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ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION PACKET

Celebrate The Sociology Eclectic in Chicago!

We feel it every time we come to Chicago. Sociologist Hugh Duncan asserted that it is Chicago, not New York or Washington DC or Philadelphia, that best reflects the essence and ethos of American *Culture and Democracy* (1965). Hull House; the Chicago School; Sandburg's "Hog Butcher" designation; Historic Route 66 at Grant Park; and rich multiculturalism all contribute to Chicago's eclectic spirit and inspired this year's MSS theme, "Integrating the Sociology Eclectic: Research, Teaching and Activism."

Join us March 27-30 to share and examine how our research, teaching and activism make a difference in understanding human social life, addressing social problems and advocating for social justice. The preliminary program lists 1066 participants, 786 presentations and 247 sessions including 137 formal paper sessions, 33 panels, 30 workshops, 18 roundtables, three Author-Meets-Critics sessions, and three poster sessions. See the details of this richly diverse program on the MSS website at www.TheMSS.org.

You are especially invited to attend our plenaries and social events. Of special note are:

- *Marx in Soho*, the play written by Howard Zinn, will be performed by Bob Weick of Iron Age Theater at 3:00 PM on Thursday. The Ice Cream Social follows the performance.
- MSS President Linda Lindsey will give her Presidential Address, "Sharp Right Turn: Globalization and Gender Equity" at 4:30 PM on Friday before her Presidential Reception.
- Ray Hutchison will lead a Thursday morning tour of the neighborhoods immortalized by the Chicago School of Urban Sociology.
- Past President Susan Stall has organized a coordinated panel and tour. The panel, "Jane Addams and Hull House Revisited," is at 8:15 – 9:45 AM on Friday at the hotel. The 10:00 AM – 12:45 PM tour visits the Hull House Museum on the site of Chicago's first social settlement.
- The Welcoming T-shirt Happy Hour, Trivia Supper Buffet and Trivia Night Competition will be enjoyed Wednesday afternoon and evening.
- The MSS *Connections* Soup and Salad Buffet Luncheon on Thursday will give us more opportunity to greet old friends and meet new colleagues with similar interests.

See you in Chicago!

Barbara Keating, MSS President-Elect and 2013 Program Chair

Kimberly Maas, MSS Student Director and 2013 Assistant Program Chair



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General Annual Meeting Schedule

For more details, visit www.themss.org

| Wednesday, March 27 | | Thursday, March 28 | | Friday, March 29 | | Saturday, March 30 | |
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| | | | | 7:00 to 8:00 | ASA Chairs' Breakfast | | |
| | | 8:15 to 9:45 | Session #3 Meeting: Nominations & Elections Cttee Required orientation for new board members & committee chairs *TOUR: Discovering the Chicago School [9:00–noon] | 8:15 to 9:45 | Session #7 Pre-tour Hull-House Panel Meeting: Finance Cttee | 8:00 to 8:45 | MSS Business Meeting with coffee & rolls |
| | | 10:00 to 11:30 | Session #4 Undergraduate Posters Meeting: Social Action Cttee Meeting: Annual Meeting Cttee | 10:00 to 11:30 | Session #8 Professional & Graduate Student Posters Meeting: Teaching & Learning Cttee Meeting: Publications Cttee *TOUR: Guided Tour of Hull-House [10:00–12:45] | 9:00 to 10:30 | Session #11 Board Meeting [9:00- 12:15] |
| 11:30 | Board Meeting [11:30- 4:15] | 11:45 to 1:00 | *MSS <i>Connections</i> Lunch Presentation of Book Award and TSQ Award | 11:30 to 12:45 | Last chance to see exhibits! Meeting: Long Range Planning Committee AND Committee Chairs | 10:45 to 12:15 | Session #12 |
| 1:00 to 2:30 | Session #1 | 1:15 to 2:45 | Session #5 Meeting: Endowment Cttee Meeting: Membership Cttee | 1:00 to 2:30 | Session #9 Meeting: 2014 Program Cttee Meeting: Professional Issues & Standards Cttee Meeting: Student Issues Cttee | | |
| 2:45 to 4:15 | Session #2 | 3:00 to 4:15 | Plenary Session: <i>Marx in Soho</i> a play by Howard Zinn with Bob Weick of Iron Age Theater as Karl Marx | 2:45 to 4:15 | Session #10 Meeting: Women in the Profession Cttee Meeting: Executive Cttee Meeting: Sociological Practice Cttee | | |
| 4:15 to 5:15 | T-shirt Happy Hour | 4:20 to 4:50 | Ice Cream Social Presentation of Social Action Awards | 4:30 to 5:30 | Plenary Session: Presentation of Student Paper & Student Poster Awards Presidential Address by Linda Lindsey: <i>Sharp Right Turn: Globalization and Gender Equity</i> | | |
| 5:15 to 9:00 | *Trivia Supper Buffet and Trivia Night Competition | 5:00 to 6:30 | Session #6 <i>Being Marx in Soho</i> : A post-plenary conversation with Bob Weick Meeting: Long Range Planning Cttee Minority Scholars Cttee Peter Hall Lecture by Donileen Loseke: <i>Narratives and the Production of Emotional Meanings in Public Spaces</i> | 5:30 to 6:30 | Presidential Reception | | |
| | | 6:45 to 10:00 | Film: <i>Crash</i> *Symbolic Interactionist Banquet | 6:45 to 10:00 | Group meetings, dinners, receptions. | | |

