

Wouldn't it be nice if the road to economic and community prosperity for all Alabama communities was a direct route with smooth curves? Just imagine all towns, cities, and counties moving in one direction toward a common goal that benefits everyone. Unfortunately, that's just not the case. Alabama's road to the future is often disjointed and changes directions without warning. Join the Alabama Association of Regional Councils in Orange Beach as we explore how the road to the future may be interwoven through the communities of Alabama, bringing us together as ONE ALABAMA. The One Alabama concept is based on the need to work together to attract commerce to Alabama within the global environment.

The 2006 AARC Annual Training Conference will open on Tuesday afternoon with Keynote Speaker, Representative John Knight (invited). Then, directors of four state agencies will discuss projections and possibilities for the next four years. On Thursday, Jim Buford, of Ellis-Harper Management, will join us for breakfast and Irene Collins, Director of the Alabama Department of Senior Services, and Dr. Don Williamson,

Alabama State Health Officer, will discuss pandemic influenza following lunch. Friday morning will feature a Congressional Breakfast with our senators and representatives from Washington, D.C. Along with the general sessions, there are seven concurrent training tracks to choose from with interesting information on a variety of subjects. Tracks include transportation, transit, economic development and regional planning, fiscal and professional development, medicaid waiver, senior services and, pending AARP approval, elder law.

In addition to the informative training sessions, the AARC Conference offers some downtime for networking with peers across the state who are

facing the same issues in planning their road to the future. Independent networking sessions are scheduled for Wednesday afternoon, including a golf tournament, a fishing excursion, and a dolphin cruise. Because space is limited, be sure to sign up for one of these independent networking events on the registration form. Don't miss this opportunity to join the AARC in paving the road to the future with One Alabama.

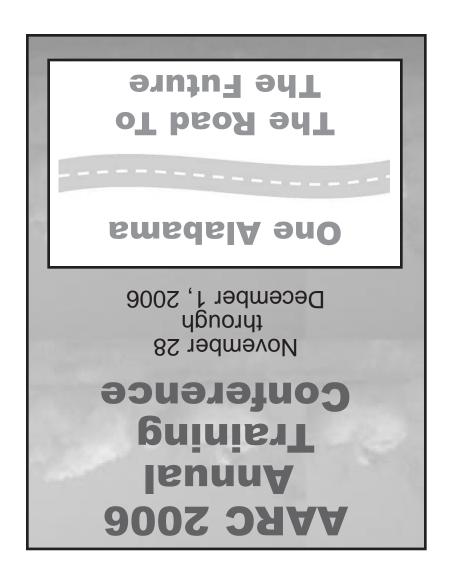
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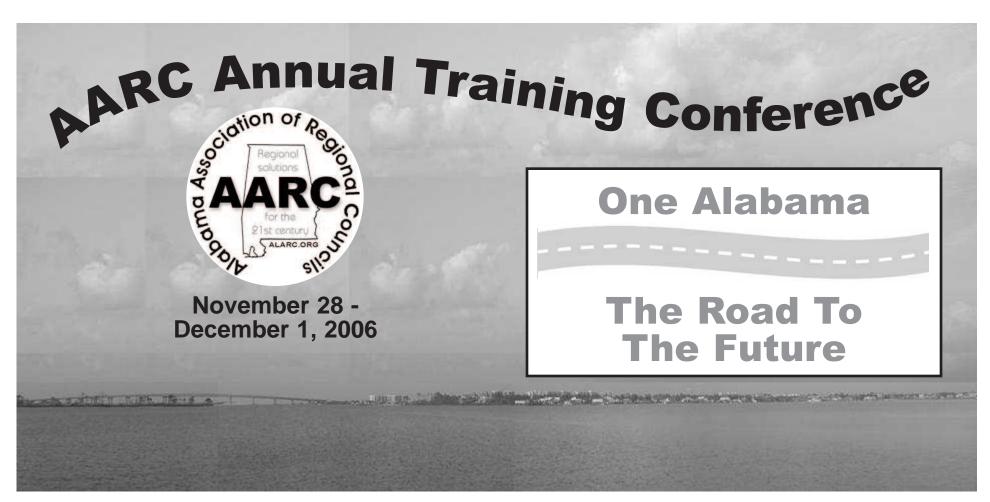


