

Mark your calendar for National Library Legislative Day, Wednesday, May 14, 2008 — the day we bring our lobbying skills to the nation's capital for what has been deemed the most important grassroots lobbying effort under our sponsorship! A variety of activities have been designed to prepare National Library Legislative Day participants for an informed and effective day of congressional visits.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

ILA has reserved a block of rooms at the Capitol Hill Suites, 200 C St., SE, Washington, DC 20003; phone: (202) 543-6000; fax: (202) 547-0883; \$239 single and \$259 double rate for a junior suite and \$279 single and \$299 for a one bedroom deluxe, 14.5 percent sales taxes are not included. When making reservations, please mention the Illinois Library Association. The American College of Physicians (ACP) will be meeting at the same time. ACP has reserved a very large block of sleeping rooms citywide for its meeting. In addition, Police Week will begin on Wednesday, May 14. These events create a lot of pressure in the city, drive the room and catering rates higher than usual, and necessitate early reservations.

### MONDAY, MAY 12

"Introduction to National Library Legislative Day: Why Your Participation Is Important; What to Do and How to Do It," at the ALA Washington Office (1615 New Hampshire Ave., NW, First Floor,

Washington, DC 20009) from 3:00 to 5:00 P.M. Sponsored by the Association of Library Trustees and Advocates and the ALA Washington Office, the preconference is designed to provide tips on how to make an impact during hill visits and to help with the organization of presentations to your legislators.

### TUESDAY, MAY 13

#### 9:00 A.M.

Participants may want to attend the ALA briefing at the Holiday Inn on the Hill (415 New Jersey Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20001; phone: (202) 638-1616). This full day (9:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.) of issues' briefings is designed to prepare participants for congressional visits.

#### 6:00 P.M.

This day's events will continue with a cocktail hour (6:00–7:00 P.M.) and dinner (7:00 P.M.) at the Capitol Hill Club, 300 First St., SE, Washington, DC 20003; phone: (202) 484-4590. Attendance at dinner is optional.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

#### 8:30 – 9:45 A.M.

A kick-off with a brief summary of key issues has been scheduled at a location to be announced on Capitol Hill.

#### 9:45 A.M.

The delegation will "Hit the Hill," with scheduled congressional appointments.

#### 3:00 P.M.

Currently, the tentative scheduled meeting with Illinois Senators Dick Durbin and Barack Obama.

#### 5:00 – 7:00 P.M.

The National Library Legislative Day Committee has scheduled a Congressional Reception (location to be announced). All representatives and senators will be sent invitations to attend the reception. Congressional staff is also being invited.

## REGISTRATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Your registration fee includes legislative materials, coffee breaks at the briefing sessions, and the Congressional Reception on Wednesday evening, organized by the National Library Legislative Day Committee. \$25 of your registration fee goes to the ALA for coffee breaks, room rental, and speakers; \$15 goes to ILA

for registration, organizing the packets, dinner, and Congressional appointments; and \$5 goes to pay for speaker and guest expenses.

- \$45 for ILA Members     \$55 for nonmembers
- \$55 for dinner on Tuesday night at the Capitol Hill Club, 300 First St., SE, Washington, DC 20003; phone: (202) 484-4590. All dinners will be served with warm breads, butternut squash and corn chowder, seasonal baby greens with tomatoes, cucumbers, and carrots, served with house dressing, chef's selection of potatoes and vegetables, chocolate decadence flourless cake, coffee, decaffeinated coffee, and a selection of fine teas. A cash bar will be available. Price includes 10 percent District of Columbia sales tax and 20 percent gratuity. Please choose one of the following menu options:
- Cilantro and fennel crusted breast of chicken served over Israeli couscous with sundried tomato sauce
- Pan seared filet of salmon with lobster sauce served with parsley red pepper mashed potatoes
- Vegetarian lasagna

## METHOD OF PAYMENT:

- Check or money order for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ made payable to ILA or
- Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to my     VISA     MasterCard     AMEX     Discover

Account No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

While attending the 2008 National Library Legislative Day, I will be staying at \_\_\_\_\_ (name of hotel or other accommodations)

**DEADLINE** for registration is May 1, 2008. **CANCELLATIONS** must be received in writing before May 1. Cancellations received after May 1 and before May 10 will receive a 50 percent refund. No refunds will be given for cancellations received on or after May 10. Confirmations and additional information will be sent after the registration deadline. Send payment to the ILA Office, 33 W. Grand Ave., Suite 301, Chicago, IL 60610-4306, fax: (312) 644-1899, [www.ila.org/events/reg\\_nld.htm](http://www.ila.org/events/reg_nld.htm).