Dear PMIGers:

It is time once again to make plans to attend this year's Person Memory Interest Group meeting, prior to the SESP conference in Portland, Maine. Our meeting this year will be held at Spruce Point Inn in Boothbay Harbor, Maine. The Inn is located on a peninsula with fabulous views of the Atlantic Ocean. It has an oceanfront saltwater pool as well as a heated freshwater pool, plus facilities for hiking, biking, or kayaking. The Inn is wheelchair accessible. You can find more information at http://www.sprucepointinn.com/

Last year's conference was held at the Institute of Noetic Sciences in Petaluma, California, which by general agreement offered just about the best food and the most striking setting for our meeting that we have ever enjoyed. If you have not already done so, take a look at the photos linked on the PMIG website, http://www.indiana.edu/~soccog/pmig.html. More than 50 people attended and heard some excellent talks on a variety of topics relating to social cognition. A major highlight of the conference was the presentation of the Thomas M. Ostrom Award for the year 2008 to Mick Rothbart. This award is presented annually at our meetings.

As is our tradition, the formal program sessions will be held all day Wednesday (October 14) and Thursday morning (October 15). After lunch on Thursday we'll leave for the SESP convention in Portland. However, we strongly encourage people to arrive on Monday (October 12) if possible, to enjoy a full day Tuesday of exploring the outdoors, sightseeing, talking with long-time friends, getting to know newcomers to our meetings, and general informal activity. This aspect of our schedule has become a valued hallmark of PMIG meetings and people find that it's much more than a day of relaxation; it's also a time of merging science with nature, of informal sharing of ideas, of learning about others' research in one-to-one conversations, etc.

**IMPORTANT: PROCEDURES FOR REGISTRATION ARE DIFFERENT THIS YEAR.** Unlike most previous years, registration will occur in two separate steps. There are TWO registration forms at the end of this letter, and each one indicates in LARGE PRINT what you need to do with it. *You must take both of these steps by September 10 to be fully registered for the conference!*

1. Register for the meeting, including indicating your desire to give a talk, by mailing the first registration form to Dave Hamilton, as usual.
2. Register for room accommodations by faxing or mailing your credit card information to the Inn on the second registration form. They will charge your credit card at that time.
(Refunds are available, less a $25 fee, if you must cancel more than 14 days before the conference.)

**Costs and Accommodations.** Costs of attending PMIG will once again be quite reasonable this year. All accommodation fees include room plus meals. You can arrive on either Monday or Tuesday. Your fees cover all meals beginning with dinner on your day of arrival, and extending through lunch on Thursday, after which we transfer to the SESP Convention in Portland. The costs will be as follows:

**For Monday Arrivals:**
- Double Room + Meals = $392 per person
- Single Room + Meals = $481 per person

**For Tuesday Arrivals:**
- Double Room + Meals = $270 per person
- Single Room + Meals = $322 per person

If you request a double room, the registration form you will fax or mail to the inn will allow you to indicate a preference for a roommate, but please confirm that arrangement with that person prior to making your reservation. If you wish to share a room but do not have a specific person in mind, you will be assigned a same-gender roommate.

The registration deadline is September 10, 2009. This deadline is **firm** and the Inn cannot guarantee the special group rates if you do not FAX or MAIL them your registration information to arrive by this date!

**Conference Registration Fee.** The registration fee this year will be **$55.** This fee covers the cost of renting space for our meeting room and hospitality room, the costs of supplying the hospitality room for our evening relaxation time, as well as other costs associated with putting on the conference. **Please mail your registration fee check, made out to PMIG, to Dave Hamilton no later than September 10.** Non-U.S. residents who do not have easy access to U.S. funds can pay the fee in cash at the conference. Receipts for the registration fee will be available at the conference.

**Travel and Arrival.** The Inn is located in Boothbay Harbor, about 59 miles northeast of Portland. Directions and a map are available at [http://www.sprucepointinn.com/over_index.htm](http://www.sprucepointinn.com/over_index.htm) by clicking the Directions link.

The registration form asks you to **indicate your day and time of arrival** (if you are driving in rather than flying, please indicate). As always, we need people to share rides from the airport to the conference site, so please indicate (a) if you are planning to (willing to) rent a car or (b) if you will need a ride. As in the past, we will circulate information on arrival days and times so people can coordinate transportation. **Note:** In the past, many people have not provided their flight arrival information on their
registration forms. If you haven't booked flights by the time you mail your registration form, please email Dave and/or Eliot once you know your schedule.

