



Agenda

2009 NEW MEMBER INSTITUTE

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2009

STATE CAPITOL

- 9:00 a.m. **REGISTRATION (412 EAST)**
- 9:15 a.m. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS – SENATOR FRED A. RISSER AND REPRESENTATIVE MARLIN D. SCHNEIDER, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CO-CHAIRS, AND TERRY C. ANDERSON, LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL DIRECTOR (412 EAST)**
- 9:30 a.m. **EFFECTIVE PERFORMANCE TIPS FROM LEGISLATORS (412 EAST)**
SENATORS JON ERPENBACH AND SHEILA HARSDORF
REPRESENTATIVES JON RICHARDS AND KITTY RHOADES
Advice from current legislators on how first-term legislators can be most effective in areas such as dealing with legislation, managing an office, responding to constituents, communicating with the public, and dealing with colleagues.
- 10:30 a.m. **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE AGENCIES (412 EAST)**
JANICE L. MUELLER, LEGISLATIVE AUDIT BUREAU
STEPHEN R. MILLER, LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU
JEFF YLVISAKER, LEGISLATIVE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES BUREAU
TERRY C. ANDERSON, LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF
An explanation of the services provided by the nonpartisan legislative service agencies, including information technology, policy research, legal analysis, performance evaluation, audits, fiscal analysis, bill drafting, reference library, and statutory revision.
- 11:00 a.m. **THE JUDICIAL BRANCH (SUPREME COURT COURTROOM)**
A tour of the Supreme Court and opportunity to meet with the Chief Justice and other justices of the court. Session will include a discussion of the Judicial Branch's role in the law-making process.
- 12:00 p.m. **THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH (GOVERNOR'S CONFERENCE ROOM)**
A tour of the Governor's office and opportunity to meet with the Governor's staff. Session will include a discussion of the Executive Branch's role in the law-making process.
- 12:30 p.m. **LUNCH: LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF (411 SOUTH)**
- 1:15 p.m. **LEGISLATIVE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES BUREAU: TECHNOLOGY FAIR (412 EAST)**
An explanation of the technology services available to legislators and staff and "hands-on" demonstrations of computer services. Topics of discussion include legislator websites and a variety of specialized software programs available to legislative offices.
- 2:30 p.m. **RECESS**

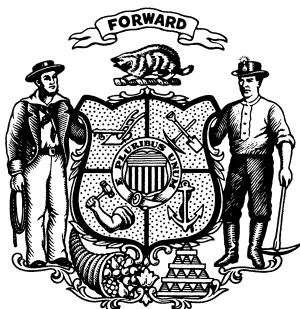
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2009

STATE CAPITOL

- 8:30 a.m. **BREAKFAST SNACKS; WELCOMING REMARKS – SENATE MAJORITY LEADER RUSS DECKER AND MINORITY LEADER SCOTT FITZGERALD (412 EAST)**
- 8:45 a.m. **THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH (400 SOUTHEAST/400 NORTHEAST)**
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF: “HOW A BILL BECOMES A LAW”
A general review of legislative structure and the various steps in the legislative process. Committee procedures and floor action will be discussed to help prepare legislators for law-making responsibilities.
- 10:00 a.m. **BREAK**
- 10:15 a.m. **ETHICS CODE AND LOBBYING LAW REQUIREMENTS (412 EAST)**
KEVIN KENNEDY, DIRECTOR AND GENERAL COUNSEL, GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD
JONATHAN BECKER, ADMINISTRATOR, ETHICS AND ACCOUNTABILITY DIVISION, GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD
An explanation of the applicability of the Ethics Code and lobbying laws to legislators.
- 11:30 a.m. **MANAGING LEGISLATIVE STAFF (412 EAST)**
TERRY C. ANDERSON, LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL DIRECTOR
- 12:00 p.m. **LUNCH: ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION (411 SOUTH)**
COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS – LAURA TOMAKA
NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES -- BRUCE FEUSTEL AND GLEN ANDERSEN
A description of additional services and resources relating to public policy that are useful to new legislators.
- 1:00 p.m. **THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH (411 SOUTH)**
WELCOMING REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION OF GOVERNOR – SENATOR FRED A. RISSER, SENATE PRESIDENT AND JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CO-CHAIR
An opportunity to meet with the Governor.
- 1:30 p.m. **“THE LANGUAGE OF LEADERSHIP” - MR. JAMES C. HUMES, COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY (412 EAST)**
WELCOMING REMARKS AND SPEAKER INTRODUCTION – REPRESENTATIVE MARLIN D. SCHNEIDER, JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CO-CHAIR
In the process of putting words into the mouths of five presidents, James C. Humes got to know these prominent leaders and the inner workings of the White House as few have ever done. Today’s remarks are based upon the original notes of Prime Minister Winston Churchill. Funding from the National Conference of State Legislatures makes possible this popular speech.
- 3:00 p.m. **RECESS**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2009
STATE CAPITOL

- 8:15 a.m. **BREAKFAST SNACKS; WELCOMING REMARKS –ASSEMBLY SPEAKER MIKE SHERIDAN, MAJORITY LEADER TOM NELSON, AND MINORITY LEADER JEFF FITZGERALD (412 EAST)**
- 8:30 a.m. **BUDGET PROCESS (412 EAST)**
ROBERT WM. LANG, DIRECTOR, LEGISLATIVE FISCAL BUREAU
An explanation of the budget process and services provided by the Legislative Fiscal Bureau.
- 10:00 a.m. **BREAK**
- 10:15 a.m. **CHIEF CLERKS AND CAPITOL POLICE (412 EAST)**
ROBERT MARCHANT, SENATE CHIEF CLERK
PATRICK FULLER, ASSEMBLY CHIEF CLERK
CHIEF CHARLES TUBBS, DEPUTY CHIEF DAN BLACKDEER, AND SERGEANT DAVE HORTON, CAPITOL POLICE
An explanation of the role of the chief clerks in the legislative process, followed by an explanation of safety and security in the Capitol.
- 10:45 a.m. **THE MEDIA (412 EAST)**
SCOTT BAUER, ASSOCIATED PRESS
STEVE WALTERS, MILWAUKEE JOURNAL SENTINEL
SHAWN JOHNSON, WISCONSIN PUBLIC RADIO
CHRIS LONG, WISCONSINEYE
An explanation of the role of the media in the legislative process.
- 12:00 p.m. **LUNCH: THE “WISCONSIN IDEA” - PRESENTATIONS BY THE LA FOLLETTE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS, UW – MADISON (411 SOUTH)**
THE FAMILY IMPACT SEMINAR – PROFESSOR KAREN BOGENSCHNEIDER
THE EVIDENCE-BASED HEALTH POLICY PROJECT – CERI JENKINS
SOBERING NEWS: HOW WE CAN REDUCE WISCONSIN’S TOP-RANKED DRINKING PROBLEM – PROFESSOR CAROLYN HEINRICH
PROPERTY TAX RELIEF IN WISCONSIN – PROFESSOR ANDREW RESCHOVSKY
LESSONS FROM THE MIDWEST FLOODS OF 2008 – PROFESSOR DONALD MOYNIHAN
- 1:30 p.m. **ADJOURNMENT**



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