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As I contemplated addressing this association by way of the newsletter, it occurred to me that I owe a big thank you to everyone for the opportunity to serve. It is a distinct and high honor to serve in this office. It is my belief that the credentials of any office are simply a reflection of the underlying qualities of the organization represented. Certainly there can be no higher honor in our attorney/mediator profession than to serve in the capacity to which I have been elected and for that I sincerely thank you.

From inception in 1990 this organization has always been comprised of a first class group of people. However, in 2004 policies were formally adopted to assure that AAM would be regarded as THE preeminent organization for attorney/mediators nationwide and I believe that goal has been reached. The combination of excellent CLE training, along with the networking at our fall and annual meetings, combine to provide what I believe to be perhaps the most significant benefit of membership. In short, the camaraderie among the membership of this group, comprised of members from states across the nation, is excellent. It is engendered by the quality and integrity of this group, not just as mediators but as a genuinely decent caring assemblage of individuals. We are bound together with a common bond that is much deeper and stronger than just monetary goals as found with many trade organizations including an overriding desire among our membership to serve in a sincere and ethical manner. One of my goals as President this year will be to elicit involvement of all of you with ideas on long range planning to make our association even better than it is. I, and all of the other board members listed here, would very much like to hear your thoughts and suggestions.

Speaking of board members, I want to extend thanks to outgoing board members Skip Hulett, Bob Hornberger and Maynard Green. All of them served the organization with distinction and will be missed. However, we are also very fortunate to have three very talented incoming board members, two of whom have already undertaken the jobs of secretary and treasurer, respectively, that being Suzanne Mann Duvall, Mike Schless and Jack Davis.

For those of you who were unable to attend, you were missed in San Diego and you, in turn, missed an excellent event, both from the standpoint of the wonderful location along with the spectacular training which was organized and presented by outgoing President Trey Bergman. Kudos to Trey both for his service in the past year as President and for his untiring work in putting together our seminars and training sessions. Trey, your unselfish involvement in the association is very much appreciated by me, and I am sure by all members. At the time of this publication our Fall CLE will occur in Austin, Texas on the date of September 12, 2008. John Hughes, the President-Elect, is presently preparing what I believe will be another premium offering of CLE

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for our members which will be topical, practical and very informative. The exact location will be determined and you will be receiving information. Please be sure to sign up early to assist Brenda in arranging accommodations.

Regarding our next Annual Meeting, it is now planned to be April 24 and 25, 2009 in the Sundance Square area of Fort Worth, Texas. Although we discussed Florida at the Annual Meeting, due to the state of the economy in general, the board has decided to hold that meeting in a more centralized location for ease of travel. Again, I know that John Hughes is working on preparations for that event as well and you will be receiving information informing you of the details in the "City of Cowboys and Culture". For those of you who have attended our annual meetings in the past at some of the "destination locations" you already are aware of how much pure fun they can be along with the great programs. The board will continue to review the "destination location" idea for annual meetings in the future. For those who so far have been unable to attend one of the annual meetings, I would encourage you to get involved and attend with your spouse. I can assure you in advance that it is not only money well spent but certainly time well spent and an experience of training and networking which you will utilize and value highly in the following weeks and months thereafter.

New membership category: for the last several years there has been debate among the board about creating a category of Associate Membership to recognize that there are some very qualified attorney/mediators out there who have not yet reached the eight year minimum requirement for full membership in AAM. We do not want to lower our standards of full membership, but it does seem a good idea, and the board has adopted, this Associate Membership category. For more details contact Brenda at the national office. In general, it requires two years of law practice and a minimum of four mediations a year in addition to the same application process as any full member, meaning that there still must be application made and approval. In addition, associate members will have a dues requirement and will be required to attend a minimum of seven hours of AAM sponsored CLE programs annually, including two hours of ethics. Upon reaching the eight year minimum practice of law level, then the associate member would be admitted to full membership status without the necessity for again going through the application process. I would encourage any of you who are aware of some qualified candidate for the Associate Membership category to have them investigate the possibility of becoming an associate member.