*Items marked with this symbol require tickets purchased in advance. Tickets will be sold during the advance registration period before March 6th. If any tickets remain after March 6th, they will be offered onsite in Chicago, if feasible.

Special Events at the Annual Meeting

For more details, go to www.theMSS.org

Plenary Sessions

Marx in Soho

Karl Marx returns to earth for just one hour to defend his ideas in light of today's international social issues. 3:00 *Thursday*.

Presidential Address

Sharp Right Turn: Globalization and Gender Equity, by MSS President Linda Lindsey, Maryville University of St Louis. Presidential Reception follows. 4:30 *Friday*.

Social Events

T-shirt Happy Hour

Dress code for Wednesday's meetings? Your favorite T-shirt! Awards for the best T-shirts at Happy Hour. Cash bar. 4:15 – 5:15 *Wednesday*.

*Second Annual Trivia Supper Buffet & Trivia Night.

Get acquainted, have supper, compete for fun and for prizes! Cash bar. 5:30 – 9:00, *Wednesday*. Tickets - \$10 or \$25.

*MSS Connections Lunch

Soup & salad buffet. Connect with colleagues who have similar interests at designated tables. 11:45 – 1:00 *Thursday*. Tickets - \$10.

Ice Cream Social

MSS's signature social event. 4:20 – 4:50 *Thursday*. Free.

Special Interests

Peter M. Hall Lecture

Narratives and the Production of Emotional Meanings in Public Spaces, by Donileen Loseke, University of South Florida 5:00 – 6:15 *Thursday*.

*Symbolic Interactionist Banquet

Chicago Chophouse. Reservation required, with check, by March 10. Details online at special events page. 6:45 *Thursday*.

American Sociological Association Chairs' Breakfast

Invitations will be sent to chairs by ASA. 7:00 AM *Friday*.

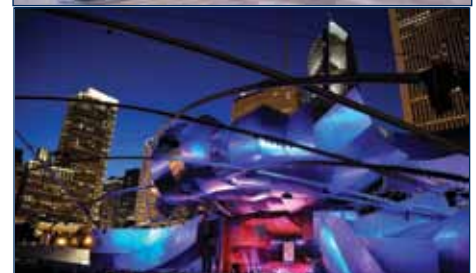
Exhibit Hall

Visit with publishers, browse books and journals. Open from noon *Wednesday* to noon *Friday*.

Awards & Meetings-at-the-Meeting

For times of award presentations, board, business and committee meetings, please see schedules online at www.TheMSS.org or in the final program, to be posted online by mid-January.

*Starred events require advance ticket purchase.



Arrive a day early - or stay late -
and explore Chicago!

Photos courtesy of ChooseChicago.
Top to bottom: Chicago Theater / Chicago
Institute of Art / Jazz at Andy's / Field Museum
Pritzker Pavilion.

Experience Chicago on MSS Tours

TOUR #1: Discovering the Chicago School

ORGANIZER: Ray Hutchison, University of Wisconsin – Green Bay
 TOUR TIME: Thursday, March 28th, 9:00 am -12:00 pm
 TOUR FEE: \$20.00 - includes bus transportation and tour materials.

