

Things to Know Before You Go

The NEAFCS 2017 Annual Session is next week and we are delighted that you will be attending! In preparation for your trip to Omaha, please review the important information below.

Last minute reminders:

- Volunteer We hope that you will consider signing up to volunteer if you haven't already. It is because of our volunteers that we are able to put on this outstanding meeting. To view available volunteer slots, or to check your assigned time click here.
- **Silent Auction** Join us in the Exhibit Hall for the Silent Auction to raise funds to support the annual Awards program. Bid high and bid often! You can drop off your donated items at the registration desk on Sunday 10/15, 4:30-7:30 pm, and Monday 10/16 8:00 am 5:00 pm.
- **President's Charity** This years President's Charity is Food Bank of the Heartland. We hope that you will join us this year in donating to Food Bank of the Heartland. Donations can be dropped off at the registration desk, or during the Wednesday General Session.
- **Service Project** Donate a stuffed animal to share joy with the children at the Omaha Children's Hospital & Medical Center. The collection point is located near the Conference Registration Desk. Donations will be accepted throughout the entire conference. Click here for guidelines

Social Media

Make sure that you join the NEAFCS Facebook group and connect with NEAFCS

on Twitter. We will be posting any last-minute updates in both places. To connect on Facebook, go to www.facebook.com/groups/neafcs. To connect on Twitter, find us at @Tweet NEAFCS or #NEAFCS2017.

Registration & Hospitality Hours

Registration and Hospitality desk will be located in the Hilton, 2nd Floor near the escalators. Pick up your pre-registered documents, name badge and tickets at the Registration Desk

REGISTRATION HOURS

Sunday 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm Monday 7:00 am - 5:00 pm Tuesday 7:00 am - 4:00 pm Wednesday 7:00 am - 4:00 pm Thursday 7:00 am - 4:00 pm

HOSPITALITY HOURS

Sunday 4:30 pm-7:30 pm Monday 10:00 am - 12:00 pm & 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Tuesday 8:00 am - 1:00 pm Wednesday 8:00 am - 10:15 am & 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm Thursday 8:00 am - 11:00 am & 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Plan Your Time

Every evening of the convention , you will receive an email including "Daily News" for the following day. We hope this will help you make the most of your time and remind you of important Annual Session details.

Recommended Attire

The recommended attire for the Annual Session is business casual. Meeting room temperatures vary so please bring a sweater or jacket. Please note the dress for the Thursday Awards Banquet is Business attire to Semi-formal. Don't forget to bring your walking shoes for the Welcome Event at the Henry Doorly Zoo, and your workout clothes for the morning wellness activities.

Finalize Transportation

Hilton Omaha provides a complimentary shuttle on demand. Call the hotel directly when you land at the airport and allow 15 minutes for the shuttle to arrive. The shuttle runs every 30 minutes or so each morning for airport departures.

The Hilton is offering 50% off overnight self-parking rates to conference attendees. The Convention Center will charge \$8 per car, per entry.

Click here for more details about how to get to Omaha.

Internet

Attendees staying at the Hilton Omaha will receive complimentary wireless internet in their guest rooms.

CEU & PDU Information

The Annual Session has been approved by the following.

American Association of Family & Consumer Science (AAFCS)

PDUs Approved: 38 CFCS; 20.5 CPFFE; 6.5 CNWE

Association for Financial Counseling and Planning Education (AFCPE)Hours Granted - 15

Upon completion of the approved program, each AFCPE certified professional must complete the Individual CEU Form: https://my.afcpe.org/credits/new and include proof of participation.

National Council on Family Relations (NCFR) / Certified Family Life Educator (CFLE)

Contact Hours - 27 OR 2.7 CEUs towards CFLE credential

If you are in need of a Certificate of Completion from the 2017 NEAFCS Annual Session, please email us at elane@executiveoffice.org.

Dining

In addition to the meals that come with your conference registration, the Liberty Tavern Restaurant located in the Hilton Omaha will be open for breakfast, lunch and dinner for your convince. For additional dining options near the hotel click here.

Conference Activities

Pre-Conference Sessions - If you registered to attend one of the Pre-Con Workshops please plan to arrive early for continental breakfast starting at 7:30 am. If you did not pre-register but would like to attend, there are still spots available. You can register on-site at the registration desk.

Welcome Event at the Henry Doorly Zoo - Don't forget to pack your walking shoes to tour the #1 Zoo in America! Be sure to check your event

ticket for bus loading/departure times. Buses will leave from the CenturyLink Convention Center.

Wellness Activities - We will be offering 3 different wellness activities Tuesday - Thursday morning of the Annual Session. Check your program book for times and locations.

First Timer Orientation & Breakfast - If you pre-registered as a first time attendee, please plan on participating in this year's First Timer Orientation & Breakfast held Tuesday morning starting at 7:00 am. Check your program book for location information.

In-Depth Sessions - Buses will depart from the Convention Center. The Hilton shuttle for Protect Your Pocketbook session will depart outside the Hilton entrance. Lunch carts will be available in the Grand Ballroom Pre-function area for in-depth session attendees only starting at 11:45 AM. See in-depth session ticket for more information. Carts will open to all Annual Session attendees beginning at 12:30 PM.

Regional Business Meeting/Breakfasts - All conference attendees are invited to attend their Regional Breakfast on Wednesday morning at 7:30 am. Please check the program book for specific locations.

Spouse Guest Tour - An outing to the Strategic Air Command and Aerospace Museum is planned for Wednesday, October 18 from 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM. See hospitality table for more details and to sign up. *Please note:* if you indicated interest in attending this event when you registered to attend Annual Session you still need to sign up onsite.

Annual Business Meeting - If you are a registered delegate, please plan on arriving at least 5 minutes before the meeting start time to collect your card, and find you seat. This meeting is open to all NEAFCS members.

President's Reception and Awards Banquet - The dress for this event is business attire to semi-formal. The President's reception will be held in the Hilton, Grand Ballroom foyer beginning at 6:00 pm Thursday evening. The Awards Banquet will be held in the Convention Center's North Ballroom (2nd flood). Banquet doors will open at 7:00 pm.

For additional information on the Annual Session, please visit the NEAFCS website at wwwl.neafcs.org.

We look forward to seeing you in Omaha!