The lobby fund, aimed primarily at Texas, is still alive and well. I wish to express thanks to both the Central Texas chapter for making a special donation to the lobby fund last legislative session and also to the Houston chapter, which did likewise. Each local chapter will be receiving information about arrangements for making contributions to the lobby fund so that we can maintain a presence in the state house and have some understanding and input of the legislation which has impact upon our profession. As we generate additional chapters in other states, then perhaps we will have a model in place for use to pursue some type of lobbying efforts in each of those locations.

As most of you are aware, the highest award of recognition which this association can bestow is designated at the Steve Brutsche Award which is named after our founder. It is presented to persons who have rendered exceptional service to the profession and is only awarded at such times as an extremely meritorious recipient is identified, meaning that it is not an award which is simply presented each year to "someone." In San Diego this past April your board elected to present the Steve Brutsche Award to our very much appreciated Executive Director, Brenda Rachuig. Having been present I can assure you that there was not a dry eye in the house because of the fact that everyone associated with AAM is well aware of the immense benefit and unselfish service which Brenda bestows upon this organization. Congratulations again Brenda, not only for a job well done on a day-to-day basis, but for your dedicated service over the years.

Remember please mark your calendars for September 12, 2008, I will see you in Austin!

Very truly yours,

Jim

Brutsché Award Recipient

The Brutsché Award is a very special and prestigious award “Given to the person(s) personifying the principles of service and commitment to the profession that are the foundation of the ADR movement.” Congratulations to Brenda Rachuig, AAM’s Executive Director, the 2008 Brutsché Award Recipient. Special thanks to Brenda for all she does for AAM and the mediation profession!

Advanced Certified Mediators

AAM congratulates the following members who have achieved or renewed their Advanced Certified Mediator status for the 2008 year (as of this newsletter printing):

William Bonham
Bryan Coleman
J. L. “Larry” Hinojosa
John W. Hughes
Nancy Huston
Ronald Wardell
Alvin Zimmerman

In order to retain Advanced Certified Mediator status, holders of the certification must submit renewal applications annually and comply with the Rules Governing Certification.

**Mark your calendar for the AAM
 Advanced Attorney-Mediator
 Training and Annual Meeting, to
 be held in Fort Worth’s Sundance
 Square on April 24 and 25, 2009.**

Newsletter Thanks

We owe special thanks to the law firm of Hunton & Williams LLP for compiling the newsletter, to Allen Butler for supervising his firm’s newsletter work, and to John Feather of Houston, Newsletter Committee Chair, for putting it all together. And we owe a special thank you to Kim Sandie with Hunton & Williams for always being willing to take on this task and doing it so efficiently and quickly. Thank you all for a great job!

AAM Announces New Associate Member Category

One of the qualifications for membership in AAM is eight years licensure by the bar. Although a five year associate membership has been in place for some time, with the same annual renewal requirements as a regular membership, but without voting privileges, the board has now considered the requests of many to create a **two year associate membership**.

With board approval, the new Associate Membership category is in place.

The two year Associate Membership qualification requirements include:

1. Applicant must be licensed [and authorized to practice law] for a minimum of two (2) years for associate membership and in good standing with a local jurisdictional authority (i.e., state bar).
2. Applicant must conduct four (4) formal mediations or a combination of mediations and observations per calendar year, including Settlement Week mediations and Pro Bono mediations for each calendar year.
3. Applicant must complete seven (7) MCLE hours of ADR per calendar year at an AAM training, including two hours of ethics.
4. Applicant must provide to AAM at least three (3) attorney references on the form provided by AAM, from lawyers in his/her community with whom the applicant is not presently associated.
5. Applicant must be willing to participate in any grievance or feedback procedures adopted by AAM and to observe all ethical standards adopted by AAM.
6. Applicant must have completed a training program approved by AAM.

Group insurance coverage will not be offered to two year associate members until attaining the five year associate level. At such time, while meeting all other membership requirements, their name will be submitted to our insurance carrier for coverage. Upon reaching the eight year minimum practice of law level, the associate member would be admitted to full membership status without the necessity of reapplying for full membership.

