

Buffalo

Karen Ellis

From: "Rick Bellwood" <buck@eisa.com>
To: "WNGGA" <wngga@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2004 7:00 AM
Subject: Re: Buffalo Accomodations

Will do John. I have a number of questions for the hotel so I will try to get all the details and get back to you, probably tomorrow or Friday.

Myfanwy

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From: WNGGA
To: Rick Bellwood
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2004 9:54 AM
Subject: Re: Buffalo Accomodations

Thanks for the reply, Myfanwy. In getting the details sorted, there are a couple of things to consider on our end. First, we will require a suite as Ellis Jones has indicated that the extra space has always been used to store various things from banners to hymnals. I imagine the event chairperson would take on such encumbrances as well. Secondly, accommodation expenses for myself and one member of HQ staff (Jackie-Karen can share my room!) are covered by the WNGGA one way or the other. By using the complementary suite, the money doesn't actually come out of the WNGGA's pockets unless we don't meet the 90% requirement. The best bet is to stick to the terms laid out in the contract- that the complementary suites are for the executive director and the festival chairperson. The terms of the contract can be pointed out to others who feel they have a claim to complementary accommodations, and they can then take up the issue of the WNGGA covering their expenses in some other form with Huw Williams and the executive committee.

At any rate, let Karen know how we should proceed in making our reservations.

Yours truly,
 John

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From: Rick Bellwood
To: WNGGA
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2004 7:27 PM
Subject: Re: Buffalo Accomodations

Hi Karen,

This is not a simple answer.

I have pulled out my contract to re-read the wording. (You should have a copy on file somewhere, so you can check me on this)

My understanding is that we will be given 2 complimentary suites for Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, IF we sell 90% of our meeting block of bedrooms.

The contract states that the suites go to the Executive Director of the Organization and the Event Chairperson.

No other free rooms are given. The contract says they will credit our Master Account for the value of one room night for each 50 room nights sold.

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Now for the complications. Many years ago it was decided that the WNGGA would pay for some of Nelson Llewellyn's expenses when he attends a Gymanfa. (Room, registration, tickets) Usually the local committee gets a certain number of free rooms and the WNGGA President and WNGGA Executive Director get theirs from that allotment. Then the WNGGA pays for the rooms for the other members of the Executive.

Some time ago I was speaking to Lynn about Nelson's arrangements and she assumed she would get one suite and I would get the other. She said Nelson's room should be charged to the Master Account so that it is covered by the credit.

So, I guess we need to sort this out with the hotel. I will also be arriving on Tuesday. It's not a big deal if I don't get a suite, but considering the work I've put in, I am insisting on my room being covered. I plan to pay for my registration, as all my committee have been told to do.

I also found out that the Americans on the Board and Planning Committee can use their expenses as some sort of Income Tax deduction. We don't have that luxury in Canada. Another reason I think I deserve a little reward.

I have a number of questions to pose to the hotel in the near future, so I will ask them how much the suites would cost and we can decide on a plan of action then. Is that OK with you?

Bye now,
Myfanwy

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From: WNGGA
To: [Myfanwy Davies](#)
Sent: Tuesday, February 10, 2004 4:31 PM
Subject: Buffalo Accomodations

Hi Myfanwy,

John wanted me to contact you with a quick question. It was his understanding that headquarters would be provided with one of the complimentary suites in Buffalo. What do we need to do to book the room (arriving Tuesday/departing Monday). We will also need a room for Jackie. Are there any "staff" rooms provided by the contract (complimentary or reduced rate?) If not, we will book a regular room and be reimbursed by the WNGGA.

Regards,
Karen

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