The Chicago School of Urban Sociology produced some of the most memorable studies of urban life in the 1920s. While many of the neighborhoods have been lost to the aggressive urban renewal programs of the 1960s and 1990s, there is still much to see. The Gold Coast and the Slum: in many respects the near-north side neighborhoods are much the same as described by Harvey Zorbaugh in the 1920s. Artist lofts and galleries may be found in Tower Town, high-rise apartments along the Gold Coast. Several blocks away is tenement housing and the remains of the older SRO rooming houses described by Zorbaugh as the “world of furnished rooms.” Beyond that is the area known as Little Hell. This area figured prominently in Frederick Thrasher’s *The Gang* and is also the neighborhood where “Stanley,” the delinquent jack-roller, lived for the first 17 years of his life as recorded in Clifford Shaw’s *The Jack-Roller: A Delinquent Boy’s Own Story*. Cabrini Green Public Housing Projects and Marshall Field Apartments: Before the introduction of public housing, wealthy philanthropists developed private low-income housing, as seen in the vaguely art-deco Marshall Field Apartments, built in 1928. Cabrini Green was built not just in the midst of Little Italy, but at precise coordinates of Little Hell (North Avenue and Clybourne) which even in the 1920s had the highest incidence of murder in the city. The project earned a well-deserved reputation as one of the worst public housing projects in the country. Polish Peasant in Europe and America: Milwaukee-North Avenue area was the central axis for the Polish community in Chicago in the first decade of the 1900s when W.I. Thomas began work on what would become *The Polish Peasant*. Although not usually connected with the Chicago School studies, it is clear that Thomas was the pivotal figure in the Chicago School. It was Thomas who would recruit Robert Park to come to the university, and students were instructed in the collection and use of personal documents throughout the 1920s and 1930s. Although Thomas and Zaniecki discuss the social disorganization of the immigrant community, they emphasize the reconstruction of immigrant cultures in the urban metropolis. *The Hobo: The Sociology of the Homeless Man*: It seems the title of Nels Anderson’s study has obscured its relevance for urban research in the new millennium. Anderson begins by differentiating among seven different types of homeless men; the hobo is but one of these characteristic types. His descriptions of hobo life are based upon personal experience. Especially interesting are his maps showing the various urban institutions which concentrate in the area around Madison and Halsted Streets. *The Ghetto*, Louis Wirth’s dissertation, presents a study of the historical development of the Jewish ghetto in Europe and, in the second half of the book, a study of Jewish immigration and the formation of the Jewish ghettos in Chicago. We have a description of the Halsted Street ghetto in the 1920s as well as the expansion of the ghetto into “Deutschland” along 22nd Street and Independence Boulevard, where the Marx Brothers would perform in Yiddish theaters in the 1930s. Other tour topics include: Vice in Chicago, the Black Metropolis and University of Chicago/Hyde Park.

TOUR #2: Guided Tour of Hull-House

ORGANIZER: Susan Stall, Northeastern Illinois University
 TOUR TIME: Friday, March 29th, 10:00 am to 12:45 pm.
 TOUR FEE: \$19.00 - includes transportation, guided tour by Hull-House guides, handout materials.

Hull-House, Chicago’s first social settlement, was not only the private home of Jane Addams and other Hull-House residents, but also a place where immigrants of diverse communities gathered to learn, to eat, to debate, and to acquire the tools necessary to put down roots in their new country. We will tour the Museum, comprised of two of the settlement complex’s original thirteen buildings, the Hull-Home and the Residents’ Dining Hall. These spaces were used variously over the years, including as a nursery school, a library, and a salon for social and political dialogue. Jane Addams, who founded Hull-House, is considered by some to be the greatest sociologist of her day.

In a session preceding the tour, tour organizer Susan Stall will moderate an 8:15-9:45 panel presentation, “Jane Addams and Hull House Revisited,” as an optional introduction to the tour. Attend the panel presentation, the tour, or both. Advance ticket purchase is required for the tour. The panel session is open to all.

FINANCIAL AID FOR TRAVEL TO THE ANNUAL MEETING

Travel grants for students - deadline for application is March 1

Each year, the MSS offers 150 travel reimbursements of \$100 each to student MSS members who participate in the annual meeting.

