



“Cultivating a Climate of Civil Dialogue”

Sunday – April 8, 2018

- 9:00 – 11:30 Planning Committee Meeting
- 11:45 – 1:15 Planning Committee Lunch
- 1:30 – 6:30 Conference Registration Desk Open
- 2:30 – 5:00 PILD 1st Timers Orientation (*includes **walking tour** of the hotel and surrounding area*)
- Dinner on your own
- 6:00 – 9:30 Washington Twilight Tour (*meet in lobby at 5:45pm to board buses*)

Monday – April 9, 2018

- 7:30 – 8:30 am Breakfast
- 8:30 – 8:45 Introductions and Welcome
- 8:45 – 9:45 Keynote: Carolyn Lukensmeyer, National Institute for Civil Discourse
- 9:45 – 10:15 Networking Break
- 10:15 – 11:15 “Cooperative Extension’s Value Proposition for Federal, State and Local Partners” Panel Discussion featuring Sonny Ramaswamy, Director of USDA, National Institute of Food and Agriculture and others, moderated by Chuck Hibberd, Dean and Director of Extension, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, ECOP Chair
- 11:15 – 11:25 Stretch Break
- 11:25– 11:50 John Noltner – Introduction for a Peace of Mind Philosophy & Photography
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch
- 12:00 – 1:00 ECOP/NIFA/JCEP Luncheon (*by invitation only*)
- 1:00 – 1:50 Breakout Session I
- 2:00 – 2:50 Breakout Session II
- 1:00 – 2:50 Extension Directors/Administrators Meeting
- 2:50 – 3:15 Networking Break
- 3:15 – 5:00 Association Meetings
- 3:15 – 5:00 Volunteer Session: “Extension’s Value Proposition on the Volunteer Level”, Dr. Charles Hibberd, Chair ECOP
- 5:30 Association Night Out
- 5:30 Volunteers/Directors/Administrators Night Out

Tuesday – April 10, 2018

- 7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast
- 8:30 – 8:45 Overview of NIFA - Bill Hoffman, Chief of Staff, USDA/REE/NIFA/Office of the Director
- 8:50 – 10:10 National Program Leader Panel Sessions (*participants choose one*)
- 1 - Natural Resource and Community Development Group
 - 2 - Agriculture Group
 - 3 - 4-H Youth Development Group
 - 4 - Family and Consumer Sciences Group
 - 5 - Accountability, HR, Civil Rights, and Plan of Work Group
 - 6 – Funding and Structure of the Extension System (not repeated)
- 10:10 - 10:40 Networking Break
- 10:40 – 12:00 Repeat NPL Panel Sessions (*participants choose one*)
- 1 - Natural Resource and Community Development Group
 - 2 - Agriculture Group
 - 3 - 4-H Youth Development Group
 - 4 - Family and Consumer Sciences Group
 - 5 - Accountability, HR, Civil Rights, and Plan of Work Group
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch
- 1:00 – 1:50 Communicating on the Hill: Two Roles—Advocating and Educating featuring Cornerstone Government Affairs, K Global, & ECOP Budget & Legislative Committee
- 1:50 -- 2:40 Conversation with House and Senate Staffers'
- 2:40 – 3:10 Networking Break
- 3:10 – 4:00 Capnote: John Noltner, Founder “A Peace of My Mind”
- 4:00 – 5:30 State Planning Time for Hill Visits (with 4-H Conference attendees)
- 5:45 States’ Night Out (with 4-H Conference attendees)

Wednesday – April 11, 2018

- 7:00 – 8:00 Breakfast on your own
- 8:00 – 5:00 Congressional and Agency Visits (with 4-H Conference attendees)
- 2:30 – 4:00 **Optional Post Conference Workshop Begins** (requires additional registration – Fee of \$50.00) “Civil Dialogue in the Public Arena”
- 4:00 - 4:15 Networking Break
- 4:15 - 5: 45 “Civil Dialogue in the Public Arena” workshop
- 6: 00 Dinner on your own
- 6:00 – 9:00 2017 PILD Planning Committee
2018 PILD Planning Committee session (by invitation only)

Thursday - April 12, 2018

- 7:00 - 7:30 Post Conference Workshop Participant Breakfast

7:30 – 9:30	“Civil Dialogue in the Public Arena” workshop
9:30 – 10:00	Networking Break
10:00 – 11:15	“Civil Dialogue in the Public Arena” workshop concludes