

The Order of the Daughters of the King®

TRIENNIAL 2018

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Renaissance at the Arboretum in Austin, Texas



AN EVEN DOZEN TIPS FOR TRIENNIAL

- 1 **Come early, stay late.** Give yourself the gift of time to experience all that Austin and the Hill Country of Texas have to offer. The closing Eucharist on Sunday is not to be missed, so don't plan to leave until midafternoon Sunday – or even Monday when flights might be cheaper.
- 2 **Make travel plans.** Several airlines serve the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport. When comparing fares, be sure to check out luggage and various other fees airlines may charge. Also, check out Super Shuttle or Elegant Limousines for their discounts to get you from the airport to the Renaissance.
- 3 **Stay hydrated.** There will be multiple water stations throughout the Renaissance, but you may want to bring your favorite refillable water bottle (remember, Austin goes green).
- 4 **Dress casual.** Dress to be comfortable for long days, EXCEPT for Province Dinner on Wednesday and the Gala Banquet on Saturday, when you may want to encourage your inner girl to play dress-up and "dress" for dinner (high heels not required).
- 5 **Bring a sweater, jacket, or wrap.** Mornings are warm, afternoons hot, and hotel rooms vary in temperature. You may be hot one minute and an ice cube the next.
- 6 **Bring Mad Money.** There will be vendor exhibits ready to tempt us. We will be able to shop without leaving the Renaissance.
- 7 **Bring your address book and camera** - or your smart phone with Contacts and Camera all in one (for those who are *au courant* with technology). You will want to keep the contact information for all your new friends in one place, and photo opportunities will abound in and around the Renaissance.
- 8 **Bring a banner.** If you are your chapter or diocesan assembly delegate, you need to bring your chapter or diocesan assembly banner and banner stand to be a part of the "ring of banners" encircling the Grand Ballroom (meeting and worship space). It is one of the most impressive sights at Triennial (and a great photo op).
- 9 **Have curling iron, will travel,** but you can leave your blow dryer and iron at home. Renaissance is a full-service hotel, and toiletries are stocked in your room. (Check out the hotel's website at <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/aussh-renaissance-austin-hotel> to learn more about their amenities.)
- 10 **Stay in your comfort zone.** The schedule is packed. Be prepared and feel free to take breaks as you need them. A short walk around the Arboretum in the morning refreshes, so bring walking shoes. If you can't sit for long periods, try to sit in the back so you can stand up as needed (although seating for delegates at the business meetings is assigned).
- 11 **Challenge yourself.** Sit at a table where you don't know anyone. As the days go by, that will become more difficult and your address book will be full. Yeah!
- 12 **Stay centered on walking His way.** We are attending this Triennial with women from all walks of life, in all different stages of their journeys. Actively seek and love Christ in each woman as we interact.