

North American Conference of Associates and Religious

2011 Annual Report



Mission Statement

The North American Conference of Associate and Religious (NACAR) fosters the growth and development of associate communities formed as a way to further the mission of the Gospel. Association is a complementary expression of charisms of canonical communities.

To this end, NACAR affirms and proclaims the associate-religious relationship, educates associates and religious about associate communities, and empowers associate leadership.

Recommended by NACAR Board of Directors November 2011 to be affirmed by NACAR members at Conference 2012

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The Board of Directors wish to acknowledge former board member D. P. Moose Wetzel and former executive director Sr. Cathy Schwemer, PHJC, for their dedicated service to the mission of NACAR.

NACAR 2011 YEAR IN REVIEW

- January “On-going Formation” Workshop scheduled for February 2011 was cancelled
- February Leadership Manual *Lead with the Spirit* orders filled
- March Board of Directors meeting (Donaldson, IN and facilitated by Sr. Betty Finn, SC)
- Began planning for “New NACAR” where members would be connected regionally
 - Membership focus and recruitment: Associate leadership, Congregations and Associate groups, Associates and Religious
 - Conference 2012 planning: committees and chairpersons
- Executive Director resigned
- April Board restructured whereby directors take on distributed duties of the Executive Director
Website www.nacar96.org changed to www.nacar.org and updated
- May Commencement of monthly e-newsletters to members
Survey regarding needs and services sent to membership
- June “The Ins and Outs of Associate Formation” Professional Development Workshop held in Kingston Ontario (22 participants)
Last printed edition of *The Associate* mailed to members and subscribers
- July Board of Directors meeting (Cincinnati, OH)
- Clarified benefits of NACAR membership
 - Conference 2012 planning
 - Developed sub-committee to focus on Consulting Services
 - Decided to go “electronic” with *The Associate* and all communications
- September “Developing Dynamic Boards, Teams and Committees” Professional Development Workshop held in Chicago (18 participants)
- November Membership notified that first electronic edition of *The Associate* available on the website
Board of Directors meeting (Cincinnati, OH)
- Affirmed Mission Statement
 - Defined leadership structure (Management Team and Board membership)
 - Established Standing Board Committees and Chairpersons
 - Conference 2012 planning
 - Clarified “New NACAR” announcement at Conference 2012
 - Planned tentative NACAR workshops for 2012-2013
 - Election of new Board Members (Kathy Herrington and Cathi Duffy)
 - Membership notified Conference 2012 registration booklet and forms available on website

Memberships: 108 Congregational Members; 84 Individual

FINANCIAL REPORT

NACAR completed the year with positive results. The result from operations was positive mainly due to membership income – a 74% increase over the year 2010.

Statement of Activities

January 1 – December 31, 2011

Income

■ <i>The Associate</i>	290.00
■ Leadership Manual	2,070.00
■ Contributions	4,195.00
Memberships:	
■ Congregational	33,465.00
■ Individual	3,950.00
■ Workshops	14,496.00
■ Other Income	<u>43.82</u>

TOTAL Income **\$58,509.82**



Expense

■ <i>The Associate</i> Magazine	1,201.08
■ Board	3,184.96
■ Staff Costs	9,405.50
■ Publications	3,208.20
■ Contract Labor	400.00
■ Postage	845.65
■ Information Technology	2,385.84
■ Workshops	10,189.91
■ Supplies	704.72
■ Miscellaneous	<u>915.69</u>

TOTAL **\$32,437.28**



Net Income **\$26,068.27**

Net Assets at December 31, 2011 **\$25,305.07**