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I am pleased to update you on the National Preservation Conference and again to congratulate you on being selected as a scholarship recipient. Currently we have 'overbooked' with 102 recipients, though not everyone has yet registered (I feel like an airline executive but no one will be turned away).

If you have not registered, <u>please use this link to do so</u>. You should also use this link to complete or change your registration. Below are your instructions for registering as a scholarship recipient.

I am also happy to report that registration for the conference is very strong, with registration during the just ended 'early bird' period higher than any previous conference. Downtown hotel rooms are selling out quickly and the main conference hotel is already sold out. If you have not made your hotel reservation, please do so quickly. Hopefully, the Adams Mark Hotel, three blocks from the convention center, is still honoring the quoted \$139 rate for New York State Scholars (716.845.5100).

I also want to inform you of a pet project, based upon my belief that residents of New York State seldom get to know people from throughout our state's diverse regions. Consequently, I am dividing everyone into groups, based on different zip codes. After our orientation session, I will urge these groups to go together to the opening plenary and to the opening reception, asking you to make an effort to get to know each other. Soon, we will be sending contact information to each group, with my hope that group members will start contacting each other in advance.

Below is info on registering and a brief calendar that focuses on activities both for scholarship recipients and for <u>all</u> New York State residents.

I look forward to seeing you in Buffalo!

Henry

Henry McCartney

Executive Director

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Link to Register or Change a Registration Before registering, decide on which complimentary field session you want to select., listed on pages 10 to 19 of the Preliminary Program; the entire program is available in this large pdf. On the third page of the registration form is a pull down menu under Complimentary Registration. Here you <u>must</u> indicate that "I am a New York Scholar." After you do so, you will be asked to choose your one complimentary field session. The remainder of the registration form gives you options to pay for other field sessions, ticketed events or register a guest.

Please do not hesitate to contact Heather, our office manager, or me, if you have any difficulties when registering.

Calendar

<u>Pre-Conference Weekend & Monday</u> - A variety of tours and events have been organized for the public as well as conference registrants and additional activities are still being organized. PBNs <u>On Your Own</u> web page lists many of them and more are being organized.

<u>Tuesday, October 18</u>	Field Session, Training Programs, Affinity Sessions and <u>On Your Own</u> Activities.
Wednesday, October 19 Own Activities.	Field Session, Affinity Sessions and <u>On Your</u>
10:00 - 2:00	New York State 101: Understanding the Basics
2:00 - 3:30	Scholarship Program Opening Session
4.00 6.00	(mandatory for New York State Scholarship Recipients)
4:00 - 6:00	Opening Plenary
6:30 - 8:30	Opening Reception
9:00 or so	Get together for all New York State residents (tentative)
<u>Thursday, October 20</u>	General Session, Education Sessions, Exhibit Hall, Field Sessions and On Your Own Activities
5:30 - 6:30	Awards Program
7:00 - 9:00	Mixer for Diversity and New York State Scholars
<u>Friday, October 21</u>	General Session, Education Sessions, Exhibit Hall, Field Sessions and <u>On Your Own</u> Activities
<u>Saturday, October 22</u>	Education Sessions, Exhibit Hall, Field Sessions

10:30 - 12:00 12:00	and <u>On Your Own</u> Activities Closing Plenary Session Gathering of New York State Scholars (optional/tentative)
<u>Sunday, October 23</u>	Affinity Sessions and <u>On Your Own</u> Activities

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