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## MAJOR CHANGES AT SWEIO

### SWEIO DUES INCREASE

At the Delegate Assembly held on April 21, 2008, the delegates voted to increase the SWEIO Dues to \$20.00 before the convention and \$25.00 at the door. The last increase in SWEIO Dues was in 1999-2000. As we have all experienced an increase in prices over that time so has SWEIO. The SWEIO Board tried to keep the dues the same but could not. The cost of speakers, the rental of Monona Terrace, and equipment rental for the speakers led to the need to increase dues. If you would like a copy of the approved budget please contact Bob Ayer.

### SWEIO BOARD TO HAVE NEW LOOK

Gone are the days of past-presidents, president-elects and a large number of district representatives. The executive SWEIO board will now consists of Elected Officers, four elected District representatives and two non-voting ex-officio members.

**Elected Officers:** SWEIO's elected officers will include a President, Program Chair, and Treasurer. All future elections are to held on the day of the SWEIO Convention. Any educator interested in running for these offices should contact SWEIO Secretary Jeri Kortkamp.

**District Representatives:** The SWEIO membership elects three district representatives. Each member's school system has a contact person who is in communication with a District Representative on the SWEIO Board. For example, the Sun Prairie School District designates one person to handle Newsbeat distribution, collection of ticket orders, and final distribution of tickets and programs. Ticket requests are directed first to your local school district's designated contact person, who then mails checks, and distributes tickets and programs via the appropriate SWEIO District Representative. The representatives are voting members of the board and serve for a term of three years. If you do not know your school's local contact person, or your District Representative on the SWEIO Board, please contact Ann Perry.

### SHUTTLE SERVICE ENDS

The Delegate Assembly voted to end our shuttle service from area malls to the downtown convention site. Currently costs were exceeding \$40 a person and with the current spike in gas prices, a higher cost for next year was anticipated. The Assembly noted that over the past few years, ample parking at the Monona Terrace site was adequate for the number of participants.

## 2009 CONVENTION PREVIEW

The 2009 SWEIO Convention will be held on Friday, February 27, 2009. The SWEIO Board is busy putting together the 2009 convention. Some of the speakers that will be presenting are: Roslind Wiseman (<http://www.rosalindwiseman.com>), Craig Zablocki, Doug Buehl, John Lynn, Fruteland Jackson, Cliff Petrak, Marsha Tate, Margaret Christensen, and Jerry Epps. A full line-up of speakers dealing with retirement issues will compliment the broad diversity of topics at our convention. If you have any suggestions for speakers or would like to be a presenter please contact Brion Pagel, Program Chair, or Jeri Kortkamp, Executive Secretary.

## WANT TO JOIN SWEIO?

If you wish to purchase an individual ticket(s) for this convention, please send a check made out to SWEIO to Ann Perry, 618 Sunset Drive, Janesville, Wisconsin 53548. Please provide proper return address information for the ticket(s) to be sent to you. The cost for each ticket is \$20.00. Checks must be received by January 20th to allow for on-time delivery. Tickets are also available on the day of the convention for \$25.00 at Monona Terrace.

Purchasing a ticket within your own district: Pay your ticket price directly to your school district's local SWEIO contact person. Join along with other interested educators. Just collect the required ticket money and give it to your local school districts contact person. If you do not know who your local contact person please contact Ann Perry.

## WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN SWEIO?

The SWEIO Convention continues to be the best inservice bargain in the State of Wisconsin. Compare our costs to other conventions, seminars or training sessions held with one or just a few speakers with a limited number of topics. Besides saving you money, SWEIO saves you time. SWEIO day becomes one day when you can just relax and enjoy the presentations instead of one in which you're tending to a million small, but important, details at a local inservice.

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