

Official Conference Call
2010 CWA Equity and Civil Rights Conference

New Orleans, LA

September 24-26, 2010

Labor, the Disenfranchised, and the Economy in America



Post Katrina Blues by New Orleans Artist Terrance Osborne



Loews New Orleans Hotel, 300 Poydras Street
New Orleans, LA 70130 (504) 636-3300



For registration information visit: <http://www.cwa-union.org/issues/entry/c/civil-rights-equity>



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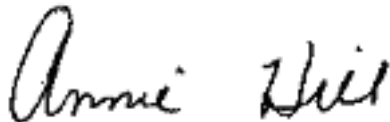
Dear Brothers and Sisters:

We want to take this opportunity to extend a special invitation to all of our CWA brothers and sisters to make a special effort to attend this year's Civil Rights and Equity Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana.

The CWA National Committee on Equity has developed a special program that will focus on the Human Rights dilemma that confronts those who remain victims of Hurricane Katrina. The conference will highlight the efforts of our courageous CWA brothers and sisters who have been working hard to restore this community. We will also address how to establish local civil rights and equity committees that build on the CWA Triangle. The CWA Committee on Equity will report on our ongoing work to build ties with the Congressional Black Caucus, Congressional Hispanic Caucus and NAACP working jointly on High Speed Broadband legislation/regulation, the unjust treatment of workers by T-Mobile management and the possible affect of the United States Supreme Court Citizens United decision on minority voters.

Please consider sending activists who will build a stronger and more viable Civil and Human Rights Program.

In Unity,



Annie Hill
Executive Vice President

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

2010 Registration Fees: \$140.00 Registration fee per participant

Make Check Payable to "CWA"
and Mail to:

Melissa Ferguson
Communications Workers of America
501 Third Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001
Note on check: 2010 Equity and Civil Rights Conference

Please use one registration form per participant.
Room Reservation Cutoff Date is September 3, 2010.

Name _____ Title _____

Name As It Should Appear on the Badge _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____ Fax _____

Local Number _____ Local President's Name _____

Telephone _____ Cell _____

Dietary Restrictions _____

Housing Information

This will be a uniquely busy conference. Please book your hotel reservations early and don't forget to guarantee your room.

HOTEL ROOM RESERVATION CUTOFF DATE: September 3, 2010

Please register online at: <http://www.cwa-union.org/issues/entry/c/civil-rights-equity>

Hotel reservations must be made with the hotel at 1-866-211-6411

Hotel: Loews New Orleans Hotel, 300 Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA 70130 (504) 636-3300

CWA Conference Hotel Office Number In the Orleans Room: TBD

Room Rates: \$129.00 Single \$129.00 Double (13% tax and \$1.00/night room occupancy tax)

Average Cost — Airport to Hotel /Ground Transportation:

Airport Shuttle

\$20.00 per person, one way
\$38 round trip

Taxi from Airport

Taxi service \$33.00 for 1-2 people
\$14.00 for each additional person

Get more information about activities in and around New Orleans at NewOrleansCVB.com

Conference Details

Registration:

Pre-Conference Registration will begin May 20, 2010, and end September 3, 2010. This will be an exceptional conference that will focus on civil and human rights and on the plight of CWA workers in New Orleans. We expect a considerable number of CWA members to come and show their support. Please Register Early.

On-site Registration will take place at the Loews Hotel on Friday, September 24, 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, September 25, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Sessions:

Opening Session:

Friday, September 24, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation
Plenary Begins

9:00 p.m.- 11:00 p.m.
Hospitality

Saturday, September 25, 2010

8:00 a.m.
Registration

8:30 a.m.
Possible City Project. Buses return around 11:30 a.m.

12:00 Noon
Luncheon

Sessions (*Cont'd*):

1:30 p.m. - Panel and Workshops
Panel Discussion: CWA At-Large Diversity Board
Members: Progress Report
Workshop A: Building Effective National-Local
Political Coalitions- NAACP, Leadership
Conference, AFL-CIO Constituency Groups
Workshop B: How to Start a Successful Civil Rights
Committee
Workshop C: Refitting CWA Workplaces Post
Katrina

Sunday September 26, 2010

9:00 a.m.
Opening – Invocation

9:10 a.m.
Plenary
Workshop A: COPE, Citizens United, and CWA
2010 Targeted Races
Workshop B: LGBT Marriage, Outreach to Local
Membership - Joined by Pride@Work

10:45 a.m.
District Breakout Sessions

12:30 p.m.
Wrap Up

1:00 p.m.
Adjourn

Special Projects:

School Supplies for New Orleans Children

CWA Conference participants will be asked to bring 1-2 of the items below to be distributed to New Orleans school children:

Pencils	Pencil Sharpener
Erasers	Ink Pens
Crayons	Lunch Box
Backpack	Notebook Paper
Spiral Notebooks	

Proposed Internet Wiring Projects:

Charter School

CWA and Mayor Barthelemy have identified a worthy Charter School that meets with AFT approval to set up Internet access for those who are in need.

Arts Exhibit

New Orleans Artist Terrance Osborne will share his uniquely celebrated artwork relating to the devastation of Hurricane Katrina. Artwork will be displayed and will be for sale.

CWA Worker Photo Exhibit

Since 2005, CWA workers have valiantly worked double shifts to help restore service to the city.