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To: Members of Lambda State Executive Board
From: Leadership Development Committee and Educational Excellence Committee
Re: Leadership Management Seminar

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Shining members of Lambda State! We are delighted to present to you a Leadership Management Seminar at the State Convention on April 24-26th, 2015, at the Westin Lombard Yorktown Center, Lombard, IL. If you are an emerging or new leader in your chapter or current workplace we have just the professional development opportunity for you. The seminar features three workshops; one on Friday evening and two on Saturday afternoon. The workshop is limited to 25 women and registration is required. Members are expected to attend all three seminars to receive a certificate of participation.

Descriptions of each workshop is as follows:

Session 1: 'Leaving a Legacy: Relationships in Leadership'

Presenters: Dr. Debbie LeBlanc (Beta Phi) and Dr. DJ Skogsberg (Superintendent Taft School District, Lockport)

The way that people think, behave, approach work and life as a result of having worked with you – is your leadership legacy. It has very little to do with your abilities, your measurable performance, your strategic savvy. It has everything to do with who you are, as a person, at work. It has everything to do with your natural role, (as opposed to your title and responsibilities).

Each workshop member will take a brief online assessment that will help sort out the distinctions between roles and titles, and identify where you get the greatest satisfaction and where your strengths lie. Ultimately, it gives you something to think about as you plan the kind of legacy you want to leave.

Participants will engage in lively discussion and meaningful activities resulting in a personal reflection on their own professional leadership practices.

Session 2: 'Leadership through Communication: Enhance the Clarity of Your Message'

Presenter: Dr. Joan Rog, (Beta Alpha)

Can you *adapt* your message to your listener's *schema*? Does your agenda create problems or resolve them? Do you ask questions that work? Do you *listen* to the questions asked by your audience?

Effective communication is critical to the success of any task. Discover how to create a meeting agenda that is decision-based which allows your meeting to be more efficient and purposeful. The role of a leader is to define a problem. It is important to be able to ask the questions that will allow all at the meeting to be able to solve the queries. How you define, a question/problem shapes your solution.

Session 3: 'Teaching and Leading: Finding Your Sweet Spot'

Presenter: Felisha Parsons, (Eta)

What does it take to find your "sweet spot" in teaching and leading at your school? How do you juggle all the balls in the air? What *is* meaningful to you as a teacher? How do you maintain a clear perspective of meeting all of your students' needs? What are your teacher lessons? How do you handle change?

Your responses to these questions should ignite feelings and emotions that express your compassion for teaching. There are strengths that can help you find your teacher sweet spot by placing the lens on those we teach. The most exhilarating and rewarding feeling that a teacher can experience is when students "get it" and the learning finally clicks for them.

Please complete the attached registration sheet and email or mail to

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