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2006 Milestones

- 11 Pilgrimages: 7 Volunteer, 2 Youth, 1 Lourdes & 1 Special Needs
- Four-Night Lourdes Parish Mission and St. Bernadette Retreat
- 3 Commitments to Hospitalité Notre-Dame de Lourdes
- Tri-Lingual Virtual Pilgrimages: Spanish, French & English
- Founding of Medical Advisory & Special Needs Advisory Boards
- Guadalupe House Advisory Board and Foundation Established
- San Francisco, Chicago, Detroit & Washington Departures Added
- Speaker at St. Louis Marian Conference & Magnificat San Diego
- ~ 10,000 Unique Hits to www.LourdesVolunteers.org Website

Dear Friends of Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Bernadette,

Reviewing 2006, it becomes brilliantly apparent that thanks are due to many: volunteers, pilgrimage leaders and helpers; our generous benefactors (we need more!); office staff, the new medical team and the sick who entrusted themselves to our care; the youth who will be our future; the Chaplains and Spiritual Directors; the design and engineering experts; to both Bishop Moynihan who requested our affiliation to the Hospitalité of Lourdes and to Bishop Perrier who accepted and aggregated our association. We are greatly encouraged by the affirmation received by the Rector, Aumônier Général, the President of the Hospitalité and Père Régis-Marie de La Teyssonnière; this recognition honors our humble beginnings and marks us authentic. 2006 reinforces our conviction that our work is blessed and right.

A hunger is being met as the Message of Lourdes again reaches American ears and hearts— healings, conversions, devotion and living for the Glory of God are the fruits evident.

It is a privilege to serve Our Lady of Lourdes, her pilgrims and volunteers with you,
Larry Crandall R. Lawrence Crandall, Chairman of the Board of Directors



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Serving at Lourdes

- ♦ Volunteer Stagiaire Pilgrimages
- ♦ Youth Volunteer Service
- ♦ Annual Special Needs Pilgrimage
- ♦ Guided Sanctuary Visits
- ♦ Individual Assistance at Lourdes

Serving at Home

- ♦ Home Virtual Pilgrimage Visits
- ♦ Hospital Virtual Pilgrimage Visits
- ♦ Sick & Special Needs HomeVisits
- ♦ Prison Virtual Pilgrimage Visits
- ♦ Lourdes Information Assistance

Extending the Invitation

- ♦ Virtual Lourdes Pilgrimages
- ♦ Parish Missions and Retreats
- ♦ Pilgrimages to Lourdes France
- ♦ Website and Publications
- ♦ Public Speaking and Presentations



"Evangelization!

"This is a mission of charity and love, all about conversion!"

Most Reverend James M. Moynihan extends his blessings to all who serve this mission in the spirituality of St. Bernadette living the Gospel Message of Lourdes.

FULFILLING OUR MISSION

Virtual Pilgrimages

Thousands have experienced Lourdes this year in **34 Virtual Pilgrimages** at parishes, schools and nursing homes throughout the United States. Virtual Pilgrimage provides a spiritual pilgrimage in an interactive 90 minute guided tour experience including Lourdes water, the Rosary, Grotto, and Eucharistic Blessing.

Parish Missions

Our first four night Lourdes Mission focused on the Sacraments and the experience of pilgrimage with Candlelight Rosary and Eucharistic Processions.

Pilgrimages

7 Volunteer Service Pilgrimages facilitated 192 individuals in 2006 to serve Hospitalité at Lourdes. Volunteers in training (stagiaires) were accompanied by experienced volunteer leaders.

2 Youth Catechesis Pilgrimages introduced 48 teens and chaperones to Lourdes volunteer service opportunities.

2 Special Needs Pilgrimages totaling 85 pilgrims assisted those with physical needs this year. Medical professionals and companions accompanied both sick and handicapped pilgrims requiring care.

Talks and Retreats

Hundreds of conference attendees and retreatants experienced Lourdes and the spirituality of St. Bernadette at four events in New York, St. Louis, San Diego and the US Military Council of Catholic Women at Ettal, Germany in 2006.

Information

"Lourdes On Your Own" packets of useful information were mailed free of charge to assist individuals planning private pilgrimage to Lourdes.

Our website was a useful source of information to ~ 10,000 unique users.

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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NORTH AMERICAN LOURDES VOLUNTEERS HOSPITALITY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Established by Most Reverend James M. Moynihan June 10, 2005, under Title V Canon 312 §3 as a Public Association of the Christian Faithful; North American Lourdes Volunteers devotes itself to the initiatives of evangelization and charity.