WELCOME BOARD ELECTIVES

Below are biographical sketches of the nominees selected by your Nominating Committee and "sworn in" at the Annual Meeting in April in San Diego. Please welcome to the AAM Board:

John "Jack" Davis is a principal in ADR, Inc., an Alternative Dispute Resolution firm in Little Rock, Arkansas since January 1, 1998; He was of counsel, Rose Law Firm, 1993-1998; Senior Vice President/Secretary/General Counsel, United Dominion Industries, Inc., 1979-93; Partner, Bridges, Young, Matthews and Davis, 1958-79. Jack has extensive experience in the corporate, commercial, construction, product liability and employment areas of law. He was the former Senior Vice President and General Counsel of a diversified engineering, manufacturing, and construction company with revenues of \$1.7 billion. Jack has extensive experience as counsel in cases involving commercial litigation, contract construction claims, product warranty, product liability, general negligence, employment and contract disputes with claims valued to \$40 million. Handled debt and equity issues in the U.S., Canada and Europe, both public and private. Mr. Davis' Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience includes AAA: Member, National Panel of Arbitrators and Mediators; Member, Special Panel for Large and Complex Cases (1992-1998); Lex Mundi College of Mediators; Mediator, NASD Mediation Program; Arbitrator, NASD; U.S. Postal Service Mediator; Contract Mediator, EEOC. He served as arbitrator and mediator in construction claims, medical malpractice, commercial, employment and negligence cases. Conducted approximately 600 mediations, and over 250 arbitrations. Jack's Alternative Dispute Resolution Training includes 40-hr. Superior Court Mediator Training, Winston-Salem, 2/93; 40-hr. Lex Mundi College of Mediators Training Session, 12/94; AAA Construction Industry Training Program, 5/97. U.S. Postal Service Mediator Training Program; 8/98; NASD Arbitrator Training, 6/99; NASD Chairperson Training, 10/02; EEOC Mediator Training; Numerous Arkansas and American Bar Association Seminars and Arkansas ADR Commission training sessions and Association of Attorney-Mediator Advanced Trainings.

Suzanne Mann Duvall has over 800 hours of basic and advanced training in mediation, arbitration and negotiation through such entities as the State Bar of Texas, Dallas Bar

Association, Harvard University Law School, CDR Associates, American Arbitration Association and others and is qualified under section 154.052 (a), (b) and (c) of the Texas Alternative Resolution Procedures Act to mediate cases in state and federal courts. Ms. Duvall has mediated more than 1,600 cases to resolution. She specializes in the resolution of civil disputes including family law, contract and business law, real estate, employment, public policy, probate and related controversies. Suzanne holds licenses to practice law in the state and federal courts in Texas, California, and the United States Supreme Court. She is a faculty member and trainer for numerous dispute resolution and educational organizations, including Dallas Bar Association and State Bar of Texas. Lecturer in Alternative Dispute Resolution, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law, SMU School of Law and Texas Women's University and is currently an Adjunct Professor in Alternative Dispute Resolution at Texas A&M University, Galveston. Suzanne was named "Super Lawyer" for 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 by *Texas Monthly* and *Law and Politics* Magazines. She is the recipient of many awards including the First Annual American Arbitration Association *Steve Brutsché Award for Professional Excellence in Dispute Resolution*; First Annual *Tom Eisner Mediator of the Year Award* for service to the courts and citizens of Tarrant County; Association of Attorney-Mediators *Pro Bono Service Award*; Louis Weber *Outstanding Mediator of the Year Award*; *Suzanne C. Adams Award for Outstanding Commitment and Dedication to the Mediation Profession*; State Bar of Texas *Frank G. Evans Award* for outstanding leadership in the field of alternative dispute resolution. She holds membership in many organizations including State Bar of Texas, (Former Member Board of Directors; Past-Chair, ADR Section); Dallas Bar Association (Past Chair, ADR Section); Association of Attorney-Mediators (Past-Chair, North Texas Chapter, past National Board Member); Texas Association of Mediators (Past President, current Board Member); college of the State Bar of Texas; Pro Bono College of the State Bar of Texas; Fellow, Texas Bar Foundation; Fellow, Center for Public Policy Dispute Resolution, University of Texas School of Law; Supreme Court Advisory Committee on Court-Annexed Mediation, Federal Election Commission Panel of Mediators, Master Annette Stewart American Inn of Court TMCA Credentialed Distinguished Mediator.