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Conference Schedule

Tuesday, November 28

11:30 am - 1:30 pm **Exhibit Set up** 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm A4A Meeting

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Registration in Exhibit Hall 4:00 pm - 5:45 pm **Opening Session & State of** the Regions Report

Keynote Speaker, Representative John Knight (Invited) Projections and Possibilities for the Next Four Years Irene Collins, ADSS; Joe McInnis, ALDOT; Doni Ingram, ADECA; and Trey Glenn, ADEM

Reception in the Exhibit Hall 7:30am - 3:00 pm 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Dinner on your own

Wednesday, November 29

7:00 am - noon 7:00 am - noon **Exhibit Hall Open** Registration

7:15 am - 8:00 am 8:00 am - 11:45 am Noon - 1:00 pm

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Breakfast with Exhibitors Training Sessions ADSS Board Meeting with Lunch Interaction with Exhibitors **Independent Networking**

Lunch & Dinner on your own Golf Tournament, Fishing Excursion & Dolphin Cruise

Sessions

Thursday, November 30

Registration / Information Area Open **Continental Breakfast with** 7:30 am - 8:00 am

Exhibitors

General Session 8:00 am - 9:30 am

Performance Appraisals and Merit Pay Jim Buford, Director, Ellis-Harper Management 9:45 am - 11:45 am 11:45 am - 1:00 pm **Training Sessions** Lunch

Pandemic Influenza

Irene Collins, Director, ADSS & Dr. Don Williamson,

Alabama State Health Officer, ADPH

1:15 pm - 3:00 pm **Training Sessions**

6:30 pm **Banquet**

A4A Silver Star Award Entertainment to Follow

Friday, December 1

7:30 am - 11:30 am **Information Desk Open Congressional Breakfast** 8:00 am - 9:45 am 10:00 am - noon **Organization Meetings** 10:00 am - 11:45 am **Training Sessions**

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Conference Training Sessions

