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# PLEASE READ BEFORE YOU GET TO ORLANDO!!

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Greetings: Read this and you'll be "in the know" and will have a more enjoyable conference experience.

The conference July 8-11, 2009 at the Rosen Shingle Creek Resort (407-996-9936) begins at 6:30pm Wednesday July 8, but please note that pre-conference institutes begin as early as Mon, July 6, at 8:30am. Please check the website or the conference brochure for the schedule.

When you arrive, come to the Smart Marriages registration desk outside the Gatlin Ballroom to pick up your badge. **You must wear your badge for admission to all events** - keynotes, workshops, institutes, and banquets. You'll find a workshop room locator in your on-site packet plus the most recent updates and notices.

**Workshop assignments:** Your workshop numbers & banquet tickets will be printed on your badge. Here is a sample to help you understand how it works.

**Sample Badge**

Your badge number	22582				WD-SAT	Indicates you are registered for the full conference, Wed through Sat. (Thurs, Fri or Sat would indicate a one-day registration only.)
		<b>Kimberly Johnson</b>				
		ST PAUL, MN				Made no selections, or selections were full
Pre-Conference Institute	102	214	416	718		Post-Conference Institute
# of Tuesday Banquet Tickets ordered	TU/B-3	307	---	811		
# of Fireproof Lunch Tickets ordered	W/LH-2	TH/B-1	603	905		# of Thursday Banquet Tickets ordered
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**Keynote/plenary sessions are included in your registration but don't appear on your badge.** If you're registered for the full conference, you are registered for 11 plenary sessions including lunch keynotes Thurs, Fri & Sat and the Fri & Sat night events. If you registered for only one day, your badge admits you to the keynotes that day. Arrive at keynotes early to win Door Prizes! Drawings are held 5 mins before sessions begin. If you're registered for the conference, you are automatically registered for the drawings but you must be present in the ballroom to win.

**It's not too late to register your spouse or significant other.** That's always the #1 complaint: "Why didn't you tell me to bring my spouse?!" It's that kind of conference. You can still add your spouse at the early-bird rate!

**Banquets** are THE networking events of the conference. Your "tickets" appear on your badge as Tu/B-1, Th/B-2, etc. B-1 denotes a banquet you purchased for yourself, B-2, B-4, etc indicate tickets you purchased for guests. There are two banquets, Tues July 7 (Tu) and Thurs July 9 (Th). The Fireproof Lunch is Wed July 8 W/LH. **To add banquets, the Fireproof lunch, institutes or register your spouse, call 651-789-3738 or email smc@cmehelp.com by June 29th.**

**Getting to the Hotel from the Airport:** Approx 25 mins. Shuttle \$18 one way; \$29 round trip - departs every 15 mins from the baggage level. No reservation needed. However, before you purchase a roundtrip ticket, know that for the return trip, you must reserve the night before and the shuttle company requires you to leave the hotel 4 hrs before your flight time to allow stops at other hotels! You might, instead, choose to use the message board to find a taxi buddy (or three). Taxi \$42 for up to 4 passengers/25 mins.

**We're at a resort!** Think palm trees, pools, spa, tennis, golf. Everything is in our self-contained oasis - including dining. No nearby, walk-to restaurants this year, but, the Shingle Creek has it covered with great restaurants on the property: **Café Osceola** 7am-10pm - breakfast, lunch & dinner buffets or a la cart menu. **18 Monroe Street** - 24-hr NY-deli plus hot take-out from 6:30am - 11:30pm. **Cala Bella** -fine Italian dining 5:30-10pm. **A Land Remembered - Steakhouse** - lunch & dinner in an elegant clubhouse setting. *Advance reservations recommended for Cala Bella and the Steakhouse.* **Cat-Tails** - burgers et al by the pool, 11am-6pm. **Headwaters Lounge** - noon to 1am watering hole. **Smooth Java** off the lobby for Starbucks coffee & snacks and the **Ice Creamery** off the pool.