Michael J. Schless is currently the AAM representative on the Board of Directors of the Texas Mediator Credentialing Association (TMCA). Since 1992 his practice has focused exclusively on ADR, especially mediation and arbitration. He has mediated or arbitrated over 1,500 cases covering a broad range of topics and degrees of complexity. Mike is a past Chair of the ADR Section of the State Bar of Texas, and has held every leadership position in that organization over a period of six years. In 2006, Mike received the ADR Section's Justice Frank G. Evans Award for outstanding efforts in promoting or furthering the use or research of alternative dispute resolution methods in Texas. Mike has also served as President of the Texas Association of Mediators, and received that organization's Susanne C. Adams Award in 2003 for his outstanding service and dedication to the mediation profession. He has also been named a "Texas Super Lawyer" in 2005, 2006, and 2007 by the Texas Monthly Magazine. Mike was a member of the Supreme Court of Texas Advisory Committee on Court-Annexed Mediation. He is a Fellow of the Center for Public Policy Dispute Resolution at the University of Texas School of Law; an Advisory Committee member for the Frank Evans Center for Dispute Resolution at the South Texas College of Law in Houston; a member of the arbitration panel of the American Arbitration Association; and a member of the International Academy of Mediators, the Association for Conflict Resolution. Mike teaches mediation in Europe in the Masters in Business Law Program at the University of St. Gallen in Switzerland, and in the Masters in Mediation Program at the University of Human Sciences in Liechtenstein. Prior to his career in ADR, Mike served the people of Travis County, Texas, as a County Court at Law Judge from 1982 to 1992, having been elected to that position three times. He was selected by his fellow judges to serve as their first presiding judge. Before his service on the bench, Mike had been a trial lawyer in Austin since he was licensed in 1973. Mike has served as President of the Austin Young Lawyers Association; as a member of the Board of Directors of the Travis County Bar Association; and as founder and first Chair of the ADR Section of the Travis County Bar Association. In 1982 Mike was selected as the Outstanding Young Lawyer of Travis County. He earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Texas (B.A. Philosophy) in 1970 and his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law in 1973.

The AAM Board Members agree to a three year term. Anyone wishing to volunteer for a future position, please contact Brenda at aam@attorney-mediators.org. As a seat becomes available, a Nominating Committee member will contact you.

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AAM Welcomes New Members

We are pleased to announce the following new AAM members:

Laura Coe, *Houston, TX*
Nile Copeland, *Houston, TX*
William Cornelius, *Tyler, TX*
David Cotellesse, *Houston, TX*
W. Raymond Hunter, *Gulf Port, MS*
Carlos "Charlie" Ochoa, *McAllen, TX*
Joe Ramsey, *Sacramento, CA* — *Returning AAM Member*
Robert Rowland, *Houston, TX* — *Returning AAM Member*
Jay Sandak, *Stamford, CT*
John Shipp, *Dallas, TX*
Alisa Terrell Starbird, *Stephenville, TX*

We welcome you to the **Association of Attorney-Mediators** and look forward to your active participation within this organization! Please let an officer of a local chapter or the national board of AAM know what AAM can do for you and how you would like to become involved in AAM's activities.

**Do you have a topic you would like
to present at an upcoming training?
Email Brenda at the
AAM National office.**

SELF-DETERMINATION

By Charla Beall,
AAM Member, Olathe, Kansas

Professionals, regardless of the role taken — mediator, attorney, or interpreter — need to be especially diligent in respecting and supporting the principle of client's self-determination. If self-determination is not preserved, no one comes out ahead. This is illustrated by the case *In Re Antosh* (Kansas Supreme Court opinion filed Oct 26, 2007). There are two misconduct complaints. Of interest to this discussion is the first complaint. The facts are as follows:

Wife files Protection From Abuse (PFA) action against husband. Both wife and husband only speak Spanish. Husband retains and pays Antosh to be his attorney. Wife believes she needs an interpreter and contacts Antosh's office for the purpose of having Antosh 'communicate with the court for her.'

Wife makes payment and his staff sets up an appointment. Antosh meets with wife believing he has been hired to mediate. He encourages wife to dismiss PFA action on the condition of anger management class for husband.

