

Mighty Messenger

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Golden Anniversary Celebration

The Urantia Book burst on the scene on Columbus Day, 1955. The lives of those who picked it up and perceived the truth contained between its covers were changed forever.

This summer of 2005, from July 30-August 4, *The Urantia Book* Fellowship will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the publication of *The Urantia Book* as it holds its International Conference (IC' 05), "Making Spirit Matter – The Next 50 Years", at Villanova University near Philadelphia. The Fellowship's International Conferences are held every three years at various locations and tend to draw between 700 and 1,000 attendees. The conference planners are anticipating high numbers this year, given the celebratory nature of the event.

Villanova University's beautiful campus is easily accessible by commuter rail from the Philadelphia airport. The campus residential suites and registration area are a short walk from the train station. All campus facilities, including the residential suites, are air-conditioned and handicapped accessible. A large, user-friendly student center will accommodate most of our large sessions and social activities. While all activities will be located within a reasonable walking distance, a volunteer-run shuttle service between the residential facilities and the student center will be available to those who need this extra help.

The program consists of presentations, panel discussions and a variety of workshops in the areas of experiential spirituality, philosophy/theology and science. There will be two concurrent pre-conference retreats, one, a "Music Retreat", led by Gary Deinstadt and the other, "Experiencing Spirit in Everyday Life", sponsored by The Retreat Network.

The Experiential Spirituality track will include topics such as Jesus as Pattern, Forgiveness, Parables, Service, Religious Practices, Living the Revelation, Outreach, Relationships, Parenting, Teamwork, Personal Development, Self Mastery, Cosmic Citizenship, Developing Spiritual Habits, Prayer and Worship.

The Philosophy/Theology track will include, among many other topics, Pattern in *The Urantia Book*, *The Urantia Book* Reader and Institutionalized Religion, Source Authors for *The Urantia Book*'s Biblical Material, The Interfaith Movement and Beyond, Studying the Foreword to *The Urantia Book*, Introduction to *The Urantia Book* for new readers and spouses/teens, Building a Bridge Between the Bible and *The Urantia Book*, God the Supreme, History of Epochal Revelation, Spiritual Unity and Community.

The science track will feature, among others, presentations by Dr. Phil Calabrese on the scientific credibility of *The Urantia Book*, by Dr. Patricia Rife on the Universal Mother

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Spirit and parallels in physics, by Gard Jameson about *The Urantia Book* and contemporary thought on evolution, by Suzanne Kelly-Ward on the correlation of mind and spirit in the brain, by John Causland on astronomy (He will bring his large telescope to the conference.), and by Captain Robert ("Bob") Bates on the Atlantis expedition off the coast of Cyprus.

Beyond all this, there will be ample opportunities for group worship, social reversion at Club UB, as well as various programs for children and teens. There will also be a bookshop with all sorts of Urantia Book-related materials and gifts as well as an art gallery with many kinds of Urantia Book-related artwork.

A fun fundraising auction will be held (time and place to be announced) during the conference. Attendees are invited to donate Urantia Book-related relics (e.g. 1st & 2nd editions Urantia Books, books by Dr. Sadler, poems & study aids, Urantia Book inspired art objects, and other nice things you may no longer need. For more information, contact Lenny Cowles at lighting@indra.com.

A free day is scheduled during which attendees can visit Philadelphia and surrounding areas either on their own or by signing up for pre-arranged tours.

A gala dinner-dance celebration, planned for Wednesday evening, August 3rd, will feature great food and an eight-piece band. Attendees are encouraged to "dress up" for this event.

Don't miss being part of this Golden Anniversary celebration. If you have not already done so, send in your registration today. (Remember, the registration fee goes up from \$100 to \$130 after May 15). For more information or to register, go to <http://www.urantiabook.org> and click on the IC '05 icon. If you have no access to the Internet, call toll free at 1-877-288-3772 and ask for a registration form.

General Council in Atlanta Iced In ...

The General Council of *The Urantia Book* Fellowship held its mid-year meeting in Atlanta, GA, on January 28-29, following a meeting of the Executive Committee on January 27-28. Local readers had been invited to a social gathering at the Crown Plaza Hotel where the meetings took place, but were unable to arrive because of a severe ice storm that paralyzed the region on Saturday. However, Council members made the best of the bad weather and enjoyed each other's company over refreshments that evening.

