## **Virginia Association of Counties**

# **79<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

# Blazing New Trails



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## REGISTRATION MATERIALS

### **2013 CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**



GUEST INFORMATION	There is no additional fee charged for a spouse/guest.
MY SPOUSE or GUEST'S NAME	
NO GUEST	(Check here if you are not bringing a guest to the conference.)

#### **BANQUET INFORMATION**

#### The Banquet is Sunday, Nov. 10, at 6:30 p.m.

NO, I am not going to the banquet

Guest is not going to the banquet

Those who are staying at The Omni Homestead Resort may attend the banquet at no additional cost. Please mark your choice below. Attendees staying elsewhere may purchase banquet tickets @ \$75 per person.

YES, I PLAN TO ATTEND THE BANQUET \_\_\_\_\_\_ YES, GUEST PLANS TO ATTEND BANQUET \_\_\_\_\_

Check here for vegetarian dinner

Per How **PAYMENT INFORMATION** Person Many TOTALS Member Conference fee (County Members / Associate Members) \$225 Non-member Conference fee \$250 Late fee after Nov. 1 [date received by VACo] \$50 Banquet Ticket (for those not staying at the Omni Homestead) \$75 **REGISTER FOR ADDITIONAL EVENTS** VACo's Annual Golf Tournament, Sat. Nov. 9 [Golf handicap/Avg. Score is: \_\_\_\_\_ \$75 Rental Golf Clubs for the tournament \$75 VLGMA Networking Luncheon, Mon., Nov. 11 \$40 Gourmet Safari Cooking Demonstration, Mon. Nov. 11 \$55 **GRAND TOTAL** 

Check one:
American Express

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MasterCard

Card Number:
Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name as it appears on card:
Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature:
E-mail for credit card receipt:

Fax registration form with payment information to: 804.788.0083

Make checks payable to **VACo**. Mail check with completed registration form(s) to: Virginia Association of Counties, 1207 E. Main St., Ste. 300, Richmond, VA 23219 Questions? Call VACo at 804.788.6652

## **Conference Schedule (preliminary)**



#### Details are subject to change.

Saturday, November 9 9:15 a.m.....Supervisor Certification

11 a.m......Golf tournament/Old Homestead Course

5 p.m....VACoRP Board of Directors

#### Sunday, November 10

9 a.m.-1 p.m.....VACo Board of Directors meeting

9 a.m.-2 p.m.....Exhibitor setup

**10 a.m.**.....History tour of the Homestead, register at the Concierge Desk

10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.....Registration

1-4:15 p.m.....Coffee break for committee members

1-2:30 p.m....Steering committee meetings

2-5:30 p.m.....Exhibits open with refreshments

2:45-4:15 p.m....Steering committee meetings

**4:15-5:15 p.m.**....Regional caucuses to nominate representatives to Board of Directors

**5:30-6:30 p.m.**....Opening Reception (everyone is cordially invited to attend)

6:30-9 p.m.....Banquet

#### Monday, November 11

- 7:15-8:15 a.m.....Resolutions Committee
- 8 a.m.-2 p.m.....Registration

8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.....Exhibits open

8:30-9:45 a.m....Opening session

9:45 a.m....Coffee break

#### Monday, November 11 (continued)

**10 a.m.**.....History tour of the Homestead, register at the Concierge Desk

**10-11:15 a.m.**....Concurrent sessions/topics to be announced

11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m.....Concurrent sessions/topics to be announced

**Noon-2 p.m.**.....Gourmet Safari Cooking Demonstration (registration required)

12:45-1:45 p.m.....Deli lunch

12:45- 2 p.m.....VLGMA Luncheon

**1:45-3 p.m.**....Concurrent sessions/topics to be announced

3 p.m.....Mini-raffle in exhibit hall

3:30 p.m.....Soda break in exhibit hall

**3:30-4:45 p.m.**.....Concurrent sessions/topics to be announced

**4:45 p.m.**....High Growth Coalition Meeting Rural Caucus Meeting Credentials Committee Meeting

4:45-5:30 p.m.....Nominations Committee Meeting

5:45-7 p.m.....President's Reception

9 p.m.-midnight.....DJ in the Sports Bar (no registration required)