**The Wednesday night dinner crunch:** Attending a pre-conference Institute? You'll have only an hour for dinner before the opening keynote session. Institutes end at 5:30pm, Keynote begins at 6:30pm. Plan ahead! Also plan where you'll eat on Fri & Sat so you can get to the **IMAGO Dialogue & Marketing** plenaries at 7:30pm. Especially plan ahead if you want to attend the Film Festival 5:30pm Fri & Sat. Buy your sandwich well in advance!

**The EXHIBITS are the heart** of the conference – the “town square” – each exhibit a mini-marriage-education workshop unto itself. Sample the programs. Check out what's new. Ask questions you didn't have time for in the sessions. Register for door prizes (bring plenty of business cards). Get books signed - bring a camera! The Exhibit area is also the location of conference registration desk, message boards, poster sessions, and recording sales. The recording discounts are good only for orders placed at the conference.

**Networking Events.** Don't miss them, it's why we keep meeting like this. No need to register, your badge is your ticket! See the room locator onsite, or download in advance: smartmarriages.com

- **Check the list of registrants** by state, city & country at the registration desk to connect with those from your area. Use the message boards to meet for coffee, lunch, dinner, golf, drinks.
- **Opening Night Reception:** Wed 8:30pm, following the opening plenary. The plenary (6:30-8:30pm) is at the dinner hour so eat before the session. The reception - cheese, grapes, crackers, chips, punch, and a cash bar - is not a meal.
- **Opening Night Gatherings** - Wed 8:30pm following the Reception: Singles, United Methodists, Family Wellness, Catholics, Utah, LGBT, ACME, Marriage-Friendly Therapists.
- **Singles Only:** Bonus session Wed 8:45pm, Gatlin E4, *How to Avoid Falling for a Jerk* with John Van Epp. Get a singles sticker at the registration desk so you can recognize & meet other singles. For never-married, divorced, widowed. 1.5hrs CE
- **Bonus: Marriage Film Festival: Tues - Sat.** Seven films: *Hold Me Tight; Fireproof; Couplehood As a Spiritual Path, Secretsto Love; Crossing the Bridge; Children of Divorce; Somebody's Daughter.* Bring a sandwich so you can eat and still make it to the 7:30pm Fri & Sat evening keynotes on time! Meet the Directors!
- **Morning Special Interest Roundtables, Thurs, Fri, Sat: 7:30am:** Bring coffee & a bagel and share ideas about what's worked (or not) in your setting. Check onsite for rooms.  
**Thurs: School/Youth, Asian • Thurs & Fri: African American • Thurs, Fri, & Sat: Family Ministry • Fri & Sat: Military, Hispanic • Fri: CMPs • Sat: Sexuality, Divorce Reform.**
- **Teach-Ins:** Thurs 5:15pm: Strong Marriages Florida; Tech Boot Camp; Health Settings; School Youth; Christian Lovers Only.
- **Jewish Sabbath Service** - 6pm Fri, Wekiwa 1
- **Catholic Mass** - 5:45pm Sat, Gatlin A3

• **What to Pack:** Avg temp 92 high, 73 low. With the pools, palm trees and sunshine, think casual. But remember, hotel meeting space with “zone” AC, can fluctuate from sweltering to freezing! Pack long sleeves & dress in easy-to-adjust layers. Days are long and the hotel is huge - pack comfy clothes & comfy shoes. Business casual works for the conference & banquets – jacket & tie totally optional. Pack for the pool, health club, tennis, golf. Pack your favorite noshes - nuts, dried fruit, prunes, power bars, chocolate, tea bags. Pack notepaper - it's not provided. And bring an extra suitcase to carry home all the books, DVDs, & funky marriage t-shirts you'll buy.

• **Attractions:** Disney, Universal, Sea World, etc are 10 mins down the road. An hour west: the Gulf of Mexico with Caladesi, ranked the #1 most beautiful beach in the country. An hour east, on the Atlantic: Kennedy Space Center & 30 mins north: St Augustine, the oldest city and fort in the U.S. Or add on a few days & head south to Miami, South Beach, the Everglades and the Keys. See attractions at [smartmarriages.com](http://smartmarriages.com)

• **Avis Discounts:** Why Avis when Enterprise has a desk at the hotel? Avis: lower rates; open Sun; a lot near the hotel with FREE pick up/drop off - you can pick up at the hotel & return at the airport, with no extra fee. (Enterprise charges a \$50 airport drop-off fee ). Use Smart Marriages code #D086788 (5-20% off - good June 29 - July 20). Pick up at the airport or call 407-370-3231 an hour in advance to schedule pick-up from the lot near the hotel - Lot #E2F.

