

## APIC's Raffle for the Research Foundation

We will be holding a raffle throughout the duration of the Annual Conference with four large-ticket items:

1. *An iPod touch along with a free download of audio recordings from the 2009 Annual Conference*

The 16GB iPod touch lets users play games, music, movies, TV Shows, You Tube clips and more, along with connecting to the Internet. Users can store up to 3,500 songs, 20 hours of video or 20,000 iPod-viewable photos. Marketed by Apple as “the funnest iPod ever”, the iPod touch allows for users to connect to the Internet wherever wireless connections are available and allows for users to watch hours of videos and films on a crisp, clear 3.5-inch color widescreen display. A built-in speaker lets users hear the music, dialogue, and action without headphones, perfect for casual listening. The iPod touch is Mercury-free and PVC-free, keeping with Apple’s environmentally sustainable policies. For more information, visit: <http://www.apple.com/ipodtouch>. Conference audio recordings will be made available 10-15 business days following the conference.

2. *A Coach handbag along with the new 2009 APIC Text*

A medium-sized handbag, the Coach Signature Sateen Tote in neutral (khaki / brown) features brass hardware and leather trim. The new 2009 APIC Text of Infection Control and Epidemiology is the definitive source for clinical standards in infection prevention and patient safety. As the essential professional reference for infection preventionists, the 2009 APIC Text will include updates on the latest guideline and regulation changes, as well as advancements in technology and clinical practice. The retail cost for the 2009 APIC Text is \$475 for members / \$625 for non-members.

3. *A laptop computer*

This sleek, black mini-laptop is an Acer Aspire One “Netbook” subcompact 8.9” notebook computer. The laptop features a 160GB hard drive, USB mouse and Windows XP, and comes with a carrying case. This computer was generously donated by APIC Houston Chapter #006.

4. *Free registration for the 2010 APIC Annual Conference, and a suite at the W Hotel in New Orleans for the length of the conference*

The W Hotel in New Orleans is part of the Starwood Hotel network and features an outdoor, rooftop pool equipped with poolside cabanas and televisions; a 24-hour fitness center; a complimentary ride around New Orleans with a personal driver in a world-class luxury SUV - Acura MDX; and countless amenities. This hotel is pet-friendly with services specifically for four-legged friends. This prize includes complimentary registration for the entire 2010 APIC Annual Conference.

Tickets will be available at the Exhibit Hall, the APIC Store, the Mega Booth and from roaming APIC staff members. Cash and checks will be accepted at all locations; additionally, credit cards will be accepted at the APIC Store. Tickets will be available as follows: \$5 / ticket, \$20 / 5 tickets, \$50 / 20 tickets. The raffle drawing will take place on Thursday, June 11th at 9am in Hall C. Anyone is eligible to win prizes, and winners do not need to be present to win. All proceeds will be used to fund future APIC Foundation research studies.

The way it works: Each of the four prizes will have its own raffle drum. Raffle ticket buyers will receive both parts of the raffle ticket, and will place their ticket stub in the raffle drum corresponding to the prize of their choice. For example, if you would like to increase your chances of winning the computer, every ticket you purchase can go into the computer’s raffle drum, and you would only be entered for that particular prize.

Because this is our most important fundraiser and occurs only once per year, we ask chapters to help support the effort by making a financial contribution to both offset the costs of the raffle items and to help ensure the fundraiser's success. We have identified the following giving levels: Platinum Level (\$1,000 +), Gold Level (\$500-\$999), Silver Level (\$250-\$499), Bronze Level (\$100-\$249) and Patron Level (under \$100). A large printed donor board will stand next to the raffle items, so that we can recognize the names and numbers of chapters who make a donation. This is one way to say thank you to all of our local chapter leaders and members who are the lifeblood of our organization, and without whom our fundraiser would not be possible.

Because we will need time to prepare the donor board, those chapters who donate or make a pledge before Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup> will have their chapter name and number pre-printed on the donor board. Those chapters who donate after May 20<sup>th</sup> or at the Annual Conference will have their chapter name added to the board. Donations may be made out to "APIC Research Foundation" and mailed to:

Research Foundation Raffle  
Attention: Heidi Vaniman  
1275 K Street NW, Suite 1000  
Washington, DC 20005

Thank you in advance for your support!