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Dear Mark;

Please accept this invitation to attend the Fifth Annual AJCU Conference for Computer Center Directors to be held October 7 - 9, 1990, at Saint Louis University. Enclosed are a registration form, a topic survey, an informational brochure, and preliminary details.

Registration:

The conference registration fee is \$135. This includes lunch and coffee breaks on Monday and Tuesday, dinner on Monday evening and local transportation. A continental breakfast is included with your hotel rate. The registration form is attached to this letter.

Accommodations:

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Drury Inn / Union Station at a rate of \$64 per night single, or \$75 double. Each room has a single king-size bed. These rates apply from Saturday, October 6, through Tuesday, October 9 and include a continental breakfast and parking. You must make your reservations directly with the Drury Inn by calling 1-314-231-3900, or by contacting them at 20th & Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63103. Be sure to indicate you are with the "AJCU Conference".

The Drury Inn is located in mid-town St. Louis next to Union Station, a 19th century structure converted to a colorful hotel/retail/restaurant complex under the largest train-shed roof in the world.

Transportation:

Airline travelers will use Lambert International Airport, which is about 20 miles from downtown. The Drury Inn / Union Station, upon request (use the designated phone in the baggage claim area), will provide transportation to the hotel. The service costs \$6.00 one way or \$11.00 round trip (if you plan to leave from the hotel). A taxi between the airport and hotel costs about \$20.00. Transportation will be provided to and from the campus, to dinner on Monday evening, and to the airport on Tuesday afternoon.

Monday Night - Conference Dinner:

There will be a reception at the Drury Inn at 6 pm on Monday evening followed by dinner at a 19th century mansion. As of this writing, the menu and entertainment is still a mystery, but if you need a special diet, please indicate such on the registration form.

Conference Agenda and Business Meeting:

The conference will begin at 8:30 AM on Monday, October 8, and adjourn at 3:00 PM, Tuesday. Suggestions for agenda topics are requested on the attached form. Preliminary ideas include technology-related achievements, challenges or changes within AJCU member institutions; LAN-to-mainframe links; library automation; reactions to DEC's TEI program; JESUNET update; an overview of member administrative system solutions; and a brief campus tour. Please volunteer to lead a session, serve on a panel or moderate a special topics discussion group.

The business meeting will include reports on on-going projects, election of officers, and selection of the 1992 conference site. (Last year the group selected Canisius College to host the 1991 conference.) Please send nominations for officers, site recommendations, and other business items to the Conference secretary:

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 Director, Academic Computing Services
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St. Louis Sightseeing, Weather, and Other Considerations:

The Drury Inn is located about two miles west of the Mississippi River and the Arch and about two miles east of the University. For those interested, we will arrange for a Sunday shuttle service to the Arch. Beneath the Arch is a history museum and a film showing the construction of the Arch. Within walking distance of the Arch is Laclede's Landing, an area of shops and restaurants built in restored riverfront buildings; the Old Courthouse, now a museum, where the Dred Scott case was tried; and the Sports Hall of Fame in Busch Stadium. (You may wish to join Walt Weir who will certainly visit the Dog Museum of America which recently moved from New York City!)

There will be a reception at the Drury Inn at 6 PM, Sunday evening. Those who are interested can then walk to a Union Station restaurant for dinner. We will make arrangements for a private room, but dinner will be at each diner's expense.

The only predictable aspect about St. Louis weather is that it is unpredictable. Actually, October temperatures are mild (60's and 70's) and sweaters or light jackets may be needed in the evening. Rain is always possible. Spouses/guests are invited to the social gatherings. The cost for their dinner on Monday evening will be \$35. Please indicate on the conference registration form if you will be having a guest for dinner.

The agenda suggestion form also includes a survey about administrative computing systems. The results will be shared at the conference and may provide information sources for those planning changes or installing new systems. The telecommunications (voice/data) status sheet will also be updated at the meeting. Also please bring a general organization chart with position titles for your computing/technology support department(s); we'll make copies for participants.

Please send in your conference registration and make hotel reservations as soon as possible. The hotel will only guarantee rooms until September 17. If you have any questions, or if there are other issues we should be considering, please let me know. My phone number is (314) 658-2560 and BITNET address is HAUGENEJ@SLUVCA. Or contact Holly Hollingsworth at the same number or HOLLINGSWOH@SLUVCA or JES.HOLLINGS.

Please forward this invitation to others at your institution if your role has changed or if there are others who may be interested.

Sincerely,



Elliott J. Haugen
Associate Vice President
and Conference President

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