To qualify you must:

1. Be a student, grad or undergrad; and be a current MSS member;
2. Participate in an annual meeting session as a presenter, organizer or discussant;
3. Pre-register for the 2013 annual meeting before Feb. 1; and
4. Submit your request for a travel grant via e-mail before midnight, March 1.

Please follow these directions to submit your request for a student travel grant:

1. Look up the number of the session in which you're participating. You will find it in the final program, which will be posted online mid-January at www.TheMSS.org
2. Put "MSS Travel Award" in the email subject line.
3. In the body of the e-mail include: your full name, your institutional affiliation, your student status [grad or undergrad], the session number(s) in which you are participating.
4. Email your request for a travel grant before midnight, March 1, to Student Director Priya Dua at pd3d2@mail.missouri.edu

If there are more than 150 eligible applicants, the 150 award winners will be randomly drawn from all applicants.

You will be notified of your award status before the meeting, and may pick up your \$100 check at the MSS registration desk in Chicago.

Questions? Email the MSS Exec Office: MidwestSS@centurytel.net

Travel grants for adjunct and contingent faculty - deadline is February 15

The MSS invites applications for the third year of its Contingent Faculty Travel Award which includes two nights at the conference hotel paid in full. Contingent faculty eligible for this award are men and women who teach in part-time/adjunct positions, and who are not graduate students.

Award Application Requirements:

1. Applicant must be a current MSS member in good standing at the time of application.
2. Applicant must be a participant in the MSS annual meeting by presenting a paper in a session or round table, serving as a panelist in a non-paper session/round table or serving as a member of an MSS committee.
3. Applications must be submitted via e-mail to the Contingent Faculty Travel Grant Committee Chair, Gayle Rhineberger-Dunn, at gayle.rhineberger@uni.edu by Feb. 15, 2013.
4. In your email, include the following information:
 - a. Type "MSS Contingent Faculty Travel Award" in the email subject line.
 - b. In the body of the e-mail include: your full name, your institutional affiliation, contact information and the name and contact information of your Department Head, and indicate that you will not be receiving any funding from your department/college/university for travel to the annual MSS meeting.
 - c. Attach (as a word or rich text format document) or include in the body of the email one of the following:
 - an abstract for a traditional paper presentation session/round table;
 - a one-paragraph description of your role in a non-paper panel/round table session; OR
 - the name of the MSS committee of which you are a member and your role on the committee.

Award Criteria

Awardees will be chosen randomly from a pool of all eligible applicants.

Withdrawal

If awardee decides not to attend the meeting at all, he/she should inform MSS at once, so that the award can be offered to another applicant.

If an awardee withdraws from his/her annual meeting participation of his/her own accord, the award will be withdrawn by MSS.

Questions? Email the MSS Exec Office: MidwestSS@centurytel.net

REGISTRATION FOR THE MEETING

Receive a deep discount when you register before March 6th for the MSS annual meeting by using the form and envelope bound into this packet; or use a credit card to register online at www.TheMSS.org

Registration is required by Feb. 1 for meeting participants; and available until March 6th for non-participating attendees.

AVOID PROBLEMS: REGISTER EARLY!

March 6 is the last day to postmark by-mail registration or to register online.

It is not unusual for several hundred people to attempt to register online on the final day of the advance registration period. The onslaught of would-be registrants can cripple the system: If something goes wrong, you may be unable to complete your transactions in time and will be forced to register onsite at a higher cost.

**AVOID problems - beat the rush!
Register WELL BEFORE March 6th!**

AUDIOVISUAL EQUIPMENT FOR MEETING PRESENTERS

Many presentation rooms will have LCD [also called digital or data or PowerPoint] projectors. YOUR presentation room WILL have one IF YOU REQUESTED IT. Please note: To use the digital projector, you or your session organizer must bring a laptop computer to hook up to the digital projector. NO computers will be provided. Confer with your session organizer to make arrangements. You are welcome to bring handouts as well.

Internet hookup is NOT available in the meeting rooms. NO other audiovisual arrangements - microphones, sound systems, DVD players - will be provided unless requested of -and approved by- the program chair BEFORE MARCH 1.

NO audiovisual equipment will be provided to roundtable presenters.

