

15th Biennial Conference of Big Ten Women's Organizations

Cultivating Winning Strategies

June 7 - 9, 2013 with The Illinois Club

June 4, 2013

Dear Big Ten Delegates,

Thank you all so much for your comments on the proposed amendments. We very much appreciate them, and look forward to sharing them with you in your delegate bags. Some of you have been asking questions here and there, so we thought we would write everyone and give you an update on these items:

Your Club Folders

Folders containing information that you want to share about your club should be turned it at the Registration Desk when you check in. Please bring 11 copies, one for each of the other clubs. We will sort them into the correct bags and hand them out at the Business Meeting. Hopefully this will cut down on confusion during the Business Meeting. \odot

Photo at the President's House

We will be taking an official photo at the President's House on Friday evening. For those delegates not able to be there, we may try to take another photo some time Saturday at the I Hotel when we are all gathered together.

Assigned Breakouts

When you get your name badge, we will have your assigned breakout sessions in the back of your name badge. Although you might be able to go to a different section of the breakout session than the one you are assigned to, we would appreciate it if you could stick with the one assigned. We are trying to provide an even number of participants in each section, as well as a variety of clubs so that everyone is represented. Thank you! ©

Signing up for Fewer than 3 Breakouts

If you decide that you would like to go to another breakout session (for those that signed up for less than 3), you can sign up at the Registration Desk for more sessions. We highly encourage you to do so! We think you will find all of them informative and interesting.

Scholarships/Fundraising & Finance/Budget Breakout

These two breakouts have been combined into one breakout, and that is available only in the afternoon, during the 3rd sessions time slot.

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Communications/Technology Breakout

This breakout is also available just once during the 2nd sessions time slot.

Leadership & Membership/Newcomers Breakouts

These two breakouts are being repeated. Leadership is being offered during the 1st and 3rd sessions. Membership/Newcomers is being offered during the 1st & 2nd sessions.

3 Minutes

For your 3 minutes that you have at the end of the Business Meeting (once we have finished discussing and voting on amendments), we would like for you to share your most winning strategies. Some non-inclusive examples:

- something new or innovative you have done or are trying
- something you are doing really well
- your best fundraising ideas
- your best ideas for attracting and keeping Newcomers
- your best ideas for getting members to renew on time
- whatever you are most proud of about your club

Hospitality Room

The Hospitality Room will be well-stocked with snacks and drinks of all kinds, so please do drop in. This is your space to share information about your club, learn about other clubs, feel at home in, and to kick back and relax in with new friends. We have a number of special treats in store here especially for you...

On Call Assistance

If you should need assistance, please don't hesitate to call me (217-369-4396) or stop by either the Hospitality Suite or next door at Room 506. I should be found in either place.

We are so excited to be hosting this year, and are really looking forward to bonding, sharing ideas, and helping to make each of our clubs stronger. The I Hotel is a very light, bright, and airy space, with lots of places to sit and talk. You won't be disappointed!

We hope these notes help, and we will see you in a few days!

Sincerely, Susan Haney, Big Ten Conference Chair