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1. Meeting of the Steering Commission – New York

This Commission, chaired by the General Secretary, Enrique Lopez V. with the presence of all its members, with the single exception of Africa. An extensive agenda that included very important topics as the next World Seminar and Council and the revision of our Charter and our By Laws was discuss. All the members of the Steering Committee were invited to the Annual Scouting Eucharistic Celebration on Sunday, April 29, at St Patrick's Cathedral to witness the 'Blessing of the Religious Awards' and the 'Presentation of Religious Emblems' to the Boy Scouts. Girl Scouts and Scout Leaders. These awards were created by the Catholic Youth Organization and recognized by the Boy Scouts of America.

2. Meeting of the Catholic Committee (NCCS) of USA

The Executive Board meet at Rochester, Edward P. Gargiulo and Rev. Donald K. Hummel were installed as the National Chair and Chaplain and they will serve a three-year term. Robert Oldowski and Rev. Dennis O'Rourke remain on the Executive Committee as Past National Chair and Chaplain also for three-year terms. New Chairs and Advisors were appointed for all standing committees. Besides the World Chaplain and the Regional Chaplain of America, the encounter was visited by the General Secretary Enrique Lopez, the two Deputies, Baldur Hermans and Roberto Linn as well as the Regional Secretary, José Marisquirrena.

3. Meeting with the "Scouts of Canada"

During the Conference at Rochester, a very productive meeting was held with the National Chaplain of Scouts of Canada, Fr, F. Brewer and Mr. Bryon Milliere, Director of Voluntary Services. Aspects of the World Youth Days in Toronto, July 2002, were coordinated as well as the full integration of this Association to ICCS.



4. Regional Seminar ICCS-America, Cochabamba Bolivia 23-24 /9/2001

The Seminar of CICE-America will take place previous to the InterAmerican Scout Conference. The topic is THE PASTORAL IN THE PROGRAMA SCOUT. Also the Catholic Charter for Scouting of the XXI Century will discuss. There will be a workshop on the Pastoral Commissions. A presentation of ICCS TODAY AND IN THE NEAR FUTURE. Associations are invited to expose a pastoral experience that they want to share.

FEE: U\$S 35,- Includes 4 coffee breaks and 2 lunches.

PLACE: Headquarters of the Scout Association of Bolivia, Cochabamba. In its new facilities where the Scout Conference will take place. See more information in the web page: http:// bo.scouts-es.net or contact the Organizer Commission of the XXI Scout Conference by email scoutasb@supernet.com.bo

PARTICIPANTS: Delegates of Catholic Commissions of Scouts Associations of the Region, also

delegates of Associations that still don't have a Catholic Commission. As always we are also

inviting as observers Associations of other Regions that wish to join us.

5. European Mediterranean Regional Seminar and Council Warsaw, November 2001

Invitation to the ICCS/EM Seminar - Council from 16th to 18th of November 2001 in Warsaw, Poland at: Centrum Animacij Misyjnej UI. Lesna 15/17 05-510 KONSTANCIN-JEZIORNA POLAND

All participants should arrive on the 15th of November.

You will be met at the airport by a representative of the ZHP and from there you will be transferred to the center, which is approximately 30 minutes from the airport..

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Visa: if you require a personal invitation to obtain your visa, please let us know and a letter will be forwarded to you by our host.

Delegates wishing to be accompanied by their spouses may do so. Names to be included on the registration form. The fee is the same.

To allow the planning team to organize the program please return the registration form before the 31-06-2001 to:

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World Youth Days (WYDs) are Pilgrimages of Faith

"Thank God for the World Youth Days! Thanks be to God for all the young people who have been involved in them in the past sixteen years! Many of them are now adults who continue to live their faith in their homes and work places. I am sure, dear friends, that you too will be as good as those who preceded you. You will carry the proclamation of Christ into the new millennium."

From the Homily of Pope John Paul II at the Closing Mass of World Youth Day 2000 August 20, 2000

Where will WYD 2002 take place? between July 18-July 28, 2002 in Toronto, Canada, From

the 18 till the 21 pf July participants will travel to locations across Canada to stay with families who are members of local Catholic churches. From July 22-28, participants will gather in Toronto for larger group activities.

What is the schedule of events?

Thursday, July 18 - Sunday, July 21

Participants arrive in cities across Canada to stay with families and experience life in local Catholic churches and take part in social service projects.

Monday, July 22

Participants arrive in Toronto area

Tuesday, July 23

Opening Mass of Welcome presided by His Eminence Aloysius Cardinal Ambrozic, Archbishop of Toronto

Wednesday, July 24 - Friday, July 26

During the mornings, there will be sessions on the Catholic faith as well as the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confession. The afternoons will consist of a selection of entertainment, spiritual and social service activities.

Friday, July 26

In addition to the regular schedule for these days, Way of the Cross ceremonies will be held in the evening. Half the participants will join in a large-scale ceremony and the others will attend small-scale ceremonies in local Churches.

Saturday, July 27

Walking pilgrimage to Downsview Park and then an evening vigil with the Pope.

Sunday, July 28

Papal Mass to conclude WYD

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7. ASIA-PACIFICO REGION

The Regional Committee will gather in Bangkok together with the Associations of the Region from the 1 to 3 of October. During the same they will interview the Organizing Commission of the World Jamboree so to coordinated the Catholic animation of the Jamboree.

From the 4 to of October the Regional Secretary, Anthony Thng and the Regional Chaplain P. John Lee will visit Taiwan. They will contact the authorities of the Association and the members of the of Catholic Scout Commission as well as other Scouts Leaders of the country.

From the 7 to 11 of the same month they will be in New Delhi, India to participate of the Asia Pacific Scout Conference, with the purpose of promoting the ICCS activities among all the Associations of the Region.