On that same day, Antosh tells Judge that an agreement has or will be reached soon, and there should be no further need for PFA order. As a result of this conversation, Judge believes Antosh represents wife.

PFA hearing is called. Antosh is not present. Judge proceeds with the hearing. Upon questioning, wife indicates she did not agree to mediate and that she still wanted the PFA order.

At the rescheduled hearing, Antosh confirms accepting money from both parties and stated he was representing both parties. Within the next week, Antosh filed a motion to withdraw, stating his motivation for accepting legal fees from both parties was "to wit, he was serving as a de facto mediator and representing both of their interests."

Court held: As a matter of law, Antosh violated KRPC 1.7(a) (A lawyer shall not represent a client if the representation of that client will be directly adverse to another client unless

(1) lawyer reasonably believes the representation will not adversely affect the relationship with other client, and (2) each client consents after consultation). Discipline: published censure.

What lessons can be drawn here?

One. If a person is hired as an attorney first, that role takes precedence. If a person is hired as a mediator first, that role takes precedence. Regardless of the role taken, it is not possible to shift between roles throughout the case.

The Supreme Court concluded that Antosh was first retained as husband's attorney. Inexperience in the practice of law is cited as a mitigating factor (2 years experience).

It is no surprise the 'de facto mediator' explanation is not accepted. There is no mention of Antosh having a practice or background in mediation. (Author's note: He is not registered as an approved mediator per Kansas Supreme Court Rules 901 et seq.) And, courts throughout the US have maintained that there must be a mediator and mediation in order to claim any advantages provided by mediation. Negotiating for settlement as an attorney is not the same as negotiating for settlement as a mediator.

Two. Though Antosh spoke Spanish fluently, he was not acting as an interpreter. The Court considers as an aggravating factor the parties' extreme vulnerability because they only speak Spanish. The Court does not however discuss any role as an interpreter except for the brief mention of wife's intent to obtain interpreter services.

To argue that Antosh was an interpreter for wife would have been problematic for several reasons, a couple of those reasons being the proper role of the interpreter and the lack of impartiality.

If Antosh had been an interpreter, though not appointed, it is logical to expect him to fulfill the role of an interpreter as defined in KSA 75-4354: "... such interpreter will make a true interpretation in an understandable manner to the person for whom such interpreter is appointed, and that such interpreter

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will repeat the statements of such person in the English language to the best of such interpreter's skill and judgment."

There is also a preference for an impartial interpreter, as stated in KSA 75-4353: "(a) no one shall be appointed to serve as an interpreter ... if such interpreter is married to that person, related to the person within the first or second degrees of consanguinity, living with that person or is otherwise interested in the outcome of the proceeding, unless the appointing authority determines that no other qualified interpreter is available to serve."

In this case, the communication to the Judge that an agreement would be reached was not a true interpretation of wife's desired outcome. Furthermore, the Court was able to communicate with the parties during the hearing. There were no extenuating circumstances requiring Antosh to be an interpreter.

Presuming for the moment the parties did want mediation, having a Spanish-speaking mediator would be ideal. The mediator would be impartial and interpreting from one language to another would be unnecessary.

Three. Whether the professional is an attorney, mediator, or interpreter, the professional bears the responsibility for screening, evaluating and accepting clients. In this case, there needed to be better controls and communication established for the staff and attorney. Staff shouldn't be deciding who the clients are nor should the staff be accepting fees before the attorney has had an opportunity to independently consider the case.

A final thought. As an attorney or mediator or an interpreter, wanting to achieve an outcome that allows all parties to come out ahead is a worthy goal. Ultimately though, it should be the clients who decide as individuals what their best outcome is, and clients, through their actions, who determine the actual outcome.

Charla Beall has created "The Mediator's Framework". "The Mediator's Framework", a resource publication formulated with mediators in mind. The main goal of "The Mediator's Framework" is to provide meaningful summaries of recent court case decisions from jurisdictions throughout the US. Summaries will focus solely on the mediation issues discussed in the cases (confidentiality, conflict of interest, good faith, etc). This resource is being written by Charla Beall, an attorney-mediator and member of AAM. For more information, please contact Charla Beall at cvbe2000@aol.com or mail to PO Box 3532, Olathe, KS 66063-3532.

