On Friday, April 4, 2014, Niagara University, a university recognized nationally for its academic excellence and its commitment to service, will officially inaugurate the Rev. James J. Maher, C.M., as its 26th president. This will be the first inauguration at Niagara University in 14 years!

Mark your calendars to join the faculty, staff, administration, students, alumni, elected officials, and leaders from the Western New York business community for this historic event at Niagara University.

Some events require pre-registration. For more information on the Inauguration Week and a complete list of events please visit: https://www.niagara.edu/inauguration

**Tuesday, April 1**
- Presidential Dinner Hosted by the Niagara University Student Government Association | 5 p.m. | Clet Hall
- Open Mic Nite dedicated to Fr. Maher | 7:30 p.m. | Gallagher Center (Upper Level)

**Thursday, April 3**
- Vincentian Symposium on “The Mission of A Vincentian Education” | 11:10 a.m. | Alumni Chapel
- Symposium on Economic Development and Higher Education | 4 p.m. | St. Vincent's Hall, Room 407

**Friday, April 4**
- Inaugural Liturgy | 11:15 a.m. | Gallagher Center (Upper Level)
- Inauguration Ceremony | 3:30 p.m. | Gallagher Center (Upper Level)

**Saturday, April 5**
- Special Olympics Competition | 9 a.m.-5 p.m. | Kiernan Center
- Run Against Hunger: To Benefit Heart, Love & Soul Inc. | 10 a.m. | NU Campus
- NUSGA Presents Rodney Atkins | 7 p.m. | Artpark

**Sunday, April 6**
- Scholarship/Donor Mass | 11 a.m. | Alumni Chapel
- Scholarship/Donor Brunch | 12:30 p.m. | Castellani Art Museum
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Niagara University Fun

Fact of the Month:
Father Joseph Levesque was the 25th President of Niagara University and was inaugurated in January 2000.

Lower Level Gallagher Center was filled with faculty, staff, and students for an exciting NUSGA Presidential Candidate Debate on the afternoon of March 19th. Juniors Kalene Faricellie and Michael McDonald are the candidates for the annual event that takes place prior to the Student Body President Election. This event provides presidential candidates with the opportunity to voice their stance on given university topics.

Similar to the United States Presidential Debates, the candidates began the session with opening statements. We learned about Kalene and Mike’s university studies, campus involvement, and community service experiences among other attributes which displayed both candidate’s qualifications for the position.

A student panel composed of DJ Virtuoso (Men’s Club Rugby), Tim Gray (Residence Life), and Selena Cerra (NUSGA) posed questions for the candidates.

When asked about her NUSGA experience, Kalene touched upon the point of how she has learned to collaborate with others toward a common goal in order to be successful. “Each member of the Cabinet will bring their own specific set of skills to the table. It’s a matter of taking these skills and using them together to get what we need done.” Kalene stressed the importance of connecting students with NUSGA as apparent through her campaign slogan “Connecting Niagara University, One Student At A Time”.

Mike made some valid points when asked about maintaining the image of Niagara University. He said, “We already have an established community of leaders here at Niagara. We need to build on creating awareness for all what the Niagara community does in addition to what the local community does for Niagara. I would love to reach out to the surrounding community to learn more about maintaining a positive image for the University.”

Followed by the conclusion of the debate, students, faculty, and staff gathered for the Saint Joseph’s Day Table Blessing in front of the MPR.

NUSGA would like to thank all of the students for their continuous support of the Student Body Election process. Congratulations to both candidates on a fantastic debate and best of luck with your campaign and in the future.

Your 2013-2014 NUSGA Cabinet

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