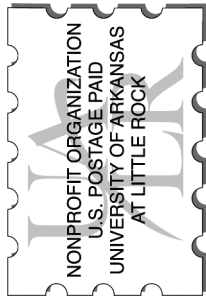




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2009 MID-SOUTH UNION LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

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MID-SOUTH UNION LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Sponsored by the Arkansas AFL-CIO, Mississippi AFL-CIO, Oklahoma AFL-CIO, Tennessee AFL-CIO, and Texas AFL-CIO
November 5-7, 2009

Clarion Resort on the Lake, Hot Springs, AR

Located on beautiful Lake Hamilton, near historic Hot Springs, the Clarion Resort on the Lake is minutes from exciting area attractions, like Hot Springs National Park, Oaklawn thoroughbred horse racetrack and Magic Springs & Crystal Falls amusement and water park.

Who Should Attend?

Union officers and representatives with leadership responsibilities.

MAJOR WORKSHOP TRACKS: Participants will select one track to attend

A - Effective Local Union Administration

- Roles of Officers and Executive Board Members
- Conducting Effective Local and Committee Meetings
- Legal Responsibilities Under the Labor Mgmt Reporting and Disclosure Act
- Conducting Local Elections
- Parliamentary Procedure

B - Union Building

- Using Power to Lead the Local
- Setting and Achieving Goals
- Growing and Mobilizing the Membership
- Dealing with Conflict in the Local

SPECIAL TOPIC WORKSHOPS: Participants will select one workshop to attend

➤ Communicating in the YouTube Age

Learn how to use online social networks, video hosting services and microblogging/texting sites to communicate your union's message.

➤ From Smokestacks to Wind Turbines: Unions in the Green Economy

Exploring the opportunities the new Green Economy offers unions and their membership.

SEMINAR TOPICS

Major Workshop Tracks (6 hrs each)

- A - Effective Local Union Administration
- B - Union Building

Special Topics (1.5 hrs each)

- Communicating in the YouTube Age
- From Smokestacks to Wind Turbines: Unions in the Green Economy

General Sessions

- Legislative Update
- Understanding the Current Economic Crisis and Labor's Response
- The "New" Dept. of Labor: Enforcing OSHA, FMLA, FLSA, and the NLRA

State AFL-CIO Caucuses

Opportunity for state federation representatives to meet with the participants from their state.

It is the goal of UALR to eliminate discriminatory harassment and to promote equal opportunity regardless of race, gender, color, national origin, sexual orientation, age, religion, veteran's status, or disability. Anyone requiring special accommodations should contact LEP in advance of the conference.

LEP INSTRUCTORS

All LEP instructors teach in the core areas of steward training, collective bargaining, arbitration, and union leadership, and all are associate members of the United Steelworkers.

Diane Thomas-Holladay, Director, specializes in new work systems, political economics, and labor and employment law, including FMLA. She also teaches a senior level Industrial Relations class for UALR.

Randy Wright specializes in labor and employment law, including workers' compensation. He practiced labor and employment law in a private practice and was a staff attorney for the AR Ethics Commission. He also served as Chief Appeals Referee for the AR Appeals Tribunal, where he handled unemployment benefits appeals.

Mock Session

- Mock Union meeting to showcase skills and information learned during the conference

Seminar Hours

Thursday, November 5, 2009

Morning Check In 8:00-8:45
Sessions and Workshops 8:45-4:30

Friday, November 6, 2009

Sessions and Workshops 8:30-4:00

Saturday, November 7, 2009

Sessions and Workshops 8:30-12:00
Graduation Luncheon 12:00-1:30

University policy requires delegates stay for the entire seminar in order to receive a certificate of completion and continuing education credits.

Grainger Ledbetter served as Executive Director of the Little Rock Classroom Teachers Association, an affiliate of the Arkansas Education Association and the National Education Association. Grainger was elected president of both LRCTA and AEA and served on the executive boards of the National Council of Urban Education Associations and the National Council of State Education Associations.

Meredith Stepp worked as a researcher for the IBEW and UNITE HERE. She also worked for Restructuring Associates, Inc., a labor-management consulting firm that specializes in building cooperative relations in unionized workplaces. Meredith has a MS in Labor Studies from the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

ABOUT THE LABOR EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Labor Education Program (LEP) at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock provides education, training, and technical assistance for labor organizations and workers. Programs are conducted for local unions, central labor councils, and international unions at the regional or district level. Several seminars are held each year which draw participants from Arkansas and surrounding states. LEP provides training in traditional areas such as steward training, collective bargaining, arbitration, effective leadership, and workplace safety. In addition, LEP develops specific programs in response to needs expressed by client unions.

SEMINAR INFORMATION

Registration Fees and Deadlines

Early Bird	Oct 2	\$200
Regular	Oct 16	\$225

Registration fee covers lunches, manuals, and instruction. *If registering after Oct 16, call LEP at (501) 569-8483 to confirm your registration.*

Registration Options

- ✓ Mail in the registration form below, or
- ✓ Register on-line by following the links on the LEP website at www.iea.ualr.edu/lep.

A minimum number of registrations are required for this seminar. Please register early. A confirmation letter with more details will be sent. If you miss the registration deadline or if you must delay payment of the registration fee, please call the Labor Education Program.

Seminar Location:

Clarion Resort on the Lake
4813 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71913
(501) 525-1391
www.clarionhotel.com

Accommodations: Please call the Clarion Resort on the Lake at (501) 525-1391 to make your sleeping room reservations. A block of rooms has been reserved *until Oct 5* at the Clarion for \$82, single or double. Please mention the UALR Labor Education Program to receive this rate.

Questions? Contact the Labor Education Program by calling (501) 569-8483, faxing (501)569-8538, or e-mailing lep@ualr.edu. For more information about our program and other upcoming events please visit our website at: www.iea.ualr.edu/lep

MID-SOUTH UNION LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE SEMINAR REGISTRATION

Name(s) _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
International Union _____ Local Union Number _____
Telephone: (____) _____ Fax: (____) _____ Email: _____

Track Selection (choose one)

- A - Effective Local Union Administration**
- B - Union Building**

Special Topic Workshop (choose one)

- Communicating in the YouTube Age**
- From Smokestacks to Wind Turbines: Unions in the Green Economy**

Make check payable to:
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