

oblates and oblate directors from all over the world will gather to discuss, to share, to celebrate, to pray and work together, exploring our Congress theme:

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The Congress is aimed at Benedictineoblates and oblate novices whose participation is endorsed by their oblate directors. A special workshop for accompanying oblate directors will be arranged.

The official Congress language is English, with plenum lectures translated into French, German, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish.

THE BENEDICTINE COMMUNITY IN MOVEMENT

Don't wait to register: Each country or region has been assigned its own quota of voting delegates. Once this quota has been filled, additional participants are welcome as non-voting representatives.

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Old News:

NAABOD 2017 will be hosted by the Benedictines of St. Scholastica in Duluth, MN, July 14-19, 2017.

NAABOD 2017 Theme is "Benedictine Values & Practices: Tools for Living, Tools for Life"

NAABOD 2017 Speakers:

- Theresa Schumacher, OSB – St. Benedict Monastery, St. Joseph, MN
- Rene McGraw, OSB – St. John's Abbey, Collegeville, MN
- Mary Reuter, OSB – St. Benedict's Monastery, St. Joseph, MN

If you need to fly, fly into the Minneapolis, MN airport and then take the shuttle to Duluth. This is cheaper than flying directly into Duluth, MN.

Oblate Directors, Assistant, and Associate Directors are encouraged to attend along with two oblates from your Monastery

NOTE: If for some reason, your directors are not able to attend NAABOD 2017, please remember to send two oblates from your Monastery as your representatives.

We will be electing a new NAABOD leadership team at NAABOD 2017. So, please send your nominations for president and vice president to Fr. Mark Stengel (stengelmark@gmail.com). And, remember to pay your dues so that your Monastery is able to vote.

Please remember to send me the list of oblates who have died since NAABOD 2015. Or, if your list of deceased oblates was not included in NAABOD 2015, please provide me with your lists from previous years as far back as is appropriate.

Scholarships are available for directors (religious only) for NAABOD 2017. Please contact me if you need financial assistance in order to attend NAABOD 2017 or if you need financial assistance in order to pay your annual NAABOD Membership dues.

Please remember to send this newsletter to each of your assistant / associate oblate directors.

Blessings & Peace,

S. Bonita Gacnik, OSB
President, North American Association of Benedictine Oblate Directors (NAABOD)