



Unity in Charity

Where NURSING, MINISTRY, and CATHOLIC MISSION meet

2018 National Conference

Responding to Healthcare Challenges Influencing Catholic Nursing Practice... August 2-3, 2018 - San Antonio, Texas

General Information

Date: August 1: Board of Directors' Meeting (Cavalier Room)

August 2 and 3: Conference Podium Presentations (Ballrooms A and B)
Poster Sessions, Silent Auction, Exhibit Tables, Networking Opportunities (Foyer area outside ballrooms)
Fixed-Menu Lunches (Ballroom C)

Location: Historic Menger Hotel in San Antonio, Texas, USA

Conference Schedule:

Registration opens at 8:00AM each day

Conference activities begin at 9:00AM and end at 5:00PM

Optional Conference Activities***: (*under development*) open to all participants, family members, and friends

- 1) Mass offered each evening at San Fernando de Bexar Cathedral at 5:30 PM
- 2) Group tour of San Fernando de Bexar Cathedral (Thursday evening)
- 3) Dinner at famous Mexican restaurant in Mercado area (Thursday evening); A reserved eating area will be provided; costs are your personal responsibility
- 4) Laser light show at Main Plaza and San Fernando de Bexar Cathedral (Friday evening) held at 9:00PM, 9:30PM, or 10:00PM

- 5) Noche del Rio: Arneson River Theater in LaVillita (Saturday evening)
Traditional music, dance, and costumes are presented at an outdoor theater overlooking River Walk; dress very casual.

Tickets will be purchased beforehand:

Cost approximately \$35/person

Notify Jane Cardea (jcardea@gvtc.com) for performance purchase by June 15, 2018

Reserved tickets distributed during conference time; no additional tickets will be available unless there is a cancellation.

Additional Activity Suggestions within walking distance from hotel

- 1) Use Hop-on-Hop-Off bus stop to access many attractions (i.e., 5 world heritage missions; the Alamo, the 5th mission, is located directly across the street from the hotel)
- 2) Trolley car stops to Cathedral and Mercado areas
- 3) San Antonio river cruise (purchase tickets well in advance)
- 4) La Villita: Original San Antonio small church and variety of artisan galleries
- 5) Travel along the River Walk at night (it is safe) to get a clear “ambiance feeling” of this great flood control investment in the environment, restaurant specialties, and entertainment.

Other Activity Suggestions:

Please contact San Antonio's Official Visitor Information Center at www.visitsanantio.com to receive a free tour book with map. Ask anyone from San Antonio what they would recommend. As “The Military City of America” with a population of approximately 1.5 million residents, San Antonio and the nearby “Hill Country” with its beautiful caverns and wildflowers, have much to offer.

Note: *San Antonio is celebrating its 300th anniversary years throughout 2018. For activities you “must see” or “have to do”, order tickets early.*