Barbara Newsom was elected to a temporary vacancy on the Council created by the recent resignation of Lee Smith. She will occupy the position until the next Triennial Delegate Assembly (TDA)

in the summer of 2006 when the next Council elections will be held.

Gene Narducy and Charlene Morrow were elected to the Interfaith Committee, and Don Green was elected to the Finance Committee.

The Executive Committee has formed a website management team to ascertain current and future needs and make recommendations. Despite the superb work done by our webmaster, David Kantor, the continued management and development of our website systems will require a higher level of coordination and technical inputs than are currently utilized. Steve Dreier will chair the group and will be drawing on talents among the readership for assistance.

After months of preliminary work on a logo design for the Fellowship, Robert Burns has been appointed to head a team that will bring the process to a successful conclusion. The logo team solicited design entries from a number of artists and will culminate in a vote by the membership on five design finalists. The winning artist will receive an award of \$2,500.

Uversa Press reports

that the printing of 5,000 hardback copies of *The Urantia Book* is proceeding apace and is expected to be completed in time for IC'05. As reported earlier, this printing was made possible through a generous donation from one of our friends and fellow readers. John Hay has proposed an ambitious marketing plan for the book which we hope will increase the book's distribution.



Fellowship Visit to Latin America

Old friendships were strengthened and new ones made during a two-week trip to Latin America by several members of the Fellowship's International Committee last February. General Councilors David Kantor, Augustin Arellano, and Susan Ransbottom were among the participants.

The first stop was San Jose, Costa Rica, for a 3-day conference. About 40 people attended, and this was the first time many of them had met with other readers. Enthusiasm was high, and commitments were made to form seven new study groups to be located in different places throughout the country. Local readers gave the American visitors a delightful tour of the Costa Rican countryside, including a trip to the top of one of the volcanoes.

The group's arrival in Guayaquil, Ecuador found a number of readers waiting to greet them, eager to ask questions about the book. The following day, David, Augustin, and Susan did their first of several radio programs. These programs have proved to be successful at inspiring new study group formation. Newspaper articles appeared about the conference as well as a large paid ad the local readers took out.

Many hours were spent in planning for the Conference of the Three Americas to be held in Guayaquil in 2006.

(This year it will be held in Mazatlan, Mexico.) About 100 people attended two different conference sessions, many of them new readers who came because of the promotional efforts, and again, new study groups are in the process of formation.

For more information on the Mazatlan conference in May, check the "What's New" page on the Fellowship website: www.urantiabook.org.



Susan Ransbottom and Augustin Arellano answer questions about The Urantia Book on live radio program in Guayaquil, Ecuador.

Minister who uses The Urantia Book in his church in San Jose, Costa Rica, participates in discussion during conference.



Public meeting in Guayaquil, Ecuador, to introduce The Urantia Book.



Cultivating the Spirit of Religion

by Disseminating *The Urantia Book*

The Executive Committee at its meeting on September 17, 2004 in Unity Village charged a sub-committee to develop a logo for *The Urantia Book Fellowship*. The subcommittee selected was John Hay, David Kantor, Paula Thompson, Lenny Cowles, and Robert Burns. The subcommittee also worked on developing an identifying statement or a defining slogan, then expanded on the identifier and came up with a stump statement to further clarify what *The Urantia Book Fellowship* is about and accomplishes.

The General Council was polled in January '05 for their top choices using a new and unique voting system on the Fellowship website. Over 35 logos were submitted by 6 graphic artists, Ben Venosa, Kara Blake, Sarah Tomer, Katie Metzler, Terry Kruger and one unnamed artist. We are thankful for all their tremendous heart-felt effort and work.

The subcommittee each picked their top 5, reducing the logos to 15. The General Council then chose from these 15 logos, picking their top three. A presentation was made to the General Council on January 29, '05 in Atlanta, showing the final 5 choices. These finalists will be voted on by the members of Fellowship in April of '05. The subcommittee felt strongly that any logo we come up with should be tested in the community, therefore, each member of the Fellowship will receive a package in the mail with details.

The subcommittee worked equally as hard on the qualifier to be used to describe the essence of what the Fellowship is about. For now we decided on "Cultivating the Spirit of Religion by Disseminating *The Urantia Book*".

