared his thoughts and opinions. He was open to diverse opinions. He let the Spirit and his studies inspire him to find new solutions to society’s inequalities. Although he was a scholar, he always sought to learn more to improve himself and the lot of others. This is my reflection as a Vincentian and as a member of the training committee.

*Madeleine Lafrance, Formation National Committee
Quebec Regional Council*

v Frédéric Ozanam - Wikipédia

AGA 2018 - PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20

- 9:00 am - 9:00 pm Registration & hospitality
- 9:00 am - 4:00 pm National Council committee meetings
- 9:00 am - 4:00 pm National Council Board meeting
- 9:00 am - 3:30 pm Tour with Lunch and “Mug-up”**
- 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm Lunch on your own
- 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Supper on your own
- 7:15 pm Regional meetings
- Evening on your own to mingle

THURSDAY, JUNE 21

- 7:00 am - 8:30 am Breakfast (Gushue Dining Hall)
- 9:00 am - 9:00 pm Registration, hospitality with National sales table
- 9:00 am - 10:15 am Workshops
- 10:15 am - 10:45 am Coffee break
- 10:45 am - 12:00 pm Workshops
- 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch (Gushue Dining Hall)
- 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch with youth out**
- 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm Workshops
- 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm NL workshop (Kerri & Newfoundland Youth)**
- 2:30 pm - 3:00 pm Coffee break
- 3:00 pm - 4:15 pm Workshops
- 2:45 pm - 4:15 pm D&P Social Justice workshop (Lil & Ontario Youth)**
- 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm Rosary, memorial service Mass (Bruneau Centre)
- 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Supper & welcoming ceremony (Gushue Dining Hall)

YOUTH DO NOT PAY FOR LUNCH ON THURSDAY & FRIDAY

Rocks & Youth card in the welcome bags - brought by SSVY YOUTH

Paint tables set up for rocks throughout entire AGA - arranged by SSVY YOUTH IN NEWFOUNDLAND

Set up SSVY Youth Rock Journey on Facebook #SSVPROCKS

“Together as Family”

AGA 2018 - PROGRAM...continued

FRIDAY, JUNE 22

- 7:00 am - 8:30 am Breakfast (Gushue Dining Hall)
- 9:00 am - 9:00 pm Registration, hospitality, National sales table
- 8:45 am - 9:30 am Parade of banners – Official opening
- 9:30 am - 10:15 am Keynote speaker (Sr. Elizabeth Davis RSM)
- 10:15 am - 10:30 am Coffee break
- 10:15 am - 11:15 am Leave for soup kitchen (snack in the bus)
55 people**
- 10:30 am - 12:00 pm National President's round table
- 11:30 am - 12:45 pm Soup kitchen - "The Kettles on Community Meal"**
- 11:45 am - 1:30 pm Spiritual Advisors luncheon**
- 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch (Gushue Dining Hall)
- 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Hall/Gardens/Food bank
Youth centre programs talk**
- 1:15 pm - 3:00 pm Plenary TBA (Lecture Theatre)
- 3:00 pm - 3:15 pm Coffee break
- 3:15 pm - 4:00 pm Plenary (Lecture Theatre)
- 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm Rosary and mass (Lecture Theatre)
- 6:15 Supper, kitchen party, entertainment
(Gushue Dining Hall)
- 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm Youth get together**

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

- 7:00 am - 8:30 am Breakfast (Gushue Dining Hall)
- 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Registration, hospitality, National sales table
- 8:45 am - 9:15 am Spiritual reflection on the theme
Msgr. Peter Schonenbach
- 9:15 am - 10:15 am Plenary TBA (Lecture Theatre)
- 10:15 am - 10:30 am Coffee break
- 10:30 am - 11:30 am Statutory meeting voting members
- 11:30 am - 12:00 pm 2019 AGA host presentation
- 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch (Gushue Dining Hall)
- 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm Workshops
- 1:15 pm - 4:00 pm Statutory meeting voting members
- 1:15 pm - 3:00 pm Sophia - "Signing Into the Next Generation"**
- 2:45 pm - 4:00 pm Free time
- 4:15 pm Buses leave for the basilica
- 5:00 pm - 6:15 pm Mass followed by SSVp commissioning ceremony
- 6:30 pm Buses return to campus
- 7:00 pm Closing banquet and entertainment
(Gushue Dining Hall)

