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Members

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Through July 11	\$275	\$410
July 12 -- Aug. 8	\$290	\$410
Aug. 9 -- Aug. 29	\$305	\$410
After Aug. 29	\$325	\$490
Football tickets & tailgate party	\$70	\$105

Please refer to [Registration form](#) for additional rates.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Unless otherwise noted, all events are at Hilton Garden Inn in Champaign, Illinois

Saturday, September 6

Game time 11:00 AM **IGFOA Football and Tailgate Party**

Football and fun as U of I meets Eastern Illinois on the gridiron on Saturday. We'll have an informal tailgate before the game then enjoy a post-game bash! Conference registration includes option to purchase tickets for you and your guests.

Registered for the conference but wish to purchase football tickets for family members? [Click here](#)

Sunday, September 7

8:00 AM - 1:30 PM **Golf Outing**

Play 18 holes of golf to Support Illinois Make A Wish Foundation. Registration begins at 8:00 AM. Tee off at 8:30 AM. There is a separate registration and fee for golf. Ironhorse Golf Club 2000 Ironhorse Drive Tuscola IL.

[The Conference Outing benefits the Make-A-Wish Foundation® of Illinois.](#) Charity donor opportunities are available as specified below. Donors will also be recognized at the Kick-off Party. **Donate today.**

Hole Donors \$100 per hole

First Down Donor \$250

Second Down Donor	\$500
Third Down Donor	\$750
Touchdown Donor	\$1000

All donation dollars will be remitted to the **Make-A-Wish Foundation® of Illinois**

Golf Registration Fee Schedule

\$75 | Members attending the Annual Conference, payments through Sept. 1
 \$85 | Members attending the Annual Conference, payments after Sept. 1
 \$95 | Non-members attending the Annual Conference

Golf Only ... Not attending Annual Conference Sessions or Events | \$145

Must pre-register - contact the IGFOA at 815-752-8941

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- 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM **Registration** - Check in and pick up your conference materials.
- 3:30 - 5:15 PM **Afternoon Educational Sessions** - Visit the [Educational Sessions Page](#) for session descriptions
- 5:30 - 7:30 PM **Kickoff Party** Kick off the conference with great food and beverages, Make A Wish appreciation, and vote for best "tailgate" booth!

Monday, September 8

- 7:30 - 9:00 AM **Breakfast Keynote** - Humorist Tony Clements speaks on the importance of humor in the workplace. He appeared for "Showtime" as part of its Funniest Man in America Contest. Tony performed with comedian Sinbad, emceed shows with Stevie Wonder and Aretha Franklin, and has been the opening act for Jerry Butler and Ray Charles. In 1998, Tony was asked to be the warm-up act when President Clinton and Vice President Gore visited the University of Illinois. [More . . .](#)
- 7:30 AM - 12:30 PM **Vendor Showcase open** - Applications accepted until August 1, 2008 or when booth spaces filled.
- 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM **Registration** - Check in and pick up your conference materials.
- 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM **Morning Educational Sessions** - Visit the [Educational Sessions Page](#) for session descriptions and speaker profiles.
- 12:30 - 1:30 PM **Lunch and Annual Business Meeting** Celebrate IGFOA's 50th Anniversary Business Meeting
- 1:30 - 4:00 PM **Vendor Showcase open** - Applications accepted until August 1, 2008 or when booth spaces filled.
- 1:30 - 5:00 PM **Afternoon Educational Sessions** - Visit the [Educational Session Page](#) for session descriptions and speaker profiles.
- 6:00 - 10:00 PM **Dinner and Dueling Pianos** dine and unwind while the pianos duel over our favorite tunes. Bus transportation provided to downtown Urbana.

Tuesday, September 9

- 7:30 - 8:15 AM **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:15 - 10:15 AM **Morning Educational Sessions** - Visit the [Educational Session Page](#) for session descriptions and speaker profiles
- 10:30 AM- NOON **Closing Keynote and Brunch** - This year's Keynote Address will be delivered by **Illinois State Comptroller Daniel W. Hynes** during the Conference Brunch. [More . . .](#)

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LOCATION

Hilton Garden Inn Champaign/Urbana - Directions
Educational Sessions and Vendor Showcase
 1501 S. Neil Street



Champaign, IL 61820

All conference registrants are responsible for their own travel and lodging arrangements. Lodging and travel is not included in the conference registration fees. Refer to [Frequently Asked Questions](#) for more information.

OVERNIGHT ROOMS

The IGFOA block expired August 14, 2008 - please contact the hotels listed below for availability and room rate.

[Hilton Garden Inn](#) - 217-352-9970

[Homewood Suites](#) - adjacent to Hilton - 217-352-9960

[Hawthorn Suites](#) - 1 block from Hilton, 101 Trade Centre Drive

Baymont Inn & Suites, Champaign, IL - (217) 356-8900 mention IGFOA Annual Conference when registering

Country Inn & Suites, Champaign, IL - (217) 328-4400

Extended Stay America, Champaign, IL - (217) 351-8899

Ramada Limited, Urbana, IL - (217) 328-4400

Red Roof Inn, Champaign, IL - (217) 352-0101

Sleep Inn, Urbana, IL - (217) 369-6000

Baymont Inn & Suites, Tuscola, IL (near Ironhorse Golf Club) - (217) 253-3500

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VENDOR SHOWCASE - Booth registration closes August 15, 2008

The IGFOA Annual Conference includes a Vendor Showcase featuring firms exhibiting products and services for government finance operations. The 2008 Vendor Showcase will be the site of the Sunday Kickoff Party and breaks. This year's theme is TAILGATING and vendors are encouraged to spruce up their booths to give the exhibit hall the appearance of a parking lot before game time. Booths that best embody the theme will be recognized. IGFOA will provide the food and beverages. No grills, open fires, or outside food or beverages permitted. **A Booth # will be given at the registration desk on Sunday, September 7. Please include your firm name instead of booth # on all correspondence to the IGFOA and Best Expo.**

Exhibit Booths are on a **first in/first paid** basis. Payment in full by check or credit card must be received within one week of submitting an application to reserve an Exhibit Booth.

Check out the Associate Forum [Tips for a Successful Conference](#) with lots of advice for exhibitors and Associate members!

Does your Exhibit Booth include [The Top Ten List](#) ?

Exhibit Booth Fee:

\$450 -- IGFOA member rate

\$950 -- Non-member rate

Each booth will include the following:

- 10' X 8' draped booth
- Single 6-foot draped table and two chairs
- Single one-lined identification sign
- Listing in the conference program
- Opportunity to interact with IGFOA members

Electricity, telephone, Internet, audiovisual equipment can be made available for an additional charge. Exhibitors are responsible for any additional charges for equipment or service needs. Each exhibitor will receive a detailed price list with confirmation of their exhibit space.

Exhibit Booth setup time:

Sunday, September 7

1:00 - 5:00 PM

Exhibit Hours:

Sunday, September 7

5:30 - 7:30 PM | Kickoff Party

Monday, September 8

7:30 AM - 12:30 PM

1:30 - 4:00 PM

Exhibit Booth Tear Down:

Monday, September 8

4:00 - 6:00 PM

Booths must be dismantled by 6:00 PM

NOTE: In addition to the booth fee, **each individual that will be working at your booth -- regardless of how many hours the individual will be working -- must register and pay the individual registration fee for the conference.** Name badges and conference admission will only be made to paid registrants. Please note that the registration fee

cannot be prorated. Like all conference registrants, exhibitors are responsible for their own travel and lodging arrangements.

Registration fee information.

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