

AGENDA

Alliance for Retired Americans Legislative Conference September 4-7, 2007

Tuesday, September 4

10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. **Registration / Membership Information Desk / Congressional
Appointments Desk**
Concourse Level

10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. **Exhibit Hall**
International Ballroom East

1:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. **Opening General Session**
International Ballroom Center

Welcome

Joslyn N. Williams, President, Metropolitan Washington
Council, AFL-CIO

Presentation of Colors

Pledge of Allegiance

National Anthem

Beverly Holton

Invocation

Welcome and Call to Action: “Building for America’s Future”

George J. Kourpias, President, Alliance for Retired Americans

Judy Cato, Executive Vice President, Alliance for Retired
Americans

Remarks

Senator Hillary Clinton (NY)

3:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.
3:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.
5:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Breakout Sessions:

What’s Up on The Hill

Community Organizing Skills: Building Partnerships to Advance the Alliance

Locations to be announced

Wednesday, September 5

7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**
International Ballroom Center

8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. **Registration / Membership Information Desk / Congressional
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Concourse Level

8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. **General Session**
International Ballroom Center

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Remarks

Anna Burger, Chair, Change to Win and International Secretary-Treasurer, Service Employees International Union

Remarks

Bob Muehlenkamp,

Video

Fred Myers, Union Sportsmen Alliance

**9:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
9:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

Breakout Sessions:

**Issues Organizing Through Direct Action: Issues Win!
Reporters Don't Bite: Communicating the Alliance Message
to the Public**

Locations to be announced

2:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

General Session

Remarks: Alliance Senior Poll

Richard Fiesta, Government & Political Affairs Director,
Alliance for Retired Americans
International Ballroom Center

2:45 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Breakout Sessions: Retiree's Campaign Boot Camp-Making
a Difference in 2008**

Locations to be announced

7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 6

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Concourse Level

7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

International Union Breakfast Meetings

Locations to be announced

Community Advocacy Network Breakfast

Location to be announced

Continental Breakfast

International Ballroom Center

9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Morning General Session

International Ballroom Center

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Remarks

Richard L. Trumka, Secretary-Treasurer, AFL-CIO

10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Buses depart for Capitol Hill Lobbying Visits

Terrace level entrance on T Street

12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. **Lobbying Visits on Capitol Hill**

1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. **Buses depart from Capitol Hill to Hilton Hotel**
Location to be announced

4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. **General Session:**
Town Hall and Reports from Capitol Hill Visits
International Ballroom Center

6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. **Cocktails**
Concourse Level

7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. **Gala Banquet**
International Ballroom Center

Presentation of Leadership Award
Senator Debbie Stabenow (MI)

Remarks
John J. Sweeney, President, AFL-CIO

Presentation of President's Award
Elmer Blankenship

7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. *Friday, September 8*
Membership Information Desk
Concourse Level

7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. **State and Regional Continental Breakfast Meetings:**
Politics to 2008
Locations to be announced

8:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. **General Session**
International Ballroom Center

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Remarks
Representative Chris Murphy (CT)
Representative Dennis Kucinich (OH)

Panel: Retirees and Politics 2008
J. B. Poersch, Director, Democratic Senatorial Campaign
Committee
Mark Wolff, Director, Democratic Congressional Campaign
Committee

Remarks
Elizabeth Edwards

Closing Remarks
George J. Kourpias, President, Alliance for Retired Americans