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

- 7:00 am - 9:00 am Breakfast (Gushue Dining Hall)

"Together as Family"

AGA 2018 - WEDNESDAY TOUR WITH LUNCH AND A “MUG-UP”

Quidi Vidi Village

Guided Tour - \$60 per person

Visit historic Quidi Vidi Village & Petty Harbour... unique settings where fishermen fillet their catch on the wharf; Signal Hill; Cape Spear, the most easterly point of North America; The Gathering Place, where a daily meal is provided to hungry & homeless individuals, as well as many other services.

Lunch included with afternoon “Mug-Up” .

Boarding time 9:00 a.m. Bus leaves 9:30 a.m.

Cabot Tower Signal Hill

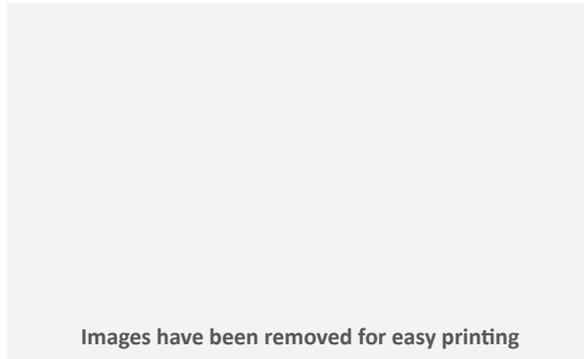
The Gathering Place

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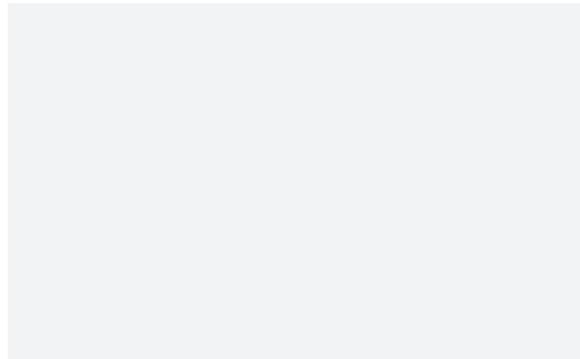
Due to popular demand, a second tour bus has been acquired to accommodate another 50 persons. Book early. Don't be disappointed. Must be prepaid with Registration.

