



**Preliminary Conference Schedule**

**Annual MARE Conference**  
***“Creating a Challenging Learning Environment in Rural Schools”***

March 4-6, 2010

Thursday, March 4, 2010

10:00 a.m. – Registration Opens

1:30 p.m. – Special Pre-Conference Session – *“Student Safety in a Digital World”*  
(Presented by Duane Martin and a member of Western MO Cyber Crimes Taskforce)

5:30 p.m. – Hospitality Room Open (Room 210)

7:30 p.m. – MARE Executive Board Meeting

Friday, March 5, 2010

8:00 a.m. – Registration Opens

8:30 a.m. – *School Board Training Begins*

9:00 a.m. – Welcome and Opening Remarks

**First General Session –**

- *Session 1 – Mickes Goldman Legal Team – Legal Update (Tom Mickes/Terri Goldman)*
- *Session 2 – Chris Straub – School Budget issues for 2010*

11:45 a.m. – Luncheon (included in registration fee)

1:00 p.m. – Small Group Sessions

2:00 p.m. – **Second General Session** with Tom Durkin of Attorney Generals Office

3:00 p.m. – **Third General Session** – Keynote Speaker –  
Michael Johnson – Southern Humorist/National Columnist

4:30 p.m. – Annual MARE Membership Business Meeting

5:30 p.m. – Hospitality Room by Associate Members

Exhibits Open

Saturday, March 6, 2010

7:15 a.m. – Registration Opens  
Breakfast (included in registration fee)

8:00 a.m. – Exhibits Open

8:30 a.m. – *School Board Training*

8:30 a.m. – Small Group Sessions

9:30 a.m. – Small Group Sessions

11:00 a.m. – **Fourth General Session** – *Guin Martin School Law Firm (Duane Martin/Shellie Guin)*

12:30 p.m. – Luncheon (included in registration fee)

-- Outstanding Rural Education Awards

(Meeting Adjournment)