

Shift Work

Authentic living is about doing *shift* work. Initiating, responding and living with *shifts* is faithful work because we all know that in real life *shift* happens.

Come for:

- Sabbath time,
- theological reflection
- spiritual renewal
- deepening connections with the diaconal community
- Strategizing to be heard and seen in UCC structures.

When:

We will begin with lunch on Tuesday, April 17, 2007 and finish with lunch on Friday, April 20, 2007.

Where

Star of the North Retreat Centre is located on the historic Mission Hill overlooking the Sturgeon Valley and the city of St. Albert. It is a year round educational and retreat centre and offers a warm and inviting atmosphere with comfortable, accessible accommodations and surroundings. It is located 5 minutes from Edmonton.

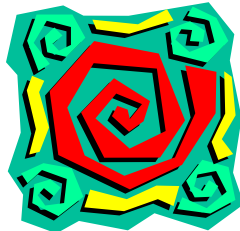
Accommodation

Most of the rooms at the retreat centre we have reserved are carpeted single private bedrooms with common (shared) washrooms and showers. If you wish to share a room, double bedrooms are available at no extra cost. Please indicate this request on your registration form. There are laundry facilities. If your travel plans necessitate an early arrival on Monday night you will be responsible for the extra cost for your room at \$31. plus breakfast on Tuesday morning at \$6. Many restaurants are within walking distance for Monday supper. Unfortunately there is no room on Friday night if your departure is Saturday or if you wish to stay longer.

Free Time options:

We will have free time one afternoon during the gathering. A number of options will be set up for you to choose from. These may include:

- ❖ hiking on the trails in St. Albert
- ❖ a visit to the inner city of Edmonton,
- ❖ the multi-faith centre in Edmonton, or
- ❖ the art galleries.



Local Arrangements

The Star of the North Retreat Centre is located in St. Albert on the northern edge of Edmonton. Transportation will be provided from the Edmonton airport; the Greyhound/Red Arrow bus depot and the Via Rail depot.

Registration Cost: \$300.00

This includes accommodation, meals, and a contribution to the travel pool. This cost will be the same for all participants, including those arriving late or departing early. No reductions will be made for those who stay off site.

Please submit your registration form and non-refundable deposit of \$50, by **March 29, 2007** to:

Audrey Mitchell

10828 - 148 St.

Edmonton, AB T5N 3H5

Phone: 1- 780- 447-5336

If possible, please do not phone between 1-4 p.m. MST

Email: revaud@shaw.ca

Make all cheques payable to "DUCC – 2007"

Balance of \$250.00 is due upon arrival.

Please pay by cheque or cash only.

Travel Pool

We hope to pay a portion of everyone's travel costs. Travel cheques will be mailed after the event.

Registration form:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Dietary limitation/restrictions

Other special needs/ environmental sensitivities/ double room(no extra charge – identify whom you'd like to share with)

I am arriving at _____
_____ airport /train/bus

On _____ (day)

at _____ am/pm

and will require transportation to the Retreat Centre.

I will require accommodation for early arrival on Monday night at the extra cost of \$31. yes ___ no ___ and Tuesday breakfast @ \$6. _____ (please check)

Registration deadline:

March 29, 2007

Financial Assistance

Application to the Kaufman Fund could be a source of funding for this event.

To request assistance, contact Sue Browning, 23 Lysanda Avenue
London, Ontario N5Z 4L1
Phone: (519) 681-3521

susanbrowning@sympatico.ca

For student bursary(ies), contact Kay Dean. e-mail Address:

kay.dean@ns.sympatico.ca

Driving Directions: take highway 2 north from Edmonton through to St. Albert. Turn west at St.Vital Ave. The retreat centre is at the top of the hill beside St. Albert Roman Catholic Church.

Contact Info for the Star of the North Retreat Centre:

Phone: 1-780-459-5511; Email address: administration@star.omi.ca

Registrar:

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National Gathering

April 17-20, 2007

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