Petty Harbour

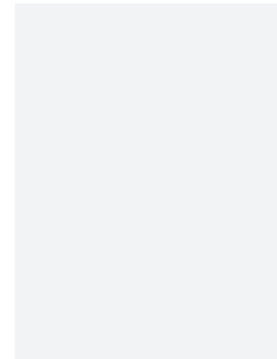
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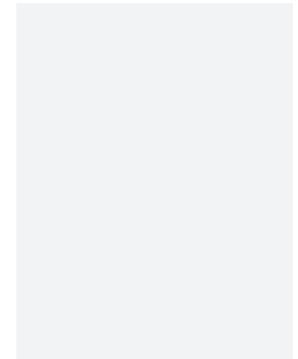
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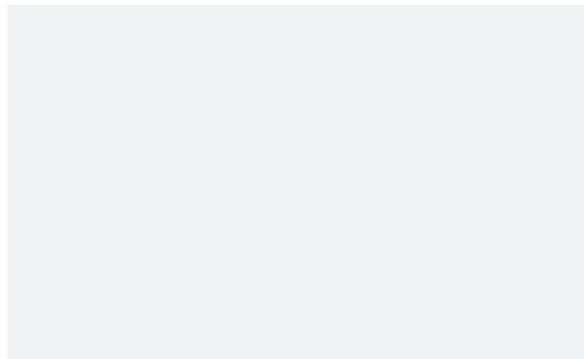
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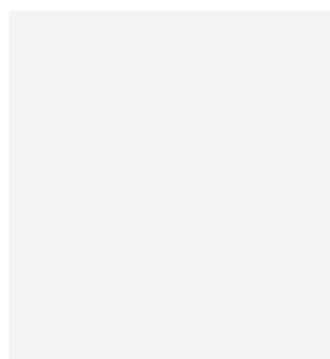
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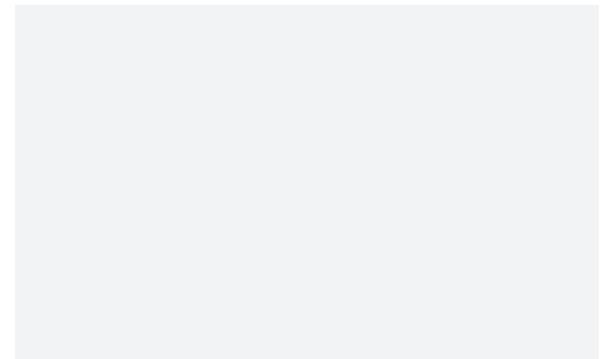
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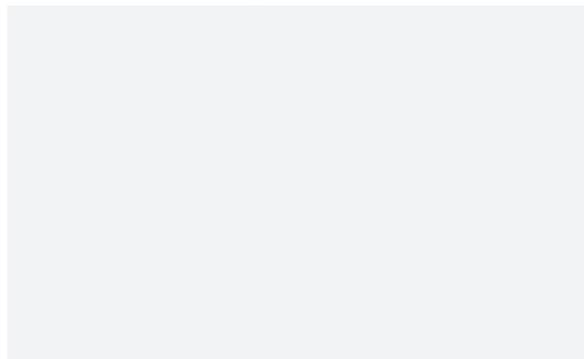
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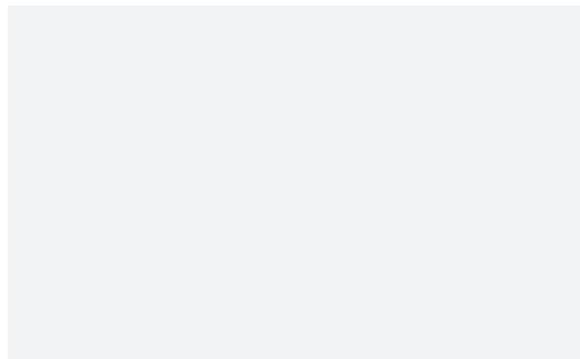
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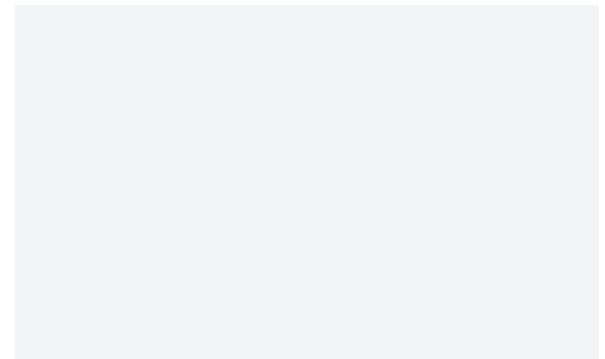
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AGA 2018 - ACCOMODATIONS ON CAMPUS

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Enter promotion code SSV2018, choose dates and the number of guests.

The promotion code only works when you book under the above reservation link and only for the nights of June 17-25, 2018.

Please book by May 15, 2018. Payment is due at the time of booking by Visa or MasterCard.

AGA 2018 - CALL FOR WORKSHOPS

WORKSHOPS ARE HELD ON THURSDAY JUNE 21, 2018

The theme presented at this AGA is:

“TOGETHER AS FAMILY”

The theme has been chosen so that we as Vincentians may take time to reflect on how we interact with those we serve. Workshops may be developed around the theme.

