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**WSLD 23**

# Information Release

## **The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Narcotics Anonymous Service Conference to be held in Fresno, California adds a Service Training Academy**

WSLD 23 will be held at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center, October 23 – 25, 2009

**Fresno, CA, June 22, 2009:** Western Service Learning Days (WSLD) is an annual NA service conference that focuses on Narcotics Anonymous services in Public Information (PI), Public Relations (PR), Hospitals and Institutions (H&I), Phonelines, Web Pages, Outreach Services, and other NA services. This service conference gives NA members an opportunity to learn and share about issues and solutions, and develop valuable relationships through networking. WSLD is hosted each year by a different Area or Region within thirteen western United States, two western Provinces of Canada, and Mexico.

In addition to the usual three tracks of breakout sessions for workshops and presentations, this year's conference will feature an *NA Service Academy* intended for newer members or members new to NA service to experience a specific program giving them an opportunity to learn and share the basics of good NA service from some of the most experienced members. Basic principals will be featured along with "hands-on" exercises. Best practices in NA service are the objective. Those signing up for the NA Service Academy will form a special group experiencing the program together giving them the opportunity to develop personal networks within the NA service structure among themselves and have an opportunity to develop mentoring relationships with the Academy presenters.

Radisson Hotel & Conference Center is offering a discounted room rate of \$105.00 which is available until Friday, October 2, 2009. Reservations can be made at their website [www.radisson.com/wslid](http://www.radisson.com/wslid).

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Rooms are available as Singles, Doubles, or Quads. Room reservation made before the deadline will be automatically entered into a drawing for five opportunities to win an upgrade of your room to a suite at no additional charge.

The Pre-registration rate of \$29.00 is available through October 2, 2009 (Pre-registration must be postmarked by midnight 10/02/09) and can be downloaded from the website at:

*[www.wslid.org/wslid23.html](http://www.wslid.org/wslid23.html)*

NA service committees are encouraged to take advantage of the low cost of early registrations combined with the possibility of up to four members sharing a room to send their members to the Conference.

The WSLD 23 Committee is finishing its call for proposals for presentations at this year's conference. If you are interested in possible participating in the program or making a presentation, please submit your idea. If you have an idea about what you would like included in the program, please let the Committee know. If you know someone who has something related to NA service work that you think others should know about, please share that with the Committee.

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