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Proudly Serving Charitable Gambling Organizations Throughout Minnesota

The 18th Annual Minnesota Lawful Gambling Convention & Expo

November 20-21-22, 2008

Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (DECC)

350 Harbor Drive, Duluth, MN 55802

Proposed Schedule Of Events

Thursday, November 20, 2008

- 8:00 am - 1:00 pm Exhibitor Set-Up
- 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm DECC Concession Stand is Open
- 12:00 pm - 7:30 pm Registration and Information Desk is Open
- 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm Exhibit Hall Open
- 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm Informational & Training Seminars and Workshops
- 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Welcome Party - Hors d'oeuvres, Beer, & Pop (cash bar available)
- 7:00 pm - ??? *Enjoy Duluth*

Friday, November 21, 2008

- 7:30 am - 10:00 am Continental Breakfast
- 7:30 am - 6:00 pm Registration and Information Desk is Open
- 8:30 am - 9:45 am Informational & Training Seminars and Workshops
- 9:00 am - 1:30 pm Exhibit Hall Open
- 10:00 am** ***Gambling Control Board Meeting (Public Meeting)***
- 11:00 am - 2:00 pm DECC Concession Stand is Open
- 11:15 am** ***Allied Charities of Minnesota 2008 Annual Meeting***
- 1:15 pm - 4:30 pm Informational & Training Seminars and Workshops
- 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Social Hour (2 drink tickets per attendee, cash bar available)
- 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner Banquet - Keynote Speaker **Senator Tom Bakke**, Taxes Committee Chair, Minnesota Senate - *Entertainment by "Gordy Pratt, the Original Fabulous One Guy"*
- 8:00 pm - ??? *Enjoy Duluth*

Saturday, November 22, 2008

- 9:00 am - 10:00 am Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 am - 10:30 am Registration and Information Desk is Open
- 10:00 am - 11:15 am Informational & Training Seminars and Workshops
- 11:15 am - ??? *Enjoy Duluth*

10 Reasons Why YOU Should Come To The 18th Annual Minnesota Lawful Gambling Convention & Expo

1. It's the **state's (and nation's) largest** charitable gambling business event - attracting approximately 1,695 gaming delegates last year and expected to grow again in 2008.

2. You'll see the **latest products and technologies** the lawful gambling world has to offer. Virtually every charitable gambling supplier in the state will be there - approximately 40 companies and 60 exhibit spaces displaying every lawful gambling product imaginable (and then some).

3. Get **new ideas** that will help you and your organization and/or company. Whatever your charitable gambling interest, whatever your place in the industry, there are seminars and workshops that will help you on the job.

4. **Great opportunities.** The Minnesota Lawful Gambling Convention & Expo is where all the pieces of the gaming world - and a lot of its deals - come together.

5. It's in downtown **Duluth** at the beautiful **Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (DECC)**.

6. **Network** with delegates from every gaming market and every gaming niche. You'll meet the state's best and brightest charitable gaming professionals in seminars, between seminars, and on the trade show floor.

7. There's just **one low fee** - no add-ons, no restricted events.

8. It's **statewide**. You'll learn from hundreds of delegates from all across the great state of Minnesota.

9. **Experience.** The Minnesota Lawful Gambling Convention & Expo, now in its eighteenth year, features some of the state's (and nation's) most experienced gaming professionals.

10. **Professional development.** You'll leave better informed, better connected, and better prepared than ever to thrive in Minnesota's lawful gambling industry.

A Quick-Reference Guide

What To Expect

Many exciting exhibits, scores of seminars and workshops to choose from, plus Thursday Welcome Party, Friday Continental Breakfast, Friday Dinner Banquet, Saturday Continental Breakfast, great entertainment, keynote speakers, special events, and hundreds of opportunities to meet and greet fellow charitable gambling professionals from all across the great state of Minnesota.

Who Should Attend

There are seminars and workshops for everyone involved in charitable gaming, including:

Gambling managers and assistants; CEOs; organization board of directors; organization members; gaming employees; manufacturers; distributors; accountants; gaming suppliers and vendors; executive directors; government regulators; law enforcement officials; legislators; state, county, and city officials; news media; gaming fund beneficiaries; and members of the public who are interested in lawful gambling.

World Class Facilities

All seminars, workshops, and meals - and the Minnesota Lawful Gambling Expo - will be held at the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (DECC).

The Duluth Entertainment Convention Center overlooks Lake Superior and is connected by skywalk to downtown Duluth - shuttle service will be provided between ACM Convention & Expo Hotels/Motels and the DECC.

One Low Fee

One registration fee gains you complete access to all seminars and workshops, the Expo, Thursday Welcome Party, Friday Continental Breakfast, Friday Dinner Banquet, & Saturday Continental Breakfast. **Sign up early and enjoy our Early Bird discount.** *Check the Official Registration Form for complete details (see back page).*

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Registration

Just complete the official registration form and return with your payment as soon as possible. **To receive the Early Bird discount your response must be postmarked by Saturday, November 8, 2008.** After this date you must register on-site. See back page for complete details.