NATIONAL TRAINING COMMITTEE SPONSORED WORKSHOPS – TOPICS VARY FROM YEAR TO YEAR:

1. Roles of the President and Executive - conferences/councils
2. Succession planning - conferences/councils
3. Policies and Procedures
4. Recruitment and Orientation
5. Train the Trainers

OTHER POTENTIAL WORKSHOP TOPICS:

1. Structural Causes of Poverty
2. Collaboration with Other Organizations
3. Spirituality of the Work of a Vincentian
4. Foundations of Our Society
5. Special works – the public face of our Society
6. SSVP in North of 60
7. Advocacy and How to Advocate Effectively
8. Systemic Change projects
9. Youth in Action
10. Fundraising

Workshops are typically 75 minutes long. Presenters must provide their own presentation materials and equipment, i.e. portable disk drives and their own pcs for connection to existing in-house-supplied AV equipment. Any Handout materials are the responsibility of the presenters to produce, bring and supply to attendees.

Final date for submission of workshop forms is Friday May 11, 2018. You may mail your forms in, or email them to mrosegrad@rogers.com, or fax them to **519-836-9956**.

**Mary Grad, National Training Committee
71 Waxwing Crescent, Guelph ON N1C 1E3**



PLEASE FILL IN THIS
FORM IF YOU WISH TO
PRESENT A WORKSHOP

Title of Workshop: _____

Language Presented: English ____ French ____

Description of the Workshop: _____

Presenter Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Short Bio - Presenter: _____

How does the title/topic tie into the AGA theme?

Required Room size/type: _____

Required AV Materials: _____

Handout Materials are the responsibility of the presenter.

Please send by May 11, 2018 to:

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Approved by the National Training Committee

Date: _____

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CANADA 47TH ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Wednesday June 20 to Sunday June 24, 2018 - Memorial University of Newfoundland and Labrador, St. John's, NL

To register ONLINE, please go to: www.ssvp.ca/2018-aga
 Payment by PayPal & Credit Card preferable, but cheques are accepted.

To register by MAIL, please complete this form. Payment by cheque or bank draft must be mailed
 with the completed form to the address at the end of this form.

Early registration deadline : April 30, 2018 - Please complete one form for each person attending the AGA.

***** DO NOT FILL THIS FORM IF YOU REGISTER ONLINE - FOR MAIL-IN ONLY *****

Name:		Tel:	
Address:	Apt:	Email:	
City:	Prov:	Postal Code:	
Conference:	Council:		
Contact in case of emergency:		Tel:	
Do you have any special mobility needs? (Difficulty walking long distances/stairs, wheelchair or other mobility aid.)			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, please specify:			
If you are the Spiritual Advisor for your Conference or Council, will you be attending the Spiritual Advisors Lunch on Friday.			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<p>Air Canada has been recognized as the preferred airline of travel for the Annual General Assembly and has offered a 10% discount on some rates on flights arriving and departing from St John's Airport (YYT). The discount does not apply to TANGO rates.</p> <p>The discount applies to FLEX or LATITUDE rates at the time of booking.</p> <p>To make a reservation with the promotional code, access aircanada.com and enter this code in the PROMOTION CODE box : 3GMVHW71</p> <p>For flights from Tuesday, June 12, 2018 to Sunday, July 1, 2018. If you have any questions, please contact Air Canada: 1-888-147-2262.</p>			
Pickup and Drop-off will be available from Tuesday, June 19 to Sunday, June 24 only			
Would you like transportation from the airport?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Do you need transportation back to the airport?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes / <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Arrival date:		Departure date:	
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LODGING ON CAMPUS

Macpherson College is clean, bright, and perfect for conference guests as it offers modern and comfortable accommodations for travelers. Spacious common rooms on each floor offer seating, television, and limited kitchen facilities.

Two-bedroom suites contain two separate bedrooms connected by a small foyer with shared bathroom and shower. Each bedroom contains one single bed, a desk, shelving and a closet. **One-bedroom suites** contain one double bed, a desk, shelving, and a closet. Each room contains a private washroom and shower. Limited Availability!

Limited Barrier-Free Single Rooms are available! Reserve early!

BOOKING INFORMATION

www.mun.ca/conferences/bookings/ssvp.php - Enter promotion code **SSVP2018**, choose dates and the number of guests. **NOTE:** The promotion code only works when you book under the above reservation link and only for the nights of June 17-25, 2018. **Please book by May 15, 2018.** Payment is due at the time of booking by Visa or MasterCard. Your credit card receipt will be a transaction from SpeedyBooker. (This is a UK company that powers our reservation system.)