ECCLESIAL AUTHORITY

The Association is under the Ecclesial Authority of Bishop James Moynihan of the Syracuse Diocese. Chaplains are appointed by the Bishop to guide the association. Fathers Jeffrey Keefe and Daniel Caruso provide spiritual direction with Père Régis-Marie de La Teyssonnière in a newly created position as Lourdes Liaison Chaplain to guide and assist the Association.

GOVERNANCE

The Association is governed according to the statutes approved by the Ecclesial Authority. The Statutes are also in compliance with both state and federal regulations.

ADMINISTRATION

The Association is guided by a Board of Directors who are not compensated or paid for their leadership services. The Association operations are coordinated by (unpaid) Founding Administrator, Mrs. Marlene Watkins, as appointed by Bishop Moynihan. Association activities, and finances, including the audit, are reported annually to the Bishop.

NEW YORK STATE

The Association was incorporated in New York in 2003 and operates within the state norms and laws for legal entities, abiding by state requirements including bi-annual meetings.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Tax-exempt status as a 501(c)3 was granted in 2003 affording the Association the privileges and obligations of a charity. An annual audit and 990 financial report is completed as required by the IRS. As a compliant 501(c)3 non-profit, donations and contributions are tax deductible.

HOSPITALITIES

The Hospitalité Notre-Dame de Lourdes is under the authority of the Bishop of Tarbes-Lourdes comprised of individuals from various countries who come to Lourdes to welcome pilgrims. Diocesan, national religious hospitalities accompany sick pilgrims to Lourdes under their ecclesial authority with the blessing of the Bishop of Lourdes.

LOURDES VOLUNTEERS

Our Lady of Lourdes Hospitality North American Volunteers, the first hospitality of the Americas, became an associated member of the Hospitalité Notre-Dame de Lourdes" on December 17, 2006.

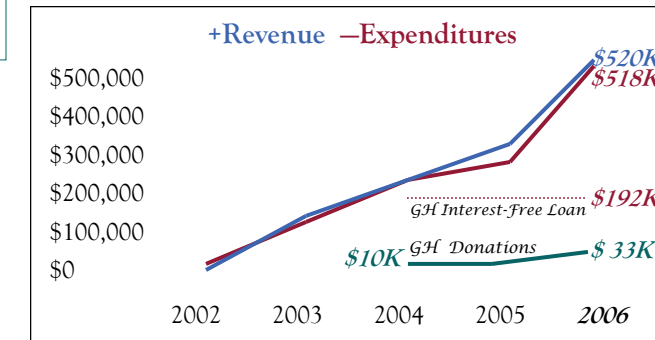
AVE MARIA TRAVEL

A wholly-owned not-for-profit subsidiary of Lourdes Volunteers, Ave Maria Travel is the negotiating agency for all airline contracts, all travel arrangements and travel/medical insurance. All audited financial information is included within Lourdes Volunteers statements.

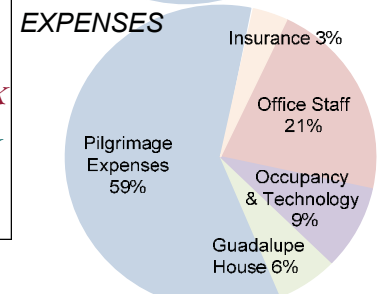
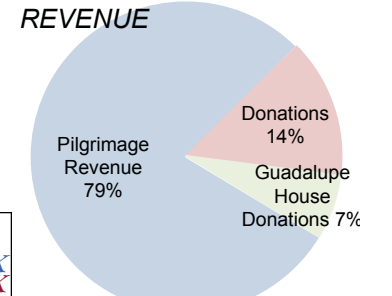
SUPPORTING OUR MISSION

Financial information shown is not audited.
2006 audit available at 990 filing on May 15, 2007.
2005 audit report available upon request.

Volunteer pilgrimages and donations are tax-deductible.



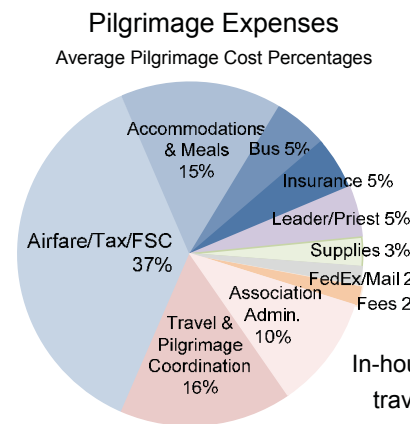
No monies are expended for fundraising activities or events.