We also worked on the stump statement. A stump statement is an expanded explanation of what we do and at the same time not overly verbose or lengthy.

THE URANTIA BOOK FELLOWSHIP :

- Cultivating the Spirit of Religion by Disseminating *The Urantia Book*
- *The Urantia Book Fellowship* is the original social fraternal organization of believers in *The Urantia Book*.
- While our primary focus is the dissemination of the book, we strive to provide opportunities to bring together individuals who read and believe in the book.
- Through dissemination, service, study, and socialization, we have dedicated our efforts to serving the revelation and all who serve it.
- We represent a culture that values group wisdom and strives to evolve.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- Publishers of the most study-friendly *Urantia Book* in print and numerous effective study aids and supportive works.
- Consistently excellent periodicals sent freely to the Urantia community.
- Outstanding Triennial International Conferences since 1967.
- A website that is a comprehensive resource library of 50 years worth of Urantia Book scholarship.
- Progressive programs in the areas of domestic and international outreach, study groups, interfaith, youth and family life.

While the logo, identifier, and stump statement express only a part of what *The Urantia Book Fellowship* is, expressing but a small essence of who we are, why we are, and what we do, it is a start. As time/space creatures, everything has a beginning, noble or otherwise.

— Robert Burns

Papparazzi Needed Do you carry a camera with you everywhere? Is your favorite phrase "Smile, everybody!"? Do you like to make a photographic record of the people and events in your society or study group? Then the Mighty Messenger needs you!

The new format for this newsletter is greatly enhanced by photographs as well as news stories about your Urantia activities. We know there is a great deal going on out there; but unless you tell us about it, and even better, include photographs of it, the readership may never know just how creative, loving, and service oriented you are. Inspire us with the experiences and ideas of your group.

Requirements are very simple. Photographs should be accompanied by a caption or description and a short article describing the event or individuals being featured. Photos may also be of art, nature. Show us what it looks like! Send all information to the Publications Committee in care of *The Urantia Book Fellowship*, P.O. Box 4583, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163, or by e-mail fellowship@urantiabook.org.



Barb Newsom lights a candle representing a major world religion during holiday program in Chicago.

Let There Be Light...

For many years the First Society (Chicago) has planned a program around the Christmas holidays, often jointly with the Chicago area IUA group. On December 11, at their Festival of the World's Religions, they reviewed "Religions of the 20th Century." The program, held at 533 Diversey, included presentations on various religious traditions by individuals from both groups.

The program centered about light, as light seems to have special importance in every religion. Thus, candles representing many different religions were lit in turn, and the ceremony included the lighting of a menorah in acknowledgement of Chanukah.

This holiday tradition began many years ago when the revelatory commission suggested to the Forum that they might not wish to discontinue the customary celebration of Christmas within their families, but that they could instead add an observance honoring great religious teachers of the past and present, or presentations about the world's religions.

About 55 people attended the festivities which included a potluck buffet and a party, and the old Forum room was decorated with generations of collected holiday decorations.

Interfaith Action in Our World

Come join the largest interfaith gathering in North America in 2005, August 12-15, at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. This will be the first joint gathering of the United Religions Initiative (www.uri.org) and the North American Interfaith Network (www.nain.org). The Urantia community will be taking an active part in this watershed event.

Monday evening, August 15, there will be a banquet hosted by our Urantia community and by the local interfaith group. Susan Cook, Judy Langston, Al Wolf, and others will be in charge of preparing for this auspicious gathering. Also, the Urantia community will be in charge of creating sacred spaces in which to celebrate different faith traditions.

Each day will feature opportunities for spiritual immersion from different faith traditions in the morning and afternoon, including a celebration honoring the Native American presence, and an evening meal featuring Islamic cuisine from all parts of the world and Islamic entertainment and inspiration. There will also be a computer laboratory to explore with facilitation the interfaith web world and exercise opportunities from Tai Chi and Yoga instructors.

UNLV is located five minutes from the infamous Las Vegas Strip. Before or after the conference you may wish to take a tour of the Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon, or visit Lake Mead and Hoover Dam.

This event has been designed to be as inexpensive as possible to draw all to its door. Come join us! The registration will be \$145 per person; room and board (all meals) will be \$65 per day for a single room and \$45 per day for a double room. Look for online registration information either at www.uri.org or www.nain.org.

