March 2016 CAVA Update



SAVE THE DATE: May 12, 2016 CAVA End of Year Gathering at the Felicians!

Year in review of our accomplishments, discuss next steps and network with other CAVA members, partners and friends!

National Catholic Sisters Week March 8-14, 2016

You are invited to use <u>these intercessions</u> during the week and at the Sunday liturgies. Be sure to post that you are celebrating NCSW on your website, Facebook and other social media. Please report your event on the <u>NCSW website</u> also. Have you checked out the Events page lately? There are some creative opportunities to celebrate sisters all around the country! http://us3.campaign-archive2.com/?u=7a836748093de96af17949082&id=218332d46c&e=f5e892954c

<u>Chicago's Got Sisters Spring 2016 - See Attached</u>

The next **Chicago's Got Sisters is April 15-16**. We need everybody's help in spreading the word. Please share attached flyer and bulletin insert with your discerners, parishes, young adult groups, colleges. You can also go to look for the Chicago's Got Sisters section http://www.vocationscava.org/vocation-awareness-events/ to download the brochure.

<u>Archbishop Meeting with Leadership April 1, 2016 (CAVA members are welcome)</u>

REGISTER NOW (Registration and schedule attached)

This meeting is an annual meeting with Leadership, however, Sr. Joan McGlinchey is happy to invite CAVA members to this meeting.

World Youth Day Chicago July 30-31, 2016 - Help Needed (Please read carefully)

We invite communities to help with this event in several ways, i.e. give cash or in kind donation or participate in subcommittee tasks. Last time CAVA participated in WYD Chicago 2013, we had a "Lemonade" stand at the Pilgrim's Patio. We could do this again but instead of lemonade (for teenagers) we can have COFEE, WATER and SNACKS. Would you be interested in donating coffee, water and/or snacks (snack bars, fruit, candy)? Please

email <u>cava@archchicago.org</u> to sign up. I am also very interested in your ideas for the CAVA table. Last time participants wore the "Pilgrims Patio" T-shirts. Shall we do that again? Do you have other ideas? Email or call me!

WYD Chicago 2016 EXHIBIT TABLE INFORMATION

There will be a limited number of Exhibitor/Vendor tables at the WYD Chicago 2016. Please email cava@archchicago.org if you are interested in getting a table for your community. One table is \$100.00 (\$50.00 if you share with another CAVA member). NOTE that this is pre-registration only – a way for me to find out how many are interested. Actual registration with payment will be available soon through the WYD Chicago steering committee. If you wish to participate but do not want a table, you can help at the CAVA table! We need you!

In the meantime, **thank you** to those who have already signed up to participate and donate money or food and supplies! It's not too late to help. See attached letter from Darius.

ATTENTION CAVA WOMEN MEMBERS - Register Now! <u>HandsON+HeartsIN - Volunteer Outreach Program</u>

It's not too late for women CAVA members to participate in this volunteer outreach program. Participation involves traveling to Mississippi with fellow vocation ministers and women discerners. Please contact Sr. Sharon Glumb at sglumb@slw.org or call 847-577-5972 for more information. See attached flyer to register.

NRVC Midwest Gathering: April 19, 2016

The Spring gathering for the NRVC Midwest Area is April 19 in Frankfort. "Legal/Financial Screening of Candidates for Religious Life" presented by Sr. Amy Hereford, CSJ. Register by April 8. *See attached brochure.*

Christmas Gathering Donations Update

Thank you again for participating in the annual Christmas collection. Around 2007/2008 when CAVA members gathered to celebrate Christmas, instead of doing the traditional gift exchange, they decided to donate the funds that would have been spent on a gift. Since then, a collection/offering during Mass became part of our gatherings. This year the money collected from our Christmas gathering went to:

\$90 – Interfaith Committee for Detained Immigrants Chicago

\$90 – Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement Program Chicago

NOTE: A collection will be taken during our May 12, 2016 End of Year Gathering during Mass. This time the funds will go to Haiti in honor of the Felician Sisters in gratitude for their support of CAVA.

Professional Growth Opportunity: Social Media Crash Course

Social Media Crash Course was developed as an initiative of <u>Apostles on Mission</u> participants in collaboration with <u>Paulist Evangelization Ministries</u> and the <u>Catholic Apostolate Center</u>. http://www.catholicapostolatecenter.org/social-media-crash-course.html

New document on Brothers by the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life (CICLSAL)

For feature article with PDF of the document visit: https://nrvc.net/268/article/identity-and-mission-of-the-religious-brother-in-the-church-3733

National Association of Vocation/Formation Directors (NAVFD) 2016 Conference (CANADA)

Sr. Nancy Sullivan, CSJ, Executive Director of NAVFD has asked me to extend this invitation: NAVFD in **Canada** invites you to their conference in Winnipeg from April 25-28, 2016.

Theme: "Live the Word Courageously: New Voices in Vocation Culture"

Keynote speakers: Fr. Scott Lewis, SJ and Sr. Amy Hereford, CSJ.

There will also be a variety of engaging workshops offered.

Registration fee: \$450 Canadian which converts to \$325 US today

Go to <u>vocations.ca</u> for the registration package.

http://vocations.ca/News Events/navfd 2016 conference registration.pdf

Congratulations

You might remember Sr. Yong Son Kim who was a CAVA member until she was transferred back to Korea. Sr. Carole Marie Blazina (current member) sent news that Sr. Yong Son was elected the new provincial superior in Korea. Congratulations and best wishes to Sr. Yong Son and the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill!

Submit your In-Kind Service Hours/Donation

Click below for the online form or copy and paste on your browser:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1JcNslcml1CYUnb08heNb21JcXA2cSGkmvU846pvzEm8/viewform

If you need the Excel Form, go to: http://www.vocationscava.org/membersonly/toolkit-for-cava-members/. NOTE: The gas mileage rate for ArchChicago is \$0.56

(You will need the CAVA member password).

Submit Your Community Discernment Opportunities

Suzanne Petrouski (Communications Committee Chair) and Saul Garcia (CAVA Webmaster) are happy to post your events. We are currently developing an online form, but in the meantime, please email them to cava@archchicago.org

Here I Am Lord Conference (March 3-6, 2016)

If you are a participant in the HIAL Conference, we need your photos and brief articles/stories to share on our next newsletter and website feature stories. Please email cava@archchicago.org your article and photos. Thank you!

Visit the CAVA Website MEMBER TOOLKIT PAGE for the updated Member Directory and Member Handbook: Visit the CAVA Website MEMBER PAGE to check on upcoming dates: http://www.vocationscava.org/membersonly/

Please note that the 2015-2016 Handbook draft is a work in progress due to the many changes in CAVA operations this past year. Thank you!

Are you celebrating your jubilee year or is your community celebrating a special anniversary? Are you moving or being transferred? Any important announcements? Please send Sr. Lovina any special events going on with you or your community at cava@archchicago.org

CALENDAR

Mar 09, 2016 <u>CAVA CMYA Meeting</u>

Mar 15, 2016 CAVA Advisory Board Meeting

Mar 21, 2016	CAVA VAPS Meeting
Apr 18, 2016	CAVA Communications Meeting (Frankfort)
May 12, 2016	CAVA End of Year Gathering
Aug 3 - 6, 2016	Catholics on Call Young Adult Summer Program http://www.catholicsoncall.org/young-adult-conferences
Sep 15-16, 2016	Catholics on Call Partners Conference http://www.catholicsoncall.org/partner-conference
Oct 27-31, 2016	NRVC Convocation https://nrvc.net/274/article/convocation-2016-8419