To view the Cancellation terms please visit: www.universityrooms.com/en/terms. If delegates have questions related to booking they can email stay@mun.ca.

WEDNESDAY DAY TOUR (optional, check box if interested) \$60

- All-inclusive tour with lunch, a traditional mug-up and entertainment.

Wednesday, June 20, 2018 - Starting at 9:30 / Boarding Time 9:00 (Cost \$60.00 Per person)

Must be pre-paid at time of registration. Limited 50 persons... First come basis.

REGISTRATION FEE

Registration by April 30, 2018 for members: \$275 - From May 1, 2018: \$300

(Includes Welcome Ceremony Meal, Kitchen Party meal and Closing Banquet. Please select all other meals you require in the meals section below:

Registration fee, per person:	_____	x	\$275/300	=	\$ _____
Youth registration fee, per person:	_____	x	\$200	=	\$ _____
Wednesday tour (first come!)	_____	x	\$60	=	_____
Additional Welcoming Ceremony tickets:	_____	x	\$35	=	\$ _____
Additional Kitchen Party tickets:	_____	x	\$60	=	\$ _____
Additional Banquet tickets:	_____	x	\$70	=	\$ _____
			Total A	=	\$ _____

ONE DAY REGISTRATION

Registration fee, per person (NOTE: does not include meals or evening events)	_____	x	\$65	=	\$ _____
(Please select the meals you require in the meals section below.)	_____				
			Total B	=	\$ _____

MEALS

Do you have any dietary concerns or allergies? YES NO - Please specify :

Name:

Select desired meals:

	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	<i>Number of meals</i>			
Breakfast		\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10	_____ x	\$10 =	\$	_____
Lunch		\$17	\$17	\$17	---	_____ x	\$17 =	\$	_____
Dinner	\$25	---	---	---	---	_____ x	\$25 =	\$	_____
							Total C	\$	_____

TOTAL PAYMENT:

A + B + C = \$ _____

Payment by cheque or bank draft must be to:
SSVP Canada
and mailed with the completed form to the following address:
Society of Saint Vincent de Paul
2463 Innes Rd
Ottawa ON K1B 3K3
Tel. 613-837-4363 - Toll free 1-866-997-7787
national@ssvp.ca

PLEASE NOTE

A confirmation of registration will be sent to you by email (or regular mail if no email address given).

CANCELLATION

Please note, refunds for verifiable emergencies will be granted at the discretion of the committee; refunds less \$50, will be made for other cancellations received up to one week prior to the conference.

No refunds will be given for cancellations made without notice.

For further assistance please contact: japeddle@nl.rogers.com



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Ow's it going?
 Like a smack in da mouth!
 Ders a fine lop on!
 My Hair is like a birch broom in the fits.
 Maggoty with fish!
 She's got the gift of gab.
 A scoff and a scuff!
 Good fer what ails ya!
 Some lot a nippers tonite!
 Take a gawk!
 Take a gander!
 Stuffed to the gills!
 Yer some crooked!
 Smack dab in the middle.
 Yer makin' some racket!
 I dies at you!
 Awful Nice Day!
 Saucy as a crackie!

How are you?
 When something fits well.
 High winds causing rough waters.
 My hair is a mess!
 Plenty of fish!
 She talks too much!
 A large meal and a dance!
 Good for your illness.
 Mosquitos are plentiful tonight.
 Have a really good look!
 Check it out!
 I've eaten too much!
 You are upset or very angry.
 Exactly in the middle.
 You are making too much noise.
 You crack me up-make me laugh.
 Beautiful sunny day.
 Not a nice person.

*What are you waiting for?
 Newfoundland & Labrador is expecting you!*



MISSION

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is a lay Catholic organization whose mission is:

To live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy.

VALUES

The Mission of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul implies that as Vincentians we:

- see Christ in anyone who suffers
- come together as a family
- have personal contact with the poor
- help in all possible ways.

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