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New General Council Member



Barbara Newsom

Study groups are my first love. Raised in Wichita, Kansas, I became active in study groups in 1965 and later in Oklahoma and the Kansas City area. In 1975 I moved to Chicago and was employed by Urantia Brotherhood and Urantia Foundation from 1975-1976. I now serve the First Society on their governing committee and I was their Triennial Delegate in 2003.

Serving again on the General Council comes as both a surprise and a joy to me. From 1976-1985, I served a nine-year term on the Council and also on the Executive Committee as Publications Committee Chair, then on the Special Projects Committee from 1987 to the present, specializing in Urantia organization archives and history. In 2000, I joined the IUA; and I was on the steering committee for the 2004 International IUA Conference in the Chicago area.

I am devoted to enhancing the coordination and cooperation of readers around the word as our beloved revelation spreads. My career as a training and development consultant has allowed me to visit study groups as I travel for business, and I hope my 40 years of experience with Urantia study groups will help in the creation and support of thousands of new study groups worldwide.

Jerusalem Marketplace Shop Assistants Sought

In the Jerusalem Marketplace at IC '05, children will experience the sights, sounds, and smells that Jesus might have encountered as he passed by. Maybe he will visit the marketplace at Villanova! If you would like to share your time or talent to make the marketplace come alive, join us in this learning community.

Volunteers are needed to help run the small shops. You can sign up for one hour, one morning, one evening, or more. We provide you with the simple directions on what you are creating; and how it might have been used in Jesus' times. Sara, Wendy, or staff will always be present to supervise the children, and you simply help with the crafts or activities at your shop.

Leatherwork, pottery, carpentry, jewelry, basket weaving, and rope making are some of the shops we are planning. We also have supplies for felting and hand spinning if you have a skill in those areas.

Another way to help the marketplace come alive is to share your musical or performing talent. We can always use a juggler, belly dancer, or musician to wander through the marketplace, or to entertain at the Welcome Thought Adjuster party for the children ages five to seven.

So, if you want to share your time and participate in this marketplace adventure, contact Wendy Anderson at wintergarden@gci.net or call toll free (888) 456-3440.

Are You Willing to be a UB Contact Person?



From time to time the Fellowship receives calls from people who are interested in meeting with other readers. Often times there is a study group in their area but many times this is not the case. We need people who would be willing to get to know the readers in their area and actively engage in bringing readers together by creating opportunities for study and socialization, as well as just being there for someone to talk to. If you are interested please let us know by sending your personal contact information to:

The Urantia Book Fellowship - UB Contacts

PO Box 4583

Grand Central Station

New York, NY 10163

Or call 1.877.288.3772 or

email it to Fellowship@urantiabook.org

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 2005 REGISTRATION FORM

The Urantia Book Fellowship
 Conference Registration: P.O. Box 63, Kenilworth IL 60043 USA
 Phone: (toll free) 877-288-3772 Fax: 847-251-2490 E-mail: IC05Conference@UrantiaBook.org

Making Spirit Matter - The Next Fifty Years

July 30 – August 4, 2005

Villanova University – Villanova, Pennsylvania USA

SECTION 1	PERSONAL INFORMATION
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First Name: _____ Last Name: _____
 Address Line 1: _____ Address Line 2: _____
 City/Town: _____ State: _____ Country: _____ Postal Code: _____
 Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____ Cell: _____
 Fax # _____ E-mail Address: _____ This is my first conference.
 Language: Primary _____ Secondary _____

Please print the names of each member in your group including yourself, as you would like these names to appear on the conference nametags. Please include all children and youth under 18 years of age. Check the youth program column for any participating in the program. Programs available for all ages.

	Last Name	First Name	Gender	Youth Program	Age
1.	_____	_____	M F	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
2.	_____	_____	M F	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
3.	_____	_____	M F	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
4.	_____	_____	M F	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
5.	_____	_____	M F	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
6.	_____	_____	M F	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
7.	_____	_____	M F	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

CANCELLATION POLICY: NO REGISTRATION REFUNDS AFTER JULY 1

SECTION 2	REGISTRATION AND COMMUTER FEES
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On Campus: (There is no charge for children age 3 and under)
 Adults: \$100 before May 31 \$130 after May 31 \$145 after June 30
 Youth: \$25 (4-18) \$50 (age 4-18) \$50 (age 4-18)
 _____ adult registrations X Reg fee of \$ _____ = _____
 _____ youth registrations X Reg fee of \$ _____ = _____

Registration Fee Total \$ _____ (Transfer to Section 6-1)

Commuters pay a daily registration fee of \$30 per adult and \$20 per youth (age 4-18) Check the days you plan to attend.
 Sun Jul 31 Mon Aug 1 (No commuter charge for Tuesday) Wed Aug 3 (No commuter charge for Thur.)