Lodging

This year we will again be using a Housing Bureau to process room reservations. Visit Duluth will be providing the ACM Housing Bureau. A Duluth Housing Bureau Reservation Form with Duluth Lodging map and additional hotel information and return envelope is enclosed for your convenience. ***This includes a Duluth accommodations update as of 10/17/08.***

Reservations will be made on a first-come, first-served basis based on the postmark or fax date of the Housing request. Additional hotels will be added if needed. Priority for reservations with same postmark or fax date will be based on a random drawing. **Please do not overbook - only make reservations for rooms that you intend to use.**

To be assured of housing, please return the Duluth Housing Bureau Reservation Form as soon as possible. All reservations at ACM preferred rate hotels must be made through Visit Duluth - delegates are required to send the Duluth Housing Bureau Reservation Form to Visit Duluth to make reservations for their sleeping rooms (telephone reservations and those sent directly to the hotel/motel for ACM blocked rooms will not be accepted until after the cut-off of Thursday, October 30, 2008).

Again, in fairness to others please do not overbook - only make hotels reservations for rooms that you intend to use.

Shuttle Service

Ground transportation will be provided throughout the show between the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (DECC) and ACM Convention Hotels/Motels. We are working with Visit Duluth and local transportation experts to develop the exact shuttle plan. ***Shuttle schedule will be in the ACM Pre-Convention confirmation packet to be mailed in mid-November to all registered attendees.***

Seminars & Workshops

Approximately 30 different topics will be offered at the Convention & Expo. Presenters will be experts from the Lawful Gambling industry, including the Gambling Control Board, Department of Revenue, and Internal Revenue Service. You will find the greatest collection of gambling related topics and personalities available. Many topics will be presented twice so that you can take in as much as possible. Many topics will qualify for a gambling managers continuing education requirement. **Proposed topics, descriptions, & schedule appear in the June/July/August/September/October ACM Newsletter.**

Exhibitors

Approximately 40 gaming suppliers and vendors from around the state and across the country will display their latest products and services at the Convention & Expo. See the June/July/August/September/October ACM Newsletter for current exhibitor list.

About The Sponsor

The Minnesota Lawful Gambling Convention & Expo, the state's (and nation's) largest event of it's kind, is sponsored by the largest trade association of licensed lawful gambling organizations in Minnesota (and the USA), Allied Charities of Minnesota.

Each year, they use their expertise to bring gaming professionals from every facet of Minnesota's lawful gaming industry together for this extraordinary show.

Information

Call King Wilson, Executive Director of ACM, at 651-224-4533 for additional information.

The 18th Annual Minnesota Lawful Gambling Convention & Expo

Early Bird Official Registration Form

Please photocopy for additional registrations

Please fill out form completely.

Exhibitors do not use this form. Use exhibitor registration form only (available in early October).

General Information

Gambling License # _____ (example 00708)

Organization/Company _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone Number (_____) _____

Will your organization/company be an ACM Member or Associate Member as of November 2008? Yes ____ No ____

Register Early and Save

Registration includes admission to all scheduled seminars (based on ticket availability) and to the exhibit hall each day. There is no limit to the number of seminars you may attend. Admission to seminars requires a ticket which can be picked up at the registration desk on a first-come, first-serve basis. Registration also includes: Welcome Party; Friday Continental Breakfast; refreshment breaks; 2 drink tickets for the Friday Social; the Friday Dinner Banquet; and the Saturday Continental Breakfast. *Registration fees do not include accommodations.*

Early Bird Registration (postmark by 11/8/08)

Current ACM Members or Associate Members as of 11/2008
(includes employees and/or organization members)

_____ Attendee(s) @ \$135 = \$_____

_____ Spouse(s) @ \$50 = \$_____

Non-Members

_____ Attendee(s) @ \$485 = \$_____

Enclosed is our check for \$_____

Do not send Official Registration Form after Saturday, November 8, 2007. After this date you must register on-site.

On-Site Registrations

Current ACM Members and Associate Members

Attendee(s) @ \$185 and Spouse(s) @ \$50

Non-Members

Attendee(s) @ \$535

Attendees

Name _____
Check if: _____ Gambling Manager _____ CEO

Spouse's name (only if attending) _____

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Cancellations

Will only be accepted until Saturday, November 8, 2008.
There is a \$50 per attendee & \$25 per spouse cancellation fee.
No refunds after Saturday, November 8th, 2008.
Substitutions can be made at no charge at any time.

Payment

Make checks payable to: **ACM Convention & Expo**

Mail to: **Allied Charities of Minnesota,**
225 9th St E Unit 309, Saint Paul, MN 55101-2514

Convention & Expo Expenses Are Allowable Expenses.