YOUR BADGE IS YOUR TICKET
Wear your badge for admission to these events; your meeting registration fee includes these receptions. If your guest would like to accompany you, a guest registration must be purchased (guests will receive a special badge). The $75 guest fee includes the Sunday Welcome Reception, Sunday Awards Ceremony, Tuesday General Reception and continental breakfasts on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday (breakfasts held at the Marriott Hotel, Stone’s Throw Restaurant private dining room).

SUNDAY
WELCOME RECEPTION
7:30pm-9:00pm
INFORMS and the DC Organizing Committee welcome you to the 2008 Annual Meeting with an evening of fellowship and fun. The Welcome Reception is the perfect venue to meet with colleagues, visit the exhibits and enjoy some great food. Soft drinks and water are complimentary, with a cash bar available for other beverages.

INFORMS AWARDS CEREMONY & DESSERT RECEPTION
8:30pm-9:45pm
The INFORMS Board of Directors invites you to honor and celebrate the achievements of our colleagues at the annual Awards Ceremony. You can attend the Welcome Reception first and then take the escalator up to the Lobby Level for the Awards Ceremony. Following the ceremony, you’ll have an opportunity to congratulate the awardees at a special dessert reception.

The society’s 2008 awards will be bestowed on these deserving individuals:
INFORMS Prize for the Teaching of OR/MS Practice
James J. Cochran
INFORMS Expository Writing Prize
Henk Tijms
INFORMS Impact Prize
Thomas L. Saaty
John von Neumann Theory Prize
Frank Kelly
George E. Kimball Medal
Kathryn E. Stecke
John Birge
Frederick W. Lanchester Prize
Warren P. Adams and Hanif D. Sherali
Lawrence M. Wein
INFORMS President’s Award
Margaret Brandeau

Two student paper awards will also be announced during the ceremony: the George E. Nicholson Student Paper Competition and the George B. Dantzig Dissertation Awards. In addition, the winners of the Bonder Scholarships for Applied Operations Research in Health Science and in Military Applications will be presented.

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An icon in the museum world, the Smithsonian National Air & Space boasts the most dazzling array of flying machines ever assembled in one place. Soon after it opened in 1976, it became the most visited museum in the world – a distinction it still holds today. The artifacts in its 23 exhibit areas span the history of flight, from the shores of Kitty Hawk to the surface of the Moon and Mars.

All the major exhibits of the museum are open to our attendees: the milestones of flight gallery, the space race, the golden age of flight, lunar exploration vehicles and much more. You can see Charles Lindbergh’s Spirit of St. Louis, Chuck Yeager’s Bell X-1, John Glenn’s Friendship 7 spacecraft and the Apollo 11 command module. There will be two showings each of the IMAX feature, “To Fly,” and of the Planetarium Show.

We’ll be serving great food and drink throughout the evening. You will receive two tickets for complimentary beer or wine when you enter the museum. Soft drinks and bottled water are also complimentary.

PLEASE NOTE: Because the Smithsonian is a U.S. government property, purchase of alcohol is not allowed. Therefore, you will not be able to purchase additional tickets for beer or wine.

See important bus information at right.

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