_____ adult commuter registrations X _____ days X \$30 = \$ _____
 _____ youth commuter registrations X _____ days X \$20 = \$ _____

Commuter Registration Fees Total \$ _____ (Transfer to Section 6-2)

SECTION 3

ACCOMODATIONS

All buildings have elevators. All rooms are in suites. All suites are air-conditioned and handicap accessible. One set of linens and towels will be provided. Check in and check out 12:00 noon.

Types of suites:

Suite I: 4 single bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, sitting area, and kitchenette (total of 4 beds)

Suite II: 2 double bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, sitting area, and kitchenette (total of 4 beds)

If the entire suite is reserved, one conference registrant is responsible for the entire suite payment.

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR DESIRED ACCOMMODATIONS: Saturday July 30 check-in to Thursday August 4 checkout inclusive

Entire Suite I: w/4 individual bedrooms \$ 740

Entire Suite II: w/2 rooms w/2 beds in each room \$ 660

I/We will be sharing a suite with: First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

OR

_____ Suite I Single room beds X \$210 each = \$ _____

_____ Suite II Double room beds X \$190 each = \$ _____

_____ Youths (under 18) in own bed in room with registered adults X \$100 = \$ _____

(No charge for youth using sleeping bags on the floor in room with registered adults.)

I will be sharing a double room with: First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

If you have no roommate preference, every effort will be made to assign appropriate roommates.

Your age range _____, gender _____.

Partial Attendance: \$50 per night / per person regardless of age – if rooms are available

Please check the nights you need housing:

Sat Jul 30 Sun Jul 31 Mon Aug 1 Tue Aug 2 Wed Aug 3

_____ persons X _____ nights X \$50 = \$ _____

Extra Nights Before or After Conference: Room only, meals not included

Additional nights needed: Thu Jul 28 Fri Jul 29 Thu Aug 4 Fri Aug 5

Single room \$42 per night per person X _____ persons X _____ nights = \$ _____

Double room \$37 per night per person X _____ persons X _____ nights = \$ _____ Accommodation Total \$ _____

(Transfer to Section 6-3)

I would like to share with: First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

SECTION 4

MEAL PLAN – MUST BE PURCHASED BY JULY 15

Meals include: Saturday – D; Sunday B, L, D; Monday B, L, D; Tuesday B (Free Day); *Wednesday B, L,D; Thursday B, L
Vegetarian meals available. *Wednesday dinner is Gala Banquet, dress up requested.

_____ adults (12 years and up) X \$135 = \$ _____

_____ youth X \$70 = \$ _____ (No charge ages 5 and under)

Meal Total \$ _____ (Transfer to Section 6-4)

Commuters: On your own for all meals. Commuters must pay for Wednesday Gala Banquet, which is \$30 for adults, \$15 for youth:

_____ Adults X \$30 = _____ plus _____ youth (6-18) X \$15= _____ Banquet Total \$ _____

(Transfer to Section 6-5)

Scholarship Contributions: The Scholarship Fund is to help readers in need to attend the conference.

Youth Program Contributions: The Fund will help defray the cost of the program.

Scholarship Contribution \$ _____ (Transfer to Section 6-6)
 Youth Program \$ _____ (Transfer to Section 6-7)

T-Shirts with conference logo and quotation - \$10 each

Small _____ X \$10 = \$ _____
 Medium _____ X \$10 = \$ _____
 Large _____ X \$10 = \$ _____
 X Large _____ X \$10 = \$ _____

T-Shirts Order Total \$ _____ (Transfer to Section 6-8)

PLEASE USE THE BACK OF THIS FORM FOR ANY COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, OR SPECIAL REQUESTS.

SECTION 5

SPECIAL EVENTS

Tuesday Trips

A. Cradle of Liberty—\$39 pp

Begin your day in the future at the Franklin Institute, which features four floors of interactive scientific exhibits, see an IMAX movie, explore galaxies in the planetarium, and visit historic Philadelphia with a guide.

