Come To St. Louis For The 23rd Annual NASS Conference! August 19-22, 2017

"It is a spectacle pure and simple, the most magnificent free show that nature presents to man[kind].... [N]ot to view the coming one would be literally to lose the opportunity of a lifetime." The New York Times – speaking of the Total Solar Eclipse (1925) of course!

Please return the enclosed registration form with your check as soon as possible so that we can get a good count of the number of attendees for meals, bus tour, *etc.* Please also note that everyone who participates in meals, activities, tours or lectures must be appropriately registered; this policy will assure that the conference is self-supporting and that everyone is helping fairly to cover the cost of putting it together.

The conference will be held at the Clayton Plaza Hotel, 7750 Carondelet Ave., Clayton, Missouri 63105. A number of rooms have been set aside at a discounted rate of \$119/night (plus16%tax). This rate will also apply 3 days before and after the conference if rooms are available. A complimentary full breakfast buffet is included each day. Rooms come with complimentary WiFi, fridge, microwave, and coffeemaker. The hotel is located 9 miles from the Lambert St Louis International Airport (hotel has a free shuttle), and three blocks from the Clayton Metro Link. For those who drive, parking fees are \$6/night. For reservations, call the Clayton Plaza number at 1 844 615 5557 and mention the North American Sundial Society conference, or call the hotel directly at 1 314 726 5400. See the hotel's website (http://www.cpclayton.com/) to learn about the location and to view photos. To assure availability of rooms, please make your reservations as soon as possible.

We are planning some tutorial sessions (*a new feature!*) for the afternoon of Saturday Aug. 19th. Our registration event with light refreshments, short stories, and an array of door prizes will take place from 4:30-6:30pm on Saturday. The conference talks will be on Sunday the 20th and Tuesday morning the 22nd. Our bus tour on Monday the 21st will include the Missouri Botanical Gardens (with a number of dials), the historic Cahokia Mounds, a possible new dial dedication, and a viewing of the **Total Solar Eclipse**.

[Please note that our bus seats 56. We are investigating options, but we do not think we will be able to include more than 56 people on the tour. So registration will be limited to the first 56 people to send in their form and fee. This year each person who registers will receive a confirmation as soon as your form and check arrive – that way you will be certain that one of the coveted bus seats is indeed reserved for you!]

The conference runs through 1:00pm on Tuesday; please plan to stay for the entire agenda. Our schedule this year includes the usual range of talks. If you would like to present a talk, please contact Fred Sawyer. If you would prefer to do an informal 5-10 minute presentation on your favorite dialing project, question or story, please let us know now (*in advance of the conference*!) so that we can schedule appropriately. If you have sundials, photos, books, *etc.* that you would like to display, please let us know so that we can arrange to have some table space available. We will try to allocate $\frac{1}{2}$ table per display. Plan to bring your projects to show.

We have two registration plans. Select a registration option for each conference attendee. Note that meals on the Partial Option are only Saturday Reception refreshments, Sunday Conference Dinner, and Monday Tour Lunch. (Your hotel room rate does include full complimentary breakfasts.) The Partial Option does <u>not</u> include admission to the general sessions.

| | Full | Partial |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Registration reception & door prizes, Saturday | √ | \checkmark |
| Talks, Lunch & Breaks, Sunday | √ √ | |
| Conference Dinner, Sunday | \checkmark | \checkmark |
| Bus Tour and Lunch, Monday | √ | \checkmark |
| Talks & Breaks, Tuesday | √ | |
| Admin. Costs, etc. | | \checkmark |

North American Sundial Society

Twenty-Third Annual Conference August 19-22, 2017 St. Louis MO

<u>Registration Form</u> - Deadline for Conference Registration: June 1, 2017.

Registrations will be acknowledged when received. Attendance on the tour is limited to 56 people!

Name:

Address:

Email:

Registration Options:

| | Until April 15 | | April 16 – June 1 | |
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| | Full | Partial | Full | Partial |
| Registration Fee | | | | |
| w/ Prime Rib Dinner | \$290 | \$180 | \$315 | \$205 |
| w/ Chicken Florentine Dinner | \$285 | \$175 | \$310 | \$200 |
| w/ Portobello Mushroom Dinner | \$280 | \$170 | \$305 | \$195 |

Please list below the names and meal selections of all the people you are registering for the conference. List names as you want them to appear on name badges. Everyone who participates in meals, activities, tours or lectures must be registered; this policy will assure that the conference is self-supporting and that everyone is helping to cover the conference costs.

Meal Options: Sunday Dinner (All Registrants)

| A. Prime Rib | B. Chicken Florentine | C. Portobello Mushroom | | |
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| Name: | | Fee | Dinner | |
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| (Checks payable to NASS) | | Total Fees Enclosed : | | |

If you have a 5-10 minute presentation you would like us to schedule, please give us a brief description here:

If you have sundials, photos, books, *etc*. that you would simply like to display, please let us know and give us some idea of space needs so that we can arrange to have some table space available.

You may send a US dollar check payable to <u>NASS</u> and drawn on a US bank for the registration fee. Send both form and funds to: Fred Sawyer, 27 Ninas Way, Manchester CT 06040 USA. Or email the registration information and send US dollars via PayPal to sundial.society@gmail.com. If you wish to use pounds sterling, please contact Fred Sawyer (fwsawyer@gmail.com) for instructions.