

## WHAT, WHEN, AND WHY

The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Leukodystrophy International Conference is being held at South Pointe Conference Centre, 200 Gurler Road, DeKalb, Illinois, July 15 – 17, 2004.

The goal of the Conference is to provide the latest information in white matter research and the genetic and clinical manifestations of the leukodystrophies and related disorders. The conference is intended as an educational, social and/or respite opportunity for adult family members, physicians, nurses, car providers, therapists, educators and friends.

Children are not permitted to attend the conference.

## FEE SCHEDULE

☉ The conference fee of \$500.00 per person includes registration, materials, shuttle transportation, and lodging for four nights. Meals from Thursday morning through Sunday brunch will be provided by the ULF at no additional charge.

☉ Partial scholarships are available to **ULF members** if there is an extraordinary need. Each person is asked to pay as much of the \$500 cost as possible. When needed, a reduced rate is accepted and is determined by the participant. The minimum acceptable fee is \$400. **Minimum fee is accepted for double occupancy only.** A daily fee of \$150 per person per day is available for those who do not require lodging.

☉ If you are attending alone, we can book you to share a room with another person in order to take advantage of the double occupancy rate. **The single occupancy rate is \$700 firm.** Payment is accepted by check, MasterCard, or Visa. **Registration after June 30<sup>th</sup> will be assessed a late fee of \$25 per person.**

## LODGING

The main conference hotel will be the Best Western, 1212 W. Lincoln Hwy., DeKalb with a secondary site, Baymont Inn & Suites adjacent to the Best Western. The Best Western has an outdoor pool, exercise room, sauna, and business center. Lodging is included in the registration fee and will be arranged by the ULF on a first come, first served basis. Shuttle transportation between hotels and the conference center will be provided.

## AIR TRANSPORTATION RESERVATIONS

Jan at Carder Travel of DeKalb, Illinois can help make your air travel arrangements and insure you the lowest possible airfare. Make sure you mention the ULF conference. Checks, money orders, and most major credit cards are accepted by Carder Travel. Jan can be reached Monday through Friday 8:30 am – 5:00 pm CST. Phone: 815-756-1547 Fax: 815-756-1501

## SHUTTLE TRANSPORTATION FROM O'HARE

Free ground transportation between **O'Hare** and Sycamore/DeKalb will be provided by Custom Limousine Service as follows:

Wednesday July 14<sup>th</sup> 12:00 noon – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday July 18<sup>th</sup> after 2:00 p.m.

Shuttle transportation needed **outside the scheduled times or from Midway Airport** will be arranged upon request at the regular shuttle rate of \$65 per person (\$85 per couple) per trip.

## CHECK-IN

Check-in begins Wednesday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 in the Hospitality Room at the Best Western. Thursday morning check-in begins at 8:00 a.m. at South Pointe Centre, 200 Gurler Rd., DeKalb. Parking is free. Shuttle service from hotels is provided.

## ON-SITE SECOND OPINION

Undiagnosed families who wish to have their cases reviewed by the Second Opinion Committee during the weekend may do so by:

- 1) Pre-registering for the conference and
- 2) Submitting required medical records and MRIs to ULF by **June 30<sup>th</sup>**

Contact the ULF Office at 1-800-728-5483 for further details

### **RESEARCH STUDIES**

The laboratory will be open on Saturday morning for researchers who wish to conduct testing and whom have pre-arranged with the ULF Office. Information will be furnished to families upon arrival. Involvement is strictly voluntary and there is no charge.

### **SOCIAL EVENTS**

Social events include a Hospitality Mixer on Wednesday with refreshments and fellowship, our annual "Dinner with the Docs" on Thursday, the ever popular Auction of Friday, and a Midwest Cookout with musical entertainment and dancing on Saturday.

Conference wear is casual.