2006 Sponsorships

- 9 special needs pilgrims by benefactors
- 5 special needs pilgrims by the Association
- 3 volunteers sponsored by the Association
- 2 adults & 1 youth volunteer by sponsors
- many private sponsors

Fuel Sur Charge (FSC) is the new fee imposed by airlines in 2006 to offset increasing jet fuel prices. FSC escalated by years end to \$150 for international ticketing and is a separate fee in addition to the ~\$125 taxes per ticket.



In-house travel/pilgrimage coordination eliminates travel agency and tour operator commissions.

Medical and Travel Insurance is the coverage purchased by each individual pilgrim and volunteer for emergency medical care and trip cancellation.

Liability Insurance is the umbrella policy purchased by the Association protecting against injury, misconduct, neglect, abuse, damage or accident.

LIVING OUR MISSION

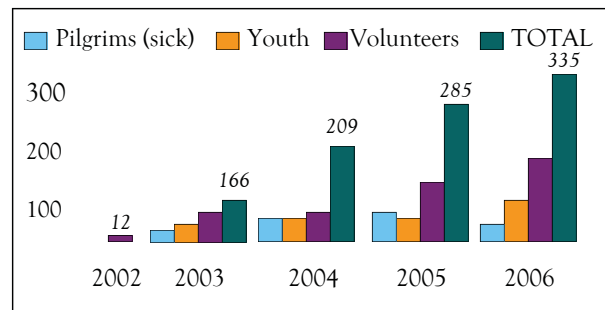


181 **volunteers** each served Hospitalité for one week in 2006. More than half are returning stagiaires. Volunteers ranged in age from 18 years old to 75 years young **from 96 dioceses** including Canada, Mexico, Caribbean Islands, the Philippines and 27 states from Hawaii to Maine.

89 women offered one week of service assisting in the baths (Piscines) now called the Service of St. Jean de Baptiste, 54 men in the Service of St. Joseph lifted pilgrims on stretchers at the train station and airport, assisted in the baths and at daily processions, while 37 women served in both the Accueils in housekeeping and the dining rooms; and one teaching in Formation.

Youth came as junior volunteers offering humble service, especially in the unglamorous duties so often overlooked but greatly needed to assist pilgrimages. Immersed in a catechesis of the Message of Lourdes and spirituality of St. Bernadette, the experience changed the chaperones as well as the teenagers.

Pilgrims came from 16 states accompanied by both medical professionals and caregivers who made the pilgrimage possible. Several wheelchair-bound pilgrims traveled to Lourdes, some suffering multiple and profound handicaps, several seriously ill and some unaccompanied pilgrims. Personal care, companionship and medical supervision was provided to special pilgrims in need. Volunteers offered their service while paying their pilgrimage costs.



Each pilgrimage was directed by an experienced leader and member of the Hospitalité. Priests accompanied each group offering Mass and spiritual direction throughout the week.

Both volunteers and pilgrims including youth and those with special needs have brought their Lourdes experience home, living the invitation to conversion and prayer as requested by Our Lady in the Grotto, further extending the Message of Lourdes...

SERVING OUR MISSION

"An American Oasis of Hospitality at Lourdes," Guadalupe House is the intended home for North American Lourdes Volunteers. Our historic home is conveniently located and overlooks the doorway to the original parish rectory. Well suited to our future needs, the house was purchased in April of 2004.

The Guadalupe House Advisory Board was founded in 2006 to inspect the house and assess the

renovation needs. A skilled team of an engineer, architect, building contractor and interior designer developed feasibility plans and designed blueprints for future operations and renovations.

The Guadalupe House Foundation was founded in 2006 raising \$54,000 toward the interest-free house purchase loans and will appeal for the capital required for loan repayment and remodeling.



FACILITATING OUR MISSION

"With God ALL things are possible" is the motto of the dedicated office staff who responds to all inquiries, make travel arrangements and processes pilgrimage paper work. Additionally, the office team coordinates virtual pilgrimages as well as the design and printing of all Association brochures, materials and publications.

Two full-time employees manage the pilgrimage operations. Three part-time employees assist with travel arrangements and accounting. A part-time technology support director and a full-time volunteer

administrator offer their time and service as unpaid office volunteers.

Each staff member makes a pilgrimage to Lourdes as an employee benefit and as job training better enabling them to offer invaluable first-hand service experience of Lourdes assisting pilgrims and volunteers.

Flexible hours and practical benefits help to offset non-profit salaries offering employees a fair compensation package. The staff is committed to Our Lady of Lourdes and sharing her message in the service of her pilgrims and volunteers.

Lourdes Volunteers 2006 Syracuse Office Staff



Connie, Colleen, Ellie, Sharon
Kathleen, Erika and Theresa