Look over your website bio and notify the AAM National office of any changes. Do you have a new photo to add?

Smooth Sailing in San Diego

The location was perfect, the presenters were excellent and all in attendance had a wonderful time last April in San Diego. The weather couldn't have been better as attendees enjoyed the sight seeing and sunshine. Mediators from around the country attended including Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Florida, New York, Ohio, Nevada, Connecticut, New Mexico, Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana and Texas. It was a great time to meet AAM members from the East Coast that we had not met before. The perfect ending to the event was the private yacht luncheon bay cruise on Saturday.

A special thank you to Courtenay Bass, Trey Bergman, Robert Dietz, Kathy Fragnoli, Doug Glass of San Diego, Linda Meyer of Malibu and Michael Wilk for the parts they played in making this Advanced Attorney-Mediator Training a success.



AAM CHAPTER NEWS

AAM currently has chapters in several locations. Some of these meet on a regular basis, offering members CLE credits. Several meet in conjunction with their local bar ADR section. Contact your local Chapter President for more information and to see how you can get involved.

St. Louis Chapter News

The St. Louis Chapter continues to hold monthly meetings to discuss current mediation developments and issues and to consider specific problems and questions the members have encountered. In addition, at each meeting, one of the members leads a discussion on a specific mediation topic (that qualifies for MCLE credit). Upcoming topics will include:

- Transformative Mediation
- Task Force Report on Improving Mediation
- Advocates' Views about Intellectual Property Mediations (guest speakers)
- Advocates' Views about Mediation Generally (guest speakers)

Houston Chapter News

The Houston Chapter is making a voluntary contribution to the AAM Texas Lobby Fund in the amount of \$2,500. This followed the Central Texas Chapter voluntary contribution during the last legislative session. The AAM Texas Lobby Fund thanks you!

Oklahoma Chapter News

The Oklahoma Chapter made a generous voluntary contribution to Legal Aid of Oklahoma, for their "Campaign for Justice". The Oklahoma Chapter is commended for helping to provide high quality free civil legal services to many needy Oklahomans.

North Texas Chapter News

A summer social get together will be held on Tuesday, August 19 at Ozona Bar and Grill on Greenville Avenue beginning at 5:30 p.m. For more information please contact Mel Wolovits, Chapter President, at (214) 373-3777.

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Have you registered and made your reservations for the upcoming AAM Advanced Attorney-Mediator Training, “Finer Points”, to be held in Austin, Texas on Friday, September 12, 2008?

Special Thanks to the AAM Board and Members:

I want to take this opportunity to thank the AAM Board of Directors for honoring me with the most prestigious Steve Brutsché Award. I truly thank you from my heart — this was such a huge surprise. I was completely at a loss for words!

I enjoy being a part of such a great group and thank you all — members and board — for your support of me through the years. If there is anything you need, I am an email or phone call away. Again, thank you for such an outstanding honor.

Kindest regards,

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AAM Texas Lobby News

Our legislature will be back in session starting in January. By law, the State Bar ADR Section and local bar sections cannot engage in lobbying activities. AAM is the only organization of ADR professionals with a presence in the legislature expressly intended to preserve and protect the integrity of the mediation process. We will work closely with our lobbyist during the session to identify any actions which may impact mediation. AAM is a national organization with members in twenty-three states. AAM membership dues cannot be used for local lobbying efforts. Lobbying efforts must be supported wholly by voluntary contributions.

A special thank you to the AAM Houston Chapter for their recent donation to this fund!

Join us in Austin on Friday, September 12, when we receive an in-person update from AAM’s legislative representative, George Scott Christian. He is included on the agenda for AAM’s Advanced Attorney-Mediator Training “Finer Points”.

Donations to the AAM Texas Lobby Fund may be made by check or credit card. Contact AAM Executive Director, Brenda Rachuig at (800) 280-1368 or by email at aam@airmail.net.

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will be

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Guest and meeting rooms have been reserved at the Renaissance Worthington by Marriott. Marriott Reservations 1-800-468-3571.

Email notification will be sent when registration and agenda are available.

