

CHAPTER GENERAL 2020 Niagara Falls, Ontario May 28-31, 2020

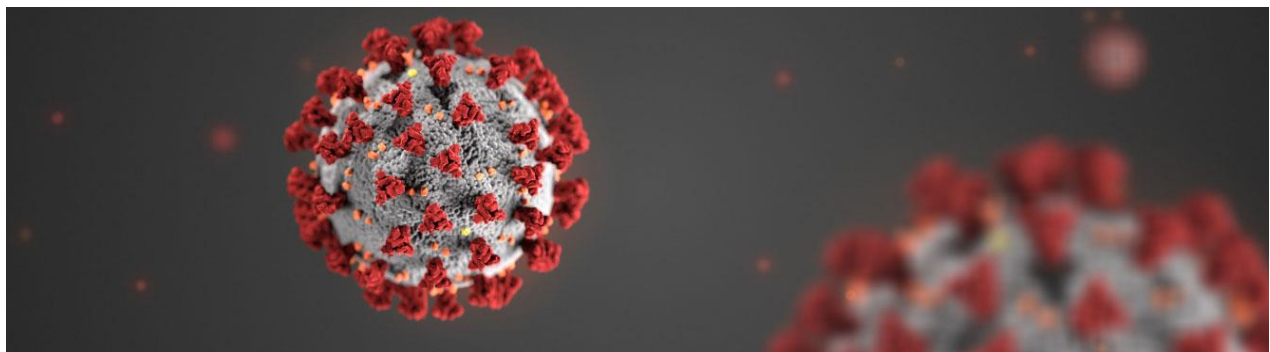


Western Ontario Commandery, Order of Saint Lazarus, Canada

“Recalling the Past, Embracing the Future”
– Modernizing the Order with Technology.

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Information on the Chapter General: CG 2020 CANCELLED



Dealing with the present: Given the Coronavirus Pandemic declared last week by the World Health Organization and with the new Ontario government restrictions, the Planning Committee, in consultation with the Grand Prior, has officially cancelled the Chapter General planned for 2020 out of concern for the safety of members and their guests.

Despite this cancellation the **2020 Annual General Meeting** will still take place this year. The date will be announced as soon as possible. Our Grand Prior, Dame Jane Anema and the Executive Team are working on confirming when and how this will take place virtually for Canadian Members of the Order. Watch your inbox for details. Please remember that to vote at the AGM that you must be in good standing so if you have not taken the opportunity to honour your oblation commitment, it would be prudent to do so soon.

Hotel Booking: For those who booked rooms at the hotel, I am informed that they will automatically be cancelled and not deferred to next year. If a deposit was taken when you booked, please call the hotel directly to have the charge credited back to you.

Call Marriott Fallsview: 1-888-501-8916 to confirm cancellation of your room and/or credit of any deposit made.

Registration Fees:

Canadian Members of the Order who have already registered have three choices:

- A. Defer registration for next year's Chapter General with no increase in Registration Fee for Chapter General 2021.
- B. Refund full registration fee minus \$25.00 administration fee.
- C. Issue tax receipt this year, in lieu of a refund, for a voluntary donation to the member's Commandery charitable works or to the Grand Priory of Canada for one of the Order's pillars (specify which). Price of full registration may increase next year if Option A is not chosen.

United States of America and Foreign Members of the Order have two choices:

- A. Defer registration for next year's Chapter General with no increase in Registration Fee for Chapter General 2021.
- B. Refund full registration fee at exchange rate when paid minus \$25.00 administration fee.

Please advise our Registrar, Dame Kim Griffiths by email of your preference above:
receiver.westernontst.lazarus@gmail.com

NOW the GOOD NEWS - Save the Date! After consultation with the Executive and work with our suppliers we will be able to host you all in Niagara Falls next year. Please reserve **May 13-16, 2021**. Our host hotel will still be the Marriott Fallsview Hotel and Spa. Details on hotel reservations will be coming soon.

Details for Chapter General 2021: The Planning Committee has confirmed we will still be able to honour our commitments for Thursday's optional dinner out at Peller Estates, and Friday's Dinner and Show at O Canada, Eh?

Stay tuned for more information as we move forward.



Atavis et Armis!

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