B. Longwood Gardens/Brandywine Museum \$59 pp (under 15 yrs. \$51)

America’s premier horticultural display with a Conservatory and 40 blooming gardens, festival of outdoor fountains, concerts, lunch included. Brandywine Museum is a Century-old grist mill converted to a modern art museum exhibiting works by three generations of Wyeths and other famous artists.

C. Hershey Park—\$40 pp (age 3 – 8 \$36)

The great American chocolate town tucked in the rolling hills of Pa. Chocolate World welcomes you to the wonderful world of Hershey. Follow the cocoa bean on its way to becoming a Hershey bar. The amusement park offers the latest and greatest entertainment for families with eight roller coasters, water rides and much more. In order to keep the cost low for this all day amusement park, the bus is an air-conditioned school bus.

D. Amish Experience Tour—\$66 pp (under 12 yrs. \$55)

Tour the Amish country Homestead through farmlands and back roads to see the beauty of the Amish countryside, stopping at Amish shops and cottage industries. A 40 minute, five screen, special effects, 3-D imagery movie theatre, unfolding the life of the Fisher Family from Europe to America and their struggle to choose between Amish values and the “English” way of life. This includes a family-style meal at their Plain and Fancy Restaurant.

E. On Your Own—From the train station on campus to Center City where you can connect with trolley busses that run loops around all the special places of interest in the city. All day passes with on/off privileges are available there.

Trip A _____ persons X \$39 = _____;

Trip B _____ adults X \$59 = _____, and _____ youth X \$51 = \$ _____;

Trip C _____ adults X \$40 = _____, and _____ youth X \$36 = \$ _____;

Trip D _____ adults X \$66 = _____, and _____ youth X \$55 = \$ _____

Total \$ _____ (Transfer to Section 6-9)

Spiritual Retreat: “Experiencing Spirit in Everyday Life,” Friday, July 29 at 5:00PM through Saturday, July 30 at 4:00PM. The retreat will include centering prayer, readings from *The Urantia Book*, music, silent reflection time, group sharing and will end with worship. For further information, check here and contact Dolores Nice at dl nice@worldnet.att.net.

Music Retreat: The Music Retreat is being provided to rehearse and play, Friday, July 29 through Saturday, July 30. We will share perspectives on the creative process. We are going to look at how we may creatively find new ways of musical expression from the paradigm of the soul-consciousness experience. For further information check here and contact Gary Deinstadt at dynstat@optonline.net.

Merchandise For Sale: The sale of merchandise will be in our bookstore. Arrangements must be made in advance. Check here if you are interested and send an e-mail inquiry to ubooksrus@aol.com.

Art Gallery: If you would like to display your art in the gallery, please check here and send an e-mail inquiry to NickNYNY@nyc.rr.com.

Youth Programs: Free youth programs will be provided for all ages under 18 including the popular Jerusalem Marketplace. However there will be a charge for trips listed in Section 5 above. Further information will be provided after receipt of the registration.

Volunteers Needed: Registration Youth Program On Site Transportation Where Needed If you are willing to help please check the box(es). You will be contacted.

Villanova Services

- Swimming Pool
- Fitness Center
- Laundry Rooms
- Bank, ATM
- Parking: Next to Residence
- Computer Lounge

General Information

- Emergency 24/7 Campus Security 610 519 6979
- Philadelphia International Airport - 215 937 6800
- Airport Shuttle Service 610 525 0513
- Amtrak 1-800- 872-7245
- Camping 45 minutes away

SECTION 6 TOTALS AND BILLING AUTHORIZATION

- 1. Registration Fee Total\$ _____
- 2. Commuter Registration Fee Total.....\$ _____
- 3. Accommodations Total\$ _____
- 4. Meal Total\$ _____
- 5. Banquet Total.....\$ _____
- 6. Contribution – Scholarship.....\$ _____
- 7. Contribution – Youth Program\$ _____
- 8. T-Shirts Total\$ _____
- 9. Leisure Day Trip Total.....\$ _____

GRAND TOTAL \$ _____

Registration Deposit \$ _____

Balance Due before June 30 \$ _____

Payment Type

Credit Card: MasterCard Visa Check Money Order

Credit Card # _____ Expiration Date: _____

Signature _____ Name on card (please print) _____

NOTE: A minimum of one adult registration fee must accompany this form. If paying by check or money order, please make payable to *The Urantia Book Fellowship*. Please mail this form with your payment to Conference Registration, The Urantia Book Fellowship, PO Box 63, Kenilworth IL 60043

FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE NO LATER THAN JUNE 30. PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY DEBITED THE BALANCE DUE COMMENCING JUNE 30.

