Sheraton Society Hill, Philadelphia, PA

http://www.starwoodhotels.com/sheraton/search/
hotel_detail.html?propertyID=166

Saturday June 24 -

Wednesday June 28, 2006

Update at WG10.4 Puerto Rico

Hotel Information:

Meeting Rooms

- Number of Meeting Rooms: 10

- Largest Meeting Room seats: 950

- Internet access in rooms and meeting rooms

- Philadelphia is trying to get city-wide wireless hot-spot facility

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- Social Event Possibilities:

    – Exclusive tour and dinner in Philadelphia Museum of Art

    – Cruise and dinner on Spirit of Philadelphia

    – Baseball game

    – … ???

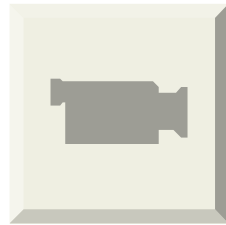# Local Attractions

- Independence Hall, Liberty Bell - 0.3 mi/0.4 km
- Betsy Ross House, Constitution Center - 0.3 mi/0.4 km
- Philadelphia Museum of Art - 2.0 mi/3.2 km
- Penn's Landing, Spirit of Philadelphia - 0.1 mi/0.1 km
- Independence Seaport Museum - 0.1 mi/0.1 km
- Horse-Drawn Carriage Tours - 0.1 mi/0.2 km
- Downtown - 0.6 mi/1.0 km
- Philadelphia Orchestra - 2.0 mi/3.2 km
- Sesame Place - 23.0 mi/37.0 km
- Atlantic City - 50.0 mi/80.5 km
- New Jersey State Aquarium - 3.0 mi/4.8 km
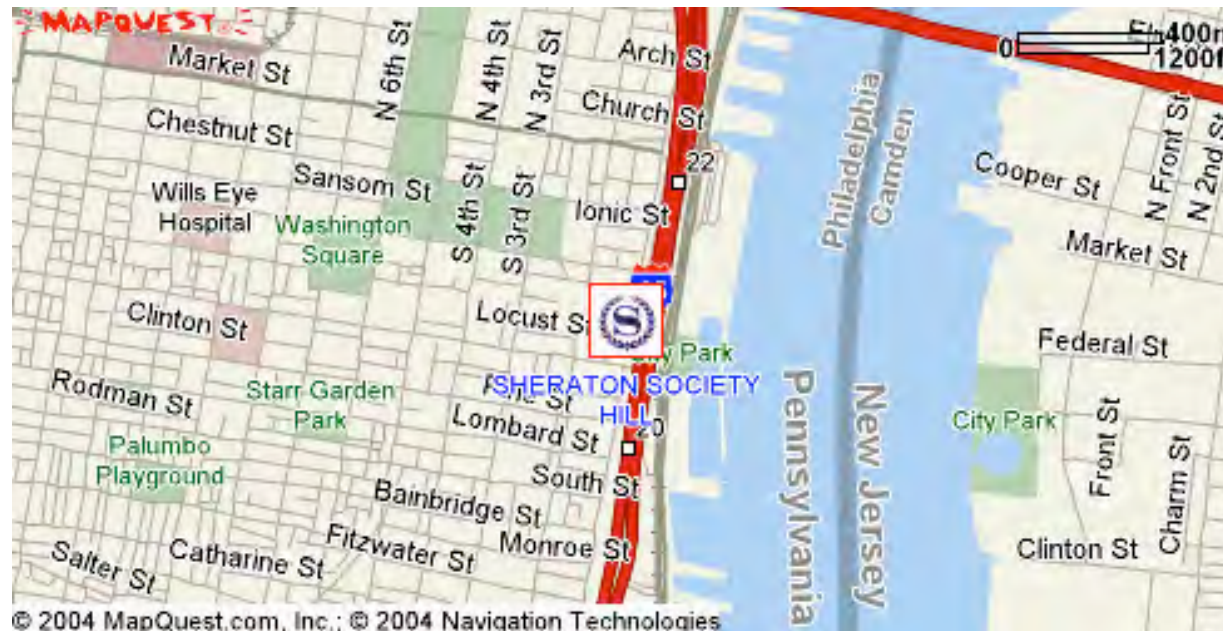- Philadelphia Sports Teams: Eagles, Phillies, Flyers, 76ers

Philadelphia, PA:

Video available at
http://www.pcvb.org/mtgplanners/cs_video.asp

Philadelphia: Accessibility

- Philadelphia International Airport: 10 miles from hotel

    – Daily flights from/to most cities in U.S. and Europe

- "Liberty Shuttle" for transportation tøfrom City Hotels ($8.00 one way)

- Newark International (80 miles) and JFK (110 miles)

- Amtrak trains from EWR and NYC/NJ to Philadelphia

Estimated costs

Rooms (Reservation cut-off date June 2)	$159
Breaks	$15
Luncheons	$45
Meeting space	Complimentary or charge based on hotel room bookings
A/V + Internet + Computer + …	$25,0000
Reception	$40 - $50
Social + Banquet	$125 - $150
On-time Registration	Member: $640-$670 Non-Member: $750-$800 Student: $250-$300

Organization Schedule

- Had to prepare a draft TMRF for preliminary approval by IEEE CS before hotel contract was signed in November 2004

    – Several issues with IEEE CS; process took 6 months

- Funding calls: any help would be most appreciated

- Filling-in the other committee positions: suggestions welcome

- Print CFP by June'05

- Decide Social Event

- WG10.4 meeting location possibilites: Cape May, NJ or Pocono Mountains in PA

- And so on …