Area 51 Spring Committee & Assembly Meeting May 17-19, 2024

LAKE JUNALUSKA CONFERENCE & RETREAT CENTER

91 North Lakeshore Drive, Lake Junaluska, NC 28745

ADVANCE HOTEL INFORMATION

Deadline for Reservations: Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Group Name: NCGSCAA Assembly Meeting

Link: https://tinyurl.com/2tjuajbr

Terrace Hotel Room Rates: \$152.00 Single/Double, \$172.00 Triple, \$192.00

Quad

Lambuth Inn Room Rates: \$132.00 Single/Double, \$147.00 Triple, \$162.00

Quad

11% room tax will be added.

PLEASE SEE THE BACK FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE DIFFERENT LOCATIONS AND THE MEAL PLAN

Phone: 800-222-4930, ext. 1

Website: www.lakejunaluska.com

For Best Results:

- PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY!!!
- Call as soon as possible but before the deadline. It's easier to cancel a reservation than to get one at the last minute!
- Please note, once the rooms in our block sell out, it's unlikely there will be other rooms left in the hotel.
- Specify the group name "NCGSCAA Assembly Meeting."
- Be sure to get a confirmation number.
- If you have ANY trouble with Room Rate or Availability, please contact Greg K., the Area Chairperson, at chair@aanorthcarolina.org.

Thank you for your service and support of Area 51. See you at the Spring Committee and Assembly Meeting!

Additional Information for our stay at Lake Junaluska:

- The Terrace Hotel is across the street from our meeting venue in the Harrell Center; the Lambuth Inn is farther away. It is a 10- to 15-minute walk between Lambuth and Harrell, involving a long hill. There is a trolley and a mini shuttle.
- Optional Meal Plan: If you would like to eat on site, there is a meal plan available. The options are: 3 meals for \$49.50 + tax/service fees (Sat Lunch, Sat Dinner; Sun Breakfast) or 5 meals for \$82.50 + tax/service fees (Fri Dinner; Sat Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner; Sunday Breakfast). You will need to order the meal plan when you make your reservation. There will not be tickets available onsite the weekend we are there.
- Check in/Check out: Check in will be available at 4:00 PM on the arrival day at the Bethea Welcome Center located at 91 N Lakeshore Drive (first building on your left as you enter from Highway 19); check out will be at 11:00 AM on the departure day.
- The discounted room rates are available for two days pre and post our event, based on availability, if you would like to plan a long weekend in the mountains.
- Commuters: For people attending our meeting, but not staying at Lake Junaluska, there is a \$5.00 per person per day commuter fee.
- Cancellations: There will be a \$15.00 per person charge for cancellations occurring more than 15 days prior to arrival. No refunds will be given for cancellations occurring within 15 days of arrival.

Why staying at our host hotel is important:

The hotels that host Area 51 events typically charge for meeting space based on how many guest rooms our attendees occupy. For every Assembly, Committee Meeting, and Convention, Area 51 has a contract that specifies the number of guest rooms the hotel will "block" for our use. If we fill at least 80% of our room block, our meeting space is *discounted about 70%*. Otherwise, the Area will be charged for rooms until we reach the 80% threshold. Free meeting space is what Area 51 budgets and what we usually achieve. However, more than once we have come up short and paid a steep price.

Area 51 makes every effort to negotiate the most favorable room rates possible. But budget hotels don't have the kind of meeting space we require, and space in larger venues is expensive. The willingness of individuals to attend Area events and to book their rooms at our host hotel is essential in making Area events affordable at all. So please attend the Area events if you can and stay at the host hotel using the group code and name whenever possible. If there is an extra cost, please consider it as a contribution to Area 51—a small sacrifice for our "common welfare," so we can continue meeting and working together to fulfill our Primary Purpose as an Area.

"I am responsible...When anyone, anywhere, reaches out for help, I want the hand of AA always to be there. And for that: I am responsible."

Thank you for your service in Area 51!