A STATEMENT WILL BE SENT TO CONFIRM RECEIPT OF YOUR REGISTRATION. PLEASE REVIEW AND KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS. PLEASE NOTIFY US OF ANY DISCREPANCY. THANK YOU. SEE YOU THERE!!

ART, ART AND MORE ART!

Beautiful and exciting oil paintings, watercolors, graphic designs, ceramics, sculpture in different media, mobiles and much more will be on display at *The Urantia Book* Fellowship International Conference Art Gallery to be held at Villanova University near Philadelphia from July 30 through August 4, 2005. Themes related to *The Urantia Book* are especially encouraged, but all subject matter is welcomed. A special artist exhibit form must be filled out by all artists who wish to display their works. Space is limited and potential exhibitors are asked to apply as soon as possible to Nick Curto, at nicknyny@nyc.rr.com or call (917) 701-9033 from 7 to 9 P.M. EST.

I C05 Auction-Rama

Put those Urantian Relics to good use. Auction proceeds will be used for conference expenses. Contact Lenny Cowles: 303.258.0504 or e-mail lighting@indra.com. Auction Relics Needed:

- Books: 1st and 2nd edition Urantia Books
- Books by Dr. Sadler
- Books by readers that reference Urantia
- Urantia Art
- Ceramics, stained glass Jewelry, clothing
- Vacation Adventures: Real Airline Tickets, Guest room privileges in home of an actual living Urantian.

Special Worship Planned for IC 05

Worship is a unique, transcendent experience wherein the finite personality-will creature approaches and ultimately attains the presence of the infinite personality of our Father. In worship, we ask for nothing and expect nothing. We choose, voluntarily, to express our love for and devotion to, our Father for everything we are able to comprehend that he is.

Human will creatures appear to approach the worship experience in differing ways in response to learning, temperament, cultural context, religious context, and other factors. At IC 05 we have planned a program that will focus on four pathways to the worship experience. These four pathways were chosen because they are essential, common human capabilities derived directly from the way in which the Father's plan for will creatures is manifest in us: Sensory Stimulation, Contemplation and Meditation, Unselfish Service, and Progressing Value Levels. These four pathways not only sit at the heart of ascending human life experience, they also are the very faculties we use to seek God, to do his will, and to reach the door to the worship experience.

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Upcoming Events...

• May 23-29, 2005 - Grupo Orvonton Conference at Hotel El Cid in Mazatlan, Mexico. The theme is "The Paradise Trinity". For further information, see "What's New" on Fellowship website.

• Pre-IC '05 Spiritual Retreat, "Experiencing Spirit in Everyday Life", July 29-30. The retreat will include centering prayer, readings from *The Urantia Book*, music, silent reflection, group sharing, and worship. For further information, contact Dolores Nice at dl nice@worldnet.att.net.

• Pre-IC '05 Music Retreat, July 29-30. There will be a sharing of perspectives on the creative process, and a search for new ways of creative musical expression from the paradigm of the soul-consciousness experience. For further information contact Gary Deinstadt at dynstat@optonline.net.

• August 12-15, 2005, the Urantia community will take part in the first joint gathering of the United Religions Initiative and the North American Interfaith Network at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Urantia Book readers will participate in several aspects of this conference. If you would like to join the activities, look for online registration at www.uri.org or at www.nain.org.

You Should Know... Education Committee Update

Come and check out our new education website <http://www.urantia-education.org>. With the help of Bill Rocap and the Education Committee, we have taken a step further in training presenters/teachers of the revelation.

We are presently busy designing a curriculum that will not only address the Urantia teachings, but will also give readers the tools and confidence needed to present the teachings publicly. We have volunteers who are professionals in the fields of public speaking, interfaith, psychology, etc. that will teach us how we can more effectively build upon the personal and religious experiences of our fellows.

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