**In case you're wondering, the 2nd most frequent complaint** is that we don't have a cloning machine and there are too many great sessions all scheduled at the same time. As soon as a cloner is available, we'll rent one. In the meantime, we've got you covered - **we record ALL workshops & keynotes.** Relax and listen without taking notes.

**Conference Recordings - On-Site Specials!**

Order at PlayBack Now counter in the Exhibit area  
See Coupon in your on-site packet for **\$100 discount on Complete Packages**  
ordered onsite at the conference. Coupon expires July 12.

• **All sessions available on Audio CD or MP3: \$15.95 each**  
**Keynotes and Banquets available on Video DVD: \$29.95 each**

• **OR, "Mix-and-Match" - Create Your Own Customized DISCOUNT Audio Package: \$159.50**  
**Choose your format: Any 10 Sessions on custom-burned MP3 CD, plus 6 more FREE!**  
**Any 10 Sessions on Audio CD, plus 2 more FREE!**

• **Complete MP3 Audio Package: Only \$295 on site!** (\$395 reg price) Take the **whole** conference home (ALL keynotes & workshops - 160+ sessions!) Perfect for car, classroom, congregations or agencies.

• **Complete Video Package:** All 24 keynotes and Banquets on DVD: \$195 (\$295 reg price).

• **The WORKS Complete Package: \$395 w coupon onsite (reg price \$495) - all audios & videos plus a FREE bonus: iPod Audio & Video DVD-ROM (for easy loading on your iPod).**

• ***SUPER DUPER* Complete Special Fully Loaded Touch iPod! Only \$695 on site!**

The perfect reason to finally get an iPod - or upgrade your old one. 16 GB video iPod TOUCH fully loaded with the entire conference - all 160+ Workshop and Keynote Sessions on audio plus Videos of all 24 Keynote speakers - at your fingertips! With plenty of space (8 GB) left to add your own music. (\$844 regular price).

**Order form will be in your on-site packet. Orders shipped immediately.**

*Personal recorders and cameras are not allowed in sessions. • Training Institutes are not recorded.*

**The third most frequent complaint** is that there are not enough breaks. **Advice: Take them when you need them!** There is no reason you must attend all sessions. (Unless you need the CE!) Take a nap, browse the exhibits, go for a swim, get a massage.

**On-line CE:** No waiting for the mail. No fees - CE included in your registration fee. Up to 64 hrs for psychologists, counselors, MFT, SW, CFLE. Visit [smartmarriages.com](http://smartmarriages.com) **from July 11 - 31** to complete your evaluation and print your form. Even if you are not interested in earning CE (continuing education) credits, please complete an evaluation. Your feedback helps us improve the next conference. **\*\*OHIO SW, MFT & counselors & UTAH SW, check [smartmarriages.com](http://smartmarriages.com) or the registration desk for important CE info or check at [smartmarriages.com](http://smartmarriages.com)**

**Become a Certified Family Life Educator!** Visit the NCFR exhibit to learn about the CFLE Exam (6pm Sat) and application process. Info: [www.ncfr.org/cert/become/](http://www.ncfr.org/cert/become/) 888-781-9331. Pick up a CFLE ribbon at the NCFR booth.

**Child Care:** Call the hotel concierge 407-996-9939 in advance for referrals. No children/ babies in sessions.

**BEFORE you leave home,** visit [www.smartmarriages.com/conferencedetails.html](http://www.smartmarriages.com/conferencedetails.html) for all kinds of helpful hints.

**Disclaimer:** This information is provided for your convenience.

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**Note:** All public areas including EXHIBIT area are patrolled by 24 hr camera surveillance. Smile, you're on camera.

