

Come help us celebrate

National FOI Day!

at the first annual

Florida Sunshine Summit

Wednesday, March 16 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

doors open and registration begins at 6:30 p.m.

University of South Florida/Tampa

Communications & Information Sciences Building, Room 1048

Come help us celebrate National Freedom of Information Day at USF the evening of March 16. Citizens, journalists, and attorneys will engage in a lively discussion about Florida's famed open government laws and their struggles accessing the records and meetings of our government. During the second half of the program, representatives of various state organizations – the Attorney General's Office, Governor Rick Scott's Office of Open Government, the Brechner Center for Freedom of Information, and the First Amendment Foundation – will provide helpful information and advice, and Ken Bunting, director of the National Freedom of Information Coalition, will talk about the Knight FOI Litigation grant fund, administered by the NFOIC.

Famed Pulitzer Prize winning journalist **LUCY MORGAN** will kick off the evening as our keynote speaker, and **JON KANEY**, senior counsel for the First Amendment Foundation, will serve as moderator.

Best of all? It's FREE!

You can pre-register by emailing <u>Katie@floridafaf.org</u> or calling the First Amendment Foundation, 800/337-3518. You'll find directions to the CIS building as well as hotel information below. A campus map is attached.

See you in TAMPA!

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<u>Driving Directions to the USF/Communications & Information Sciences Building:</u> Turn off Fowler Avenue onto Leroy Collins Drive. Turn right at the first light, Alumni Drive, then take the first left. The Communications & Information Sciences building is immediately ahead on the right. You can park anywhere. There will have signs directing you to the symposium.

<u>Hotel Information:</u> We've reserved a block of rooms at the **La Quinta Inn**, 3701 East Fowler, Tampa, Florida. To get the group rate of \$85 per night for a room with double beds and \$95 per night for a room with a king-sized bed, please call the Group and Tour Department at **1-866-527-1498** and **identify yourself as a member of the First Amendment Foundation party**. The Block confirmation number is **0977GRKKDG**.

Reservations must be made no later than February 23 in order to obtain the group rate.