

LIAISON MEMORANDUM NUMBER 09-02

To: Agency Liaison Officers

From: Cindy Rougeou
Executive Director

Re: 2009 Pre-Retirement Education Program (PREP) Seminar Schedule

Date: **February 2, 2009**

For the convenience of LASERS members throughout the state, the new 2009 LASERS PREP Seminar Schedule is available on the LASERS website.

Members can visit the LASERS website, www.lasersonline.org, and refer to *Seminar {Register for a Seminar}* to locate and register for PREP Seminars statewide. The search results are sorted by date and location. Members can download an application or schedule from the "Seminars/PREP" section of the LASERS website or complete an electronic PREP Seminar application to be automatically submitted online.

The PREP Seminar series is designed to help LASERS members make informed decisions about their retirement plans. We request that you allow your employees to attend PREP Seminars without requiring them to use annual leave.

All 2009 PREP Seminars will be held from 8:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. PREP topics include:

- Eligibility requirements for retirement
- DROP and Initial Benefit Option (IBO), survivor benefits
- "Air Time" purchase of service credit
- LA Deferred Compensation
- Social Security
- Group Benefits

We appreciate your support of the LASERS Pre-Retirement Education Program. For more information about PREP, or to schedule a PREP-To-Go seminar for your agency, please contact LASERS Retirement Education Consultant, Janet Harris at (225) 922-0819.

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