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**National Association of Japanese Canadians**

**2015 Annual General Meeting & Conference**

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Victoria, British Columbia

September 25 to 27, 2015

Hotel: Chateau Victoria, 740 Burdett Ave

**(1-800-663-5891)** [**http://www.chateauvictoria.com/**](http://www.chateauvictoria.com/)

**HOTEL REGISTRATION**

(1) **Book your room directly with Chateau Victoria Hotel**. Toll free number: 1-800-663-5891. Please use conference ID #64450.

(2) The NAJC will reimburse the cost of hotel accommodation for **ONE** delegate per Full Member Organization for a maximum of 1 night, single traditional room. Shared accommodation is encouraged.

(3) Rooms must be booked by August Friday, August 28th.

(4) Check-in time: 3:00 pm. Check-out time: 11:00 am.

(5) There is no hotel subsidy for Alternate, Individual and Supporting Members.

(6) No per diem available for Delegate, Alternate, Individual and Supporting Members.

**TRANSPORTATION**

**Air:**

(1) Please book the lowest fare possible. The NAJC will cover the round-trip airline ticket expense of **ONE** delegate per Full Member Organization to the AGM, purchased at least two weeks before the AGM. Tickets purchased less than two weeks before the AGM will result in partial subsidy.

(2) The NAJC will **not** cover the cost of preferred seat booking or checked baggage.

(3) There is no air subsidy for Alternate, Individual and Supporting Members.

**Auto:**

(4) Delegates driving to the AGM, will be reimbursed for one delegate per Full Member Organization, the sum of 35¢/km or 2 weeks advance airfare (whichever is less).

(5) Parking per vehicle per room is $7.50 a night plus taxes.

**AGM/CONFERENCE FEES**

(1) Registration fee of $130.00 includes Saturday and Sunday lunches but **does not** include Saturday Banquet fee.

(2) Observers and young leaders do not need to pay a registration fee.

**AGM/CONFERENCE ROOM - PENWELL ROOM**

All AGM and conference proceedings will in the Penwell Room (2nd floor) of the Chateau Victoria Hotel.

**INFORMATION FOR OBSERVERS/YOUNG LEADERS**

Observers and young leaders are asked to pay for any meals during the AGM/Conference if required.

Costs: Saturday lunch - $15; Saturday dinner - $35; Sunday lunch - $10.00

**Note:** Only Full and Supporting Member Delegates/Alternates as well as Independent Members may sit at the National Council table and have speaking privileges.

**ROSS BAY CEMETERY TOUR: FRIDAY at 2:00 pm**

A guided tour of the Ross Bay Cemetery containing the graves of 152 Japanese pioneers is being organized on the afternoon of Friday September 25th. There is no fee attached to this event but organizers need to know how many people will be attending as transportation must be pre-arranged. Please indicate on the registration form if you are interested in joining the tour. Please meet in the lobby of the Hotel at 2:00 pm sharp.

**FRIDAY HOSPITALITY EVENING from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm**

 **and EARLY REGISTRATION from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm**

**Penwell Room (2nd floor)**

**SATURDAY NIGHT EVENT AND BANQUIET**

(1) A separate fee of $35.00 must be paid by all those planning to attend the Saturday evening banquet at the Ambrosia Banquet Hall, 638 Fisgard Street. Tel: 250-475-1948

(2) **You are asked to meet in the Hotel lobby at 5:30 pm.** You will walk to the Banquet Hall and along the way a guide will highlight sites of historic importance to the Nikkei community. Those with mobility issues are asked to note this in their registration form and a car pick-up will be arranged.

**BANQUET KEYNOTE SPEAKER: SETSUKO THURLOW**

In commemoration of the 70th anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the keynote speaker will be Setsuko Thurlow, internationally recognized peace activist and ‘hibakusha’ – a survivor.

**SATURDAY NIGHT SILENT AUCTION**

Once again the NAJC will be hosting a Silent Auction during the Banquet. Member Organizations/Individuals are asked to donate item(s) with a value of $25.00 or more. All proceeds will go towards new initiatives.

**AIRPORT SHUTTLE**

A private cab from the airport to downtown will cost around $60.00. The airport shuttle bus service to the Hotel is the most economical at $25.00 but the shuttle may be slower as it stops at several hotels so please allow extra time. Your hotel will have the bus schedule available at the front desk.

<http://www.yyjairportshuttle.com>

Telephone: 778-351-4995 or 1-855-351-4995

**CONFERENCE CLOSURE**

The 2015 NAJC AGM/Conference will end at noon so please book your return flight accordingly. A portable lunch will be available for those wishing to take the meal with them.

**REIMBURSEMENT**

Delegates will be given a reimbursement form at the registration desk. Please submit the completed form by **October 28th** to the National Office. Airline receipts; room charge; boarding passes and all other valid receipts must be submitted with form.