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.visitsanantonio.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.