



Illinois Environmental Council

Lobby Day 2010

& Legislative Reception

March 9th & 10th, 2010

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Last year nearly 100 people, just like you, who care about the environment, converged on the capitol for one day to meet with key legislators and help push for the passage of important environmental legislation! Please join us in Springfield on **March 10th, 2010**, for the **Illinois Environmental Council's annual lobby day and reception**.

Legislative Reception & Training: In the evening, on March 9th, we will host a small cocktail reception at the Lincoln Room of the *Mansion View Inn & Suites* for advocates, lobby day participants and champion legislators. The cocktail reception will be the first of many great opportunities to connect with your legislators. Following the cocktail reception there will be a dinner and lobby day training. Dinner will consist of pasta and salad and a training on how to be an effective citizen advocate for the environment. We will go over what the issues are surrounding the legislation you will be advocating for, teach you how to navigate the capitol complex, and train you how to interact with your legislators. (Prior to, there will be a conference call to learn and ask questions about the legislation we will be lobbying for, TBA)

Lobby Day: In the morning on March 10th, we will begin lobbying around 8:30am. For those who could not attend the reception and training the night before, there will be a training at 9:00am, followed by another training around 10:30am for those coming into town that morning on the train. Lobbying will continue throughout the morning. Around 12:00 noon we will provide you a light lunch. Following lunch, lobbying will continue until 3:30pm, where at that time we will re-group for a debriefing session.

Accommodations: If you are arriving the night before the lobby day, we have reserved a block of hotel rooms at the *Mansion View Inn & Suites* for the night of March 9th. The *Mansion View Inn & Suites* is located downtown Springfield at 529 South 4th Street across from the Governor's Mansion and just a short walk from the capitol complex. For reservations call 1-800-252-1083 and refer to the group code IEC. The hotel **registration deadline is March 2nd**, so please make your reservation before then.

Registration: You can register online at <http://bit.ly/lobby2010>. You can also register by completing the registration form on the reverse side and returning it to the Illinois Environmental Council, 230 Broadway, Suite 150, Springfield, IL 62701. Lobby Day is FREE and includes dinner and drinks on March 9th, and lunch on March 10th. **The lobby day registration deadline is March 4th.**

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Name: _____

Organization (IEC, Sierra Club, Faith in Place, Environment Illinois, PCG, ect.): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Date of Arrival (The morning of the lobby day, the night before, or unsure): _____

Will You Attend the Tuesday Evening Reception & Training? (yes, no, or unsure): _____

Transportation (Will you be arriving via car or train (Amtrak)): _____

Dietary Preference (Vegetarian, none ect.): _____

Senate Voting District (if known): _____ **House Voting District** (if known): _____

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