**Conference Etiquette: Be Considerate of Presenters and Colleagues**

**TURN OFF CELL PHONES!**

**Sessions close 15 mins after start time. No admission after that point.**

**Make room: Move to seats in the center. Move to front.**

**Do not go in and out of sessions – VERY distracting!**

**No laptop note taking. No recording devices. No kids or babies.**

**Use microphones when asking questions. Be brief. State your name & where you're from.**

**Wear your badges high on your lapel, so door monitors can quickly read session #'s & keep things moving.**

**Door monitors are wearing red STAFF ribbons. Help them make things run smoothly.**

**Door Prize Drawings**

Here are some of the prizes to be given away at the drawings held 5 mins BEFORE each keynote.

You must be present in the ballroom to win.

Keynote door prizes are drawn from conference registrations - if you are registered, you are entered.

**Tues Banquet 6:25pm: Five Love Languages DVDs // Wed 6:25pm: PREP Fighting For Your Marriage DVDs**  
**• How to Avoid Marrying A Jerk & Marriage LINKS DVDs • Dibble School/Youth Curricula // Thurs 8:20am:**  
**PREP Commitment package//Thurs11:40pm: Money Habitudes DVD Kit • 10 Great Dates // Thurs 3:40pm:**  
**Prayer Journal Kit // Fri 8:25am: Couples Sexual Style & Mating in Captivity package // Fri 11:55pm:**  
**Divorce Busting Training • Torn Asunder package// Fri 3:55pm: Without Talking About It basket • Stosny**  
**Compassion Boot Camp Training// Fri 7:25pm: IMAGO's Couplehood As A Spiritual Path & Connection**  
**DVDs// Sat 8:25am: Hold Me Tight DVD Kit // Sat 7:25pm: FTF University Tuition • Basic Training DVD**  
**Series • Digital Life Coaching**

Exhibits also hold their own door prize drawings. For exhibit drawings, enter your name at each exhibit.

Bring plenty of business cards and enter early - and often!

**Book Signings/Meet the Authors - at Exhibits - Bring your cameras!**

Buy books well before the signings - they sell out!

Check book-signing schedules at exhibits. Here is a partial listing:

John Gray - *Mars & Venus in the Bedroom & Why Mars and Venus Collide* • Gary Chapman - *The Five Love Languages & The Five Languages of Apology* • Harville Hendrix - *Getting the Love You Want* • Sue Johnson - *Hold Me Tight* • Barry McCarthy - *Discovering Your Couple Sexual Style* • Steven Stosny & Pat Love - *How to Improve Your Marriage Without Talking About It* • John Van Epp - *How to Avoid Marrying a Jerk* • Michele Weiner-Davis - *Divorce Remedy* • Esther Perel - *Mating in Captivity* • Howard Markman & Scott Stanley - *12 Hours to a Great Marriage* • Doug Snyder - *Getting Beyond the Affair* • Terry Hargrave - *Boomers on the Edge & The Essential Humility of Marriage* • Bill Doherty - *Take Back Your Marriage* • Janis Spring - *How Can I Forgive You? & Life With Pop &* • Scott Haltzman - *The Secrets of Happy Families & The Secrets of Happily Married Men* • Lori Gordon - *Passage to Intimacy & Love Knots* • Mike & Harriet McManus - *Living Together* • Rita DeMaria - *The 7 Stages of Marriage* • Beverly & Jon Meyerson - *After the Glass Slipper* • Mark & Debra Laaser - *The Seven Desires of Every Heart* • Don Ferguson - *Reptiles in Love* • B. Janet Hibbs - *Try to See It My Way* • Anne Bercht - *My Husband's Affair Became the Best Thing That Ever Happened to Me* • Bev & Tom Rodgers - *The Singlehood Phenomenon* • Dave Carder - *Torn Asunder & Close Calls* • Mitch Temple - *The Marriage Turnaround* • Steven Stosny - *Love Without Hurt* • David & Claudia Arp - *The 10 Great Date series*

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Sept 1 at [SmartMarriages.com](http://SmartMarriages.com)

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We need your feedback. Please complete an online evaluation at [smartmarriages.com](http://smartmarriages.com), even if you don't need CE.  
What did you like? What was missing? Which speakers/topics do you want to see – or, see more of?

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