



2018 SUMMER LEADERSHIP INFORMATION

To: MEA-Retired Chapter Presidents

From: Judy Foster, MEA-Retired President
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Re: Summer Leadership Conference

MEA-Retired Chapter Presidents once again have the privilege of attending the 2018 MEA Summer Leadership Conference (SLC) at Saginaw Valley State University in Saginaw, Michigan. The conference is scheduled for July 31 – August 2, 2018. The Conference Headquarters is in Curtiss Hall. The format has been planned to provide a wide variety of challenging and informative sessions to prepare and inspire participants. All MEA-Retired Chapter Presidents are strongly encouraged to attend this conference. The information received at the conference will help you build a stronger chapter. ***All Chapters should be represented;*** so if a chapter President, as of September 1, 2018 is unable to attend, the Chapter should send a Designee in his/her place. There will be new information on Presidential responsibilities presented at our session on Wednesday.

The Summer Leadership Conference booklet enclosed is also online if you need additional copies. To access it, go to www.mea.org then click on "Upcoming Events," then click on "Conferences/Training". The registration form is enclosed in your booklet (Pages 9-10), and after completion please mail it back to Lisa Andros before the deadline.

MEA will pay for the following items for MEA-Retired Chapter Presidents or Designee to attend the conference (page 7):

- \$50 gas/gift card to offset gas and bridge tolls (in lieu of mileage and bridge fare receipt);
- Lodging for two nights (Tuesday and Wednesday) up to \$120 per night – need a zero balance detailed receipt upon checkout;
- Meals are non-reimbursable. Meals provided at the conference: ESP & PAC Wine & Cheese reception Tuesday evening; Wednesday breakfast and lunch; Thursday lunch. All other meals are on your own;

All other expenses are at your own expense.

On page 8 you will find information on registering for the conference. Note the **registration deadline is July 18, 2018**. You should register early in order to have a better chance of receiving the sessions of your choice. **If you are sending a designee, complete the form on page 11 and return as soon as possible. You must make your own housing reservations for July 31 – August 2.** Map of the SVSU campus is found on page 27.

You will note that there is an all-day session for Retired Presidents at the SLC on Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. Sessions 208-508. **These sessions should be your first and only choices when completing your registration form on pages 9-10.** To finish your schedule, sign up for those sessions that will be most helpful to you. Here are a few suggestions:

- 102 – Legislative & Political Action Teams
- 103 – Educators in Public Office
- 604 – Joining the MEA Lobbying Team
- 703 – Fundraising for Power: Running Great PAC Campaigns

Please plan to join us for dinner and fun on Wednesday, August 1, 2018, at the Timbers Bar & Grill (6415 State Street) at 6:30 p.m. Guests are welcome. **We will be ordering off the menu and each person will be paying their own bill.**

We are looking forward to seeing you, or your designee, at Saginaw Valley State University. **Remember, every Chapter should have representation.**

Enc. Booklet (It is also online)
Registration Form (It is also online)
Chapter Officers Designation Form
Self-addressed Envelope

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