



Commissioners Court Leadership Academy

Washington, D.C.

Class II - Session 3

April 26 - May 2, 2008

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APRIL 26-MAY 2, 2008
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Saturday, April 26, 2008

DRESS: CASUAL

- 9:30 a.m. Leave College Station (for those traveling to Houston with Institute faculty)
- 1:05 p.m. Depart Bush Intercontinental - Houston
- 5:05 p.m. Arrive at Reagan National - Washington, D.C.
- 6:00 p.m. Arrive at Holiday Inn Capitol
550 C. Street SW
- Dinner - On Your Own
- Hotel Restaurant is open until 10:00 p.m.*

Sunday, April 27, 2008

Free Day to Tour Washington, DC

DRESS: CASUAL

- 6:30 p.m. Depart for Restaurant
Hotel Front Lobby
- 7:15 p.m. Dinner and Session Preview
Capitol City Brewery
2 Massachusetts Avenue, NE
- 9:00 p.m. Arrive at Hotel

Monday, April 28, 2008

National Issues Affecting Counties

DRESS: BUSINESS

- 7:45 a.m. Depart Hotel for National Association of Counties
Hotel Front Lobby
- National Association of Counties
25 Massachusetts Avenue, NW
- 8:30 a.m. Social Time - (breakfast served)
Remarks and Informal Conversation with:
Larry Naake, Executive Director
Steve Swendiman, CEO NACo Financial Services
Jeanne Markell, Ralph L. Tabor Extension Fellow
- 9:15 a.m. NACo Membership and Member Benefits
Andrew Goldschmidt, Membership/Marketing
Director
Jacqueline Byers, Director of Research
Sandra Clark, Manager, Educational Services
Lisa Cole, Director, Enterprise Services
- 10:15 a.m. Break and Building Tour
- 10:40 a.m. NACo: A Voice for County Government in D.C.
(Legislative Briefing)
Edwin Rosado, Legislative Director
Selected members of the legislative staff team
- 12:00 noon Lunch
- 12:45 p.m. Depart for Meyers & Associates
412 First Street, SE, Suite One
- 1:30 p.m. An Inside Look Into Washington, D.C.
Larry Meyers, President
Meyers & Associates
- 2:50 p.m. Depart for Chinese Embassy

2300 Connecticut Avenue, NW

- 3:30 p.m. Welcome, Presentation and Tour of Embassy
- 5:00 p.m. Depart for Hotel
- 5:45 p.m. Arrive at Hotel
- Free Night

Tuesday, April 29, 2008
Working with Congress

DRESS: BUSINESS

- 7:15 a.m. Depart Hotel for Capitol
- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast Meeting - *Room SC 4 - U.S. Capitol, Enter North Door, Delaware and Constitution*
Senator John Cornyn
- 9:30 a.m. Congressional Briefing on Transportation Issues
Andress Boggs and Patrick Mullane
Office of Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison
- 10:15 a.m. Tour of United States Capitol
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch On Your Own
Longworth Cafeteria
- 1:30 p.m. Assemble as a Group
1116 Longworth House Office Building
- 2:00 p.m. Individual Visits to Representatives
- 3:00 p.m. Military and Veterans Affairs Briefing
John Conger, Legislative Director
Office of Representative Chet Edwards
1116 Longworth House Office Building
- 3:45 p.m. Immigration and Border Security Briefing

Representative Louie Gohmert
1116 Longworth House Office Building

- 5:00 p.m. Arrive at Hotel
- Quick Dinner on Your Own

DRESS: BUSINESS CASUAL

- 6:20 p.m. Depart Hotel for Harmon Center for the Arts
Sidney Harmon Hall
610 F Street, NW
- 7:30 p.m. Shakespeare Theatre Company Presentation of
"Julius Caesar"
- 10:30 p.m. Arrive at Hotel

Wednesday, April 30, 2008
Exploring Maryland County Government

DRESS: BUSINESS CASUAL

- 8:00 a.m. Depart for Anne Arundel County, Maryland
Hotel Front Lobby
- 9:00 a.m. Arrival at Anne Arundel County Government
Headquarters - *The Arundel Center, 44 Calvert Street,*
Annapolis, Maryland
- 9:15 a.m. Overview of County Government
Alan Friedman, County Council Staff
1st Floor, Arundel Center - County Council Chambers
- 10:00 a.m. Bus Tour of Downtown Annapolis
County Executive Staff
- 10:30 a.m. Arrive at Sandy Point State Park for Fire Boat
Demonstration - PIO Chief Tobia

*Sandy Point State Park Marina, 1100 East College
Parkway Annapolis, Maryland*

- 12:00 noon Arrive at Emergency Operations Center
- Working Lunch & Overview of Maryland County
Government
7480 Baltimore Annapolis Blvd., Glen Burnie, Maryland
- 12:30 p.m. EOC Overview & Tour
Emergency Operations Center Staff
- 1:45 p.m. Depart EOC for Bus Tour of U.S.N.A. Dairy Farm
County Executive Staff
USNA Dairy Farm, Dairy Farm Road, Gambrills, MD
- 3:15 p.m. Interactive Discussion & Closing Remarks
Participants: Department Heads, Council Members
(Staff), Elected Officials
1st Floor, Arundel Center - County Council Chambers
- 5:30 p.m. Arrive at Hotel
- Free Evening

Thursday, May 1, 2008
Defense and Foreign Affairs

DRESS: BUSINESS

- 8:00 a.m. Depart Hotel for Osgood Center for International
Studies
Hotel Front Lobby
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome and Overview of the Osgood Center
Shelton Williams, President
Osgood Center for International Studies

1717 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Room 616

- 9:20 a.m. U. S. Defense Structure and Budget
Peter Rodman, Senior Fellow
Brookings Institution
- 10:10 a.m. Break
- 10:30 a.m. U. S. Foreign Policy – The Challenges of the Future
Shelton Williams
- 11:20 a.m. Overview of U.S.-China Relations
Carla Freeman, Associate Director of the China
Studies Program
Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International
Studies
- 12:10 p.m. Lunch on Your Own
- 1:30 p.m. China Trade and Economic Policy
James Loi, Visiting Fellow, Freeman Chair in China
Studies, Center for Strategic and International
Studies
- 2:20 p.m. Depart for White House (EEOB)
17th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
- 3:00 p.m. Administration briefing on County Issues
Bill Behrens
Office of White House Intergovernmental Affairs
Room 248 EEOB
- 3:45 p.m. Briefing on Homeland Security
Tim Kennedy, Director of Continuity
Homeland Security Council
Room 476 EEOB (if needed)
- 4:30 p.m. Depart for Hotel

5:15 p.m. Arrive at Hotel

DRESS: BUSINESS CASUAL

6:30 p.m. Meet in Hotel Lobby
Dinner – The Caucus Room
Hosted by: McCreary, Veselka, Bragg & Allen, P.C.

Friday, May 2, 2008

DRESS: CASUAL

10:00 a.m. Depart Hotel for Reagan National Airport
Hotel Lobby

12:30 p.m. Depart Washington, DC

2:44 p.m. Arrive at Bush Intercontinental - Houston

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12:30 p.m. Lunch on Your Own at the Air and Space Museum

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4:00 p.m. Depart for Hotel

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Or

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