



March 15, 2011

To: ALL USW District 9 Local Unions

The District 9 Education Conference is scheduled for September 26–29, 2011 at the Hilton Sandestin, 4000 Sandestin Blvd South, Destin, Florida 32550. Hotel reservations can be made by calling the hotel at 800.367.1271 or online at www.sandestinbeachhilton.com and entering Group Code UST to get the Conference rate of \$99, plus applicable taxes. Cut-off for hotel reservations is August 15, 2011.

Reservations made after the cut-off date will be at the hotel's prevailing rate, not the conference rate. PLEASE NOTE: Cancellation fees after the deadline (<u>fourteen days prior to arrival</u>) and early checkout penalties are the responsibility of the local union.

Registration is 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. Sunday, September 25, 2011 and 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Monday, September 26, 2011. All delegates must attend Orientation Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m.

Registration fees are as follows:

Advanced Pre-Registration \$175 per delegate received prior to July 29, 2011

Pre-Registration \$200 per delegate received July 30 – August 15, 2011

Cut-off for pre-registration is August 15, 2011

Delegates not pre-registered by August 15 can register at the Conference for \$225 per delegate, due at registration.

Fees include the cost of materials, lunch for registered delegates on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Wednesday night's reception. All expenses incurred for attending (including the registration fee, hotel and lost time) are the responsibility of the Local.

Due to limited availability, <u>all classes are on a first come basis</u>; for that reason, Locals are encouraged to return completed forms for each delegate, along with payment, to USW District 9 Education Fund before the cut-off.

When choosing a class, selection is for the entire week; therefore, choose carefully!

I look forward to seeing you at the Conference.

In Solidarity,

Daniel Flippo District 9 Director

c: Leo Gerard Stan Johnson James Carvin Larry Jackson Sub-Directors Staff