

I.L. Summit 2009

Addendum #2

March 16, 2009

Here's your March update on the latest news regarding I.L. Summit 2009. The MOSILC Training/Conference Planning Committee promised to keep you and your Center staff and board members up-to-date on conference developments as we approach the June 28-20th event.

This Addendum has information on:

- **100% Goal!**
 - Early Bird registration deadline is April 1st!
 - Conference fee reduction for attendants accompanying attendees
 - Revised registration form and deadline for alternative format and reasonable accommodations
 - Hotel's are filling up
 - Accessible room availability
 - On-site volunteers needed during the conference
- ❖ **Response has been Tremendous!** Because of that the Planning Committee has devoted ourselves to an additional, monumental goal; **100% Center participation**; attendance from each and every one of Missouri's 22 Center's for Independent Living! We are extremely close to realizing that goal still 2 ½ months away from the start of the conference. We haven't heard of a CIL not planning to attend and have received confirmed or verbal registrations from over 15 of you. Since our planning began the committee has pledged to "WOW" you, your board members and your staff with the content and presentation of this year's Summit. If we haven't heard from you yet please contact me or any of the committee. We'll be happy to answer your questions and supply any information that will lead your Center's participation in the Summit.
- ❖ **Early Bird Registration Rates deadline is April 1st.** The Early Bird rates are \$25.00 per person less than registrations received after that date. Time is running out! The revised Registration form is enclosed in this mailing.
- ❖ **Conference fees for Attendants have been reduced.** At our February meeting the planning committee responded to a CIL request to adjust the registration fee for attendants. The registration fee for Attendants has been reduced to \$100 which covers the cost of the meals for two days. This is a per-attendant fee. If you have already made sent in registration fees for attendants at the regular rate and wish to be reimbursed for the difference please complete the revised registration form included in this mailing and send it with a note to ILRC alerting Stephanie Cox of your request.
- ❖ **Attendees requiring accommodations** are asked to complete an "Alternative Format Registration Form" no later than May 1st. This form, which is also included, has been revised to address the accommodations attendees will need, especially for real time captioning and interpreters.
- ❖ **Accessible Sleeping Rooms:** are filling rapidly. The accessible rooms at Courtyard by Marriott are full. Rooms are available at Stoney Creek Inn and Fairfield Inn and Suites. If a portable accommodation such as a shower chair, transfer bench, etc will make a regular room accessible for you those devices will be available at no charge thanks to RAIL. If you need the phone numbers for Stoney Creek or Fairfield Inn & Suites please call me at On My Own, Inc., (417) 66-7007, ext. 18 or at onmyownpat@sofnet.com. or call Tammy McSorley at (573) 526-7039.

❖ **On-Site Volunteers Needed:** Facilities Manager Barnie Cooper sent you an email earlier this month requesting volunteer help from a couple of your staff who will be attending. We have three registration tables to staff, as well as copies to be made, A/V equipment to set up and a host for each session to make sure we stay on time. We have received a few replies, but need several more. Please contact Barnie at NEILS or me at OMO. Barnie's phone number is (573) 2218282. His email address is barnie@neilscenter.org.

Please download, review and share this and the additional three attachments on the Session Day and Time Schedule, the revised I.L Summit Registration Form as well as the revised Alternative Format Registration Form

We want your experience during I.L. Summit 2009 to enrich each and every member of your staff that attends. If the last thing we hear you say is "WOW" we will have accomplished our mission.

Our next I.L. Summit 2009 "Addendum" will come your way in April. In the meantime please feel free to contact me or any of our committee members listed below with any questions or concerns.

Best Regards,
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