Presentations. The registration form asks you to indicate whether you would like to speak at this year's meeting. We typically have more requests to speak than we have time slots on the program. As in the past, the organizers will select speakers according to a sophisticated algorithm that incorporates many complex factors and reflects the organizers' immense combined wisdom and experience. We will let you know whether or not you are selected for this year's program as soon as possible. Although graduate students are welcome (indeed, encouraged) to attend PMIG, they are not invited to make presentations. A data projector for computer presentations will be available for speakers; if you need additional equipment, please let us know on the registration form.

Questions? If your questions are not answered in this letter or at the PMIG website http://www.indiana.edu/~soccog/pmig.html, email either of us to ask.

We hope to see you at PMIG ‘09! Remember to (a) mail the first registration form, along with a check for $55 made out to PMIG, to Dave no later than September 10, and (b) fax or mail the second registration form directly to the Inn no later than September 10.

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PERSON MEMORY INTEREST GROUP 2009

Spruce Point Inn, October 13-15, 2009
REGISTRATION FORM

Name______________________________________________
Address:

_____________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________

Phone number:_________________ Email:__________________________

I will arrive on: _____ Monday, October 12
_____ Tuesday, October 13

If flying:
Arrival time:______________________
Airline & flight number: ____________________________
_____ I will rent a car at Portland airport and can provide rides for others
_____ I will need a ride from Portland airport

I would like to give a presentation: Yes _____ No _____ (No presentations by graduate students)
Title of presentation: ___________________________________________

Please provide a 2-3 sentence summary on an attached page.

Dietary restrictions, allergies, etc.: ________________________________

I HAVE FAXED OR MAILED THE SECOND REGISTRATION FORM
INCLUDING MY CREDIT CARD INFORMATION DIRECTLY TO THE INN. I
UNDERSTAND THAT I AM NOT REGISTERED UNTIL I DO THAT AS WELL
AS MAILING IN THIS FORM.

Yes _______

Return this form with a check for $55 (payable to PMIG) by September 10 to:
Dave Hamilton
Department of Psychology
UC Santa Barbara
Santa Barbara, CA 93106

Mail this form to Dave Hamilton
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PERSON MEMORY INTEREST GROUP (PMIG)
Accommodation Reservation form for the Spruce Point Inn Resort & Spa
October 12-15, 2009

Package 1 - Includes: Monday night accommodations & Dinner, Tuesday night accommodations & Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Wednesday night accommodations & Breakfast, Lunch. All taxes and service fees included

_____ Single Occupancy $481.00 per person
_____ Double Occupancy $392.00 per person

Package 2 - Includes: Tuesday night accommodations & Dinner, Wednesday night accommodations & Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner, Thursday Breakfast, Lunch. All taxes and service fees included

_____ Single Occupancy $322.00 per person
_____ Double Occupancy $270.00 per person

Reservations along with full payment at time of reserving must be received by September 10, 2009 in order to be confirmed. Reservations are based upon first come first served. All reservations must be made by faxing this form to 207-633-6347. Availability and package rates cannot be guaranteed after September 10, 2009. No telephone reservations will be accepted.

Check in time is 3:00pm and check out time is 11:00am. Cancellations must be received in writing 15 days prior to arrival in order to be refundable, minus a $25.00 processing fee. Cancellations made 14 days or less prior to arrival will result in forfeiture of total deposit.

Last Name: ___________________________ First Name: __________________________________________
Daytime Phone: ______________________ Fax: ___________________ Email: __________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________________
# of Guests: __________ Sharing with: __________________________
Arrival Date: ________________________ Departure Date: ____________________________
Credit Card Type: ____________________ Credit Card Number: _____________________________
Card Holder Name: ____________________ Expiration Date: _____________________________
Signature: ____________________________ Date: ________________________________
Special Request (including dietary restrictions, allergies, etc.) ___________________________________________________________________________

The Spruce Point Inn will make every attempt to meet all special requests. Ability to meet requests will depend entirely on availability at the time of booking. Please direct any questions to Cindy Poe at 800-553-0289, (inquiries only, reservations will only be taken by fax).

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