#### Tuesday, November 12

7:45-8:15 a.m.....VACoRP Business Meeting

9-10:15 a.m.....General Session

10:15 a.m....refreshment break

**10:30-11:30 a.m.**....business meeting, raffle and adjournment

#### VACo's 2013 Annual Conference November 10-12, 2013

#### You Are Invited...



We will convene Nov. 10-12 for VACo's 79<sup>th</sup> annual Conference. Local officials, VIPs, exhibitors and guests are expected. The agenda will be packed with educational sessions and opportunities to discuss county concerns. A preliminary schedule is printed in this packet and additional details will continually be provided in VACo's newsletter *County Connections* and on the website at <u>www.vaco.org</u>.

One of the most important items on the agenda is our legislative action plan for 2014. VACo's steering committees will wrap up the details on Sunday, then the full membership will vote on the legislative program during Tuesday's business meeting. Another vital part of the conference is the exhibit hall that will feature companies and organizations offering products and services of particular interest to Virginia counties. Please support our business partners, sponsors and exhibitors. This is <u>your</u> meeting – your presence and input are important. We encourage you to register today!

#### How to Register

There are two ways to register. Fill out the enclosed conference registration form and mail it with your check made payable to VACo or credit card information to the address provided or fax to 804.788.0083. On-line registration, including group registration, is available by going to the VACo website <u>www.vaco.org</u> and clicking on the Blazing New Trails conference logo. Click on the <u>2013 Annual Conference Registration</u> link and sign in with your e-mail address. If you have not used the on-line system previously, use **Guest1** as your initial password. The system will prompt you to create your own password. Deadline for registration is Nov. 1. Registrations made after Nov. 1 will be charged a \$50 late fee.

**Refund policy** – Cancellations may be made by sending request in writing to <u>ccameron@vaco.org</u> no later than **Nov. 1**. All conference cancellations are subject to a \$50 processing fee which will be deducted from the refund amount. Refunds will not be issued for cancellations received after Nov. 1.

#### Lodging

Hotel reservations can be made directly with The Omni Homestead. Use the <u>VACo room reservation form</u> to receive the special conference rate. The Modified American Plan includes breakfast and dinner. Alternative lodging is available at nearby bed and breakfast inns and motels. VACo has prepared a list for your convenience <u>Alternative</u> <u>Lodging Information</u>. The list is general information only; VACo does not have agreements or special arrangements with any of the listed establishments.

#### **Banquet Tickets**

All conference attendees who are staying at The Omni Homestead may attend the Sunday banquet at no additional cost. So that we may provide an accurate headcount for the dinner, please indicate on your registration whether you will be attending the banquet or not. Banquet tickets are available for purchase by those who are staying off-site for \$75 per person. Tickets are available in advance or at the VACo registration desk. Those persons who are on the Wait List for a room at the hotel and have purchased banquet tickets can receive a refund if a room becomes available. Notify VACo to request your refund.

#### **Golf Tournament**

VACo is sponsoring a golf tournament in connection with the Annual Conference on Sat., Nov. 9, 11:00 a.m. The registration fee is \$75; rental golf clubs are available for \$75. Golf handicap or average score is used by the golf pro to form teams. The tournament fee is refundable if cancellation is received by Nov. 1. Notify VACo to cancel. Substitute players will be accepted.

#### **Guest/Spouse Activities**

The Omni Homestead has undergone a massive renovation project and is now offering many new activities. Information is available on their website at <u>www.thehomestead.com</u> or at the Concierge Desk. The Gourmet Safari is being offered again from 12 noon to 2 p.m. on Mon., Nov. 11. Tickets are \$55 per person; registration is limited to 30.