



TO: RAD Chapter President(s)  
FR: Steven J. Schumacher, RAD Secretary  
DATE: April 23, 2009  
RE: Conference Bid for the 2013 and 2015 RAD Conference

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We, the RAD Board, hope spring has been treating everyone kindly -- summer is just around the corner, and before we know it, the famed RAD 2009 Conference in Chicago, Illinois will be here. We hope everyone already purchased their individual or combo tickets!

The conference is what brings us all together in one place -- where young meets old, where we see old friends and new friendships and relationships are created, and our identity and lives are shared. It is your chapter's opportunity to consider hosting the 2013 or 2015 RAD conference in your hometown! To consider bidding, please read the criteria to ensure that your chapter is ready before submitting a letter of interest.

- 1) A conference bidder must be an affiliated chapter of the Rainbow Alliance of the Deaf.
- 2) The conference bidder must be in good standing, as an RAD chapter for at least four (4) years and have a minimum of \$2,500 in conference bidder's bank account.

To learn more about RAD's bidding requirements, please review the RAD Conference Policy & Guidelines (CPG). You will need to read:

- Conference Policy Article IV Requirement (page 3 and 4)
- Conference Guidelines Articles VI Plan (page 3 & 4), VII Bid (page 3), XIV Action Plan (page 7).

You may obtain the Conference Policy at [http://www.rad.org/library/2007\\_CONF\\_POLICY.pdf](http://www.rad.org/library/2007_CONF_POLICY.pdf) and Conference Guidelines at [http://www.rad.org/library/2007\\_CONF\\_GUIDELINE.pdf](http://www.rad.org/library/2007_CONF_GUIDELINE.pdf)

If your chapter is interested in bidding for the 2013 or 2015 conference, send me your letter of interest by certified mail, postmarked on or before June 1, 2009, along with \$50.00 money order only in USA money, made payable to RAD. Please include a letter from a hotel acknowledging or confirming your chapter's interest in hosting 2013 or 2015 RAD Conference (a letter doesn't mean you have negotiated just that you have talked with a hotel). The conference dates shall be anytime from June to August with a Thursday and Friday set aside for delegate meeting and a Saturday as backup. Please include two possible dates to host the conference. RAD will refund the \$50.00 fee if your chapter does not win the bid for the conference of 2013 or 2015.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [RADSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:RADSecretary@gmail.com) or write a letter to me at 9804 Walker House Road, #4, Montgomery Village, MD 20886.

RAD Board hopes you and your chapter members will consider hosting the 2013 RAD Conference or 2015 RAD Conference

Good Luck!

cc: RAD Board

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