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	TRANSPORTATION	TRANSIT	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & REGIONAL PLANNING	FISCAL & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	MEDICAID WAIVER	SENIOR SERVICES
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 29 8:00 AM - 9:45 AM	Transportation Infras Commission; U	ct of the Alabama Port Systructure & Alabama's Eco Ipdate from National Grou oehlert, NADO; Jim Youngq	Deficit Reduction Act Irene Collins, ADSS; Carol Hermann-Steckel, Alabama Medicaid Agency			
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 29 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM	Mobile MPO Preload Process Kevin Harrison, South Alabama RPC	South Baldwin Transit Project Stan Virden, Baldwin County Public Transit Coalition	Workforce Development in Alabama Dr. Tim Alford	Purchasing Cooperatives in Alabama Charles Booth, PARCA; Wanda Brantley, SAPA; Larry Whitt, NACPA; Jim Barker, NEAPA; Wayne Mink, PACA	How Home Health Care Can Help You Grover Wedgeworth, Bureau of Home & Community Services, ALDPH	
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 29 10:50 AM - 11:45 AM	Traffic Counting Process Charles Turney, ALDOT	Economic Impact of Shortline Rail Don Rychnowski, Southern Tier Council of Governments, New York	ADWD Rural Economic Development Dr. Bill Gillis, CenturyTel	Session To Be Announced	Meal Delivery During A Disaster Sarah Strawn, ADSS	EPI: Blue Cross Blue Shield Eddie Harris, Emergency Patient Information Program
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 30 9:45 AM - 11:00 AM	Freight Modeling Dr. Michael Anderson, UAH Southern Rapid Rail Update Craig Thomas, ALDOT	How SAFETEA-LU Applies to Transit Scott Bogran, CTAA	USDA Update Steve Pelham, USDA Port Authority - Economic Impact Judith Adams, Alabama Port Authority	Employee Health Insurance Chris Miller, SARPC; ICMA Representative TBA; HMO Physician TBA, Cigna;	Consumer Direction Rebecca Wright, Wright & Associates	Housing for the Future Gary Edwards, United Cerebral Palsy of Birmingham
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 30 11:05 AM - 11:45 AM	RPO Training David Norris, WARC	SAFETEA-LU Roundtable / Q&A Scott Bogran, CTAA	LMI Tools You Can Use Greta Williams, Alabama Department of Industrial Relations	Theresa Scroggins, AEIB; Mark Midyette, BC/BS; Wayne Bowling, Willis Group of Alabama; Randy Kelly, Three Rivers PDD	Consumer Direction Rebecca Wright, Wright & Associates	Marketing & Outreach in the Aging Network John Matson, ADSS
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 30 1:15 PM - 2:00 PM	CUBE Software Update Speaker TBA Citilabs	ALDOT Update on Sections 5309, 5310, 5316 & 5317 Bob McWhorter and Joe Nix, ALDOT	CDBG Administration (Regional Staff Only) Shabbir Olia & ADECA Staff Until 2:30	Deferred Compensation Opportunities Keith McGraw, PEBSCO	Consumer Direction Rebecca Wright, Wright & Associates	ADRC - Moving Towards Single Point of Entry Julie Miller & Ron Tanner, ADSS
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 30 2:15 PM - 3:00 PM	Decatur Traffic Safety Study Mickey Hall, Skipper Consulting	Session To Be Announced	Strengthening Our Regional Partnerships Angie Winter, Southern Development Council	Workers Compensation Issues Tom Roper, MWCF	Consumer Direction Rebecca Wright, Wright & Associates	Managing Aging Programs Using AIMS Karen Taylor & Tina Hartley, ADSS
FRIDAY DECEMBER 1 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM	Alabama Transportation Planners Business Meeting	Session To Be Announced	New EDA Final Regulations Lee Mertens & Phil Paradise, EDA	Aging Fiscal Issues	Helping the Rx Garden to Grow with Wellness Programs Lee Sanders, ADSS and Mim Gaines, ALDPH	
FRIDAY DECEMBER 1 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM	ALDOT Planning Bureau Report Bill Couch, ALDOT FHWA, Alabama Division Report	Session To Be Announced	AARC Planning Task Force Meeting Jeff Pruitt, TARCOG and Joey Hester, NARCOG	Todd Cotton and Michael Bridges, ADSS Bessie Bogan, SARPC	Wellness - Steps to Mim Gaine	Personal Success! es, ALDPH

Pending AARP approval, an Elder Law Training Track will be added to the Senior Services Sessions and CLEs will be requested. Visit www.alarc.org. Updated information will be posted as soon as it comes available.

AARC 2006 Conference Registration

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- Attendees can receive basic hours toward the Alabama League of Municipalities Certified Municipal Official Program. Continuing education credit is available for Nursing, Social Work, NBCC counselor, and AICP. Request will be made for CLE.
- Cancellation fee is \$65.00.
- All conference functions are casual.
- Register Online at www.alarc.org

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☐ Aging Services Sessions (relating to Medicaid Waiver, Senior Services and Elder Law)					
I plan to attend the following function(s):					
☐ Tuesday Reception	☐ Thursday Breakfast	☐ Thursday Banquet			
☐ Wednesday Breakfast	☐ Thursday Lunch	☐ Friday Breakfast			

☐ Government Services Sessions (relating to Economic Development and Regional

Planning Transportation Transit and Fiscal and Professional D

I plan to attend: (please check)

A block of Standard/Double-Double rooms has been reserved at a rate of \$90.00, for room requests received prior to October 30, 2006. Requests received after this date will be honored based on availability and regular rates will apply. A higher rate applies to Gulf Front pool view rooms. After check-in, there will be an early departure fee of 50% of the daily rate. All cancellations must be made 72 hours prior to arrival date.

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