



WHAT'S NEW FOR FEW IN CHICAGO

The 34th National Training Program has is filled with new features and programs. Here's some highlights!

ALL TRAINING LINKED TO OPM LEADERSHIP COMPETENCIES

The 34th NTP has been refocused and reorganized to provide participants with even greater access to outstanding training opportunities. Workshops and other training will center on the leadership competencies defined by the Office of Personnel Management. Increased offerings of technical and job-specific training will allow attendees to update skills and perform at maximum levels in the ever-changing Federal environment.

SUPERSESSIONS Using information provided by attendees at the 2002 NTP, and ideas and input from Training Officers and Managers, this year's NTP will feature 2-day single-subject workshops as well as the traditional half and full day sessions during the main part of the NTP. Called SuperSessions, participants selecting this course format will enroll in a single session for 16 hours of high impact training.

LEADERSHIP AND NETWORKING RECEPTION The dictionary defines networking as "to interact or engage in informal communication with others for mutual assistance or support." In lieu of a closing general session, the 34th NTP will feature a closing reception designed to help enhance the networking aspect of the NTP. Participants, trainers, agency heads, FEW leaders and exhibitors are invited to gather together to network and build their contacts.

TRENDS AND TECHNOLOGY EXPO: A Showcase for Quality Government This year's Expo Hall has been named to give emphasis to the wide variety of agencies, industries and vendors who support FEW's goals. By providing outstanding opportunities for showcasing agency programs, industry products and services, promoting the programs of coalition groups, and FEW Regional and Chapter fundraising and member recruitment, attendees will definitely want to make the Exhibit Hall a frequent stop.

NETWALKING Get your brain and body moving at the same time by starting each day with a combination fitness walk and networking talk. A personal fitness expert will lead the group on an early morning walk around the city, explaining some of the city sights and providing enthusiasm to keep the participant's conversations as well as their feet in motion."

BOX LUNCHES Included with the cost of full registration and available on both Wednesday and Thursday in the Expo Hall. This more informal meal style was selected to give participants an opportunity to browse the Expo during their break between morning and afternoon classes in an unhurried and relaxed environment.

FEW FRIDAY On Friday, July 11 FEW members from around the world will gather together to enjoy a day devoted to discussing our organization. The day begins with

the Member's Brunch where our National President and nationally recognized speakers will address issues facing women in federal service. The day concludes with the afternoon Member's Forum session where members will learn more about the organization and discuss issues important to them. Members are sure to will come away from the NTP filled with new ideas and energy for the coming year. If you're not a member, now is the time to join!

CRUISE WITH THE BOARD On Friday night, join FEW's National Board of Directors for "A Night on the River and the Lake". We'll board Chicago's Little Lady for a chartered dinner cruise down the Chicago River with a docent from the Chicago Architectural Society will point out Chicago's outstanding architecture. The private yacht will then head out onto Lake Michigan where the views of the Chicago Skyline are illuminated against the night sky. The cruise is open to members and others interested in joining the fun. The cost for the evening is \$100.00 and reservations are required. Call the NTP Hotline at 303-825-1177 to make reservations.