About the CONFERENCE HOTEL



RESERVATIONS

The MSS Annual Meeting will take place at the Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile, 540 North Michigan, and the hotel is offering MSS attendees a generous discount. Hotel rooms are only \$119 plus applicable taxes; the same price applies whether 1, 2, 3 or 4 persons are sharing the room. To make a reservation at the special group discount rate, please use your credit card and the 'book-a-room' link at the conference hotel web page on the MSS website.

<http://www.theMSS.org/annmtg2013hotel.html>

Your credit card will not be charged until the conference begins. Make your hotel reservation soon! The discount rate is available until March 6, or until the MSS room block is full, *whichever comes first*.

Reservation-making problems or questions?

If you have any difficulty booking a room - please.....
Contact MSS by phoning 608.787.8551 during business hours;
or by emailing MidwestSS@centurytel.net

HOTEL PARKING

Valet parking fee: \$51 daily for 24 hours with in/out privileges for hotel guests.
Off-site self-parking fee: \$36 daily with in/out privileges for hotel guests.

DIRECTIONS / MASS TRANSIT TO THE HOTEL

This hotel does not offer an airport shuttle. You can access info about Chicago mass transit, and about getting to the hotel, by using the "Maps and Transportation" link at the hotel's web site: www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/chidt-chicago-marriott-downtown-magnificent-mile/

CHILDCARE / DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

MSS will help you subsidize quality childcare so you can attend sessions during the meetings. MSS will also provide reasonable accommodation for disabilities. To arrange childcare or an accommodation, before March 6th, please contact Local Arrangements Chair David Boden by email to: Boden@lfc.edu

CONTACT US

Questions about membership, advance registration or logistics?
Contact MSS Exec Lauren Tiffany at 608.787.8551.

Questions about the program or AV equipment? Contact Program Chair Barbara Keating or her Assistant Chair, Kim Maas, at MSS2013@mnsu.edu



Combination Membership and/or Advance Registration Form

Midwest Sociological Society Annual Meeting – Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile Weds-Sat, Mar 27-30, 2013

MAIL this form with check or credit card numbers to: **MSS / 429 24th St. North / La Crosse, WI 54601.**
DEADline!!!!!! Forms postmarked after March 6 will **not** be accepted.

PART I: Name badge preference

PRINT names & affiliation exactly as desired for your conference name badge(s).

 First name / middle initial if you use one / Last name

 School or organizational affiliation [Please write out –no acronyms.]

Include affiliation named above as part of your mailing address below?
 Please CHECK yes or no. yes no

PART II: Mailing address

If your current address is printed on the back of this form, you may skip the next four lines.

 Mailing address line 1

 Mailing address line 2 [if needed]

 City AND State

 Zip or postal code / Country if not USA

 Daytime phone with area code

 Current email address [Please double-check!]

 Print spouse/companion first name AND last name.
 [No fee necessary to register your non-sociologist spouse/companion.]

PLEASE! Only DISCOVER or VISA or MASTERCARD.

PART IV: For credit card payers only.

Enter card number below. Card expiration month / year

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Street address where card is billed. Zip code where card is billed.

Your SIGNATURE as on card. _____

PART III: Compute fees. Parts C-F optional.

Please use the boxes below to indicate the fees you paid.

A. MEMBERSHIP DUES SKIP to Part B if your 2013 dues already paid!

- \$23 Student
- \$60 Regular
- \$75 Joint [2 persons sharing home mailing address & publications]
- \$120 Sustaining*
- \$150 Joint & sustaining*

*A portion of your sustaining dues will be contributed to the MSS Award/Scholarship and Crockett Endowment Funds.

B. ADVANCE REGISTRATION FEES – until Mar 6th.

- \$35 Student MSS member [Onsite registration rate will be \$55.]
- \$90 Regular MSS member [Onsite rate - \$120.]
- \$110 Nonmember rate [Onsite rate - \$150.]

C. OPTIONAL TOUR FEES** See full tour descriptions in this packet, or online at <http://www.themss.org/annmtg2013tours.html>

**If bringing a companion on tours, please purchase two tickets. Below, please indicate number of tickets desired for each tour in the first box in each line; and total ticket cost for that tour in the second box in each line.

- @ \$20 = #1 Discovering the Chicago School Thurs, 3/28, 9– noon.
- @ \$19 = #2 Hull-House Tour Fri, 3/29, 10:00 - 12:45 pm.
- TOTAL – ALL TOUR FEES

D. TRIVIA NIGHT [Your ticket includes buffet supper, competition & cash bar.]

Weds, 5:15 – 9 pm. Details in this packet or online at <http://www.themss.org/annmtg2013trivia.html>

Select only one box, please.

- \$10 Student MSS member
- \$25 Regular MSS member
- \$125 Sponsor*** a table of eight.

***Table sponsors will be emailed for names of your table-mates.

E. CONFERENCE T-SHIRT Details in this packet or online at

<http://www.themss.org/annmtg2013tshirt.html>

Please indicate quantity for each size.

- Adult small Adult medium Adult large Adult extra-large
- TOTAL number of t-shirts @ \$15 each.
- TOTAL PAYMENT DUE - ALL T-SHIRTS

F. MSS CONNECTIONS SOUP & SALAD LUNCH Details in this packet or online.

- @ \$10 =
- TOTAL PAYMENT DUE - ALL LUNCH TICKETS

PART V: ENTER TOTAL FEES HERE

\$ ENTER IN BOX AT LEFT total of all fees parts A – F, above.

Please double-check your math! 8-)

Enclose check made payable to MSS. OR complete Part IV at left.
 Mail to: MSS, 429 24th St. North, La Crosse, WI 54601

QUESTIONS?

- Unsure of membership status? Check the back of this packet for our membership expiration date, or email MidwestSS@centurytel.net.
- See all conference info & updates at www.TheMSS.org



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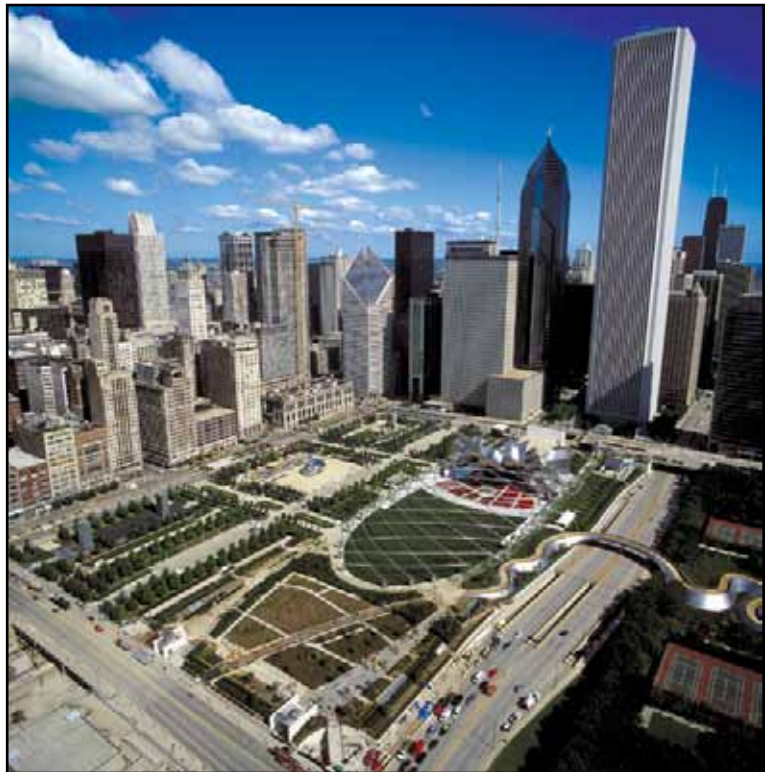
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REGISTER NOW so you can join your friends and colleagues at the Chicago Marriott Downtown, Wednesday, March 27, to Saturday, March 30, for the 2013 MSS Annual Meeting.

But first.....
check your membership status!

See the address block above.
If it says '2012' or any previous year, your membership has EXPIRED. If you have 'expired,' please renew before Feb. 1 to be eligible to participate in the annual meeting, to keep your subscriptions coming, and to remain eligible for committee service, MSS awards, and MSS research grants.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP by using the form inside this packet; or use a credit card to renew online on the membership page at the MSS website, www.TheMSS.org



Millennium Park, Chicago's Favorite Green Space

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